

Vacancy No:	INT_001_2024
Post Title:	Intern, Communications and Social Media
Organizational Unit:	Directorate – Communications Team
Duty Station:	Turin, Italy
Duration:	6 months
Deadline for applications:	18 March 2024
Remuneration:	€450 per month

At the United Nations System Staff College (UNSSC), the paramount consideration in the recruitment and employment of staff is the necessity of securing the highest standards of efficiency, competence and integrity, with due regard to geographic diversity. All employment decisions are made on the basis of qualifications and organizational needs. UNSSC is committed to creating a diverse and inclusive environment of mutual respect. The United Nations recruits and employs staff regardless of gender identity, sexual orientation, race, religious, cultural and ethnic backgrounds or disabilities. Reasonable accommodation for applicants with disabilities may be provided to support participation in the recruitment process when requested and indicated in the application.

Organizational Context

The United Nations System Staff College (UNSSC) is dedicated to serving the learning and knowledge needs of the UN system and partner organizations. We create first-rate learning experiences grounded in the bedrock values of multilateralism and dignity for all enshrined in the UN charter. Participants in our programmes rely on UNSSC to enhance their knowledge and skills across leadership and management, sustainable development, and peace and security. UNSSC is headquartered in Turin, Italy with an office in Bonn, Germany.

Communications are critical for advancing UNSSC's mission and raising its profile among UN staff and, increasingly, beyond the UN. Communications should aim to position the UN System Staff College as the learning organization for the UN system (and beyond) and help boost the number of UN staff taking part in UNSSC courses. Staff within the UN system – and increasingly outside the UN system – need to know that UNSSC is a leading provider of learning and knowledge on the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, on peace and security, and on leadership and management. Twitter, LinkedIn, Instagram and Facebook can help position the Staff College's offerings and expand enrolment in UNSSC's learning programmes and tailored solutions.

Terms of reference

The selected intern will apply her/his skills in the field of communications and will report to the Team Lead, Communications and Outreach. S/he will gain an understanding of the UN's work in general, and in the area of communications, in particular.

Specifically, the intern will be responsible for the following activities:

- Updating social media platforms regularly with platform-specific content;
- Drafting communication materials including marketing emails, newsletters and web content;
- Supporting the execution of communication campaigns, events and other outreach activities;
- Assisting in drafting press releases, speeches and articles.
- Provide substantive and administrative assistance as required and perform any other duties as assigned by the supervisor

Required Skills

Education:

Applicants can be considered if they meet one of the following:

- Are enrolled in a Master's or in a Ph.D. programme; or
- Are enrolled in the final year of a Bachelor's programme; or
- Are within one year after graduation from a Bachelor's, Master's or Ph.D. programme. in the field of communications, public relations, languages, journalism or equivalent.

Experience:

Previous work experience is not required, however **experience in the field of communications and public relations** and **experience working with professional social media platforms are considered an asset**. Knowledge of the UN is an advantage.

Language competencies:

Excellent command of written and spoken English required. Knowledge of another UN language (Arabic, Chinese, French, Russian and Spanish) is an advantage.

Computer skills:

Excellent computer skills in the Microsoft Office suite.

Other skills and competencies:

- Ability to learn and act in a fast-paced environment.
- Ability to work effectively as part of a team.
- High motivation to learn and grow professionally.
- Ability to work in a multicultural, multi-ethnic environment and to maintain effective working relations with people of different national and cultural backgrounds;

Submission of applications

The application (in English) should include the following:

- An up-to-date curriculum vitae (resume)
- a motivation letter elaborating in a concise style why you consider yourself qualified for this position; and
- For applicants who are currently enrolled in a degree programme, an endorsement from their University or Sponsoring Institution is required;

Please apply through the online application form available at <https://www.unssc.org/about/employment-opportunities>

IMPORTANT:

Interns are responsible for making travel and accommodation arrangements and for obtaining the necessary visa for entering Italy or the country of any other duty station to which they have been assigned. UNSSC will facilitate the process of obtaining entry visas for countries of assignment.

The intern is responsible for ensuring that he/she has all the prescribed vaccinations for travel to the assigned duty station. Interns are also responsible to obtain medical insurance coverage in accordance with the requirements for entering Italy or the country of any other duty station to which they have been assigned. The cost of travel, visa, accommodation, vaccines, health insurance and living expenses are the responsibility of interns.

Before the beginning of the assignment, the selected intern shall also provide UNSSC with a self-certification of good health.

1. SELECTION AND COMMENCEMENT:

Candidates for the Internship Programme are selected on a competitive basis. Only those candidates who meet the requirements of the position will be short-listed and interviewed. The candidates will be informed of the result of the selection process as soon as it is finalized.

2. COMPLETION OF THE PROGRAMME:

At the end of the internship period, a written evaluation of the intern's performance will be prepared and a meeting will be organized with the intern to provide feedback. Upon completion of the Internship programme the candidate will be provided with a certificate of attendance.

3. FINANCIAL ASPECTS:

Interns who are not financially supported by other institutions shall receive a stipend from UNSSC intended to assist in covering basic subsistence costs. The monthly amount of the stipend is fixed at €450. No other payment of any kind shall be made to an intern by UNSSC in connection with an internship agreement.

4. FURTHER CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:

The interns shall not be considered in any respect as being a staff member of UNSSC and shall not accrue benefits. In this regard, assignments under the Internship Programme do not carry expectation of conversion to any other type of contract or appointment in any activity of the UNSSC.

Interns may not apply for or be appointed to any position in the Professional or above categories during the period of their internship and for the six months immediately following the expiration date thereof.