

Title of the position: Protection Intern (Roma Refugees)

Branch / Section: UNHCR Moldova

Reports to: Community Based Protection Officer

Duration and Period of Internship: 4 months

Weekly workload: 20 hours per week (part-time)

Deadline for applications: 02 June 2023

Background

Established in December 1950, UNHCR is a global organization dedicated to saving lives, protecting rights and building a better future for asylum seekers, refugees, returnees, internally displaced communities and stateless people. Every year, millions of men, women and children are forced to flee their homes to escape conflict and persecution. UNHCR currently operates in over 130 countries, using its long expertise to protect and care for millions of persons.

Since the war in Ukraine began on 24 February 2022, over 791,000 people have left the country and arrived in the Republic of Moldova (hereinafter “Moldova”). While many have since moved onwards into the European Union, over 107,000 persons displaced from Ukraine. In close cooperation with the Government, UNHCR helps coordinate a multi-sectoral humanitarian response to support those displaced as well as the communities that host them.

UNHCR Moldova in Chisinau is looking for an intern to join our team and be part of this lifesaving refugee response. The internship will be based in the Protection Unit, gaining hands-on experience working for an international organization during an emergency. The focus of the internship will be on activities related to Roma refugees displaced from Ukraine, given the particular protection risks and challenges to inclusion that they face.

Key responsibilities

- Assist in drafting regular reports covering the Units’ activities
- Assist in monitoring of activities implemented by partners
- Assist in preparation of events (trainings, meetings, workshops)
- Assist with interpretation and translations
- Other duties as assigned by Supervisor.

Eligibility requirements

In order to be considered for an internship, candidates must meet the following eligibility criteria:

- Be either a recent graduate (having completed their studies within two years of applying) or a current student in a graduate/undergraduate school programme from a university or higher education facility accredited by [IAU/UNESCO](#); and or
- Have completed at least two years of undergraduate studies in a field relevant or of interest to the work of UNHCR.

NOTE: An individual whose father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister is a staff member of UNHCR, including a Temporary Appointment holder or a member of the Affiliate Workforce, is not eligible for an internship.

Minimum qualifications / skills

- Good knowledge of MS Office applications (Word, Excel, Outlook, etc.)
- Working knowledge of English, Romanian and Russian; knowledge of Ukrainian desirable
- Good communication skills
- Ability to work fairly, independently and demonstrate initiative and flexibility
- Good analytical thinking, planning and organizing skills
- Team spirit and collaborative approach

Core Competencies

- Proven commitment to the core values of the United Nations; in particular, is respectful of differences of culture, gender, religion, ethnicity, nationality, language, age, HIV status, disability, sexual orientation, or other status;
- Demonstrates the highest level of commitment to and respect for persons of concern to UNHCR, partners and colleagues in all aspects of work and ensures that personal professional behaviour is of the highest standard.

Who can apply?

This internship position seeks to target under-represented groups, primarily: persons with disabilities (of all types), people living with HIV, LGBTIQ people, ethno-linguistic minorities including ethnic Gagauz, Russians, Ukrainians, Bulgarians, Roma, people of African descent, religious and other minorities, other under-represented groups.

Conditions

It is a part-time role with working hours starting from 8.30am to 12:30pm or 13:30pm to 17:30pm Monday to Friday (20 hours per week). The successful candidate will be assigned to support the team in Chisinau, Moldova.

Allowance: Interns who do not receive financial support from an outside party will receive an allowance to partially help to cover the cost of food, local transportation and living expenses.

How to apply?

Interested applicants should submit their application through <https://unhcr.wd3.myworkdayjobs.com/External> search for **JR2318547**.

The interested candidates shall submit the following package of documents with their application through Workday:

- Letter of motivation
- 1- 2 recommendation letters (from supervisor, teacher, colleagues or any other person who can describe your competencies)

- Information on the additional / special needs the person might have such as reasonable accommodation at the workplace, transportation, food or any other specific needs.

The UNHCR workforce consists of many diverse nationalities, cultures, languages and opinions. UNHCR seeks to sustain and strengthen this diversity to ensure equal opportunities as well as an inclusive working environment for its entire workforce. Applications are encouraged from all qualified candidates without distinction on grounds of race, colour, sex, national origin, age, religion, disability, sexual orientation and gender identity.

UNHCR does not charge a fee at any stage of its recruitment process (application, interview, meeting, travelling, processing or training).

We welcome applications from candidates with a refugee or stateless background.

Internship package and working conditions

Note: *The intern will be provided with a fully equipped workplace.*