

Political Leadership Internship (ParliaMentors Programme)

Purpose of role: To support the logistics, events and communications of the ParliaMentors programme and gain hands-on experience from an organisation that works with young people and professional politicians.

F&BF's ParliaMentors programme is a UN award-winning leadership programme where teams of university students of different faiths and beliefs collaborate to create real social change while being mentored by MPs.

Typical tasks include:

- Supporting the delivery of the ParliaMentors programme
- Supporting the team in communicating with participants on the programme
- Help with promotion of the programme & researching new stakeholders
- Support the social action projects led by ParliaMentors participants, particularly researching potential partners
- Assist the development of the ParliaMentors alumni network
- Develop and build on research and analysis
- Using social media to enhance the programme's profile

What we are looking for:

- An interest in and passion for interfaith and intercultural dialogue
- A positive, sensitive and inclusive approach
- Excellent written and oral communication skills
- Experience of using and measuring social media to maintain contact and market projects
- An interest in politics and student activism
- Event planning skills
- Proven ability to work independently and take own initiative, and as part of a diverse team

Supervision and support:

The Mentoring team provide direct supervision, overseeing and providing feedback on tasks. The Volunteer Manager supports interns' learning and development. Regular interfaith and skills-based training sessions are provided. Join a network of 200 former and current interns.

Practicalities:

This voluntary role is for three or six months, three days a week, in our Kentish Town Office. Travel and lunch expenses will be reimbursed.

How to apply:

We recruit every three months; for current vacancies, deadlines and details of how to apply please visit www.faithbeliefforum.org/internships

F&BF is a leading interfaith and intercultural charity that builds good relations between people from different backgrounds. We welcome applications from people of all faiths, beliefs and cultures.



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ParliaMentors Intern

I joined the organisation in June, having heard about the ParliaMentors programme and the internship through the careers service at my university. The last five weeks have gone by very quickly because I've been thoroughly enjoying myself here.

The thing which has stood out the most to me so far is the level of responsibility and trust I have been given, which I have found both challenging and exciting. I was given responsibility for the communications aspect of the ParliaMentors programme and one of my first tasks was to produce a professional newsletter to send out to alumni, past and present mentors and our funders.

A lot of my tasks have also been events-based as we are leading up to our three day launch of the programme in early September; I have been responsible for organising catering and designing invitations for the induction. I'm really glad I've spent the summer doing this internship. My team struck the perfect balance of being supportive and answering any questions that I had (there were a lot!), but still giving me the freedom to approach the task as I wanted.