

**Fall 2017 Research and Policy Internship on Parent Education
CHILDREN AT RISK – Houston**

CHILDREN AT RISK is currently seeking candidates for our Fall 2017 Parent Education Internship position. This internship is a unique opportunity to work the Center for Parenting and Family Well-Being, to address policy, advocacy, and education related to parent education and child abuse prevention.

The selected candidate will also work as part of CHILDREN AT RISK's widely recognized Public Policy and Law Center (PPLC) and Center for Social Measurement & Evaluation (CSME) in the field of research, public policy analysis, and advocacy. Participants will have the opportunity to learn from a dedicated and creative group of attorneys, public policy analysts, and researchers. PPLC & CSME have been tremendously successful in understanding passing legislation in the areas of human trafficking, juvenile justice, health and nutrition, public education, and parent support.

Founded in 1989, CHILDREN AT RISK is an active research and advocacy group dedicated to improving the quality of life of Texas' children. We are the leading source of accurate information on children's issues and an advocate and catalyst for change concerning the needs of all children in Texas.

Responsibilities/Potential Projects

Specific responsibilities will be dependent upon each candidate's skills, career goals, interests and CHILDREN AT RISK's priorities. CHILDREN AT RISK expects that this internship will be used as a career development tool for the selected candidates and hopes to maximize the selected individual's internship experience.

We are seeking dedicated and focused candidates that possess excellent research and writing skills to assist in advocacy, awareness, and education efforts in the area of family engagement, parent education, and child abuse prevention.

Projects include:

- Analysis and research of state and federal policy on family engagement, parent education and child abuse prevention;
- Conducting research/analysis on child abuse prevention strategies;
- Conducting an assessment of parent education providers and programs;
- Exploring opportunities to expand access to parent education in innovative settings
- Compiling research data into user friendly material;
- Collaborating with other local organizations;
- Coordinating events and trainings;
- Developing content for website and other outreach materials; and
- Developing strategies and participating in social media campaigns to promote family engagement and positive parenting.

Preferred qualifications

We are in search of dedicated individuals to be key members of our team. A sense of humor and a passion for social justice issues, along with the belief that education and advocacy on children's issues are essential for societal improvement are strong plusses.

All candidates must be professional, with good written and verbal communication skills. Candidates should have a strong work ethic, positive attitude and work well individually and in a team oriented environment.

Benefits include a fun and engaging office atmosphere, recognition for tangible products that will benefit the organization beyond the fall, and the ability to truly have an impact on public policy.

Application Instructions: Our positions are competitive and fill quickly. Interested candidates should submit a resume, a brief letter of interest, and a writing sample to Edith Rahimian at ERahimian@childrenatrisk.org. The deadline to submit applications for the position is September 15, 2017. For more information on CHILDREN AT RISK please visit www.childrenatrisk.org.

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