

CHILDREN AT RISK – Houston
Summer 2021 Research & Data Analysis Internship

CHILDREN AT RISK is currently seeking candidates to fill Summer 2021 internship positions in the **Center for Social Measurement and Evaluation (CSME)**, working in the field of **research and data analysis**. The selected candidates will have the opportunity to learn from a dedicated and creative group of researchers and analysts who work strategically to draw and use impactful insights to influence policy decisions.

Founded in 1989, CHILDREN AT RISK is a research and advocacy group dedicated to improving the quality of life of Texas' children in the areas of physical and mental health, education, human trafficking, basic needs and juvenile justice reform. We are a leading source of information on children's issues and an advocate and catalyst for change concerning the needs of all children in Texas.

Responsibilities:

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 data analysis skills to assist in advocacy efforts across our issue areas, with a special emphasis on public education and child health.

Potential projects include:

- **School Best Practices Research:** Identifying best practices of schools with high populations of economically disadvantaged students achieving high academic results.
- **School Rankings:** Analyzing and presenting trends found from our annual School Rankings release.
- **Capturing COVID impact:** Exploring existing models of learning loss to predict learning loss using our longitudinal data.
- **Analyzing district response:** Use web scraping techniques and text analysis to identify district response to current academic reality and planned interventions moving forward.
- Other qualitative and quantitative research in the areas of expanded learning time, charter schools, districts of innovation, college completion, and access to health and mental health care.
- Support the research and data team with special projects, including event coordination, as necessary.

Preferred qualifications

We are in search of dedicated individuals to be key members of our team. Demonstrated interest in research and data analysis is strongly preferred, as well as a working knowledge of Excel and/or R, Stata. 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 spring, and the ability to have an impact on Texas children.

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 Jodi Moon at jmoon@childrenatrisk.org. The deadline to submit applications for the position is January 31st, 2021. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis. For information on CHILDREN AT RISK and the Center for Social Measurement and Evaluation (CSME) please visit www.childrenatrisk.org.

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