Solidarity Center (www.solidaritycenter.org)

The Solidarity Center is a nonprofit international worker rights organization that assists workers around the world who are striving to achieve safe and healthy workplaces, family-supporting wages, social protections and a voice on the job. Most of all, the Solidarity Center assists workers around the world in building shared prosperity in the global economy and in their country.

The Solidarity Center provides a wide range of education, training, research, legal support and other resources to help build strong and effective trade unions and more just and equitable societies. Our programs—in some 60 countries—focus on human and worker rights, union skills, occupational safety and health, economic literacy, human trafficking, women’s empowerment and bolstering workers in an increasingly informal economy.

The Solidarity Center is offering internships to students and recent university/college graduates during the summer 2020 in both Washington, D.C., and abroad. Solidarity Center internships provide a great opportunity to work for social change.

Interns are required to work 35 hours a week, 5 days a week for a minimum of 10 weeks. Interns will receive a $5,000 stipend during their internship. Interns are highly encouraged to seek out academic credit or financial support through their university or college to supplement their internship.

Position: Intern, Communications Department

Location: Washington, D.C.
Time-period: June-August 2020, full-time (5 days a week, 10 weeks)

Position Description: The intern will assist the Communications Department in supporting Solidarity Center efforts to ensure that worker voices are included in the debate around human rights, globalization and economic inequality, and assisting in the production of high-quality communications (internal and external) products.

Responsibilities:
- Assist with the preparation of Media Mentions, the organization’s daily news clipping service, and monitor news on selected countries and issues in cooperation with the regions
- Assist with the writing of news stories for the website, including conducting interviews with staff and partners
- Assist with photo file storage system
- Prepare country briefing papers for selected audience if needed
- Assist with the updating of the Web site
- Support logistical efforts around Solidarity Center events
• Cover and report on congressional hearings, NGO meetings and other events relevant to the Solidarity Center’s mission and worker rights (if relevant hearings and events occur during the internship)
• Provide other support to communications staff as necessary

Qualifications:
• Commitment to social justice and worker rights
• Ability to meet deadlines
• Demonstrated excellent writing skills
• Good qualitative and quantitative research skills
• Very good computer skills, including Windows-based Word and Excel programs
• Familiarity with global economic development issues
• Demonstrated interest in international human rights and/or economic issues
• Good communication and interpersonal skills
• Good judgment and ability to think creatively
• Ability to work with a wide variety of people across various levels of the organization
• Self-starter and ability to work independently as well as part of a team
• Photo, video and social media skills useful, with graphics arts skills a plus
• Foreign language a plus

Deadline: Applications are being accepted until the position is filled.

To apply: To apply, submit a cover letter, resume, and writing sample (3-5 pages) to Solidarity Center Internship Coordinator, Nalishha Mehta, at nmehta@solidaritycenter.org. Please indicate the specific internship you are applying for in your cover letter and submit all documents as attachments to the email. Due to capacity constraints, only short-listed candidates will be contacted. If you are applying for more than one internship, please submit a separate application for each internship. Please no telephone calls. Only short-listed candidates will be contacted.