

Research Intern

Location: Seattle, WA

Duration: Oct 2024 - April 2025

Hours: 15 hours per week

Salary: \$22 an hour

The Alliance for Gun Responsibility is seeking a research intern to assist with a statewide analysis of court documents. The ideal candidate will have strong analytical skills, be detail-oriented, and have an interest in gun violence, domestic violence, and/or our judicial system. As an intern, you will work closely with our research team to gather, process, and analyze data to support our ongoing research efforts.

Research Topic

The goal of this project is to better understand how firearms are relinquished as a component of civil protection orders in Washington State. Firearms can be required to be relinquished through Washington's civil protection order process, however, there is no empirical understanding of how the use of firearm relinquishment by courts varies across counties.

We are collecting court records from 2023 to measure how often OTSWs and ERPOs were requested, how long it took for petitioners to get relief if a compliance hearing occurred, and how many firearms were temporarily removed as a result of the protection order. By reviewing court records across all 39 Washington counties and translating them into usable data, we can get a complete picture of where firearm relinquishment is being underutilized. With this information, the Alliance will be able to more strategically devote resources and provide technical assistance to help ensure that these life-saving interventions are effectively implemented.

Key Responsibilities:

- Collect data from existing court documents
- Enter and organize data accurately using g-suite
- Conduct preliminary data cleaning and analysis
- Ensure data integrity and confidentiality
- Collaborate with team members to refine the data collection processes
- Participate in weekly meetings to discuss progress and challenges

Qualifications:

- Enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate degree program in public health, law, public policy, or a related field
- Strong interest in policy, law, and gun violence prevention
- Proficiency in Microsoft Excel, G-Suit
- Proficiency in statistical software such as R and Python a plus, but not required

- Excellent attention to detail and organizational skills.
- Strong written and verbal communication skills.

Benefits:

- Gain hands-on experience in data collection and analysis.
- Opportunity to work with a dedicated team of gun violence prevention researchers and advocates.
- Develop an in-depth understanding of the civil protection order process in Washington State
- Enhance your resume with practical skills and experience.
- [Include any additional benefits, such as mentorship, networking opportunities, etc.]

How to Apply:

Please send your resume and a cover letter explaining your interest in the position and relevant experience, to ops@wagunresponsibility.org with the subject line “Research Intern Application”

Priority will be given to applicants who apply by Wednesday, Sept 18th

Our organization is an equal opportunity employer and seeks to recruit persons of diverse backgrounds. We are committed to fostering and supporting workplace culture inclusive of people regardless of their race, ethnicity, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, socio-economic status, marital status, age, physical abilities, religious beliefs, or any other non-merit fact so that all employees feel included, valued, and supported. People of Color and Members of the LGBTQIA community are strongly encouraged to apply.