

University of Manchester Q-Step Summer Project 2019

Ref #25: UoMQStep 2019 Home Office – Analysis of Police Data on Child Sexual Abuse

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Organisation Name: Home Office

Team/Department: Crime and Policing Analysis Unit

Address: 2 Marsham Street, London SW1P 4DF

Provisional title for project: Tackling Child Abuse

Tackling child sexual exploitation and abuse is a priority for the Home Office. To better understand the scale of the offences being reported to the police, the Home Office has recently asked police forces to flag crimes for child sexual abuse or exploitation. The project will entail an in-depth analysis of these data to better understand the nature of these crimes being reported to the police, such as the specific offence types, any information on characteristics of victims and whether the crimes have an on-line element. The project could also extend to looking at the police response.

Key words (up to 12): Child sexual exploitation, abuse, police recorded crime, outcomes

Essential and desirable skills that the student would need to have:

Essential: Experience of using Excel for analysis, quick learner, ability to manage and organise own time.

Desirable: Demonstrated interest in police work

Where the work would be carried out: At address above

Preferred selection method (interview or other method): Interview

Interview preference (on campus, remote, in your office): Remote or in office

Support and training offered by the organisation: Supervision and coaching from experienced social researcher

Any issues of data confidentiality and/or IPR that would need to be resolved: No

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Supporting information: [Security vetting \(SC\) will be conducted before the placement starts.](#)

Financial assistance offered by the organisation: Should it be necessary to attend meetings away from 2 Marsham Street, all travel and out of pocket expenses will be reimbursed.