

Q-STEP SUMMER INTERNSHIPS 2020

Ref #23: UoMQStep 2020 Trilateral Research - Data Analysis of Child Soldier Trends in Colombia

Organisation Profile

Trilateral Research

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The successful applicant will be working remotely with the possibility for some in-person supervision if the intern is based in Manchester, remote supervision will be provided daily.

Selection Method

A written CV and cover letter followed by an interview with the Trilateral Research either on campus or remote.

Application Criteria

Essential

- Ability to work autonomously
- Strong analytical skills
- Good writing/presentation skills
- Fluency in Spanish

Desirable

- Interest in international politics
- Data visualisation skills
- Some experience with a programming language e.g. Python

Some budget for travelling costs may be available, if required.

Project Outline

Trilateral Research in collaboration with the University of La Sabana is working on project PATCH that involves the analysis of Colombian Attorney General Office's data on over 2,000 children, recruited for the purposes of war-related activities and/or trafficked for labour and sexual exploitation by illegal armed groups. The dataset contains information on children's age, gender and educational level, as well as their recruitment and demobilisation. The project will involve cleaning the data, performing an initial exploratory analysis and visualising insights as well as supporting with the more advanced data analysis. The intern will produce blogposts and present the results of the analysis to Trilateral Research technical team.

Key Words

Child Soldiers	Data Analysis
Visualising Insights	Expolatory Analysis
Blogposts	Trafficking

Supporting Information

Monica Hurtado, Angela Iranzo Dosdad & Sergio Gomez Hernandez (2018). "The relationship between human trafficking and child recruitment in the Colombian armed conflict". *Third World Quarterly*, 39:5, 941-958, DOI: 10.1080/01436597.2017.1408404