

Q-STEP SUMMER INTERNSHIPS 2021

The Peterloo Institute - Addressing Inequalities with Student Policymaking in GM

Organisation and Team

The Peterloo Institute

Selection Method

Written CV & cover letter followed by an interview

Project Outline

The Peterloo Institute is focusing on inequalities in the context of devolution, with a particular focus on regional and racial inequality. The successful candidate will contribute to the Institute's understanding of relevant policy areas and continue our attempts to effect positive policy change in the UK. Given that we are a relatively new organisation, the intern will have diverse responsibilities that complement the primarily quantitative nature of this internship. This means that the intern will be able to have a real impact on the Institute, and a real impact on our society.

In this internship, the successful candidate will have the opportunity to collect and analyse quantitative data at a localised level, making key contributions to the development of our report. This internship is placed at the intersection of quantitative research and policymaking, and so the intern will gain a uniquely holistic insight into the policymaking process.

Research findings will need to be translated into various formats including those that appeal to policymakers, politicians, students and the general public. The intern will have the option to engage further in the accessibility and communication of our research for effecting real change. There will also be the scope to participate in community outreach and third party liaison, contextualising quantitative work. There will be the opportunity to present findings alongside other members of The Peterloo Institute at the Student Think Tank Conference and at a fringe event at party conferences in October.

Application Criteria

Essential:

- An interest in Greater Manchester and Northern UK politics and policy
- Enthusiasm for student policymaking
- Some ability to understand and interpret statistical data
- Ability to work independently with initiative
- Strong written and oral communication skills
- High level of organisational capacity

Desirable:

- Familiarity with statistical software such as R, SPSS or STATA
- An interest in data visualisation
- Interest in translating research into accessible formats
- Greater Manchester-based community experience (voluntary or other)

Keywords

Policy, devolution, inequality, North, Greater Manchester, community

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Practical Considerations

The placement will be entirely virtual, with opportunities for in-person meetings, conferences and events dependent on funding, COVID rules and the Institute's plans.

8 week internship

Support and Training

The intern will be directly supported by the Institute's Founders. Additional support will be provided by the various members of The Peterloo Institute

Supporting Information

Interested applicants should consult our website, <https://www.thepeterlooinstitute.org/>, for additional information on the Institute, our aims and our values.