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CENTRE FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE

Centre for Peace and Justice, Brac University (CPJ) announces the inaugural 2022-23

Research & Development Fellowship

About CPJ

Centre for Peace and Justice (CPJ) is a multi-disciplinary academic institute within Brac University that promotes global peace and social justice through quality education, research, training and advocacy.

CPJ is committed to identify and promote sustainable and inclusive solutions to a wide range of global concerns and issues, including fragility, conflict and violence. The centre was established in March 2017 and joined the impressive cluster of other institutes and centres of Brac University. CPJ undertakes a range of research, training and advocacy activities in three thematic areas: peace and fragility, social justice, and open society.

CPJ has worked with institutions including National University of Singapore, Georgetown University, University of New South Wales, and International Institute of Social Studies of Erasmus University Rotterdam. The Centre has worked extensively to promote solutions to the Rohingya crisis, and also promotes paralegalism and civic education.

CPJ has carried out research for UN agencies including UNDP, UN WOMEN, IOM, UNHCR, and WFP). It has also worked with donors such as Open Society Foundations, The Asia Foundation, FCDO-UK, USAID and IDRC-Canada. CPJ is a founding member of the Asia Justice Coalition, chaired by its Executive Director, Manzoor Hasan. The Centre has also acted as a facilitator to develop a broad network of legal aid and legal empowerment organizations in Bangladesh and other South Asian countries.

In 2019, CPJ its Refugee Studies Unit (RSU) which is currently based in Kutupalong, Ukhiya, Cox's Bazar to undertake research and other activities for a deeper understanding of Rohingya and host communities. The RSU office serves as a workstation for CPJ's researchers and trainers who work closely alongside various humanitarian actors and stakeholders.



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The Fellowship

CPJ is pleased to announce the Research & Development Fellowship. One Fellow will be based in Bangladesh and work as a member of CPJ's research teams in Dhaka and Cox's Bazar for 12 months. The Fellowship will be suitable for an early career professional who has completed a master degree or PhD in a discipline relevant to CPJ's areas of focus.

The Fellow will:

1. Serve as a core member of CPJ's research team and work on major research initiatives, including research design, data collection, analysis and writing;
2. Develop professional capacities and research skills while working alongside CPJ researchers and partners;
3. Receive training on institutional knowledge management, and spearhead the development of CPJ's knowledge management systems;
4. Help CPJ achieve its development goals, including institutional strengthening and skills-building for individual staff;
5. Receive regular support, mentorship, and guidance from CPJ's senior management and advisory team.

The Fellowship is a 12-month, Dhaka-based position with regular travel to different locations, particularly Cox's Bazar, the location of CPJ's Refugee Studies Unit.

Qualifications

- Master degree or PhD in a discipline relevant to CPJ's areas of focus
- Five years of work experience in a relevant field
- Working knowledge of Bangla
- Full professional and academic English fluency
- Bangladeshi nationals only (by birth/naturalization/descent)

Benefits and compensation

A generous award will be provided; contact cpi@bracu.ac.bd for details.



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Other benefits

- Fellowship-related travel costs within Bangladesh
- Medical insurance
- Logistical assistance for finding accommodation

Working hours

Sunday to Thursday (40 hours per week)

Timeline

25 March: Application deadline

1 April: Shortlisted candidates notified

15 May 2022 to 14 April 2023: Fellowship period (tentative)

Application

To apply for the Fellowship, please submit the following items to cpi@bracu.ac.bd no later than midnight on Friday, 25 March 2022 (Bangladesh Standard Time). Please mention *Research & Development Fellowship* in the subject line.

1. Cover letter (not more than three pages) describing:
 - Your academic and professional background
 - Your professional goals and the goals you would aim to achieve as a Fellow
 - Your views on why you are well-qualified for the Fellowship
2. Curriculum Vitae
3. Contact details for two referees, one professional and one academic. CPJ will only contact the referees of shortlisted candidates.

For questions and more information please contact CPJ at cpi@bracu.ac.bd