

## Loyola University Chicago Jesuit Refugee Service Internship

The **Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS)** offers an eleven month internship (September through July) for recent graduates from Loyola University Chicago and/or the **John Felice Rome Center (JFRC)**. The internship would take place in the Communications Department of JRS. The internship includes round-trip air fare to Rome, insurance, and a 500 euro a month stipend, all provided by JRS. Room and board is provided by Loyola's JFRC, and includes opportunities to engage in various activities within its community of students, faculty and staff. All applications must be completed by April 1.

The JRS is an international Catholic organization with a mission to accompany, serve and defend the rights of refugee and displaced people, regardless of their beliefs. JRS undertakes services at national and regional levels with the support of an international office in Rome. Established by the Society of Jesus (Jesuits) in 1980, JRS is an officially registered foundation of the Vatican State since 2000. JRS works primarily in the field of education, emergency assistance, healthcare, and social services. It promotes international human rights legislation, either through participation in international campaigns and coalitions or through membership in international fora, such as the UN Economic and Social Committee (ECOSOC).

Qualities of a successful JRS intern include:

- A desire to serve refugees and asylum seekers.
- The capacity for teamwork and openness to share in another's faith journey.
- Interest or experience in International Studies, Journalism, Peace Studies, Social Justice.
- An understanding of concepts of public awareness-raising and advocacy.
- Some proficiency in a second language would be advantageous.

Application: In a WORD document, please include the following:

1. Name, age, degree, year of graduation, name of university. All applicants must be recent graduates of Loyola University Chicago and/or the John Felice Rome Center.
2. Previous service work or study abroad and any professional expertise you might offer.
3. GPA at graduation: please note that a 3.5 GPA is required for consideration.
4. Two letters of recommendation from former faculty or academic administrators.
5. One letter of recommendation concerning previous volunteer service, internships, or service learning by former director or staff.
6. A brief personal statement [500 words] that outlines how this opportunity will build upon your previous studies and prepare for a future career in refugee or other related services.

Send completed application as an attachment to Dr. Mark Bosco, S.J. at [mbosco@luc.edu](mailto:mbosco@luc.edu).

For further information, visit the JRS website, <http://www.jrs.net> or email Dr. Susana Cavallo at [scavall@luc.edu](mailto:scavall@luc.edu) or Dr. Mark Bosco, S.J. at [mbosco@luc.edu](mailto:mbosco@luc.edu).

All applications and recommendation letters must be in by April 1. The internship winner will be announced in early May.