



HIAS

**Welcome the stranger.
Protect the refugee.**

Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society

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*HIAS was founded in 1881 and helped Jewish refugees in Russia & Eastern Europe

*They now have offices in the United States, Africa, Eurasia, Latin America and the Middle East

*I interned in the DC office, the headquarters were in New York

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About HIAS

- * Vision: creating a world in which refugees are welcome, safe and free.
- * Focused on the most vulnerable refugees and helping them rebuild their lives.
- * Advocates for assuring that displaced people are treated with respect.



HIAS' on site case worker in Sub-Saharan Africa

Duties of the Immigration/Refugee Policy Intern...

- * Conduct research, analysis, and writing for projects related to immigration, refugee, and asylum policy, advocacy, and programs in support of HIAS' U.S. and international programs
- * Monitor and report on congressional hearings, legislative affairs, and news stories
- * Assist with regular publications, such as the HIAS monthly newsletter



Jewish refugees fleeing Russia & Eastern Europe



HIAS refugees getting accustomed to their new lives

Perfect for...

- * All majors who are interested in :
 - * Assisting refugees and migration
 - * Seeking to gain more knowledge on legislation
 - * Researching current events taking place across the world that affect refugees and migrants

What They Look For in Applicants

- * Experience such as:
 - * Researching extensively on specific topics
 - * Writing memos and briefs on international issues
 - * Working efficiently and effectively
 - * Law-related internships

What I Gained

- * I learned a lot more about public policy and what goes into getting specific legislation passed
- * Through my research I became more knowledgeable about the crises taking place across the world
- * I gained a sense of direction and insight on one side of refugee work



How to apply...

- * Email bethany.orlikowski@hias.org:
- * Cover letter (indicating semester/time availability)
- * Resume
- * Brief writing sample (maximum 3 pages)
- * Contact information for 3 references