The Raoul Wallenberg Institute of Human Rights and Humanitarian Law (RWI) is an independent academic institution established in 1984. RWI has since 1990 carried out a wide range of research, academic education and institutional capacity development programmes internationally in the human rights field, mainly with the support of Swedish Development Cooperation. The work of the Institute focuses on four thematic areas: Fair and Efficient Justice; Inclusive Societies; People on the Move; and Economic Globalization and Human Rights (see further http://rwi.lu.se/). RWI started to work in Africa in the early 1990s and since then extensive cooperation has been maintained with institutions in Burundi, Ethiopia, Kenya, Malawi, Namibia, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Tanzania, Uganda, Zimbabwe, Zambia, as well as regionally/sub-regionally. The Institute's office in Nairobi currently manages RWI's bilateral programmes in Kenya and Ethiopia, as well as regional cooperation in Africa. The Programme in Kenya is focused on cooperation with the Kenya Prisons and Probation Services, developing institutional capacity to meet international human rights standards for corrections. RWI is further developing a new multi-stakeholder initiative under the Kenya Programme that focuses on increasing effective use of non-custodial measures. For further information on the Raoul Wallenberg Institute’s cooperation in Kenya, see https://rwi.lu.se/where-we-work/regions/africa/kenya

RESEARCH COMPONENT OF THE KENYA PROGRAM

Since 2012, RWI has worked closely together with the Kenya Prisons Service (KPS) to create a critical mass across the Kenyan Correctional System working for systematic and accountable human rights change. This is approached through partnership and engagement to not only build the capacity of KPS officers on International Human Rights Standards, but also jointly assess compliance over time. RWI and KPS are now undertaking a research study on the impact of implementing international human rights standards in Kenya correctional institutions, intending to investigate the correlation between improved and compliance with standards and the enjoyment of associated rights by prisoners, as well as staff, at selected correctional institutions.

The RWI Kenya Programme is currently looking for a local intern to assist with the research study. The intern will work full-time for a period of two months (June-July 2019).
Primary duties:

1. To undertake data entry of field data collected by the researchers
2. To collate research data with guidance from the researchers
3. To otherwise support the research study as requested

Required qualifications:

1. University degree in Sociology, Anthropology, Law, International relations or other related field
2. Knowledge of International Human Rights law
3. Knowledge of the UN Standard Minimum Rules for the Treatment of Prisoners (the Mandela Rules) and other relevant international human rights standards
4. Fluency in English and Kiswahili, both written and oral
5. Excellent computer skills, including familiarity with Microsoft Office applications and fast, accurate typing
6. Possesses discretion, good interpersonal skills and is a team player

To apply, please submit a letter of interest, Curriculum Vitae and essay of not more than 1,000 words on the application of the Mandela Rules in Kenya. These documents should be submitted in either word or PDF format to Kasiva Mulli by email to kasiva.mulli@rwi.lu.se with application deadline 16 May 2019.

The Raoul Wallenberg Institute will provide a modest stipend during the internship period to cover transport and lunch costs. Please note that this internship is not intended to lead to future employment at the Institute.