

POSITION: RESEARCH ASSISTANT (PART-TIME)

Department of International Relations, South Asian University, New Delhi

Deadline for Submission of Application: 5.30 pm IST, Friday, May 26, 2023

Project Title

India and the UN Security Council: Reaching Beyond the Permanent Seat
(Funded by the Indian Council of Social Science Research)

Brief Project Description

The project seeks to examine the ways in which India may have shaped the policies and practices of the United Nations Security Council, especially during its tenure(s) as a non-permanent member of the Council. It further aims to explore the scope for India's future engagement with the Security Council.

Project Director

Dr. Soumita Basu, Associate Professor, Department of International Relations, SAU

Number of Positions and Profile

Two part-time Research Assistants will be appointed to assist with literature review (including official documents of the United Nations and the Government of India), interview transcription, and content analysis. They will also assist in the organization of a seminar, tentatively scheduled to take place in January-February 2024, to share preliminary research findings. Depending on their proficiency, Research Assistants will be invited to co-author research articles/policy briefs/op-eds that come out of the Project.

Working hours are flexible, and it is understood that there may be a learning curve. However, it is expected that the Research Assistant will produce high-quality work that is submitted on time, failing which their position may be terminated.

Location

New Delhi, India (preferred)

Duration

10 months (approx.), June 2023 – March 2024, flexible hours

Starting June 6, 2023 or as soon as possible thereafter

Remuneration

INR 8000 per month, all inclusive

Qualifications

- Essential: PhD/MPhil/Postgraduate in International Relations or a related discipline with minimum 55% marks; demonstrated interest in the study of international organizations and/or India's engagement with the United Nations.
- Desirable: experience of writing/publishing on International Relations topics, conducting secondary literature review, and collating and analyzing data from government and United Nations sources.

Application

Interested candidates are required to submit the following documents:

- A Cover Letter setting out the motivation for applying for the position (750-1000 words)
- A CV stating experiences and qualifications of relevance to the position (no more than two pages)
- Certificate and marksheet of postgraduate and undergraduate degrees*

Shortlisted candidates will be required to appear for an online interview, to be held (tentatively) in the first week of June.

Selection

The selection of Research Assistants will be done by a Selection Committee, that has been constituted as per the specifications of ICSSR and approved by the competent authority at SAU. The decision of the Selection Committee will be considered final.

Contact

For further information about the position, please contact Dr. Soumita Basu (sbasu@sau.ac.in)

**A provisional marksheet for the postgraduate degree may be submitted at the time of the application. However, the candidate is required to furnish documentation that demonstrates that they meet the essential educational qualification prior to their formal appointment.*