



Editorial & Research Volunteer (Refugee Rights Handbook)

Role Description

[Lawyers Against Poverty](#) (LAP) is a growing global community of social justice advocates committed to building a just world without poverty. We connect our members with others who want to tackle social injustice and support projects to improve access to justice worldwide through our Justice Fund. This year, LAP's Refugee Rights special interest group [launched an innovative series of legal confidence sessions](#) to give refugees information on their rights as individuals in the UK. These sessions are delivered by LAP members partnering with local refugee charities and will be scaled up to operate across the UK.

The sessions cover a range of relevant topics ranging from debt, housing and criminal justice to family, education and social norms. The research and reference materials available to LAP volunteer lawyers to run the sessions are collected in the Refugee Legal Confidence Sessions Handbook. As we work collaboratively with local organisations and explore new themes and challenges for refugees in the UK, we are recruiting an editorial team of student volunteers with legal research skills to help keep our resources up to date and easy to access.

We are looking for student volunteers with confidence to:

- Work with a small and motivated team to carry out legal research on areas of law relevant to refugee rights and life in the UK.
- Review and keep up to date the Refugee Legal Confidence Sessions Handbook to reflect recent changes to legislation, policy and political context in the UK.
- Liaise with LAP volunteer lawyers on developing and integrating new content with existing materials.
- Draft and amend sections of the handbook as required.
- Ensure language is accessible and straightforward for a non-legal audience.

We anticipate this will involve a small team of students working flexibly on these tasks for approximately 3-4 days per month, to be agreed between the volunteers and LAP. We do not have a prescribed time commitment for this role and aim to be flexible and supportive to make volunteering with LAP an enjoyable and rewarding experience. This is a remote-working volunteer placement and you will be managed by LAP's Refugee Special Interest Group Lead with support from LAP's Director.

To apply for this role, please send a CV and short covering email to: admin@lawyersagainstopoverty.org

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