‘Torture Journal Editorial Associate Volunteer’ at The International Rehabilitation Council For Torture Victims (IRCT)

Are you passionate about language, writing and style-editing? Are you interested in health-based research and reading academic papers? You want to get some work experience with a global NGO?

Then you could be our new copy-editing and proof-reading volunteer!

About the IRCT

The IRCT is a health-based non-governmental, non-profit umbrella organisation that supports the rehabilitation of torture victims and the prevention of torture worldwide. Our members comprise more than 160 independent organisations in over 76 countries. Our work is governed by these member organisations. Today, we are the largest membership-based civil society organisation to work in the field of torture rehabilitation and prevention.

About the Torture Journal

The IRCT publishes the Torture Journal, an international scientific journal that provides an interdisciplinary forum for the exchange of original research and systematic reviews by professionals concerned with the biomedical, psychological and social interface of torture and the rehabilitation of its survivors. The journal seeks to enhance the understanding and cooperation in the torture field through diverse approaches. Its focus is not only biomedicine, psychology and rehabilitation, but also epidemiology, social sciences and other disciplines related to torture. The editors also wish to encourage dialogue among experts whose diverse cultures and experiences provide innovative and challenging knowledge to existing practice and theories.

TORTURE JOURNAL EDITORIAL ASSOCIATE - VOLUNTEER

The Torture Journal Editorial Associate position is a remote volunteer position for applicants who are English native-speakers, passionate about language, writing style-editing and proof-reading, and who want to apply their skills to a peer-review academic journal. All work is undertaken remotely and your main interactions will be with the Project Manager/Assistant Editor and Editor in Chief via videocalls and email. You will have the opportunity to leverage your academic editing skills, language skills, knowledge of the torture-related research field, and knowledge of research methods.

Your Tasks and Responsibilities

You will be responsible for copy-editing and proof-reading papers before production. Once papers have undergone the peer-review process, they will be sent to you for copy-editing and proof-reading. Your job will be to read the papers thoroughly and suggest changes in style, grammar and language, looking for qualitative improvements in terms of eloquence, lucidness and comprehensiveness. You will ensure that papers meet academic writing-standards before being sent to production.

Your work will be acknowledged in the Torture Journal when it is published online (three issues per annum), alongside the other members of the wider editorial team. You will also receive ongoing feedback from the Editors of the journal in relation to your work and will be part of a committed editorial team.
Skills and qualifications

We invite candidates with the following qualifications to apply:

- You can commit to working at least 10 hours per month for a minimum of 12 months.
- You can work remotely.
- You are a native English-speaker, you have excellent writing skills and confidence in editing articles in academic language. You have excellent grasp of English grammar, tenses and publication styles (preferably APA).
- You are currently studying/hold a degree on social science, medical discipline or translation and interpreting.
- You have strong knowledge or interest in research methods (qualitative and/or quantitative).
- You have knowledge or interest in current research trends in human rights and health, such as interdisciplinary perspectives on bio-medical and human rights issues.
- Independently motivated and confidence in working remotely.
- You are an experienced user of Microsoft 365 package and have IT literacy.
- You pay attention to detail.

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The position is unpaid. The volunteer position is a remote position, i.e. it is not necessary that the volunteer is based in Copenhagen or works from the IRCT Secretariat.

We will recognise your contribution to the Torture Journal adding your name under the Editorial Team mentioned in publications, and provide recommendation letters upon request. Exact tasks will be agreed upon on an individual basis, based on skillset, availability and motivation.

QUESTIONS

If you have any questions regarding the position, you are welcome to contact Assistant Editor Berta Soley via mail procurement@irct.org.

HOW TO APPLY

We are recruiting on a rolling basis with a yearly deadline on March, 15th. If you are interested in the position, please send your CV and a short Cover Letter in English to procurement@irct.org and specify “Torture Journal Editorial Associate Volunteer” in the subject line. We only accept applications sent by e-mail. Shortlisted candidates will be contacted within six weeks of applying.

USEFUL LINKS

- Read more about the IRCT here: https://irct.org/
- Read more about the Torture Journal here: https://irct.org/global-resources/torture-journal
- Check out the latest issue of the Torture Journal here: https://tidsskrift.dk/torture-journal/issue/view/7991
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