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Announcing a new opportunity

International Post Graduate Fellowship Program at the United Nations

in

International Psychology, Global Humanitarian Relief, Human Rights and Policy Development

Purpose

The purpose of this graduate fellowship is to provide fellows with international psychology, global humanitarian relief, international relations, conflict transformation, peace building, human rights, refugees and migration, and policy development learning experiences within the United Nations.

Description of Experience

This fellowship is a one-year volunteer experience. The fellowship is part-time (15 hours per week). Fellows spend Thursdays at the United Nations (UN). The remainder of their time is spent remotely reviewing literature, researching topics related to international psychology, developing and revising policies, and assisting with Meaningfulworld's fundraising efforts. Fellows complete annual international humanitarian missions, each lasting approximately two weeks; fellows are responsible for funding their own participation in these missions. Fellows have the option of reapplying at the end of their fellowship year and completing a second year of the fellowship.

This fellowship will consist of three tracks: Human Rights, Policy Revision, and Humanitarian Relief (including peace building/conflict transformation, working with refugees, and addressing

migration challenges). Fellows choose one track to complete or may choose to integrate.

Human Rights

This track consists of direct and indirect experiences based on interventions and best practices that result in the promotion of human rights from a global perspective. The indirect intervention consists of aiding Meaningfulworld in its human rights mission by providing both didactics and training seminars to a range of providers including local health professionals, the American Psychological Association, and non-governmental organizations. Furthermore, fellows will aid in all didactics and training seminars that Meaningfulworld provides to the United Nations. The direct intervention consists of attending and completing an ATOP Humanitarian Outreach Program as well as participation in a Meaningfulworld global mission. The purpose of these global missions is to enable the fellow the opportunity to provide hands-on interventions in cultivating human rights in an underdeveloped country through a leadership capacity. In order to complete the fellowship fellows must present a professional paper that presents their plan to promote human rights.

Policy Development

This track consists of providing interventions based on global humanitarian policy development. Fellows aid Meaningfulworld in its global humanitarian outreach at the United Nations. Fellows are required to attend weekly meetings with Meaningfulworld representatives at the United Nations. Furthermore, they aid in all didactics and training seminars that Meaningfulworld provides to the United Nations. Fellows are also required to attend and complete an ATOP Humanitarian Outreach Program as well as participate in a Meaningfulworld global mission. The purpose of this global mission is to provide fellows with the opportunity to engage in hands-on interventions in cultivating global humanitarian policy development at United Nations conventions as well as in the developing countries that Meaningfulworld serves. In order to complete the fellowship fellows must draft, at a minimum, two UN-based Commission papers (ex: Social Development and Status of Women) and a professional paper and a review of literature that discusses how to improve UN-based policy documents and how to increase the impact and effectiveness of those documents in developing and developed countries. These United Nations Commission papers provide the initial platform for the fellows to serve in future leadership positions for the United Nations.

Humanitarian Relief (Refugees, Migration, and Curriculum Development)

This track involves clinical experiences. Fellows provide didactic and training seminars to local health professionals who serve refugee populations. These didactics and training seminars will consist of training on various refugee issues ranging from mental health to cultural diversity, modalities for healing from post-traumatic stress, EQ, Mindfulness, Soul-Surfing, and the 7-Step Integrative Healing Model. The fellows may be required to conduct research on the effectiveness of psychological interventions in refugee populations. Furthermore, the fellow will aid in all didactics and training seminars that Meaningfulworld provides each month. They are also required to attend and complete an ATOP Humanitarian Outreach Program, as well as to organize and manage a minimum of one Meaningfulworld global mission. The purpose of this

global mission is to enable fellows to have experience in providing hands-on interventions with populations in distress, as well as teaching and leading others in providing and implementing the 7-step Integrative Healing Model. In order to complete the fellowship, fellows must submit a professional paper of this experience to the American Psychological Association's Division on Trauma and the International Division. They are also expected to revise, develop, and teach the curriculum to the prospective *Meaningfulworld Ambassadors*.

Eligibility

Applicants must meet the following requirements:

- Have a master's or doctoral degree in clinical psychology, counseling psychology, conflict resolution, social work, psychiatric nursing, medicine, law, or a related field
- Have availability every Thursday to attend meetings at the United Nations and have availability of another 8 hours per week to work remotely
- Possess at least a basic knowledge of international relations, international psychology and a dedication to humanitarianism
- Possess strong written and oral communication skills
- Can travel abroad, including possession of a valid passport

How to Apply

Applications must include:

- An updated curriculum vita
- A transcript from the institution where you earned your highest degree
- A statement of interest not to exceed 1,000 words that explains your interest in international psychology, global humanitarianism, human rights, refugees and migration, and policy development (your statement should also include a description of what you hope to gain from this experience and which track you are interested in completing)
- Three references: include contact and relationship information

To apply, please email your application materials to Dr Kalayjian, at drkalayjian@Meaningfulworld.com. Once applications have been reviewed applicants selected for further interview will be contacted. Applicants' references may be contacted at any time during the application process.

To learn more about Meaningfulworld, please visit www.Meaningfulworld.com. Questions regarding the fellowship should be directed to Dr Kalayjian.

Meaningfulworld Faculty:

Dr Ani Kalayjian, EdD, DDL, BCETS, BCECO, DSc (Hon): A licensed multi-lingual clinician, scientist-practitioner-researcher, professor of psychology at Teachers College, Columbia University, consultant, Fellow of the APA and its International Division since 2000, Fellow of New York Academy of Medicine, author of four major books, one generational Transmission Guided CD, over a hundred of research articles, 28 years of leadership within the United Nations and its NGO community working closely with others in the USA and 45 countries to expand human rights, peace building, conflict transformation, healing from personal

and generational trauma, integrating mind-body-eco-spirit, and mental health & psychology policy development. Dr Kalayjian is a graduate of Teachers College, Columbia University with Master's and Doctoral degrees. She is also a recipient of Honorary Doctor of Science Degree from Long Island University. She is the founder and President of ATOP Meaningfulworld and has been on every single humanitarian mission since 1988 – presently over 100 missions. She founded the 7-Step Integrative Healing Model, as well as the Soul-Surfing exercises for health, joy, healing, happiness, and meaning-making. She is a student of Dr Viktor Frankl.

Dr Leslie Popoff, PhD: Dr Leslie Popoff began her career as a school psychologist in rural Pennsylvania during the time that the Education for All Children with Disabilities Law was first enacted. She developed a specialization with the visually and hearing impaired, working in the Scranton State School for the Deaf followed by NYC's first evaluation unit for the visually and hearing impaired then serving for ten years as the psychologist for the Helen Keller National Center. Dr Popoff worked for 15 years as a Supervisor of Psychologists for the New York City Department of Education. She received her BS in Human Ecology from Cornell University, a Master's in Educational Psychology from NYU, and a PhD from Fordham University. Trained in divorce mediation and dispute resolution, Dr Popoff also holds a Postdoctoral Certificate in Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy from Adelphi University. She maintains a part-time private Practice in Great Neck, NY, and serves as the UN Coordinator for Meaningfulworld. She is a *Meaningfulworld Ambassador*.

Dr Peter Battista, PsyD, ABPP: Dr Battista is an Associate Director of Clinical Training and core faculty at Adler University in Chicago, IL. He earned his Bachelor of Science degree in biology and psychology from Canisius College and his Master of Arts and doctoral degree in clinical psychology from The Chicago School of Professional Psychology. He is board certified in clinical psychology by the American Board of Professional Psychology and has a postdoctoral certificate in psychoanalytic psychotherapy from the Chicago Center for Psychoanalysis. His clinical interests include psychodynamic theory and practice, international psychology, trauma, diversity, social justice, and clinical supervision and training. He is a member of American Psychological Association-- its International Division as well as the Division for Psychoanalysis. His current research involves working with Meaningfulworld to better understand the relationship between forgiveness, meaning-making, and one's experience of traumatic events. Meaningfulworld.

Dr Richard Griff, PsyD: Richard Griff is a licensed clinical psychologist who was a Meaningfulworld intern and participated in a mission to Haiti. Dr Griff has experience in several venues including residential treatment centers, community mental health centers, and juvenile facilities. He has a doctorate in clinical psychology and a master's degree in sports and exercise psychology. Dr Griff's experience in sports psychology includes work with professional athletes, minor league athletes, and youth athletes primarily in the areas of football and boxing. He has recently expanded his area of practice to include seniors in geriatric settings including serving as a consultant in exercise programs designed for clients with dementia. Dr Griff is a graduate of the Meaningfulworld Humanitarian Outreach Program and is a *Meaningfulworld Ambassador*.

Irene Tananyan, MS: Irene received Master of Science degree in Mathematics from Moscow Pedagogical University, and a BA in Economics from Queens College, New York. She also graduated from the four-year program at the Barbara Brennan School of Healing with a degree as a Brennan Energy-Healing Practitioner and from the *Meaningfulworld Ambassador* for Humanitarian Relief and Peace Building Program as Meaningfulworld Ambassador. Currently, she serves as the Meaningfulworld Outreach Coordinator. She is planning to join our Mission to Armenia in April 2017, and she feels honored to start her humanitarian outreach mission to Armenia.

Founded in 1990, the Association for Trauma Outreach & Prevention (ATOP) Meaningfulworld, charitable organization affiliated with the United Nations Dept. of Public Information, has achieved international recognition as a leader in training humanitarian outreach professionals as well as responding to two and a half decades of global and local disasters. ATOP is committed to health, justice, peace, transformation and global education promoting state-of-the-art scientific theory on peace, forgiveness, consciousness research, internship, and the development of technical skills to train mental health professionals, teachers, psychologists, art therapists, nutritionists, alternative medicine practitioners, clergy, nurses, mediators, interfaith ministers, and lay persons committed to service the self and humanity. Meaningfulworld Humanitarian Outreach Teams have helped rehabilitate survivors from over 46 countries, and 25 states in USA making a daily difference in people's lives helping to transform tragedy and trauma into healing and meaning-making through post trauma growth, resilience, emotional intelligence, mindfulness, mind-body-eco-spirit health, visionary leadership, empowerment, artful collaborations, establishing Peace & Forgiveness Gardens to create a new and Meaningfulworld view. We work locally and globally in Africa, Asia, the Caribbean, Europe, the Middle East, The Caucuses, Europe, and South and North America.

Our Motto: When one helps another BOTH become stronger