



The United Nations is an international organisation founded in 1945 and **committed to maintaining international peace and security**; developing **friendly relations among nations**; promoting **social progress**, better living standards and human rights.

### WHY WORK FOR THE UN?

A career at the UN requires **passion, ambition and a genuine desire to change the world**. Working for the UN is the best way to contribute to the crucial work that the Organisation performs, and in doing so make a real impact on the fundamental issues that affect us all.

- Which skills do you think could be useful when working for the UN?
- Any idea about the salary?



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The UN offers a range of **unpaid positions**, including a host of **[internships](#)** and **[volunteering opportunities](#)**. An internship with the UN is the ideal way to **gain exposure to the inner working of the Organisation** and can be undertaken at UN Offices worldwide, as well as the wider UN family of organisations.

Volunteering opportunities are available through [United Nations Volunteers](#) (UNV). **UN Volunteers make a huge contribution to peace and development around the world**, whilst at the same time gaining essential experience and enhancing their employment prospects.