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Job Summary

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Presbyterian Representative to the United Nations (Compassion, Peace & Justice) Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) New York, New York



This job reports to the Director, Presbyterian UN Ministry

Relocation is provided and travel is required occasionally.

This is a **Full-Time** position, working **1st Shift**.

Number of Openings for this position: **1**

Overview

With national offices in Louisville, Kentucky, the **Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)** focuses on the national and international mission work of the church. It serves and works with congregations, presbyteries, and synods as the central provider of resources that enable individuals, congregations, and governing bodies to carry forth the mission of Jesus Christ in the world. The work at the Presbyterian Center is carried out by approximately 450 staff members who provide overall support for the mission of the church.

Job Skills/Requirements

Position Overview

This position provides leadership to the ongoing advocacy and witness of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and worldwide Reformed community at the United Nations. The incumbent will represent the concerns of the Presbyterian Church (USA) and the policies of the PCUSA General Assembly to the UN; provide leadership to NGO coalitions comprised of ecumenical, interfaith, humanitarian and human rights groups working at the UN; work collaboratively with the Director of the Presbyterian U.N. Ministry to communicate the issues and concerns of the UN to the PC (USA); serve as a liaison member and resource to PC(U.S.A.) advocacy and advisory committees; and participates in the broader work of Compassion Peace and Justice Ministries.

Responsibilities

- Advocacy and Witness

Represent the concerns of the Presbyterian Church (USA) to the United Nations, including missions, ambassadors, the UN General Assembly and other related agencies

- Develop priorities for advocacy and witness at the UN, working collaboratively with GAMC staff and other partners to set priorities for engagement in the UN context
- Engage in research, analysis, and recommendations for social witness policy from a Reformed theological perspective on matters of concern facing the church and global community
- Represent the concerns of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches, acting as a liaison between WARC, the UN and the UN NGO community
- Participate in and provide leadership to NGO coalitions comprised of ecumenical, interfaith, humanitarian and human rights groups working at the UN. Develop relationships with missions and entities of the UN
- Provide briefings to seminars and other groups on the policy issues of the General Assembly that impact the work of the UN
- Coordinate advocacy work at the UN by facilitating speaking opportunities for GA Staff, mission co-workers, representatives from partner churches, the Stated Clerk and the Moderator of the General Assembly

- With Director, coordinate, train and equip PCUSA delegations to engage in advocacy at the UN
- Serve as resource person on international affairs to the Stated Clerk, the GAMC, advocacy and advisory committees
- Assist and participate in the overall vision and mission of Compassion, Peace and Justice
- Attend and participate in the staff retreats and meetings

Position Qualifications

- Education: Advanced degree in theology, ethics, international affairs, or equivalent; Ordination as a minister of the Word and Sacrament preferred.
- Years of related experience: 5 or more years of related experience in faith based advocacy in the international arena or church leadership with an emphasis on ministry in the international arena

Types of job experience required:

- PC (USA) member or other Christian faith community
- Strong preaching, writing and public speaking skills
- Knowledge of PCUSA General Assembly Policy, denominational structure and procedures
- Knowledge of ecumenical and Interfaith ministry
- Ability to relate well to persons of different background, perspectives and roles in the UN context and the church
- Demonstrated capacity to bring critical thinking and theological analysis to complex issues of international affairs

Additional Information/Benefits

We believe a balanced life, with time for work, leisure, and spiritual nature, makes us healthier and more productive colleagues at the Presbyterian Center. Greater Louisville Inc.'s Work/Life Alliance Awards recognized this commitment in 2004.

The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) offers a competitive benefit package including:

- Medical Insurance (company paid)
- Dental Insurance
- Retirement Benefits
- Paid Vacation, Holiday, and Sick Time
- Flexible Spending Accounts
- Death and disability benefit (company paid)
- Short and Long Term Disability
- Long Term Care Insurance
- Educational Assistance Program
- Employment Assistance Program and Work/Life program

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