

DSW is an international development organisation, which focuses on the health, needs, and potential of the largest youth generation in history. Our objective is to empower young people, especially young women and girls, by creating demand for and access to youth-friendly health information and services, including modern contraceptives, and by securing the right to bodily autonomy. With offices in Europe and East Africa, we achieve this through a combination of youth-oriented programmes and gender transformative advocacy that also champions global health, including investments in research and innovation to fight poverty-related and neglected diseases and to foster women's health.

For more information please visit www.dsw.org/en/eu/

DSW seeks to recruit a

Communications Intern (approx. 5 months, CIP – convention d'immersion professionnelle)

Based in Brussels, Belgium

From as soon as possible until the end of January 2027.

Are you a creative, detail-oriented communicator with a passion for global health, gender equality, and youth empowerment? Join our Brussels-based team and help drive impactful advocacy work across Europe and beyond!

As our **Communications Intern**, you'll support both our **Advocacy** and **Communications** colleagues on topics ranging from global health research and innovation, women's health and sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) to gender equality.

Under the supervision of DSW's Brussels office leadership, and in close coordination with the Advocacy & Communications Officer, your responsibilities will include:

- Supporting the development of communications outputs and social media presence on R&I, global health, gender equality, and SRHR
- Assisting with drafting and distributing newsletters, op-eds, articles, publications and blog posts
- Creating engaging content for social media channels (including LinkedIn, Instagram)
- Potentially video-editing of materials used as tools for advocacy
- Supporting the coordination of design and visual assets (infographics, animated content) and liaising with external providers such as graphic designers
- Identifying opportunities to engage with media and/or stakeholders on topics related to R&I, global health, gender equality, and women's health
- Proofreading and editing materials and publications
- Media monitoring on relevant topics

- Supporting the evaluation of the impact of communication outputs (social media campaigns, newsletters, videos, etc.) together with the Communications Officer

What you bring:

- University degree in communications, journalism, EU policy, or a related field (Bachelor's degree is sufficient)
- Strong editing, oral and written communication skills
- Interest in R&I, global health, gender equality, and SRHR
- Knowledge of social media platforms and digital savvy
- Fluent oral and written English
- Familiarity with graphic design tools (Canva and/or Adobe Suite)
- Supportive of DSW's mission and vision
- Work and residence permit for Belgium

Desirable:

- Previous work experience in communications/journalism
- Knowledge of the EU context – both EU media and policy environments
- Familiarity with email marketing tools (Mailchimp)
- Knowledge related to poverty alleviation, development cooperation, health-, research- and gender-related policy matters
- Video-editing skills (Adobe Premiere Pro or other video editing software)

Ideal start date: As soon as possible.

Why join us?

- You'll be part of a diverse, mission-driven organisation making a difference on global health, youth, and gender equality and human rights. We offer a collaborative environment, hands-on experience, and the chance to contribute to work that matters.
- Internship (CIP – convention d'immersion professionnelle) from as soon as possible until the end of January 2027
- Gross monthly allowance of around €1,110
- A great multicultural team of compassionate colleagues that together create a supportive and friendly working environment

- DSW is an equal opportunity employer and seeks to employ and assign the best-qualified personnel regardless of race, colour, religion, gender, marital status, age, national origin, physical or mental disability or sexual orientation.

Interested?

If you're interested, please send your application (CV and motivation letter) with the reference "Communication Intern" to brussels@dsw.org by September 9th. Applications will be assessed on a rolling basis, so early applications are encouraged. Ideal start date: as soon as possible.

Please note that only short-listed candidates will be contacted.