

Job Title: Data Wrangling Intern Location: Washington, DC

What you get to do:

This position is about comparing data across organizations such that we have a better sense of who's doing what and where in international development.

Development agencies, NGOs, and governments spend a great deal of effort and money gathering data on thousands of indicators. This results data is used (ostensibly) to ensure that aid is allocated to the places, partners, and programs that are most likely to produce positive outcomes.

However, development results information is often not collected, managed, or used as effectively as it could be, and decisions are often made with incorrect, old, or incomplete data. Implementers face a figurative "Tower of Babel" of results data (spanning projects, donors, agencies, sectors) that is difficult to aggregate, compare, and use.

The development community must do more to enhance the quality of results data and make this data more accessible and useful, particularly across multiple implementing and funding organizations. Thus, our end goal is to illustrate how higher-quality results can be obtained, and to demonstrate immediate, practical applications for results data that can improve decision-making processes at every level of the aid cycle.

The necessary experience:

You are smart and tech-savvy, with a background in data analysis in R (or Stata) and you want to use your skills to help change the world. As the job title suggests, your main job will be tracking down, cleaning, and organizing large amounts of data and documenting how variables compare across organizations. There's no education requirement, but you should be attentive to detail and have worked with datasets before, maybe you've even compiled some of your own from scratch. Much of the micro-level results data we want from large organizations is to be found in PDF reports – you should be comfortable with getting your hands dirty with raw data formats and polishing them into something shiny and chrome.

The organization you want to work for:

Development Gateway (DG) is an international nonprofit social enterprise that increases the impact of international development activities through innovative, sustainable information management solutions and services. DG empowers people to accelerate change and transform their societies: www.developmentgateway.org.

We are a creative and dynamic group of people based throughout the globe. We value hard work, innovative thinking, and a good sense of humor.

The details:

Time commitment and overall project duration are flexible, but for now we're looking for someone to work up to full time for 6+ months. More or less hours can be negotiated and you will be paid. Also, free coffee is involved. You will be based at the amazing and brand-new OpenGov Hub office at McPherson Square. You will spend the next 6 months in an open concept environment surrounded by <u>cool organizations</u> in the heart of a <u>great neighborhood</u>.

To apply, send a cover letter and resume to jobs@developmentgateway.org. Write "Data Wrangling Intern" in the subject line.