

GLOBAL FELLOW

Type: Contractor, 20-25 hours per week

Length: One year

Supervisor: SSDP International Executive Director

Location: Remote/Vienna

Compensation: Varies based on region (living wage)

The successful candidate is responsible for their compliance with the local tax regulations of their residence.

Students for Sensible Drug Policy International

Students for Sensible Drug Policy is an international grassroots network of students and young people, led by students and young people who are advocating for policy reform on the local, national, continental and global level.

We promote youth civic engagement as a critical tool in reforming drug policy and develop leaders who advocate for change, based on justice, liberty and compassion. SSDP mobilizes and empowers young people to participate in political processes. Our members operate locally and are connected globally to reduce the harms of counterproductive policies—in particular, those that directly harm students of all ages and youth—and to represent the rights and interests of this population.

Core Values

- Shared power and authority.
- Youth-controlled agenda.
- Collaboration and partnership.
- Constituent-specific strategies.
- Learning.
- Diversity, inclusion, and anti-racism.

The Position

Our new Global Fellow will work alongside the SSDP International team and be directly supervised by the SSDP International Executive Director. They will be responsible for developing, advising and maintaining the SSDP Network outside of the US, with particular attention to European Union, United Nations and National policy initiatives. They will guide SSDP members through the policy change process in their countries by seeking to amplify youth voices on issues directly or indirectly related to drug policy. Additionally, Global Fellows will help educate the global SSDP community on local issues and develop educational materials about drug policy in their region.

We are looking for a **motivated** and **reliable** individual that enjoys listening as much as talking and is comfortable with electronic interactions as well as in-person. You don't need to be a tech wizard but it's important that you get around online without a fuss. You are quick on your feet, a natural problem solver, you are easy going but professional, you enjoy making new connections and taking a leadership role when it is necessary.

Roles & Accountabilities

Fundraising

- Support Grants manager in grant applications
- Cultivating meaningful donor relationships
- Incorporating best practices in fundraising
- Capturing and sharing stories that progress our relationship with donors and foundations

International Advocacy

- Monitoring the progress of relevant policies, legislations, and ballot initiatives happening globally

- Assisting chapters who want to meaningfully participate in the political process to change drug policies in their communities and countries, as well as globally.
- Facilitating timely action from the SSDP network on any relevant action opportunities
- Maintaining SSDP's EcoSoc status and taking a lead in all related administrative needs
- Coordinate liaising with United Nations bodies and civil society committees (VNGOC)
- Speaking and speaker preparation
- Advocacy Coach
- United Nations Ambassador
- Legislative mentor

Reporting

- Reporting to the International Program's Director on a regular basis
- Highlighting the work students are doing on the international drug policy stage and their communities to the rest of the network through blog posts, social media, and other outlets
- Partnerships Manager

Qualifications

Regional Coordinators must exemplify SSDP's core organizational values:

- Efficiency
- Transparency
- Humility
- Optimism
- Inclusiveness
- Light-heartedness
- Diligence
- Consistency

Additionally, the ideal candidate has already displayed a strong desire to empower students to change drug policy in their country or region through their involvement with SSDP. They have already distinguished themselves as networkers between those chapters and demonstrated enthusiasm to work within SSDP's outreach framework and mission.

The Global Fellow will need to successfully complete a training curriculum facilitated by the International Program's Director before officially beginning their work.

Necessary skills:

- Exceptional oral and written communication skills in the primary language of the country or region; ability to communicate effectively in English
- Strong ability to build coalitions with allies and work effectively with loosely-organized groups
- Demonstrated willingness and ability to adhere to strict data and record keeping practices
- Proficiency in the use of the Google Apps; strong ability to use and understand web-based programs
- Demonstrated ability to understand and analyze policy
- Ability to work under pressure

Time Commitment

Start and end dates are flexible, but GF training will ideally begin right before the start of a new program year (**July 1st**) and finish their term at the end of the program year (June 30).

This is a part-time position and though hours are flexible, GFs should be prepared to occasionally work during evenings and weekends. Some travel may be required. The selected candidate will be expected to work up to 20 hours per week.