

Civilian-Military Coordination in Humanitarian Response: Expanding the Evidence Base Call for Letters of Interest – Research Consultants

The Humanitarian Innovation Initiative (HI²) at Brown University is seeking to hire part-time research consultants with an interest in conducting a series of studies focusing on improving civilian-military coordination during humanitarian response efforts. The hired consultants will be supporting a collaborative project between HI², the US Naval War College's Humanitarian Response Program (HRP), and the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (UN OCHA), which seeks to expand the evidence base for effective civilian-military coordination in humanitarian response while developing new avenues for information sharing between humanitarian, military, and academic communities. This project is grant funded by the Carnegie Corporation of New York.

Hired consultants in collaboration with project staff, and subject area experts, will conduct a series of research studies to answer essential questions pertaining to civilian-military coordination during humanitarian emergencies. The research studies will utilize a mix of quantitative and qualitative methods including review of existing academic literature and UN and military policies; key informant interviews with military, humanitarian, and local leaders around the globe; focus group discussions with different disaster response communities including local disaster affected communities; and quantitative surveys. The results of these research studies will be presented at a research symposium for review and contextualization and then disseminated through academic and policy channels, with the eventual goal of impacting US and foreign military guidance on civilian-military coordination in humanitarian response, as well as United Nations and international NGO guidelines.

Qualifications

- Pursuing or completed Masters or Ph.D. in a relevant field of study
- Professional experience (academic, practitioner, and/or military) working within the humanitarian ecosystem
- Demonstrated experience with qualitative and quantitative research methods

Location: Primarily remote-based with occasional presence in Providence, Rhode Island

Time Type: Part-Time

Duration: Aug. 2018 – Dec. 2019

Application Requirements

Applications should include: (1) Brief letter of introduction indicating your area of expertise and interest in the position – max 500 words; (2) Current C.V. in English; (3) Completed Interest Form – [Research Consultant Interest Form](#)

Please send your application materials to Seth Stulen (seth_stulen@brown.edu) by 7/1/2018.