

Science Communication in EU-Funded Projects' Internship

About us

EUFIC - the European Food Information Council, is a non-profit organisation that provides science-based information on food and health.

We are passionate science and communication experts who believe in the power of knowledge, and in a world where people choose to live healthily because they know how to. To help build it, we offer accessible, appealing and actionable science-based information to inspire and empower people to improve their diet and lifestyle.

We collaborate with a broad network of academics, national and international organisations, businesses and professionals in the food and health sector. We are a lively, multi-disciplinary, and multi-cultural team of just over 20 colleagues, based in the heart of Brussels, just a 10 minutes' walk from the Grand Place.

Job description

We are looking for long-term (at least 6 months) students who wish to deepen their knowledge of science communication by supporting communication and dissemination activities in food & health projects. The starting date is 1st February 2024.

Key responsibilities:

We appreciate and encourage interns to be proactive and, as much as possible, own their own activities/projects. The chosen candidate will be actively involved in the development, review, and promotion of different types of science-based content – textual and audio-visual – covering a wide range of food & health-related topics, as well as the organisation of events.

Tasks include:

- Align with and coordinate partners in providing content for communication and dissemination activities
- Drafting and fact-checking social media content and monitoring social media performance
- Publishing website and newsletter content
- Organisation and promotion of events (conferences, webinars, workshops)
- Supporting stakeholder engagement activities
- Supporting the partners in the development and roll-out of communication campaigns
- Reporting on milestones reached as well as progress towards key impact indicators
- Preparing infographics, videos and other audio-visuals together with a graphic designer

Upcoming internships will be focused on the following thematic areas:

- Microbiomes in the food systems
- The European food safety system of the future
- Fruit and vegetable processing in short food supply chain
- Contribution to the realisation of a European Partnership on Food Systems

Some internships may also support consumer research activities (also in the above thematic areas).

Educational requirements, experience and skills

- **currently enrolled in a University course** towards a scientific degree focused on food safety, food science, nutrition, or a related area, with the option to pursue a placement during their studies.
- **strong and proven English writing skills**, another European language are an advantage.
- **available for at least 6 months**
- an excellent communicator, with the ability to translate scientific information into easy-to-understand language.
- interested in and a passion for food & health communication.
- can search for information, digest it, and summarise succinctly.
- proactive and well organised, capable of handling tasks alone
- good interpersonal skills
- eye for detail
- experienced with content management systems and search-engine optimisation.
- working knowledge of standard software packages (e.g., Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook)

Job conditions

Trainees typically enjoy the following:

- full-time position
- living allowance of 450 €/month
- multicultural workplace in the heart of Brussels
- a chance to learn from dedicated science and communication professionals.
- possible European travel for meetings and conferences
- if possible, the intern must be in possession of a working laptop

Application

- Your application, in English, should contain your CV and a letter of motivation.
- Email your application to jobs@eufic.org by **April 30th or October 31st (depending on the internship period)**, stating "Science Communication in EU-Funded Projects" in the subject.
- You may be invited for a couple of interviews via Teams, followed by a written assignment.
- Only candidates selected for interviews will be notified.