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Minimum standards for child protection in humanitarian action. Second edition. The Alliance for Child Protection in Humanitarian Action. 2019: This second edition of Minimum Standards for Child Protection in Humanitarian Action has been realised through the hard work of over 1,900 individuals from 85 agencies and 82 countries. It is a true example of inter-agency and inter-sectoral collaboration. This edition strengthens the standards’ emphasis on principles, evidence and prevention and increases their applicability to internal displacement and refugee contexts. (Source: RISE Learning Network).

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RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES & GRANTS


Call for applications: Dorothy Marchus Senesh Fellowship in Peace and Development Studies for Women (Global South). Deadline: 15 January 2020.


Call for applications: SAGE Concept Grants to equip social scientists with the skills, tools, and resources to work with big data and new technology. Deadline: 23 February 2020.

Call for applications: ESTHER Ireland Grants - Health Partnership Scheme. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis for the duration of one year, applications will not be accepted after 30 April 2020.
**EVENTS**

- Lessons learned in using most significant change for evaluation, 8 January 2020, 9 a.m. EST: In this webinar, you will learn how MSC methodology was adapted for public health evaluations in multiple contexts in Africa and Asia, including a case study of the Local Capacity Initiative. Register online.
- Summer schools: ‘Health & migration’ and ‘Sexual & reproductive health & rights’, Ghent, Belgium, 5 – 16 July 2020: Registrations are open for bachelor and master students from all around the world who are interested in expanding their knowledge about global issues. Deadline: 15 March 2020.
- Managing gender-based violence programmes in emergencies, self-paced e-learning course: This UNFPA course targets new or emerging gender-based violence (GBV) specialists as well as humanitarian or development practitioners and others who want to increase their knowledge around GBV prevention and response in emergencies. 
- Humanitarian Capacity (HumCap) thematic courses for 2020: HumCap courses are directed to those who already have experience in the humanitarian sector and want to acquire further competences on specific themes or key arising issues. Courses are listed online.
- Consultancy: Women and Resilience Study, Fund for Peace – Consultancy to commence by 15th January. Please contact Patricia Taft or Nate Haken for the Terms of Reference.
- Gender Based Violence Coordinator, HIAS, Mexico – Closing date: 31 December 2019.
- Call for Consultant(s) for Mama Cash’s Endterm Review, Mama Cash, Flexible location – Closing date: 13 January 2020.
- Communications and Media Relations Coordinator, University of Global Health Equity, Kigali, Rwanda - Closing date: 15 January 2020.
- Communications Officer, Ministry of Health – Rwanda, Kigali Rwanda – Closing date: 15 January 2020.
- Executive Director, New National Giving Circle Initiative, Flexible location – Closing date: 15 January 2020.
- Deputy Country Director Programmes, Sustainable Development Goals Fund (SDGF), Bangkok, Thailand – Closing date: 31 January 2020.
- Communications Officer, MACEPA, Lusaka, Zambia – Open until filled.

**NEWS**

Pope Francis ends ‘top secret’ status for sex abuse cases, promising transparency. NPR, 17 December 2019.

Violence against women and collective guilt in India. How can women victims of violence get justice when the whole system is the perpetrator? Al Jazeera, 14 December 2019.

’It could’ve been me’: India women demand safety as recent rapes prompt hundreds of petitions. Thomson Reuters Foundation, 13 December 2019.


**VACANCIES**

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