

**Muskie School Justice Policy Program
Graduate Assistant Opportunity
Victims of Crime Act (VOCA)
Announced September 2, 2011**

The Muskie School's Justice Policy Program is looking for a graduate student to help conduct research on a variety of topics in fields related to VOCA, victimology, criminal justice, and violence against women. The assistantship also includes helping prepare for a multi-day VOCA conference in Maine, including organizing and developing materials, supporting registration, and other administrative support. The assistantship is flexible, and the position can be tailored to a student's interest and skills.

Specific project related tasks may include:

- Comparative analysis of Maine/New Hampshire Victim Assistance Academy curriculum with National Victim Assistance Academy curriculum
- Research regarding best practices of faculty selection, preparation, and support for State Victim Assistance Academies with recommendations for a strategic plan for faculty recruitment, selection, and support in Maine and New Hampshire
- Enhancement of a website for Maine/New Hampshire Victim Assistance Academy and Tri State Advanced Victim Assistance Academy.
- Conduct literature and best practice reviews
- Prepare materials for multi-day conferences
- Research for/ prepare presentations
- Compile and analyze evaluation results for multi-day conferences

Qualifications:

1. Matriculated USM graduate student enrolled in six credits each semester employed as a GA.
2. In good academic (at least a 3.0 GPA) standing with USM.

Dates of Employment: September 12 through December 16, 2011

Number of hours per week: 10 hours per week for 13 weeks

Compensation: \$1,950.00 for fall term or \$ 487.50 per month Sept-Dec 2011.

Send resume and letter of interest to:

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By September 9, 2011.