

University of Manchester Q-Step Summer Project 2016

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Organisation name: Home Office

Team/Department: Crime and Policing Analysis, Home Office Science

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Provisional title for project:

Enhancing our understanding of Modern Slavery using secondary data analysis.

Abstract:

Whilst the evidence base on **Modern Slavery** is evolving, much of this is from a qualitative perspective. Whilst recent estimates focus on numbers of victims (Home Office, 2014), further analysis is required to understand the characteristics of victims, and relationships between victims and offenders. And, to date, analysis on the actual crimes has mainly been limited to small scale qualitative studies. Analysis of data provided by police forces has the potential to enhance our understanding of the nature of these crimes and evolving patterns.

Data sources: The **Home Office Data Hub** contains record level crime and victim data from police forces. It is an extremely rich data source, and further analysis is required in order to maximise its benefits.

Key words:

Modern slavery; police administrative data; Crime Survey for England and Wales; crime trends.

Essential and desirable skills:

- Essential skills: good quantitative skills (eg SPSS, STATA, R) gained from analysis of both administrative and survey data. Strong problem solving skills. Good communication skills (written and oral).
- Desirable skills: experience in presenting complex data visually.

Where the work would be carried out:

London

Selection method:

Interview, location to be confirmed

Support and training offered by the organisation:

During the placement the student will be assigned to an experienced researcher as their line manager. The line manager will have regular meetings with the student and will be responsible for setting and reviewing work objectives, and ensuring the student maximises development opportunities available through the placement. For the duration of the placement the student will be treated as a full member of Crime and Policing Analysis in the Home Office. Relevant job specific training will be offered where necessary.

Supporting information:

Successful applicants will need to pass standard Home Office Security Clearance arrangements. Due to this, we will not be able to accept anyone who has lived outside of Great Britain for three months or more within the last five years.

Financial assistance offered by the organisation:

Subsistence expenses to cover any work required away from the London office.