

Analyst

Overview:

The Afghanistan War Commission was established by the Afghanistan War Commission Act of 2021 (P.L. 117-81, §1094) as an independent commission in the legislative branch. It is charged with conducting a thorough study of all matters relating to combat operations, reconstruction and security force assistance activities, intelligence activities, and diplomatic activities of the United States pertaining to Afghanistan during the period of June 1, 2001 to August 30, 2022 by examining key strategic, diplomatic, and operational decisions. The Commission is further charged with developing a series of lessons learned and recommendations for the way forward that will inform future decisions by Congress and policymakers throughout the United States Government. It will deliver its final report in August 2026.

Position Description:

AWC seeks a full-time Analyst for the Policy and Diplomacy research team to gather, analyze, and interpret data to produce insights that support the Commission's research goals. This role requires a strong analytical mindset, attention to detail, and the ability to translate data into actionable recommendations. This position reports directly to the Policy and Diplomacy team lead, coordinating the conduct and results of research efforts with other members of the research team and collaboratively with members of other teams.

All Commission employees must be eligible to obtain a TS security clearance. The position is based at Commission offices in Crystal City, Virginia and is for a two-year term. Experience in government, particularly at the Department of State or the National Security Council staff is welcome but not required as is academic and research experience related to the conflict in Afghanistan. Some domestic and overseas travel may be required.

Key Responsibilities:

- Research Design: Collaborate with team members to define research objectives, develop research methodologies, and design data collection processes that align with research goals.
- Data Collection: Collect and compile data from various sources, including through interviews and document analysis, ensuring data accuracy, completeness, and relevance to research objectives.
- Data Analysis: Utilize rigorous analytical approaches and tools to analyze data and identify meaningful insights.



- Presentation of Results: Contribute to the drafting of research results and presentations that effectively communicate research findings.
- Quality Assurance: Ensure the quality and integrity of research data, identifying and addressing any discrepancies or anomalies.
- Collaboration: Work closely with members of the research team and members of other research teams on cross-topical issues.

Compensation and Benefits

Open to direct hire, federal government detail, and assignment under the Intergovernmental Personnel Act.

Candidates from the GS-12 to GS-13 level will be considered.

Employees are entitled to a full range of federal employee benefits. See https://www.opm.gov for details

The Afghanistan War Commission is an equal opportunity employer committed to creating a diverse and inclusive staff to execute its mandate. It complies with hiring and personnel requirements of the Congressional Accountability Act of 1995, including those pertaining to non-discrimination, veterans' employment and reemployment rights, and veterans' preference. Because employees must have or be able to obtain a security clearance as a condition of employment, U.S. citizenship is required. The Commission participates in E-Verify.

How to Apply: Submit a current CV and statement of interest through our website at https://www.afghanistanwarcommission.org/jobs or via email to jobs@awc.senate.gov Note: This job description is intended to outline the general nature of the work and is not an exhaustive list of all responsibilities, duties, and skills required for the role.