The International Center for Transitional Justice (ICTJ): Rachel Travis (PhD Candidate)

The International Center for Transitional Justice (ICTJ) headquarters in New York is the site of Rachel Travis' summer internship. Rachel (a GSPIA PhD student) is conducting data analysis of ICTJ's outcome-driven operations in the Design, Monitoring, and Evaluation Unit. In the true spirit of GSPIA's focus on the local to global approach, Rachel is applying her research focus on genocide and mass atrocities prevention to work in an agency that is well-known for their work with refugee populations and conflict prevention worldwide. So far, she has had opportunities to learn from experienced nonprofit leaders around the world and witness firsthand how ICTJ's analytical work constantly adapts to reflect changes in the reality of conflict.

Rachel says she is regularly applying skills she learned at GSPIA and the Ford Institute in her work. "The program evaluation and research skills taught through my coursework at GSPIA and the research practice I gained through my participation in the Ford Institute working group on conflict, migration, and climate change have prepared me to make the most of this opportunity."

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