The Office
The Dutch Rapporteur on Trafficking in Human Beings and Sexual Violence against Children is a bureau within the Dutch Ministry of Security and Justice. The Rapporteur works independently and publishes reports to the Dutch government.

The Rapporteur's main task is to report on human trafficking and sexual violence against children and the effects of government policies.

The National Rapporteur's goals include:
- Awareness about human trafficking and sexual violence against children
- Victim protection
- Offender prevention and apprehension
- Research-based policies

Global Co-op
The location of the co-op was The Hague, The Netherlands. This was an excellent opportunity to live and work in another country and experience another culture.

Human Trafficking Research Assistant
- Conduct research on the nature and extent of human trafficking and the effects of government policies for the Dutch Rapporteur's tenth annual report on trafficking in human beings
- Write literature reviews and essays on topics such as the role of law enforcement and municipalities in combatting trafficking, victim identification, and street-level bureaucracy
- Research and analyze laws and policies at the local, state, national, and international levels
- Edit English translations of speeches, articles, and reports

International Child Trafficking Conference
I was selected to represent the Dutch Rapporteur's office at an international round table on preventing and combatting child trafficking at the House of the European Union in Vienna, Austria.

Skills
- Research
- Writing, editing, and communication
- Critical thinking and analysis

Course Integration
- Human Trafficking
- Criminal Law
- Law and Public Policy

Lessons
My co-op taught me about the complexities of human trafficking, including prevention, protection, and prosecution. I learned about the roles of law enforcement, theories that describe traffickers and their victims, and the duties and functions of different levels of government in various countries.

Future Directions
I have decided I would like to work in a law-related field. I am interested in learning more about politics and international relations.