

ND Law in Chicago

A Listing of Some Approved Placement Sites

Placement sites for ND Law in Chicago are not limited to this list. Students may propose a site of their own choosing and, before applying to the site, speak with either Associate Dean Bob Jones or Program Director Katelynn McBride Barbosa to see if it meets program criteria.

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Site: American Dental Association (ADA)
Web Site: www.ada.org

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Description

Founded in 1859, the not-for-profit American Dental Association is the nation's largest dental association, representing more than 161,000 dentist members. Since then, the ADA has grown to become the leading source of oral health related information for dentists and their patients. The ADA is committed to its members and to the improvement of oral health for the public. The vision of the ADA is to be the recognized leader on oral health with its mission to help all members succeed. More than 300 oral health products, including toothpastes, dental floss, toothbrushes, mouth rinses, denture adherents and chewing gum carry the ADA Seal of Acceptance, universally recognized by consumers as a symbol of safety and effectiveness. The philanthropic arm of the ADA provides scholarships for dental students, advocates for children's dental health and supplies disaster relief to members in need.

The ADA Division of Legal Affairs actively and enthusiastically advances the ADA's Mission & Vision for the public's oral health by protecting, defending and advocating for the legal rights and interests of the ADA.

Qualifications: Student in good standing. Resumes demonstrating an interest in health care law and students who have completed their second year of law school are highly preferred. Externs must be enrolled with the School of Law for course credit or serve as an extern on a non-compensated basis.

Typical Work and Projects Assigned: The extern's work in the Division of Legal Affairs will be largely research, writing and legal analysis. The writing will be diverse. At times, the writing will be for lawyers; and other times it will be for dentists. The research will take the extern into areas that he or she has not studied in law school and should help to bridge the gap between what the extern was taught and what he or she will likely be doing when practicing law. The extern may be given legal assignments that will require legal analysis with reference to issues, often issues without direct legal precedent.

Application Process

In your cover letter, specify that the ND Law in Chicago externship requires 32 field-work hours/week for the semester. Send a cover letter, resume **and writing sample** to:

Lisa Schnick, Manager, Business Administrative Services
American Dental Association
211 East Chicago Avenue
17th Floor
Chicago, IL 60611
Phone: 312-440-2524
Email: schnickl@ada.org

Application Deadline

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Questions

Please contact Katelynn McBride Barbosa, Katelynn.mcbride@nd.edu with any questions.

Site: Business and Professional People for the Public Interest (Chicago Loop)
Web Site: www.bpichicago.org

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Description

Business and Professional People for the Public Interest has served the Chicago region as an independent public interest law and policy center addressing compelling issues of social justice and quality of life for nearly a half century.

BPI lawyers and policy specialists use legal and policy research, advocacy, organizing, litigation and collaboration with nonprofit, business, community and governmental organizations to accomplish its mission. Today BPI's work is focused on housing and community development, public education, and political reform. Legal externs work under the direct supervision of BPI attorneys. They research legal and policy issues, write memoranda, briefs and policy papers, develop legal strategies and participate in various aspects of our advocacy work – examples of which are described below.

As counsel for the plaintiffs in the landmark Gautreaux litigation, BPI is advocating for public housing residents on many fronts, and is deeply engaged in the Chicago Housing Authority's multi-billion dollar effort to transform the City's isolated, crumbling public housing projects into mixed-income communities. Among other things, BPI plays a central role creating and implementing plans for redeveloped communities and working to ensure that public housing residents receive the supportive services they need. Through Gautreaux, BPI has helped provide better housing and enhanced life opportunities for more than 25,000 victims of the CHA's racial discrimination.

BPI is also recognized nationally for its affordable housing advocacy. BPI has spearheaded efforts to increase the supply of affordable housing in Illinois and to broadly disperse such housing throughout the region, including in communities with good jobs and schools, but little or no affordable housing.

Application Process

In your cover letter, specify that the ND Law in Chicago externship requires 32 field-work hours/week for the semester. Send a cover letter and resume to:

Adam Gross; Director of Affordable Housing
Business and Professional People for the Public Interest
25 East Washington Street; Suite 1515
Chicago, IL 60602
agross@bpichicago.org
(312) 641-5570

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Site: Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago Legal Externship
Web Site: www.catholiccharities.net

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Description

Catholic Charities is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit corporation. The Agency provides a wide variety of social services in Cook and Lake Counties. Catholic Charities' in-house legal department is seeking a motivated, organized law student for a semester externship. Excellent research, writing and interpersonal skills are required.

This externship will provide practical experience working under the supervision of in-house attorneys and with paralegals and other professional staff in an in-house legal department. Law student externs will gain experience in legal research and writing, drafting of legal documents, court filings and legal intake in a variety of areas of law including corporate law, litigation and employment law.

Application Process

In your cover letter, specify that the ND Law in Chicago externship requires 32 field-work hours/week for the semester. Address a cover letter and resume to:

Michele Stone
Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago
721 N. LaSalle
Chicago, IL 60654
mstone@catholiccharities.net

But email apps to: Email apps to: mstone@catholiccharities.net

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Site: Center for Conflict Resolution; Chicago (Loop)
Web Site: www.ccrchicago.org

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Description

Guided by its mission to work with individuals, communities, courts, and other institutions to manage and resolve conflict, the Center for Conflict Resolution (CCR) is a Chicago-based non-profit organization that provides mediation and training services.

Since its founding in 1979, CCR has emerged as one of the nation's premier providers of mediation services — as well as a superb educational and training ground for mediators.

Every year, knowledgeable, dedicated volunteers and staff mediate pro bono cases with more than 4,000 people, train hundreds of new mediators, facilitate meetings and work with dozens of businesses, government agencies and organizations to create custom-designed dispute resolution systems and training programs.

Legal externs begin by completing a 40-hour mediation training program and obtaining a certification from the CCR staff. Once certified, externs conduct mediations at Cook County courthouses and occasionally in the CCR offices. Courthouse mediations involve primarily small claims and landlord/tenant cases. Mediations in the CCR offices involve a wider variety of matters. Externs, in addition to conducting mediations in courthouses, supervise small teams of volunteer mediators, including other law students, who are performing courthouse mediations. Prior mediation training, such as through the Applied Mediation program, is helpful but not required.

Application Process

Application materials may be submitted electronically. In your cover letter, specify that the ND Law in Chicago externship requires 32 field-work hours/week for the semester. Send a cover letter and resume to:

Ms. Rae Kyritsi, Mediation Services Director
Center for Conflict Resolution
11 E. Adams Street; #500
Chicago, IL 60603
rkyritsi@ccrchicago.org
(312) 922-6464

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Questions

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Site: Chicago Board of Education
Web Site: www.cps.edu

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Description

The Board of Education of the City of Chicago has extern opportunities in its Law Department's Labor Relations Unit. Their new location is 1 North Dearborn Street, 9th Floor, Chicago, Illinois 60602.

The Labor Relations Unit is responsible for handling traditional labor law cases and employee discipline matters.

Interns/Externs would concentrate their work in prosecuting employee dismissal cases. With the oversight of attorneys, externs would be responsible for:

- (1) Gathering background information;
- (2) Contacting the client and witnesses to prepare them for their testimony; and
- (3) Presenting opening and closing statements, direct and cross-examination of witnesses, and arguing orally before an administrative hearing officer.

Many law students have found this direct hands-on experience challenging and rewarding. Additionally, if desired, externs will have the opportunity to handle traditional labor law matters as well. The site prefers that externs be either in 2L or 3L students.

Application Process

Application materials may be submitted electronically. In your cover letter, specify that the ND Law in Chicago externship requires 32 field-work hours/week for the semester. Send a cover letter and resume to:

James G. Ciesil
Deputy General Counsel
Chicago Board of Education
1 North Dearborn Street; Suite 900
Chicago, IL 60602
jciesil@cps.edu
(773) 553-1643

Application Deadline

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Questions

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Site: Chicago Low Income Housing Trust Fund
Web Site: www.chicagotrustedfund.org

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Description

Establishment of the Trust Fund was sparked by demolition of single room occupancy hotels on the west end of the City, at the corner of Madison and Jefferson streets, to create the Presidential Towers. Developers of Presidential Towers were criticized by housing activists because of the lack of low and moderate units in the proposal.

In the late 1980's, a coalition formed of stakeholders representing the Chicago Coalition for the Homeless, the Statewide Housing Action Coalition, the Balanced Growth Coalition, and Chicago 1992 Committee. With support of Mayor Harold Washington, the group sought to establish a city trust fund utilizing funds to be donated by the developer in lieu of the creation of on-site affordable units. Seeking to refinance their loan, developers met with the city and the coalition in January 1987. It was agreed that the developers would pay \$5 million into a fund that would officially become the Trust Fund two years later.

The Trust Fund began its first and largest program, the Rental Subsidy Program, in 1990. Its focus then and now is to provide annual subsidies to rental properties to reduce rents for citizens who make less than 30 percent of area median income (AMI). The program assists a wide array of household types, including low-income wage earners, homeless, seniors, single parent households, large families and people with disabilities.

Over the years, the Trust Fund has stayed true to its mission to provide affordable housing to Chicago's low-income citizens. It strives to develop new partnerships and opportunities to create opportunities for affordable housing for those at-risk of homelessness.

Application Process

Application materials may be submitted electronically. In your cover letter, specify that the ND Law in Chicago externship requires 32 field-work hours/week for the semester. Send a cover letter, resume, unofficial transcript and writing sample to:

Jason Sethen
General Counsel
Chicago Low-Income Housing Trust Fund
Chicago Department of Planning & Development
121 N. La Salle – Room 1006
Chicago IL 60602
Jason.sethen@chicagotrustedfund.org

Application Deadline

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Questions

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Site: Chicago Office of the Inspector General
Web Site: www.chicagoinspectorgeneral.org

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Description

PRE-REQUISITES: Must have a minimum GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale. Desirable but not required: student will have completed coursework in Administrative Law, Evidence, Constitutional Law, and Civil & Criminal Procedure; knows methods and techniques of legal research. Also desirable: student has prior professional experience in government, law, law enforcement or compliance.

The mission of the City of Chicago Office of Inspector General (OIG) is to root out corruption, waste, and mismanagement, while promoting effectiveness and efficiency in City government. OIG is a watchdog for the taxpayers of the City, and has jurisdiction to conduct investigations and audits into most aspects of City government. Per OIG's ordinance, the Inspector General is appointed by the Mayor, subject to the approval of the City Council. The Inspector General is appointed to a four-year term and can only be removed for cause.

OIG invites 2L and 3L law students to apply for externship opportunities with OIG's Legal Section. The externship experience will provide students with an opportunity to gain substantive legal experience in the areas of governmental oversight, internal investigations, labor and employment law, criminal law and procedure, governmental ethics, and compliance. Applicants should demonstrate good judgment, high ethical standards, and strong analytical and writing skills.

NOTE: APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY THE INDIVIDUAL APPLYING. NO SECOND PARTY APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED. THE OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL REQUIRES THAT ITS EMPLOYEES BE NONPARTISAN AND FREE FROM CONFLICTS OF INTEREST. APPLICANTS MUST AGREE TO A BACKGROUND CHECK.

Application Process

To apply for this job, do NOT use the City of Chicago online application. Submit the application materials listed below to jobs@chicagoinspectorgeneral.org; in the Subject line, type in the job title for which you are applying: (1) cover letter, indicate that the ND Law in Chicago externship requires 32 field-work hours/week for the semester; (2) resume; (3) writing sample; (4) unofficial law school transcript.

NOTE: to be considered for this position, you must provide all the information above. If you fail to provide this information at the time you submit your application, your submission will be incomplete and you will not be considered for an interview. Application materials will only be accepted by email at jobs@chicagoinspectorgeneral.org. If there is more than one open position in which you are interested, you may apply for more than one title by submitting an individual email for each title.

Application Deadlines

NOTE: NDLS DEADLINE TO APPLY FOR ND LAW IN CHICAGO IS NOT FEWER THAN 60 DAYS PRIOR TO START OF SEMESTER.

OIG deadline for Fall semester:	July 15th for the Fall
OIG deadline for Spring semester:	November 15 th for the Spring

Questions

Please contact Katelynn McBride Barbosa with any questions.

Site: Circuit Court of Cook County
Web Site: www.cookcountycourt.org/HOME/InternshipsExternships.aspx

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Description

Judicial externs work in chambers for a judge in exchange for school credit and to gain experience working in the court system. Externs perform such tasks as file evaluation, legal research or preparation of memoranda. Externs may work along with staff attorneys or directly and solely with a judge. Time commitments are determined by the supervising judge or legal staff. Students who have completed the first year of studies in good academic standing may apply for a judicial externship.

The court will assign externs to a particular judge. One judge who has accepted NDLS externs in the past is Judge Sanjay Tailor, Law Division, whose courtroom handles commercial litigation matters. Students interested specifically in an externship with Judge Tailor should speak with Professor Jones before filing an application.

Application Process

See <http://www.cookcountycourt.org/HOME/InternshipsExternships.aspx>.

- Apply directly to the Circuit Court of Cook County.
- Submit a cover letter, resume, and a writing sample. In your cover letter, specify that the ND Law in Chicago externship requires 32 field-work hours/week for the semester. These documents may be hand delivered, mailed, emailed or faxed.
- Receive an electronic acknowledgement or received documents;
- Submitted documents are reviewed;
- Interviews are conducted, either by telephone or in person;
- Persons offered a position are required to submit to pre-screening tests which include a background check and a drug test. These can only be scheduled by the Circuit Court of Cook County.

Application Deadline

Fall: July 1st

Spring: November 1st

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Questions

Please contact Katelynn McBride Barbosa with any questions, katelynn.mcbride@nd.edu.

If you have questions about the site, please contact Melanie Wheeler,

Director of Administrative and Support Services, Office: (312) 603-3587, Fax: (312) 603-4878,

Email: Melanie.Wheeler@cookcountyil.gov

Site: City of Chicago Law Department
Web Site: www.cityofchicago.org/dol

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Description

The Law Department serves the Mayor, the City Departments, Boards and Commissioners and the City Council as they establish and administer policies and programs to benefit Chicago residents. The Law Department's clients are the City's more than forty Departments, as well as its agencies and officials.

The Department employs approximately 250 lawyers that handle litigation, transactional, and legislative projects, and enforce the Municipal Code.

Few law offices can match the breadth of this practice. They litigate cases in every federal, state, and administrative courtroom in the City. Their transactional lawyers routinely work in conjunction with colleagues in the Department's legislative section on complex deals involving large-scale public projects. Their service takes many forms, from helping communities through effective ordinance preparation and enforcement, to providing City departments with legal advice.

There are 14 different practice divisions. They offer both transactional and litigation opportunities. A number of divisions allow students to practice with a 711 license. The divisions include:

- Appeals;
- Aviation, Environmental, Regulatory & Contracts;
- Building and License Enforcement;
- Collections, Ownership and Administrative Litigation;
- Constitutional & Commercial Litigation;
- Employment Litigation;
- Federal Civil Rights Litigation;
- Finance & Economic Development;
- Labor;
- Legal Counsel;
- Legal Information and Prosecutions;
- Real Estate;
- Revenue Litigation;
- Torts.

To learn more about the various Divisions within the Department of Law and the work that they handle, please check out the Litigation, Prosecution and Transactional Division links found under "What We Do" at www.cityofchicago.org/dol. You can also read more on Katelynn's blog at <https://becomingadifferentkindofprofessional.org/2017/11/01/careers-with-the-city-of-chicago-department-of-law/>

A few divisions, including Employment Litigation, Federal Civil Rights Litigation and Torts, offer the possibility of using a student practice license (711 license).

Application Process

Students apply directly to the City of Chicago Department of Law. To apply for one of these volunteer programs, please visit www.cityofchicago.org/dol (select the Externship, Post-Graduate Fellowship and Volunteer Programs link under "Supporting Information") and then click the desired volunteer program for further information, including

the application process. Applicants are requested to submit: Cover letter, indicating that your application is for the Externship Program, and stating your division preference, and specifying that the ND Law in Chicago externship requires 32 field-work hours/week for the semester; Resume; Law School Transcript; One writing sample (see Writing Sample Policy posted on website).

Application Deadline

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The City of Chicago Department of Law has the ability to accommodate a large number of externs. Some smaller divisions tend to fill up more quickly than others. Even though there is no formal application deadline, students are encouraged to apply early in order to maximize the chance of obtaining a position in the student's first choice of divisions.

The City typically makes decisions close to the beginning of the semester in which the student wishes to participate. Students should be aware that while NDLS students have often been placed with the City, they are likely to receive notice fairly late in the NDLS process.

Questions

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Site: Community Activism Law Alliance
Web Site: www.calachicago.org

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Description

Community Activism Law Alliance (CALA), a 501(c)(3) legal aid organization is seeking externship candidates for second-semester 2Ls and 3Ls, including 711 clerks. Law students will work with CALA Attorneys to provide legal services to low-income, immigrant, and other underserved communities throughout Chicago, IL. The exact start and finish dates of the externship will be determined between selected candidates and their supervisor.

The law student intern will work under a supervisory attorney and will provide general assistance to a variety of cases including those involving but not limited to domestic violence, employment, housing, family, immigration, criminal records, and education law.

Responsibilities

1. Research case law and procedure for effective client representation;
2. Participate with attorneys in client interviews and negotiations with adverse parties;
3. Attend court hearings with supervising attorneys (candidates with a 711 license will be given opportunities to conduct hearings and assist with trials);
4. Communicate with clients;
5. Prepare and use legal documents including motions, discovery materials, and pleadings in connection with court proceedings and under the consultation of the supervisory attorney;
6. Work closely with CALA attorneys and assist with client representation, community outreach, and pro-bono attorney trainings;
7. Work effectively with diverse staff and service population.

Candidates will be allowed to complete many of their hours remotely, including research and writing assignments. Native or fluent proficiency in a second language (including Spanish) is preferred, but not required.

Application Process

Please send a resume, law school transcript, writing sample, and cover letter to hanan@calachicago.org.

Application Deadline

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Questions

Please contact Katelynn McBride Barbosa with any questions, Katelynn.mcbride@nd.edu.

Site: Cook County Public Defender's Office
Web Site: www.cookcountyil.gov/public-defender-law-office-of/employment-with-the-public-defender-2

Important

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Description

The mission of the Law Office of the Cook County Public Defender is to protect the rights, liberties and dignity of each person whose case has been entrusted to us by providing the finest legal representation. Our clients are accused of offenses ranging from traffic and misdemeanor charges to capital murder. The Office was established in 1930 and defends poor people in the largest unified court system in the world.

The Law Office is currently organized into several divisions: Juvenile Justice; Felony Trial; Multiple Defendants; First Municipal (Misdemeanor, Traffic, Domestic Violence), Professional Development, Civil (Child Protection, Paternity, Mental Health), Legal Residence (Appeals and Post-Conviction); Forensic Science; Homicide Task Force; Investigations; and Five Suburban Divisions.

Applicants should have a demonstrated interest in working with the poor.

Application Process

The Public Defender's Office posts application information online at <http://www.cookcountyil.gov/public-defender-law-office-of/volunteer-program/>.

All applicants are required to provide the following documents electronically via PDF attachment: cover letter, transcript (official or unofficial), resume, volunteer application, and Rule 711 certificate application.

Students should apply directly to the Public Defender's Office. STUDENTS SHOULD INDICATE PROMINENTLY IN THEIR COVER LETTERS THAT THEY ARE PARTICIPATING IN THE NOTRE DAME LAW IN CHICAGO PROGRAM, WHICH REQUIRES A 32-HOUR PER WEEK FIELD PLACEMENT.

Application Deadline

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Questions

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Site: Cook County Public Guardian
Web Site: www.publicguardian.org/employment

Important

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Description

There are two divisions: Adult Guardianship, and Juvenile and Domestic Relations.

The Adult Guardianship Division offers a unique opportunity to law students. Attorneys in the Adult Guardianship Division represent the Public Guardian in his capacity as guardian of disabled adults. While attorneys primarily handle guardianship matters in the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of Cook County, they often find themselves representing the Public Guardian on behalf of the disabled adults in other divisions such as Municipal, Chancery, and Domestic Relations, to name a few. As law clerks in the Adult Guardianship Division, students assist attorneys by conducting legal research, drafting memoranda, motions and other legal pleadings, and preparing for trial or other hearings. Student law clerks are also offered the unique opportunity to accompany attorneys in the field to conduct real property inspections, visit with disabled adults at their residence, and attend meetings with other professionals working with the disabled adults. A law student with a license under Supreme Court Rule 711 may appear before the court supervised by one of the Adult Guardianship attorneys. All student law clerks are provided in-house training at the start of the clerkship and are mentored by the attorneys. All clerkships are unpaid.

TO APPLY: Interested law students should submit a cover letter (specify that the ND Law in Chicago program requires 32 fieldwork hours/week) and resume to: Office of the Cook County Public Guardian, Attn: Legal Internship Coordinator, 69 West Washington Street, Suite 700, Chicago, Illinois 60602.

The Juvenile and Domestic Relations Division welcome law clerks throughout the year to assist in representing clients from birth to age 21. Volunteers, grant recipients and students working for credit are encouraged to apply. The law clerk program is designed to provide students with practical experience. Law clerks may request to be assigned to the Juvenile Division, Appeals Unit or the Domestic Relations Division. Duties may include drafting motions and other court documents, legal research, case preparation, interviewing witnesses and otherwise assisting experienced attorneys in advocating for children and youth. Students with a license issued pursuant to Illinois Supreme Court Rule 711 may appear in court under the supervision of a licensed attorney and receive training to interview child clients. All law clerks participate in an orientation and formal training. In addition, each law clerk receives performance evaluations. Law clerks must be enrolled in an accredited law school, possess the ability to communicate and work with attorneys and other professional staff, demonstrate excellent oral and written communication skills and show enthusiasm and assertiveness.

TO APPLY: Volunteers, grant recipients and students working for credit may submit a cover letter (specify that the ND Law in Chicago program requires 32 fieldwork hours/week) and resume via email, fax or mail to the Office of the Cook County Public Guardian, 2245 West Ogden Avenue, 4th Floor, Chicago, Illinois 60612, Attn: Bernadette Phillips, Coordinator, Law Clerk Program, bphillips@cookcountygov.com, 312-433-5144, fax: 312-433-5129.

Application Process - Differs by division; see above.

Application Deadline

Deadlines for submitting applications are:

November 15th for Spring clerkships, April 15th for Summer clerkships, and July 15th for Fall clerkships.

Questions

Please contact Katelynn McBride Barbosa with any questions, katelynn.mcbride@nd.edu.

Site: Cook County State's Attorney's Office
Web Site: www.statesattorney.org/clerkprogramprocess

Important

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Description

Extern in the nation's second-largest prosecutor's office. Approximately 900 attorneys. The Cook County State's Attorney's Office secures justice for crime victims; promotes civil protection for the disabled, the elderly and consumers; serves as legal representation for a county government that is larger than 44 state governments.

If you are a law school student and have completed at one-half of the total, hourly credits required for graduation, you are eligible to apply for the 711 license. While clerking for the Office of the Cook County State's Attorney, you will be eligible to handle your own cases under the supervision of an Assistant State's Attorney. Please contact your law school registrar office for more information on how to obtain a 711 license. Given that the Office of the Cook County State's Attorney is the second largest county prosecutor's office in the nation, there is no shortage of opportunities for clerks with 711 licenses to gain excellent hands-on courtroom experience.

All applications are subject to an adult and juvenile background check and review. Applicants are contacted for an interview after materials have been received. Students are asked to rank where they would like to work, however, they will be assigned based on the needs of the office.

Application Process

A completed application consists of the following:

An Application Form (go to <http://www.statesattorney.org/clerkprogramprocess.html>)

A signed and dated Release Form (electronic signatures will not be accepted)

Current Resume

At least one letter of recommendation from a Professor or Employer

A Current Transcript

Additionally, Law School students must include a Legal Writing Sample (not to exceed five pages).

Please note if any materials will be sent separately. Incomplete applications will not be considered. Application not postmarked by the deadline will not be considered.

Please return your completed application to:

Office of the Cook County State's Attorney

Attn: Clerkship Program

69 W. Washington, suite 3200

Chicago, Illinois 60602

sainterns@cookcountyil.gov

Application Deadlines: Fall: July 1; Spring: Nov. 1. NDLS students are encouraged to apply as early as possible to ensure that their externship spots are not already taken by students from other schools and to ensure that NDLS students can make necessary logistical arrangements. **In no case should students apply less than 60 days before the start of the semester.**

Questions

Please contact Katelynn McBride Barbosa with any questions, katelynn.mcbride@nd.edu.

Site: Domestic Violence Legal Clinic
Web Site: www.dvlcchicago.org

Important

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Description

The Domestic Violence Legal Clinic (DVLC) is dedicated to keeping families safe by using the legal system to combat domestic violence. DVLC has a long history of providing legal services to low-income residents of Cook County. We use our location at the Cook County Domestic Violence Courthouse (555 W. Harrison, Chicago) to provide same-day service for survivors of domestic violence by representing them in Orders of Protection. DVLC also provides comprehensive family law services, immigration assistance, and client support services to survivors of domestic violence.

This is an intensive externship that provides a unique opportunity for professional development and career exploration. Students provide direct representation to victims of domestic violence in the DVLC's Order of Protection Clinic. Students interview and counsel clients, draft pleadings, and conduct hearings on protective order petitions. Students work under the supervision of an attorney who serves in a mentoring role by providing guidance and careful oversight of the student's legal work, by engaging the student in reflection on broader questions raised by the office's work, and by providing detailed feedback on the student's performance.

Externs must be responsible, detail-oriented, motivated individuals capable of working autonomously.

Application Process

Application materials may be submitted electronically. In your cover letter, specify that the ND Law in Chicago externship requires 32 field-work hours/week for the semester. Send a cover letter and resume to:

Danielle Parisi Ruffatto
Pro Bono Director
Domestic Violence Legal Clinic
555 W. Harrison, Suite 1900
Chicago, IL 60607
druffatto@dvlcchicago.org
(312) 325-9155

Application Deadline

This site has no formal deadline for applying. NDLS students are encouraged to apply as early as possible, however, to ensure that their externship spots are not already taken by students from other schools and to ensure that NDLS students can make necessary logistical arrangements. In no case should students apply less than 60 days before the start of the semester.

Questions

Please contact Katelynn McBride Barbosa with any questions, katelynn.mcbride@nd.edu.

Site: Environmental Law and Policy Center
Web Site: www.elpc.org

Important

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Description

The Environmental Law and Policy Center (ELPC) is a leading Midwestern public interest environmental legal advocacy and eco-business innovation organization. ELPC develops and leads successful strategic environmental advocacy campaigns to improve environmental quality and protect our natural heritage. They are public interest environmental entrepreneurs who engage in creative business deal making with diverse interests to put into practice our belief that environmental progress and economic development can be achieved together. ELPC's multidisciplinary staff of talented and experienced public interest attorneys, environmental business specialists, public policy advocates, and communications specialists brings a strong and effective combination of skills to solve environmental problems and improve the quality of life.

Externs engage primarily in legal research and writing projects in support of ELPC's litigation and policy advocacy throughout the Midwest, while participating more broadly in office activities and attending hearings and public meetings.

Qualifications: Applicants should have a strong academic record, excellent writing and analytical skills, and a demonstrated interest in and commitment to public interest and environmental advocacy. ELPC is an equal opportunity employer and is continually seeking to diversify its staff.

Application Process

Application materials may be submitted electronically. In your cover letter, specify that the ND Law in Chicago externship requires 32 field-work hours/week for the semester. Send a cover letter and resume to:

Environmental Law and Policy Center
35 E. Wacker Drive
Chicago, IL 60601
lawinternships@elpc.org
(312) 673-6500

NOTE: ELPC also accepts applications through the Chicago-based Public Interest Law Initiative (PILI). PILI application requirements are posted at www.pili-law.org.

Application Deadline

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Questions

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Site: Equal Employment Opportunity Commission
Web Site: www.eeoc.gov
Chicago Externships: www.eeoc.gov/eeoc/jobs/intern-chicago

Important

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Description

The U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) is responsible for enforcing federal laws that make it illegal to discriminate against a job applicant or an employee because of the person's race, color, religion, sex (including pregnancy), national origin, age (40 or older), disability or genetic information. It is also illegal to discriminate against a person because the person complained about discrimination, filed a charge of discrimination, or participated in an employment discrimination investigation or lawsuit.

Interns in the Legal Unit will work with Trial Attorneys engaged in litigation against employers for violations of Title VII, the ADEA and the ADA. This work will mostly be legal research and writing. Students may assist in interviewing claimants or witnesses, help prepare discovery responses based on those interviews, or help prepare claimants or witnesses for deposition. Occasionally, students may be asked to abstract depositions and develop fact responses for defending against motions for summary judgment. Students may also work with Administrative Judges hearing charges of discrimination brought by federal employees or with enforcement staff who are involved in investigating Charges of Discrimination.

In addition to the legal assignments, interns are given the opportunity to observe different aspects of agency functions. Depending on availability and schedules, students will sit in on intake interviews, mediation sessions, Administrative Hearings, court hearings on routine and contested matters, and, sometimes, trials. Students will also have ample opportunities to observe depositions. When possible, students are encouraged to observe activities that build upon work they have performed. For example, if a student has provided research on a motion, they are encouraged to attend court when the motion is heard. If they have interviewed witnesses on a case, they are encouraged to then sit in on depositions related to that case. The District works to ensure that students are given a wide variety of work and the opportunity to interact with as many different attorneys and staff members as possible. Students are usually assigned a mentor, though the decision to make use of a mentor rests solely with the student.

Application Process

Application materials may be submitted electronically. In your cover letter, specify that the ND Law in Chicago externship requires 32 field-work hours/week. Send a cover letter, resume, and unofficial transcript to:

Ethan Cohen
EEOC
Chicago District Office
500 W. Madison, Room 2800
Chicago, IL 60661
ethan.cohen@eeoc.gov
(312) 353-2713

Application Deadline

Generally, they use a May 1st deadline for Fall semester. Fall semester is more competitive than spring. NDLS students are encouraged to apply as early as possible, however, to ensure that their externship spots are not already taken by students from other schools and to ensure that NDLS students can make necessary logistical arrangements. In no case should students apply less than 60 days before the start of the semester.

Questions Please contact Katelynn McBride Barbosa with any questions, katelynn.mcbride@nd.edu.

Site: Equip for Equality
Web Site: www.equipforequality.org

Important

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Description

Equip for Equality, Inc. is a private nonprofit, statewide organization whose mission is to advance the human and civil rights of people with disabilities by promoting the principles of equality, self-determination, and dignity. The five substantive priority areas of Equip for Equality are discrimination, community integration, safety from abuse and neglect, special education and self-determination.

Equip for Equality has a Legal Department that engages in a wide range of services for people with disabilities including information and referral, self-advocacy assistance, legal advice, negotiation, and direct representation. The direct representation includes representation in administrative, state and federal forums. The Legal Department balances the requests for direct legal services with pro-active, impact litigation seeking systemic change.

Equip for Equality also has a Public Policy Department that works to achieve changes in state legislation, public policies, and programs to safeguard individual rights. Program personnel draft and secure passage of state legislation and participate in state regulatory and policy-making processes.

Equip for Equality provides students with a comprehensive legal experience in traditional legal research and writing, as well as significant opportunities in the practical aspects of disability legal and public policy work. The information below describes their three legal teams.

Equip for Equality's Legal Teams

Abuse Investigation Unit

In 2002, Equip for Equality established the Abuse Investigation Unit to address systemic issues of abuse, neglect and rights violations, including death investigations. The bulk of AIU's work is done through systemic investigative activity. Systemic investigative activity includes conducting unannounced site visits to public and private facilities to uncover dangerous conditions and practices through observation, interviews and record reviews and to develop recommendations to address the identified problems. Systemic advocacy is provided in response to a variety of problems to ensure that people with disabilities are safe, receiving quality services and that their rights are protected. This advocacy is provided during client interviews and on site in facilities, through informal negotiations and in treatment meetings.

Civil Rights Team

The Civil Rights Team (CRT) focuses on four major legal areas for people with disabilities: anti-discrimination, community integration, self-determination and abuse/neglect. Under anti-discrimination, CRT handles cases in which people with disabilities have been treated differently because of their disabilities in such areas as employment, transportation, voting, state and local government programs, access to private businesses and housing. CRT is currently litigating two class actions on behalf of prisoners – one for people with mental illness and one for people who are deaf. In community integration, CRT works with people with disabilities seeking to live in more integrated settings with the supports they need to be successful. CRT is currently litigating three community integration class actions on this issue. In self-determination, EFE represents people with disabilities to help them achieve their goals and limit any unnecessary restrictions to make choices, particularly within the context of adult

guardianship. To complement the Abuse Investigation Unit's systemic work, CRT handles individual cases of abuse, neglect and financial exploitation, including by securing orders of protection.

Special Education Clinic

Students in Illinois continue to face barriers to receiving a free and appropriate public education in the least restrictive environment as mandated by federal law. These barriers are especially acute because of the limited resources for people with disabilities to secure legal representation. Components of the Special Education Clinic include: 1) A telephone Helpline to provide advice, self-advocacy assistance, information and referrals; 2) An accessible website with special education resources; 3) Special education training seminars for parents and students; 4) Written materials with legal rights information; and 5) Legal representation in selected individual cases through EFE staff and a pro bono network.

Application Process

Application materials may be submitted electronically. In your cover letter, specify that the ND Law in Chicago externship requires 32 field-work hours/week for the semester. Send a cover letter and resume to:

Mr. Barry C. Taylor

Vice President

Equip for Equality

20 North Michigan Avenue, Suite 300

Chicago, Illinois 60602

barryt@equipforequality.org

Application Deadline

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Questions

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Site: Family Defense Center
Web Site: www.familydefensecenter.net

Important

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Description

The Family Defense Center (“FDC”) is an award-winning first-of-its-kind legal advocacy organization whose mission is advocating justice for families in the child welfare system. It is focused on reform of child protection systems, including, in particular, child protection investigations. Its Directors, Board, and staff have many decades of experience in systemic reform and individual litigation involving the child welfare system. FDC aims for fundamental changes in a massive system that often destroys families and hurts children more than it helps them. The FDC employs the following strategies to prevent the unnecessary removal of children from their own homes and to facilitate the return of children to their homes whenever possible: litigation (often with the assistance of major Chicago law firms); policy advocacy; legal and policy research; training; public education; and individualized legal services, advice and consultation with families involved in state, local or federal child protection systems (including child protection investigations, juvenile court actions, and child welfare service delivery systems).

Law externs at the FDC are expected to: (a) handle initial client screening and follow-up; (b) investigate the merits of child protection cases; (c) draft and file motions; (d) conduct extensive legal research, including research in the areas of juvenile law, administrative law, civil procedure and constitutional law; (e) if 711 certified (which is not required), take a leading role at DCFS administrative hearings and on routine motion calls in court (arguing routine motions, second-chairing substantive motions); (f) write at least one article for The Family Defense Center newsletter; (g) participate in staff meetings and organizational events; and (h) support the mission of the Family Defense Center and contribute to the overall advocacy program of the FDC (by, for example, publicizing our programs to other law students or applying any special skills the extern has to assist our program to flourish).

Application Process

E-mail is the preferred way to submit applications. In your cover letter, please specify that the ND Law in Chicago externship requires 32 field-work hours/week for the semester. Send a cover letter, resume, unofficial law school transcript, and legal writing sample to Staff Attorney Sara Gilloon, at sara@familydefensecenter.net.

Full Contact Information:

Sara Gilloon, Director of Legal Services
Family Defense Center
70 E. Lake St., Suite 1100
Chicago, IL 60601
T: 312-251-9800 x25
F: 312-251-9801
Email: sara@familydefensecenter.net

Application Deadline

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Questions

Please contact Katelynn McBride Barbosa with any questions, katelynn.mcbride@nd.edu.

Site: Financial Industry Regulatory Authority
Web Site: www.FINRA.org

Important

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Description

FINRA is the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority. FINRA's mission is to safeguard the investing public against fraud and bad practices. They write and enforce rules and regulations for every brokerage firm and broker in the United States, and examine broker-dealers for compliance with FINRA rules, federal securities laws and rules of the Municipal Securities Rule-making Board. FINRA also educates and informs investors, and resolves security disputes.

While a law degree is not required for the job responsibilities, most of the employees in the department both have a law degree, and are licensed attorneys. This position will especially be more appealing to those applicants who desire to work in the securities industry, but those interested in the strict practice of law will find the externship very beneficial.

Job Summary: The Externship Program for the Department of Enforcement is designed for students who have an interest in securities law and regulation. The Extern will assist attorneys and investigative staff to investigate and initiate enforcement actions against FINRA regulated firms and associated individuals (typically, stockbrokers). The Extern, while working under the supervision of an Enforcement attorney, will be given an opportunity to perform all of the tasks undertaken by Enforcement attorneys, including being assigned his or her own cases to resolve.

Externs perform a variety of tasks including legal research and writing and document review, as well as assisting staff to prepare for investigative testimony and hearings. Externs will analyze whether a disciplinary action should be brought against a firm and/or broker, and draft the settlement agreement or Complaint. Externs will also draft the internal memoranda required to obtain approval of the settlement agreement or draft Complaint. Externs may also draft pleadings and digest transcripts. Opportunities to observe on-the-record interviews, settlement negotiations, and hearings are made available to Externs.

Qualifications: A working knowledge of relevant rules and regulations enforced by FINRA would be helpful, as would a working knowledge of securities markets, member firm operations, books and records. However, knowledge of securities law or brokerage regulations is not required. Securities industry experience is a plus, of course. Excellent writing skills, analysis, research skills, attention to detail, and ability to organize and multitask are required. Those interested in litigation are encouraged to apply. Candidate should have effective communication, time management, and organizational skills. He or she should also have the ability to work with others to meet deadlines, and the ability to perform multiple tasks efficiently and accurately.

Application Process

- Go to www.finra.org,
- under CAREERS, look for Externships (NOT internships)
- APPLY NOW
- My Account Options (look up top to find this link)
- New User (look at the bottom to find this button);
- Enter the information to set up your account and proceed.

Please submit the following:

- (1) A cover letter outlining your area of interest, what you hope to achieve through this program, what you can contribute to the organization, and your current GPA. Specify that the ND Law in Chicago externship requires 32 field-work hours/week for the semester.
- (2) Your current resume.
- (3) FYI, a transcript is not required with the initial resume submission, but students selected for an interview will need to submit one at that time.
- (4) Additionally, send an email to Senior Regional Counsel Dale Glanzman with your application materials, and let him know you have already submitted your application through their website: dale.glanzman@finra.org; phone: 312-899-4312.

Application Deadline

This site has no formal deadline for applying. NDLS students are encouraged to apply as early as possible, however, to ensure that their externship spots are not already taken by students from other schools and to ensure that NDLS students can make necessary logistical arrangements. In no case should students apply less than 60 days before the start of the semester.

Questions

Please contact Katelynn McBride Barbosa with any questions, katelynn.mcbride@nd.edu.

Site: Gas Technology Institute
Web Site: www.gastechnology.org

Important

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Description

In its 75th year, the Gas Technology Institute (GTI) is the leading research, development and training organization addressing energy and environmental challenges to enable a secure, abundant and affordable energy future. GTI's mission is to expand the supply of affordable natural gas and renewable energy, ensuring a safe and reliable energy delivery infrastructure, promoting the clean and efficient use of energy resources and reducing carbon emissions. GTI performs research and services for federal/state/local governments, utilities and companies in the energy industry. Additionally, GTI provides project planning, education and consulting support. Within the last two years, GTI has made a number of acquisitions in the energy efficiency and terrestrial energy space which are transforming the company into a larger, more diversified and forward looking enterprise with annual revenues approaching \$100 million. GTI provides services at every phase of the technology development cycle – from concept to commercialization. GTI's 280,000 square-foot headquarters in Des Plaines, Illinois is home to over 20 specialized laboratories with equipment for research and development, testing and analysis of energy technology. GTI also has multiple business lines in California as well as a subsidiary in New York and a variety of offices located throughout the United States.

GTI Legal Department & Position Responsibilities

GTI's legal department is headed by Peter N. Witty ('89, '97JD) who requires that GTI Legal be a proactive, strategic partner to the business. GTI Legal has four pillars: (1) assume good intentions; (2) debate openly, honestly and completely; (3) decide objectively and transparently; and (4) align and follow through. The GTI Legal department has 10 people: 6 attorneys, a manager of government contracting; a licensing and commercialization manager and 2 paralegals. The vast majority of work performed by the GTI Legal department is contract work and an intern/extern will be exposed to the review, drafting and negotiating of sponsor and procurement contracts along with NDA's, field test, co-funding and material transfer agreements. He/she will also assist in advising project managers on legal matters, oversee routine processing of agreements/projects, review the work of contract administrators and paralegals and assist in the review and development of form agreements. The intern/extern will work both independently and in a team setting.

Application Process

Application materials may be submitted electronically. In your cover letter, specify that the ND Law in Chicago externship requires 32 field-work hours/week. Send a cover letter, resume, and unofficial transcript to:

Peter N. Witty
General Counsel and Corporate Secretary
Gas Technology Institute
1700 South Mount Prospect Road
Des Plaines, Illinois 60018
T: (847) 768-0700
peter.witty@gastechnology.org

Application Deadline

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Site: Illinois Attorney General's Office
Web Site: www.illinoisattorneygeneral.gov

Important

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Description

The Illinois Attorney General's office is the highest legal officer of the state of Illinois. The Attorney General is responsible for providing legal counsel for the various state agencies including the Governor of Illinois and Illinois General Assembly, and conducting all legal affairs pertaining to the state.

Working closely with attorneys in the Chicago office, externs investigate facts, review documents, research legal issues, and draft legal memoranda, correspondence, and pleadings. Advanced students who qualify for a 711 license are encouraged to obtain such a license so that they may appear in court under the supervision of an Assistant Attorney General.

Qualifications: first, you must be a current law student. Second, you must commit to working at least 12 hours per week for 8 consecutive weeks during the fall and spring semesters; you must commit to working at least 16 hours per week for 10 consecutive weeks during the summer. Please note many law clerks work more hours and more weeks than this, and some preference may be given to law students who are able to commit to working more than the minimum number of hours and weeks.

For entry-level positions, the Attorney General looks for externship or clinical background. Prefer interest in the public interest especially for the consumer division, or governmental work. It is helpful to have 711 work. Externs may be able to observe hearings.

Application Process

Application forms and instructions are available on the Attorney General's website at www.illinoisattorneygeneral.gov. Print out and complete an application form (specify that the ND Law in Chicago externship requires 32 field-work hours/week), attach relevant documents, and mail the entire packet to the Attorney General's Office at the address provided on the application form.

Application Deadlines:

Fall - September 1st (they usually don't take applications before July);

Spring - December 1st for Spring semester.

NDLS applicants are encouraged to apply much earlier to ensure that their externship spots are not already taken by students from other schools and to ensure that NDLS students can make necessary logistical arrangements. In no case should students apply less than 60 days before the start of the semester.

Questions

Please contact Katelynn McBride Barbosa with any questions, katelynn.mcbride@nd.edu. Inquiries may also be directed to Adelaida Otero at 312-814-5197, aotero@atg.state.il.us

Site: Illinois Department of Public Health
Web Site: www.idph.state.il.us

Important

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Description

Protects the state's residents and visitors through the prevention and control of disease and injury; regulates health care facilities (nursing homes, hospitals); enforces environmental laws (water safety, asbestos and lead abatement); participates in the implementation of the state's Medical Cannabis Pilot Program; oversees preparedness for public health emergencies; coordinates and directs state-wide efforts with respect to Women's Health and Family Services; works with Attorney General's Office and other federal and state agencies.

Main Areas of Practice: Health Care; Regulatory; Legislation; Administrative Law; Litigation; Environmental Law; Transactional law (Contracts, Grants)

Job Description and Candidate Criteria:

The Department of Public Health seeks articulate, enthusiastic 2L, 3L, and 4L students who are interested in all aspects of public health to assist with (1) litigation / enforcement matters, including legal research, brief writing, and administrative hearings; (2) policy / legislative matters, including issues relating to reviewing, drafting, amending, and implementing statutes and administrative rules; and (3) performing legal research and drafting analytical memoranda on a wide variety of public health issues. This position requires proficiency with LexisNexis or Westlaw, the ability to conduct legal research and analysis, intermediate computer skills (Word, Excel, and Outlook), the ability to discuss legal issues and strategies, and a willingness to participate actively as a member of a small, dynamic legal team. Applicants must have completed at least their 1L year. A 711 license is helpful but not required. Reliability is expected. Time commitment commensurate with credit earned (if any) is also expected.

Application Process

Applications should include the following materials as either Word or PDF attachments: cover letter, resume, law school transcript (unofficial is acceptable), and writing sample (no longer than 8 pages).

Apply online [here](#).

Application Deadline

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Questions: Please contact Katelynn McBride Barbosa with any questions, katelynn.mcbride@nd.edu.

Site: Internal Revenue Service
Web Site: www.irs.gov

Important

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Description

Law students who are interested in Tax Law are invited to participate in this program. Their program allows law students and LL.M. candidates to volunteer on either a part-time or full-time basis during the fall, spring, and summer semesters.

Their externship provides an opportunity for law students to obtain a productive legal work experience while gaining a familiarity with the Chief Counsel organization and its work. The program helps students improve their ability to identify, understand, and analyze federal tax issues as well as enhance their legal research and writing.

For more detailed information on the program requirements and application process, please see the attached document. Also, attached is a standard. Applicants are required to submit Form 6524 in addition to other application materials, such as a resume, writing sample, letter(s) of recommendation (optional), and the most recent school transcript.

Three main divisions: Large Business & International; Small Business/Self Employed, Tax Exempt and Government Entities.

Qualifications: U.S. citizenship; security clearance.

Application Process

See detailed IRS procedures at: <http://jobs.irs.gov/student/occ-apply.html>. Note that they require their own Office of Chief Counsel Application (Form 6524) and Declaration for Federal Employment (Form OF-306), both of which are posted on this web-site. Students also need to submit a resume, unofficial transcript, and a writing sample of 5-10 pages. Letters of recommendation are optional.

Application Deadline

IRS specifies June 30th as the deadline for the Fall semester.

Questions

Please contact Katelynn McBride Barbosa with any questions, katelynn.mcbride@nd.edu.

Site: Legal Assistance Foundation of Chicago
Web Site: www.lafchicago.org

Important

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Description

With over 100 staff attorneys, the Legal Assistance Foundation of Chicago (LAF) is the primary provider of low income legal services in the metropolitan Chicago area. LAF offers a range of legal services in five main areas of law:

Children & Families: Orders of protection; custody and divorce involving domestic violence or child endangerment, DCFS investigations of parents or caregivers, special education and school discipline, elder abuse, and expungement of juvenile criminal records

Consumer: Foreclosures, utilities, bankruptcy, unfair debt collection, consumer fraud, and car title & payday loans.

Housing: Subsidized housing, discrimination, disability accommodation, eviction from mobile home parks, housing protection for seniors, veterans, and people living with HIV/AIDS.

Immigrants & Workers' Rights: Unemployment insurance benefits, discrimination, wage claims, legal needs of migrant agricultural and landscape workers, and immigration relief through VAWA, U-Visa, and T-Visa applications.

Public Benefits: SNAP (Food Stamp) and TANF (cash) denials, calculations, overpayments, and sanctions; Medicaid and Medicare issues; SSI and Social Security issues; VA benefits, and Crime Victim Compensation.

Students may obtain and use 711 licenses at LAF.

Application Process

Application materials may be submitted electronically. In your cover letter, specify that the ND Law in Chicago externship requires 32 field-work hours/week for the semester. Send a cover letter, resume, and writing sample:

Katherine Shank

Deputy Director

Legal Assistance Foundation of Chicago

120 S. LaSalle St; Suite 900

Chicago, IL 60603

kshank@lafchicago.org

tel 312-347-8374

Application Deadline

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Questions: Please contact Katelynn McBride Barbosa with any questions, katelynn.mcbride@nd.edu.

Site: Merieux Nutrisciences Corporation
Web Site: www.merieuxnutrisciences.com/us/eng

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Description

Merieux has an established externship program that continues through academic semester and summer, offering paid externships for the summer positions. This program takes two externs at a time.

Merieux is an international network of accredited labs that perform testing for the food and beverage industry. They test whether food is safe to eat, the chemistry of the food, and the caloric components. They ensure compliance with U.S. law and perform auditing for customers. Additionally, they do clinical trial work and ensure that suppliers have high quality products.

Merieux is in twenty-two countries and has ninety labs. The major shareholder is the Merieux family, originally connected with Louis Pasteur. They merged with Silicor and have since acquired several other companies located in the U.S., so there is a lot of merger and acquisition work to be done.

Merieux has four attorneys in Chicago, including their general counsel, international attorney, U.S. focused attorney, and a part-time attorney. They also have one lawyer in France and one in Brazil.

At Merieux externs are taken to meetings and involved in real work. Externs will work on due diligence, writing letters to the seller, closing checklists, financing agreements with the bank, and corporate governance issues. The externship is heavy on mergers and acquisitions and externs work on all acquisition work internationally. Ideally, they like externs to stay for two semesters so that Merieux has one senior extern and one junior extern at a given time.

Application Process

Submit a resume and cover letter to Kelly Silver Kifferstein, Deputy General Counsel, Kelly.silver@mxns.com. Please note that Merieux has a strong preference for externs who can stay for two semesters, typically spring semester and then through the summer. If you're willing to do that, indicate as much in your cover letter.

Application Deadline

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Questions

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Site: Metropolitan Pier Exposition Authority
Web Site: www.mpea.com

Important

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Description

The Metropolitan Pier and Exposition Authority (MPEA) is a municipal corporation created by the Illinois General Assembly. Its Board of Directors is appointed by the Governor of Illinois and the Mayor of Chicago. The Chairman is selected by the MPEA Board. The MPEA's mission is to attract trade shows, conventions, meetings, exhibitions and public events to the City of Chicago, and in the process, strengthen the economy of the area.

The MPEA owns two world-class facilities. Located along Chicago's lakefront, McCormick Place, the largest convention center in North America offers 2.6 million square feet of exhibition space, 173 meeting rooms, the 4,249-seat Arie Crown Theater and one of the largest ballrooms in the world. Historic Navy Pier is also the top-visited tourist and leisure destination in the Midwest. Navy Pier features 50 acres of park areas, gardens, restaurants, retail shops, cruise and charter boat docking, amusement park rides, a Ferris wheel, museums and a convention and meetings facility.

The Authority owns the 1,262-room Hyatt Regency McCormick Place, a Four Diamond, AAA-rated hotel, located on the McCormick Place campus providing on-site convenience for all McCormick Place visitors. A major project for is that MPEA is building a new basketball arena/events center and new 1,200 room hotel that will be operated by Marriott as a Marriott Marquis. There are a number of construction and commercial issues, including intellectual property law, that come up in conjunction with these projects.

Ideal for students interested in commercial law from either a transactional or litigation perspective would be happiest here. As MPEA is a municipal corporation, student would get exposure to government as well, but since nearly all of their operations involve working with a private firm, the commercial issues are what really keep them occupied.

Application Process

Application materials may be submitted electronically. In your cover letter, specify that the ND Law in Chicago externship requires 32 field-work hours/week for the semester. Send a cover letter and resume to:

David Winters
Chief Assistant Corporation Counsel
Metropolitan Pier and Exposition Authority (MPEA)
Corporate Center
301 E. Cermak Rd.
Chicago, IL 60616
312-791-6092
dwinters@mpea.com

Application Deadline

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Site: National Association of Realtors
Web Site: www.realtor.org

Important

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Description

The National Association of Realtors is headquartered in Chicago, but has an office in D.C. for lobbying. In Chicago, their office is located on Michigan Avenue and is in a building solely dedicated to the National Association of Realtors.

Externs do a great deal of IP work, including protecting the Realtor trademark and copyright work. Externs will also work on legal research assignments and lobbying issues. Previous extern projects include researching one and two party consent laws to assess the legality of open house filming and researching whether the National Realtors Association had to file as a committee to give money to campaigns. Generally, at least thirty percent of the work externs do will be IP and the rest will be legal research projects and lobbying.

There are six attorneys in the office. They take two externs during the semester and summer. This office has a high retention rate, with multiple employees who have been at the office for over thirty years.

Application Process

Submit a resume and cover letter to Finley Maxson, fmaxson@realtors.org.

Application Deadline

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Questions

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Site: National Immigrant Justice Center (Heartland Alliance)
Web Sites: www.heartlandalliance.org
www.immigrantjustice.org

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Description

The National Immigrant Justice Center (NIJC), a Heartland Alliance Program, is one of the nation's leading immigrant advocacy organizations. The NIJC is dedicated to ensuring human rights protections and access to justice for all immigrants, refugees and asylum seekers. NIJC provides direct legal services to and advocates for these populations through policy reform, impact litigation, and public education. Since its founding in 1985, NIJC has been unique in blending individual client advocacy with broad-based systematic change. NIJC policy is that vacancies are shortlisted on a first-come, first-served basis.

Preferred qualifications: Multi-lingual, preferably Spanish and/or French.

Application Process

Application materials may be submitted electronically. In your cover letter, specify that the ND Law in Chicago externship requires 32 field-work hours/week for the semester. Send a cover letter, resume, unofficial transcript, unedited writing sample and list of references to:

Lisa Koop
Associate Director of Legal Services
National Immigrant Justice Center
208 S. LaSalle, Suite 1300
Chicago, IL 60604
312-660-1321
lkoop@heartlandalliance.org

Application Deadline

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Questions

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Site: Natural Resources Defense Council
Web Site: www.nrdc.org

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Description

NRDC is a member-supported nonprofit organization that uses litigation, legislative and administrative advocacy, science, policy analysis, media, and grassroots organizing to fight for the environment and public health. In addition to Chicago, they have offices in New York, Washington DC, San Francisco, Santa Monica, Montana, and Beijing, China. They work on a wide range of environmental and public health issues, including protection of public lands and wildlife; control of air and water pollution; and promotion of clean energy and energy efficiency. More information about their work and advocacy priorities is available on their website, www.nrdc.org.

Chicago legal interns do legal research and writing to support litigation and policy advocacy, in collaboration with and under the supervision of NRDC lawyers. NRDC's Chicago-based lawyers work on a range of issues. Specific assignments depend on those lawyers' immediate priorities and needs. Interns typically work with several lawyers, but a single Chicago-based lawyer is responsible for coordinating assignments and making sure that each intern gets interesting, challenging, and varied work and timely feedback. Legal interns must be able to work at least two full business days a week over the course of an academic term in NRDC's Chicago office (downtown in the Civic Opera Building, at 20 North Wacker Drive). Full-time interns are welcome. These internships are unpaid, but they work with interns who are in law school to help them claim any available academic credit. Small stipends may be available.

Qualifications: You should be in or entering your second or third year of a J.D. program, in an advanced legal degree (such as an L.L.M.) program, or a recent graduate of such a program. You should have a strong academic record; well-developed writing, research, and interpersonal skills; and a demonstrated interest in and commitment to public service work or environmental and public health issues.

Application Process

Create a profile on NRDC's OpenHire site at www.nrdc.org/jobs and upload a cover letter, writing sample, resume, law school transcript and list of three references, at least one of whom should be a professional reference. Submit a writing sample that is entirely your own work and that does not reflect edits or inputs from others; drafts are fine. In your cover letter, explain how you learned about the opening, and specify that the ND Law in Chicago externship requires 32 field-work hours/week for the semester. Don't wait to apply, as they consider applications on a rolling basis, and may not wait until the deadline to interview and extend offers. Only complete applications will be considered. If you run into trouble uploading your application, reach out to Customer Care by dialing 1-866-803-9663. No emails or faxes, please.

Application Deadline

The deadline is the last Friday in April. NDLS students are encouraged to apply as early as possible, however, to ensure that their externship spots are not already taken by students from other schools and to ensure that NDLS students can make necessary logistical arrangements. In no case should students apply less than 60 days before the start of the semester.

Questions

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Site: Northwestern Memorial Hospital
Web Site: www.nm.org/location/northwestern-memorial-hospital

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Description

The Office of Corporate Compliance & Integrity provides unpaid externship opportunities for law students during the summer, fall and spring academic semesters. Externs will have the opportunity to interact with compliance professionals and acquire experience working with health care regulations. Externs could expect to research regulations and the department's own precedent. It is likely that they would get to work on a project from start to finish.

The Office prefers to have externs for full days when they are there. They will consider taking a student in the *Lawyering Practice Externship* program, but it would have to be for a full day.

Candidates should have completed their first year of law school as well as prior health law coursework.

Application Process

Interested students should submit their résumé, cover letter, and unofficial transcript addressed to Rayan Venkatesh, Manager, Corporate Compliance & Integrity, at venkate@nm.org.

Application Deadline

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Questions

Please contact Katelynn McBride Barbosa with any questions, katelynn.mcbride@nd.edu.

Site: The Law Project of the Chicago Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights
Web Site: www.thelawproject.org

Important

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Description

Launched in 1985, The Law Project (formerly The Community Economic Development Law Project) is a project of the Chicago Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law, Inc., a prominent civil rights organization. The Law Project provides free, expert legal assistance to support community development efforts led by entrepreneurs and nonprofit organizations that generally do not have the resources to pay for legal services.

While legal advice is needed for real estate transactions, for securing tax exemption, starting a new business, entering into contracts, and managing personnel issues, most organizations in low-income neighborhoods cannot afford the high cost of these services. The Law Project fills this gap by linking lawyers from Chicago's major law firms and in-house corporate legal departments to organizations and entrepreneurs working to build stable communities. Our goal is to ensure that TLP clients receive high quality professional representation. The Law Project strengthens Chicago area communities by providing high-quality, pro bono legal services to community based nonprofits, small businesses and first-time homebuyers. In fulfilling this mission, The Law Project offers transactional attorneys meaningful pro bono opportunities.

In addition to direct legal services programs, The Law Project also provides regular workshops and training on legal issues affecting nonprofit organizations, small businesses entrepreneurs, and first time home buyers. The Law Project does not typically handle disputes or litigation.

Application Process

Application materials may be submitted electronically. In your cover letter, specify that the ND Law in Chicago externship requires 32 field-work hours/week for the semester. Send a cover letter and resume to:

Ms. Jody Adler
Director
The Law Project of the Chicago
Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights
100 N. LaSalle Street; Suite 600
Chicago, IL 60602
Office - 312-202-3647
Fax - 312-630-1127
jadler@thelawproject.org
312-939-3638 ext. 227

Application Deadline

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Questions

Please contact Katelynn McBride Barbosa with any questions, katelynn.mcbride@nd.edu.

Site: U.S. Attorney's Office for the Northern District of Illinois
Web Site: www.justice.gov/usao/iln/interns.html

Important

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Description

The USAO for the Northern District of Illinois is responsible for prosecuting all federal crimes within the district. The Office also represents the United States and its departments and agencies in civil proceedings filed in federal court and in the Seventh Circuit. The primary goals of the Law Student Intern Program are to provide law students with the greatest possible exposure to and participation in federal trial and appellate practice and to obtain excellent legal talent to assist the Office in handling its multitude of cases. Students are required to work 16 hours a week for 12 weeks. All intern positions are uncompensated. Interns may not work at another legal job while working as an intern in the USAO.

The work of law student interns includes assisting in all aspects of trial preparation, legal research, writing memoranda of law, drafting pleadings and appellate briefs, assisting in preparation and taking of depositions, assisting in pre-trial conferences and the trials of civil and criminal cases.

Qualifications

Intern positions are only offered to students who are enrolled in law school. Students must be 2L's or 3L's by the beginning of the Spring term. **Applicants must be U.S. citizens. Residency requirement:** For a total of 3 years (not necessarily consecutive years) of the past 5 years immediately prior to applying for a position, the applicant must have: 1) resided in the U.S.; or 2) worked for the U.S. overseas in a federal or military capacity; or 3) have been a dependent of a federal or military employee serving overseas. The Residency Requirement ensures an adequate background investigation can be completed. Due to the sensitive nature of the work performed by the Office, all offers to candidates are conditioned upon the successful completion of a required background investigation. Interns are not permitted to work in a legal capacity – public or private – during the internship.

Application Process

All application packages **must be submitted via U.S. mail** to the district contact by the deadline. Resume, personal statement reflecting your background and your interest in participating in this program, legal writing sample, three letters of recommendation (preferably legal), and law school transcript (unofficial is acceptable). Recommendation letters, whether or not submitted in sealed envelopes, may be included by the student with the application materials. Please make every effort to include them with the application to avoid delay. First-year (2nd semester) law students must note when their grades will become available. They may be submitted at a later date.

USAO Northern District of Illinois

Dirksen Federal Courthouse

219 South Dearborn Street, 5th Floor

Chicago, IL 60604

ATTN: Monica LeKostaj, Administrative Assistant for the Law Student Intern Program

Telephone: (312) 353-1091

Email: Monica.lekostaj@usdoj.gov (for questions only)

Application Deadline: typically, Friday before Labor Day for Spring; mid-April for Fall.

Questions: Please contact Katelynn McBride Barbosa with any questions, katelynn.mcbride@nd.edu.

Site: U.S. Commodity Future Trading Division of Enforcement
Web Site: www.cftc.gov/lawregulation/enforcement/index

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Description

The Chicago office of the U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission's Division of Enforcement seeks applications from law students for Fall externships.

The Commission is an independent, non-partisan federal agency that protects market users and the public from fraud, manipulation, abusive practices, and systemic risk and fosters open, competitive, and financially sound markets. The Division of Enforcement investigates potential violations of the Commodity Exchange Act and Commission Regulations and, at the direction of the Commission, prosecutes alleged violations in U.S. District Courts across the country. The Division of Enforcement also provides expert and technical assistance with case development and trials to U.S. Attorneys, federal and state regulators, and international authorities.

Externs with the Division of Enforcement typically complete substantial legal research and writing projects, participate in civil case preparations and filings, assist attorneys and investigators with witness interviews, analyze investigative and discovery materials, attend depositions or hearings, and participate in educational training programs.

Prior to beginning an externship at the CFTC, applicants must have completed at least 2 semesters of law school, but not yet have graduated from their degree program. Offers are also contingent on an applicant's ability to demonstrate U.S. citizenship or permanent residency and successfully complete a background check. Finally, applicants must be able to receive course credit and/or federal work study funds for participation in the summer and/or fall externship.

Application Process

To apply, interested law students should email a cover letter and resume by June 30th to the below email address. Please specify whether applying for summer, fall, or both.

Allison Passman
Senior Trial Attorney
Division of Enforcement
Commodity Futures Trading Commission
apassman@cftc.gov

Application Deadlines:

Summer and Fall: June 30th

Questions

Please contact Katelynn McBride Barbosa with any questions, katelynn.mcbride@nd.edu.

Site: U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights
Web Site: www2.ed.gov

Important

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Description

The U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights (OCR), enforces several federal civil rights laws that prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability and age. Successful law externs will work with OCR attorneys and investigators on one or more teams in the Chicago Office to resolve discrimination complaints.

The legal extern will observe and participate in complainant and witness interviews, settlement and mediation discussions with all parties, and participate in drafting of documents pertinent to an OCR investigation. Externs may be able participate in local on-site investigations, and will assist with data analysis, engage in substantial legal research and be expected to adhere to the tight time-frames of the Department. The team attorney(s) with whom the intern will work will supervise the extern's work. The extern coordinator, the deputy chief attorney and chief attorney will also be available to assist the extern.

Application Process

E-mail is the preferred way to submit applications. In your cover letter, specify that the ND Law in Chicago externship requires 32 field-work hours/week for the semester. Send a cover letter, resume, unofficial transcript and writing sample to:

Miguel Figueras
Assistant Regional Attorney
Inter Program Coordinator
U.S. Department of Education
Office for Civil Rights
Midwestern Division/Chicago Office
500 West Madison Street; Suite 1475
Chicago, IL 60661
miguel.figueras@ed.gov
tel: 312-730-1560
fax: 312-730-1576

Application Deadline

This site has no formal deadline for applying. NDLS students are encouraged to apply as early as possible, however, to ensure that their externship spots are not already taken by students from other schools and to ensure that NDLS students can make necessary logistical arrangements. In no case should students apply less than 60 days before the start of the semester.

Questions

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Site: U.S. Department of Labor, Office of the Solicitor, Region V
Web Site: www.dol.gov

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Description

The Office of the Solicitor, Region V, handles most of the U.S. Department of Labor's trial litigation in the Midwest. The Office is responsible for litigation of statutory and regulatory enforcement actions. These matters are litigated under various statutes that include, but are not limited to, the Occupational Safety and Health Act, the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, as amended; the Employee Retirement Income Security Act, and the Mine Safety and Health Act.

A legal extern in our office gains practical legal experience by assisting program counsel and staff attorneys with 1) legal research; 2) developing cases for litigation through the use of written discovery, including drafting discovery requests and responses, and participating in discovery depositions; 3) drafting substantive motions, pleadings, settlement agreements, and other court filings; and 4) trial/mediation preparation and participation. A legal intern in our office would gain experience in a wide range of employment law areas.

There are approximately 25 attorneys working in the Chicago office, which is located across the street from the Dirksen Federal Courthouse.

Law students can do an externship with the U.S. Department of Labor in Fall, Spring or Summer. To be considered for a Spring or Summer term externship, candidates must 1) have started their 2nd year of law school; 2) demonstrate interest in employment law or public service; 3) demonstrate interest in trial-level litigation; 4) obtain school credit for the externship. The externship is unpaid.

Application Process

Application materials may be submitted electronically. In your cover letter, specify that the ND Law in Chicago externship requires 32 field-work hours/week for the semester. Send a cover letter, resume, and unofficial transcript to:

David J. Tanury
Attorney
U.S. Department of Labor
Office of the Solicitor, Region V
230 S. Dearborn, Room 844
Chicago, IL 60604
tanury.david.j@dol.gov
direct: 312.353.4454

Application Deadline

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Questions

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Site: U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Office of the Chief Counsel
Web Site: www.ice.gov

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Description

The United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), Office of the Chief Counsel in Chicago, Illinois, is responsible for providing legal advice, training and services in cases related to the ICE mission in Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Missouri, and Wisconsin. The office represents the United States in immigration removal proceedings, and provides legal support to ICE components focusing on customs, work-site enforcement, employment law, and administrative law. Legal externs assist in the representation of the United States government in immigration removal proceedings.

Legal externs can expect to research and write appellate briefs to the Board of Immigration Appeals; research and draft motions in pending cases; assemble exhibits for trial; research foreign country conditions; observe hearings of cases on which they are working or are interested in.

Qualifications: First-year (second semester), second-year, or third-year law students at time of application. Previous or concurrent course work in immigration law helpful, but not necessary. Excellent time management and legal writing experience preferred. Must be a U.S. citizen. Will be subject to a background investigation due to the sensitive nature of the work performed.

Application Process

Cover letter (specify the semester for which you are applying, and specify that the ND Law in Chicago externship requires 32 field-work hours/week and), resume, transcript, and writing sample indicating dates when available and for which semester. Applications should be submitted to occ-chi-applications@ice.dhs.gov. All electronically submitted documents must be in MSWord or Adobe Acrobat format.

Application Deadline

Applications are general accepted between April 15th and May 30th.

Questions

Please contact Katelynn McBride Barbosa with any questions, katelynn.mcbride@nd.edu. For questions about this particular site, please feel free to email occ-chi-applications@ice.dhs.gov

Site: U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois
Web Site: www.ilnd.uscourts.gov

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Description

Excellent opportunity for legal research and writing. Externs work with the Judge's law clerks to draft opinions and orders on behalf of the Judge. Externs will be assigned a fully-briefed motion (likely a motion to dismiss or a motion for summary judgment) and will be expected to review all relevant pleadings, identify and research the relevant legal and write a draft decision, with input and feedback from the assigning law clerk. Externs are also expected to attend the Judge's motion and status calls and any other hearings or trials set before the Judge. Externs also have the opportunity to observe court proceedings throughout the district court, as well as in the Seventh Circuit and the bankruptcy court. This is a "hands-on" opportunity in that externs work directly with law clerks and have regular interactions with the Judge. Externship is unpaid.

STUDENTS WHO WISH TO APPLY FOR A JUDICIAL EXTERNSHIP, AND SIMULTANEOUSLY APPLY TO OTHER SITES AS WELL, need to realize that if they are offered a position by a judge, they must accept that offer. It is always awkward to turn down an employer, but it is especially poor etiquette to say no to a judge, and it doesn't reflect well on the Law School.

Application Process

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Site: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Web Site: www.epa.gov/region05/orc

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Description

In the Chicago office of the U.S. EPA, all the legal externships are with the Office of Regional Counsel (ORC).

The large number of attorneys (about 100) in ORC means exposure to a variety of work and cases. The work includes matters arising under the federal environmental statutes. These are the same statutes often covered in the basic environmental law course, so the externship is a chance to put into practice what the extern has already learned (or is learning). Region 5 also has one of the strongest enforcement records within U.S. EPA; chances are, a Region 5 extern will work on an enforcement case.

Externs perform primarily legal research and writing to support the counseling and enforcement work of the attorneys in the ORC. They estimate that at least 75% of the work will use the extern's legal skills. Legal research will usually concentrate on case-specific issues. Legal writing may include: legal memos, information requests, dispositive motions, letters responding to Freedom of Information Act requests, and letters responding to correspondence from members of Congress or the public. Externs may also attend negotiations, attend oral arguments, and review agency documents in preparation for litigation.

Application Process

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Jane Lupton
Attorney/Adviser; Extern Coordinator
United States Environmental Protection Agency
Region 5
77 West Jackson Blvd.
Chicago, IL 60604-3590
lupton.jane@epa.gov
(312)886-2238

Application Deadline

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Questions

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Site: U.S. Navy Judge Advocate General (Great Lakes, IL)

Web Site: www.jag.navy.mil

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Description

The Navy JAG Corps offers unpaid, volunteer school year externships to law students wishing to gain valuable legal experience and greater insight into life as a Navy judge advocate. As a Navy JAG Corps volunteer, you'll be assigned to a legal command or staff and gain experience in traditional Navy JAG Corps practice areas such as military justice (criminal prosecution and defense), legal assistance (providing general legal advice to Sailors and their families), and command services (advising military commanders and their staffs). Extern applicants hoping to extern in the Midwest region should request placement with Region Legal Service Office Midwest. Located onboard Naval Station Great Lakes, 34 miles north of downtown Chicago (easily accessible via public transportation from downtown), Region Legal Service Office Midwest provides the highest quality legal service and support to Navy commanders, commands and individual Sailors and their families throughout the Midwest.

Application Process

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