

GEORGETOWN LAW

Office of Graduate Careers

FAQ: Spring 2020 LL.M. Public Interest Post-Graduate Fellowship Program (Updated 5/5/2020)

The Office of Graduate Careers (OGC) created the LL.M. Post-Graduate Public Interest Fellowship Program (the Fellowship) in 2019 to provide opportunities and offer financial support to Georgetown University Law Center LL.M. graduating students who are interested in gaining post-graduation experience with a public service, public interest, or international organization.

1. Who is eligible for the Fellowship?

- LL.M. students who are graduating in May 2020 are eligible to apply for a Fellowship. The Fellowship is open to both U.S.- and foreign-trained LL.M. students.

2. How are students selected for the Fellowship?

- There are two kinds of fellowships:
 - The General Fellowship requires students to obtain an offer from a public service, public interest, or international organization. Students will then submit an application to the Georgetown Law Selection Committee comprised of Law Center faculty and staff who will select the Fellows.
 - [Please note that the University has suspended all University-sponsored or related student international travel until further notice. Due to the evolving circumstances, it is increasingly unlikely that Georgetown will provide funding for an international internship for Summer 2020.] If you have any questions about completing a fellowship outside of the U.S., please email us at gradprofdevp@georgetown.edu.

****UPDATE****

- In an effort to provide students with more time to secure an internship position, we have added a second round of the application selection process. **Applications for this second round are due on Sunday, May 31 at 11:59pm EST.** Applications received between May 4 and May 31 will be evaluated during this round. Students are permitted to apply to both rounds.
- The IFC Fellowship is for students who are interested in an internship with the International Finance Corporation (IFC). Students first submit an application to the Georgetown Law Selection Committee. The Committee selects finalists whose applications are then sent to the IFC. The IFC will then select the Fellow(s) who will intern in their office.

3. Can students apply to more than one Fellowship?

- Students can apply to more than one position with the IFC. Students will have to submit a separate application for each position.

4. How many students are selected as Fellows?

- The total number of Fellows is subject to change from year to year. In 2019, 10 Fellows were selected; two Fellows completed an internship at the IFC, and eight fellows secured their own internship opportunities at organizations in the U.S. and around the world.

5. How much is the Fellowship award?

- The amount of the Fellowship award provided to each Fellow is subject to change year to year. In 2019, students received an average of \$4,000 each, and we anticipate Fellows in 2020 will receive a similar amount.

6. When do the internships funded by the Fellowship have to take place?

- Internships must take place in the summer or fall following graduation from the LL.M. program. For students graduating in spring 2020, their internships must start in the summer 2020 or fall 2020.

****UPDATED****

- Internships must be full-time positions that last for a minimum of 8 weeks in duration depending on the organization. An organization may negotiate with the selected Fellow a longer period of placement but Georgetown Law will not provide additional funding.

7. At which organizations do students intern during their Fellowships?

- In 2019, Fellows interned at the following organizations:
 - Aequitas, Washington D.C.
 - Ethiopian Community Development Council, Arlington, VA
 - Global Rights Compliance, Association of Defense Counsel Practicing Before the International Course and Tribunals, The Hague
 - Immigrant Defense Project at Rising for Justice, Washington, D.C.
 - International Finance Corporation, Washington, D.C.
 - International Trade Centre, Geneva
 - Just Security, Reiss Center on Law and Security at New York University School of Law
 - World Bank Legal Vice Presidency, Environmental and International Law Practice Group, Washington, D.C.
 - World Trade Organization, Geneva

8. Who do I contact if I have questions about the Fellowship

- Contact the Office of Graduate Careers with any questions you have about the Fellowship at gradprofdevp@georgetown.edu.

****NEW****

9. If I secure an internship by enrolling in the Advanced Legal Practice Practicum (ALPP) can I use that same internship position to apply for the General Fellowship Program?

- No. If you secure an internship position through the Advanced Legal Practice Practicum (ALPP), you cannot also apply for the Fellowship for this same position. With ALPP you are enrolled at the Law Center and technically earning two credits. You cannot earn credit for a position and also apply for funding from the Law Center for that same position. Please note that many organizations require that an intern receive credit or receive funding. If you have informed the organization you will be receiving credit, you may want to inquire if they are open to you receiving funding for the position, instead.