

YDAP Summer Academy Application

YDAP – Youth Defender Advocacy Program (formerly JTIP)

YDAP is a youth defense trial advocacy curriculum developed to instill youth defense as a specialized practice and enhance the capacity of youth defenders to provide meaningful high-quality representation to their clients at every stage of the delinquency system. YDAP provides both substantive legal analysis and skills training. It was developed by the Gault Center (formerly the National Juvenile Defender Center), in collaboration with experts and leaders in the youth defense community from around the country, along with support from the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation Models for Change Initiative. The curriculum is comprised of lessons covering topics such as the role of the youth defense attorney, adolescent development, trial practice skills, as well as specialized case dockets such youth sex offense cases or drug cases.

YDAP Summer Academy

The YDAP Summer Academy is an annual one-week intensive training program comprised of YDAP lessons taught by youth defense experts recruited from across the country. The **2023 YDAP Summer Academy will be held June 4 - June 10, 2023 at Georgetown Law in Washington, DC.** The Academy is intended for both new and experienced youth defenders. New defenders will develop the fundamental skills they need to zealously represent their clients. More experienced youth defenders will have the opportunity to refine their skills and enhance their effectiveness by employing defense strategies that incorporate the unique aspects of representing youth in delinquency cases. The program is also designed to build community and equip youth defenders with skills they can share with colleagues in their home state. The YDAP Summer Academy is hosted by the Gault Center and Georgetown Law's Juvenile Justice Clinic & Initiative.

The Gault Center

The Gault Center promotes justice for all children by ensuring excellence in youth defense. The Gault Center believes that all youth have the right to zealous, well-resourced representation and that the youth defense bar must build its capacity to produce and support capable, well-trained defenders. The Gault Center, through its national headquarters and its Regional Defender Centers, works to create an environment in which defenders have access to sufficient resources, including investigative and expert assistance, as well as specialized training, adequate and equitable compensation, and manageable workloads. The Gault Center provides guidance and support to the field including training and technical assistance, policy reform, advocacy, and resource development to youth defenders across the nation.

Georgetown Law's Juvenile Justice Clinic & Initiative

Georgetown Law Juvenile Justice Clinic was founded in 1973 to represent children accused of offenses in the District of Columbia. Clinic faculty, fellows, and students provide highly effective holistic representation to their clients. In 2015, the Clinic established the **Georgetown Law Juvenile Justice Initiative** to explore and advance new policies and programs to assist young people and to train youth defenders across the nation. Operating at the national, regional, and local level with a primary focus on racial justice, the mission of the Juvenile Justice Initiative is to advocate for a smaller, better, and more just juvenile legal system in the District of Columbia, the Mid-Atlantic region, and across the country. As part of those efforts, the Initiative currently houses The Mid-Atlantic Region of the Gault Center and the YDAP Summer Academy on site at Georgetown Law.

Tuition

Tuition for the 2023 YDAP Summer Academy will be \$200 due at registration, which will cover training materials, some meals, and CLE credit-approval. Please note that the \$200 is a deposit to reserve your spot in the program. It is **nonrefundable** for any reason.

Participants will be responsible for their own housing and travel expenses. Once selected, participants will receive information about housing options that are available in the area of Georgetown Law's Campus.

Application and Admissions

The 2023 YDAP Summer Academy will be limited to **front-line defenders**. The deadline for applications is January 13, 2023 at 11:59PM EST. Applications received after this time will not be considered. All applications should be emailed to lawjtipsummer@georgetown.edu. Please review the full application instructions at the end of page 3.

Participants are expected to attend the **full program**. Slots are limited, and this program is heavily subsidized. Resources well beyond your \$200 non-refundable deposit are committed in advance for every attendee. Please be respectful of the fact that your failure to attend the full program would deprive someone else of the opportunity to participate. **Please note that we begin on Sunday, June 4 and end on Saturday, June 10. Please apply only if you can commit to attending sessions in Washington, DC for the full week.**

In selecting participants, our goal is to ensure each YDAP Summer Academy class is filled with a diverse range of defenders. The following are some of the criteria we will consider in the selection process: (1) Years and scope of experience in defense practice; (2) Years and scope of experience in youth defense practice; (3) Current youth caseload; (4) Geographic location; (5) Public defenders and private practitioners; (6) Diversity.

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Preferred Name	<input type="text"/>
Preferred Pronouns	<input type="text"/>
Email Address	<input type="text"/>
Full Work Street Address	<input type="text"/>
Work Phone	<input type="text"/>
Cell Phone	<input type="text"/>
Date of Birth	<input type="text"/>
Organization/Office Name	<input type="text"/>
Type of Practice	<input type="text"/>
Primary Jurisdiction Description	<input type="text"/>

Diversity: If applicable, please describe how your race, age, ethnicity, religion, disability, sexual orientation, gender orientation, gender identity, gender expression, or other characteristic will add to the diversity of the group.

We hope to select a **broad range** of experience levels to attend the YDAP Summer Academy. To help us understand the nature and scope of your experience, please answer the following questions:

How many years overall courtroom litigation experience do you have?

How many of those overall years of courtroom litigation experience have included youth defense?

On average how many youth do you represent each year?

On average, how many youth trials do you have each year?

On average, how many youth pleas do you handle each year?

On average, how many adult trials do you handle each year?

On average how many adult pleas do you handle each year?

What other trainings have you attended in the last 5 years?

Gault Summit Year(s)

Gideon's Promise Year(s)

National Criminal Defense College Year(s)

Regional YDAP Training Training and Years

Racial Justice Trainings Training and Years

Other Training and Years

Why are you interested in attending the YDAP Summer Academy? What do you hope to do with what you learn?

Finalizing Your Application & Submitting.: To submit your application for the 2023 YDAP Summer Academy, please send:

1. this completed application, 2. your signed commitment that you will comply with the COVID-19 policies (see the following page), and 3. your résumé or C.V. in a single PDF (please name the file "FirstName LastName YDAPSA 2023") to lawjtipsummer@georgetown.edu by January 13, 2023 at 11:59PM EST.

Commitment to Complying with Georgetown Law's COVID-19 Policies

The 2023 YDAP Summer Academy will take place on the Georgetown Law campus, and all visitors must comply with both the YDAP Summer Academy policies and [Georgetown's policies](#) regarding COVID-19. Please sign below, indicating you understand and commit to complying with these policies.

- I commit to being fully vaccinated (including recommended boosters) when I come to Summer Academy.
- I commit to following the masking policy in place during Summer Academy, which may require wearing a mask at all times while indoors.
- I understand Georgetown's or YDAP Summer Academy's policies may change, and I commit to complying with all Georgetown and YDAP Summer Academy COVID-19 policies in effect during the 2023 YDAP Summer Academy.
