Summer Fellowships and Outside Funding

The following is a list of summer fellowships and outside stipends available for law students. Each has a different emphasis and deadline. Contact your career advisor for assistance with your application.

**The ABA John J. Curtin Jr. Justice Fund Summer Legal Internship Program**
The Curtin Justice Fund Legal Internship Program is seeking motivated law student interns to apply for stipends available for the Summer 2015 Program. These students should have a position offered, contingent on funding, from a qualified organization. The Program will pay a $2,500 stipend to three law school students who spend the summer months working for a bar association or legal services program designed to prevent homelessness or assist homeless or indigent clients or their advocates. Deadline is March 30, 2015.
http://www.americanbar.org/groups/public_services/homelessness_poverty/john_j_curtin_jr_fellowship1.html

**ABA Janet Steiger Fellowship**
Part of the Consumer Protection Outreach Initiative of the ABA Section of Antitrust Law, this program gives law students hands-on, practical experience by placing them in offices of State Attorneys General in Consumer Protection Departments of each state office. More than 50% of each student’s time will be devoted to consumer protection matters, the remainder of each student’s time may be devoted to antitrust matters. $5000 stipend. Deadline is January 12, 2015.
http://www.americanbar.org/groups/antitrust_law/awards_fellowships/steiger_fellowship_project.html

**ABA Section of Business Law Diversity Clerkship Program**
Encourages students to pursue business court clerkship opportunities and to consider careers in the practice of business law. During the internship, there will be both substantive programming and networking opportunities. To be eligible, students must have completed their first or second year of law school at the start of internship. $6,000. Deadline: December 26, 2014.
http://www.americanbar.org/groups/business_law/initiatives_awards/diversity.html

**ABA Section of Litigation Judicial Intern Opportunity Program**
$1500 for a 6 week minimum for 1L or 2L minority and/or financially disadvantaged law students. Deadline: January 9, 2015
http://www.americanbar.org/groups/litigation/initiatives/good_works/judicial_intern_opportunity_program.html
AFL-CIO Law Student Union Summer
Ten-week internship program for law students that combines front-line legal work with grassroots organizing in real, on-going campaigns by AFL-CIO unions in various regions of the country. Weekly stipend of $600. Transportation and housing costs are also covered. Deadline: Oct. 17, 2014, for 2Ls; Jan. 16, 2015, for 1Ls. http://www.aflcio.org/Get-Involved/Law-Student-Union-Summer

Boren Fellowship
This fellowship is intended to support graduate students who are planning to go into federal employment after graduation in an agency relating to national security such as the State Department, Department of Homeland Security, or the Department of Justice. The fellowship is designed to create competency in languages and countries in areas of the world including the Middle East, Eastern Europe, Africa, Asia, and Central and South America. Amount of fellowship depends on factors such as length of program. Deadline to apply is January 27, 2015. http://www.borenawards.org/boren_fellowship/basics.html

The Center for Constitutional Rights Ella Baker Summer Internship Program
Part of CCR’s Social Justice Institute (SJI), this program supports aspiring social justice lawyers. Interns work under the direct supervision of attorneys and are given high-quality assignments and periodic feedback. Interns also participate in weekly educational seminars. Topics range from litigation skills, theories of social change, and guest lectures by noted local organizers & activists. Deadline: December 15, 2014. http://ccrjustice.org/ella-baker-fellowship

Equal Justice America Legal Service Fellowships
EJA funds law students working with organizations that deliver civil legal services. Up to $4,000 stipend. All applications must be postmarked no later than March 23, 2015. http://www.equaljusticeamerica.org/

Equal Justice Works Summer Corps Program
Summer Corps is an AmeriCorps-funded program that provides 711 law students with the opportunity to earn a $1,175 education award voucher for spending the summer in a qualifying internship at a non-profit, public interest organization. Deadline: May 2, 2015 http://www.equaljusticeworks.org/americorpsjd

Federal Communications Bar Association Foundation/ Robert E. Lee Scholarship and Internship Fund
The FCBA will award at least five summer stipends to law students employed as unpaid summer interns in positions with the FCC and other government agencies or entities with jurisdiction over the communications industry (i.e., broadcasting, cable television, telephony, satellite and information technology). Stipend is $5,000. Deadline March, 2015 (check website for exact dates). http://www.fcba.org.foundation/programs/internship-stipends-for-law-students/
Goodwin Procter Public Interest Fellowship for Law Students of Color
Fellowship for first year law students of color: must be a full-time, currently-enrolled first year student of color who is pursuing a Juris Doctor degree at an ABA-accredited law school. Stipend is $7,500, plus an interview for a second year summer position at Goodwin Procter. Deadline: March 13, 2015. [http://www.goodwinprocter.com/Careers/Law-Students/Public-Interest-Fellowship.aspx](http://www.goodwinprocter.com/Careers/Law-Students/Public-Interest-Fellowship.aspx)

Google Policy Fellowship
Fellows will have the opportunity to work at public interest organizations at the forefront of debates on broadband and access policy, content regulation, copyright and trademark reform, consumer privacy, open government, and more. Fellows will receive a stipend of $7,500 for 10 weeks. Various Locations: Washington, DC; San Francisco, Calif.; Ottawa or Toronto, Canada. Deadline: March, 2015 (check website for exact dates). [http://www.google.com/policyfellowship/](http://www.google.com/policyfellowship/)

Haywood Burns Memorial Fellowship for Social and Economic Justice
Students apply for an internship with a sponsoring organization, or may submit a proposal for a student-initiated project. The stipend will be $2000. The stipend may be supplemented with work-study grants and student fellowships. Fellows are required to work full-time for ten weeks. Starting and ending dates are negotiated between the fellow and the project. Deadline: January 30, 2015. [http://www.nlg.org/law-students/fellowships/](http://www.nlg.org/law-students/fellowships/)

Judicial Resources Committee of the United States Judicial Conference and Just The Beginning Summer Judicial Internship Program
The program provides summer judicial internships for highly-qualified minority, underrepresented, and economically disadvantaged law students. The Project is national in scope and will place 75 students as judicial interns in federal appellate, district, bankruptcy, and magistrate judges’ chambers across the country. Deadline: January 9, 2015. [http://www.jtbf.org/index.php?src=gendocs&ref=InternshipJRCJTBF&category=Main](http://www.jtbf.org/index.php?src=gendocs&ref=InternshipJRCJTBF&category=Main)

Massachusetts Bar Foundation Intern Fellowship Program
Awards $6,000 stipends to law students interning during the summer months at nonprofit organizations providing civil legal services to low-income clients in Massachusetts. Deadline: March 13, 2015. [http://www.massbarfoundation.org/legal-intern-fellowship-program/](http://www.massbarfoundation.org/legal-intern-fellowship-program/)

Nexus Fund Summer Fellowship
Fellows conduct research projects as assigned on topics relating to The Nexus Fund’s work including genocide, countries at risk of atrocities, grant making. Fellows work for three months, receiving a $1,500 stipend ($500 per month). Deadline April, 2015 (check website for exact dates). [http://www.internationalpeaceandconflict.org/forum/topics/the-nexus-fund-summer-2014-fellowship?xg_source=activity#.U4dT7ZRdU6c](http://www.internationalpeaceandconflict.org/forum/topics/the-nexus-fund-summer-2014-fellowship?xg_source=activity#.U4dT7ZRdU6c)
Public Interest Law Initiative
PILI’s Law Student Internship Program connects law students from across the country with 25 approved legal service agencies in Illinois. Interns work 400 hours full-time during the summer. Funds are paid to the agency which then pays the intern. Deadline: rolling, based on individual agency hiring plans. http://pili.org/internships

Robert Masur Fellowship in Civil Liberties, The Nation Institute
The Masur Fellowship enables a first year law student to pursue significant summer activities in the practice areas of civil rights or civil liberties. $1,000 honorarium. All applications must be received by April, 2015 (check website for exact dates). http://www.nationinstitute.org/prizes/1068/the_robert_masur_fellowship_in_civil_liberties

Peggy Browning Fund Summer Internship
The Peggy Browning Fund will support between 60 and 70 funded Summer Fellowships in labor-related organizations throughout the United States. Minimum $5,000 stipend for 10 weeks. Deadline: January 16, 2015. Participating labor organizations and application materials: https://www.peggybrowningfund.org/fellowships/for-law-students

Pride Law Fund Summer Fellowship
Pride Law Fund offers two types of fellowship for summer: the Pride Law Fund Summer Fellowship and the Steven Richter Fellowship. The Pride Law Fund Summer Fellowship supports work of concern to the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender community in the public sector, on public policy or of a public service nature, work in the area of civil rights and education, and direct legal services. The Steven Richter Fellowship supports direct legal services and projects on issues of concern to individuals with HIV or AIDS. The Richter Fellowship is not limited to law students or legal projects. Deadline: April, 2015 (check website for exact dates). http://www.pridelawfund.org/fellowships/summer-fellowships/

QLaw Summer Public Interest Grant Program
The GLBT Bar Association of Washington State (“QLaw”) will sponsor summer internships for law students serving the lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (“LGBT”) community or people with HIV/AIDS. The award consists of a maximum of $5000 for 10 full-time, 40-hour weeks. Email: Summergrant@q-law.org. Deadline: March, 2015 (check website for exact dates). http://www.q-law.org/summergrantprogram

University of Richmond Weinstein Summer Grants
The University of Richmond Office of International Education offers merit-based grants for summer international projects. These reimbursement-based grants are intended to foster and support a wide range of innovative ideas and will be awarded for original, independent project proposals (students should propose projects related to their major) and internships. Students must be returning to campus in the fall. The goal of these grants is to make summer
projects possible to those who do not receive funding from other sources. Grants will be limited to $3,500 per person. Deadline: February 16, 2015
http://international.richmond.edu/scholarships-grants/weinstein-summer.html

**Williams Institute Summer Law Fellowships**
$5,000 stipend to spend the summer working with an organization, scholar, or research center, focused on sexual orientation and gender identity law and public policy. Deadline: March, 2015 (check website for exact dates). [http://williamsinstitute.law.ucla.edu/summer-fellowships/](http://williamsinstitute.law.ucla.edu/summer-fellowships/)

*For more information on summer funding, check out the Public Service Jobs Database funding list: [http://www.psjd.org/Summer_Funding_Resources_Available_for_Work_in_Any_Geographic_Location](http://www.psjd.org/Summer_Funding_Resources_Available_for_Work_in_Any_Geographic_Location)*