

PEPPERDINE UNIVERSITY

School of Law

Global Justice Program Placement Information Summer 2012

Applications for the Global Justice Program's summer 2012 placements are due to the CDO on Friday, November 11th, by 5pm. Applications can be obtained from the CDO or on the Global Justice Program website (law.pepperdine.edu/global-justice/student-experience/apply). Interview schedules and signups will be available in the CDO starting on November 7th. Brief interviews will take place November 15th-17th.

Dates of Externship

Dates and lengths for each position vary according to the host organization. Departure dates range from Mid-May to early June; positions usually last 8-10 weeks. Specific dates will not be determined until after selections are made. Some flexibility is given. Students are responsible for arranging their own international travel.

Placement Opportunities

The following placements are available for the summer of 2012*:

Ugandan Judiciary

Work: Up to ten students serve as law clerks for members of the Uganda judiciary and participate in a variety of research and writing projects, ranging from case briefs to opinion writing. Students are variously placed under the Supreme, Anti-Corruption, War Crimes, Commercial, Family, or Appeals courts. In the past, students have also aided in juvenile justice projects led by SOL staff and faculty.

Housing: The School of Law helps secure shared apartments in Kampala, Uganda.

Ministry of Justice, Rwanda

Work: Several students work for the Ministry of Justice, researching and preparing briefs for attorneys in the justice sector.

Housing: Students choose their own housing in Kigali, Rwanda. In the past, students have arranged to share housing with School of Public Policy students. Program alumni make recommendations to current students.

Supreme Court, Ghana

Work: Students work at the Supreme Court of Ghana and are supervised directly by justices of the court. Work varies, but has included research, briefs, and drafting advisory opinions.

Housing: Students live in an apartment or hostel in Accra, the national capital.

Dalit Freedom Network/Operation Mobilisation, India

Work: Two student work at the compound in Hyderabad, India, and work with the anti-human trafficking unit. This placement focuses on general non-profit work such as grant-writing and helping with organization tutoring projects, though some legal experience may be provided.

Housing: Shared rooms are provided on the Operation Mobilisation compound in Hyderabad.

Paz y Esperanza, Peru (Spanish proficiency **required)**

Work: Two students are placed with Paz y Esperanza and work with local advocates on a variety of legal issues in local communities, including indigenous land rights, violence against women and children, and human rights abuses resulting from civil conflicts.

Housing: Students live with host families or in apartments arranged by PyE volunteer coordinators; location varies by assignment, as there are multiple field offices within the country.

ABA Rule of Law Initiative, Ecuador

Work: One or two students work in a professional office under the supervision of the ABA office director. Current programs include: trial skills and oral advocacy; special and transnational crimes prosecution (in particular, anti-human trafficking, counter-narcotics, and anti-money laundering); the implementation of drug courts; and ethics and anti-corruption.

Housing: Students choose their own housing with the guidance of in-country staff.

*Please note that placement opportunities may change after the release of this information sheet. While we maintain contact with partner organizations throughout the year, we cannot guarantee the availability of these placement opportunities due to the nature of changing international conditions.

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Global Justice Program Application Summer 2012

Name: _____ Email: _____

Phone Number: _____ Class year (circle one): 2012 2013 2014

Please list two faculty/staff members to serve as your references:

1) _____

2) _____

Please rank the programs for which you would like to be considered:

(1 is most preferred, please mark at least two choices)

___ Ugandan Judiciary

___ Ministry of Justice, Rwanda

___ Supreme Court, Ghana

___ Paz y Esperanza, Peru (Spanish proficiency **required**)

___ ABA Rule of Law Institute, Ecuador (Spanish highly recommended)

___ Dalit Freedom Network, India

Please attach the following with a paper clip:

A. A one-page resume. If applicable, please include relevant languages skills and periods where you lived, worked, or studied abroad for more than 2 weeks consecutively.

B. A response to the question listed below. Responses should be typed and adhere to the following formatting guidelines: 10 or 12pt standard font, 1.5 spacing, standard margins, no more than one page in length.

Why do you desire to participate in this opportunity and how you think that this experience will further your course of study at Pepperdine School of Law, as well as your career aspirations and life goals? If you strongly prefer placement in any one program, it is appropriate to include that information in this response, along with an explanation of why.

Please submit your completed application and supplemental documents to the CDO by 5pm on Friday, November 11th. Applications will be reviewed by a panel. **Brief interviews will take place from November 15th-17th;** sign ups for these interviews will be available in the CDO starting on November 7th. Any questions regarding applications should be directed to Global Justice staff (global.justice@pepperdine.edu).