Weinstein JAMS International Fellowship

The Weinstein JAMS International Fellowship Program provides opportunities for qualified individuals from outside the United States to study dispute resolution processes and practices in the U.S. that will assist them in their efforts to advance the resolution of disputes in their home countries.

Fellowship funding of up to $20,000 is available to support activities in the U.S. that will serve to expand the use of alternative dispute resolution (ADR) internationally.

Made possible through the visionary leadership and generous financial support of JAMS mediator and ADR pioneer Judge Daniel Weinstein (Ret.) in partnership with the JAMS Foundation, the Fellowship Program supports individuals who have demonstrated experience with and commitment to alternative dispute resolution, and who seek to increase the availability of ADR education, training and services in their own countries and beyond.

The Fellowship Program is designed to be flexible and open to innovation. Applicants are responsible for researching and identifying potential programs, courses, organizations or institutions that will help them to fulfill their Fellowship objectives.

Fellowships may be from one month to four months in duration. Although applicants may propose activities lasting longer than four months, Fellowship funding is limited to the Fellowship period.

It is anticipated that most Fellows will come from countries that do not have an established culture of using ADR for cases in litigation. Part of Fellows’ time in the U.S. will be spent observing how JAMS administers and resolves such cases.

Fellows are required to attend a week-long gathering of all 2017 Fellows in the San Francisco Bay Area in early September 2017.

See reverse for information about applying for a Weinstein JAMS Fellowship.
Criteria
1. Applicants may not be citizens of the United States.
2. Applicants must be fluent in English.
3. Proposed Fellowship must be one month to four months in duration.
4. Preference for proposals that would help establish viable dispute resolution systems or change how disputes are resolved.
5. Preference for applicants with experience as judges, lawyers, law professors, court administrators, government officers, or ADR practitioners.
6. Preference for applicants able to commence their Fellowship with the annual gathering of Fellows in the San Francisco Bay Area in early September 2017.

Information Sought from Applicant
1. Purpose and goal of Fellowship
2. Anticipated activity or activities in the U.S.
3. Proposed duration of Fellowship
4. Proposed location(s) of Fellowship (for a list of JAMS Resolution Centers, see jamsadr.com/locations)
5. Plan for accomplishing Fellowship objectives upon return to home country
6. Educational background
7. Dispute resolution training and experience
8. Organizations and institutions with which you are affiliated in your home country
9. Organizations and institutions with which you expect to be affiliated while in the U.S.
10. Amount of funding sought and proposed budget for use of funds
11. Other sources of funding available, applied for, or awarded
12. Additional non-monetary resources and support sought from the JAMS Foundation
13. Current visa status for entry into U.S. (visa type, expiration date)

Fellowship applications must be received by November 18, 2016 in order to be eligible for consideration, and may be submitted electronically or in hard copy.

Applications will be reviewed by the JAMS Foundation Board of Directors at their first quarterly meeting of 2017. Final selection of 2017 Fellows will be announced in March 2017.

Additional information, including application form and submission requirements, is available at jamsadr.com/weinstein-fellowship.