



LAW STUDENT SUMMER INTERNSHIPS

The Washington Innocence Project (WashIP) seeks law student applicants for a paid, full-time summer internship position. Our Legal Intern will be asked to commit to 35-40 hours per week for a period of 10 weeks. *Please note:* the Legal Intern will be expected to work in-person from our office in Seattle – no remote applicants will be considered.

About WashIP: Washington Innocence Project provides free investigative services and post-conviction representation in cases of innocence with supporting newly discovered evidence. Our aim is to help our clients secure relief from wrongful convictions so innocent people can be where they belong—at home, with their families and friends, living their lives. Twenty-five innocent men and women are living free because of our work. Fifteen have been exonerated and fully cleared of charges—collectively, they served more than 170 years for crimes they did not commit. We are the only independent, non-partisan voice in Washington State advancing key reforms to prevent, identify, and rectify wrongful convictions.

Job Duties: Our Legal Intern will work under the supervision of WashIP attorneys to assist with ongoing post-conviction litigation. This position may be involved with all stages of representation including intake, record collection and review, and the preparation of motions for post-conviction DNA testing. In addition, opportunities may arise to complete research projects to assist the Policy Director in ongoing advocacy efforts.

Physical demands: While performing the duties of this job, interns will regularly be required to be stationary as well as move throughout the office or external offices; communicate over the phone; and operate keyboards, computer, phone, and other peripherals.

Emotional demands: While performing the duties of this job, the intern will be required to discuss topics including but not limited to sexual assault, domestic abuse, discrimination, and violence.

Desired Skills and Qualifications:

- Demonstrated commitment to the mission of Washington Innocence Project
- Excellent legal research and writing skills
- Previous professional, volunteer, or lived experience navigating the criminal legal system
- Highly organized and excellent attention to detail, with the ability to manage multiple tasks and deadlines
- Commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion

Compensation: Interns will be paid \$25/hour for a full-time, 10-week summer internship.

How to apply: Email a cover letter, resume, and legal writing sample to work@wainnocenceproject.org with “Law Student Internship” in the subject line. The final deadline for applications is March 17, 2023. However, applications will be considered on a rolling basis and applicants are encouraged to apply as soon as possible. Please direct any questions about the position or application process to Kate Miller, kate.miller@wainnocenceproject.org