



Manhattan Legal Services 2019 Summer Internships

Manhattan Legal Services seeks law students to intern full time during summer 2019.

Manhattan Legal Services is a part of Legal Services-NYC, the largest civil legal services provider in the nation. We fight poverty and seek economic, social and racial justice for low-income borough residents through the provision of free legal representation, systemic advocacy and community education.

Each summer we recruit law students from around the country to expand services available in Manhattan and to help train the next generation of public interest lawyers. Interns will learn new areas of the law, gain hands-on experience, and provide an important public service.

Manhattan Legal Services handles cases in the full range of civil legal matters that affect the lives of low-income people in New York City – housing, family, and benefits, as well as in areas of growing importance to our clients such as immigration, education, employment, HIV and LGBT advocacy, economic justice and disability rights.

The law student's responsibilities may include:

- Client intake, interviewing and outreach
- Legal research and writing
- Observation of court proceedings and/or administrative hearings; and
- Advocacy and representation with administrative agencies

The law students will receive close supervision and will also have many opportunities to attend court proceedings and interact with clients. Fluency in Spanish or a Chinese language is desirable. A commitment of 35 hours per week is required during the summer. A second or third-year law student is strongly preferred. This is a volunteer, nonpaying position. Summer interns are strongly encouraged to seek out and apply for grants from their school and/or funding from other sources.

If you are interested in working with us, please send a resume, cover letter, writing sample, and transcript to MLSInternships@lsnyc.org. We will only contact applicants who have been chosen for an interview.