

NEW DOJ INFORMATION FOR 2010-2011!

There is important information you need to know about the Attorney General's Honors Program (HP) and Summer Law Intern Program (SLIP) at the U.S. Department of Justice! Highlights include:

The timeline:

- Don not miss the **September 7, 2010** application deadline!
- Candidates selected for HP interviews will be notified on or about September 30, 2010. SLIP candidates will be notified in early October.
- Government-funded HP interviews will be conducted from October 18 – November 5, 2010. SLIP interviews, mostly telephonic, will begin following notification.
- Most first-round offers will be issued by before Thanksgiving.

A reduction in the number of components to which applicants may apply:

- Effective this year, applicants may apply to only 3 components. This change was implemented in consultation with participating components and is based, in part, on the volume of applications received, the amount of time available for review prior to interview selection, and because most components are interested in applicants with a high level of interest in employment in their component.

Office of the Solicitor General and U.S. Attorneys' Offices HP Hiring:

- The Office of the Solicitor General of the United States is again a formal HP participant. The position of Special Assistant to the Solicitor General is open to law school graduates with superior academic credentials and exceptional writing skills. Eligibility is limited to applicants serving in or who have completed a federal court of appeals judicial clerkship.
- Two United States Attorneys' Offices (USAOs) are formal HP participants this year, hiring 3 entry-level attorneys. Each office has its own eligibility requirements (listed below). Applicants interested in becoming an Assistant U.S. Attorney (AUSA) will be able to designate the "U.S. Attorney's Office" as one of their employment preferences, then, later in the application, select the specific office(s) of interest. Participating USAOs are:
 1. The Central District of California, Los Angeles, CA: open to law school graduates who are admitted to the bar or have taken the bar with results pending in fall 2009.
 2. The Southern District of California, San Diego, CA: open to law school graduates who are admitted to the bar.

More U.S. Attorneys' Offices Participating in the SLIP:

- Three USAOs are formal SLIP participants this year, hiring three or more interns for summer 2011. Interested applicants will be able to designate "U.S. Attorney's Office" as one of their employment preferences, then, later in the application select the specific office(s) of interest. Participating USAOs are:
 1. The District of Wyoming, offering a position in one of the Nation's most scenic national parks. Hiring for Mammoth Hot Springs in Yellowstone National Park; the Summer Intern will assist in the prosecution of a wide range of misdemeanors and possibly qualify for special lodging in the National Park.
 2. The Western District of Oklahoma and the District of New Mexico offer special SLIP internships for students with interest and experience in American Indian law and policy. The intern will assist the USAO in its mission to create collaborative partnerships with law enforcement, social service providers and other federal and tribal government agencies to identify and solve public safety issues for tribal communities.
 3. The Middle District of Pennsylvania will participate informally, hiring up to two legal interns for summer 2011 outside the formal SLIP timeline. The application will allow applicants to indicate their interest in this District while still applying to three other hiring components.

Other Highlights:

- Civil Division applicants will be able to designate specific sections of interest.
- Executive Office of Immigration Review applicants will be able to designate geographic areas of preference by city and state, and comment on any geographic restrictions on their assignment.
- U.S. Trustee Program applicants will be able to designate specific cities of preference and comment on their geographic areas of preference.
- The Honors Program application continues to permit applicants serving in post-J.D. legal fellowships to apply online on a conditional basis. OARM will determine whether an exception to policy will be granted on a case-by-case basis. *Please note that short-term fellowships for recent graduates sponsored by law schools or other entities to "bridge the gap" between law school graduation and full-time legal employment do not qualify to preserve Honors Program eligibility.*

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