

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL



Legal Intern Program

The Smithsonian Institution (Smithsonian) Office of the Inspector General (OIG) seeks law students to participate in its legal intern program in Washington, DC. This program is ideal for law students pursuing a career in criminal justice, government and nonprofit oversight, legislative affairs, and administrative investigations. Legal interns will report to the Counsel to the Inspector General and gain experience with all OIG responsibilities, including audit and investigative work.

ABOUT THE SMITHSONIAN OIG

The Smithsonian is the world's largest museum, education, and research complex, with 21 museums, 14 education and research centers, and the National Zoo. It was founded in 1846 to increase and diffuse knowledge.

Smithsonian OIG is a dynamic and exciting place to learn and work. We take pride in creating a collegial, collaborative, and supportive working environment. We have a relatively small team, which would allow legal interns to hone and expand their skills by working on a wide variety of assignments.

Legal interns will also have the opportunity to have unique Smithsonian experiences. OIG staff participate in behind-the-scenes visits to Smithsonian programs and operations, attend Smithsonian's staff-only events to preview popular exhibitions, and interact with leading experts on varied subjects.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Full-time and part-time law students who have completed at least two full semesters of legal study are eligible to apply. Candidates for the fall or spring semester must commit to working no fewer than 16 hours a week for a minimum of 12 weeks. Candidates for the summer program must commit to working no fewer than 32 hours a week for a minimum of 10 weeks.

The program will be conducted at Smithsonian OIG's Washington, DC location, but remote participation may be considered.

COMPENSATION

Legal interns may work for school credit, provided they comply with school requirements.

HOW TO APPLY

Internship dates and deadlines are flexible, though they usually correspond to a standard academic calendar. Applications will be considered on a rolling basis.

To be considered for this program, please submit a cover letter, resume, and writing sample (not to exceed 10 pages) to recruitment@oig.si.edu.