

UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE BRANDEIS SCHOOL OF LAW
SAMUEL L. GREENEBAUM PUBLIC SERVICE PROGRAM

2019 GREENEBAUM PROGRAM FELLOWSHIP GUIDE

This spring and summer, thanks to generous donations from the Samuel L. Greenebaum Endowment, Ellen Ewing Endowment, Kentucky Bar Foundation, Harvey Johnston, Edwin Perry, BarBri, and the Louisville Bar Association, the Samuel L. Greenebaum Public Service Program is able to offer a large number of fellowships to first and second-year law students. Throughout the spring semester the Office of Professional Development advertises these opportunities and supports students through the application process. The procedures and timelines for the fellowships vary considerably. Therefore, this document attempts to provide an overview of the three different categories of fellowships available to Brandeis students through the Greenebaum Program.

There are three fellowship application processes:

1. Spring OCI Selection Process

Application Period: Opens early January, employers come on campus to recruit in late February, and individual employers make hiring decisions by early March.

2. Committee Selection Process - Set Hiring Requirements

Application Period: Opens January/February and the Public Service Committee makes its selections by March.

3. Committee Selection Process – Student Initiated Placement

Application Period: Opens February and Committee selects recipients on a rolling basis each month through the end of the school year.

Each of these procedures is explained in more detail below.

The Greenebaum Program is proud to have provided over \$190,000 in summer funding to Brandeis students who worked in the United States and abroad during the summer of 2018. The school was able to provide such large funding amounts to students by using a mix of Federal Work Study (FWS) funding and endowments to cover the fellowship payments. Students who are selected as fellows and are eligible for FWS funding will be paid with this funding source if possible.

***For questions regarding fellowships, contact Dean Hajek in Room 182 (laurel.hajek@louisville.edu) or Jina Scinta in Room 180 (jina.scinta@louisville.edu).**

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- 1. SPRING OCI SELECTION PROCESS** – Under this process, law students’ interview with a Public Interest Employer during Spring On Campus Interviewing and each individual employer determines which students will be hired for a summer internship with their organization.

Application Period: Opens early January, employers come on campus to recruit in late February, and hiring decisions are made by early March.

Currently, the Greenebaum Program has three employers under this arrangement who recruit their summer fellows on campus through the Spring OCI process:

- **Louisville Metro Public Defender**
- **Legal Aid Society of Louisville**
- **Kentucky Department of Public Advocacy** (various locations throughout Kentucky)

To apply, students must follow the Spring On Campus Recruitment Process (OCI) and submit application materials via the OCI page on Symplicity.

2. **COMMITTEE SELECTION PROCESS – Set Hiring Requirements** – Fellowships that have specific rules, deadlines and requirements (e.g. student must perform real estate work) require interested students to apply and a committee at the law school will select the recipient. Therefore, the employer does not select who will receive the fellowship funding. Instead, it is a committee, consisting of a mix of some or all of the following: faculty, staff, past fellowship recipients, and alumni. The following fellowships are being offered this summer:

- **Johnston Real Estate Law Summer Fellowship** – Two (2) Fellowships at **\$5,000** each. Candidates who apply for this fellowship must find their own placement for the summer with a sponsoring organization. A sponsoring organization must be an employer engaged in a significant amount of legal work concerning real estate. It can be a law firm (including a solo practitioner), a government agency, a nonprofit organization, a title company, a financial institution, or any other organization in which an attorney would be supervising the student's work. This fellowship will be announced in January.

Ed Perry Mediation Fellowship (Spring Break only) – Five to six (5-6) Ed Perry Fellowships, valued at \$1,000 each, are awarded for students to attend weeklong mediation training during spring break at Just Solutions Mediation Center. The \$1000 cost of the weeklong training is covered by the fellowship. Just Solutions is the only full-service mediation training and services center in the metropolitan Louisville area and provides mediation for disputes in the following areas:

family/divorce, business, employee relations, neighbor-to-neighbor, congregational, organizational, and community. Law students receiving this fellowship will attend mediation training Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. during Spring Break (March 11–15, 2019). Once trained, students will observe four hours of mediations with a volunteer mediator. When completed, students will be paired with a volunteer mediator to mediate cases. This fellowship will be announced in February.

****NOTE: This training must be completed by any student wishing to take the Mediation Clinic offered every fall Semester at Brandeis.**

3. **COMMITTEE SELECTION PROCESS – Student Initiated Process** – Under this third application process, 1Ls and 2Ls secure their own summer legal position and then apply to the Greenebaum Public Service Program for funding.

- **Greenebaum Public Service Fellowship** – There are typically 20-30 Greenebaum Fellowships awarded by the Greenebaum Committee each summer to students who perform legal volunteer work with a non-profit organization, government agency or judge. The work may be performed anywhere in the world but must be legal. Funding amounts vary but typically range between \$500 and \$4000.

Applications will be available late February/early March on Symplicity and application period remains open until the end of the semester. A committee consisting of faculty and staff members will select the recipients on a “rolling basis” so that approximately five students are selected to receive a fellowship every 2-3 weeks beginning in March. This “rolling basis” selection process is utilized by the committee to ensure students who find their summer positions late in the semester may still apply for funding. The committee usually continues to give funding awards to students until the end of the semester.

****Watch the *Daily Docket* for upcoming announcements about these fellowships as they become available throughout the semester.**