

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

**2017 FELLOWSHIP DESCRIPTIONS**

This spring and summer, thanks to generous donations from the Samuel L. Greenebaum Endowment, Ellen Ewing Endowment, Kentucky Bar Foundation, Robert Johnson, Edwin Perry, BarBri, and the LBA (which funds the Ellen Ewing Fellowship through Lawlapalooza), the Samuel L. Greenebaum Public Service Program at the Brandeis School of Law 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. The procedures and timelines for these fellowships vary considerably which often causes confusion. Therefore, information about the different fellowships and their procedures are provided below.

There are three main procedures for receiving fellowship funding in the Spring Semester:

1. **Employer Selection Process through Spring OCI - Application Period**: Opens late December and individual employers make hiring decisions by early March.
2. **Committee Selection Process, Fellowship has set Amount and Specific Requirements - Application Period**: Opens late February/March and the Public Service Committee makes its selections by April.
3. **Committee Selection Process, Students Request Funding for Public Interest Jobs they have Secured Themselves- 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.

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1. **EMPLOYER SELECTION PROCESS THROUGH SPRING OCI** – Under this process, students interview with a Public Interest Employer during Spring On Campus Interviewing and the individual employer determines which students will be selected to work for it this summer and receive fellowship funding.

**Application Period**: opens late December and hiring decision 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

To apply, students must follow the Spring OCI direction. Information about these employers is available on Symplicity. Select “OCI from the left sidebar and then select “2017 Spring Recruiting” from the dropdown menu. Find the employer in which you are interested and click “Review”. Keep in mind that it is the individual employers who select the recipients of these fellowships.

2. **COMMITTEE SELECTION PROCESS, FELLOWSHIPS HAVE SET AMOUNTS & SPECIFIC 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 – it is a committee, normally consisting of a mix of some or all of the following: faculty, staff, administrators, past student recipients of the fellowship, and alumni. The following fellowships are being offered this summer:

- **Johnston Real Estate Law Summer Fellowship** – One (1) Fellowship at **\$5,000**. Candidates who apply for this fellowship must find their own placement for the summer with a sponsoring organization. A sponsoring organization can be any organization 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. More information about this will be provided in late February/March. The Committee normally selects the fellow recipient by late March/April.
- **Ed Perry Mediation Fellowship (Spring Break only)** – Approx. 8-10 Ed Perry Fellowships at \$1,000 each for 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. They provide mediation for disputes in the following areas: family/divorce, business, employee relations, neighbor-to-neighbor, congregational, organizational, and community. Our law students receive mediation training Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. during Spring Break. Once trained, students will observe four hours of mediations with a volunteer mediator. Once the observation is completed, students will be paired with a volunteer mediator to mediate cases.

To apply for the Ed Perry Mediation Training Fellowship over spring break, you must upload your materials through the OCI tab on Symplicity.

3. **COMMITTEE SELECTION PROCESS, STUDENTS REQUEST FUNDING FOR PUBLIC INTEREST JOBS THEY HAVE SECURED** - 1Ls and 2Ls must secure the summer position on their own and then apply for the fellowship.

- **Greenebaum Public Service Fellowship** – There are typically 10-20 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 \$3500. Applications will be available late February/early March on Symplicity. A committee consisting of faculty and staff members will select the recipients.

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The Greenebaum Program is proud to have provided over \$99,000 in summer funding to Brandeis students who worked in the United States and abroad during the summer of 2016 and hopes to provide similar funding this summer. The school is able to provide such large funding amounts to students by using a mix of Federal Work Study (FWS) funding and grant money 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. Others, who are using all or most of their federal funding/loan options to cover school costs will be paid with fellowship funding rather than FWS.

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