



VOLUNTEER UNPAID INTERNSHIP INFORMATION PACKET

2020 - 2021

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Global Pro Bono Bar Association (“**The Global Pro Bono Bar**” - <https://www.probonobar.org>) invites interested candidates to apply to become volunteer unpaid interns, engaging with teams of other interns anticipated to participate from around the world on projects involving cross-border public interest or pro bono advocacy and legal professionalism. Successful applicants will be supervised by international legal practitioners and, to the extent possible, may undertake a leadership role in one of The Global Pro Bono Bar’s ongoing projects (see the list of projects on p. 3). Volunteer unpaid interns successfully completing the Introductory Program (see p. 2) may be invited to engage in future advanced internship opportunities. Selection is contingent upon agreement to terms of confidentiality to be provided to successful candidates.

PROGRAM FORMAT

All internship sessions will be conducted remotely on a weekly basis via web conference. Accordingly, successful candidates will require Internet access and availability at the following time corresponding to the session dates listed in the chart below (please note that the below time will remain set for all time zones without daylight savings time and will be adjusted as below in those time zones affected by daylight savings time):

Mondays at 17:00 PDT (or 16:00 PST) - 20:00 EDT (or 19:00 EST) / Tuesdays at 08:00 SGT - 10:00 AEST (or 11:00 AEDT)

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- Please submit the following to rob@probonobar.org by the relevant deadline below:
 - **Statement of Interest in Public Interest Lawyering & Anticipated or Current Professional Path** (100-250 words)
 - **Curriculum Vitae**
 - **Statement of Availability** (*i.e.*, hours available for project volunteer tasks per week and any dates or times unavailable)
- Preference in selection will be for candidates committing to an availability of at least 5 hours per week during a given internship period.

APPLICATION DEADLINES

- **1 August 2020** (Term A - August to December 2020)
- **1 December 2020** (Term B - January to April 2021)
- **1 May 2021** (Term C - May to August 2021)

PRE-INTERNSHIP STUDY PREREQUISITES

- *Brief Overview of The Global Pro Bono Bar*: <https://www.probonobar.org/The-Global-Pro-Bono-Bar> (short video and web page)
- *Concept White Paper of The Global Pro Bono Bar*: <https://www.probonobar.org/Financials-and-Governance> (download from link on page)
- Anthony Kronman, *The Lost Lawyer: Failing Ideals of the Legal Profession* (Harvard University Press 1995) - ISBN 0674539273 (emphasis on the Introduction, Chapter 5 (Law Firms), and Chapter 7 (Honesty and Hope))

2020-2021 TIMELINE FOR INTRODUCTORY UNPAID VOLUNTEER INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

GPBBA EVENT	DISCUSSION TOPIC	TERM A (AUG-DEC)	TERM B (JAN-APR)	TERM C (MAY-AUG)	NOTES
INFORMATION SESSION	Internships with The Global Pro Bono Bar	TBA	28 / 29 SEP 2020	12 / 13 APR 2021	
APPLICATION DEADLINE	Application Deadline for Candidates for Introductory Unpaid Volunteer Internships	1 AUG 2020	1 DEC 2020	1 MAY 2021	See Above Application Requirements
NOTIFICATION DEADLINE	Notification of Selection for Unpaid Volunteer Internships	8 AUG 2020	8 DEC 2020	8 MAY 2021	
SESSION 1	Legal Professionalism	17 / 18 AUG 2020	11 / 12 JAN 2021	31 MAY / 1 JUN 2021	
SESSION 2	Human Rights Advocacy	24 / 25 AUG 2020	18 / 19 JAN 2021	7 / 8 JUN 2021	Project Leadership Assignments to be Issued
SESSION 3	Environmental Advocacy	31 AUG / 1 SEP 2020	25 / 26 JAN 2021	14 / 15 JUN 2021	Project Leadership Planning Proposals by Selected Interns
SESSION 4	Statelessness	7 / 8 SEP 2020	1 / 2 FEB 2021	21 / 22 JUN 2021	
SESSION 5	Meaning in Lawyering - Part One: The Zombie Apocalypse	14 / 15 SEP 2020	8 / 9 FEB 2021	28 / 29 JUN 2021	
SESSION 6	Meaning in Lawyering - Part Two: Legal Ethics & Moral Philosophy	12 / 13 OCT 2020	15 / 16 FEB 2021	5 / 6 JUL 2021	
SESSION 7	International Law & Advocacy	19 / 20 OCT 2020	15 / 16 MAR 2021	12 / 13 JUL 2021	
SESSION 8	International Legal Advocacy Exercises	26 / 27 OCT 2020	22 / 23 MAR 2021	19 / 20 JUL 2021	
SESSION 9	Creative Advocacy in Cross-Border Public Interest Contexts	2 / 3 NOV 2020	29 / 30 MAR 2021	26 / 27 JUL 2021	
SESSION 10	Critical Reflections on Personal Legal Professionalism	9 / 10 NOV 2020	5 / 6 APR 2021	2 / 3 AUG 2021	

CURRENT PROJECTS

I. Crossing Borders to Fight Modern Slavery (Southeast Asia)

- In support of International Justice Mission ("**IJM**" - <https://www.ijm.org/>), the largest international anti-slavery organization in the world, The Global Pro Bono Bar has been collaborating with clinical legal education programs around the world on various legal research projects. Interns would assist with the development of a written review of laws relating to trafficking, forced labor, labor migration, online sexual exploitation, money laundering, criminal procedure, victim compensation, and social service minimum standards in Myanmar, Malaysia, Indonesia, Vietnam, Laos, and China for future publication.

II. The Global Pro Bono Pledge

- A campaign for employers of legal professionals to recognize pro bono engagement as a moral imperative of individual legal professionalism to be exercised on the basis of personal conscience (i.e., "free speech for lawyers"). The ultimate goal of this project is to maximize individual legal capacity for public interest engagement within the private sector. Interns may engage in outreach to and networking with law firm or in-house counsel personnel and others invited to sign The Global Pro Bono Pledge.

III. Good Governance in International Arbitration

- This project involves engagement with the law and practice of international arbitration (both commercial and investor-State) with a view toward the development of scholarship and advocacy initiatives to promote good governance in this area of law. Interns may assist with the development of research and drafting as well as a global survey of stakeholders with associated outreach.

IV. Legal Professionalism Publication / Digital Communications Project

- This project involves research, drafting, and overall development of content for both academic and social media publication. Interns may have an opportunity to assist with the development of such content, including through the submission of original content with attribution to the relevant intern for consideration of publication by The Global Pro Bono Bar.

V. Project Sustainable Future

- This project is an educational and advocacy initiative employing the development of CLE/CPD and regional Global Pro Bono Advocacy Centres to promote pro bono engagement in the fight against modern slavery within the global legal profession. Interns may assist with event planning or research and drafting of project proposals or research work products in collaboration with speakers drawn from legal academia and professional organizations around the world.