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## ACLU of Utah Summer 2021 Legal Internships

As a state affiliate of the American Civil Liberties Union, the ACLU of Utah operates through a model of integrated advocacy, using litigation, legislative efforts, policy advocacy, and community engagement as mutually supportive tactics to advance civil rights for everyone in Utah.

The ACLU of Utah is accepting applications for the following three legal internships.

- **Internship Duration:** Internships are a 10-week period. Summer interns are expected to start by June 2021.
- **Stipend:** A stipend is available for students who are able to commit to working 35 hours a week for 10 weeks during the summer. Students who receive outside funding are eligible for a partial stipend.

### ***Stewart Gollan Memorial Prisoners' Rights Legal Internship***

We are looking for a legal intern to assist us in our work protecting the rights of incarcerated individuals in Utah's jails and prisons. In addition to assisting with our ongoing litigation, the intern would also assist in responding to common issues in conditions of confinement, such as failure to provide medical care, use of solitary confinement, or inadequate access to legal materials.

Assignments may include conducting legal research on federal and state law related to prisoner's rights, policy analysis, assisting in investigating complaints from incarcerated individuals, producing public education and outreach materials on conditions of confinement, and assisting with drafting policy reports as needed.

### ***Campaign for Smart Justice Legal Internship***

Our Campaign for Smart Justice program is committed to reducing mass incarceration by 50% and fighting racism in the criminal legal system, with our work prioritizing parole and prosecutorial reform. The internship itself will focus on policy work, litigation, and issue advocacy. Assignments may include legislative research, policy analysis, drafting litigation memoranda, and drafting advocacy pieces such as opinion articles. Additionally, the internship will have opportunities for courtroom observation; interaction with stakeholders and legislators on policy issues; and relevant trainings. Law students that have been directly impacted by the criminal legal system are encouraged to apply.

For more information about our Smart Justice program please visit [www.smartjusticeutah.org](http://www.smartjusticeutah.org).

### ***Immigrants' Rights/Privacy, Technology, and Free Speech Legal Internship***

The ACLU of Utah is seeking a summer intern to assist with its Immigrants' Rights, Privacy, Technology, and Free Speech work. Our affiliate's work focuses on a variety of issues that affect immigrant communities such as police practices, language access, equal access to government systems, and the overlap of criminal legal system and immigration enforcement. Likewise, we focus on protecting individuals' rights to privacy and to be free from unreasonable government

surveillance. Often, these issues can intersect as the federal government relies on database sharing and technological advances to surveil and target immigrant and refugee communities. The intern may also do some work and research into First Amendment's free speech protections.

The extern will have the opportunity to gain experience assisting in all aspects of litigation, policy advocacy, and communications campaign. The intern will be able to participate in our work with other community organizations and stakeholders as well as assist in monitoring the implementation of federal policy changes at a local level.

Intern will assist in drafting legal memoranda and policy reports, conducting legal and policy research, preparing community outreach materials, researching and drafting public records requests, and assist in ongoing litigation as needed. Law students that have been directly impacted by the immigration system are encouraged to apply.

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Legal intern positions are very limited and early application is encouraged. Applications are due by **Sunday, February 28, 2021.**

All applicants must submit a cover letter, resume, and writing sample to [aclu@acluutah.org](mailto:aclu@acluutah.org) with the subject line “[Last Name] [Name of Position] Summer Legal Internship Application”. Example “Jane Smith Smart Justice Summer Legal Internship Application” In your cover letter, please address your interest in the specific position and past experiences that may be relevant to the position. Impacted members affected by these issues are strongly encouraged to apply.

**Experience and Qualifications:**

- Law student applicants must have finished their first year of law school to apply.
- Strong communication skills, both verbal and writing
- Attention to detail, organizing, and time-management skills
- Interest and commitment to civil rights and civil liberties.
- Commitment to the mission of the ACLU of Utah

*The ACLU of Utah is an equal opportunity employer. We value a diverse workforce and an inclusive culture. We encourage and greatly value applications from all qualified individuals without regard to arrest or conviction, race, color, religion, gender, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, age, national origin, marital status, citizenship, disability or veteran status.*