International Bridges to Justice Summer Internship Opportunities

International Bridges to Justice (IBJ) is a nonprofit, nongovernmental organization dedicated to ensuring the basic legal rights of ordinary citizens in fragile or conflict-affected countries. Specifically, IBJ works to guarantee the right to competent legal representation, the right to be protected from cruel and unusual punishment and the right to a fair trial for every man, women, and child.

IBJ is looking for outstanding, self-motivated candidates with a background in law who want to be part of our ongoing mission to end investigative torture and provide access to legal representation to everyone around the world.

Timeline & Requirements

• IBJ welcomes law students and graduates who wish to begin a year-long legal internship with us.

• We accept international students throughout the year on a rolling basis. Fellows may be placed in our head office in Geneva or in country programs offices in Burundi, Cambodia, China, D.R. Congo, India, Singapore, and Zimbabwe.

• Proof of institutionalized funding of more than $2600/month is required by Swiss law to participate in an internship in Geneva.

Benefits

• IBJ interns will get to work in an international, friendly, challenging and rewarding environment with direct supervisors based in both Geneva and/or any other country where the intern is based.

• Depending on where they are based, IBJ interns will work on a variety of tasks and initiatives, including: supporting our eLearning training programs, strengthening our online communities, helping with program management, and contributing to our fundraising initiatives.

• Former intern tasks have included researching criminal procedure codes and penal codes in different criminal justice systems, helping country directors manage project activities, supporting the work of our local public defenders, developing online tools and resources for IBJ’s JusticeMakers community, and assisting in grant writing proposals.

Ideal Candidate

• We require interns to demonstrate strong research and writing skills, with proposal writing experience particularly valued. A degree of familiarity with global criminal justice issues as well as international non-profit management is also ideal, but not essential.

• Language skills (particularly French, Arabic, Mandarin and Cantonese are desirable but not essential.

• Experience conducting field research is also desirable.

To apply, please send a CV, and cover letter to: opportunities@ibj.org