



Legal Services Program (LSP) Intern

The Torture Abolition and Survivors Support Coalition (TASSC) International is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization that provides services to survivors of torture. TASSC recognizes the psychological effects of torture and assists survivors with their immediate medical, legal, housing, and employment needs. TASSC's wraparound services are designed to encourage and supplement the efforts of survivors who come to us seeking independence, self-sufficiency, and healthy futures. Four programs are the cornerstones of our work and address the main areas of concern for many survivors: social, psychological, legal, and advocacy. All members of TASSC are eligible for services that are provided with personalized and purposeful support.

Job Description

The Torture Abolition Survivors Support Coalition (TASSC) is looking for rising second or third-year law students to join the Legal Services Program (LSP). Interns will work with the TASSC legal team to prepare asylum and other immigration applications. They will also collaborate with social and health services staff as part of an interdisciplinary and trauma-informed model. Responsibilities will include conducting legal research, drafting legal arguments, researching country conditions, meeting with clients, compiling evidence, maintaining case files, and other duties as assigned.

Applicants must have a demonstrated interest in asylum law, excellent research and writing skills, and a commitment to working with survivors of torture and supporting TASSC's mission. Strong preference will be given to applicants with prior work/internship/clinic experience in immigration law. Prior coursework in immigration law and proficiency in a second language (Amharic, French, or Spanish) is also helpful.

The internship is unpaid, but we are glad to assist with obtaining external funding or academic credit.

Time Commitment: Interns should be available Monday-Friday for 20 hours/week for a minimum of 8 weeks during the summer. Students looking for internships during the school year must be available 10 hours per week for a minimum of 12 weeks.

Additional Requirements

- Flexibility
- Sincerity
- Resourcefulness

- Personal integrity in handling ethically complex and confidential situations
- Self-motivated and comfortable working in stressful situations
- Trauma-informed and sensitive to listening with strong cross-cultural understanding and communication skills.
- Persons with lived experience are encouraged to apply.

How to Apply: Please send a cover letter and resume to nammee@tassc.org. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis until the position is filled.