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International Human Rights Law Institute



RESOURCES FOR FINDING AN INTERNATIONAL LEGAL JOB OR INTERNSHIP

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I. *INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTES & ORGANIZATIONS*

A. *GENERAL HUMAN RIGHTS INSTITUTES & ORGANIZATIONS BASED IN THE U.S.*

[American Bar Association, Jobs](#). The ABA has a number of international law programs such as the Rule of Law Initiative and Summer International Internship Program. Membership to the ABA is free to students and the student page offers additional internship and career resources. It also has the following international regional programs and human rights programs:

- [ABA Africa Law Initiative, Jobs](#). The ABA Africa Law Initiative is a public service project that promotes the Rule of Law in Africa; it is currently focusing on Burundi, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ethiopia and Liberia.
- [ABA Asia Law Initiative, Jobs](#). The ABA Asia Division focuses on development in the legal and judicial profession, as well as anti-corruption and citizen rights advocacy.
- [ABA Europe and Eurasian Initiative, Jobs](#). The Initiative focuses on technical assistance and development of the Rule of Law in nearly 20 countries in the region. The Initiative works to encourage human rights norms, adjudicate war crimes trials and increase access to justice and reform legislation.
- [ABA Section of Individual Rights and Responsibilities, Jobs](#). The Section promotes leadership in protecting human rights, civil liberties and social justice.
- [ABA Section of International Law, Jobs](#). The Section focuses on prosecuting offenses to civil and political liberties. It has a Committee E-Brief that it publishes each week that contains information of weekly human rights news and job listings.

[American Civil Liberties Union, Jobs](#). The ACLU works to preserve the fundamental constitutional rights of U.S. citizens. They have offices in all 50 states, Puerto Rico and D.C.

[Amnesty International USA, Jobs](#). Amnesty works to protect and preserve human rights; it has offices and projects throughout the world. In recent years it has campaigned for the ICC and the UN Torture Treaty.

[American Society of International Law, Jobs](#). The goal of the society is to study international law and to promote the establishment of international relations.

[The Asia Foundation, Jobs](#). The Foundation is a non-profit, non-governmental organization dedicated to developing a peaceful, prosperous and just Asia-Pacific region.

[Asia Pacific Forum, Jobs](#). The Forum facilitates formation and growth of national human rights institutions in Asia by providing training, networking and resource sharing.

[The Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Jobs](#). The Endowment is a non-profit organization dedicated to advancing cooperation between nations and promoting U.S. engagement abroad.

[Carnegie Moscow Center of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Jobs](#). The Center is a non-profit organization dedicated to advancing cooperation between nations, with a focus on Russia.

[The Carter Center, Jobs](#). The Carter Center works in partnership with Emory University and was founded by former President Carter and his wife. The Center works to advance human rights and alleviate suffering in more than 70 countries.

[Catholic Social Services, Jobs](#). Catholic Social Services serves the poor and those in need by providing emergency shelter and food, advocacy referrals and long-term case management to help them live independently. Also provides household support such as food, clothing, household items and emergency financial assistance.

[Center for Constitutional Rights, Jobs](#). The Center is dedicated to protecting and promoting the rights guaranteed by the Constitution and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. It is dedicated to fighting injustice on several fronts and has an International Law and Accountability project.

[Center for Economic and Social Rights, Jobs](#). The Center seeks to uphold human rights through social justice by upholding the universal human rights of every human being to education, health, food, water, housing, work and other rights essential to human dignity.

[Center for Justice and Accountability, Jobs](#). The Center is dedicated to ending torture and other severe human rights abuses around the world and advancing the rights of survivors.

[Center for Justice and International Law, Jobs](#). The Center was founded by a number of Latin American and Caribbean human rights defenders. It seeks to achieve the full implementation of international human rights norms in member states of the Organization of American States.

[Center for Victims of Torture, Jobs](#). The Center works to stop torture worldwide and to help survivors and their families.

[Chemonics, Jobs](#). Chemonics is an international development consulting firm that promotes meaningful change to help people live healthier, more productive and more independent lives.

[Clinton Foundation, Jobs](#). The Foundation focuses on worldwide issues that demand immediate attention: global climate change, HIV/AIDS and economic development in Latin America and Africa.

[Coalition for the International Criminal Court, Jobs](#). The Coalition works with 2,500 organizations worldwide to strengthen international cooperation with the ICC. In addition, it monitors and reports on the work of the ICC.

[Coalition to Abolish Slavery and Trafficking, Jobs](#). The Coalition was created to protect and help victims of trafficking for forced labor and slavery like conditions. It also works to prevent trafficking in the future. Their approach is focused on a client-centered approach to empower survivors of traffickers.

[The Colombo Plan, Jobs](#). The Plan focuses on economic and social development of member countries in the Asia-Pacific region.

[Committee to Protect Journalists, Jobs](#). The Committee's function is to promote press freedom worldwide by defending the rights of journalists to report news without fear of reprisal.

[Doctors without Borders, Jobs](#). Doctors without Borders (MSF) is an international humanitarian organization providing medical assistance in 60 countries to assist people whose survival is threatened by violence, neglect or catastrophe.

[DPK Consulting, Jobs](#). DPK is an international consulting firm that provides technical, management and advising services to developing countries. They have a list of international short term and long term job opportunities on their website.

[Earthrights International, Jobs](#). Earthrights documents human right and environmental abuses in countries that traditionally do not allow organizations to operate safely. The human rights and environmental abuses are exposed through reports, campaigns and articles.

[Food for the Hungry International, Jobs](#). The organization helps some of the world's most disadvantaged people in 37 countries through child development programs, agriculture and clean-water projects, health and nutrition programs, education, micro-enterprise loans and emergency relief.

[Foreign Policy Association](#). The Association seeks to education people about foreign policy through conferences, town hall meetings, etc. It also has a [job board](#).

[Francois-Xavier Bagnoud Center for Health and Human Rights, Jobs](#). The center is the first academic center to focus on the connection between human rights and health, it advocates to incorporate human rights norms into international health policy.

[Freedom House, Jobs](#). Freedom House promotes democracy and freedom throughout the world through publications (most notably the reports that detail the level of freedom in every country) and advocacy efforts.

[Global Lawyers and Physicians, Jobs](#). Global Lawyers and Physicians works on the local, national and global level with other NGO's and IO's to promote global implementation of health-related provisions of UN Declaration of Human Rights and other international law. There is a focus on human rights, patient rights and human experimentation.

[Global Rights, Jobs](#). Global Rights is a human rights advocacy group that partners with local activists and highlights new global discourse. Global Rights has offices around the world.

[Human Rights First, Jobs](#). Human Rights First promotes human rights and Rule of Law by helping those at risk: refugees, victims of crime and discrimination, and those whose rights have been eroded because of national security efforts.

[Human Rights Watch, Jobs](#). HRW conducts in-depth studies of countries and their human rights abuses, monitors whether they have improved and whether the international community has had an impact in their development.

[Illinois Human Rights Commission](#). The Commission is committed to promoting freedom from unlawful discrimination as defined by the Illinois Human Rights Act. The primary responsibility of the Commission is to make impartial determinations on whether there has been discrimination in specific instances.

[Indian Law Resource Center, Jobs](#). The Center was established and directed by American Indians and aims to provide legal assistance to Alaskan and Indian Americans who are working to protect their land and rights.

[International Bar Association, Jobs](#). The Association is an international organization comprised of international legal practitioners, bar associations and law societies. It has a [Human Rights Institute](#), with its own [job opportunities](#).

[International Center for Transitional Justice, Jobs](#). The Center assists countries who are pursuing accountability for past atrocities or human rights abuses.

[International Crisis Group, Jobs](#). ICG is recognized as the world's leading independent source of analysis and advice on the prevention and resolution of deadly conflict. The ICG reports on countries in every region of the world and has been instrumental in assisting the U.N. and other national governments.

[International Human Rights Law Group, Jobs](#). The Group is a D.C. based organization that is involved in U.S. compliance with international standards as well as rule of law and legal reform internationally.

[International Food Policy Research Institute, Jobs](#). The Institute provides policy solutions to reduce hunger and malnutrition achieve food security and reduce poverty in developing countries.

[International Institute for the Unification of Private Law, Jobs](#). The Institute examines the need and methods for coordinating private and commercial law among countries.

[International Labor Rights Fund, Jobs](#). The Fund is committed to achieving just and humane treatment for workers worldwide, it focuses on ending child labor and improving working women's rights.

[International Labor Organization, Jobs](#). The Organization is multilateral and dedicated to bringing decent work and better living standards to people in rich and poor countries.

[International Law Students Association, Membership](#). The Association is composed of students and lawyers who seek to promote international law and provide students with opportunities to attend conferences, network and work worldwide.

[International Justice Project](#). IJP works towards the development, coordination and increased employment of international law and human rights standards as they pertain to capital punishment. The internship program is described on its website.

[International Research and Exchanges Board, Jobs](#). The international non-profit organization develops programs to improve education, strengthen the independent media, and foster pluralistic civil society. IREX posts career opportunities on its website.

[International Senior Lawyers Project Advisor, Jobs](#). The Project works to advance democracy and the rule of law, protect human rights and promote economic development.

[Internews, Jobs](#). The Internews works to improve access to information by fostering independent media policies in the public interest. The organization offers part-time internships.

[Korean Peninsula Energy Development Organization](#). The Organization implements energy related projects in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK), supporting international nuclear non-proliferation efforts, peace and stability.

[MADRE, Jobs](#). MADRE has built a network of community-based organizations for women worldwide, the organizations focus on peace building, women's health, and economic and environmental justice.

[Mental Disability Rights International, Jobs](#). The group was established by an attorney and focuses on documenting conditions, publishing reports, and promoting the oversight of people with mental disabilities worldwide.

[Mercy Corps, Jobs](#). The Corps alleviates suffering, poverty and oppression by helping people build secure, productive and just communities.

[Minnesota Advocates for Human Rights, Jobs](#). The Advocates raises awareness strengthens accountability mechanisms and fosters tolerance for human rights across the world. It encourages direct hands-on volunteer work.

[National Democratic Institute, Jobs](#). The Institute works to strengthen and expand democracy worldwide.

[National Lawyers Guild](#). The Guild works locally, nationally and internationally to promote civil rights through the legal system. It has a [section](#) specifically for law students.

[Open Society Institute, Jobs](#). The Institute works to build democracies that are responsible to their citizens by locally implementing initiatives to advance justice, education, public health and independent media.

[OXFAM, Jobs](#). OXFAM is a confederation of 14 organizations that work to end poverty and injustice by campaigning and responding to emergencies.

[Physicians for Human Rights, Jobs](#). Physicians for Human Rights takes the position that physicians can effect a great deal of change for human rights related to health. PHR mobilizes physicians and investigates health human rights abuses.

[RFK Memorial, Jobs](#). The Memorial has endeavored to fulfill Robert Kennedy's vision of promoting human rights throughout the world. The Memorial offers an award to an individual who promotes human rights and seeks to combine arts and education to promote human rights.

[United Nations Foundation, Jobs](#). The Foundation is a public charity created to support UN causes and activities and act as an advocate for the UN through advocacy, partnerships, constituency building and fund raising.

B. GENERAL HUMAN RIGHTS INSTITUTES & ORGANIZATIONS BASED OUTSIDE OF THE U.S.

[AIDS Law Project](#) – South Africa. The Project works at influencing, developing and using law to address the HIV/AIDS problem in Africa. It works to protect the rights of people living with HIV/AIDS in South Africa.

[Al Haq](#) – West Bank, [Jobs](#). Al Haq is an independent Palestinian human rights organization established to protect and promote human rights and Rule of Law in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, the organization has special consultative status with the U.N. Economic and Social Council.

[Anti-Slavery International](#) – UK, [Jobs](#). Anti-Slavery International works at the local, national and global level to eliminate all forms of slavery around the world. It is the only charity in the UK to work exclusively on anti-slavery measures.

[Article 19](#) – UK, [Jobs](#). Named after Article 19 of the UN Declaration on Human Rights, the organization seeks to defend and promote freedom of expression and freedom of information worldwide.

[Centre for Equal Rights in Accommodation](#) – Ontario. CERA works to remove the barriers that prevent disadvantaged individuals and families from accessing and retaining the housing they need.

[Centre for the Study of Violence and Reconciliation](#) – South Africa, [Jobs](#). The CSVR is involved in policy making, community interventions, service delivery, education and training in building a democratic foundation and preventing violence in South Africa.

[Danish Institute for Human Rights](#) – Denmark, [Jobs](#). The Institute encompasses research, education and implementation of national and international programs that protect human rights.

[Equitas](#) – Canada, [Jobs](#). Equitas focuses on educational and capacity building reforms that are directed at assisting civil society and governmental organizations in promoting human rights.

[International Bar Association](#) – UK, [Jobs](#). The IBA is the world's leading organization of legal practitioners, bar associations and law societies. It influences the development of international law reform.

[International Federation of Human Rights Leagues](#) – France, [Jobs](#). The Federation focuses on preventing the human rights mentioned in the United Nations Declaration of Human Rights by protecting the victim and sanctioning the perpetrators.

[International Commission of Jurists](#) – Switzerland, [Jobs](#). The ICJ takes an objective, impartial and authoritative legal approach to the protection and promotion of human rights throughout the world.

[International Committee of the Red Cross](#) – Switzerland, [Jobs](#). The Geneva Convention gave the Red Cross the task of visiting prisoners, organizing relief operations, re-uniting separated families and providing humanitarian assistance during armed conflicts and internal conflicts.

[International Helsinki Federation for Human Rights](#) – Austria. The IHF was founded to give the Helsinki committee's a structure to join together and promote and protect human rights.

[Interights](#) – UK, [Jobs](#). Interights uses international and comparative law to promote human rights throughout the world and undertakes activities to strengthen human rights jurisprudence.

[Minority Groups International](#) – UK, [Jobs](#). Minority Groups International seeks to secure rights for ethnic, religious and linguistic minorities and indigenous people throughout the world.

[Redress](#) – UK, [Jobs](#). Redress is a human rights organization that helps torture survivors obtain justice and reparation.

II. HUMAN RIGHTS ORGANIZATIONS WITH A SPECIFIC FOCUS

A. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

[Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation](#), [Jobs](#). The Forum facilitates economic growth in the Asia-Pacific region.

[Center for Institutional Reform and the Informal Sector, Department of Economics, University of Maryland \(IRIS\)](#), [Jobs](#). The Center is a research and advisory center that works to understand and facilitate economic growth and democratic development in poor and transition countries.

[European Bank for Reconstruction and Development \(EBRD\)](#), [Jobs](#). The Bank was established in 1991 when communism was crumbling in Europe and ex-Soviet countries needed support to nurture a new private sector in a democratic environment. It uses investment tools to help build market economies and democracies in 27 countries from central Europe to central Asia.

[European Investment Bank](#), [Jobs](#). The Bank is the European Union's financing institution, it contributes towards the integration, balanced development and economic and social cohesion of the Member Countries.

[Financial Services Volunteer Corps \(FSVC\)](#), [Jobs](#). The Corps is a not-for-profit, private partnership that seeks to build sound banking and financial systems in transitioning and developing countries.

[Inter-American Development Bank](#), [Jobs](#). The Bank is the main source of multilateral financing for economic, social and institutional development in Latin America and the Caribbean, IADB plays a leading role in regional integration.

[International Executive Services Corps \(IESC\)](#), [Jobs](#). The Corps is a not-for-profit organization using private sector volunteers to assist global economic growth.

[International Monetary Fund](#), [Jobs](#). The Fund is an organization of 184 countries promoting international monetary cooperation, exchange stability and orderly exchange arrangements. The Fund fosters economic growth and high levels of employment and provides temporary financial assistance to countries to ease balance of payments adjustment.

[Organization for Co-Operation & Development \(OECD\), Jobs](#). The Organization has 30 member countries that share a commitment to democratic governance and market economy.

[Village Banking, Jobs](#). Village Banking delivers financial services (small loans and saving products) to those who could not otherwise obtain them.

B. ENVIRONMENTAL

[Center for International Environmental Law, Jobs](#). CIEL is a non-profit organization working to use international law and institutions to protect the environment, promote human health, and ensure a just and sustainable society. CIEL provides a wide range of services including legal counsel, policy research, analysis, advocacy, education, training, and capacity building.

[International Union for the Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources \(IUNC\), Jobs](#). The Union encourages the preservation of wildlife, natural environments and living resources.

[Winrock International, Jobs](#). Winrock International works with people around the world to increase economic opportunities, sustain natural resources, and protect the environment.

[World Resource Institute, Jobs](#). The Institute is an independent non-profit organization with staff of more than 100 scientists, economists, policy experts, business experts, business and statistical analysts, mapmakers and communicators, working to protect Earth and improve people's lives.

[World Wildlife Fund, Jobs](#). The Fund was founded in 1961 by scientists, naturalists and business and political leaders as an international fundraising organization that would collaborate with conservation groups to bring substantial financial support to worldwide conservation efforts.

C. IMMIGRATION & REFUGEE'S

[American Refugee Committee, Jobs](#). The Committee assists in primary health care delivery, improves water and sanitation, and works with shelter reconstruction, micro-credit projects, environmental rehabilitation and psychosocial services.

[Danish Refugee Council, Jobs](#). The Council is a humanitarian umbrella organization that aims to protect refugees and internationally displaced people. It posts career opportunities on its website.

[International Catholic Migration Committee, Jobs](#). The Committee works with refugees, internally-displaced people and forced migrants, it gives priority to the most vulnerable and marginalized among these groups.

[International Organization for Migration – Switzerland, Jobs](#). The Organization has partners throughout the international community. It assists in meeting operational challenges of migration management, advances understanding of migration issues, encourages social and economic development through migration and upholds human dignity and well-being of migrants.

[International Rescue Committee, Jobs](#). The Committee was founded by Albert Einstein; it is among the world's largest non-profit, non-sectarian, voluntary agencies assisting refugees, displaced persons and others fleeing persecution and violent conflict.

[Refugees International, Jobs](#). Refugees International works around the world to advocate and provide assistance to displaced people, each year approximately 25 field missions are undertaken to identify displaced persons needs and encourage policy makers to address those needs.

[U.S. Committee for Refugees and Immigrants, Jobs](#). The Committee reports on refugees throughout the world, it's goal is to address the needs and rights of persons who voluntarily or involuntarily migrate worldwide. They do so through advancing public policy and providing direct professional services.

D. RULE OF LAW

[ABA Rule of Law Initiative, Jobs](#). ROLI is a public service project of the ABA that advances the rule of law by supporting the legal reform process in Africa, Asia, Latin America, and the Caribbean, the Middle East and North Africa, and Europe and Eurasia. The ABA offers career and volunteer opportunities for attorneys and internships and volunteer opportunities for law students.

[Civilian Police International, Jobs](#). CPI recruits and trains U.S. police officers to participate in international police development around the world.

[Council of Europe, Jobs](#). The Council was created to defend human rights, parliamentary democracy and rule of law. It develops continent-wide agreements to standardize member countries' social and legal practices and promotes awareness of a European identity based on shared values.

[International Center for Not-for-Profit Law, Jobs](#). The Center promotes civil society and public participation in government.

[International Federation of Electoral Services, Jobs](#). The Federation focuses on election monitoring, bolstering democracy by developing programs to strengthen rule of law and developing good governance and civil society. It is dedicated to the success of democracy worldwide and the prospect that everyone is entitled to have a free and informed say in how he or she is governed.

[International Bar Association's International Rule of Law Directory](#). The Directory provides users with resources and listings of organizations that offer assistance to development of the rule of law. It is a gateway site with links to over 1,000 organizations.

E. WOMEN & CHILDREN'S RIGHTS

[Association for Women's Rights in Development, Jobs](#). AWID is an international, feminist, creative, future-oriented organization committed to achieving gender equality and promoting human rights throughout the world. The 'jobs' link is to their job board which has opportunities from a number of different women's rights groups.

[CARE, Jobs](#). CARE is a leading humanitarian organization in fighting poverty. It puts specific focus is impoverished women and developing educational and health resources to aid them. It also responds to provide emergency aid to survivors of war and natural disasters.

[Center for Reproductive Rights, Jobs](#). The Center promotes reproductive rights for women.

[Global Fund for Woman, Jobs](#). The Fund is an international network of men and women across the world dedicated to promoting women's rights through making grants to support women's groups around the world.

[Global March against Child Slavery – India, Jobs](#). The Global March is designed to protect children's rights all over the world, focusing on the right to education, the right to be free from forced labor, and the right to be free from economic exploitation.

[Save the Children, Jobs](#). Save the Children is the leading independent organization aimed at helping children in need in the U.S. and around the world. The majority of the work takes place in communities, where workers help families and children directly.

[Sisterhood is Global Institute](#). The Institute provides a comprehensive list of contact information for international human rights organizations working for women's rights.

[Women's Center for Legal Aid & Counseling](#). The Center aims to build a democratic Palestinian society based on principles of gender equality and social justice.

[WILD for Human Rights](#). Women's Institute for Leadership Development for Human Rights aims to transform communities through promoting human rights. The Institute is run by women and works to implement human rights standards and prevent discrimination in communities.

III. INTERNATIONAL COURTS AND TRIBUNALS

[African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights, Jobs](#). The Court was created through the African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights in 1986, its mandate is to protect and promote human rights throughout Africa. It does so by collecting documents, determining underlying principles and working together with African states to effect a change.

[Constitutional Courts Resource](#). Links to constitutional courts and equivalent bodies around the globe, some links have job opportunities.

[European Court of Human Rights](#). The European Court of Human Rights was set up in 1959, it rules on individual or state applications alleging violations of civil and political rights set out in the European Convention on Human Rights.

[International Bureau of the Permanent Court of Arbitration, Jobs](#). The Bureau was established by the Convention for the Pacific Settlement of International Disputes to offer a wide range of dispute resolutions.

[International Criminal Court](#) – The Hague, [Jobs](#). The ICC is the first permanent, treaty based, international criminal court established to end impunity for the perpetrators of the most serious crimes to humanity. *NOTE*The ICC strongly prefers to hire people from states that are a party to the ICC; the United States is NOT a party to the ICC.

[International Court of Justice](#) – The Hague. The ICJ is the principal judicial organ of the UN; its role is to give advisory opinions on legal disputes submitted by states.

[International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia](#), [Jobs](#). The ICTY is a United Nations court that deals with war crimes that took place in the Balkans during the 1990s.

[International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda](#), [Jobs](#). The ICTR is a United Nations criminal court that deals with war crimes that occurred during the Rwandan genocide.

[The Special Court for Sierra Leone](#), [Jobs](#). Court is a joint endeavor of the government of Sierra Leone and the United Nations to bring to trial those who bear responsibility for serious violations of international humanitarian and Sierra Leon law. It offers both permanent and internship opportunities.

[The Special Court for Lebanon](#), [Jobs](#). The Court was created by the UN Security Council in 2007 to try those that perpetuated terrorist attacks in Lebanon.

[The United States Court of International Trade](#). An Article III Court with nationwide jurisdiction dealing primarily with cases involving international trade and custom duties.

IV. INTER-GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES

A. GENERAL

[African Union](#), [Jobs](#). The AU was created by the Organization of African Unity, its mandate is to accelerate the process of integration and address social, economic and political problems that have been caused through the negative effects of globalization. *NOTE: The African Union requires that all applicants are citizens of a member state of the Organization of African Unity*

[Inter-American Commission on Human Rights](#), [Jobs](#). The IACHR is one of two bodies in the inter-American system for the protection and the promotion of human rights; it is an autonomous organ of the Organization of American States.

[International Organization for Migration](#), [Jobs](#). The IOM is the leading organization in the field of migration and works closely with governmental, intergovernmental and nongovernmental partners. It has a 127 member states that are dedicated to promoting humane and orderly migration.

[North Atlantic Treaty Organization \(NATO\)](#), [Jobs](#). NATO is an alliance of 27 countries from North American and Europe committed to fulfilling the goals of the North Atlantic Treaty.

[Organization of American States \(OAS\)](#), [Jobs](#). OAS is a partnership between the nations of the Americas, the Organization is working closely together to strengthen democracy, advance human rights, promote

peace and security and expand trade and tackle complex problems caused by poverty, drugs, and corruption.

[Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe \(OSCE\)](#), [Jobs](#). OSCE has field missions all over central and Eastern Europe and Central Asia, the Organization works on democratization, rule of law development, political monitoring, elections, etc.

[World Trade Organization \(WTO\)](#), [Jobs](#). The WTO is the only global international organization dealing with rules of trade among nations to help producers of goods and services, exporters and importers conduct their business. At its heart are the WTO agreements, negotiated and signed by the bulk of the world's trading nations and ratified in their parliaments.

B. UNITED NATIONS

[Pan America Health Organization](#), [Jobs](#). The international public health agency has over 100 years of experience improving health and living standards of people in the Americas. It is a part of the United Nations system, serving as Regional Office for the Americas of the World Health Organization, and as health organization of the Inter-American System.

[United Nations System](#). This website provides alphabetical index of links to United Nations System of Organizations and links to other sites.

[United Nations Development Program](#), [Jobs](#). The UNDP performs legal reform projects and works with the ABA on some rule of law projects worldwide as well.

[United Nations Development Fund for Women](#), [Jobs](#). The UNIFEM is dedicated to advancing women's rights and gender equality. It provides financial and technical support to programs that advance women's rights.

[UN High Commissioner for Human Rights](#), [Jobs](#). UNHCR offers assistance to refugees in the U.S. and to legal practitioners working in refugee and asylum issues; refugee or asylum experience is generally necessary. Opportunities exist to work in the field and in Washington, D.C.

[UN High Commissioner for Refugees](#), [Jobs](#). The UNHCR seeks to help refugees throughout the world.

[United Nations Children's Fund \(UNICEF\)](#), [Jobs](#). UNICEF works to overcome obstacles that poverty, violence, disease, and discrimination place in a child's path.

[United Nations Educational Scientific & Cultural Organization \(UNESCO\)](#), [Jobs](#). UNESCO disseminates knowledge on education and works with member states to build their human and institutional capacities in diverse fields such as education, science, culture and communication.

[United Nations Environmental Program \(UNEP\)](#), [Jobs](#). The UNEP coordinates United Nation's environmental activities, assists developing countries in implementing environmentally sound policies and encourages sustainable development through sound environmental practices

[United Nations Food and Agricultural Organization World Food Program](#). The World Food Programme works to promote policies, strategies and operations that directly benefit the poor and hungry.

[United Nations Industrial Development Organization \(UNIDO\), Jobs](#). The Organization's primary objective is the promotion and acceleration of industrial development in developing countries and countries with economies in transition.

[United Nations Transitional Administration](#). The Administration provides assistance to core administrative structures essential to the viability and stability for countries in transition.

[World Health Organization \(WHO\), Jobs](#). The organizational goal of the WHO is the attainability of the highest possible level of health defined as a state of complete physical, mental, and social well-being and not merely the absence of disease or infirmity.

[World Intellectual Property Organization \(WIPO\), Jobs](#). WIPO is an international organization dedicated to promoting the use and protection of works of the human spirit. Intellectual property is expanding the bounds of science and technology and enriching the arts. WIPO plays an important role in enhancing quality and enjoyment of life, as well as creating real wealth for nations.

V. *U.S. FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES*

[Arms Control and Disarmament Agency, Jobs](#). The ACDA formulates and implements American arms control and disarmament policies and works closely with the Office of the President and the Department of State. The agency's legal department offers a fellowship for which law students are eligible.

[Central Intelligence Agency, Jobs](#). The Office of General Counsel handles international legal issues relating to foreign intelligence and counterintelligence, counterterrorism, counter-narcotics, nonproliferation and arms control, immigration, international financial transactions, as well as foreign and international law and legislation. Law graduates are hired for the Legal Honors Program, and 2Ls for a paid 10-week summer clerkship.

[Export-Import Bank of the United States, Jobs](#). Export-Import Bank of the United States is an Independent governmental agency that helps finance overseas sales of U.S. goods and services.

[Office of the U.S. Trade Representative, Jobs](#). The Office is the chief trade negotiator and principal trade policy advisor to the President and responsible for developing and implementing trade policies to promote world growth and create new opportunities for the United States. Unpaid intern program for undergraduate and graduate students hires 20-30 interns per semester, including summer.

[Overseas Private Investment Corporation, Jobs](#). Independent corporation, owned by the U.S. government, to encourage private direct investment abroad in support of economic development in friendly countries. Department of Legal Affairs hires for paid full-time summer internship program, as well as several unpaid full or part-time fall and spring programs.

[U.S. Agency for International Development, Jobs](#). USAID is a non-partisan governmental organization responsible for administering U.S. foreign aid programs. The Office of General Counsel provides legal advice and guidance for all the agency's operations worldwide.

[U.S. Agency Corps of Engineers, Jobs](#). The Corps has 55 offices worldwide and its mission includes both domestic and worldwide design, construction and maintenance of Army and Air Force projects as well as water-related civil projects, environmental cleanup, regulation of wetland development and engineering and construction assistance to international and territorial agencies. The office hires 5-10 law graduates each year for its Civilian Honors Law Graduate Program.

[U.S. Department of Justice, Jobs](#):

[Office of Attorney Recruitment and Management, Jobs](#):

OARM recommends candidates with international interests to consider the following DOJ constituent groups: Antitrust Division, Civil Division, Criminal Division, the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission, International Criminal Police Organization (Interpol) and the Office of Intelligence Policy and Review. Candidates interested in immigration and naturalization should consider these constituent groups: Civil Division, Civil Rights Division, Criminal Division, Executive Office for Immigration Review, Office of the Inspector General, Office of Legal Policy and the U.S. Attorney's Office.

[Office of International Affairs](#):

Advises the Attorney General, DOJ officials, U.S. Attorneys offices and state/local prosecutors on international criminal matters, coordinates extradition of international fugitives and international evidence gathering. With the State Department, it negotiates treaties, conventions and other agreements on international criminal matters and participates on committees established by the UN and other international organizations directed at resolving international law enforcement problems (e.g. narcotics trafficking, organized crime, cyber-crime, corruption, terrorism, and money laundering). Offices are maintained in numerous countries, and U.S. Attorneys in domestic offices may have the opportunity for temporary assignment outside the U.S.

[Executive Office of Immigration Review, Jobs](#):

Handles immigration and asylum cases. Law students may participate in paid, volunteer and for-credit summer internships and graduates are hired for Attorney General's Honors Program.

[U.S. Department of State](#). The Department offers a number of student intern programs (mostly unpaid), some of which provide the opportunity for overseas placement or for work domestically on international issues. The office also coordinates U.S. government recruitment efforts for the United Nations, Organization for Economic Cooperation & Development, Organization for Security & Cooperation in Europe, Organization of American States and North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO).

[Office of the Legal Adviser](#):

Assists in formulating and implementing U.S. foreign policy and promoting development of international law. The Office provides legal support by international region/country and also by function (e.g. Office of Oceans, International Environmental and Scientific Affairs, Office of Treaty Affairs). A limited number of positions are available for law students (paid and unpaid, summer and school year) and law graduates.

[Foreign Service, Jobs](#):

Offers five different career tracks: Management Affairs, Consular Affairs, Economic Affairs, Political Affairs and Public Diplomacy and applicants must select a track early in the hiring process.

[U.S. International Trade Commission](#). The USITC is an independent, nonpartisan, quasi-judicial federal agency that provides trade expertise to the legislative and executive branches of government, determines the impact of imports on U.S. industries and directs actions against certain unfair trade practices such as patent, trademark, and copyright infringement.

[U.S. Trade and Development Agency, Jobs](#). Independent government agency that promotes U.S. exports by helping companies pursue overseas business opportunities.

VI. U.S. MILITARY

[Air Force, General Counsel, Jobs](#). The General Counsel provides advice on applicable legal statutes and legal subjects to all elements of the Air Force.

[Air Force Judge Advocate General, Jobs](#). The Air Force JAG mission is to act as an independent counsel to the command and war-fighters.

*NOTE: You must be on active duty to apply.

[Army Judge Advocate General Corps, Jobs](#). The Army JAG Corps is a wide-ranging practice that includes military law and criminal prosecution to international law and legal assistance worldwide.

*NOTE: You must be on active duty to apply.

[Department of Defense](#). International work conducted in the Office of General Counsel's International Affairs, Intelligence, Defense and Environment and Installations Sub-Offices includes international relations, military justice, intelligence and counterintelligence policy, and counter-narcotics. Law students are hired for paid summer legal internships and law graduates are hired for the Legal Honors Program.

[Department of Defense, General Counsel, Jobs](#). The General Counsel is responsible for providing legal advice to the Secretary and Deputy of Defense regarding all legal matters involving the Department of Defense.

[Department of the Army, Office of the General Counsel, Jobs](#). The General Counsel is responsible for dealing with the Army's position on all legal issues. It exercises technical supervision over the Office of the Judge Advocate General for the army.

*NOTE: To apply to Honors job you must be a commissioned officer in the United States Army.

[Department of the Navy, Office of the General Counsel, Jobs](#). The General Counsel is responsible for providing legal and business solutions for the Navy.

[Assistant Secretary of Defense for Public Affairs](#). The Office prepares reports and advises the Secretary of Defense on public information, internal information and community relations.

[International Security Affairs](#), Department of Defense. The ISA advises the Secretary of Defense on international strategy and policy issues that concern the U.S.

[Joint Chiefs of Staff](#). The Joint Chiefs of Staff have representatives from every branch of the military; they act as the principle military advisers to the civilian government.

[Navy Judge Advocate General, Jobs](#). Navy JAGs provide legal expertise to conduct military operations worldwide, this includes: law of the sea, law of armed conflict, civil affairs and more.

Note: the program allows you to join while you are in law school if you are agree to become an active-duty Judge upon advocate upon graduation.

[Office of Counsel for the Commandant of the Marine Corps](#). The Counsel provides comprehensive and timely legal advice to the Commandant.

VII. POST-GRADUATE FELLOWSHIPS

[Alexander von Humboldt Foundation, Fellowship: German Chancellor Scholarship Program](#). The scholarship provides a one year opportunity for professional and leadership development, study and research at a German university. Applicants design individual projects tailored to their professional development and goals.

[American Council of Learned Societies, Fellowship: American Research in the Humanities in China](#). This program allows scholars in the humanities to do research in the People's Republic of China. The program supports individuals with a Ph.D., or the equivalent, to do in-depth research on China.

[Fellowship: Language Grants to Individuals for Summer Study](#). The ACLS will offer grants for up to \$2,500 each for intensive summer study of Albanian, Bosnian-Croatian-Serbian, Bulgarian, Macedonian or Romanian. The awards are intended for people who will use these languages in academic research or teaching.

[American Institute of Indian Studies, Senior Research Fellowships](#). The fellowship enables scholars specializing in South Asian studies the opportunity to pursue further research in India. The fellowship is available to scholars who hold a Ph.D. or its equivalent. The fellows are expected to establish a formal affiliation with an Indian institution.

[American Jewish Committee, the American Jewish Committee Goldman Fellowship Program](#). The fellowship is designed to develop future leaders in the areas of international and domestic politics, diplomacy, public relations and management. The fellowship gives students the opportunity to work in office throughout the world. It allows students to spend part of their time developing an independent project with the office they are assigned.

[The American-Scandinavian Foundation, Fellowship](#). The goal of the fellowship is to promote education and cultural exchange between the U.S. and Scandinavia. Applicants must have a well-defined research or study project that makes a stay in Scandinavia essential.

[Amnesty International, Ralph J. Bunche International Human Rights Fellowship](#). The Fellowship focuses on building the competencies of activists in the core areas of international human rights advocacy including research, action mobilization, campaigns and media communications.

[Ashoka – Innovators for the Public, Global Scholar Fellowship](#). Ashoka's mission is to develop 'social entrepreneurs' around the world. The fellows develop projects that lead to social change in education, child development, health care, environment, human rights and technological and economic development.

[Belgian American Educational Foundation, Research/Study Fellowship](#). The fellowship is for advanced study or research at a Belgian university or institution of higher learning. Applicants should make their own arrangements to register or affiliate with a Belgian university or research institution.

[CDS International, Robert Bosch Foundation Fellowship](#). The program provides young American professionals (age 23-24) with two high-level work placements in the federal government and private sector in Germany.

[Alfa Fellowship](#). The Fellowship Program is designed to provide expert in the U.S. with direct, meaningful experience in modern business, government, public policy and culture in Russia. The Fellowship places participants in professional assignments at leading Russian institutions in business, media and civil society.

[Center for Human Rights and Constitutional Law, Legal Fellowship](#). The fellowship is intended to introduce a recent law school graduate or attorney to the practice of public interest law. The fellow will work on domestic civil rights and constitutional litigation, international human rights law, police abuse cases and children's rights.

[Center for International Environmental Law, Louis B. Sohn Fellowship](#). The fellow works at the Center in the Human Rights and Environment Program under the supervision and mentorship of experienced international lawyers in D.C. or Geneva, Switzerland.

[Council on Foreign Relations, International Affairs Fellowship](#). The fellowship seeks to bridge the gap between thought and action in foreign policy by supporting a variety of policy studies and active experiences in policy-making and public service.

[Fulbright Fellowship, Fulbright Program Opportunities](#). The Fulbright Program offers fellowships for graduating college seniors, graduate students, young professionals and artists to study, conduct research and/or teach English abroad.

[Echoing Green Foundation, Fellowships](#). The fellowship provides seed money for social engineers to start a new public service organization or individual project.

[European University Institute, Max Weber Fellowship](#). The Fellowship Program at the Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies provides a framework for the pursuit of postdoctoral research for young professionals in the early stage of their career. The Centre focuses on European Law, international and comparative law, legal theory and interdisciplinary approaches.

[German Marshall Foundation of the United States, Research Fellowship](#). The Marshall Memorial Fellowship provides an opportunity for emerging leaders to explore societies, institutions and people on the other side of the Atlantic. There is a 2-4 week traveling program in which the fellows meet with policymakers and prominent members of the business and political community.

[Human Rights Watch, Fellowships in International Human Rights](#). Fellows work full time for one year with one or more divisions of HRW, they monitor human rights developments in various countries, conduct on-site investigations, draft reports and engage in advocacy aimed at publicizing and curtailing human rights violations.

[Institute of Current World Affairs, Fellowship](#). The ICWA provides talented and promising individuals with an opportunity to develop a deep understanding of an issue, country or region outside of the U.S. and to share that understanding with the public.

VIII. FUNDING

[PSLawNet: Finding and Funding International Public Service Opportunities](#). The report has links to organizations, information on international opportunities with the federal government and specific reading on funding sources.

[Foundation Center](#). The Center has a wealth of information on funding agencies and foundations, including application details, program priorities and past funding.

[International Human Rights Funders Group](#). The Group has information on foundations that support human rights groups and a searchable database of these foundations and other project and fellowship funders.

[United Nations Internship Programme](#). The Programme link lists countries and potential resources that fund internships at the United Nations. It also contains information about grants and scholarships for future interns at the United Nations Headquarters in New York compiled by former UN Interns.

IX. ONLINE DATABASES

[Association for Legal Career Professionals](#). NALP has a [Public Service Law Network](#) which is a free online grouping of databases for law students and lawyers to connect with public interest opportunities. It also has a [section](#) on finding and funding international public interest opportunities.

[Communication Initiative Network](#). The CI network is an online space for sharing experiences and building bridges that could lead to potential opportunities in the international market.

[Derechos: Human Rights Listings](#). Derechos Human Rights is an international organization working for the respect and promotion of human rights all over the world. It maintains a blog containing recent news about human rights, job listings and internship possibilities.

[Devex](#). Devex is an organization that works to further professional development in the field of international development, global health and humanitarian relief. They have a [job board](#) that they update frequently.

[Foreign Policy Association](#). The FPA is a non-profit organization that seeks to education the public about foreign policy. It has numerous resources including a [job board](#).

[Human Rights Resource Center](#). The Human Rights Resource Center is an integral part of the University of Minnesota Human Rights Center and works in partnership with the University of Minnesota Human Rights Library to Create and distribute Human Rights education resources via electronic and print media; train activists, professionals, and students as human rights educators; and build advocacy networks to encourage effective practices in human rights education.

[Human Rights Tools](#). This website is for human rights activists and has a specific listing for human rights jobs and internships.

[Idealist.org](#). Idealist is a project through Action Without Borders, it is an interactive site with a variety of job positing and volunteer opportunities in the nonprofit arena, locally and around the world.

[InterAction](#). The largest alliance of U.S. based international development and humanitarian non-governmental organizations.

[International Jobs Center](#) / [International Career Employment Weekly](#). The website lists numerous international job listings, including many international development jobs. You can also sign up to receive their International Career Employment Weekly that alerts you to many job opportunities.

[Lawyers Without Borders](#). A U.S. based non-profit organization that supports the development of the law and the legal profession throughout the world. The website maintains a listing of job and internship opportunities.

[ReliefWeb](#). ReliefWeb is the world's leading on-line gateway to information on humanitarian emergencies and disasters. The site includes: information of practical use for relief professionals, listings of job opportunities and training opportunities, and an information providers' directory.

[Worldwide Legal Directories](#), [Law Worldwide](#). The site's objective is to make law, government and related professional information easily accessible to the legal profession, business and consumers. The Law Worldwide portion of the site includes legal directories of firms and organizations (UN, EU) around the world.

X. Non-Electronic Resources

DePaul's Guide to Finding an International Career or Internship.

Serving the Public: A Job Search Guide Volume II: International Harvard's Handbook and Directory for Law Students and Lawyers seeking International Public Service Work. This volume is updated annually by Harvard Law School and contains a wide variety of discussion topics relating to careers in international law. The volume details various public interest international settings and practices, dividing its topics into separate sections including ones that focus on Non-Governmental Organizations, Inter-governmental Organizations, Government (wherein it breaks down U.S. Agencies and who is in charge of what) and Entrepreneurial work (focusing on organization management). Each separate section includes personal narratives with advice to students from those working in the various international fields. Additionally, the volume has an extensive fellowship resource section which lists fellowships, the qualifications needed for the fellowships, the application processes, and compensation details.

International Public Interest Law: A Guide to Opportunities in the United States and Abroad By Harvard and Yale Law Schools. Harvard and Yale Law Schools have teamed up to present this little red book about international employment in three practice areas: 1) U.S. Government Agencies, 2) Non-Governmental Organizations, and 3) Inter-Governmental Agencies (focusing on the opportunities within the United Nations). Each area-specific section includes resources and information about organizations working in the respective fields. Moreover, the book includes personal narratives from both senior and

newer attorneys working in various aspects of international law. Additionally, the book discusses the tools and opportunities students should develop in their international law career path including self-assessment, academic schedule, and summer placements.

Careers in International Law

By ABA Section of International Law. The book is produced by the American Bar Association's International Law Section, it covers topics related to both public and private careers in international law with contributions from renowned international law attorneys including international jurists, transactional lawyers, human rights advocates, and more. Each section is related to a different type of international law career. The book also contains a separate section on practice tips and methodology including discussion of such topics as skill development, tools in international law, networking, and a list of resources.