



OFFICE OF COUNSEL TO THE INSPECTOR GENERAL 2020 FALL LEGAL INTERNSHIP

Description of Program:

The Office of Counsel to the Inspector General (OIG) **Legal Internship program offers unpaid opportunities for second- and third-year law students with an interest in environment and government law.** Although program dates are flexible, selected applicants must commit to working a minimum of 15 hours per week for 10 to 12 weeks.

The Office of Counsel (OC) provides independent legal and policy advice to all components of the Office of the Inspector General (OIG) on a variety of substantive and procedural matters relating to the OIG's audit, investigation, and other activities. This office represents the OIG in administrative litigation before the Merit Systems Protection Board, the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, and the U.S. Department of Labor. OC manages the OIG ethics program, providing ethics training, advice, and financial disclosure reviews. OC also coordinates OIG responses to Freedom of Information Act and other document requests. The Office of Inspector General (OIG) is an independent office within the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) that helps the agency protect the environment from fraud, waste, and abuse. We consist of auditors, program analysts, investigators, and others with extensive expertise. Although we are a part of EPA, Congress provides us with our funding separate from the agency, to ensure our independence. We were created pursuant to the Inspector General Act of 1978, as amended.

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Program Requirements:

- Applicants must be in their second or third year of law school (or equivalent for evening/part-time programs) or in an LLM program.
- Applicants must qualify either for course credit, work as part of a law school's externship program, or participate in a school-sponsored public interest program. Applicants will need to coordinate with their school or other applicable institution to meet this requirement.
- Applicants must commit to a minimum of 15 hours per week for up to 12 weeks.
- Demonstrated interest in law enforcement, environmental law, or public service is a plus.

Application Deadline and Process:

Applications will be considered through March 31, 2020. Submit cover letter, resume, unofficial transcripts, and five-page legal writing sample. Please submit all materials as a single .pdf file. A committee of attorneys reviews the applications and selects candidates for telephone interviews, if necessary. Selected candidates must pass a background investigation.

Submit Applications by Email:	EPA_OIG_Recruiting@epa.gov
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