



Summer Internships 2021

The Human Rights Law Centre offers internships to UoN law undergraduate and postgraduate students to aid them in acquiring valuable experience. The internships offered are:

- **Refugee Clinic Internship (LLM and final year UG students)**
- **International Criminal Justice Unit Internship (LLM and second and final year UG students)**
- **Business and Human Rights Internship (LLM and final year UG students)**
- **Publications Internship (x2 positions – LLM and final year UG students)**

If you are interested in applying for an internship, please complete the application form. The application deadline is **19 May 2021, midday (BST)** and interviews are anticipated to take place in the week commencing **24 May 2021**.

For further information, please contact law@nottingham.ac.uk.

Please find below a description of each internship.

Project title:	Refugee Clinic Internship (LLM and final year UG students)
Location	Remote working Human Rights Law Centre, University of Nottingham, UK
Remuneration	£11.13/hr (including holiday pay)
Description of activities:	HRLC's Refugee Clinic was established in February 2020 and works in collaboration with Saint Andrews Refugee Services (StARS) on Refugee Status Determination and Resettlement applications to the UNHCR's Cairo office. StARS is a Cairo based organisation, established in 1979 to improve the quality of life of refugees and vulnerable migrants in Egypt. Their Refugee Legal Aid Program (RLAP) is currently the only legal aid provider for those seeking refugee status in Egypt. This is an excellent opportunity for students that want to gain experience in international legal practice and those with an interest in refugee law. The intern will receive full training on International Refugee Law, legal ethics and casework skills. The intern will draft legal submissions and conduct legal research under the supervision of Laura Wills, Director of HRLC's Refugee Clinic.
Skills required	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Excellent research skills.• Ability to draft clearly and concisely / excellent written English.• Ability to work independently.• Ability to work well under pressure and to meet short deadlines.• Attention to detail.• Familiarity with international refugee law.• Flexibility.
Period required/ Duration	Six weeks part-time (110 hours) – June-July 2021

Project title:	International Criminal Justice Unit Internship (LLM and second and final year UG students)
Location	Remote working Human Rights Law Centre, University of Nottingham, UK
Remuneration	£11.13/hr (including holiday pay)
Description of activities:	<p>HRLC is one of eight outsourcing partners of the International Criminal Court's Legal Tools Project, with sole responsibility for the National Implementing Legislation Database (NILD). NILD is a pioneering knowledge transfer platform, and provides concise legal information and analysis of the implementation into national law of the International Criminal Court Statute. HRLC is also responsible for the Cooperation and Judicial Assistance Database (CJAD), which was developed as part of a European Instrument for Democracy and Human Rights (EIDHR) funded project, led by the Case Matrix Network. Its focus is on enhancing the Rome Statute system of justice. It is based on the design of and functions alongside NILD.</p> <p>The intern will provide legal research and organisational support to enhance the capacity of NILD and CJAD. The intern will source national implementing legislation of the ICC Statute, undertake research and assist with papers and reports under the supervision of Professor Olympia Bekou, review comparative overviews and key provision analyses, perform spot checks for accuracy on NILD and CJAD, maintain project website, etc.</p>
Skills required	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sound knowledge of international criminal law (in particular, the substantive and procedural provisions of the ICC Statute). • Excellent research skills (including use of legal databases, library-based research, and ability to draft clearly and concisely) • Ability to work independently and as part of a small team. • Ability to work well under pressure and to meet short deadlines. • Excellent computer skills and ability to work with relational databases. • Fluency in French or Spanish would be an asset.
Period required/ Duration	Six weeks full-time (210 hours) – June-July 2021

Project title:	Business and Human Rights Internship: ILO Conventions and Regulation of Business (LLM and final year UG students)
Location	Remote working Human Rights Law Centre, University of Nottingham, UK
Remuneration	£11.13/hr (including holiday pay)
Description of activities:	<p>The standard account of International Labour Organization (ILO) conventions is that of international treaties that apply to states, requiring them to take legislative and other normative action within their national jurisdictions. Accordingly, no rights or obligations derive for business (employers and/or employer organisations) from the ILO conventions directly and any regulatory effect on business is dependent on domestic implementation. However, preliminary research has indicated that some domestic courts and international bodies, such as the ILO Committee on Freedom of Association, construe at least some ILO conventions as applicable to business directly.</p> <p>This project aims to analyse the case law and interpretative practices of domestic courts and international bodies relating to ILO conventions to assess the possibly shifting normative structures within international labour law for the regulation of business. By doing so, the project seeks to engage with the ongoing ILO agenda on “Decent Work in Global Supply Chains” as well as to draw broader conclusions on regulation of business conduct in contemporary international law.</p> <p>At this initial stage, research assistance is sought for a mapping exercise to identify, compile and analyse readily available decisions of domestic courts and international bodies interpreting provisions of ILO conventions that articulate entitlements and/or requirements of conduct of employers and/or their organisations. The mapping would be primarily carried out using the ILO ITC Compendium of Court Decisions and NORMLEX databases, and the International Labor Rights Case Law Journal.</p> <p>Under the supervision of Dr Klara Polackova Van der Ploeg, the intern will identify, compile and analyse decisions of domestic courts and international bodies (such as the ILO Committee on Freedom of Association) interpreting provisions of ILO conventions setting forth entitlements and/or requirements of conduct on employer organisations and associations.</p> <p>This is an excellent opportunity for students with an interest in the international regulation of business and those who are considering doctoral studies or research roles at NGO's in the future.</p>
Skills required	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Excellent analytical and research skills (including online and library-based research, and ability to draft clearly and concisely). • Good knowledge of public international law, international labour law and/or business and human rights • Excellent computer skills • Attention to detail • Self-motivation and ability to work independently • Command of multiple languages highly desirable
Period required/ Duration	Six weeks part-time or three weeks full time (110 hours) – June-July 2021

Project title:	Publications Internship (x2 positions – LLM and final year UG students)
Location	Remote working Human Rights Law Centre, University of Nottingham, UK
Remuneration	£11.13/hr (including holiday pay)
Description of activities:	<p>The intern will assist with the production of the “<i>International Human Rights Reports</i>”, one of HRLC’s leading publications. The intern will primarily research and summarise decisions and jurisprudence of the African Court of Human and Peoples’ Rights (and occasionally other regional human rights systems), monitoring the case law of UN human rights treaty bodies, writing case summaries and providing support in proof-reading, checking citations, facts and cross-references. The intern may also be required to assist with formatting, indexing and maintenance of the IHRR online.</p> <p>The intern may also assist with the production of volume 25 of the Yearbook of the European Convention for the Prevention of Torture and Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment, which HRLC edits for Brill Nijhoff Academic Publishers.</p>
Skills required	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solid knowledge of international human rights law and regional human rights systems, particularly the African system. • Understanding of the work of the European Committee for the Prevention of Torture (CPT) is an asset. • Excellent written English. • Excellent analytical skills. • IT skills essential (e.g. working with the databases of the UN and regional courts and commissions and proficiency in Excel and Word). • Attention to detail and the ability to work independently.
Period required/ Duration	Six weeks full-time (210 hours) – June-July 2021