

The Division of Indian Affairs, a headquarters Division of the Office of the Solicitor for the U.S. Department of the Interior, is seeking motivated law students for internship positions for the Spring and Summer of 2024. Spring internships will commence in January of 2024 and last for one semester while Summer internships typically run from May or June through early August. The Division of Indian Affairs provides legal advice to the Bureau of Indian Affairs, the Bureau of Indian Education, the Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs, and the Secretary of the Interior. Interns are given diverse assignments from the wide range of Indian legal work handled by the Division’s four Branches: the Branch of Environment and Lands, the Branch of Self-Governance and Economic Development, the Branch of Tribal Government Services, and the Branch of Trust Services.

Although this internship is not compensated, the internship is an excellent opportunity for students pursuing a career in Indian law to gain exposure to many areas of federal Indian law and to see the operations and responsibilities of the federal government in Indian law and affairs.

Applicants should have strong research and writing skills, a demonstrated interest in Indian law, an interest in the Department of the Interior’s mission, and have completed at least one year of law school coursework. Schedules are flexible to accommodate classes and other responsibilities. We ask that Spring interns commit to 16 hours/week for at least 8 weeks while Summer interns are expected to work 40 hours/week for 8 to 12 weeks. Summer internships are typically conducted in-person in Washington, DC, but remote work is a possibility for the Summer and common for the Spring. Interested applicants should send a cover letter, resume, and writing sample (any length) to: [DIAinterncoordinator@sol.doi.gov](mailto:DIAinterncoordinator@sol.doi.gov).

Because federal clearance is required before interns may begin work, these materials should be submitted as far in advance of the proposed start date as possible. Applications for Spring 2024 internships are due by **August 15, 2023**, and applications for Summer 2024 internships are due by **August 25, 2023**.

Please note: If you are interested an internship with other Divisions of the Solicitor’s Office, you may apply through the Solicitor’s Office centralized hiring process at: [https://www.doi.gov/solicitor/intern\\_extern](https://www.doi.gov/solicitor/intern_extern). If you are primarily interested in working for the Division of Indian Affairs, we recommend applying to DIA directly, as described above.