

CRIMINAL JUSTICE & LAW PLACEMENTS

PLACEMENT SITE	PLACEMENT & SITE INFORMATION
<p>State’s Attorney’s Office, Baltimore City https://www.stattorney.org/careers-training</p>	<p>The Office of the State’s Attorney for Baltimore City is responsible for the prosecution of all crimes that occur in Baltimore City. Uncompromisingly committed to accountability, professionalism, and transparency, the BCSAO works towards a future where community trust in the criminal justice system is restored, violent offenders are held accountable, and communities feel safe. We seek to cultivate an environment where success is measured not solely by the number of convictions obtained but how we engage communities and apply justice independent of one’s sex, race, religion, sexual orientation, or occupation.</p> <p>Justice is the only barometer of success for our office, which is why our prosecutors are sworn to aggressively pursue “justice over convictions” in every case. Justice is doing what is fair and appropriate in each case, taking into account the nature of the crime, its impact upon the victim, and the circumstances of the defendant. Sometimes justice requires a conviction and lengthy prison sentence, but other times justice requires dropping all charges, or diverting a defendant out of the criminal justice system into drug rehabilitation, education, or job training.</p> <p>The Undergraduate Internship Program is designed to cultivate the interest of undergraduate students in the role of a prosecutor in Baltimore City, and for the BCSAO to create a pipeline for prospective employees. Students can expect to be assigned to one unit for the duration of their internship. However, in rare instances, the needs of the office may require a student to split time between two units.</p> <p>Applications are accepted on a rolling basis. To apply, interested students should submit a resume, cover letter, and transcript to resume@stattorney.org. Please note “Undergraduate Internship Program” within the subject line.</p>
<p>Office of the Public Defender Maryland https://www.opd.state.md.us/college-students</p>	<p>The Office of the Public Defender is a large organization that provides an array of</p>

	<p>opportunities. We offer a hands-on experience for current undergraduate, paralegal studies, and graduate students to assist in the client-centered and team-based representation of OPD clients. This unparalleled experience allows interns to be fully incorporated into OPD’s innovative and strategic approach to aggressive litigation and comprehensive advocacy.</p> <p>The vast majority of our interns work in our District offices assisting our trial attorneys in the representation of adult and juvenile clients in criminal cases. OPD has 12 District offices spread across the state of Maryland. If you are interested in trial work, you want to request placement with one of our District offices.</p> <p>Some of OPD’s more specialized divisions also provide internship opportunities. These smaller divisions offer a unique opportunity to work closely with a smaller group of attorneys in a more highly specialized area of the law. The following offices host interns:</p> <p>Criminal Trial (all locations) Post Conviction Defenders (Baltimore City) Parental Defense (Rockville, Upper Marlboro, Baltimore City, Towson, Snow Hill) Forensics (Baltimore City) Juvenile (all locations)</p> <p>We accept applications on a rolling basis. Offers are extended for spring semester (roughly January-May), fall semester (roughly September-December), or the summer (May-August). These are unpaid volunteer positions; however, where appropriate and applicable, OPD is willing to provide supervision for credit as well as sponsor grant or other outside funding applications. Apply via the link on the internship website. Due to current pandemic, current opportunities may be remote.</p>
<p>Maryland Office of the Attorney General https://www.marylandattorneygeneral.gov/Pages/Employment/volunteers.aspx</p>	<p>The Consumer Protection Division offers college and law school students a variety of internship opportunities. Interns are trained in local, state, and federal consumer protection laws, gain valuable conflict resolution skills, and experience firsthand the workings of a state law enforcement agency.</p>

	<p>Mediation interns mediate complaints about most goods and services, credit, and housing, and provide consumer tips and legal information via our telephone hotline.</p> <p>Health Advocacy interns mediate consumer complaints against healthcare providers and insurers, respond to consumer inquiries via our telephone hotline, and research current health policy and legislative issues.</p> <p>Applicants should have good verbal and written communication skills and an interest in dispute resolution, consumer advocacy, governmental affairs, or health policy. All majors will be considered. A minimum of 10 hours per week is required.</p> <p>Call (410) 576-6358 or email volunteer@oag.state.md.us.</p>
<p>Baltimore County Police Department https://www.baltimorecountymd.gov/departments/police/index.html</p> <p>Internship information: https://www.baltimorecountymd.gov/departments/human-resources/jobs/internship-program</p> <p>Internship Job Postings: https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/baltimorecounty/transferjobs</p>	<p>The Baltimore County Police Department’s mission is enforcement of the laws and ordinances of Maryland and Baltimore County; the protection of life and property; the prevention and detection of crime; preservation of the peace; and protection of the rights of all citizens.</p> <p>Our motto is “Integrity... Fairness... Service.” We show <i>integrity</i> by being honest and maintaining the highest standards of ethical and moral character. We show <i>fairness</i> by treating everyone with respect and dignity in an unbiased manner and by protecting constitutional rights through impartial enforcement of the law. We provide <i>service</i> by offering dedicated, compassionate assistance by promoting leadership, cooperation, and creativity, and aspiring to improve the quality of life in partnership with the community.</p> <p>The Baltimore County Police Department Criminal Investigation Bureau/Special Victims Unit internship includes duties such as: providing administrative support to ongoing cold case sexual assault investigations, including large scale DNA projects; gaining an understanding and hands-on experience in several aspects of criminal investigations, including the application of DNA to unsolved cases; and working directly with Special Victims cold case investigators.</p>

	<p>If you have any questions, email ohrinternship@baltimorecountymd.gov or call (410) 887-3135. Apply on the job posting website. Transcripts must indicate both your current, cumulative GPA, and your current undergraduate year. It is also recommended that you attach an updated resume to your application.</p>
<p>Baltimore County Department of Corrections https://www.baltimorecountymd.gov/departments/corrections</p> <p>Internship information: https://www.baltimorecountymd.gov/departments/human-resources/jobs/internship-program</p> <p>Internship Job Postings: https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/baltimorecounty/transferjobs</p>	<p>The Baltimore County Department of Corrections provides public safety by confining pretrial detainees and sentenced offenders in a clean, safe, and secure detention facility, by ensuring appearance at court, by managing alternatives to incarceration, and by providing self-improvement opportunities for community reentry.</p> <p>The Baltimore County Department of Corrections Corrections/Alternative Sentencing internship includes duties such as: assisting with interviewing offenders; evaluating offenders' needs for community resources; contacting networking agencies; and preparing court documents.</p> <p>If you have any questions, email ohrinternship@baltimorecountymd.gov or call (410) 887-3135. Apply on the job posting website. Transcripts must indicate both your current, cumulative GPA, and your current undergraduate year. It is also recommended that you attach an updated resume to your application.</p>
<p>Baltimore County Office of Law https://www.baltimorecountymd.gov/departments/law</p> <p>Internship information: https://www.baltimorecountymd.gov/departments/human-resources/jobs/internship-program</p> <p>Internship Job Postings: https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/baltimorecounty/transferjobs</p>	<p>The Baltimore County Office of Law provides legal advice to the County in all civil matters and represents the County Executive, County Council, County Administrative Officer, and all offices, departments, boards, commissions, and other administrative agencies of the County. The Office of Law is essential in assisting County agencies and officials in transactional matters and requests for advice. All litigation involving the County and its employees is handled by the Office.</p> <p>The Baltimore County Office of Law Legislative internship gives students the opportunity to develop experience in intergovernmental lobbying, advocacy, the State's legislative process, and professional correspondence of behalf of elected officials. Some internship duties will include: drafting testimony; monitoring and tracking legislation; conducting legislative and policy research; and monitoring committee hearings.</p>

	<p>If you have any questions, email ohrinternship@baltimorecountymd.gov or call (410) 887-3135. Apply on the job posting website. Transcripts must indicate both your current, cumulative GPA, and your current undergraduate year. It is also recommended that you attach an updated resume to your application.</p>
<p>Offender Aid & Restoration (OAR) https://www.oaronline.org/about-us/jobs-internships</p>	<p>OAR is a community-based nonprofit which envisions a safe and thriving community where those impacted by the legal system enjoy equal civil and human rights. Through our upstream work, we are confronting and dismantling racism in the legal system and across all systems. Our downstream work allows us to be on the journey with individuals of all genders returning to the community from incarceration and support their families in the homecoming process. And we offer alternative sentencing options through community service to youth and adults to avoid the trauma of incarceration and instead remain a part of helping the community thrive.</p> <p>Unpaid full-time (30 hours or more at least four full days a week) internship opportunities are available every semester and offer students a unique experience within the social services field. OAR only accepts interns that can commit to full-time internships.</p> <p>If you have any questions, email us at volunteer@oaronline.org. To apply, send your resume and full cover letter, including the number of hours you are required to perform.</p>
<p>Department of Legislative Services http://dls.maryland.gov/careers/legislative-intern-program/</p>	<p>The General Assembly’s Legislative Intern Program offers approximately 100 college and university students the opportunity to provide research and staff assistance to legislators during each session and to have both an educational and practical work experience in the Legislative Branch of State government. Upon acceptance into the program, students interview for placement with legislators, committees, or caucuses of the Maryland General Assembly.</p> <p>The type of work assigned to interns is mainly legislative, although some duties are clerical in nature. Legislative responsibilities may include: conducting research; drafting correspondence; preparing, recording, and reporting testimony; contacting witnesses; attending committee</p>

	<p>hearings; tracking bills; working on mailings; responding to constituents' inquiries; and writing newsletters.</p> <p>To apply, contact your college or university intern coordinator, career counselor, or department dean for an application. For more information, email studentprograms@mlis.state.md.us.</p>
<p>American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) https://www.aclu-md.org/en/about/volunteers-interns-and-temporary-employees</p> <p>Internship job postings: https://www.aclu-md.org/en/about/careers</p>	<p>Interns benefit from a convivial and participatory environment, learning by working closely with ACLU staff. They are crucial to our work to protect civil rights and civil liberties in Maryland. Undergraduate interns at the ACLU-MD perform a variety of tasks depending on the requirements of their internship. Interns work with our legal staff to help process requests for legal assistance by fielding phone calls, helping with general case investigation and research, and providing general office support.</p> <p>The ACLU-MD seeks interns with excellent research and writing skills, a commitment to public interest work, and a healthy sense of humor. Candidates with office experience will be given preference. We expect interns to be comfortable communicating with clients from a variety of socio-economic backgrounds with a wide range of needs.</p> <p>To apply, please email hr@aclu-md.org. Interested applicants should send a resume, a short writing sample (1-2 pages), and a cover letter explaining why you want to intern with the ACLU-MD and what sort of time commitment you can offer. It should highlight what you can offer the ACLU and let us know whether there are any issues you are particularly interested in.</p>
<p>Maryland Coalition Against Sexual Assault (MCASA) – Sexual Assault Legal Institute (SALI) https://mcasa.org/who-we-are/jobs-internships</p>	<p>Our mission is to help prevent sexual assault, advocate for accessible, compassionate care for survivors of sexual violence, and work to hold offenders accountable. MCASA actively works to end sexual violence in the State of Maryland through professional training, public outreach, public policy advocacy, technical assistance, and legal services.</p> <p>The Sexual Assault Legal Institute (SALI) of Maryland is seeking applications for legal interns for academic year and summer internships. SALI is one of the only programs in the country devoted solely to providing direct legal services to victims</p>

of sexual assault. The Institute is a state-wide program that provides legal services in civil cases for victims of sexual assault in cases such as college administration hearings, privacy issues, peace and protective orders, family law matters, employment, housing, and any other civil issue related to sexual assault. SALI also provides technical assistance and training for attorneys, rape recovery center staff, and other professionals working with survivors. The Institute is part of MCASA.

Legal interns in the office provide information to victims of sexual assault and help attorneys who are working on legal services in civil cases. Interns are expected to commit to work a minimum of 15 hours per week for at least one academic semester, or ten weeks during the summer. Specific duties vary according with caseload, but generally include telephone and in-person intakes and referrals (with direct client contact), and some legal research. Interns are given the opportunity to accompany attorneys to court when possible. Other intern responsibilities may include assisting attorneys in preparing cases for trial and/or witness interviews, helping victims to create their own safety plans, and other administrative duties as assigned.

The Institute will provide trainings on the dynamics of sexual assault and the Maryland statutes. Written feedback will be provided if desired or required. Constructive criticism and guidance will also be provided. Applicants should feel free to bring research proposals, or issues they are interested in to the attention of the Institute; every effort will be made to accommodate individual interests. Some flexibility regarding hours may be given to allow for other commitments.

Students of any academic discipline will be considered. Applicants must have a demonstrated interest in women's issues, the American legal system, or working in the nonprofit sector. Applicants must have common sense, and the ability to work independently. Applications are accepted throughout the year for academic year internships. Please email, mail, or fax a resume and cover letter detailing your interest, work experience, and availability to:

	Sexual Assault Legal Institute Post Office Box 8782 Silver Spring, Maryland 20907 Fax: (301) 565-3619 interns@mcasa.org
--	--