

State and Local Government Fellowship Guide

CALIFORNIA

California Attorney General's Honors Program and Earl Warren Solicitor General Fellowship

https://oag.ca.gov/careers/honors/app_process

The Office hires approx. 6-10 3Ls, LLMS, Judicial Law Clerks, and Recent Grads (in 1st year of practice) for their annual Honors Attorney Program in San Francisco and 1 JLC or Recent Grad (in 1st 4 years of practice) for its Earl Warren Fellowship. Both programs offer 2-year, paid (\$3870/mo, increased to \$4886/mo upon bar admission) positions. Full-time employment after program not guaranteed. Apply in mid-October of 3L year.

California Senate Fellows Program - Sacramento State Center for California Studies

<http://www.csus.edu/calst/senate>

Seeking 18 3Ls, LLMS, Judicial Law Clerks, and others with Undergrad and Grad degrees for paid (\$2,627/mo plus benefits, which include enrollment in Center's graduate degree program and possible loan deferment), 11-month (October through September) California Senate Fellows Program, 1 of 4 programs in Sacramento State's Center for California Studies' Capital Fellows Program. Law school grads generally use their legal training, but specific law-related assignment is not guaranteed. Fellows are placed in Senators' Capitol offices and also with Senate Policy committees. Apply February of 3L year.

Executive Fellows Program - Sacramento State Center for California Studies Capital Fellows Programs

<http://www.csus.edu/calst/programs.html>

Seeking 18 3Ls, LLMS, Judicial Law Clerks, and others with Undergrad and Grad degrees for 10-month (October 2017 through August 2018), paid (\$2,627/mo plus benefits, enrollment in Center's graduate degree program, and possibility of loan deferment) Executive Fellows Program. The program is 1 of 4 in Sacramento State's Center for California Studies' Capital Fellows Program (each requires separate application). Law school grads generally use legal training, but law-related assignment not guaranteed. Executive Fellows function as full-time professional staff at various levels of California's executive branch including offices of governor, constitutional officers, cabinet secretaries, and commissions and departments. Apply February of 3L year.

Jesse Marvin Unruh Assembly Fellowship Program - Sacramento State Center for California Studies Program Capital Fellows Program

<http://www.csus.edu/calst/programs.html>

Seeking 18 3Ls, LLMS, Judicial Law Clerks, and others with Undergrad and Grad Degrees for paid (\$2,627/mo plus benefits, enrollment in Center's graduate degree program, and possible loan deferment) 11-month (October 2017 through September 2018) Marvin Unruh Assembly Fellowship Program, 1 of 4 programs in Sacramento State's Center for California Studies' Capital Fellows Program (each requires separate application). Law grads generally use their legal training, but law-related assignment not guaranteed. Assembly Fellows are placed in Sacramento capitol offices of Assembly Members. Assignments may include facilitating bills through the legislative process, drafting responses to constituent letters, writing speeches, meeting with constituents, speaking to groups and preparing committee briefs or researching policy issues. Apply February of 3L year.

Judicial Administration Fellowship Program - Sacramento State Center for California Studies Program Capital Fellows Program

<http://www.csus.edu/calst/programs.html>

Seeking 3Ls, LLMS, Judicial Clerks, and others with Undergrad & Grad degrees for 10 full-time, paid (\$2,627/mo + benefits & enrollment in Center's graduate degree program), 10-month (beginning Sept. 2018) Judicial Administration Fellowship Program, 1 of 4 programs in the Center for California Studies Capital Fellows Program (each requires separate application). Law school grads are generally able to use their legal training, but legal assignment is not guaranteed. Fellows work with court administrators at all levels of state judicial system, on issues such as leadership, HR management, budget & finance, stakeholder and community relations, policy formulation, legislative advocacy, and strategic planning. Apply February of 3L year.

Legal Fellow City of Palo Alto

<http://agency.governmentjobs.com/paloaltoca/default.cfm>

Seeking 3Ls, Judicial Law Clerks (graduated in past 2 years) and Recent Grads (in 1st year after graduation)

for 2-year, full-time, paid (\$77,188-115,772) Fellowship to begin Summer or Fall. Fellowship offers an opportunity for specialization to match Fellow's interests and Fellow will provide advice to City Council, City Manager, and City departments in guiding the City on a path to sustainable, equitable, and responsible development. Apply between October - November of 3L year.

CROWN Attorney Fellowship

http://sonomacounty.ca.gov/templates_portal/Service.aspx?id=2147502530

The Office of the Sonoma County Counsel's CROWN (Climate, Renewable Energy, Open Space, Water and Natural Resources) Fellowship program was established in 2011 with a focus on environmental and natural resource issues. It has since been expanded to become more of a general public law fellowship, touching on all areas of public law practiced in our office, including environmental law. Applications open up in February of 3L year.

COLORADO

Fellowship Program Colorado Attorney General Department of Law

<http://www.coloradoattorneygeneral.gov/employment/fellowships>

Seeking 3Ls and Judicial Law Clerks for paid (\$50,000/yr), 1-year fellowships, to begin in October. Fellows join trial teams and are assigned to 2 of the following sections: Business and Licensing; Civil Litigation and Employment Law; Criminal Justice; Consumer Protection; Natural Resources and Environment; Revenue and Utilities; and State Services. Apply November of 3L year.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Capital City Fellows Program

<https://dchr.dc.gov/page/capital-city-fellows-program>

The Capital City Fellows Program is a mayoral initiative to attract recent graduates of master's degree programs who are interested in public service to work for the city of Washington, DC. Selected Fellows are appointed for 18-months during which they may complete three six-month rotations in different city agencies within the government operations, health and human services, public safety and justice, planning and economic development or education clusters. Fellows receive an initial salary of \$56,821.

MASSACHUSETTS

Massachusetts Office of the Attorney General Fellowship Program

<http://www.mass.gov/ago/about-the-ago/employment-and-internships/ago-fellowship-program.html>

Seeking 2-4 3Ls and Judicial Law Clerks (who do not yet have experience as practicing attorneys) for paid (\$60,000/yr) 2-year (anticipated hiring as staff attorneys at end of 2 yrs.) Fellowship Program, beginning in September, with placement options in Boston and Springfield. Apply between August - mid September of 3L year.

NEW YORK

Empire State Fellowship

https://www.dos.ny.gov/newnyleaders/fellows_app.html

The Empire State Fellows Program is a full-time leadership training program that prepares the next generation of talented professionals for careers as New York State policy-makers. Upon reviewing applicant skills and agency needs, a panel of judges will recommend that each fellow be appointed to work closely with a particular policy-maker within the New York State executive branch. The incoming class of Fellows will serve for two years, and receive an annual salary of \$72,765. Fellows must have a minimum of five (5) years of full time professional experience in order to apply. Apply by mid December.

Excelsior Service Fellowship

<https://www.ny.gov/new-york-state-fellowship-programs/excelsior-service-fellowship-program>

The Excelsior Service Fellowship Program, launched by Governor Andrew M. Cuomo in 2013, is an initiative to bring highly talented recent graduates of law, graduate and professional schools into government service. Fellows start each year in early September and are placed within the Executive Chamber, a government agency or authority for a two-year fellowship. Fellows are selected from partner schools and must apply

between January and March of their 3L year. Fellows with less than three years of post-collegiate work experience are paid \$55,000 annually, and Fellows with three or more years of post-collegiate work experience are paid \$60,000 annually.

New York City Social Justice Post-Graduate Fellowship

http://www.nyc.gov/html/dcas/html/employees/social_justice.shtml

The New York City Social Justice Post-Graduate Fellowship places recent graduates of law school and other relevant graduate school programs in NYC agencies, offices, or the City Council to work on projects that "foster equity for underserved and under-resourced communities, and engage in issue areas that impact communities that experience disparate outcomes in the five boroughs." Selected Fellows will work in policymaking and governance on a municipal level, and collaborate with senior level policymakers and elected officials. Apply spring of 3L year. Selected fellows will receive a stipend of \$46,500.00 for the nine-month fellowship term

New York Senate Graduate Fellowships

<https://www.nysenate.gov/newsroom/articles/new-york-senate-graduate-fellowships>

Seeking 3Ls and other Grad Students for 16 1-year (Sept.–July), paid (\$33,000 stipend) Fellowships. Fellows are assigned to offices of elected members of New York State Senate, Senate Press Office, or Majority Counsel/Program Services Office. Apply by April of 3L year, but early for best consideration as applications are reviewed beginning in January.

OHIO

Simon Karas Fellowship Ohio Attorney General's Office

<http://www.ohioattorneygeneral.gov/About-AG/Careers/The-Simon-Karas-Fellowship-2014-2015>

Seeking 3Ls, Judicial Law Clerks or Recent Grads for 1 paid (\$65,000/yr), 1-year (Oct. – Sept.) Simon Karas Fellowship. The Fellow works with the State Solicitor, Appeals Section, and other top lawyers on the State's major appellate cases, which often involve public policy, constitutional questions, or hotly debated public policy concerns. Apply by mid-December of 3L year.

LSC Fellowship Program Ohio Legislative Service Commission

The Commission seeks 20 bachelor degree recipients and 2 advanced degree recipients, including 3Ls for its paid (\$28,000/yr plus possible \$2,000 bonus) full-time, 13-month LSC Fellowship Program with the Ohio General Assembly. Fellows are assigned to work with the majority or minority party caucus in the House or Senate, LSC research and fiscal staff, and The Ohio Channel (with parent company, the Ohio Government Telecommunications). Apply between January and April of 3L year.

OREGON

Honors Attorney Program Oregon Department of Justice

http://www.doj.state.or.us/career/Pages/honors_attorney_program.aspx

Seeking 3-5 3Ls, JLCs, and Recent Grads for paid (\$67,800-\$74,600/yr DOE), 2-year Honors Attorney Program, which begins in September. Honors Attorneys rotate to various divisions after year 1, including Criminal Justice, Trial, Appellate, General Counsel, and Civil Enforcement, and are eligible to apply for permanent positions. Apply in mid-August of 3L year.

WASHINGTON

Washington State Office of the Attorney General Honors Program

<http://www.atg.wa.gov/3ls-judicial-clerks>

The Office seeks 3Ls and Judicial Law Clerks (working in federal or appellate courts) for 5-8 paid (\$60,000/yr) Assistant Attorney General positions to begin in August 2017. Offers contingent on passing July 2017 Washington State Bar examination. Apply early August of 3L year.