2020 Semester-In-Practice Spanish Language Internship/Externship

Every semester, Rising for Justice invites talented and ambitious interns from our nation’s top schools to work alongside our skilled lawyers in tackling issues of social justice and equality while gaining valuable insight into the day-to-day operations of a legal services nonprofit organization and the opportunity to be on the frontlines of our country’s most controversial and important issues.

Our Immigration Defense Program provides representation for those facing permanent separation from their families and communities in their bond and custody proceedings. Spanish language interns in our program will be the vital lifeline between non-English speaking immigrants detained in ICE custody, their families, and the zealous legal advocates at Rising for Justice’s Immigration Defense Program. Our program assists those detained by ICE by fighting for their release from ICE Detention Centers, assisting them in their applications for asylum and reunification with their loved ones. Students will gain valuable practical experience including oral advocacy, client interviewing and counseling, case investigation, observation of litigation, introduction to the legal system, and civil and human rights research. This position is unpaid but may be pursued for academic credit.

We are currently accepting applications for the Spanish Language Intern (Immigration) for Spring 2020. Beginning January 15, 2020, we will be accepting applications for the Summer 2020 program.

Students should be interested in any of the following areas of practice: Immigration, Criminal, Human Rights, Administrative Hearings, Clinical, Litigation, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, Human Rights, Asylum/Refugee issues, LGBTQ Issues, Detention, Prisoners’ Rights, Racial Justice

Students should be either native speakers or fluent in both English and Spanish and must also be able to speak and write proficiently in both languages. We are accepting both undergraduate and graduate level students.

To apply, please submit the following to the Intern Supervisor at internships@risingforjustice.org:

- Cover letter describing your interest in working with Rising for Justice
- Resume
- 3 references

Please be sure to include “Spanish Language Immigration Intern” in the subject line.