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**SHEPARD BROAD LAW CENTER**

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

The NSU Law NAPIL chapter is a student run organization founded in 1994 to promote public interest legal employment opportunities and to overcome the economic barriers that confront future public interest lawyers. The purpose of this fellowship is to provide funding to students who serve community needs by working in a legal position in the public interest field. Public interest work defined for the purposes of this fellowship is work for a government or nonprofit organization that serves the underfunded community. Students selected for these fellowships will positively reflect the goals and objectives of NAPIL and the Shepard Broad Law Center and will have demonstrated an interest in serving the public interest community.

## **STUDENT ELIGIBILITY**

The fellowship is open to all first and second year (and third year evening division) law students enrolled at the Shepard Broad Law Center. Third year day division students and fourth year evening students are also eligible for the Fall and Winter semesters only. Students may apply and be eligible for this fellowship more than once in successive terms or years. Students must have a minimum 2.0 grade point average to receive a fellowship award. The NAPIL Fellowships are awarded in the form of scholarships credited against tuition; applicants receiving financial aid should be aware that the size of their award may limit the amount of funding they may receive from this fellowship.

## **AMOUNT OF STIPEND**

The amounts of the stipends awarded will depend on the number of applicants, the number of hours and the number of weeks worked by an applicant, and the availability of additional funding to the applicant. Limited numbers of small stipends will be awarded during the Fall and/or Winter semesters, with the majority of the fellowships awarded for the Summer term.

## **APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS**

All items below must be received in a timely fashion. No exceptions will be made.

1. Cover letter to the committee indicating the following:
  - a. Name and anticipated date of graduation
  - b. Address and telephone number
  - c. Summer address and telephone number, if different (for summer grants)
  - d. Social security number
  - e. Expected place of employment and number of hours per week you intend to work
  - f. Source of funding (if any) and/or any additional source of funding you are applying to receive for this position
2. Current resume
3. Transcript (official or unofficial)
4. One-to-two-page statement explaining why you believe you should receive the stipend. This statement should reflect any prior commitment to the public interest law community, other community involvement, financial need, reason for wanting to work with the current organization, and any other factors pertinent to the application.
5. Letter or written statement of verification from expected employer, detailing the job description and verifying that you have been hired or are currently being considered for the available position.

## **DECISION COMMITTEE**

Applications will be reviewed by a committee composed of NAPIL chapter law students working with at least one faculty member or administrator.

Nova Southeastern University is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097; Telephone number 404-679-4501) to award bachelor's, master's, educational specialist, and doctoral degrees.

## **RESPONSIBILITIES OF FELLOWSHIP RECIPIENTS**

Students who receive fellowships must fulfill the terms of employment as submitted in the application. If a student does not complete such terms, he or she will be required to repay the money awarded.

At the completion of employment, the student is required to submit a one-to-two-page report documenting the fellowship experience. The student also must obtain a letter from the employer confirming that the student has satisfactorily fulfilled the terms of the employment.

By accepting the fellowships, students consent to their name being forwarded to the national NAPIL organization for possible use in publicity materials. Students may also be requested to submit their reports for publication or to speak about their experiences at a future NAPIL event.

## **DEADLINE**

The application deadline for Fall 1998 is September 8, 1998. The application deadline for Winter 1999 is January 25, 1999. The application deadline for Summer 1999 is April 15, 1999. Please submit applications to Shepard Broad Law Center's Public Interest Law Center.

## **NOTICE OF NONDISCRIMINATION**

The Law Center admits students of any race, sex, sexual preference, age, color, nondisqualifying handicap, religion, or national or ethnic origin.



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