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MISSION STATEMENT

The Law Center Summer Fellowships are designed to provide funding for law students who are spending their summer working for a public service organization. Public service organizations may include government, nonprofit, or judicial organizations. Students selected to receive these scholarships must meet all the criteria outlined in this brochure.

STUDENT ELIGIBILITY

This fellowship is open to all first and second year law students (and third year evening division law students) enrolled at the Shepard Broad Law Center, to encourage their involvement in public service legal employment for the summer. In order to be considered for the fellowships, students must first make arrangements for a pro bono placement at a public service organization, located in any geographic area, for a minimum of 20 hours per week, and a minimum 10 week work commitment. Students must have a minimum 2:0 grade point average to receive a fellowship award. The Public Service Summer 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

There will be approximately five fellowships of $1,000 each, intended to contribute to the living expenses of the recipient.
APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

The application must be fully completed and submitted in a timely fashion. No exceptions will be made.

The application consists of all of the following:

1. A cover letter including the name and general description of the organization for which you intend to work, and a specific and detailed description of your intended duties. In addition, you should indicate the exact hour and week commitment you are making to the organization, and any other sources of funding you have or are applying for, for this time period. Include your social security number.

2. Current resume.

3. Law School transcript (official or unofficial).

4. A letter from the organization confirming that it has agreed to accept you as an intern and to provide appropriate supervision for the 10 week period.

DEADLINE

The deadline for submitting a completed application is April 15, 1999. Please submit completed applications directly to Debra Moss Curtis, Director, Public Interest Law Center.

Students' applications will be reviewed by the Public Service Fellowship Committee, consisting of administrators and faculty from the Shepard Broad Law Center.

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 THE 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 all money awarded.

Upon completion of the employment, the student will be required to submit a report to the Public Interest Law Center by September 4, 1999, describing and evaluating his or her experiences. In addition, by that date, the student must submit a letter from the organization certifying that the proposed work was successfully completed. Fellowship recipients should also be prepared to speak about their experiences to interested groups of fellow law students.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE IN FINDING A SUMMER PLACEMENT

For resource materials for finding a summer placement, and counseling regarding this and other public interest law opportunities, please visit the Public Interest Law Center, located in the Career Development Office.

NOTICE OF NONDISCRIMINATION

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