

Searching for Externships

Externship Program Database

- Access the Externship Database at <http://www.wcl.american.edu/externship/>.
- Click on *Externship Database* in the upper right hand corner.
- Contact the Externship Office for the login/password.
- Enter appropriate information into the fields:
 - Type of Organization: non-profit, government, etc.
 - Country: select the “USA” option instead of the “United States” option. There is an error in the database: if you select “United States” instead of “USA”, few or no externship options will be displayed.
 - Enter the city you wish to search in.
 - Enter the area of practice: the gender related areas are: Women, AIDS Issues, Domestic Violence, Family, and Lesbian and Gay Rights.
 - If looking for something more specific, add appropriate keywords. For example, if you select “women” as your area of practice, you may also enter “reproductive rights” into the “keyword” field to narrow the focus to organizations dealing specifically with that issue.
- Click on the “details” link of the desired organization and it will reveal a summary of the organization, description of the externship position, contact information, application deadlines, prerequisites, etc.

Office of Career Services Resources

- Go to the OCS Job Search Skills and Resources page at <http://www.wcl.american.edu/ocs/searchskills.cfm>.
- Access to the most helpful job search databases is found in the “International” link under the “Resources” heading. After clicking on “International” a list of organizations with externship opportunities (both international and domestic) will be displayed. Several of these links have information about internships/externships on gender-related issues. A few of the more useful links are:
 - Idealist: www.idealists.org is a great place to search for externships in non-profit organizations. Click on “Internships” on the right hand side, and then enter the appropriate information into the job search fields.
 - Internship Links: on this page, there is a “women and family” category that lists several organizations that post externship opportunities.
 - PSLAWNET: after signing up for a username and password, you may access the “search job opportunities” database. Simply fill out the requested fields, and extern opportunities will be displayed.

List of Organizations

Positions Listed on the Externship Database

American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy
ABA Children and the Law
ABA Africa Law Initiative
AYUDA
Center for Reproductive Rights
Center of Concern
Children's Defense Fund
Civil Rights Forum
District of Columbia Coalition Against Domestic Violence
Emergency Domestic Relations Project
Families Against Mandatory Minimums Foundation
Institute for Women's Policy Research
IUE-CWA
National Abortion Federation
National Association of Child Advocates
National Gay and Lesbian Task Force
National Health Law Program, Inc.
National Network to End Domestic Violence
National Organization for Women Legal Defense & Education Fund
National Partnership for Women and Families
National Right to Life Committee
National Women's Law Center
Planned Parenthood Federation of America
Pro Bono Institute
Women Empowered Against Violence (WEAVE)

Positions Listed on the OCS Links

Justice Department: Violence against Women Dept.
Children's Defense Fund
National Partnership for Women and Families
Institute for Women's Policy Research
Feminists for Life
Voices for America's Children
Wider Opportunities for Women
National Coalition against Domestic Violence
National Women's Health Network
Women for Women International

Women's Edge
Sexual Assault Legal Institute
Center for Reproductive Rights
Family Violence Prevention Fund
My Sister's Place
National Center for Victims of Crime
Immigration and Refugee Services of America
National Network to End Domestic Violence Fund
National Abortion Federation
Voters for Choice
Women's Law Center of Maryland
Tahirih Justice Center
National Organization for Women
Legal Momentum
Center for Peace and Human Security
CASA of Maryland