

HUMAN RIGHTS CENTER

THE UNIVERSITY OF
MINNESOTA LAW SCHOOL

SUMMER FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITY:

OFFICE OF THE UN HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS Geneva, Summer 2019



APPLICATIONS DUE TO HRC BY WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2018

The Human Rights Center is seeking to nominate one student for a summer internship with the Petitions Unit of the Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights. The Petitions Unit is part of the Petitions and Inquiries Section of the Human Rights Treaties Branch and serves as the Secretariat for UN human rights treaty bodies with regard to individual complaints. The intern will support the Petitions Unit in screening incoming complaints to evaluate if a prima facie case has been presented or if additional information is needed from the petitioner. The intern will follow individual complaint proceedings from different UN human rights treaty bodies and assist human rights officers with legal issues related to pending cases, such as requests for interim measures, objections to the admissibility, etc. For more information on the individual complaints procedures, please refer to the [Petitions website](#) and [Fact Sheet No. 7](#).

The HRC will provide the selected student with an institutional nomination and a Human Rights Fellowship award of \$5,000 to off-set expenses. While we are confident that the UMN nominee will be approved in the internal OHCHR review process, if the candidate is not accepted the HRC will assist the student in identifying an alternative placement.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Student must be able to commit to working for at least 10 weeks over the summer of 2019. The working languages are English, French, Russian, and Spanish. Candidates that are able to work in any other working language will have an important advantage. **Please ensure that you meet all of the eligibility requirements listed here:** [OHCHR Internship Program](#).

TO APPLY:

Submit to the HRC:

- the application form: www.law.umn.edu/human-rights-center/fellowship-program
- a cover letter addressed to the UNAKRT Human Resources Management Section describing your interest in the OCP internship,
- your CV, and
- your unofficial law school and undergraduate transcripts.

You must submit a complete application to the HRC by **Wednesday, November 14, 2018 (5:00pm)** to be considered. Applications should be submitted in a single pdf to humanrts@umn.edu with "OHCHR Internship" in the subject line. Please feel free to contact the Human Rights Center with any questions.