



Explore Organizations and Find Open Positions

Compiled here are various resources for researching public interest legal organizations to see if they would be a good fit, and for finding open positions.

Databases and Websites

The following databases and websites are helpful tools as you explore and research public interest organizations you may be interested in working with. Apply directly to any open positions of interest that you find as you research.

- At [PSJD.org](https://psjd.org), you can research organizations by subject and location and review job postings. For summer opportunities, start by searching “Employer Profiles” (rather than “Job Postings”) so that you can find organizations that meet your criteria, whether or not there is a current posting. For graduates, however, only send a formal application if there is a posting.
- Review **CLS students’ internship evaluations** for the inside scoop on employers and positions. Evaluations through summer 2017 can be found in [LawNet’s Public Interest Database](#) under “Student Services.” For post-2018 evaluations, search for the employer of interest on [Simplicity](#) (My Account > Summer Evaluations > Search). Note that this is not a full collection of every student who interned with these employers; reach out to a PI/PS adviser if you would like to locate additional students who can share their experiences.
- [Simplicity](#) contains all public interest, government, and human rights job postings that the PI/PS Office receives.
- [The PI/PS Office’s New York Public Interest Index](#) lists organizations in the NYC metro area by subject. Check the employers’ websites for job postings.
- [The Arizona Guide](#) offers comprehensive information on federal, state, and local government internships and postgraduate honors programs.
- Other **helpful job search sites** include idealist.org, usajobs.gov, highereducationjobs.org, cleaweb.org, and [LinkedIn](https://www.linkedin.com), where you can follow organizations of interest to receive job notifications and news of their work.

Job Fairs

Job fairs are also good sources of jobs and internships.

- [The Public Interest Legal Career \(PILC\) Fair](#) hosts 250+ public interest and government employers to interview and meet with current students in the New York area, mainly for 1L summer internships. The fair is typically held in early February, with registration opening in December and closing in January. Keep an eye out for more information via email in the late fall.
- Every fall, the [Equal Justice Works \(EJW\) Career Fair](#) welcomes 200+ public interest and government employers and caters mostly to 2Ls, graduating 3Ls, and graduates.
- **Fall and Spring Interview (OCI) Programs:** The PI/PS Office organizes interview programs with numerous public interest and government employers, including public interest firms, every fall and spring semester. (Note that the application process for Fall OCI begins over the summer.) Keep an eye on your email for more information.