

Human Rights Fellowship Program Expectations and Requirements

1. To complete a 2-3 page written report within 2 months of the completion of the Fellowship;
2. To write a blog post for the Human Rights Center's social media outlet;
3. To write thank you notes to your donor(s);
4. To attend the Fellowship Debriefing Session in October 2014;
5. To assist with the recruitment of 2015 Human Rights Fellows; and
6. To communicate by Human Rights Day (December 10, 2014) what you have done or plan to do to bring your fellowship experience back to your home communities.

2014 Human Rights Fellowship Program International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda (ICTR) International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia (ICTY)

Special Application Procedure – Deadline Fri., Nov. 22, 2013, 4:00 p.m. CST

A separate process exists for applicants interested in serving fellowships with the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda or the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia. Because the ICTR and ICTY require formal institutional nomination, all application materials for their internship programs must be submitted to the Human Rights Center by November 22 at 4:00 p.m. Applicants are NOT to apply directly to the ICTR or ICTY.

PLEASE NOTE: The dates for service with the **International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda** and the **International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia** are somewhat flexible, meaning that a summer internship is possible. The ICTR has a preference for applicants who can serve at least three months, but will accept applications for service ranging in duration from two to six months. The ICTY accepts applications for service ranging in duration from three to six months.

For those interested in serving with the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda, please visit <http://www.unictcr.org/>. To find the Tribunal's application materials and eligibility guidelines, go to <http://www.unictcr.org/Portals/0/English/opportunities/Vacancy/Program.pdf>

For those interested in serving with the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia, please visit <http://www.icty.org/>. To find the Tribunal's application materials and eligibility guidelines, go to <http://www.icty.org/sid/113>.

Applicants must submit not only the Tribunal's application materials, but also the application materials for the Human Rights Fellowship Program (except for the letter of commitment from the host organization, and the precise description of your proposed fellowship work, since it will be impossible at this point to know to what work you might be assigned by the Tribunal). These materials must be submitted to the Human Rights Center by November 22, 2013 at 4 p.m. CST.

After November 22, if there are applicants with sufficient qualifications for these highly competitive internships, the Human Rights Fellowship Program will select and present for Dean Wippman's approval one nominee for each Tribunal. The nominees will be assisted by the Human Rights Center in finalizing their applications and submitting them to the Tribunal.

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2014 HUMAN RIGHTS FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

APPLY NOW!

Application for placement at
International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia

OR

International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda

Must be submitted by

November 22, 2013 @ 4 p.m. CST

(See back for details)



ALL APPLICATIONS DUE FEBRUARY 7, 2014 @ 4 p.m. CST



2013 HR Fellows

HUMAN RIGHTS CENTER
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www.humanrightsfellowship.org

The Human Rights Center works locally, nationally, and internationally to provide training, educational materials, and assistance to professionals, students, and volunteers working to promote and protect human rights. The Human Rights Center carries out its mission through its major program areas.

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The Application Process

Applications are accepted from individuals residing in or connected to the states of Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Wisconsin. Applicants are encouraged to arrange placements with local, national, or international human rights organizations. Applicants must secure a written commitment from the proposed host organization indicating that the organization will accept the applicant **if** funding can be arranged.

In searching for possible fellowship host organizations, you may wish to consult the University of Minnesota Human Rights Library links page at: <http://www.umn.edu/humanrts/links/links.htm>

Applicants are encouraged to contact organizations that have previously sponsored interns and fellows from the Human Rights Center or to review reports from past fellows. A list of previous internship and fellowship placements is posted at: <http://www.umn.edu/humanrts/center/uppermidwest/pastfellowships.html>.

The Human Rights Center will award approximately 25 grants. Grants will ordinarily range from \$1,000 to \$5,000, averaging about \$3,500, and are intended to cover transportation, food, and lodging during the approximately ten-week fellowship experience.

People from all educational and professional backgrounds are encouraged to apply. However, funding is more limited for people who are not current law or graduate students at the University of Minnesota.

Over the past 22 years, the Human Rights Center has sponsored over 500 interns and fellows to work with human rights organizations in more than 90 countries.

2010-2013 Organizations outside United States:

Amnesty International (Quezon City, Philippines) | Association for Nature and Sustainable Development (Cusco, Peru) | Balkan Association of the Producers and Traders of Ecological Products (Sofia, Bulgaria) | Center for Migrant Advocacy (Quezon City, Philippines) | Centro Arte para la Paz (Suchitoto, El Salvador) | Centro Una Brisa de Esperanza (Cochabamba, Bolivia) | Childhope Asia - (Manila, Philippines) | Citizens' Alliance for North Korean Human Rights (NKHR) - (Seoul, South Korea) | Committee on the Administration of Justice (Belfast, Northern Ireland) | Environmental Defender's Office of New South Wales (Lismore, Australia) | Food and Agriculture Organization (Rome, Italy) | Friends of Ngong Road (Nairobi, Kenya) | Helsinki Citizens Assembly Refugee and Advocacy Support Program (Istanbul, Turkey) | Hungarian Helsinki Committee (Budapest, Hungary) | Indigenous Fisher People's Network (Kisumu, Kenya) | International Commission of Jurists (Geneva, Switzerland) | International Criminal Court (The Hague, Netherlands) | International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia (Hague, Netherlands) | International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda (Arusha, Tanzania) | International Labour Organization (Geneva, Switzerland) | International Organization for Migration (Mae Sariang, Thailand) | Malawi Human Rights Resource Center (Lilongwe, Malawi) | Mexico Appleaseed (Mexico City, Mexico) | Muslim Women's Research and Action Forum (Colombo, Sri Lanka) | Musliman-es Progressives de France (MPF) (Paris, France) | Partners In Health & ETEC (Huehuetenango, Santa Ana Huista, Guatemala) | REDRESS (London, England) | Shaishav Gujarat (India) | Shree Vinayak Hospital (Kathmandu, Nepal) | Sierra Leone Found for New Democracy (Freetown, Sierra Leone) | Timap (Freetown, Sierra Leone) | Transitional Justice Institute (Belfast, Northern Ireland) | UN Independent Expert on the Right to Safe Drinking Water and Sanitation (Berlin, Germany) | United Nation's Food and Agriculture Organization (Kigali, Rwanda) | United Nations Women (Monrovia, Liberia) | Women in Progress (Cape Coast, Ghana) | Women's Empowerment Network (Matagalpa, Nicaragua)

2010-2013 United States Organizations:

American Civil Liberties Union (Montgomery, AL / St. Paul, MN / Los Angeles, CA) | American Public Media - Women and Girls Initiative (Los Angeles, CA) | American Refugee Committee (Minneapolis, MN) | Amnesty International (New York, NY) | Asia Catalyst (New York, NY) | Casa de Proyecto Libertad (Rio Grande Valley, TX) | Center for Constitutional Rights (New Orleans, LA / New York, NY) | Center for Reproductive Rights Global Legal Program (New York, NY) | Center for Victims of Torture (St. Paul, MN) | Center on Wrongful Convictions (Chicago, IL) | Civil Rights Division at the Department of Justice (Washington, D.C.) | Florence Immigrant and Refugee Rights Project (Phoenix, AZ) | Foreclosure Relief Law Project (St. Paul, MN) | Gender Justice (St. Paul, MN) | Hands Across the World (St. Cloud, MN) | JUST Equity (St. Paul, MN) | Justice Resource Institute (Trauma Center) (Brookline, MA) | Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law (Washington, D.C.) | Legal Rights Center (Minneapolis, MN) | Marin County Public Defender (San Rafael, CA) | Mid-Minnesota Legal Aid (Minneapolis, MN) | Minnesota AIDS project (Minneapolis, MN) | Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy (St. Paul, MN) | National Association of Council for Children (Denver, CO) | The Advocates for Human Rights (Minneapolis, MN) | The Sikh Coalition (New York, NY) | Tribal Law and Policy Institute (West Hollywood, CA) | US Department of the Interior (Bloomington, MN) | Western Shoshone Defense Project (Crescent Valley, NV)

Application Guidelines

Download Application

<http://www1.umn.edu/humanrts/center/uppermidwest/application2014.html>

Confirmation letter from host

If in a language other than English, you must provide a translation.

Transcripts (unofficial copies are acceptable)

College and University transcripts

Resume (1 page max.)

The resume should summarize your experience in the area of the proposed fellowship, including previous internships or fellowships, travel, education, employment, extracurricular activities, honors, etc. You may also wish to include a brief cover letter highlighting how these experiences will relate to your proposed fellowship.

Essay (2-3 pages)

The Essay should detail the following:

- Fellowship placement
- Proposed host organization
- Significance of the experience for your academic or professional training
- Relationship of the fellowship to your future goals
- How the host organization will benefit from a fellowship
- Description of the key aspects of a current human rights issue in the country/location of your proposed fellowship and how the sponsoring organization addresses it
- Description of how you will use your new human rights experiences in your community upon your return home

Letters of Reference (optional)

For further information, please contact:

**University of Minnesota
Human Rights Center
N120 Mondale Hall
229-19th Avenue South
Minneapolis, MN 55455
Phone: (612) 626-2226
Email: hrfellow@umn.edu**

OR

<http://www1.umn.edu/humanrts/center/uppermidwest/guidelines.html>

Applications must be **received** by
Friday, February 7, 2014
4:00 p.m. (CST)

PLEASE NOTE:

You must submit a complete application to be considered.

You must include **six collated copies** of all materials.

Your application must be printed and mailed or hand delivered with your attachments.