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ASIL established the Helton Fellowship Program in 2004 in honor of Arthur C. Helton the internationally renowned lawyer and advocate for protecting the rights of refugees and internally displaced persons, who died in the August 19, 2003 bombing of the United Nations Mission in Baghdad.



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Mission

The ASIL is a nonprofit, nonpartisan, educational membership organization founded in 1906. The mission of the American Society of International Law (ASIL) is to foster the study of international law and to promote the establishment and maintenance of international relations on the basis of law and justice.

Through the Helton Fellowship Program, the ASIL awards micro-grants to law students and young professionals for the pursuit of fieldwork and research on significant issues involving international law, human rights, humanitarian affairs, and related areas.

The Helton Fellowship supports law-related public service work in educational institutions, international organizations, or non-governmental organizations concerned with issues of an international scope or relevant to countries in transition.



Past Helton Profiles

Wang Peipei, JD candidate at the Sun Yat-sen University School of Law

Peipei worked in southern Tibet with the Women and Gender Study Center researching gender equality and providing legal assistance to local Tibetan women and refugees from Burma.

Anice Van Engeland, Visiting Researcher at Harvard Law School, PhD candidate at Institute d'Etudes, Paris

Anice worked to incorporate human rights law in the Iranian legal system in conjunction with the Center for Human Rights at Mofid University and the UNESCO Chair for Human Rights, Peace and Democracy at Shahid Behesti University in Iran.

Jared Shepherd and Eissa Villasenor, JD Candidates, University of Minnesota

Eissa and Jared supported the international and public interest litigation work of the Zimbabwe Lawyers for Human Rights and participated in community outreach and human rights training on civil and political rights as well as the legal issues surrounding access to HIV/AIDS medication.

Application

Eligibility /Qualifications:

Consideration will only be given to applicants seeking assistance in conducting international fieldwork and law-related research affiliated with an educational institution, international organization, or non-governmental organization working in international law, human rights, humanitarian affairs, or other related fields. All applicants must either be current law students or have graduated from law school no earlier than December 2007 at the time of submission in order to remain eligible.

Materials

Completed applications will consist of the following materials:

- Online application form
- Writing Sample
- Current CV or resume
- Evidence of Law Student Status and/or date of graduation from law school
- Two letters of recommendation

Funding

Helton Fellowship micro-grants are intended to contribute to paying for logistics, housing, living expenses, and other costs related to the Fellows fieldwork and research in affiliation with the sponsoring organization.

Deadline

Applicants may begin submitting applications beginning, Monday, October 12, 2009. All applications must be completed and received by Friday, February 12, 2010. Only the first 50 completed applications submitted by the deadline will be considered for review.

For more info, please visit

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