2016 Summer Law Fellowships

For the summer of 2016, the Williams Institute will award two or more summer law fellowships, including the Gleason/Kettel Summer Law Fellowship, which provide law students, or recent law school graduates, with a $5,000 stipend to work in the field of sexual orientation and gender identity law and public policy. Through the fellowship program, students gain experience and insight into the field and provide much-needed support to various organizations and scholars.

The Gleason/Kettel Summer Law Fellowship is committed to inspiring law students to pursue careers in sexual orientation and gender identity law and public policy. The Gleason/Kettel Summer Law Fellowship will support one fellow to work at the Williams Institute for at least ten weeks. The fellowship is made possible by a generous endowment gift to the Williams Institute by Mike Gleason and David Kettel.

The Williams Institute will award one or more additional summer law fellowships to support fellows who spend at least ten weeks working with the Williams Institute or at an eligible organization, scholar, or research center focused on sexual orientation or gender identity law or public policy.

Eligible Placements

The Williams Institute is an eligible placement. Other eligible placements include organizations, scholars, or research centers focused on sexual orientation or gender identity law and public policy. Examples of eligible placements outside of the Williams Institute include the summer internship programs of Lambda Legal, ACLU Lesbian and Gay Rights Project, the National Center for Lesbian Rights, Gay and Lesbian Advocates and Defenders (GLAD), the Transgender Law Center, and similar national and local organizations. Eligible placements also include summer research positions with law professors where the applicant will be spending the entire summer assisting with sexual orientation or gender identity law and policy scholarship.

Criteria for Selection

To apply for the fellowship, the applicant must be a current law student or recent law school graduate dedicated to a career in research, teaching, or advocacy focused on sexual orientation or gender identity law and policy issues. Selection criteria for the fellowship include a) academic record; b) demonstrated commitment to a career in research, teaching, or advocacy focused on sexual orientation or gender identity law and policy issues; c) the organization with which the applicant will be working; d) the work or projects that the applicant is proposing to complete during his or her fellowship; and e) the applicant’s potential as a future leader.
Preference will be given to applicants who have arranged a summer position with an organization before they apply for funding. The final award of funding will be contingent upon confirmation of placement with an eligible organization or research position.

**Fellowship Award**

The Fellowships will provide a stipend of $5,000 for the fellow to work full-time for ten weeks at an eligible placement (described above).

**Application**

To apply, please submit the application form below, a 1-2 page cover letter addressing the selection criteria listed above, a resume, and a law school transcript.

**This year's application deadline is February 29, 2016.**

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**The Williams Institute** is dedicated to conducting rigorous, independent research on sexual orientation and gender identity law and public policy. A national think tank at UCLA School of Law, the Williams Institute produces high quality research with real-world relevance and disseminates it to judges, legislators, policymakers, media and the public.

Experts at the Williams Institute have authored dozens of public policy studies and law review articles, filed amicus briefs in key court cases, provided expert testimony at legislative hearings, been widely cited in the national media, and trained thousands of lawyers, judges and members of the public. By providing new ideas and reliable information, the Williams Institute makes a difference.

Please visit [http://williamsinstitute.law.ucla.edu/](http://williamsinstitute.law.ucla.edu/) for more information.
Application Form - 2016 Summer Law Fellowships

Please note that the fellowship application deadline is **February 29, 2016.**

I. **PERSONAL INFORMATION**

Name ____________________________________________ Phone (___) ________________________

Current Address ________________________________________________________________

City __________________ State ___________ Zip Code ______________________________

Permanent Address (if different from above) _________________________________________

City __________________ State ___________ Zip Code ______________________________

E-mail Address _________________________________________________________________

Name of Law School ___________________________ Projected Graduation Date __________

Undergraduate Institution _________________________ Graduation Date ________________

II. **TYPE OF SUMMER LAW FELLOWSHIP**

I am applying for the Gleason/Kettel Summer Law Fellowship (placement at the Williams Institute) __ Yes __ No

I am applying for a summer law fellowship with an eligible placement other than the Williams Institute __ Yes __ No

(You may apply for both.)

III. **SUMMER PLACEMENT**

I am planning to work _____ weeks at _____ hours per week at/with:

(Name of Organization, Research Center, or Scholar) ______________________________

Supervisor or Contact Person ________________________________________________
Title ____________________________
Address __________________________
Phone __________________ Fax __________________
E-mail __________________________

IV. BRIEFLY DESCRIBE THE WORK YOU WILL PERFORM AT THIS OFFICE

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IV. REFERENCES (PLEASE INDICATE WHETHER ACADEMIC AND/OR WORK REFERENCES)

Name __________________________
Affiliation __________________________
Address __________________________
Phone __________________ E-mail __________________

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Affiliation __________________________
Address __________________________
Phone __________________ E-mail __________________

V. HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE SUMMER FELLOWSHIPS?

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VI. STATEMENTS OF UNDERSTANDING

If awarded a Fellowship for the Summer of 2016, I understand that:

1. I will not accept any other source of funding for my summer position. ____ (initial)

2. I must inform the Williams Institute immediately if I am unable to complete my term of work for any reason. In such an event, I agree to return a pro rata portion of the award for time that I did not work. ____ (initial)

3. I will submit a one-paragraph summary of the work I expect to do during the summer and a digital photo to the Williams Institute by May 13, 2016. Furthermore, I understand this summary and photo may be submitted for publication and/or distributed by the Williams Institute. ____ (initial)

4. I will submit a one-page summary of my experience to the Williams Institute by August 31, 2016. Furthermore, I understand this summary may be submitted for publication and/or distributed by UCLA. ____ (initial)

5. I understand that receipt of a Summer Public Service Fellowship does not make me an employee of the Williams Institute or of UCLA School of Law. I accept responsibility for all applicable federal, state, and local taxes and other applicable assessments. ____ (initial)

Name: ____________________________________________  [Please Print]

Signature: ______________________________________ Date: ____________________________
Send application and supporting materials to:

Adelin Lo
The Williams Institute
UCLA School of Law
Box 951476
Los Angeles, CA 90095-1476

Application Checklist:

___ Application Form
___ Cover Letter
___ Resume
___ Law School Transcript

If you have any questions, contact Adelin Lo at (310) 267-4382 or lo@law.ucla.edu.