2023 Gleason/Kettel Summer Law Fellowship

For the summer of 2023, the Williams Institute plans to award the Gleason/Kettel Summer Law Fellowship to provide a law student, or recent law school graduate, with a stipend of up to $6,000 to work in the field of sexual orientation and gender identity law and public policy.

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 and to identifying the next generation of leaders committed to promoting rights and equity for the LGBT community. Through the fellowship, students gain experience and insight into the field and provide much-needed support to various organizations and scholars. Fellows must spend at least ten weeks at their placements.

Eligible Placements
Eligible placements include organizations, scholars, or research centers focused on sexual orientation and gender identity law and public policy. Examples of eligible placements include the summer internship programs of Lambda Legal; ACLU LGBT Rights Project; National Center for Lesbian Rights, Transgender Law Center, LGBTQ Task Force, state equality organizations; the Williams Institute; and similar national, state, 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 and gender identity law and policy scholarship. Candidates are responsible for securing their own placement with an eligible organization before being awarded a Gleason/Kettel Summer Law Fellowship.

Criteria for Selection
To apply for the fellowship, applicants must be current law students or recent law school graduates dedicated to a career in research, teaching, or advocacy focused on sexual orientation and 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 anticipates 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. The final award of funding will be contingent upon confirmation of placement with an eligible organization or research position. The applicant is responsible for securing their own placement; the Williams Institute plays no role in the application or hiring process for placements at other organizations.

Fellowship Award
The Fellowships will provide a stipend of up to $6,000 for the fellow to work full-time for ten weeks at an eligible placement (described above), but may take into consideration any other funding the student might receive through, for example, his or her school or the host organization.

Application
To apply, please submit the application form attached, 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 April 1, 2023.

Please visit http://williamsinstitute.law.ucla.edu/summer-fellowships/ for more information.

The Gleason/Kettel Law Fellowships are made possible by a generous endowment gift to the Williams Institute by Mike Gleason and David Kettel.
Application Form - 2023 Summer Law Fellowships

Please note that the fellowship application deadline is April 1, 2023.

I. PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name ___________________________ Phone ______________________

Current Address ______________________________________________________

City __________________ State ______ Zip Code ______________________

Permanent Address (if different from above) ________________________________

City ___________________________ State _______ Zip Code ______

E-mail Address ________________________________

Law School ___________________________ Projected Graduation Date ___________

Undergraduate Institution ___________________________ Graduation Date __________

Law School Honors and Activities________________________

Undergraduate Honors and Activities________________________

Law School GPA___________ Undergraduate GPA___________

II. 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 ____________________________

Supervisor’s title __________________________

Address __________________________

Phone ______________________

E-mail __________________________
If employment has not yet been secured for Summer 2023, please identify the relevant placements for which you are applying below:

1. I am planning to work ____ weeks at ____ hours per week at/with: 
   (Name of Organization, Research Center, or Scholar)________________________________

2. I am planning to work ____ weeks at ____ hours per week at/with: 
   (Name of Organization, Research Center, or Scholar)________________________________

3. I am planning to work ____ weeks at ____ hours per week at/with: 
   (Name of Organization, Research Center, or Scholar)________________________________

III. DESCRIBE THE WORK YOU WILL PERFORM AT THE PLACEMENT

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IV. DESCRIBE YOUR COMMITMENT TO LGBT RIGHTS AND YOUR VISION FOR THE FUTURE OF THE LGBT MOVEMENT

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V. DESCRIBE YOUR EXPERIENCE AS A LEADER

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VI. DESCRIBE YOUR VISION FOR YOUR LEGAL CAREER

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VII. REFERENCES (PLEASE INDICATE WHETHER ACADEMIC AND/OR PROFESSIONAL REFERENCES)

Name ____________________________
Affiliation ____________________________
Address ____________________________
Phone ____________________________ E-mail ____________________________

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VIII. STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING

If awarded a Fellowship for the Summer of 2023, I understand that:

1. I will notify the Williams Institute of any other source of funding for my summer position.____ (initial)

2. I will 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 digital photo of myself to the Williams Institute by **July 1, 2023**. I understand this 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 **September 1, 2023**. I understand this summary may be submitted for publication and/or distributed by UCLA. ____ (initial)

5. I understand that receipt of a Summer Law 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: ______________

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Send application and supporting materials to:
Christy Mallory
mallory@law.ucla.edu

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

If you have any questions, contact Christy Mallory at mallory@law.ucla.edu.