2023 Palm Fellowship

For the summer of 2023, the Williams Institute will award a Palm Fellowship to conduct research and analysis on issues impacting LGBTQI+ people in the US. The fellowship provides advanced graduate students (or recent master’s or Ph.D. graduates) an opportunity to engage in research related to LGBTQI+ law and policy with Williams Institute scholars. Sample topics include access to gender-affirming care, social determinants of SOGI differences in wealth and assets, family formation, and population demography.

Summer fellows will receive a stipend of $6,000 and are expected to work 35 hours/week with the Williams Institute for approximately 8 weeks. The fellowship will be a remote-work position, but fellows are expected to be available during working hours in Los Angeles. The start date is flexible, and the latest end date is August 11.

Criteria for Selection

Applicants must be current graduate students or recent master’s or Ph.D. graduates. The Selection Committee will consider the following when evaluating applicants: a) academic record; b) research and writing abilities; and c) demonstrated commitment to work focused on sexual orientation, gender identity/expression, and sex characteristics law and policy issues.

Application

To apply, please submit a cover letter addressing your interest in the fellowship, a resume, a writing sample, an academic transcript, and the signed and initialed form below to Kerith Conron at conron@law.ucla.edu.

The application deadline is Friday, March 24, 2023.

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.

Please visit http://williamsinstitute.law.ucla.edu for more information.
Application Form - 2023 Summer Law Fellowships

Please note that the fellowship application deadline is March 24, 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
Graduate School _____________________________ Projected Graduation Date __________
Undergraduate Institution ___________________________ Graduation Date _____________

II. REFERENCES  (PLEASE INDICATE WHETHER ACADEMIC AND/OR PROFESSIONAL REFERENCES)
Name:
Affiliation:
Email:
Phone:
Name:
Affiliation:
Email:
Phone:

III. STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING
If awarded a Fellowship for the Summer of 2023, I understand that:
1. 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)
2. I will submit a digital photo of myself to the Williams Institute by May 1, 2023. I understand this photo may be submitted for publication and/or distributed by the Williams Institute. ____ (initial)
3. 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)
4. I understand that receipt of a Badgett Summer 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: ____________________________________________

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Signature: ______________________________________ Date: ________________