



Summer Legal Internship Announcement

About the Center for Ocean Solutions:

The Center for Ocean Solutions (COS), a collaboration of Stanford University, the Monterey Bay Aquarium, and Monterey Bay Aquarium Research Institute, is seeking summer Legal Interns for ten-week positions starting in May or June 2011. The Center's mission is to develop, synthesize, and catalyze understanding and new tools, to use them to solve major problems facing the oceans, and to prepare the leaders who take on these challenges. The Center's focal areas currently include the following¹:

- Climate change and the oceans, including ocean acidification and climate change adaptation;
- Ecosystem health and ecosystem services, including comprehensive coastal and marine spatial planning (CMSP);
- Land-sea interactions, including land-based pollutant impacts on coastal water quality;
- Marine fisheries education and leadership training;
- Graduate education, including the design of courses and skills trainings for Monterey Bay-area ocean-focused graduate students; and
- Education and trainings for policy makers and resource managers.

Scope of Work:

The Legal Intern will work primarily on research and writing projects regarding the Center's marine spatial planning, climate change, and land-sea interaction initiatives. Legal aspects of this work are likely to include environmental, public lands, administrative, and/or international law. Policy aspects of this work are likely to include monitoring and analysis of key state, federal, and international ocean governance and policy-making activities. Examples of recent Legal Intern projects include:

- Assessing the implications for CMSP of successes and failures in the implementation of U.S. public lands management statutes;
- Collaborating with COS scientists on an article regarding approaches for addressing ocean acidification;
- Assessing state constitutional and administrative law to inform the use of inter-agency ocean governance agreements;
- Reviewing U.S. state and federal climate change adaptation plans to inform trainings for policy makers and resource managers on the U.S. West Coast; and
- Assessing conflicts between food safety metrics and water quality regulations for large scale agriculture in coastal watersheds.

¹ See <http://www.centerforoceansolutions.org> for more information.

The Legal Intern will be supervised by COS legal staff and will be invited to team meetings and staff meetings. The Legal Intern will also be given work space in a COS office. COS has one office on Stanford's main campus (where most legal staff are housed) and one office in Monterey, California.

The Legal Intern will be expected to work the equivalent of 40 hours per week for a total of 10 weeks. Limited funding is available; applicants are strongly encouraged to seek funding assistance from their home institutions.

Qualifications:

The Legal Intern should be entering the second or third year of law school in fall 2011 and should have significant experience in legal research and writing through coursework or other employment.

To apply: If interested, please send a resume, a short statement of interest (no more than 250 words), two references, and a short writing sample (3-5 pages) to Masako Esparragoza, esparragoza@stanford.edu. Please type "COS Summer Legal Intern Application" in the subject line. **Deadline for application:** March 1, 2011.