

Summer 2017 Law Student Internship Internship description

Americans for Financial Reform (AFR) is seeking a law student intern for Summer 2017.

We are a public-interest group dedicated to fundamental reform of Wall Street, and to rooting out the abuses built into financial products such as payday loans and private student loans. Senator Elizabeth Warren helped found AFR, which played a pivotal role in creating and defending her vision of a strong Consumer Financial Protection Bureau. In broader terms, we are committed to holding Wall Street accountable and to the goal of a smaller, simpler financial system that serves the needs of the society as a whole. For more about AFR and its work, see the video with Senator Warren posted at defenddoddfrank.org.

We can offer a \$10-a-day expense stipend plus valuable, stimulating, soul-satisfying work and a crash course in public-interest advocacy, policy development, financial regulation, and coalition-building. Schedule and hours are flexible but, in general, we prefer interns to work full time for at least eight weeks starting in late May or early June. We will evaluate split summers and similar requests on a case-by-case basis.

Responsibilities include:

- conducting legal and policy research;
- drafting policy letters, rulemaking comments, factsheets, and talking points; and
- attending meetings with coalition members, policymakers, and other stakeholders, agency events, and congressional hearings and briefings.

AFR is located at 1620 L Street NW in downtown Washington, D.C., and is part of The Leadership Conference on Civil and Human Rights, which works on a wide range of issues and has a well-developed internship program, enriching the experience for all the interns who work here.

Americans for Financial Reform and The Leadership Conference are equal opportunity employers and seek applicants who will contribute to the diversity of our staff.

How to apply

Please send a resume, two writing samples (ideally, one legal and one non-legal), unofficial undergraduate and law school transcripts (with a list of first-year courses and first-semester grades, if available), and a short cover letter explaining your interest in AFR and the dates of your availability to AFRLegalInternship@gmail.com with the subject line "SUMMER 2017 LAW STUDENT INTERNSHIP."