Harlem Community Justice Center Interfaith Summer Internship 2016

The Center for Court Innovation, a project of the Fund for the City of New York, is a unique public-private partnership that promotes new thinking about how courts and criminal justice agencies can aid victims, change the behavior of offenders, and strengthen communities. The Center creates demonstration projects that test new approaches to problems that have resisted conventional solutions. The Harlem Community Justice Center, a project of the Center for Court Innovation, is a community-based court and resource center focused on solving neighborhood problems in upper Manhattan, including juvenile delinquency, deteriorating housing, substance abuse, and the challenges presented by ex-offenders returning from incarceration.

Reporting to the Justice Center's Deputy Project Director, Princeton's Office of Religious Life seeks applicants dedicated to social change and interested to explore this pursuit in relation to vocational, spiritual or religious interests.

The student will provide service to Justice Center clients by organizing programs to address needs in three core areas: juvenile justice, civil legal support services, and social re-integration of men and women leaving prison. Students will also have a weekly opportunity for reflection around vocational development led by different Princeton and Justice Center staff members, as well as guest lecturers as they respond to the different social problems they face in East and Central Harlem including those youth, adults and families involved in the Justice Center programs including housing and family court, as well as those in our parole reentry and juvenile programs.

This fully funded internship will run from June 6th-July 27th.

Responsibilities:

- Become oriented with the Harlem Community Justice Center including the different populations served in Housing Court, Family Court and Youth Court;
- Develop an understanding how the Justice Center addresses community problems in upper Manhattan;
- Engage in projects that foster local collaboration to address the needs of Justice Center clients;
- Reach out to religious leaders in the community to engage in collaborative efforts with the Justice Center to address issues of social re-integration of persons returning from prisons, juvenile delinquency, and civil legal support services that prevent evictions; as they engage residents and respond to the multitude of community problems;

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- Recognize and explore the role that different religious communities take as they respond to the social problems that exist in East and Central Harlem;
- Write blog posts for the Justice Center that explore the intersection of faith communities and the justice system;
- Develop a report that explores the role of different religions and faith-based leaders as they tackle the social problems in the community including problems that are brought to secular organizations such as the Justice Center.

Qualifications:

- Princeton undergraduate student
- Ability to work as a team player at the Harlem Community Justice Center;
- Excellent oral and written communication skills,
- Administrative and organizational skills;
- Proficiency with word-processing, spreadsheet and database programs required

Application:

Please send resumes to <u>ISIPapplication@gmail.com</u>. The deadline is February 17 5:00 pm. Please make sure that your resume includes your current GPA and two references (including their phone and email contact information). At least one reference should be a non-academic.

Interviews will be held February 24th from 9am-4pm.To schedule an interview, book a WASS appointment with Dean Matt Weiner here. If none of the interview times work, please email Dean Matt Weiner (mcweiner@princeton.edu) to schedule an alternate time.

The Harlem Community Justice Center is operated through the Center for Court Innovation, a project of the Fund for the City of New York. See our website at www.courtinnovation.org.

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