



Law Student Internships and Externships

The **Children's Law Center of Massachusetts (CLCM)**, headquartered in Lynn, seeks law students for both school year and summer unpaid internships and externships. School year internships and externships run throughout the school year for a minimum of sixteen hours per week for ten weeks. CLCM also hires two to four full-time law student interns for ten to twelve weeks each summer. These unpaid internships provide students a great opportunity to assist in advocacy on behalf of young clients in critical legal matters and may provide course credit depending on your law school's policies.

CLCM is a private, non-profit legal services agency with 501(c)(3) status. CLCM provides direct representation to indigent children and youth in child welfare, CRA (formerly CHINS), delinquency, immigration, and educational matters as well as to children who require legal assistance as the result of being a victim of crime. Interns and externs concentrate on one or two of CLCM's substantive practice areas. Each intern is assigned to a specific mentoring attorney who they accompany to court and to whom they provide case support. Interns and externs have direct client contact and assist in client interviewing, investigation, and preparation of motions and memoranda. In addition, CLCM provides appellate advocacy in child welfare and juvenile delinquency cases. If a case is pending, a student may be asked to assist in research and writing of appellate briefs. Many of our former interns have utilized their internship at CLCM to develop possible projects for fellowships such as Skadden and Equal Justice Works.

Interns and externs generally work out of CLCM's Lynn office, although students may also work out of our Lawrence office or in our medical-legal partnership at MGH-Chelsea. Law students must have transportation to the Lynn office.

Law student interns and externs contribute a great deal to our mission – we have high expectations of our interns and we look for law students who want a challenging and diverse internship experience.

To apply, e-mail a cover letter, completed application form, resume, and law school transcript (for summer internships only, if available) to:

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We accept applications on a rolling basis. Due to the number of applications we receive, we will only contact you if we would like to interview you for a position. We tend to complete our summer hiring by the end of February for the following summer. The Children's Law Center is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer and encourages applications from women, people of color, persons with disabilities, and lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender individuals.