

Pre-Law Internships at the Colorado Department of Law

Under Attorney General Phil Weiser, the Colorado Department of Law (DOL) has launched a pre-law internship program that is open to high school, undergraduate, and recent college graduate interns. Many of these students enroll in the program to gain valuable professional experience as they consider pursuing careers in public service and the law. The pre-law program runs parallel to the Department's internship program that is offered to law students in their first, second, and third years. For more on the internship program for law students, please see: <https://coag.gov/careers/internships>

Program Structure

- The Department of Law runs summer, fall, and spring internship sessions, aimed at accommodating the scheduling needs of each individual student.
- Interns are paired with a supervisor from one of the Department's sections -- such as community engagement, consumer protection, communications, or others -- and will field assignments from attorneys and professionals from across the Department.
- Interns will attend standing meetings, professional development programming, and support the Department on a range of research, writing, and staffing assignments.
- Internships are unpaid.

Pre-Law interns support the leadership team and professionals across the Colorado Department of Law by assisting on projects that may span various subject areas. Each intern will complete 1-2 in-depth, long-running research projects on a timely issue for the office. Typical assignments might include:

- A survey of best practices on timely legal and departmental issues.
- Short research projects with written responses regarding policy or law enforcement questions.
- Due diligence and other research and analysis on departmental initiatives.

About the Department of Law

The Department of Law for the Colorado Attorney General's office is the chief legal counsel to all state agencies and serves the people of Colorado. The Department of Law also provides legal services related to consumer protection laws, criminal appeals, protecting our natural resources and environment. As one of the largest law offices in the State of Colorado, our law practice is diverse and rewarding.

Application Process

Interested candidates should send the following materials to Pre.Law.Internships@coag.gov. Please be sure to indicate the session and year you are applying for (spring, summer, or fall).

- **Cover letter** explaining your interest and highlighting any sections or work of the department you seek to support (learn more about our work at www.coag.gov);
- **Resume;**
- **Brief Writing Sample** on any topic, highlighting your persuasive writing skills.