

**Pertinent Information Regarding 2023 Atlanta Bar Association
Summer Law Internship Program For High School Students**

Website: www.abaslip.blogspot.com

Facebook: Atlanta Bar Association Summer Law Internship Program (SLIP 31)

We are grateful for your interest in the 2023 Internship Program! This is a rigorous, all-in program. Please note if you have any conflicts during the period of May 31, 2023, to July 21, 2023, you should not apply. We traditionally have significantly more applicants than available spots. Absences for study abroad programs, family reunions, sports competitions, graduation trips, long weekends, and the like are not allowed. You are all-in or you are not. Freshmen and Sophomores, Classes of 2025 and 2026, are not eligible.

1. The Summer of 2023 will be the thirty-first (31st) straight Summer the Atlanta Bar Association will conduct its Summer Law Internship Program for High School Students. Applications will be available on or before February 10, 2023, on the Intern Program's website: www.abaslip.blogspot.com. Completed applications must be emailed or postmarked by Thursday, March 23, 2023. For additional information, please also see our Facebook page at Atlanta Bar Association Summer Law Internship Program.
2. We so wish we had a spot for every applicant. Unfortunately, however, spots are limited. We hope to have 35+ internships available in 2023. If you are not selected this year, we welcome you to apply next year. During the Summer Law Internship Program's first thirty years over 870 paid Internships have been made available to Atlanta's youth.
3. The 2023 Summer Law Internship Program will run from May 31, 2023, to July 21, 2023. There will be four mandatory orientations tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, May 31; Friday, June 2; Monday, June 5; and Friday, June 9. The pay will be \$1,950.00 (total) for the six weeks (\$325 per week). If you Intern at a law firm or corporation you will be paid a stipend by your host. If you are a Public Intern, your internship is sponsored, and you will be paid a stipend by the Atlanta Bar Foundation.
4. This is a rigorous, all-in program. The Atlanta Bar Association Summer Law Internship Program is designed to achieve four goals:
 - (a) to provide a valuable work experience;
 - (b) to further the students' understanding of the law;
 - (c) to provide a mentor relationship for the students; and
 - (d) to increase diversity in the legal system.
5. Interns are not allowed to have any second jobs, band practices, sports practices or otherwise that conflict with or impact your Internship. (Every year we have prospective Interns request that they be allowed to miss mandatory Intern events due to conflicts, have different dates for their Internships, etc. The Intern Program dates are set. You are all-in or you are not.)

6. Only students who are members of the classes of 2023 and 2024 are eligible to apply. Freshmen and Sophomores, Classes of 2025 and 2026, are ineligible to apply.
7. Each applicant will be required to participate in an in-person interview at a location to be determined. We tentatively anticipate conducting interviews on Thursday, April 13, 2023. Please check the Intern website for possible changes. You are required to be appropriately attired (professional). More detailed information will be provided on the Intern Program's website (www.abaslip.blogspot.com). As we will have a large number of students to interview, please bring something to occupy yourself while you wait, i.e. homework, a book, etc.
8. Each year, we have a Kick-Off Breakfast at the beginning of the program for Interns and hosts. We expect the 2023 Kick-Off Breakfast will be on Friday, June 16, 2023, at 7:30 a.m.
9. If you have any conflict (i.e., study abroad, educational trips, sports competitions, leadership camps, etc.) during the period of May 31 – July 21, 2023, you should not apply.
10. At the end of the Intern Program, we have an Intern Appreciation Breakfast for the Interns and their families. The 2023 Intern Appreciation Breakfast has yet to be scheduled but is typically the last day of the program, projected to be Friday, July 21, 2023, at 7:30 a.m.
11. Potential interns who are graduating this coming Spring (Class of 2023) must schedule any college orientation so it does not conflict with the Intern Program.
12. We will have mandatory weekly All Intern Meetings (“AIMs”) during the Internship Program at 5:30 p.m. on dates to be determined. These AIMs are not optional and cannot be missed due to, for example, sports, games or practices, summer workouts, second jobs, babysitting, family birthdays, or the like. Usually, they are in the middle of the week, on Wednesday, and run until 7:30 p.m. We will typically have a guest speaker each week. During our weekly meetings, we will regularly have Progress Tests to assess your knowledge of what you are learning. Failure to be prepared for these AIMs and Progress Tests will subject you to being released from the Intern Program.
13. In addition to the important work component of this program, there is also an educational component. We will study topical legal issues. Interns will have written "Enrichment" each week during the program that should not take more than thirty minutes to an hour to complete. You are required to do your own work. In addition, Interns will be required to do a 750-word typed essay on a United States Supreme Court decision as part of the annual Terrence Croft Essay Competition.
14. If you are selected, you are required to be responsible, accountable, and professional at all times and in everything you do.
15. We have had applicants from as far north as Forsyth County and as far south as Henry County. As the internships are primarily located inside the Perimeter, with a heavy

concentration in Downtown and Midtown Atlanta, you may have a lengthy commute depending on where you live. The Internship Program does not reimburse commuting expenses.

16. There is a Dress and Grooming Code that will be required to be followed or you will be subject to being released from the Internship Program.
17. The Internship Program is not for every student. Over the years Interns have been released early from the Internship Program or are not invited to reapply for: not being prepared, not being on time, not being professional, not wearing proper attire, and/or not demonstrating appropriate maturity.
18. We will expect your best in everything you do, and you should demand no less of yourself.
19. If you give less than your best, do not follow the rules, fail to prepare for an Orientation or an AIM, perform unacceptably on a Progress Test, or find it more important to be on your phone, have anything less than a great attitude, or are rude or disrespectful to a fellow Intern, you will be released from the Summer Law Internship Program prior to its conclusion.
20. Students selected for the 2023 Intern Program will be posted on the website of the Atlanta Bar Association Summer Law Internship Program on Thursday, May 4, 2023, by 8:00 p.m. (www.abaslip.blogspot.com.)

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