



## Gates Summer Public Interest Law Stipend 2019 Application Instructions

- ➔ **Before you start:** Did you already submit a PILA Summer Funding Application? If so, you do NOT need to submit a Gates summer funding application. You will be automatically considered based on your PILA application.
- ➔ **If you did NOT submit a PILA Summer Funding Application:** please follow the application instructions below. The Gates Summer Public Interest Law Stipend application is open to ALL UW Law students pursuing public service work during their 1L or 2L summer.
- ➔ **Application Deadline is Friday, May 24, 2019.** Email application materials to [spangler@uw.edu](mailto:spangler@uw.edu).

### HOW TO APPLY: Application Contents

1. **Applicant Identification Sheet.** This is the one document you submit that should have your name on it. It should be the first page of the first copy of your application only. It is included at the end of this application instruction packet.
2. **Sponsorship Form:** Complete and submit the attached form which includes your internship dates and contact information for your host organization.
3. **Resume.** The applicant's name and other obviously identifying information must be redacted from the resume.
4. **Project Proposal.** The Project Proposal must be no more than 500 words (2 double-spaced pages). The proposal should generally describe the proposed project in the applicant's words and provide information regarding the applicant's commitment to public service. The proposal should specifically address most, if not all, of the following points:
  - a. How the project will benefit an underserved or inadequately-served community. Describe the impact of the project and how the project provides a tangible benefit to the community it is intended to serve.
  - b. The applicant's proposed responsibilities and role in the project, and the extent to which the project relates to the applicant's career goals.

- c. The applicant's personal commitment to public service and public interest law.
- d. How the project embodies the goals and mission of PILA.
- e. Any special considerations regarding the applicant's financial need.

The Committee evaluates all applications anonymously. Applicants must completely redact their names from all documents they submit, except for the Applicant Identification Sheet.

Applications with applicants' names on them will be returned to the applicant and may not be considered.

Applications should be emailed to [spangler@uw.edu](mailto:spangler@uw.edu) as a compiled PDF file with the materials in this order: 1) Applicant Identification Sheet; 2) Sponsorship Form; 3) Resume; and 4) Project Proposal. **If the applicant fails to provide any of these documents the application shall be considered incomplete and may be rejected.**

### **WHO MAY APPLY FOR A GATES PUBLIC INTEREST LAW STIPEND?**

**General eligibility requirement.** Any UW law student who will have completed at least one year of law school (45 credits) by the time the proposed project begins is eligible to apply for a Gates Summer Stipend. The proposed project cannot be funded by the host organization, and the applicant may not be receiving other sources of funding for their project.

**Externship credit.** Students cannot apply hours earned under a Gates Stipend to an externship requirement, and vice versa. If you will be taking externship credits, please do not apply for a Gates Stipend.

### **QUALIFYING PROJECTS**

Gates Summer Public Interest Stipends are awarded to fund projects that serve the public interest and provide a tangible benefit to the community. Grant proposals should describe projects that advance the concepts of justice, equity, and the public good on behalf of individuals and causes seldom or inadequately served. Funding is limited to students working at non-profit organizations or government agencies.

**Political campaigns and lobbying.** Due to state restrictions on use of gift funds, work on behalf of any political campaign or lobbying effort will not qualify for Gates Stipends.

### **GRANT AMOUNTS AND HOURS**

Gates Stipend recipients will receive an award of \$5,000 for a minimum of 350 hours worked on the proposed project.

## GATES STIPEND GRANT APPLICANT IDENTIFICATION SHEET

### Personal Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Expected graduation date: \_\_\_\_\_

**SPONSORSHIP FORM**

**Sponsoring Organization:**

Organization Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization Contact Person (Name and Title): \_\_\_\_\_

Project/Internship Dates: \_\_\_\_\_

*\*Gates PSL Program reserves the right to contact organization to confirm project details.*

Official Use Only: Applicant ID  
Code \_\_\_\_\_