

Launch your Legal Career with Legal Aid Ontario!

Job Title: Summer Law Students – 2nd Year (LWS-097-15)

Assignment: Summer 2016 (May – August)

Area of Search: Students of recognized Law Schools

Locations: Numerous offices across the Province

Legal Aid Ontario (LAO) offers law students a gateway to a varied and rewarding career in the social justice field. LAO's Lawyer Workforce Strategy is aimed at the long-term career development of its lawyers by providing opportunities for work in various areas of law across the province, and that development begins with a law student's summer and articling experience.

LAO is currently recruiting talented law students who are committed to a long-term and varied career in providing access to justice. Consider the possibility of joining LAO where you can make a difference in the lives of low-income Ontarians. LAO is offering summer student opportunities in the following areas (locations are subject to change):

- Offices can include:
 - Northwest (Thunder Bay, Kenora)
 - Northeast (Sudbury, Timmins)
 - Southwest (Windsor, London, Hamilton)
 - GTA (Brampton, Toronto, Newmarket)
 - Central (Bracebridge, Barrie)
 - East (Ottawa, Peterborough, Oshawa)
 - Family Law Service Centres (GTA)
 - Refugee law (Toronto)
 - Provincial Office (Toronto):
 - Case Management & Litigation Unit
 - Legal Research Departments

LAO provides legal aid services in various areas of law across the province. Information about LAO and its various programs and services is available on the LAO website at www.legalaid.on.ca.

Required Skills & Experiences:

- Student of recognized law school
- Demonstrated commitment to social justice or public interest work
- Demonstrated excellent writing and oral skills
- Strong interpersonal skills
- Understanding of the Legal Aid Ontario's mandate and services
- Ability to work independently, solve complex problems, build relationships, and work with teams
- French language skills are a preferred asset.

LAO will be participating in the On Campus Interview process for all of these positions (Toronto and non-Toronto) at all Ontario law schools. Students may submit their applications to the Career Services Office, if their school has elected to collect résumés on behalf of applicants. Applications will be treated equally regardless of method of submission. Please submit your application using only one method. LAO is pleased to accept applications from students in law schools outside of Ontario as well.

How to apply:

- Apply through <http://www.vilawportal.com/>.
- Include your cover letter, résumé, law school transcripts (web-based unofficial transcripts or grades listings are acceptable) and 2-3 work, school or volunteer related reference letters.
- Only applications submitted via ViPortal will be accepted.
 - In your cover letter, please indicate the locations in which you are willing to work.
 - Address applications to:
Shanna Gonsalves, Recruitment Specialist
40 Dundas Street West Suite 200
Toronto, ON M5G 2H1
- You must quote the following competition number: **LWS-097-15**
- Candidates must respond by **Monday, August 24, 2015 at 5:00 pm**.
- Only those candidates selected for an interview will be notified.