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Career Development Office

About Us: Our office is here to counsel students when defining their career path, educate students on diverse legal career options, collaborate with student groups to present relevant programming, provide helpful resources, and connect with legal employers and alumni.

Our Staff: [Check out our website](#) to see a full list of team members and learn about our roles. You can also stop by our offices, located at 128 Hughes Hall, to say hello in person.

Meet with Us: You can reach us at 607-255-5873, or cls-careers@cornell.edu Monday – Thursday 8:00AM – 4:30PM and Friday 8:00AM – 4:00PM. We are available for in-person, phone and Zoom appointments through the [Bookings Page](#).

ALL JDs & LLMS:

[Spring & Summer Internship Opportunity](#) | Society for the Rule of Law | Nationwide nonprofit organization of pro-democracy attorneys, law students, and others who are working to protect America's legal institutions.

This is a part-time spring/summer internship, with the opportunity for remote work, or in-person at our DC office. We can offer this as a paid opportunity or for college credit. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis until a candidate is found. Interested candidates should [send](#) their resume and cover letter.

[EXCELSIOR FELLOWSHIP:](#) The New York State Excelsior Service Fellowship Program is a paid two-year fellowship offering talented graduate, law, and advanced degree program graduates unmatched training and experience in New York State government. Excelsior Fellows work full time at host executive-branch agencies and authorities, advancing the operational and legal aspects of important policy initiatives. Fellows will also participate in a Professional Development program focusing on leadership development and the fundamentals of New York State government.

After completing the Excelsior Service Fellowship, exceptional fellows may continue to serve New York State. More than 50% of prior classes of Excelsior Fellows were offered permanent positions with the State post-fellowship. Applications will be due **on [February 28, 2026 with interviews scheduled on the Cornell campus on March 24 and March 25, 2026](#)**

How to Apply: Interested applicants should submit the following materials **in one PDF document** to the Career Development Office, akua.akyea@cornell.edu by **COB on February 28, 2026**: resume, transcript, 2 references (at least one of which should be academic in nature), and a personal statement/cover letter. The personal statement should outline your interest in the Excelsior Service Fellowship and your commitment to public service (no more than 750 words).

LLMs:

[Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer \(Dubai Office\) Dispute Resolution Legal Internship](#) We welcome applications from outstanding lawyers, postgraduate students in law, as well as recent graduates. An internship in our dispute resolution team will provide access to experienced lawyers and expose you to a wide-range of cross-border work, including some of the most complex, challenging and interesting projects and risk management issues/disputes in the market. | **Applications due February 28th** | Dubai, UAE | JDs, LLMs

[Business Immigration Associate \(1st Year\) – Fragomen \(Dallas, TX\)](#)

Fragomen is seeking a first-year Business Immigration Associate (0–2 years) to join its Dallas office. The role focuses exclusively on employment-based immigration, including assessing eligibility for nonimmigrant and immigrant visa status, preparing and filing petitions with government agencies, conducting legal research, drafting documents, and supporting corporate clients with immigration program management and compliance. Associates collaborate closely with global mobility teams, supervise paralegals, and contribute to a team-oriented, fast-paced practice. Dallas, TX | JD, LLMs

[Summer Extern, State Government Affairs | SIFMA | NYC, Washington, DC](#) | SIFMA is seeking a Summer Extern to support its State Government Affairs team. This for-credit position offers hands-on exposure to state and local legislative and regulatory issues impacting the securities industry and its investors. Responsibilities include monitoring and analyzing legislative proposals, drafting memoranda and legal summaries, supporting policy education efforts, and assisting with position papers and testimony. For 2L, 3L, LL.M., or S.J.D. students with an interest in regulatory, administrative, or securities law and the legislative process.

[Legal Counsel | Marex](#) | is seeking a Legal Counsel (1–5 years' experience) to support its in-house legal team. The role focuses on reviewing and negotiating vendor contracts, assisting with litigation and regulatory matters, coordinating discovery and subpoena responses, and supporting the adoption of legal technologies, including AI-driven tools. The position also involves advising internal stakeholders on risk, compliance, and contract lifecycle management. Prior corporate or law firm experience and familiarity with contract review are preferred. | JDs, LLMs

1Ls:

1L & 2L Summer Reporting:

- If you have secured a *1L summer job*, [please fill out this survey](#) at your earliest convenience. Please only fill out the survey once.
- If you have secured a *2L summer job*, [please fill out this survey](#) to let us know the details about your position and the interview process with that employer.

Tracking this data is essential to helping other members of the class that are still seeking and the incoming class of 2029.

If you will receive funding from a law firm for work performed during Summer 2026—whether the funding is provided this summer or at a later date—we strongly recommend that you disclose that third-

party payment to your summer employer. Transparency is essential to avoid conflicts of interest, ensure compliance with employer policies, and maintain professional integrity. If you are uncertain whether a particular stipend, fellowship, or sponsorship qualifies as third-party funding, you should seek clarification before the summer begins or as soon as you become aware of the funding. Prompt disclosure allows employers to address any administrative or ethical considerations in a timely manner.

Bonner Kiernan Trebach & Crociata LLP is seeking 1-2 law clerks for their Manhattan office through March 6. For more information, email [Carmen Hernandez](#).

[Google US Legal Summer Institute \(LSI\) 2027 Applications Open](#): Applications are now open for the 2027 US Legal Summer Institute (LSI), a highly selective program for 2L law students. LSI offers a one-week immersive experience on Google's campus, followed by a full summer associateship with a partner law firm. Students from all legal interest areas, backgrounds, and ABA-accredited law schools—full-time and part-time—are encouraged to apply. Applications are due March 30, 2026, at 8:00 a.m. ET and require a resume, transcript(s), and two short essays. [RSVP](#) for an informational webinar that will be held on March 20 at 1:00 PM PT / 4:00 PM ET.

[2026 Lewis M. Rose 1L Scholarship](#) | Kelley Drye | Kelley Drye is accepting applications for the 2026 Lewis M. Rose 1L Scholarship, created in honor of former Managing Partner Lew Rose and the firm's commitment to fostering an inclusive legal profession. The scholarship is awarded to an outstanding first-year law student and includes a paid 2026 summer associate position in New York, New Jersey, Houston, or Washington, DC. Recipients also receive a \$25,000 award paid in three installments: \$7,500 after completing the 2026 summer program, \$7,500 after completing a 2027 summer associate position, and \$10,000 upon joining the firm as a full-time associate. Applications are reviewed on a rolling basis.

2Ls & 3Ls

On Tuesday, January 20, at 8:00 a.m. EST, all 2Ls received **read-only access to OSCAR**, the Online System for Clerkship Application and Review. OSCAR is a tool which federal judges may use, if they wish, to publicize and/or accept clerkship applications.

[MoloLamken's Advocacy Academy](#): MoloLamken's Advocacy Academy is a one-week, intensive trial and appellate advocacy boot camp in New York City being held 8/2-8/7 2026. The firm covers travel and hosts the full program, with small-group trainings led by firm attorneys. Name partners Steve Molo and Jeff Lamken personally participate. Only 12 students nationwide are selected each year, typically including one Cornell student. The Academy is designed to complement a summer internship and takes place at the end of the summer. Participants receive a \$4,500 stipend. Students pursuing public interest or public defense are encouraged to apply—Big Law is not required. Last year's Cornell participant, [Avery M. Newcom](#) was committed to public defense and is available to answer questions.

Student Loan Advising with Dr. Jeffrey E. Hanson | Cornell Law Financial Aid | [Appointments](#) available March 9–11, 9:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m. EST | 3Ls are invited to schedule a 45-minute virtual advising session with Dr. Jeffrey E. Hanson, a nationally recognized expert in student loan repayment and economist specializing in law school debt.

These personalized Zoom sessions help students create a practical financial roadmap: whether managing current expenses or planning for graduation. Topics include selecting the right repayment plan, navigating recent federal changes, evaluating PSLF eligibility, weighing refinancing versus consolidation, and managing shifts in financial circumstances. Space is limited, and participants will receive a personalized Loan Repayment Planning Worksheet.

[Learn More About the NYC Apartment Hunting Process](#): Cooper & Cooper Is BACK (Virtually) At Cornell Law! Renting In New York – A Practical Guide” Zoom Workshop + Q&A | Tuesday, March 10th, 2026 @ 12:15pm EST | RSVP: <https://www.coopercooper.com/cornell>

Upcoming Events

- [NY Bar Presents: Careers in New York City Government](#) | Mar 11, 2026, 12:30-2PM | This panel offers insights into rewarding legal careers within New York City Government and practical tips for navigating the application process. Speakers from a variety of City agencies and offices will share their career experiences and advice on finding and pursuing opportunities in City government. | Webinar
- [Spring 2026 Guardianship of Minor Certification Training for Experienced Probate Court Practitioners](#) | The Children and Family Law (CAFL) division of the Committee for Public Counsel Services (CPCS) is offering a certification training for attorneys who wish to represent children, parents, and guardians in guardianship of minor proceedings in the Probate and Family Court. | Zoom information session | March 11, 2026, from 1:00 to 2:00 PM
- [Labor & Employment Law 101: Practical Insights for Law Students](#) | Join Littler for a virtual panel and discussion exploring one of the most impactful and rewarding practice areas. Get practical insights, real-world examples, and candid tips from attorneys who navigate these issues every day | Wednesday, March 18TH | 4:00pm – 5:00pm ET | Webinar
- [2026 Labor Advocacy Career Fair](#) | The ILR School | Meet with labor unions, law firms, and organizations dedicated to worker rights to learn about summer internship and full-time opportunities. | March 18th, 2026, 12-4 PM | Biotech G10

View more opportunities in [Simplicity](#), [PSJD.org](#), and the [Arizona Guide](#).
Contact our office for the Arizona Guide password.

Opportunities:

CUeLINKS invites Cornell Law students to join the **Cornell Lawyers & Friends Community** and tap into a powerful alumni network. It's like LinkedIn, but only for Cornellians! [Create a profile](#), join the group, and begin building your professional network today.

- **Seasonal Law Clerk** | Marks, O'Neill, O'Brien & Courtney, P.C. | Philadelphia, PA | Resumes & cover letters to [Fanny Zheng](#) | 1Ls
- **Associate Attorney - General Liability - Insurance Defense** | [Chartwell Law Offices](#) | North, NJ | 3Ls
- **2L Summer Associate 2027 - Real Estate** | Saul Ewing | Baltimore, Philadelphia, Princeton | 1Ls
- **First Year Summer Associate** | Vinson & Elkins LLP | Denver | 1Ls

View more detailed information and events in [Simplicity](#)



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