

Salzburg-Cutler Fellowship

Due Date to Cornell Law School Friday, October 30th, 2026

Program Requirements

- Each fellow prepares and presents a research paper intended for eventual publication. Topics come from public and private international law in fields ranging from finance to human rights, free speech to the law of war. Some of the top law faculty in the world offer advice on how to make their argument most effective, and on how to succeed in getting papers accepted by journals in the United States and across the world.
- Research papers would usually be submitted in December
- Executive Summaries of the papers submitted to faculty for review in January
- Gathering in DC in February to share papers and discuss in topic groups with faculty and other fellows.

Eligible Applicants

Please note that this program is open to 2L and 3L students. Eligibility is extended on a highly exceptional basis to LLM students. Students with strong international experience and/or backgrounds are particularly encouraged to apply. A maximum of four students will be admitted.

Application Details

The following documents are required:

- Cover letter explaining your background and interest in the Cutler Program
- Unofficial Cornell Law School transcript (Attention LLM students: Please provide a copy of transcripts for all university-level education. In addition, please submit your Cornell Law School transcript, so we know what courses you took for the Fall term)
- Resume or C.V.
- Two-page abstract (see details below)

Application Deadline

The application deadline is 5:00 p.m. on **Friday, October 30th**. Please email applications in **one PDF** to international.law@cornell.edu. **Please indicate the name of the Fellowship and whether or not your email contains a question in the subject line.**

Details for the two-page abstract:

The paper will not need to be ready for submission until the end of January. The abstract should describe the research topic/paper you would wish to present during the breakout sessions of the Cutler Seminar. Abstracts should outline an issue or question in international law that will be developed into a research paper, journal note, or other publication. Breakout sessions for discussing papers are generally grouped into five major areas:

- a) Humanitarian law, human rights, and use of force
- b) International economic, investment, and monetary law
- c) International trade, anti-corruption, and anti-trust
- d) International institutions and international relations
- e) Rule of law and comparative constitutionalism