

Bonavero
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Bonavero Fellowships for Internships in Human Rights

The Bonaverio Student Fellowship Programme

AIM:

- Provide students with an opportunity to apply their knowledge of human rights law to obtain a valuable platform to develop careers in this field

DESIRED OUTCOMES:

- Experience of working with the chosen partner on a defined project(s) or programme of work, which creates real value for the host organisation and a valuable learning experience for the student;
- Interaction with an assigned supervisor or mentor within the host organization;
- A bursary to assist with travel and/or accommodation.





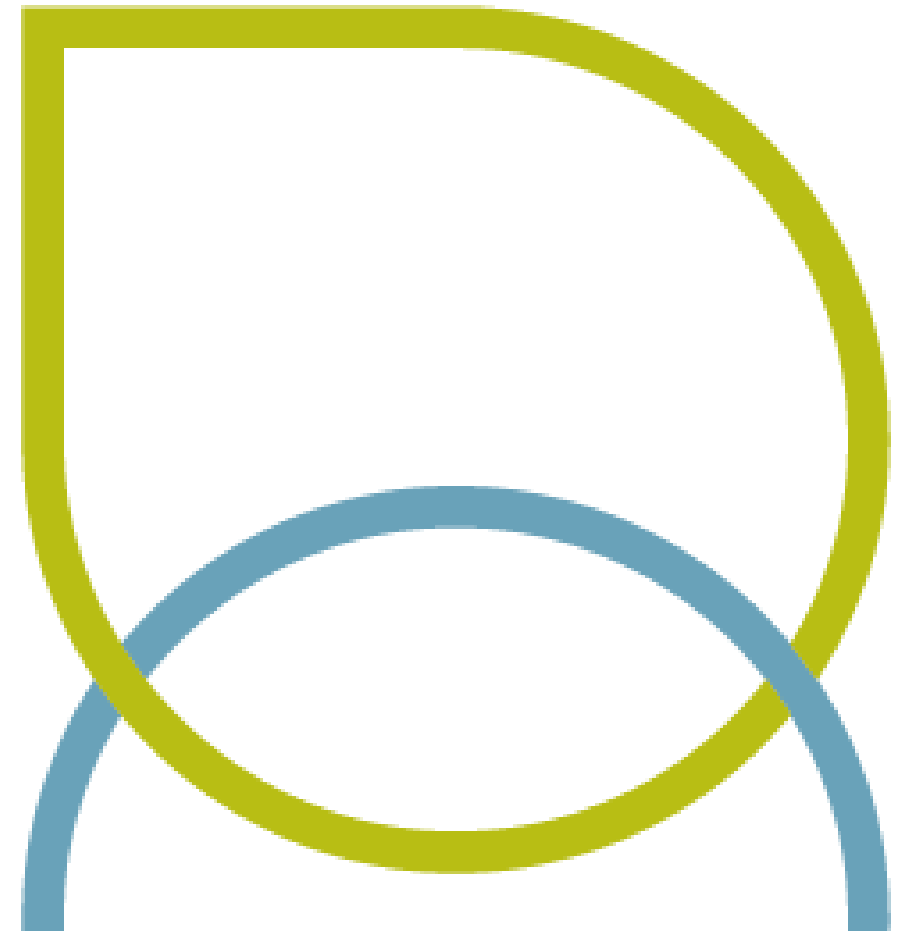
Bingham Centre for the Rule of Law at the British Institute for International and Comparative Law (London, UK)

- **BIICL** is a leading independent research organisation, specialising in the fields of international and comparative law, with an applied focus.
- The **Bingham Centre** is dedicated to the promotion and enhancement of the rule of law worldwide.
- **Interns** will assist with current research, and the development of new projects and events.
- **Duration:** 8 weeks
- **Funding:** £ 2,700 (max)

Center for Law, Justice & Society - Dejusticia (Bogotá, Colombia)



- Colombia-based NGO working on strengthening the rule of law and promoting human rights in Colombia and across the Global South.
- Think/do tank that combines rigorous research and activism.
- **Dejusticia interns** work with us on research, communications, and advocacy in one or more of our research areas.
- **Duration:** 10 weeks
- **Funding:** £ 3,500 (max)



European Center for Constitutional & Human Rights (Berlin, Germany)

- ECCHR is dedicated to protecting civil and human rights worldwide through legal means, engaging in innovative strategic litigation, using European, international, and national law and fora to enforce human rights and to hold state and non-state actors accountable for egregious abuses.
- **Interns** work with ECCHR staff to gain comprehensive insight into individual cases and program areas, as well as the overall philosophy of our work and our approach to strategic legal intervention. They also participate in ECCHR's Education Program.



- **Duration:** 10 weeks
- **Funding:** £ 2,700 (max)

JUSTICE (London, UK)



- All-party law reform and human rights organisation working to strengthen the justice system – administrative, civil and criminal – in the UK.
- JUSTICE interns will work closely with our legal staff: conducting legal research; providing commentary on draft legislation; assisting with third party interventions; and supporting working parties of our membership exploring critical issues of law reform.
- The **internship** will provide the opportunity to develop research and drafting skills, to engage with litigation and law-making processes, and to be part of a small, friendly and committed staff.
- **Duration:** 8 weeks
- **Funding:** £ 2,700 (max)

Namibian Supreme Court (Windhoek, Namibia)

- Highest court of appeal in Namibia.
- **Foreign law clerks** will work closely with the judges at the court, attending hearings, preparing bench memoranda on pending appeals, etc.



- **Duration:** 6 months
- **Funding:** £ 4,200 (max)

Public Law Project (London, UK)

- PLP is a national legal charity which aims to advance public law and improve access to justice.
- Uniquely for an organisation of its kind, PLP undertakes research, policy initiatives, training and direct casework, including strategic litigation. It has a specialist in-house legal team consisting of both solicitors and barristers.
- **Duration:** 8 weeks
- **Funding:** £ 2,700 (max)



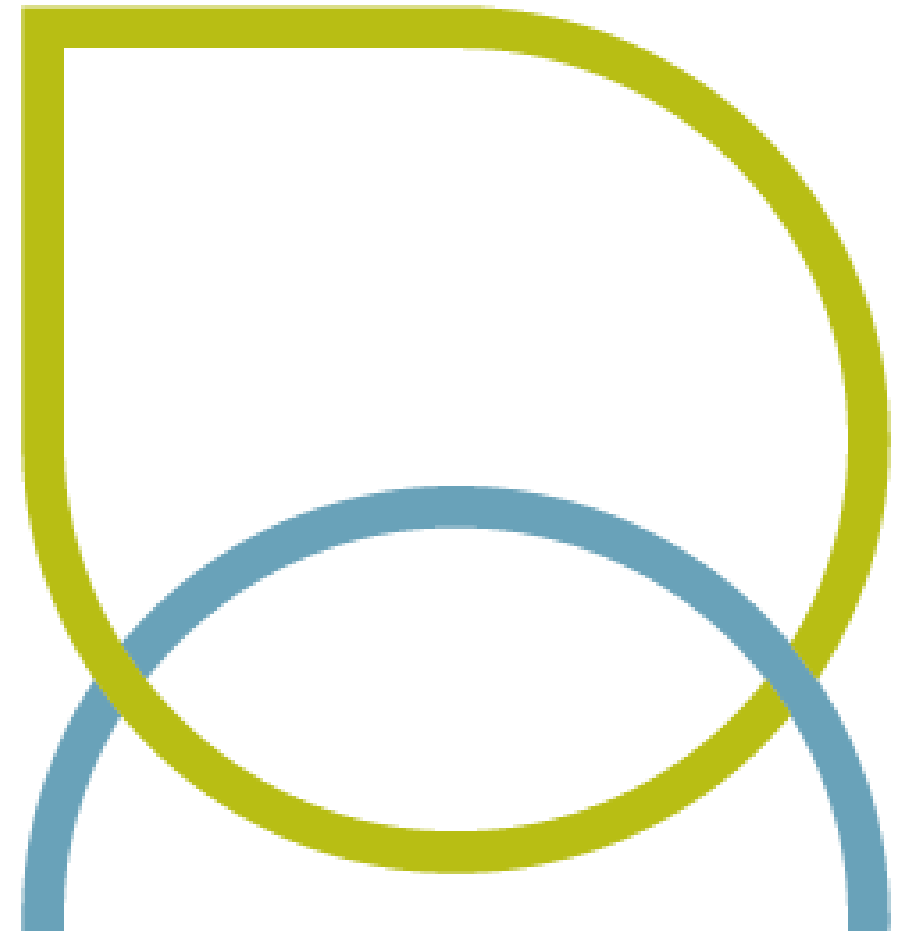
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REDRESS (London, UK)

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Ending torture, Seeking justice for survivors

- International human rights organisation that represents victims of torture to obtain justice and reparations bringing legal cases in a range of international courts and tribunals and advocating for better laws to provide effective reparations
- **REDRESS interns** are likely to work on a number of assignments, including independent research on torture cases at national, regional and international level; background and policy research for reports and submissions before regional or international courts and UN mechanisms (and possibly some initial drafting); assisting with project work, including developing and implementing training programs; and further tasks as required.
- **Duration:** 8 weeks
- **Funding:** £ 2,700 (max)



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Reprieve (London, UK)

- organisation of courageous and committed human rights defenders providing free legal and investigative support to some of the world's most vulnerable people: those facing execution, and those victimised by states' abusive counter-terror policies.
- Reprieve interns at will join a team of lawyers, investigators and campaigners seeking to ensure that governments are held to account on human rights issues.
- **Duration:** 8 weeks
- **Funding:** £ 2,700 (max)

“My internship at Reprieve was truly a memorable and rewarding experience! The exciting and challenging tasks I was given not only deepen my academic understanding of human rights laws and policies, but also the complexities in its practical implementation.”

Thara Wahab, Bonavero fellow at Reprieve 2018



Turpin & Miller (Oxford, UK)

- Oxford based Legal Aid Firm dedicated to publicly funded work with strong community links
- Since 2018: **Collaborative Legal Aid Clinic at HMP Huntercombe**
- The **internship** takes place within Turpin Miller's busy immigration team and would follow a programme covering legal research, casework and administration. This will include attending legal aid clinics at HMP Huntercombe.
- **Duration:** 10 weeks (3 days per week)
- **Funding:** £ 1,800 (max)

Samuel Pisar Travelling Fellowship

- Funding for an Oxford graduate student studying law with a specific focus on human rights to work on a summer project in a developing country.
- Project should complement the student's academic work with practical experience of: rights' violation litigation, case-led or policy-driven research, and/or advocacy at community and government levels.
- Former Fellows have worked for example at:
 - The International Center for Transitional Justice,
 - The South African Constitutional Court,
 - Women's Link Worldwide Colombia etc.
- **Funding:** £ 4,000 (max)



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OPBP **Internship schemes**

AIMS:

- encourage student interest and involvement in pro bono work and public interest law;
- enable students to gain practical experience in these areas where, without financial assistance, they would be unable to do so;
- put world-class legal skills at the disposal of organisations working pro bono in public interest; and
- strengthen OPBP's relationships with its partners.

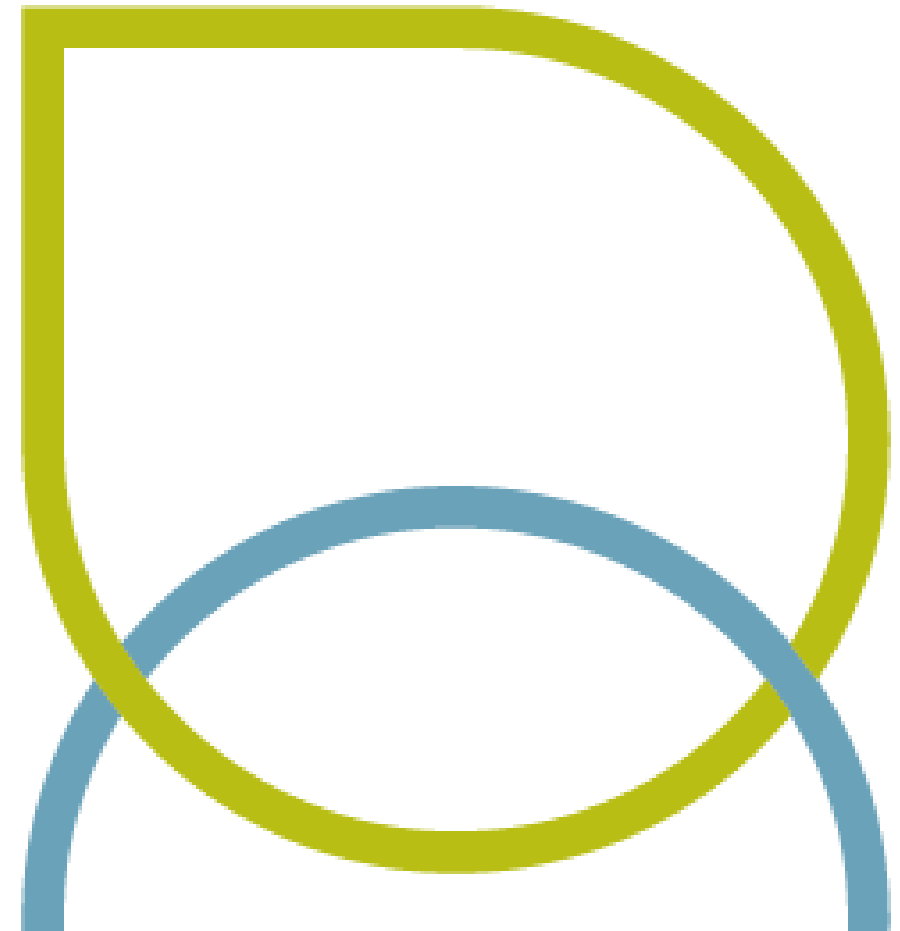


OPBP Internship schemes

- **Project 39A** - formerly Centre on the Death Penalty, National Law University (Delhi, India) (£ 2,000 max)
- **Women's Legal Centre** (Cape Town, South Africa) (£ 2,000 max)
- **General applications** to the OPBP internship fund (£ 1,000 max)



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Eligibility Criteria

- Students currently pursuing a **research degree or a taught graduate course in the Oxford Law Faculty** (BCL/MJur/MSc/MSt/MPhil/DPhil)
- **Graduate students** in other faculties or departments of the University of Oxford **with a previous law degree** (*please note: not eligible for the Samuel Pisar Fellowship*)
- Students currently in the **final year of the BA (Jurisprudence) programme** of the Oxford Law Faculty (*please note: not eligible for OPBP*)
- Students who have graduated from Oxford (including the BA programme) within the last twelve months
& **demonstrated knowledge** of human rights law, public law, international law and/or constitutional law, e.g. through courses, research and/or practical experience

Application process

1. Submit your application by Thursday, 25 April 2019, noon electronically, including:

- **A completed application form** (see website)
- **Your CV** (max 2 pages)
- **Two letters of reference**
- **Official transcripts** (scanned copies)
- **A motivation letter** (max 2 pages)

2. An interview in early May

For further information please see:

www.law.ox.ac.uk/BonaveroIHR

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