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## **Bonaverio Institute of Human Rights, University of Oxford**

### **Summer Fellowship in Human Rights – Reprieve UK**

The Bonaverio Institute of Human Rights is a new research institute in the Law Faculty. The aim of the Bonaverio Institute Summer Fellowship programme is to provide financial assistance to Oxford law graduates seeking work experience in human rights law and related fields. The programme will provide support to graduate students within the Faculty as well as to recent Oxford law graduates who wish to undertake internships in a range of organisations that work in the broad field of human rights law, including the rule of law. The Summer Fellowships will provide students with an opportunity to apply their knowledge of human rights law to obtain a valuable platform to develop careers in this field.

This Bonaverio Institute Summer Fellowship at Reprieve UK (London) is an eight-week fellowship, tenable from early July to early September 2018.

#### **About Reprieve**

[Reprieve](#) is an organisation of courageous and committed human rights defenders. Founded in 1999 by the British human rights lawyer Clive Stafford Smith, Reprieve provides 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 – rendition, torture, extrajudicial imprisonment and extrajudicial killing.

Summer interns at Reprieve will join a team of lawyers, investigators and campaigners seeking to ensure that governments are held to account on human rights issues. The nature of their work as interns will depend on the organisation's needs and their particular areas of interest. There will always be a combination of investigation and legal work, as that's where Reprieve's strength and uniqueness lies. Reprieve is the type of place where students will learn how to and be expected to use all the tools in the tool box, and because we're a small team, students will get exposure to multiple areas of the work.

#### **Eligibility**

The fellowship is open to students currently pursuing a research degree or a taught graduate course in the Law Faculty (BCL/MJur/MSc/MSt/MPhil/DPhil). In addition, the programme is open to students currently in the final year of the BA (Jurisprudence) programme or those who have graduated from Oxford Law Faculty (including the BA programme) within the last twelve months.

Applicants may be about to complete their graduate degrees in Oxford or, in appropriate cases and after consulting their supervisor, may be seeking to intermit their studies in order to undertake the internship.

Applicants may apply to more than one of the Bonavero Institute of Human Rights Fellowships. Where applications are made for than one fellowship, applicants should indicate their order of preference with regard to the different fellowships.

Applicants should demonstrate from their qualifications, especially their studies in Oxford, that they have sufficient knowledge of human rights law to make an effective contribution. Usually, applicants will have taken at least one human rights law subject in an Oxford taught programme or will have engaged in research in human rights law as part of their studies in Oxford.

### **Application Process**

If you wish to apply for any of these schemes, please read the individual scheme details and submit the following to [elizabeth.hodges@law.ox.ac.uk](mailto:elizabeth.hodges@law.ox.ac.uk) by **12 noon Thursday 10 May 2018**. It is planned that interviews will take place **Monday 21<sup>st</sup> and Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2018**.

1. An application form describing briefly how your area of study is relevant to the chosen placement(s), your reasons for wishing to undertake the internship and a statement of costs and expected expenditure for the duration of the internship. Please also disclose other sources of funding (eg. scholarship stipends, personal funds or college grants) that have been granted to you in respect of this internship or for which you have applied. We also require you to list your chosen internships in order of preference.
2. A CV (maximum 2pp) which should indicate what previous work you have undertaken, relevant to your application, including whether you have been an active member of any of the organisations or groups linked with the schemes you are applying for.
3. Official transcripts (scanned copies).
4. Two letters of reference, preferably from individuals able to speak to your abilities in the field of international law and/or human rights law. In the case of current research students, one of the referees should be the applicant's supervisor.

All applications should be sent electronically to [elizabeth.hodges@law.ox.ac.uk](mailto:elizabeth.hodges@law.ox.ac.uk) by the deadline of **12 noon Thursday 10 May 2018**. Any applications received after the deadline will not be submitted for review.

The successful candidate will receive a maximum of **£2,855** to cover travel, living and other expenses associated with the fellowship. In determining the amount to be awarded, other sources of funding will be taken into account.

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