

Law Student Opportunities

Public Rights Division

Consumer Protection Section - Privacy Unit (San Francisco)



The Privacy Unit in the California Attorney General's Office has volunteer internship and externship opportunities available for law students in its San Francisco office.

The Privacy Unit enforces and protects the privacy rights of California consumers by investigating and prosecuting companies that violate federal and California privacy laws. The Privacy Unit enforces the California Consumer Privacy Act (CCPA), as well as laws that regulate consumers' data in specific sectors like health, finance, education. Privacy enforcement cases often entail complex investigations, and potential litigation resulting in injunctions, civil penalties, and other equitable relief.

Interns and externs will have the opportunity to assist attorneys by researching a broad range of legal issues pertaining to privacy and data security, preparing written memorandum, reviewing and assessing evidence, drafting potential investigative subpoena requests, and drafting educational materials. Interns and externs will also gain experience in developing investigative and enforcement strategies.

Applicants must have excellent writing, research, and analytical skills. Interest in the field of technology is ideal. Knowledge of any of the various business sectors is also helpful, as privacy issues affect all industries. The Privacy Unit accepts summer internship applications from students who wish to intern during the summer after their first or second year of law school. Current second or third year law students who will receive credit for externships may apply for either the fall or spring semester. Semester hours are flexible and may be adjusted as appropriate.

How to Apply:

Interested applicants should submit a cover letter, resume, writing sample, transcript*, and list of three references to:

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*First-year law students applying for a summer internship may submit an application without a transcript, but should supplement their application once final grades for their first term are available.