

DOJ Honors Program & Summer Law Intern Program

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The 2026-2027 Attorney General's Honors Program & 2027 Summer Law Intern Program

The application receipt deadline is Tuesday, September 8, 2026 at 11:59 PM Eastern. The Department must receive all application materials before the deadline. We do not accept late or incomplete applications, or applications submitted outside this portal.

Program Overview

Attorney General's Honors Program (HP)

The Attorney General's Honors Program (HP) is the hiring program used by DOJ's litigating divisions, bureaus, immigration courts, law enforcement agencies and U.S. Attorneys' Offices (USAOs) to hire entry-level attorneys. For more information about the HP, including eligibility, go to:

[Legal Careers](#) | [Entry-Level Attorneys](#)

Summer Law Intern Program (SLIP)

The Summer Law Intern Program (SLIP) comprises two sub-programs: SLIP-Pathways (a subset of the Pathways Intern Program) for law students who typically intern during the summer between their second and third years of law school; and SLIP-Law Clerk, for graduating students who work for DOJ the summer between law school graduation and the start of a

judicial clerkship or legal fellowship. For more information about the SLIP, including eligibility, go to:

[Legal Careers | Summer Law Intern Program](#)

Application Tips and Checklist

Assembling the information listed on the Application Tips & Checklist in advance will save you time in completing your application.

[Application Tips and Checklist](#)

Access Your Application

New Applicants

First time applying? You will need to:

- Create an account with a valid email address. We strongly recommend against using a '.edu' email address.
- Verify your email address before proceeding
- Complete all required sections of the application
- Review and submit before the deadline

Check Status

 *Instructions pending from the technical team.*

Withdraw Your Application

 **Reviewer note:** This may be a good place to add this option.

Withdrawals are permanent unless you recertify and resubmit your application by the deadline.

Transfer from HP to SLIP-Law Clerk

If you applied to the Honors Program before accepting a post-law school graduation judicial clerkship or legal fellowship and wish to work for one of the prestigious DOJ offices hiring for the summer between graduation and the start of your eligibility

preserving activity, you may transfer to the SLIP-Law Clerk. This option is open through September 30, 2026.

Forgot Your Log-In Information?

 *Instructions pending from the technical team.*

General Questions

How does the system handle applicants with disabilities?

Individuals with disability or special needs who need an accommodation to complete the application should contact us via email at AskOARM@usdoj.gov or by telephone at (202) 514-8900.

Need Assistance?

For detailed program information, visit Legal Careers | Entry-Level Attorneys or Legal Careers | Summer Law Intern Program. If you cannot find the information you need, email us at AskOARM@usdoj.gov.

Email Support

AskOARM@usdoj.gov

Phone Support

(202) 514-8900

Monday-Friday, 8:00 AM -5:00 PM ET

Technical Support

DOJ Service Desk

DOJ.Service.Desk@usdoj.gov

(202) 616-7100

Sign up

Create a new account.

Email address

name@host.com

Password

Enter password

Confirm password

Reenter password

☐ Show password

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Have an account already? [Sign in](#)

Confirm your account



We have sent a code in an Email message to d***@g***. To confirm your account, enter your code.

Code

Resend code

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OMB Number: 1105-0030 • **Expiration:** 09/30/2027

General Instructions

This application is for the Attorney General's Honors Program (HP) and Summer Law Intern Program (SLIP). Hiring policies applicable to these programs are published on the [DOJ Legal Careers website](#). The application consists of multiple sections that must be completed in order. You may save your progress at any time and return to complete (and submit) your application before the deadline.

Please provide accurate and complete information. Incomplete applications may not be considered. You will have the opportunity to review your application before final submission.

Required fields are marked with an asterisk (*). You must complete all required fields before proceeding to the next section. Optional fields may be left blank if not applicable.

Attach all requested documents (i.e., law school transcripts and, as appropriate, documents supporting veterans' preference eligibility or legal fellowships). Do not upload documents we do

not request (i.e., resumes). Document uploads must be in PDF format and must not exceed 10MB per file. Ensure all documents are clearly legible before uploading.

Privacy and Data Security

Your application will be kept confidential and will only be shared with authorized users (e.g., reviewing / selecting officials and program administrators). All data is stored securely and in compliance with federal privacy regulations.

By submitting this application, you consent to the collection, use, and storage of your personal information for the purposes of evaluating your application and administering these programs.

For more information about how your data is protected, please review our [Privacy Act Statement](#).

Application Amendments, Transfers from the HP to SLIP, and Withdrawals

No restrictions apply to pre-submission amendments. Be sure to save any changes.

To amend a submitted application, you must first withdraw, make the desired change, save, then recertify and resubmit your application prior to the deadline.

With the exception of transferring from the HP to the SLIP-Law Clerk, no amendments are permitted post-deadline.

We Do Not Accept:

- Applications received after the deadline. The submission receipt time is electronically recorded.
 - Mailed, emailed, or faxed applications or supplemental documents.
 - Multiple applications from the same applicant.
 - Cover letters, resumes, or letters of recommendation.
 - Applicant-generated "grade reports" or similar documents in lieu of a law school transcript (official or unofficial) generated by the law school or downloaded from a law school system.
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Your Responses

How did you learn about DOJ legal hiring programs?

Select the primary source. *

--Select--

Please select how you learned about this program.

Required Acknowledgements

Read and acknowledge the following statements. All acknowledgements are required to proceed with your application.

- ☐ I reviewed and understand the information above. *
- ☐ My application may be considered by the components to which I applied and by other hiring offices that may not be listed. *
- ☐ DOJ does not accept late submissions. The 2026 receipt deadline is Tuesday, September 8, 2026, at 11:59 PM Eastern Time. The system will not permit late submissions even if I logged on prior to the deadline and was actively working on my application. *
- ☐ I will be disqualified if I fail to attach an acceptable law school transcript to my application. Transcripts may not be password protected. * 
- ☐ I must continuously remain eligible for the Program to which I apply throughout the hiring cycle and that a change in circumstances (e.g., curtailing a clerkship, fellowship, or graduate law program; taking a law school leave of absence; or accepting future employment that will not permit me to serve a full Honors Program appointment or meet the advertised commitment term, such as a deferred "gap-year" clerkship) may impact my eligibility. *

- ☐ I understand that DOJ does not defer entry on duty except in extraordinary circumstances, such as involuntary activation for military service, medical hardship, extreme family emergency, etc. Deferrals are not granted based on discretionary employment decisions (e.g., accepting or extending a judicial clerkship or fellowship). *
- ☐ Prior to submission, I must certify that my application is accurate and complete. The Department of Justice may report false statements, including misrepresentation of academic credentials (or other academic matters or information) to the appropriate authorities. *

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First Name *

First name is required.

Middle Name

Last Name *

Current Address *

Apt / Suite

City *

State / Province *

Country *

United States

ZIP / Postal Code *

Phone Number *

Email Address *

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Are you a U.S. citizen? *

- ☐ Yes, I am a U.S. citizen
I am a citizen of the United States by birth or naturalization and can provide documentation if required.
- ☐ No, I am not a U.S. citizen
I am not a U.S. citizen but may have work authorization through visa or other legal status.

Please indicate whether you are a U.S. citizen.

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Are you a dual citizen of the United States and another country? *

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- ☒ Yes, I am a dual citizen of the United States and another country.
- ☐ No, I am not a dual citizen of the United States and another country.

You indicated you are a dual citizen of the United States and another country. Identify the country, other than the United States, in which you hold citizenship.

Select Country *

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You may be considered for the HP or SLIP program even if you are not a citizen; however, you must meet one of the following criteria. *

- ☒ I am lawfully admitted for permanent residence and seeking citizenship as outlined in 8 U.S.C. 1324b(a)(3)(B).
- ☐ I am admitted as a refugee (under 8 U.S.C. 1157) and have filed a declaration of intention to become a lawful permanent resident and then a citizen when eligible.

- ☐ I have been granted asylum (under 8 U.S.C. 1158) and have filed a declaration of intention to become a lawful permanent resident and then a citizen when eligible.
- ☐ I was an officer or employee of the United States government on December 16, 2009.
- ☐ I owe permanent allegiance to the United States (for example, as a native of American Samoa and Swains Island).
- ☐ None of the criteria apply to me.

You indicated that you are a non-US citizen who falls within a [category](#) that permits employment by the U.S. federal government. Identify the country in which you hold citizenship.

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☐ **Summer Law Intern Program (SLIP)**

Paid summer internships for first-and second-year law students.

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☐ Current Law Student

☐ Law School Graduate

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i You are applying to: **Attorney General's Honors Program**

Applicant Status *

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Enrollment Status

Full Time

Current Year

--Select--

Expected J.D. Date

mm/dd/yyyy

☐ I am a joint degree student

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☒ Summer Law Intern Program (SLIP)

Paid summer internships.

Select SLIP Track *

☐ SLIP — Pathways Internship

The SLIP-Pathways offers summer internships for law students between their second and third years of law school.

☐ SLIP — Law Clerk

The SLIP-Law Clerk offers DOJ internships to graduating students the summer between law school graduation and the start of a judicial clerkship or legal fellowship.

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Includes joint-degree students who have not completed both degrees.

☐ Law School Graduate

Enrollment Status *

Full Time

Current Year *

Date J.D. Expected/Conferred *

05/05/2026

☒ I am a joint degree student

Joint Degree Details

Second Degree Type *

Second degree type is required.

Second Degree School *

Second degree school is required.

Expected Completion *

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List legal internships, externships, and all additional job experience, before and during law school, on the Employment screen.

Upload your law school transcript on the Supporting Documents screen.

No entries yet. Use the buttons below to add your first one.

Add education

+ Undergraduate Education

+ Non-Legal Graduate Education

+ Law Degree

+ Graduate Legal Education (LLM)

☐ **I have accepted or am currently in a post-law school eligibility preserving activity, including a judicial clerkship, legal fellowship, or a graduate law program.**

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Undergraduate Education
— — —
- ☐ **Non-Legal Graduate Education**
Non-Legal Graduate Education

☐ **Law Degree**

Law Degree

☐ **Graduate Legal Education (LLM)**

Graduate Legal Education (LLM)

Undergraduate Education



Name of College / University *

City

State

Country

--Select--

Degree Type *

--Select--

Graduation Honors

--Select--

Start Date *

mm/dd/yyyy

End Date *

mm/dd/yyyy

Major(s)

Add a major and press Enter

Add

Non-Legal Graduate Education



Name of College / University *

City

State

Country

--Select--

Degree Type *

--Select--

Graduation Honors

--Select--

Start Date *

mm/dd/yyyy

End Date (or Expected) *

mm/dd/yyyy

Field(s) of Study / Major(s)

Add a field of study and press Enter

Add

☐ This is part of a joint degree program recognized by my U.S. law school.

Law Degree



Are you currently enrolled in a Juris Doctor (J.D.) degree program? *

☒ Yes ☐ No

Select your J.D. law school type *

☒ U.S. J.D. Law School ☐ Non-U.S. J.D. Law School

Select U.S. Law School *

--Select--

Joint-degree students: List the date the last graduate degree (legal or non-legal) is expected/conferred, even if you finish law school earlier. Enter the other graduate degree (e.g., LLM, MBA) as its own timeline entry.

Law School Start Date *

mm/dd/yyyy

Date Law Degree Expected / Conferred *

mm/dd/yyyy

Conferring Law School GPA *

Conferring Law School Grade Range *

--Select--

Conferring Law School Class Rank *

--Select--

Be as specific as possible and do not round up.

Additional law schools attended

Add any additional law schools you attended, e.g., the law school you attended during 1L year prior to transferring. If none, leave it blank.

[+ Add a law school](#)

Graduate Legal Education (LLM)



Enter your Master of Laws (LLM) program details below.

Law school type *

☒ U.S. Law School ☐ Non-U.S. Law School

U.S. Law School *

--Select--

List attendance start and end dates for all law schools attended when earning your graduate law degree.

Start Date *

mm/dd/yyyy

End Date *

mm/dd/yyyy

Date Graduate Law Degree Expected / Conferred *

mm/dd/yyyy

[+ Add Law School](#)

Select the option that best fits: *

- ☐ This is a joint degree. I am a current law student simultaneously enrolled in and earning credits for both a JD and an LLM degree (programs must overlap, but completion dates may differ).
- ☐ I am a law school graduate. This is a full-time LLM program that began after I completed a JD.

- ☐ I am a law school graduate. This is a full-time LLM program that began after I completed a non-JD legal program (for example, a Bachelor of Law).
- ☐ I am a law school graduate. This is a part-time LLM program that began after I completed my initial legal degree program.
- ☐ None of the above.

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Enter Law School *

City *

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☐ **Law Degree**
Law Degree

Law Degree



Are you currently enrolled in a Juris Doctor (J.D.) degree program? *

☐ Yes ☒ No

Non-J.D. programs are reviewed by OARM for eligibility.

Enter Law School *

City *

Country *

--Select--

Enter Degree Type (no abbreviation) *

Select a U.S. jurisdiction that permits you to sit for a U.S. bar examination based solely on this degree (i.e., without requiring a determination of educational equivalency, a specified amount of legal experience, a J.D. degree, additional education at an ABA-approved law school, etc.) *

--Select--

Joint-degree students: List the date the last graduate degree (legal or non-legal) is expected/conferred, even if you finish law school earlier. Enter the other graduate degree (e.g., LLM, MBA) as its own timeline entry.

Law School Start Date *

mm/dd/yyyy

Date Law Degree Expected / Conferred *

mm/dd/yyyy

Conferring Law School GPA *

Conferring Law School Grade Range *

--Select--

Conferring Law School Class Rank *

--Select--

Be as specific as possible and do not round up.

Additional law schools attended

Add any additional law schools you attended, e.g., the law school you attended during 1L year prior to transferring. If none, leave it blank.

+ Add a law school

Add education

+ Undergraduate Education

+ Non-Legal Graduate Education

+ Law Degree

+ Graduate Legal Education (LLM)

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☐ **Post-Law School Judicial Clerkship**

Post-Law School Judicial Clerkship

— — —

☐ **Post-Law School Legal Fellowship**

Post-Law School Legal Fellowship

Post-Law School Judicial Clerkship



Start Date *

mm/dd/yyyy

End Date *

mm/dd/yyyy

Use the expected date if it hasn't ended yet.

Work Schedule

Full-time

Payment

Paid

Duration

—

Court Type *

--Select--

City *

State *

If outside the U.S., enter Country.

Job Title *

--Select--

Judge / Supervisor Name

Judge / Supervisor Title

Duties / Responsibilities

0 / 2000

Post-Law School Legal Fellowship



Start Date *

mm/dd/yyyy

End Date *

mm/dd/yyyy

Use the expected date if it hasn't ended yet.

Fellowship Type *

--Select--

Includes other executive-agency and state Honors Programs.

Work Schedule

Full-time

Payment

Paid

Duration

—

City *

State *

If outside the U.S., enter Country.

Supervisor Name

Supervisor Title

Duties / Responsibilities

0 / 2000

Add education

+ Undergraduate Education

+ Non-Legal Graduate Education

+ Law Degree

+ Graduate Legal Education (LLM)

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You've added a clerkship or fellowship, so this stays checked. To clear it, remove those entries using the trash icon on each one.

Add experience

+ Post-Law School Judicial Clerkship

+ Post-Law School Legal Fellowship

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☐ **Post-Law School Legal Fellowship**

Post-Law School Legal Fellowship
2026-09-01 – 2026-12-18

☐ **Post-Law School Judicial Clerkship**

Post-Law School Judicial Clerkship

2026-09-02 – 2026-12-02

 Some of your entries overlap in time. That's often fine (for example, a part-time program while working) — just double-check the dates are right.

Post-Law School Judicial Clerkship ~3 months



Start Date *

09/02/2026

End Date *

12/02/2026

Use the expected date if it hasn't ended yet.

Work Schedule

Full-time

Payment

Paid

Duration

3 month(s)

Court Type *

--Select--

City *

State *

If outside the U.S., enter Country.

Job Title *

--Select--

Judge / Supervisor Name

Judge / Supervisor Title

Reason for duration of less than 12 months *

Duties / Responsibilities

0 / 2000

Post-Law School Legal Fellowship ~4 months



Start Date *

09/01/2026

End Date *

12/18/2026

Use the expected date if it hasn't ended yet.

Fellowship Type *

Non-Profit Public Service/Public Interest Fellowship

Includes other executive-agency and state Honors Programs.

Fellowship or Agency Name *

Sponsor and Host Organization (if applicable) or Agency
Section/Office

0 / 100

Is the sponsor a private law firm?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Fellowship Mission, Purpose, or Type of Work

0 / 750

Fellowship / Non-DOJ Honors Program Eligibility — Website
URL

https://...

Enter website URL where Fellowship or Honors Program is publicly advertised that shows published eligibility criteria, the application process and deadline. If there is no website, attach the Fellowship/Non-DOJ Honors Program's published vacancy announcement on the Supporting Documents screen.

Applicant Eligibility — Attachments: Attach the offer letter or other placement documentation showing your specific fellowship or non-DOJ Honors Program placement/position and the employment duration. Upload these on the Supporting Documents screen.

Salary or Stipend

Specify annual or monthly. If none, enter "Unpaid."

Work Schedule

Full-time

Payment

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Duration

4 month(s)

City *

State *

If outside the U.S., enter Country.

Supervisor Name

Supervisor Title

Reason for duration of less than 12 months *

Duties / Responsibilities

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Add education

+ Undergraduate Education

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Add experience

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Bar Admission Status

Indicate your current bar admission status. This section relates to only U.S. jurisdictions.

Choose one option below: *

- ☒ Admitted
- ☐ Admission Pending
- ☐ Not Admitted

i If you took a July 2026 bar exam, including the Uniform Bar Exam with all jurisdiction-specific components for bar admission, and expect results this fall, select "Admission Pending."

If you took the Uniform Bar Exam this summer but have not taken/completed all jurisdiction-specific components for bar admission this fall, select "Not Admitted."

All others not bar admitted, select "Not Admitted."

Bar Admission Details

Enter the details of your bar admission.

Date of your bar admission *

mm/dd/yyyy

Select U.S. State(s)/jurisdiction(s) where you are admitted to the Bar. You may use "CTRL+Click" to select more than one State/jurisdiction. *

Alabama
Alaska
Arizona
Arkansas
California
Colorado
Connecticut
Delaware
District of Columbia
Florida
Georgia
Hawaii
Illinois
Indiana
Iowa
Kansas
Kentucky
Louisiana
Maine
Maryland
Massachusetts
Michigan
Minnesota
Mississippi
Missouri
Montana
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Nevada
New Hampshire
New Jersey
New Mexico
New York
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North Dakota
Ohio
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You are applying for the Attorney General's Honors Program.

- You may apply to formally or informally participating hiring organizations (subject to their eligibility restrictions) by checking the box by the organization's name.
- The number of anticipated hires is listed in parentheses following the organization's name.
- Hiring organizations have the discretion to request assignment preferences at a later time, if appropriate.

0 selected

Formal Participants

Antitrust Division

Criminal Enforcement Program

- ☐ Chicago Office, Criminal Enforcement (2)
- ☐ New York Office, Criminal Enforcement (2)
- ☐ San Francisco Office, Criminal Enforcement (1)
- ☐ Washington, D.C. Criminal Section (2)

Civil Enforcement Program

- ☐ San Francisco Civil Enforcement (1)
- ☐ Washington, D.C. Civil Enforcement (14)

Civil Division

- ☐ Appellate Staff (3)
- ☐ Commercial Litigation Branch (8)
- ☐ Enforcement & Affirmative Litigation Branch (2)
- ☐ Federal Programs Branch (6)
- ☐ Office of Immigration Litigation (5)
- ☐ Tax Litigation Branch (2)
- ☐ Torts Branch (4)
- ☐ Torts Branch — Environmental Litigation — Camp Lejeune Justice Act Section (2)

Criminal Division

- ☐ Trial Attorney (4)
- ☐ Asset Forfeiture Fellowship (4)

Energy & Natural Resources Division

- ☐ Energy & Natural Resources Division (15)

Executive Office for Immigration Review

- ☐ Board of Immigration Appeals (16) **U.S. citizenship required**
- ☐ Office of the Chief Administrative Hearing Officer (2)
U.S. citizenship required
- ☐ Office of the Chief Immigration Judge (75)
U.S. citizenship required
- ☐ Office of General Counsel (6) **U.S. citizenship required**
- ☐ Office of Policy (8) **U.S. citizenship required**

The Gaye L. Tenoso Indian Country Fellowship

- ☐ The Gaye L. Tenoso Indian Country Fellowship (1)

National Fraud Enforcement Division

- ☐ National Fraud Enforcement Division (2-5)

U.S. Attorneys' Offices

Admission to the bar may be required before entry on duty.

Open to law school graduates only

☐ District of Arizona, Criminal Division (2) 

☐ Northern District of Texas (2) 

Open to all applicants

☐ Central District of California, Civil Division (2)

☐ Central District of California, Criminal Division (2)

☐ Eastern District of California, Criminal Division (Sacramento)
(1)

This district also has informal openings — see the Informal Participants section below.

☐ Northern District of California, Criminal Division (3)

☐ Southern District of California, Criminal Division (3)

☐ Southern District of California, Civil Division (1)

☐ District of Columbia (20)

☐ Southern District of Florida (2)

U.S. Trustee Program

☐ U.S. Trustee Program (5) **U.S. citizenship required**

Informal Participants

The organizations listed below participate informally, subject to the availability of funds. They may not follow the regular Honors Program timeline (e.g., they may proceed during or after the formal review and selection process). An estimated number of hires, should the organization proceed, is listed in parentheses.

Departmental Offices

☐ Executive Office for U.S. Attorneys — Office of Legal Education (1)

☐ Federal Bureau of Investigation — Office of General Counsel
(3) **U.S. citizenship required**

☐ Federal Bureau of Prisons (1)

☐ Office of Information Policy (3-4)

☐ Office of Legal Policy (1-2)

☐ Office of Legislative Affairs (1-2)

☐ U.S. Marshals Service — Office of General Counsel (2)

Open to law school graduates only

☐ Office of the Pardon Attorney (2) 

U.S. Attorneys' Offices

Admission to the bar may be required before entry on duty.

Open to law school graduates only

☐ District of Alaska, Civil Division (1) 

☐ District of Alaska, Criminal Division (1) 

☐ Southern District of Illinois, Civil Division (1) 

☐ Southern District of Illinois, Criminal Division (1) 

☐ Western District of Michigan, Criminal Division (1) 

Open to all applicants

☐ Eastern District of California, Civil Division (2)

☐ Eastern District of California, Criminal Division (Fresno) (1)

This district also has a formal opening — see the Formal Participants section above.

☐ Southern District of Indiana (1)

☐ Southern District of Florida (6)

☐ District of New Hampshire, Criminal Division (1)

☐ Eastern District of Texas, Appellate Section (1)

☐ Eastern District of Texas, Civil Division (1)

☐ Eastern District of Texas, Criminal Division (1)

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Apply to up to 4 positions by checking the box by the organization's name. The number of anticipated hires is listed in parentheses.

0 of 4 selected

SLIP — Law Clerk Opportunities

i Law school graduation by June 30, 2026, and formal commitment to a post-J.D. eligibility preserving activity required.

Departmental Offices

- ☐ Office of Legal Counsel (1)
- ☐ Office of the Solicitor General (2)

U.S. Attorneys' Offices

Admission to the bar may be required before entry on duty.

- ☐ U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of California, Civil Division (1)
- ☐ U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Rhode Island (1)

Civil Division

☐ Civil Division — Appellate Section (1)

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0 of 4 selected

SLIP — Pathways Opportunities

i SLIP-Pathways interns are expected to work in the city where the employing office is located.

Civil Division

- ☐ Civil Division — Commercial Litigation Branch (6)
- ☐ Civil Division — Federal Programs Branch (4)
- ☐ Civil Division — Office of Immigration Litigation (3)
- ☐ Civil Division — Tax Litigation Branch (1)
- ☐ Civil Division — Torts Branch — Aviation, Space & Admiralty Section (1)
- ☐ Civil Division — Torts Branch — Environmental Torts — Camp Lejeune Justice Act Section (1)

- ☐ Civil Division — Torts Branch — Environmental Tort Litigation Section (1)
- ☐ Civil Division — Torts Branch — Federal Tort Claims Act Section (1)

Energy & Natural Resources Division

- ☐ Energy and Natural Resources Division (15)

Executive Office for Immigration Review

- ☐ Executive Office for Immigration Review — Office of the Chief Administrative Hearing Officer (2)
- ☐ Executive Office for Immigration Review — Board of Immigration Appeals (2)
- ☐ Executive Office for Immigration Review — Office of the Chief Immigration Judge (36)

Departmental Offices

- ☐ Federal Bureau of Prisons (7)
- ☐ Office of Information Policy (3)

National Fraud Enforcement Division

- ☐ National Fraud Enforcement Division (1)

U.S. Attorneys' Offices

Admission to the bar may be required before entry on duty.

- ☐ U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of California (2)
- ☐ U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Florida, Criminal Division (2)
- ☐ U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Florida, Civil Division (2)
- ☐ U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Rhode Island (4)

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Professional Accomplishments & Experience

In this section, you are asked to provide college and post-college professional accomplishments and experience (including activities you have undertaken as part of a job, internship/externship or student group). Select all that apply. Briefly list relevant details about your participation in the activity as you would on a resume (e.g., name of publication; editorial position; name of competition, team or employer; dates you engaged in this activity; whether full-or part-time; location; primary duties; etc.) in the text box that opens when you check a box. We strongly recommend you list significant employment (including internships/externships) in the Employment section as well.

Research and Writing

- ☐ Law Review/Journal Editorial Position
- ☐ Law School's Primary Official Law Review/Journal member or selectee
- ☐ Other School-Recognized Law Review/Journal member or selectee
- ☐ Research Assistant to college or law school professor or dean

- ☐ Full-time employment as compensated journalist/Article/Column/News writer
- ☐ Compensated speech writing
- ☐ Editor on college student newspaper
- ☐ Full-time employment as a paralegal

Oral Advocacy

- ☐ Competitive Law School Moot Court (not required first year Moot Court) award winner
- ☐ Competitive Law School Moot Court (not required first year Moot Court) participant/member
- ☐ Competitive Law School Moot Court (not required first year Moot Court) selectee (i.e., have not yet actively participated).
- ☐ Competitive Law School Mock Trial / Trial Advocacy team (not required first-year mock trial/trial advocacy) award winner
- ☐ Competitive Law School Mock Trial / Trial Advocacy team (not required first year mock trial/trial advocacy) member or participant
- ☐ Competitive Law School Mock Trial / Trial Advocacy team (not required first year mock trial/trial advocacy) selectee (i.e., have not yet actively participated).
- ☐ College debate team; college forensics team; individual college debate competition in college
- ☐ Significant experience in non-legal public speaking club/group (e.g. Toastmasters)

Public Service

- ☐ College or post-College Congressional internship/externship
- ☐ Department of Justice legal internship/externship
- ☐ Federal government legal internship/externship (other than U.S. Department of Justice)
- ☐ Federal government non-legal internship/externship (including U.S. Department of Justice)
- ☐ Federal judicial internship/externship
- ☐ Full-time Federal/State Government employee (other than in the armed services) for at least one continuous year, including full-time work in a Congressional office or State legislature.

- ☐ Judicial or legal internship/externship/fellowship at an intergovernmental organization (e.g., the United Nations, International Criminal Court, World Trade Organization)
- ☐ State or local government legal internship/externship
- ☐ Tax Preparer in a Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) Program
- ☐ Significant volunteer work with a legal non-profit, legal aid organization, or legal advocacy group (other than a law school clinic or student practice organization)
- ☐ State or municipal judicial internship/externship
- ☐ Full or part-time employment, or significant volunteer work with a non-legal non-profit organization
- ☐ Significant non-legal volunteerism (excluding military service); e.g., Habitat for Humanity, Red Cross, Animal Rescue Groups, etc.
- ☐ Peace Corps / Teach for America / AmeriCorps
- ☐ Pro-Bono work
- ☐ Law School Student Bar officer
- ☐ Experience as a corrections or law enforcement officer, or as an investigator or inspector general for a public agency

Litigation Experience

- ☐ Successfully completed a litigation-related or client-service oriented law school practical experience (e.g., formal clinic or student practice organization) that provides opportunities to gain practical legal experience under the supervision of a licensed attorney
- ☐ Litigation-related experience (e.g., work in a prosecutor's office, public defender's office, or private law firm where at least 2/3 of your time was assigned to litigation-related activities)

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Select all that apply. Enter relevant details when a text box appears (max 500 characters).

- ☐ Law School Dean's List
- ☐ Award for Legal Writing
- ☐ Award for oral advocacy, first year law school moot court
- ☐ Academic merit-based law school scholarship (based on law school grades) recipient
- ☐ Award for highest law school grade in a class (e.g., Am Jur, book awards/prizes)
- ☐ Prestigious Law School Academic Honors/Prizes
- ☐ Prestigious Graduate School Scholarship/Fellowship
- ☐ Order of the Coif
- ☐ Phi Beta Kappa
- ☐ Graduated college Summa Cum Laude or with highest honors
- ☐ Graduated college Magna Cum Laude or with high honors
- ☐ Graduated college Cum Laude or with honors
- ☐ Graduated law school Summa Cum Laude or with highest honors
- ☐ Graduated law school Magna Cum Laude or with high honors

☐ Graduated law school Cum Laude or with honors

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Department of Justice Experience

DOJ Position 1	Remove
Job Title	
Employer	
City	
State	
--Select a state--	
Payment	
Paid	

Schedule

Full Time

From

mm/dd/yyyy

To

mm/dd/yyyy

Supervisor Name

Supervisor Title

Duties / Responsibilities

[+ Add DOJ Position](#)

Other Experience

You do not need to re-enter eligibility-preserving activities (judicial clerkships and fellowships) here. Those you entered on the Eligibility Activities screen appear below for reference and are edited there.

Position 1

[Remove](#)

Job Title

Employer

City

State

Payment

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From

mm/dd/yyyy

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Supervisor Title

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Essay

Draft this essay like the body of a cover letter. Explain your interest in the specific hiring offices/practice areas you designated, highlight your relevant skills and experience, and make a connection between your skills and experience and the mission and work of the hiring offices you selected. Maintain the highest level of professionalism in your response. Write clearly and concisely, paying attention to spelling, grammar, style, and punctuation. Your answer must reflect your own original thoughts and words.

Tell us why you want to work for the U.S. Department of Justice and describe the experiences, skills, and/or qualifications that make you a strong candidate. Please also address why you applied to any specific hiring office(s) and/or why you wish to work in specific practice areas. (6000 characters maximum, including spaces). *

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References

Provide at least three professional or academic references who can attest to your qualifications.

Reference 1

Full Name *

Title

Company / Organization

City / State

Phone

Email

Relationship to Applicant

+ Add Reference

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Military Service & Veterans' Preference Eligibility Questions

The Department applies veterans' preference in Honors Program and Summer Law Intern hiring. Please note that these are excepted service hiring programs which may impact the manner in which veterans' preference is applied. Military service does not automatically confer veterans' preference eligibility — applicants must meet additional requirements.

[Link to definition or CFR](#) ⓘ

- Only veterans discharged or released from active duty in the armed forces under honorable conditions are eligible for veterans' preference. This means you must have been discharged with service characterized as honorable or general under honorable conditions. ⓘ
- A "retired member of the armed forces" is not included in the definition of preference eligible unless he or she is a disabled veteran OR retired below the rank of major (O-4) or its equivalent.

Select the appropriate response *

☒ I served in the United States Armed Forces

- ☐ I am the spouse, unremarried widow/widower, or parent of a deceased or disabled U.S. veteran who has been administratively deemed eligible for derivative entitlement to veterans' preference. (Attach supporting documentation.)

[Veteran Family Members — OPM.gov](#)

- ☐ No response / I am not eligible for veterans' preference.

Service Details

Branch & Dates of Service

Branch of Service *

--Select--

Service From *

mm/dd/yyyy

Service To *

mm/dd/yyyy

+ Add Service Period

Characterization of Service *

- ☐ Honorable or General Under Honorable Conditions
- ☐ Other

Veterans' Preference Eligibility

Select one *

- ☐ I am eligible for veterans' preference. (Attach DD-214 supporting claim of veterans' preference eligibility.)
- ☐ I am not eligible for veterans' preference.

Upload your DD-214 (and SF-15, if claiming a disabled preference) on the Supporting Documents screen.

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- Click the **Add Language** button to enter information about fluency in languages other than English.
- If you do not have fluency in other languages, you may continue without entering information by selecting **Save & Continue**.
- If you are fluent in other languages, add a separate entry for each language.
- For each language you add, name the language and select your oral, written, and listening proficiency.
- You may continue adding entries until all languages have been listed.
- Use **Remove** on any entry you no longer need. Incomplete entries must be completed or removed before continuing.

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Remove

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Written Proficiency *

--Select--

Listening Proficiency *

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Additional Comments (optional)

Applicants may use this space to provide information related to experience, employment, accomplishments, activities, qualifications, training, special skills or competencies, honors and awards not listed previously, articles published, security clearances, special circumstances, or other relevant information they want hiring officials to consider. (4000 characters maximum, including spaces)

Enter any additional information here...

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The provision of this information is voluntary. We do not provide demographic data to hiring officials, anyone involved in the hiring process, or the public. Review our [Privacy Act Statement](#) and the [Paperwork Reduction Act](#) for more information.

☐ I do not want to answer the demographic questions.

Sex

- ☐ Male
- ☐ Female
- ☐ Prefer not to answer

Ethnicity

- ☐ Not Hispanic or Latino
- ☐ Hispanic or Latino 
- ☐ Prefer not to answer

Race(select all that apply)

- ☐ American Indian or Alaska Native ⓘ
- ☐ Asian ⓘ
- ☐ Black or African American ⓘ
- ☐ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander ⓘ
- ☐ White ⓘ

☐ Prefer not to answer

Disability / Serious Health Condition(check all that apply)

- ☐ Deaf or serious difficulty hearing
- ☐ Blind or serious difficulty seeing even when wearing glasses
- ☐ Missing an arm, leg, hand, or foot
- ☐ Partial or complete paralysis (any cause)
- ☐ Significant disfigurement ⓘ
- ☐ Significant mobility impairment ⓘ
- ☐ Significant psychiatric disorder ⓘ
- ☐ Intellectual disability
- ☐ Developmental disability ⓘ
- ☐ Traumatic brain injury
- ☐ Dwarfism
- ☐ Epilepsy or other seizure disorder
- ☐ Other disability or serious health condition ⓘ

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- ☐ None of the conditions listed above apply to me.
 - ☐ I do not wish to answer questions regarding my disability/health conditions.

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Supporting Documents

Acceptable documents to attach and their preferred formats:

- **Law school transcripts (required):** PDF (up to two documents). You cannot submit your application without a law school transcript.
- **Fellowship or Non-DOJ Honors Program offer letter or vacancy announcement:** PDF or DOCX (up to two documents). Documentation must show the program name, eligibility criteria, application process and deadline, placement/position to be filled, and position duration.
- **Veterans' preference documents:**
 - DD-214, Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty (for all who claim veterans' preference).
 - For applicants claiming CPS, CP, or XP preference: documents supporting a service-connected disability; documents supporting award of Purple Heart medal, if not listed on DD-214.
 - Derivative preference applicants: Documents supporting the qualifying relationship (e.g., spouse, widow/widower, or parent), the administrative determination of derived preference, and the veteran's DD-214. Please note that

derived preference eligibility may not be claimed if the veteran is living and is qualified for federal employment.

Transcript instructions:

- Attach your law school transcript (mandatory). Failure to attach a legible transcript will result in disqualification. Name the transcript file *Last Name, First Name-Transcript*.
- Transcripts may be official or unofficial but must include your name, the law school name, and the degree pursued or completed, and be generated by the law school or downloaded and attached as a PDF from a law school system. We do not accept applicant-generated "grade reports" or similar documents.
- Attach only your J.D. transcripts. Do not attach other educational transcripts unless you are cross-enrolled in a joint-degree program with a merged transcript, your undergraduate and J.D. degrees are from the same school and non-severable, or you have a non-U.S. law degree.
- Ensure your transcript is not password protected.

⚠ Based on your answers, remember to upload:

- **Law School Transcript (required)** **Needed**
A legible J.D. transcript is required for every application. You cannot submit without it.
- **Fellowship / Non-DOJ Honors Offer Letter or Vacancy Announcement** **Needed**
You listed a non-DOJ fellowship or honors program in Education & Experience.
- **Veterans' Preference: DD-214** **Needed**
You are claiming veterans' preference.

Your law school transcript is required to submit. The remaining items are reminders based on what you entered elsewhere in the application — you may submit without them, but missing documents can delay or disqualify your application.

Attached Documents



Drag files here, or

Browse files

Up to 10 files · max 25 MB each

Accepted types: .pdf,.doc,.docx — most document types take PDF
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Please check the following areas of your application for accuracy.

Reminders

- Review your law degree dates and post-law school activities for accuracy.
- You will be disqualified if you fail to attach a legible law school transcript (official or unofficial) in PDF format generated by the law school or downloaded from a law school system.
- Attach veterans' preference documentation (DD-214) and, if claiming disability preference, the supporting documentation (e.g., Veterans Administration Disability Letter).

Application Certification

- ☐ I understand that post-submission, I cannot modify information on my application, other than contact information, unless I first withdraw my application; and that I must recertify and resubmit it prior to the deadline. *
- ☐ I understand that I may not be simultaneously considered for both the Attorney General's Honors Program (for entry level attorney positions) and the Summer Law Intern Program. Post-deadline, Honors Program applicants who accept a judicial clerkship may, for a limited period of time, transfer to the summer law intern program by logging in and selecting the transfer link on the Application Status screen. *
- ☐ I consent to the Department of Justice notifying, consulting with, or disclosing information to appropriate authorities, including but not limited to institutions of higher education and bar associations, regarding discrepancies or inconsistencies in my representations. *
- ☐ I am ready to certify that my application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and submit it. *

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