

Careers and Employment Centre

Potential student pro bono placement opportunities

Age Concern Advocacy Project

The Advocacy Project speaks and acts on behalf of vulnerable older people who may be facing major decisions on their future. www.ageconcern.org.uk/AgeConcern/mhap.asp

Amicus

Amicus is a charity that helps to provide legal representation for those awaiting capital trial and punishment and raises awareness of potential abuses of their rights. <http://www.amicus-ajj.org/>

Amnesty International

Worldwide campaign group on matters concerning human rights
<http://www.amnesty.org.uk/content.asp?CategoryID=10350>

Apex Trust

The Trust seeks to help people with criminal records obtain jobs or selfemployment by providing them with skills they need in the labour market, and by working with employers to break down barriers to their employment.
www.apextrust.com

Appropriate Adult Scheme

Support for young people in custody www.rpsrainer.org.uk/gen/m2_s1_i1_volunteers.aspx

Bail for Immigration Detainees (BID)

BID is an independent charity that exists to challenge immigration detention in the UK. BID works with asylum seekers and migrants, in removal centres and prisons, to secure their release from detention. www.biduk.org

Citizens Advice Bureaux

The Citizens Advice service helps people resolve their legal, money and other problems by providing free, independent and confidential advice. Apply direct to the CAB in your area. Some expect volunteers to go through 6 months training before being eligible and may not accept students if they cannot commit year round. Volunteer telephone hotline 08451 264 264
<http://www.citizensadvice.org.uk>

Free Representation Unit (FRU)

FRU provides representation to those members of the public who do not have the funds to pay for legal representation. FRU representatives use their experience of the law to benefit those who are often the most in need of help. Tel 020 7611 9555 Web
www.freerepresentationunit.org.uk

Immigration Advisory Service

The Immigration Advisory Service (IAS) is the UK's largest charity providing free representation and advice in immigration and asylum law. Contact your local branch or check the link below. There is also an internship scheme Opportunities for volunteers will be posted here:
www.iasuk.org/C2B/document_tree/ViewADocument.asp?ID=516&CatID=22

Innocence Network UK (INUK)

Aims to encourage and support innocence projects in the UK; to conduct and facilitate research on wrongful convictions and their associated consequences. **You can only volunteer on the Innocence Project if your law school has set one up.** Contact the Innocence Network if you are looking to set up a new project. www.innocencenetwork.org.uk

Justice Initiative (Internships in New York, Budapest, Abuja)

Justice Initiative promotes rights-based reform, builds legal knowledge and aims to strengthen legal capacity worldwide. Justice Initiative hosts law students and graduates in its offices in Budapest, New York, and Abuja. Interns assist with legal and policy research, often working alongside key international experts. www.justiceinitiative.org

Law Centres Federation

Law Centres provide free legal advice and representation to the poorest and most disadvantaged members of society. There are at present over 60 Law Centres covering England and Wales, 29 of which are in London. There are separate associations for Scotland and Northern Ireland. The LCF staff team provides an initial point of contact for those seeking information about the work of Law Centres. Web www.lawcentres.org.uk/

Lawyers without Borders

ASF offers a small number of internships at its Brussels headquarters; candidates must speak very good French or Dutch. To find out more about AFS, including their internship programme see www.asf.be

National Association of Official Prison Visitors

Official prison visitors provide regular, friendly and non-judgemental contact for prisoners. At the same time the experience will provide volunteers with an insight into the prison system. Volunteers through this scheme must be over 21 www.naopv.com

National Centre for Domestic Violence

There are already a couple of universities doing this around the country. Students assist by taking the initial phone call from the victim and potentially then helping the individual to seek the injunction. www.ncdv2007.moonfruit.com/welcome/4524785793

Police Volunteering

There are opportunities for law students to get involved with their local police force. Thames Valley Police have a variety of opportunities such as helping on the front desk in police stations, supporting investigating officers, participating in community safety and crime reduction initiatives, assisting with Neighbourhood Policing teams and many more. <http://www.thamesvalley.police.uk/recruiting/volunteer/index.htm>

The London Metropolitan Police has an established volunteering program covering 32 local boroughs. If you live in the London metropolitan area and would like further information, you should contact the manager of your local borough volunteer centre. http://www.met.police.uk/careers/met_volunteer.html

PoliceSpecial Constables

The Special Constabulary is a force of trained volunteers who work with and support their local police. A Special receives the same training as a normal police officer. You are expected to volunteer for at least one day in two weeks. www.policecouldyou.co.uk

Relieve

Relieve provides legal and humanitarian assistance to people facing the death penalty. Relieve places suitable and committed volunteer interns in lawyers' offices throughout the southern US. Interns assist in a range of tasks including: case investigation; legal research; taking of statements; interviewing witnesses; attending hearings etc. See www.relieve.org.uk and find the volunteering section of the site.

Witness Service (run by Victim Support)

Victim Support is a national charity helping victims of crime. The charity consists of a national office, a country-wide network of Victim Support branches, the Witness Service and a national helpline. The Witness Service provides practical information and emotional support for witnesses attending court. To volunteer for the Witness Service you need to be available on working days (Monday to Friday) for at least one day every two weeks. www.victimsupport.org.uk

Youth Justice

There are a number of opportunities for student volunteers in the Youth Justice System. You could be involved in mentoring a young person or act as a 'responsible adult' to support young people when being interviewed by the police. <http://www.yjb.gov.uk/en-gb/yjs/GetInvolved/Volunteering/>