

CENTER FOR  
**Gender & Refugee**  
STUDIES

**2016 Judith Stronach Summer Fellow Position**

**About the Organization**

The Center for Gender and Refugee Studies (CGRS), based at the University of California Hastings College of the Law, is seeking law student candidates for our 2016 Judith Stronach Summer Fellow positions. CGRS is one of the nation's leading refugee organizations, and works to advance the human rights of women, children, LGBT and other refugees who flee persecution both in the United States and internationally. CGRS provides legal expertise, training, and resources to attorneys representing asylum seekers, advocates to protect refugees, advances refugee law and policy, and uses domestic, regional and international mechanisms to address the root causes of persecution. For more information about CGRS, visit <http://cgrs.uchastings.edu/>.

**Job Description**

Summer fellowship positions are full-time for 10- to 12-week terms. Law fellows are involved in the full range of CGRS's work, and work closely with CGRS lawyers and staff in other projects as needed. For example, projects might include:

- Researching and writing on key legal issues
- Assisting in the various stages of appellate advocacy
- Analyzing emerging asylum law trends
- Developing training and technical assistance materials
- Conducting national policy work
- Engaging in international human rights projects

Given our small office and high volume of work, law fellows must be able to work with minimal supervision.

**Qualifications**

- Demonstrated commitment to human rights and social justice
- Strong research and writing skills
- Experience or background in asylum or international human rights law
- Completion of two years of law school is strongly preferred
- Ability to work independently and within a team
- Ability to protect the confidentiality of our work and our communications
- Fluency in Spanish or French is desirable, but not required

**Application Procedure**

Submit a cover letter, resume, brief writing sample (5-10 pages), and list of three references to [CGRShires@uchastings.edu](mailto:CGRShires@uchastings.edu) with the subject line "2016 Judith Stronach Fellow Position." The cover letter should explain how your experiences relate to the mission and work of CGRS. This is an unpaid position. However, CGRS encourages and will support fellows' efforts to seek outside funding to support their work. **No phone calls, please.**

*CGRS is an equal opportunity employer (EOE). All qualified persons, including people of color, persons with disabilities, women, lesbians, gay men, bisexuals, and transgender persons, are encouraged to apply.*