

Law & Policy in the Americas Program
Externships in Latin America, Summer 2007

HUMAN RIGHTS

- **Instituto Interamericano de Derechos Humanos**
(IIDH; Inter-American Institute of Human Rights – connected to the Corte Interamericana de Derechos Humanos (Inter-American Court of Human Rights, or, “the Court”)).
San José, Costa Rica
www.iidh.ed.cr

FACULTY SUPERVISOR: Tom Ankersen
FIELD SUPERVISOR: Víctor Rodríguez

NUMBER OF POSITIONS: 1
CREDITS: 2-6, flexible & variable

In addition to contributing to the Institute’s overall human rights research and advocacy agenda, UF Law students at the Institute work closely with the UF/University of Costa Rica (UCR) Joint Program in Environmental Law and its partners to pursue projects of mutual interest. These partners include the Center for International Environmental Law and the Environmental Law Alliance Worldwide, whose cases often lie at the intersection of human rights and the environment. Students can enroll in the UF/UCR summer program and receive credit within the context of the overall Program curriculum, which includes international environmental law, comparative environmental law, environmental dispute resolution and the Joint Program Clinic. Potential collaboration opportunities can be found in the area of cultural rights to traditional indigenous knowledge, including the fruits of biological diversity in tropical regions, and collective rights to property and natural resources. Student involvement in the Institute’s litigation clinic, which identifies cases that could come to the American Court of Human Rights (Corte Interamericana de Derechos Humanos), is encouraged. Spanish fluency is required.

CLASSROOM COMPONENT: To be determined by Tom Ankersen, enrollment in the UF/UCR summer program and Program curriculum encouraged.

APPLICATION: On or before March 1st, submit to Dean Dawson: a statement of purpose, resume, and unofficial transcripts. An informal Spanish language interview may be required to gauge proficiency.

➤ **Instituto de Defensa Legal (IDL)**

Lima, Peru

www.idl.org.pe

FACULTY SUPERVISOR: Jon Mills
FIELD SUPERVISOR: David Lovatón Palacios

NUMBER OF POSITIONS: 1
CREDITS: 2-6, flexible & variable

UF Law students work with this non-governmental organization in the areas of citizen security, human rights, defense policies and justice reform, with an emphasis on military justice reform. Students assist in case preparation in the areas of corruption charges against civil servants, due process violations, freedom of expression, labor issues and terrorism. Spanish fluency is required.

CLASSROOM COMPONENT: To be determined by Jon Mills but will likely include responses to student journal entries every two weeks and close communication throughout, with a publishable-quality paper due by the student at the end of the summer.

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JUDICIAL REFORM

➤ **Centro de Estudios de Justicia de las Américas (CEJA) / Justice Studies**

Center of the Americas

Santiago, Chile

www.cejamericas.org

FACULTY SUPERVISOR: Pedro Malavet
FIELD SUPERVISOR: Mauricio Duce

NUMBER OF POSITIONS: 1
CREDITS: 2-6, flexible & variable

CEJA, headquartered in Santiago, Chile, is comprised of all active members of the Organization of American States. CEJA's mission is to support states in the process of judicial reform. UF Law students work with regional judicial modernization and reform projects and participate in the Law & Economics study that UF is developing with CEJA. Spanish fluency is required.

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➤ **Justicia Viva**
Lima, Peru

www.justiciaviva.org.pe

FACULTY SUPERVISOR:

Jon Mills

FIELD SUPERVISOR:

Ernesto de la Jara

NUMBER OF POSITIONS:

1

CREDITS:

2-6, flexible & variable

Justicia Viva is a consortium between the Instituto de Defensa Legal (IDL) and the Law School at Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú. It is supported by a grant from USAID. UF Law students work with anti-corruption measures and Peruvian judicial reform activities including judicial administration, military justice and criminal procedure code reform. Spanish fluency is required.

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