

Yegelwel Fellowship

The University of Florida's Center for the Study of Race and Race Relations (CSRRR) is pleased to announce the 2017 Evan Yegelwel Summer Fellowship. The Fellowship award permits one UF Law student to participate in a Summer Fellowship Program at the Anti-Defamation League, Florida Regional Office in Boca Raton.

A generous gift from UF Law alumnus Evan Yegelwel, who graduated in 1980, has made this Fellowship possible. Mr. Yegelwel is a partner in the Jacksonville, Florida law firm of Terrell Hogan Ellis Yegelwel, P.A.

Fellowship Award — \$4,000

About the Anti-Defamation League (ADL)

Headquartered in New York, the Anti-Defamation League (ADL) is the premier national civil rights organization that fights anti-Semitism and all forms of bigotry in the U.S. and abroad, combats international terrorism, probes the roots of hatred, comes to the aid of victims of bigotry, develops educational programs, and serves as a public resource for government, media, law enforcement, all towards the goal of countering and reducing hatred. Defending constitutional freedoms, especially First Amendment freedoms, is a key component of the ADL agenda through both direct complaint resolution and through court briefs.

Fellowship Duties

The Fellowship will last 8-10 weeks, with the student participating in experiential learning for a minimum of 35 hours per week. The Fellow will be conducting research alongside the ADL Southeastern Area Counsel.

Previous fellows conducted legal and legislative research on a broad variety of subjects including freedom of speech and association, religious freedom and separation of church and state, employment and public accommodations discrimination, hate crimes, marriage equality, immigration, and reproductive rights. Fellows have also handled constituent discrimination complaints and participated in ADL meetings, functions and events.

After completing the Fellowship, the recipient will submit a written summary of the Fellowship experience. The student will also give an oral presentation at the law school about the work completed for the Fellowship.

Eligibility

The Yegelwel Fellowship is limited to UF Law students who have successfully completed the first-year required curriculum, including Constitutional Law, and who are in good academic standing prior to beginning the Fellowship. "Successful" completion of the first-year required curriculum means earning a passing grade in each course and maintaining an overall GPA of at least 3.0. First-year students are encouraged to apply for the Fellowship, subject to verification of successful completion of their first-year courses prior to the start of the Fellowship term. The student must also pass a background check.

To apply, please submit the following: (1) a personal statement of 500 words or less outlining any past experiences or qualifications that indicate your interest in and commitment to public service; (2) a resume; (3) two references (including names, addresses and phone numbers); (4) an official transcript and (5) a letter verifying good academic standing. Since this fellowship is considered to be financial aid, if you are a financial aid recipient who has met your Cost of Attendance for the 2016-2017 Academic School Year or is within \$4,000 of meeting your Cost of Attendance, please contact the Financial Aid Coordinator, Victoria Houghton at (352) 273-0620 or torilovejoy@ufl.edu to discuss your eligibility for accepting the fellowship appointment.

Please submit an electronic copy of application materials to diedre@ufl.edu and a hard copy to CSRRR's office, Room 230 Bruton Geer Hall.

Application Deadline is January 6, 2017

If you have any questions, contact Diedre Houchen (CSRRR Postdoctoral Associate) at (352) 273-0614 or diedre@ufl.edu.

