



**Law Student or Undergraduate Student Internship - Legal Wellness Institute
Fall Semester 2020
LAW STUDENT OR UNDERGRADUATE INTERNSHIP
LEGAL WELLNESS INSTITUTE AT THE FAMILY CENTER**

WHAT IS THE LEGAL WELLNESS INSTITUTE?

The Family Center is a multidisciplinary nonprofit organization working with low-income New Yorkers affected by illness, crisis and loss. Our [Legal Wellness Institute](#) (LWI) provides civil legal services to New Yorkers affected by severe illness, serious disability or parental absence.

LWI works with clients in all five boroughs of NYC. We practice in Housing Law (eviction prevention, subsidized housing rights, succession rights, housing court, etc.); Public Benefits (Medicaid/Medicare, SNAP, Public Assistance, SSI/SSD, etc.); Family Law (custody, guardianship, child support, divorce, adult guardianship); Lifetime Planning (last wills, standby guardianship, health care proxy, power of attorney, living will, etc.); and Economic Justice (financial literacy presentations and community workshops, individual information and advice).

We provide holistic legal representation, working across multiple areas of law to help clients resolve interconnected legal problems. We often represent the same client in multiple venues. To reach our seriously ill and disabled clients, we go to where they are: their homes, hospitals, hospices, nursing facilities, or anywhere they can be safely and comfortably.

OUR INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

Interns help us serve some of NYC's most vulnerable residents through client intake and interviews; research; outreach and communications; filing in courts and administrative offices; attending home and hospital visits; creating informational materials; and assisting with off-site clinics and presentations.

All interns will receive an orientation, ongoing training in our practice areas and issues relating to our work with special populations, as well as mentorship and supervision. Interns will gain experience in each of our practice areas.

Interns will work out of The Family Center's offices in Brooklyn and are invited to attend client meetings, hearings, and community presentations throughout NYC.

During the semester, interns are expected to be available for at least 10-15 hours per week. Internships are unpaid, however, The Family Center may assist students in applying for funding or course credit as appropriate.

INTERN REQUIREMENTS:

- Spanish Bilingual preferred
- Currently enrolled in undergraduate or graduate program
- Strong interpersonal, organizational, research and writing skills
- Commitment to working with vulnerable populations and communities
- Prior public interest or volunteer experience preferred

To Apply - Please send a brief cover letter, resume and writing sample to jobs@thefamilycenter.org. Please use the words "LWI Internship" in the subject line of the email. Applications are considered on a rolling basis.

*The Family Center is an equal opportunity employer.
The Family Center is covered under FMLA.*