

# sexWORKERS PROJECT

## Internships/Externships

The Sex Workers Project provides client-centered legal and social services to individuals who engage in sex work, regardless of whether they do so by choice, circumstance, or coercion. One of the first programs in the nation to assist survivors of human trafficking, the Sex Workers Project has pioneered an approach to service grounded in human rights, harm reduction and in the real life experiences of our clients. Our professional service providers are multi-lingual, non-judgmental and bring more than ten years of experience. As the only US organization meeting the needs of both sex workers and trafficking victims, the Sex Workers Project serves a marginalized community that few others reach. We engage in policy and media advocacy, community education and human rights documentation, working to create a world that is safe for sex workers and where human trafficking does not exist.

*Interning at the Sex Workers Project gave me the practical experience I needed to feel confident getting out there and working for change!*

### ABOUT THE INTERNSHIPS/EXTERNSHIPS:

The Sex Workers Project is looking for highly motivated problem-solvers committed to advancing the rights of sex workers and survivors of trafficking.

The Sex Workers Project hires 2-3 **Legal Interns in either Immigration or Criminal/General practice areas**. Our Immigration Legal Interns work closely with staff attorneys on a wide range of immigration cases, including applications for special visas for trafficking survivors. Our Criminal/General Legal Interns work with our staff attorneys assisting clients in criminal court, and researching novel legal topics facing sex workers. Summer Legal Interns are expected to work full time for 10 weeks. Applicants should have excellent writing, research, and interpersonal skills and an awareness of the systemic barriers facing our diverse client and constituent populations. Fall and Spring Legal Interns are expected to work a minimum of 12 hours per week for 10 weeks.

*Interning at the Sex Workers Project reaffirms my conviction that the law can be used to work toward justice. It is extremely rewarding to be surrounded by such dedicated and creative role models.*

The Sex Workers Project *occasionally* offers **Research, Policy, and Administrative Internships** open to those in undergraduate or graduate studies, or not in school. These interns are expected to work a minimum of 12 hours per week for 10 weeks. Research interns assist with our human rights documentation projects, and policy interns work directly on our campaigns for reform at the local or federal level. Administrative interns help us maintain files and systems, work on fundraising, and generally support our work and clients.

The Sex Workers Project also hires **Social Work Interns** through Columbia and Hunter Social Work programs only – if interested, please contact your internship coordinator.

To Apply: Email a cover letter, resume, writing sample and two references (names and phone numbers/emails) to Sienna Baskin at [sbaskin@urbanjustice.org](mailto:sbaskin@urbanjustice.org). Apply early – internships are filled on a rolling basis. People of color, transgender people, people with disabilities, and people with experience in the sex industry are strongly encouraged to apply.

For more information: [www.sexworkersproject.org](http://www.sexworkersproject.org)