

The 2019-2020 SVIR International Tribunals Internship Grant

The Swiss Association of International Law (SVIR) is pleased to present the SVIR International Tribunals Internship Grant. The award will support a post-graduate student or graduate of a Swiss law school to undertake an internship with:

- The International Court of Justice (ICJ), The Hague
- The International Criminal Court (ICC), The Hague;
- The International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea (ITLOS), Hamburg;
- The UN International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals (ICTM), The Hague;
- The Special Tribunal for Lebanon (STL), The Hague.

by providing a financial contribution to cover the cost of travel to the Netherlands or Germany and a contribution towards living expenses.

The successful intern must have been accepted for an internship of at least 4 months during the year 2019 or in the first semester of 2020 in one of the abovementioned tribunals.

Selection criteria:

The applicant must:

- Be Swiss, a permanent resident of Switzerland or pursuing a course of law studies at a Swiss University and:
 - Hold a graduate level degree in Law (MLaw) of a Swiss University (or be in his or her final year of such a degree); or
 - Be undertaking a postgraduate degree in Law (e.g. LLM or PhD) at a Swiss University;
- Have an excellent academic record;
- Have written and spoken proficiency in English or French, with preference given to those who are also proficient in the other;
- Have an interest or specialization in a field relevant to the respective tribunal; and
- Be accepted by the abovementioned tribunals for an internship.

How to apply

You must first apply and be accepted for an internship in one of the abovementioned tribunals. Please send a letter of application (only electronically) addressed to the SVIR International Tribunals Internship Grant / Profs christine.kaddous@unige.ch; Marco.Sassoli@unige.ch; rodrigo.rodriguez@unilu.ch. Applications close on 3 September 2019.

The motivation letter should include:

- The applicant's reasons for applying for the SVIR International Tribunals Internship Grant;
- The dates when the applicant will undertake his or her internship.

Please also enclose the following, where applicable:

- Proof that you have been accepted by one of the abovementioned tribunals for an internship
- Your up-to-date CV;
- Your most recent academic transcript;
- At least one academic reference, with contact details of referees;

Selection process

- Applications will be considered by a selection panel appointed by the SVIR.

Conditions

- The amount of the scholarship to be paid is of maximum CHF 3'000.-
- The internship must generally be unpaid although the recipient may seek to obtain other scholarships.
- The successful applicant is responsible for organising his or her own travel and accommodation arrangements, visa requirements and any other requirement by the tribunal he or she has been selected for.
- On completion of the internship, the successful applicant must provide a written report on his or her experience to the Board for SVIR/SSDI.