

CENTER FOR SECURITY, RACE AND RIGHTS LAW FELLOWSHIP

Applications Deadline: April 10, 2023

The Center for Security, Race and Rights (CSRR) Fellowship Program is designed to encourage and support the training and development of law students interested in civil rights, race studies, religious freedom or national security law and policy. The CSRR Law Fellow will serve from August 2023 and ending May 31, 2024.

CSRR's mission is to research, educate, and publicly engage on civil rights law and policy disproportionately affecting Muslim, Arab, and South Asian communities in the United States. Three themes inform CSRR's work: 1) civil rights at the intersection of race and religion; 2) the criminalization of Muslim identity through national security laws and policies; and 3) international relations between the United States and Muslim-majority countries that shape civil rights law and policy in the U.S.

Fellowship Responsibilities and Benefits:

- Public recognition as a fellow on Rutgers Center for Security, Race and Rights website (csrr.rutgers.edu)
- Individualized professional mentorship by Professor Sahar Aziz
- Opportunity to meet with scholars, politicians, and community leaders engaged in civil rights and social justice work.
- Participation in invitation-only convenings and strategic sessions with community leaders and organizers
- Attend workshops comprised of interdisciplinary faculty and senior staff researching and teaching on civil rights, national security, race, and religion
- Opportunities to improve public speaking, policy advocacy, and community organizing skills
- Conduct legal research and write legal memoranda
- Produce a policy report with other fellows under the direction of Professor Aziz
- An annual stipend of \$2500 and 2 credits of independent research
- Professional training in advocacy, strategic planning, networking, time management, research, writing, and professionalism

Fellowship Criteria and Prerequisites:

- A demonstrated commitment to civil rights and social justice
- Strong time management and communication skills
- Ability to effectively collaborate on a team
- GPA of 3.3 or higher
- 2L or 3L law student
- Commit 28 hours per month (7 hours per week) (specific start date negotiable)

Application Process:

Application materials must be submitted via email as a single pdf document to csrr@law.rutgers.edu (cc: Habibah Johnson, hj291@law.rutgers.edu).

Completed applications **are accepted until April 10**, and should consist of:

1. A cover page, including your name, e-mail address, phone number, address, law school and class year.
2. A copy of your resume.
3. A list of references (at least 1, but no more than 3).
4. An unofficial copy of your transcript.

You may direct questions to Program Coordinator Habibah Johnson, hj291@law.rutgers.edu