

## Maida Summer Fellowship Partners Program 2023-2024

1. Your name and title, organization name, address, phone and website:

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2. To whom should students address cover letters (name, title, address)? Note: You will receive student application materials via Symplicity and not directly from the students.

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3. Brief description of your organization:

Fair Share Housing Center (FSHC) is the only public interest organization entirely devoted to defending the housing rights of New Jersey's poor through enforcement of the Mount Laurel Doctrine, the landmark decision that prohibits economic discrimination through exclusionary zoning and requires all towns to provide their "fair share" of their region's need for affordable housing. The mission of FSHC is to end discriminatory or exclusionary housing patterns which have deprived the poor, particularly those presently living in inner cities, of the opportunity to reside in an environment which offers safe, decent, and sanitary housing near employment and educational opportunities.

4. Brief description of summer internship responsibilities and qualifications:

Interns gain extensive experience in legal research, writing, and policy development in a closely supervised environment. Responsibilities are substantial: past interns have worked with attorneys to investigate municipal compliance with fair housing laws, researched opportunities for development of mixed-income developments near transit, drafted court documents including briefs for the state Appellate Division and Supreme Court. Interested interns also may have the opportunity to work on projects that integrate legal work with community organizing and/or housing development with FSHC's partner organizations.



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5. Eligible applicants:

Current 1L students \_\_\_\_YES\_\_\_\_ Current 2L students\_\_\_\_YES\_\_\_\_ Students who could work half a summer or part-time\_\_YES\_\_\_\_\_

6. Will interns work in the office, remotely, or hybrid in Summer 2024? How many days per week in the office?

Hybrid; the intern can work in the office as many days as they would like and may be required to periodically attend a few meetings in the office.

- 7. Required materials, in addition to resume and cover letter:
  - a. References: Yes\_\_\_X\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_
    - i. If yes, number: <u>2</u>
    - ii. Designation: Professional\_\_\_\_ Academic\_\_\_\_ EITHER
  - b. Transcript/Course list: Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_X\_\_\_ (note that fall 2023 grades may not be available; students will submit course list, *if requested*)
  - c. Writing sample: Yes\_X\_ No\_\_\_\_ If yes, number of pages \_\_\_\_minimum 1 page\_\_\_
  - d. Other \_\_\_\_\_ (specify)

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- 8. I understand and agree that as a Maida Summer Fellowship Partner site:
  - We agree to host and supervise at least one Rutgers summer intern during summer 2024.
  - We will have the opportunity to decide which students to interview.
  - We will schedule interviews with students at our convenience either via Zoom or in-person at our offices or at Rutgers on 1/8 or 1/9, 2023 and will inform Rutgers of our top two choices by 1/19/24 (Rutgers is happy to schedule the interviews, if you prefer).
  - We will be matched with our first or second choice candidate, if possible, when Rutgers matches students with sites.
  - We will participate as requested and available in social justice events at Rutgers Law School in 2024-2025.

Your initials in lieu of signature: JDB/LSD Date: 11/09/2023



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Please return form to Pam Mertsock-Wolfe, <u>pmertsoc@camden.rutgers.edu</u> by 11/10/23. Call Jill Friedman with any questions: 856-225-6263.