

CAMH Summer Health Law Internship Opportunity

Mental Health Law Advocacy

CAMH, as a teaching hospital, strives to be a centre of academic excellence. CAMH Legal Services does its part to meet this objective by offering students educational opportunities and advocacy training. The summer internship is aimed at keen law students with a proven interest in the field of health law and, more specifically, mental health law. The opportunity will be open to two law students (1L or 2L) in summer 2026, dependent on qualifications and interest. Through participation in a full time 14-week internship (May-August), students are given exposure to a range of work in civil and forensic mental health law, including Consent and Capacity Board hearings, forensic Ontario Review Board hearings, appellate level court submissions, policy development, government submissions, educational initiatives and other legal writing. This opportunity also provides exposure to our corporate and research legal services initiatives. Our Legal department provides legal advice to CAMH staff, clinicians, physicians and management and litigation services to CAMH clinical teams and administrators with respect to mental health law. The aim of the internship is to offer students an opportunity to gain substantive, practical and real-life experience in health law. While all applicants will be considered, those students interested in litigation and health law are likely most suited to the role.

The Details

Timing of the Internship: We would anticipate that the successful candidate would be with us for a total of 14 weeks beginning in May through to early August. Exact dates can be discussed.

Funding: This position is presently un-funded. We support successful candidates in pursuing funding through available scholarships, bursaries and grants. Most law schools have a list of these available in their Career Development Offices.

Timing of application: *Applications consisting of a cover letter, curriculum vitae, academic transcripts (undergraduate, any graduate school & law school *if available for 1L students) in one consolidated pdf file (saved with your first and last name) and optional reference letter(s) (2 maximum) are due no later than 4:00 p.m. on Friday January 2, 2026.*

Preference is to receive your application by email. Please send your consolidated application by email to: Stephanie.schultz@camh.ca

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We thank all applicants for their interest. Only candidates who are short-listed will be asked to participate in the virtual interview process in January 2025.