



2026-27 LACA Student Fellowship Program

The Center on Race, Inequality, and the Law at NYU School of Law engages in research, public education, advocacy, and litigation to advance its mission of shaping how people understand, diagnose, and address issues of race and inequality. The Center’s priorities include: shaping the public discourse and consciousness around race and inequality; addressing the influence of race and inequality in the criminal legal system; confronting the racial justice implications of technology and algorithmic decision-making tools in the criminal legal system and other systems that govern people’s lives; challenging the forces that drive racial segregation and economic disadvantage in communities of color; and infusing legal education with a racial justice lens.

This position is housed within the Center and funded by the Law Alumni of Color Association (LACA) of NYU Law, an alumni organization that supports initiatives advancing the success of students and alumni of color.

We seek to hire rising 2L and 3L law students for the LACA Student Fellowship Program for the 2026–27 academic year. LACA Student Fellows will conduct research on topics related to race and inequality for use in the Center’s advocacy, litigation, and public education, under the guidance and supervision of Center leadership. Fellows will also assist with planning and executing the Center’s organizing activities and events.

Fellows will receive hourly pay and play an integral role in the Center’s work. The expected time commitment is an average of 10 hours per week during the academic year. Fellows are expected to reserve time for weekly CRIL meetings on Tuesdays from 2:00–3:30 PM and Wednesdays from 1:00–2:30 PM, when NYU Law classes are not in session; occasional conflicts may be accommodated as needed. In compliance with NYC’s Pay Transparency Law, the hourly base salary at NYU School of Law for student employment positions is \$17 per hour for undergraduate and graduate students.

If you are a rising 2L or 3L law student at NYU School of Law and are interested in applying, please submit the following materials in a single PDF via email to law.race.inequality@nyu.edu with the subject line “2026-27 LACA Student Fellowship Application”:

- (1) Cover letter explaining which focus area is of most interest to you and why:
 - a. Race + Tech
 - b. Race + Punishment
 - c. Race + Place (formerly Social and Economic Justice)
 - d. Race + Culture



- (2) Resume;
- (3) Unofficial law school transcript;
- (4) Writing Sample; and
- (5) List of two references with email addresses.

Applications will be accepted until **Friday, June 26, 2026**. Interviews will be conducted, and selections will be made on a rolling basis. To learn more about the Center on Race, Inequality, and the Law and our work, please visit [Center on Race, Inequality, and the Law | NYU School of Law](#).

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About LACA

The Law Alumni of Color Association (LACA) of NYU Law, formerly known as the Black, Latinx, Asian Pacific American Law Alumni Association (BLAPA), is the umbrella organization for all of NYU School of Law's alumni of color. Founded over 40 years ago, LACA promotes the professional development and advancement of alumni and students of color, and fosters engagement across the Law School community.