

## ABOUT US

Launched in 2017, the Grunin Center for Law and Social Entrepreneurship is the first center of its kind at a law school and is a global leader in the field of law and social entrepreneurship.

The mission of the Grunin Center is to enhance the community of lawyers and legal institutions engaged in social entrepreneurship and impact investing and to accelerate their effective participation in these fields.

To fulfill this mission, the Grunin Center **EDUCATES** students and practicing lawyers about legal issues in the fields of social entrepreneurship and impact investing; **DISSEMINATES** knowledge and legal research about law and policy developments in these fields; and **COLLABORATES** with other field-building organizations, universities, and research centers.



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Advancing a global movement that creates new ways for law and lawyers to drive positive change in the world

## STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES

### Courses and Extra-Curricular Activities

The Grunin Center is leading the way worldwide in preparing a new generation of talented, committed, and globally oriented lawyers to apply their skills to advance social entrepreneurial solutions to some of the world's most pressing challenges.

The Grunin Center is expanding NYU Law's curricular offerings to incorporate more themes of social entrepreneurship and impact investing. Students interested in these fields can combine more traditional training in corporate, securities, and tax law with specialized courses, such as Law and Business of Social Enterprise, Law and Business of Corporate Governance, and Law and Business Projects Seminar, and with reading groups focused on community development, microfinance, and impact investing, among others. Additionally, students have the opportunity to participate through preferential registration in a number of social entrepreneurship and impact investing courses offered at the NYU Stern School of Business. Students can also submit requests to cross-register for courses at the NYU Wagner Graduate School of Public Service.

The Grunin Center is also supporting the expansion and deepening of NYU Law's current business clinical offerings that provide students with an opportunity to engage directly in the representation of social entrepreneurs and impact investors. These clinics include: the International Transactions Clinic and the Business Transactions Clinic.

In addition to course offerings, NYU Law students have opportunities to engage in a range of social entrepreneurship activities, such as participation in related symposia convened by NYU Law student journals and in extracurricular activities managed by the student-led Social Enterprise-Startup Law Group (SE-SL). Students also can participate in the conferences hosted by the Grunin Center.



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## Resources and Publications

The Grunin Center produces legal research and develops tools and publications that help build the fields of social entrepreneurship and impact investing.

The Grunin Center tracks legal and regulatory developments in the field of social entrepreneurship through its Social Enterprise Law Tracker and produces a student-authored annual review of the state of social enterprise and the law. The Grunin Center also conducts a bi-annual legal literature review of the articles published by legal scholars and students in the fields of social entrepreneurship and impact investing.

The Grunin Center is developing a virtual resource library aimed at helping social entrepreneurs, impact investors, and their counsel navigate challenging legal issues that arise in the fields of social entrepreneurship and impact investing.

NYU Law students have the opportunity to participate in the development of these and other tools and resources as Research Assistants for the Grunin Center and related law faculty.

## Scholarships, Internships, and Awards

To help NYU Law students prepare for careers in social entrepreneurship and impact investing, the Grunin Center offers several scholarship opportunities to both incoming and current students.

The Grunin Center also awards the White & Case Award in Law and Social Entrepreneurship to graduating NYU Law students who exhibit academic excellence and have a demonstrated commitment to the field of law and social entrepreneurship.

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# HIGHLIGHTS

## EVENTS

### **Alternative Break Trip.**

The Grunin Center provides financial support to help students participate in the SE-SL annual alternative break trip, enabling students to connect with social entrepreneurs around the globe.

## RESOURCES

### **Social Enterprise Law Tracker.**

An online tool that allows users to visualize how laws and regulations impacting social entrepreneurship have spread across the United States.

### **Mapping the State of Social Enterprise and the Law.**

An annual report that evaluates the state of social enterprise and the law in the United States.

## OPPORTUNITIES

### **Nordlicht Family Scholarship.**

Awarded to students who intend to pursue a career in social entrepreneurship by following a curriculum that combines legal and business skills.

### **Impact Scholarship.**

Awarded to a rising 3L J.D. student or an incoming LL.M student with a demonstrated interest and/or achievement in creating innovative solutions in emerging markets, with a focus on the field of natural resources.

### **The White & Case Social Entrepreneurship Internships.**

The Grunin Center will support student internship opportunities for summer work with social enterprises and impact investors.