

## Seeking Law Students for AmeriCorps JD

### Opportunities for National Service

Equal Justice Works has national service opportunities for current law students interested in public interest law and seeking social justice. Our AmeriCorps JD program provides law students with the opportunity to earn a [Segal AmeriCorps Education Award](#) for completing an AmeriCorps term of service. Law students are immersed in a network of more than 80,000 AmeriCorps Members nationwide and receive invaluable experience in various legal areas. To qualify for the AmeriCorps JD program, your project must fall within one of the issue areas below.

### Justice AmeriCorps

Law students working in the justice AmeriCorps program will provide legal assistance to unaccompanied immigrant children facing deportation before the U.S. immigration courts. Students will have the opportunity to hone their legal skills in service to young people fleeing violence and seeking refuge in the U.S. through conducting legal screenings, drafting legal briefs, and preparing applications for asylum to support the representation process. Upon successful completion, law students participating in justice AmeriCorps can earn a **\$1,538 Segal AmeriCorps Education Award** for dedicating **450 hours of service**.

### Veterans Legal Corps

Veterans Legal Corps JD students work towards improving the lives of low-income and homeless veterans by providing legal assistance that ultimately leads to higher incomes, better health, safer and more secure housing, and family stability. JD members will support licensed attorneys in securing benefits for veterans and their families, and eliminate legal barriers to their housing and employment, among other services. Upon successful completion of the program, law students participating in Veterans Legal Corps can earn a **\$1,230 Segal AmeriCorps Education Award** for dedicating **300 hours of service**.

### Employment Opportunity Legal Corps

Employment Opportunity Legal Corps JD students will help licensed attorneys mitigate the negative consequences of prior criminal convictions for low-income clients by removing legal barriers to employment. JD students will assist attorneys with expunging, sealing, or correcting criminal records, and restoring a driver's license, allowing individuals to participate in occupational training or secure gainful employment. The ultimate measure of success in this program is whether clients secure a job or a better job. Upon successful completion of the program, law students participating in Employment Opportunity Legal Corps can earn a **\$1,230 Segal AmeriCorps Education Award** for dedicating **300 hours of service**.

### Disaster Legal Corps

JD students participating in Disaster Legal Corps will help improve the lives of low-income and vulnerable populations who reside in communities affected by natural and man-made disasters by securing benefits, avoiding consumer fraud, obtaining safe and secure housing, and promoting family stability. Students will assist attorneys with making claims and appealing denied claims for insurance and disaster assistance, seeking disaster unemployment benefits, and resolving disaster-related housing matters. Upon successful completion of the program, law students participating in Disaster Legal Corps can earn a **\$1,230 Segal AmeriCorps Education Award** for dedicating **300 hours of service**.

### Elder Justice AmeriCorps

Elder Justice AmeriCorps JD students will improve the lives of victims of elder abuse by providing legal assistance to older adult victims of abuse, neglect, and exploitation. Law students will focus specifically on assisting attorneys with responding to instances of elder abuse through legal research, drafting briefs, outreach and intake screenings. Upon successful completion of the program, law students participating in

Elder Justice AmeriCorps will earn a **\$1,230 Segal AmeriCorps Education Award** for dedicating **300 hours of service**.

*Details on eligibility and requirements can be found on our website.*