The Narcotic and Dangerous Drug Section (NDDS) supervises and has responsibility for enforcing federal statutes pertaining to narco-terrorism, narcotic drugs, and other controlled substances. The section advises the Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Department of Justice and other federal officials involved in drug enforcement on all matters related to federal narcotics and narco-terrorism law enforcement including proposed and enacted legislation, policy, enforcement initiatives, and criminal and civil litigation. The section has direct litigation responsibilities in significant drug and narco-terrorism investigations and prosecutions targeting national and international narcotics trafficking and money laundering organizations.

NDDS solicits applications from energetic, organized, and detail-oriented second- and third-year law students to fill intern/extern openings. Unpaid positions are available during academic semesters and summers. Many interns/externs receive academic credit for their experience.

**Projected No. of Interns:**
- Fall: 4 – 5
- Spring: 4 – 5
- Summer: 5 – 6

**Internship Location(s):** Washington, D.C.

**Application Materials:**
- Applicants should e-mail and list on the subject line of the e-mail his/her name and the semester for which the internship is sought (F – Fall, W – Spring, S – Summer).
- E-mail applications should include:
  1. a cover letter, including the weeks and days available to work;
  2. a resume;
  3. a writing sample (10 pages maximum);
  4. transcripts from current degree program.

**Qualifications:**
- Applicants for law internship positions must be enrolled, in good standing, in law school and have: (1) a strong academic background; (2) excellent research and writing skills; (3) interest in criminal and international law; and (4) interest in drug enforcement.

The positions are unpaid. United States citizenship is required. Because of the sensitive nature of the work, applicants must pass a background check before a formal offer for an internship can be extended.

**Application Deadlines:**
- Spring: October 15 (open until filled) Fall: June 1
- Summer: January 15 (open until filled)

**Minimum Weeks Required:**
- Spring and Fall: Full semester (at least 16 hours per week)
- Summer: Full Term (35 – 40 hours per week)

**Academic credit:** Work-study credit.

**Assignments:**
- Interns work directly with attorneys on issues relating to the investigation and prosecution of significant national and international narcotic traffickers and money laundering organizations. Typical intern projects involve researching novel legal issues, drafting legislation related documents for active cases, and helping attorneys draft Section publications.