



Information for Potential Partner Organizations

The UCLA International Justice Project (IJP) is an extracurricular student group coordinated by Tendayi Achiume, Assistant Professor of Law at UCLA. The purpose of IJP is to provide students and partner organizations with an opportunity to work together on projects in the areas of international human rights and international justice. Our vision is to have teams of two to four students collaborate on discrete projects with the assistance and on behalf of a partner organization.

The overarching goals of all our projects are:

- To contribute to advancing the international human rights or international justice goals of the partner organization; and
- To assist students to develop basic skills and substantive knowledge necessary for international human rights and international justice advocacy.

If your organization is interested in working with us (and we hope it is), we ask that you provide us with a project proposal, so that we might work together to ensure the project's suitability for our goals and students' skill levels. Your proposal should include:

- A brief description your organization;
- Some background describing the issue to which the project relates;
- A description of the work you would like IJP to do, including a description of the work product; and
- The advocacy goals of the project you are proposing, and how IJP's work would help advance those goals.

You are welcome to submit multiple proposals and depending on the number of students we have available we may be able to collaborate on multiple projects. Suitable projects would require students to conduct human rights-related research, draft memoranda, write sections of briefs, or contribute to advocacy programming in a variety of ways. Professor Achiume will work with partner organizations

to ensure that proposed projects meet the needs of both the partner organization and IJP. Once project descriptions are finalized, a team of students will be assigned to work on the selected projects, and these students and the partner organization will agree on a suitable timeline for the project. To start students off with their projects we expect partner organizations to schedule an introductory conference call with their teams.

Student projects will *not* be faculty supervised. Instead, a staff member at the partner organization will be responsible for supervising the students from the beginning to the end of the project. That said, prior to the commencement of the projects Professor Achiume provide all the students involved with a training workshop that will (i) introduce them to international human rights and international justice research methods and resources, (ii) provide them with basic instruction on memo writing and anything else that may be relevant to their projects, and (iii) establish a baseline protocol for professionalism in their interactions with the partner organization. Subsequently she will remain available as a general sounding board for the students as their projects progress. A staff member at each partner organization, however, will be responsible for providing guidance and feedback to the students on their specific projects. All project work (research and writing) will be executed using UCLA School of Law's library and research facilities.

We are excited about a possible collaboration with your organization and look forward to your response.

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