



# CENTRE FOR LAW AND DEMOCRACY

## **Summer Internship - International Human Rights**

The Centre for Law and Democracy (CLD), an international human rights organisation based in Halifax, Nova Scotia, is receiving applications for up to four interns for the summer of 2018. The positions will involve a range of substantive legal work mostly in the areas of freedom of expression, digital rights and access to information.

CLD provides expert legal services on foundational rights for democracy, to support and promote these rights around the world. As a sense of the type of work that we do, our current projects include:

- Supporting Myanmar's democratic transition, including by fostering the development of a robust and independent media sector and the drafting of new laws governing broadcasting, digital speech and access to information.
- Working to promote human rights within the League of Arab States, including by boosting civil society engagement with that body.
- Providing technical support to a major project aimed at boosting civil engagement by women and marginalised groups at the local level in Nepal.
- Engaging with multi-stakeholder partnerships such as the Governance Data Alliance and the Open Government Partnership to promote open access to information.
- Working with a range of actors to support implementation of the access to information laws in Pakistan.
- Working to improve respect for freedom of expression and user privacy among major tech companies.
- Providing expert input into law reform processes in a range of countries, including Tanzania, Pakistan, Indonesia and Mongolia.
- Campaigning against global threats to digital rights, such as mass surveillance, content restrictions, Internet shutdowns and efforts to undermine encryption and digital security.

We ask interns to commit to at least three months full-time work during the months of May to August and to be located in Halifax. Although these positions are unpaid, they represent an excellent opportunity to gain hands-on human rights experience. The work of interns at CLD is directly involved in advancing the cause of human rights, normally in a range of

countries over the summer. For more information on CLD's work, visit our website at [www.law-democracy.org](http://www.law-democracy.org).

Those interested in applying should send a copy of their CV, cover letter and transcripts to Portia Karegeya at [portia@law-democracy.org](mailto:portia@law-democracy.org) by 2 February 2017.

The successful candidate will have a strong academic record, excellent research skills, the ability to multi-task, and a demonstrated commitment to social justice and human rights. Languages and regional knowledge are assets.

CLD is an equal opportunity employer and will not discriminate against any applicant on the basis of characteristics such as age, disability, gender, national origin, race, religion or sexual orientation.