

2024-2025 INTERNATIONAL FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT FELLOWSHIP

APPLICATION COVER SHEET

Name: _____
(Last) (First & Middle)

LLM Program: _____
Time of Graduation: _____

Non-NYU email address: _____
(please provide permanent email address)

NYU Net ID: _____
NYU email: _____

Local Address: _____

Languages: _____

Local Cell Phone: _____

Are you an NYU Scholarship recipient: Y N

Permanent Address (home country):

If so, what type: _____

Do you plan to sit for the July Bar Exam? Y N

Do you plan to sit for the February Bar Exam? Y N

Permanent Phone: _____

Law Degree from (country): _____

Availability:

Summer	Fall
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IFD Organization Preference: Please indicate desired organization with an "X". *If applying to more than one, please indicate order of preference (1 being the most preferable).*

- _____ European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD), London
If applying to EBRD, are you from an EBRD shareholder country? _____ (see list here: <http://www.ebrd.com/shareholders-and-board-of-governors.html>)
- _____ International Development Law Organization (IDLO), Rome or The Hague
- _____ International Energy Agency (IEA), Paris
If applying to IEA, are you from an IEA member country? _____ (see list here: <https://www.iea.org/en/about/members-partners.html>)
- _____ International Finance Corporation (IFC), Washington, DC
- _____ International Institute for Sustainable Development (IISD), Geneva
- _____ International Monetary Fund (IMF), Washington, DC
- _____ Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), Paris
If applying to OECD, are you from an OECD member country? _____ (see list here: <https://www.oecd.org/en/about/members-partners.html>)
- _____ World Bank, Washington, DC – Legal Vice Presidency
- _____ World Bank, Washington, DC – Legal Vice Presidency, Operations Policy Group, Technology & Innovation

Do you also plan to apply to the ILHR Fellowships? Y N

Applicant signature: I have read and understand the terms and conditions of the Fellowship Program as described herein and agree to comply with and be bound by them. I agree to accept the Fellowship and to undertake the particular Fellowship placement if the IFD Fellowship is awarded to me.

Signature

Date



2024-2025 INTERNATIONAL FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT FELLOWSHIP APPLICATION

ORGANIZATION COVER SHEET

Application for Organization **(for official use only)**: _____

Name: _____
(Last) (First & Middle)

LLM Program: _____

NYU E-mail Address: _____

Country of First Law Degree: _____

Languages: _____

Notes **(for official use only)**:

1. INTRODUCTION

The International Finance and Development (IFD) fellowships are designed to provide fellows with the opportunity to gain experience working with international organizations engaged in the areas of finance, development, public international law, and international dispute resolution. The fellowships are for a minimum of 10 or 12 weeks (depending on the organization) in duration, for which the Law School provides modest financial support.

Current LLM students at NYU School of Law are eligible to apply. This year we expect to select fourteen (14) students as IFD Fellows. We are currently accepting applications for fellowships at:

- European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD), London
- International Development Law Organization (IDLO), Rome or The Hague
- International Energy Agency (IEA), Paris
- International Finance Corporation (IFC), Washington, DC
- International Institute for Sustainable Development (IISD), Geneva
- International Monetary Fund (IMF), Washington, DC
- Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), Paris
- World Bank, Washington, DC

2. FELLOWSHIP PLACEMENTS

A brief introduction to each fellowship placement organization follows; however, students should also review information available at the websites, noted below, of the placement organizations and seek additional information from Placement Reports submitted by previous IFD fellows. These reports are located online at:

<https://www.law.nyu.edu/publicinterestlawcenter/ifd-fellowships> under “Fellowship Reports.”

Students may also contact past IFD Fellows with further questions (contact information is provided at the end of this document).

European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD), London

Location: London

Placements: 1

Time of placement: Fall

Duration: 10-12 weeks

Description: The EBRD’s Office of the General Counsel is at the core of EBRD’s mandate to support the transition process in 38 economies ranging from Central and Eastern Europe, the Southern and Eastern Mediterranean to Central Asia. It handles all legal aspects of the EBRD’s lending and investment transactions, as well as of EBRD’s finance operations, it provides legal advice on institutional and other corporate matter and supports the Bank’s policy development in its region through its legal transition programme. The placement at EBRD offers engagement with both development work and transactional practice. The IFD Fellow may participate in negotiation sessions, attend meetings, draft legal documents, and perform legal research. LLM students with degrees from Eastern Europe, Russia and the former CIS, Southern and Eastern Mediterranean and/or experience with M&A and other corporate and financing transactions are particularly encouraged to apply. For more information, please go to

www.ebrd.com/pages/homepage.shtml

Fellow Qualifications: Only citizens of EBRD shareholder countries are eligible. EBRD shareholder countries are not all located in Europe; there are 64 countries from all over the world. See here for a full list:

<http://www.ebrd.com/shareholders-and-board-of-governors.html>.

International Development Law Organization (IDLO) – Office of the General Counsel, Rome

Location: Rome

Placements: 1

Time of placement: Fall

Duration: 12 weeks

Description: The International Development Law Organization (IDLO) is the only intergovernmental organization exclusively devoted to promoting the rule of law. IDLO enables governments and empowers people to reform laws and strengthen institutions to promote peace, justice, sustainable development and economic opportunity. We contribute to creating stable and inclusive societies where every person can live free from fear and want, in dignity and under the rule of law. The Office of the General Counsel is a generalist legal practice whose overarching aim is to advance and protect the interests of IDLO. It advises the entire organization on a diverse range of legal and ethical issues with respect to internal policies and regulations, contracts, and international agreements. It also supports the Member Parties and the staff of the Organization in matters relating to the Organization's governance, including the annual meetings of the Parties. And it negotiates agreements with countries where IDLO operates to recognize IDLO's privileges and immunities. To learn more about IDLO, please visit our website www.idlo.int or follow us on Twitter @IDLOnews.

International Energy Agency – Office of the Legal Counsel (OLC)

Location: Paris

Placements: 1

Time of placement: Summer or fall (preference for fall)

Duration: Minimum 12 weeks, with potential to extend for up to 6 months (preference for candidates willing to stay 6 months)

Description: The International Energy Agency (IEA) has 31 Members, 11 Association countries and 4 Accession countries. It and is at the heart of global dialogue on energy, providing authoritative analysis, data, policy recommendations and real-world solutions to help countries provide secure and sustainable energy for all. The IEA Secretariat has approximately 400 staff and is located in Paris near the Eiffel Tower. OLC is a multinational team made up of around 12 lawyers and support staff. Further information about the IEA can be found at <http://www.iea.org/about/>.

The IFD Fellow will work in OLC and may assist on all types of legal matters that come before the legal team. Tasks may include conducting legal and institutional research on public international law, institutional issues and/or energy law; drafting memoranda, papers, or other documents; providing legal assistance to the IEA's technology collaboration programmes (TCPs) or to other multilateral initiatives in which the IEA is involved or leading; conducting research and analysis on policy and regulatory-focused projects (in particular on critical minerals and methane abatement); assisting with the drafting of agreements and notes for IEA committees; and attending and taking notes at relevant conferences and committee meetings.

Fellow Qualifications: The candidate must have full competency in English, French is not a requirement. Preference will be given to candidates with interest, studies or professional experience in international law, energy law or international institutional law. The IEA follows OECD rules and procedures regarding human resources.

Living allowance: In accordance with OECD policies, the IEA provides a monthly [living allowance](#) for all fellows.

International Finance Corporation (IFC)

Location: Washington, D.C.

Placements: 2

Time of placement: Fall

Duration: 12 weeks

Description: The IFC is an international financial institution and is part of the World Bank Group. The mission of the IFC's 184 shareholder nations is to decrease poverty in the developing world by investing in the private sector. For more information, please see www.ifc.org. The IFC intern's work would focus on investments and projects (mainly loans and equity investments) to private companies located in countries in the specific region. The intern's duties will be varied and may include: attending meetings, reviewing and preparing legal document (e.g., powers of attorney, agreements,

and mandate letters), organizing documents, helping with closings, preparing training sessions, filing, improving systems, and assisting in organizing conferences.

Fellow Qualifications: The IFC seeks interns with a corporate background. Prior knowledge of corporate transactions, cross-border deals, equity, and project finance will be an added advantage. The IFC also seeks interns that are able to work in teams and have strong communication skills. Good work ethic and a sincere interest in public service and IFC's mission are also important. Previous private sector legal experience a plus.

International Institute for Sustainable Development (IISD), Investment for Sustainable Development Program

Location: Geneva

Placements: 1

Time of placement: Summer or Fall (slight preference for fall)

Duration: 12 weeks

Description: IISD engages in policy research, analysis and information exchange to promote sustainable development through innovation and research and by building relationships throughout the world. IISD's investment program examines how the rules and institutions that govern international investment flows can be improved so as to help developing countries, in particular, attract the sort of investment that promotes sustainable development. For more information, please go to www.iisd.org/topic/investment. The fellow will have meaningful opportunities to learn more about and gain hands-on experience in international investment law and policy for sustainable development. Tasks will include conducting legal research on investment-related topics, studying and summarizing investor–state arbitration cases for internal use and for publication on IISD's Investment Treaty News (ITN) online journal, contributing to the drafting of legal commentaries and advisory opinions, and assisting IISD's team of legal experts in preparing for training courses and other events geared toward investment negotiators from developing country governments and regional organizations.

Fellow Qualifications: Knowledge of international law. Background (coursework, internships or publications) or interest in international investment law and policy, with a focus on developing countries and sustainable development. Research-oriented, with effective organization skills. Written and spoken proficiency in other languages (Arabic, French, Mandarin, Portuguese, Spanish or other) is an advantage.

International Monetary Fund (IMF)

Location: Washington, D.C.

Placements: 2

Time of placement: Fall

Duration: 10 weeks

Description: The IMF is an excellent placement for those with a public service orientation and background and interest in policy and regulation. The Legal Department includes several divisions: the Fund Law and Policy Division, the Financial & Fiscal Law Division, the Financial Integrity Divisions (Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-Terrorism), the Governance and Anti-Corruption Division, the Resource and Information Management Division, and the Administrative Division. The IFD Fellow may be placed in any of these offices. For more information, please see www.imf.org/external/index.htm

Fellow Qualifications: The IMF seeks interns with a public service background and regulatory and policy-oriented perspective. Some legal experience in any of the following areas would be ideal, although not compulsory:

- International, financial, corporate, or commercial law;
 - Regulation of non-bank financial institutions and financial products;
 - Regulation of banks and other types of financial institutions;
 - Knowledge of and/or exposure to financial integrity issues;
 - Insolvency and debt enforcement laws and foreign exchange system and capital controls frameworks; and
 - International law and policy.
- New topics covered by the departments include work on Gender, Climate, and FINTECH matters

Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)

Location: Paris

Placements: 1

Time of placement: Fall

Duration: 12 weeks

Description: The OECD's mission – Better Policies for Better Lives – promotes policies that will improve the economic and social well-being of people around the world. It provides a unique forum in which governments work together to share experiences on what drives economic, social and environmental change, seeking solutions to common problems.

The Directorate for Legal Affairs (LEG) is a small and highly integrated team which provides advice and information on the legal, institutional and procedural aspects of the Organization's activities. The Directorate also serves as coordinator of the discussions with candidate countries for OECD membership, which involves the analysis of the candidate's position on some 250 OECD legal instruments.

The principal function of the selected candidate will be to assist the Legal Advisers working in relation to matters relating to public international law, legal instruments of the Organization, the coordination of membership discussions with accession candidates, the Organization's relations with non-Members as well as procedural and governance issues.

Fellow Qualifications: The OECD seeks a candidate with strong knowledge of public international law, and with excellent research and drafting skills. Prior experience in an international organization or law firm working on public international law issues would be an asset. Fluency in English is essential and a working knowledge of French is an advantage.

World Bank – Legal Vice Presidency

Location: Washington, D.C. or alternative location based on applicable Bank HR rules on work authorization.

Placements: 2

Time of placement: 1 summer 2025, 1 fall 2025

Duration: 10-12 weeks (exact period to be determined)

Description: The IFD Fellows will work in the Bank's Legal Vice Presidency (unless the Bank decides otherwise).

The principal supervisor will be Vikram Raghavan, but the IFD Fellows may also be given specific assignments by other Bank staff members in consultation with their supervisor.

The IFD Fellows' responsibilities and assignments may include drafting memos and documents relating to the Bank's legal and policy framework, its mandate and mission, development history, MDB and IFI law, international law practice and procedure, and specific country assignments on a case-by-case basis. Feedback from past Fellows indicates that the fellowship is an intense learning opportunity by which the Fellows gain insights into an international organization's legal and policy framework. Many alums from this program now work at international organizations and with national governments.

Fellow Qualifications: Candidates for the fellowship must have full competency in spoken and written English.

Knowledge of French and Spanish could be an added — but is not a necessary — advantage. Candidates must have excellent legal and analytical skills. They must be able to hit the ground running, willing to do long hours of library and archival research and produce memos on short notice.

Additional Application Requirements: Candidates must submit a writing sample and indicate whether they are available for summer and/or fall placements.

World Bank – Legal Vice Presidency, Operations Policy Group

Location: Washington, D.C.

Placements: 2

Time of placement: 1 summer 2025, 1 fall 2025

Duration: At least 10 weeks

Description: The IFD Fellow will work in the Legal Operations Unit of the Bank's Legal Vice Presidency (unless the Bank decides otherwise). Subject to the supervisor's discretion, the intern will be responsible providing assistance in connection with researching and drafting on legal aspects of data policy issues related to World Bank operations including but not limited to:

- a. legal memoranda and analysis on country specific data policy (data protection, cybercrime, e-commerce, etc.) issues related to World Bank Operations
 - b. building out a data base of country-specific legal requirements around data protection;
 - c. research and writing support to analytical and advisory work at country, regional and international levels on topics related to the digital economy (e.g., data governance, e-transactions, digital ID); and
2. curation of a weekly news monitoring newsletter on legal data issues, including development angle and coverage of Low- and Middle-Income Countries (LMICs), with a view of developing a sustainable, user-friendly tool for internal audiences (~3 hours/week);
 3. Supporting event preparation, including contributing to the development of preparatory or presentation content and follow-up communications (e.g., blogs);
 4. Such other matters reasonably related to the foregoing.

Deliverables will include case studies, research memoranda, reports and newsletter related to the foregoing as requested and agreed.

The principal supervisors will be Adele Barzelay and David Satola, but the fellow may also be given specific assignments by other Bank staff members in consultation with his/her supervisor(s).

Fellow Qualifications: The candidate must have full competency in English with knowledge of French, Spanish or Arabic highly desirable. Candidate must have excellent legal and analytical skills. He or she must be able to hit the ground running. Working knowledge of data regulations (data protection, cybercrime, e-commerce, digital ID/ DPI) and AI policy, legislation and regulation is preferred, but not necessary as long as the candidate is a quick learner.

Additional Application Requirements: Candidate must submit a short writing sample and note on application whether they are available for summer and/or fall placements.

3. TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Terms

- All fellowships are subject to approval by each fellowship placement organization. No fellowship will be granted until the applicant is approved by the relevant organization.
- All listed fellowship locations are likely, but not guaranteed, and subject to each organization's HR rules and work authorization policies that may require alternative locations.
- Applicants who are awarded an IFD Fellowship are required to accept the fellowship.
- Chosen fellows are responsible for obtaining their own work visas, permits, medical insurance, and any other requirements in order to pursue the fellowship placement.

Requirements

Selected fellows will receive the full fellowship award provided by the Law School contingent upon the fulfillment of all obligations listed below:

- **Duration:** The fellowships are for 10 or 12 weeks in duration depending on the organization. The internship will take place in summer or fall 2024, depending on the needs of the host organization. IFD Fellows must stay with the organization for the agreed period. An organization may negotiate with the selected IFD Fellow a longer period of placement – the terms of such extension are subject to agreement between the student and the organization; no additional funding will be provided by NYU.
- **Report:** IFD Fellows must submit a fellowship report to the Public Interest Law Center that provides details about the IFD Fellow’s experience at the organization (a standard form will be provided.) The deadline to submit the report will be a few weeks prior to the completion of the fellowship.
- **Community/Communication:** After completion of the fellowship placement and upon request, IFD Fellows must be available (in person, via email or by phone) to answer questions from NYU Law students and IFD applicants, especially during the application process.

4. FINANCIAL AWARD

IFD Fellows will receive \$7,000 USD in support of the fellowship. The financial support is awarded on a need-blind basis. An initial stipend of \$3,500 will be distributed prior to the beginning of the fellowship placement. An additional award of \$3,500 will be disbursed after the IFD Fellow has a) successfully completed the fellowship placement; and b) submitted the required report to the Public Interest Law Center. In some circumstances the full award will be distributed prior to the beginning of the fellowship.

Please note: Expenses related to some placements, including airfare, housing, insurance, and inoculations, are likely to exceed the amount provided by the stipend. In addition, selected IFD Fellows who are not US citizens or permanent residents may have their stipend amount reduced due to tax obligations (depending on the tax treaty of the fellow’s country with the United States).

5. APPLICATION

Applicants to the IFD Fellowship must submit one copy of the application package by email, in a **single document as a PDF* file**, to IFD.fellowshipapplication@nyu.edu, by **Friday, October 25, 2024 at 11:59pm EST**.

*The PDF file must be in a **single document**; we will not combine PDF documents. Failure to comply will result in an invalid application.

The application package must include, in the following order:

1. **Completed cover sheet** (first page of this application). Please indicate fellowship placement(s) for which you are applying.
2. **Completed Organization Cover Sheet.** Please submit only one, even if applying to several organizations. Leave organization name and notes blank.
3. **Résumé**
4. **NYU Transcript.** Please include an unofficial copy from Albert (you will not have grades yet, but the transcript will show the courses you are taking).
5. **All Statement(s) of Interest.** Please include in your application a short statement of interest explaining why you want to undertake a specific fellowship. You may include any relevant academic, professional or other

experience, skills particularly relevant to the organization, and what you hope to gain by undertaking the fellowship.

- The statement must be **500** words or less.
- If you are applying for more than one fellowship placement, please include a **separate statement for each placement**.
- Please write the organization you're applying to and your name at the top of the statement.

6. **Home School Transcript.** Please include a copy of your law school transcript from your home institution (unofficial copies are acceptable; please don't include originals).
7. **Official or Unofficial Translation of Home School Transcript.** Please make sure the translation clearly explains which classes you took and how you were graded. If official translation is unavailable, students may translate their own transcripts. This translation should aim to summarize the classes and grades; no need to translate additional documents.
8. **Writing Sample for the World Bank.** Students applying to two of the IFD positions at the World Bank must include a writing sample of no more than 10 pages. If the writing sample is in a language other than English, students may submit their own translation attached to the original writing sample.

Please note: If a placement organization requires the submission of its own application, selected IFD Fellows must promptly complete and provide such application.

6. INTERVIEWS AND SELECTION

IFD Fellowships

After reviewing the applications, a pool of applicants will be selected for interviews to be conducted at NYU School of Law. All applicants will receive an email alerting them of the outcome. Applicants selected for the NYU interviews must sign up for an interview slot no later than **5:00pm on Monday, November 11, 2024**. Failure to do so will result in a cancellation of their application.

The NYU interviews will take place on **November 14 and 15** between 09:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. The interviews will last 15 minutes approximately. There will be no alternate days. The interviews will be conducted over zoom by a panel of NYU faculty, administrators, fellows and/or alums.

All applicants will be alerted of the outcome of the NYU interviews. The panel will select a shortlist of applicants; the applications from those shortlisted students will be forwarded to each placement organization. Each organization may conduct their own interviews in person, via skype or by phone. The organization will select the final IFD fellows. Depending on the organization and the students' schedule, applicants should expect to know the outcome some time in late January, early February, 2025.

Selected IFD fellows will be featured on the NYU Law's website as Fellows as shown in the following link: <https://www.law.nyu.edu/publicinterestlawcenter/forstudents/postgradfellowshipsLLMs/ifdfellowships/current-ifd-fellows>.

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APPLICATION PACKAGE

Each application package must contain the following material*:

- Completed application cover sheet (first page of this application)
- Completed organization cover sheet (second page of this application, only one even if applying to multiple places)
- Résumé
- NYU transcript (unofficial)
- Statement(s) of interest for each fellowship placement requested
- Home school transcript (copies of official or unofficial transcript)
- Official or unofficial translation of home school transcript
- Writing sample (only required for applicants to the World Bank Legal Vice-Presidency, limit of 10 pages)

*Applicants must collate materials **in the order** listed above; failure to do so will result in an invalid application.

Please follow the instructions below to submit your application*:

- Applicants must submit the completed application package by email, in a **single** document as a PDF file (we will not combine separate PDF documents), to IFD.fellowshipapplication@nyu.edu by **Friday, October 25, 2024 at 11:59pm EST**.

*Failure to follow these instructions will result in an invalid application.

For more information, please contact IFD.fellowshipapplication@nyu.edu.

PLEASE REMEMBER THE DEADLINE:

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2023-24 INTERNATIONAL FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT FELLOWS

European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)

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