FOR 1Ls ONLY: Everything You Need to Know About Public Interest & Pro Bono

1L YEAR

• Get involved with student organizations and/or volunteer activities
• Sign up with Equal Justice Works
• Start thinking about your strengths and interests
• Update resume and work on a cover letter
• Register on PSJD.org
• Applications for summer jobs (December – April)
• Public Interest Career Fair – February or March
• Public Interest Summer Grant Applications due – late March/early April
• Register for summer/fall classes in Spring semester
• Learn about PI Certificate

2L YEAR

• Think about taking leadership roles in student orgs and volunteer activities
• Update resume to reflect summer experience
• Take classes for PI Certificate
• Plan to take clinical courses
• Application for summer jobs (August – May)
• Focus summer job search either or location or practice area (or both)
• Equal Justice Works Career Fair – late October
• Public Interest Career Fair – February or March
• Public Interest Summer Grant Applications due – late March/early April
• Start thinking about post-graduate fellowship applications – summer

3L YEAR

• Exercise leadership in student orgs and volunteer activities
• Update resume for full-time job search
• Continue to take courses for PI Certificate
• Focus on clinical, externship & pro bono experience
• Create and nurture professional relationships and contacts
• Fellowship applications due – beginning in early fall semester
• Equal Justice Works Career Fair – late Oct.
• UA Public Interest Career Fair – February or March
• Learn about student debt repayment options and research payment plans/debt management
• Job search will likely be ongoing throughout the academic year and into the summer – be patient!