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We are seeking a promising and self-motivated Legal Intern to support the long-term growth and success of Conservation International's work in the Asia-Pacific Field Division for a period of 3-6 months. The intern will have opportunities to learn about Conservation International's work in more than 10 countries in the Asia-Pacific and the role of the General Counsel's Office in advancing the organization's mission and will assist to advise, implement, and monitor best in class delivery of legal services.

The Conservation International University Internship Program is open to undergraduate students in local universities reading law or legal studies.

About Conservation International

Conservation International works to spotlight and secure the critical benefits that nature provides to humanity. Since our inception in 1987, we've helped to protect more than 6 million square kilometers of land and sea across more than 70 countries. Currently with offices in 29 countries and 2,000 partners worldwide, our reach is truly global. Building upon a strong foundation of science, partnership, and field demonstration, Conservation International empowers societies to responsibly and sustainably care for nature, our global biodiversity, for the well-being of humanity.

In Singapore, Conservation International envisions a vibrant, resilient and sustainable city for generations to come and aims to empower the community to protect nature through individual and collective action. Conservation International Singapore's country program is focused on community engagement and education, capacity building through student internships, and exploring and supporting innovative solutions for conservation science and research.

Conservation International Values

We expect that all employees will embrace the values of our organization:

- **Passion:** Inspired by people and by nature, we are urgently compelled to drive change for a sustainable future.
- **Integrity:** We are honest, transparent and accountable for our actions.
- **Teamwork:** We work together as one CI, recognizing that inclusion, collaboration and cooperation are fundamental to achieving a healthy and prosperous world for all.
- **Respect:** We respect each other and work to earn trust, valuing our diversity of cultures, talents, and experiences.
- **Courage:** We pursue our vision, taking bold action, persevering and overcoming challenges.
- **Optimism:** We are optimistic about the capacity of people to be caring, generous and brilliant, and believe that with partners, we can inspire humanity to create a better future.

Location

Singapore (remote-working)

Must have stable and secure internet access for work.

About the Project

Across the Asia-Pacific and globally, carbon sequestration and climate action are growing as focal points in conservation and restoration. The General Counsel's Office serves as a strategic partner and advisor to Conservation International's Board and management and to all program centers, initiatives, and regional offices to advance the organization's mission and to manage risk to the institution. It is committed to providing timely, professional, practical, and ethical advice on a wide range of legal issues that affect the institution. It also helps Conservation International's programs develop sound legal and risk management approaches that anticipate and address problems, to empower teams with the knowledge to enhance smart risk decision making.

The intern will assist in the above principles to advise, implement, and monitor best in class delivery of legal services. In addition, the internship is expected to provide hands-on, real-life exposure to working as in-house legal counsel in an international, environmental, non-governmental organization.

About the Role

Working with the Asia-Pacific Regional Counsel, the intern will provide support in the following areas:

- Assisting in various projects and programs that deals with carbon, both in the private sector's financial markets and public initiatives in partnership with governments.
- Reviewing Non-Disclosure Agreements, partnership agreements, shareholders' agreements, and other legal documents.
- Attending strategy and policy meetings for legal and compliance functions.
- Balancing legal risk versus commercial potential.
- Ensuring regulatory compliance with relevant laws in Singapore.

Qualifications

- Current enrolment in a Singapore university (or gap year) with a focus in law or legal studies.
- Legal research experience and writing skills.

Desirable Qualities

- Curiosity and passion for conservation.
- Interest in Conservation International's institutional strategies prioritizing nature conservation, communities, and sustainable development.
- Proficient in Microsoft Office.
- Interest and/or exposure to the 12 Asia-Pacific office countries, namely Singapore, Cambodia, Indonesia, Timor-Leste, the Philippines, China, Japan, New Caledonia, Fiji, Samoa, Australia and New Zealand.
- Independent thinker and worker.

Benefits

The intern will be provided with a monthly stipend of SGD 1,000 for a 5-day work week.

Application

To be considered for this internship, please apply to singapore@conservation.org with the subject "**Application: Legal Intern – [full name]**" and the following attachments:

1. Curriculum vitae.
2. Cover letter, which should include the applicant's interest in working with Conservation International's field programs in the Asia-Pacific and any relevant experience working in an NGO or environmental conservation setting.
3. Period of availability.
4. Portfolio and/or writing sample.
5. Academic transcript.

Shortlisted candidates will be invited for an interview.