SANTANDER SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

SUFFOLK UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL
Santander Universities Scholarship Application

Through a partnership with Santander Bank, Suffolk University is pleased to offer this scholarship program to assist with the cost of an international experience. A single award of up to $3,500 is available to Suffolk Law School students who have been accepted into and participate in an approved international experience.

Eligibility Requirements:

- All Suffolk Law students in good academic standing who are not in their final semester are eligible to apply.
- Students who do not enroll in an approved international experience will not be eligible for Santander funds.
- Students pursuing an international internship must do so for academic credit.
- Placement priority will be given to the following international experiences, which are listed in order of preference (1 being the most preferred):
  1. Full-time internship at a non-profit or government organization (for-credit).
  2. Internship at a non-profit or governmental organization (for-credit) combined with the SULS Lund Summer Program.
  3. An unpaid internship (for-credit) at a for-profit entity combined with the SULS Lund Summer Program.
  4. An unpaid internship at for-profit entity (for-credit).
  5. SULS Lund Summer Program.
  6. NACLE Exchange Program.
- Additional preference will be given to those students who intern in Central or South America.
- Geographic Priority will be given to students with a permanent address in the following states, which contain Santander Bank branches: Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Connecticut, New Hampshire, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, and Maryland.

Application Deadlines for Summer 2015:


*Note: If you have not yet finalized your plans for your international experience by the application deadline, you may still apply for the Santander Universities Scholarship. In such instances, applicants should include as much information and relevant detail as possible in their proposal regarding their international experience prospects (positions applied to by applicant,
positions offered to applicant, etc.). If there is any change in your international experience status during the course of the application process, you should immediately notify Janice Evans of the Office of Financial Aid (jevans@suffolk.edu), and Professor Shah (rnshah@suffolk.edu).

Application:

- Applicants should submit one (1) copy of the application package, by e-mail, in a single document as a PDF file, to the Office of Financial Aid, lawfaid@suffolk.edu, by the application deadline.
- Please label the PDF with your name (e.g., "Maiya Jackson Santander Application").
- Please collate application materials in the order listed below.
- The Application package must include:
  1. Identification sheet (see page 5);
  2. Resume;
  3. Project proposal/personal statement (see pages 3-4);
  4. Letter of support from the prospective placement
  5. One letter of reference (academic or professional);
  6. Official or unofficial law school transcript; and
  7. Letter of Good Standing (This is obtained from the Dean of Students Office, or at: http://www.suffolk.edu/law/student-life/23072.php. Students should allow one week for processing time.)
  8. Anticipated Cost Sheet (see page 6)

Incomplete applications will not be accepted—all required materials must be submitted as a package as outlined above.

If you have any questions concerning the application, you may contact Professors Shah (rnshah@suffolk.edu) and Trujillo (etrujillo@suffolk.edu).

Obligations:

Award recipients are required to write a “Thank you” letter to representatives of Santander by September 15, 2015. Additionally, participating students are required to attend a “Scholarship Donor Reception.” Information regarding these requirements will be provided to the student in due course by a representative of Suffolk University, Office of Advancement.

Suffolk Law may wish to publicize individual Santander Universities Scholars on Suffolk’s website or other media as a way to inform and encourage other Suffolk Law students to pursue international experiences. Santander Universities Scholars are required to cooperate with Suffolk Law Administration on this matter. Promotional responsibilities may include, but are not limited to, speaking at international information sessions and events; writing a short biography for the website; or participating in an interview for a “spotlight” article to be featured on the website.
Award recipients are also required to write a **field report**, at the conclusion of their international experience, which documents the quality of their international internship and/or study experience. These reports are valuable resources for subsequent classes of students researching international experiences.

Santander Universities Scholars must notify contact Professors Shah (rnshah@suffolk.edu) and Trujillo (etrujillo@suffolk.edu) immediately if they are terminated from the Law School or if they withdraw or transfer from the Law School. In such cases, recipients are not eligible for the Santander Universities Scholarship and may be asked to return the scholarship award to the Law School. If a student has submitted an application(s) to transfer or is planning do so, he/she must disclose this information to the Selection Committee.

**Selection Process:**

A Selection Committee of faculty and administrators will review the applications. Finalists may be called in for an interview with the Selection Committee. Decisions will be announced in early April 2015.

Considerations that will influence the selection of Santander Universities Scholars include the following: originality and significance of the project; qualifications of the student to complete the project; demonstrated commitment and interest in international law and career based on employment, activities, and academic work; length and duration of the project; ways in which the position will assist the student in pursuing his/her career goals in this area; whether the internship is located in a country listed on the State Department's Travel Warning List; the student's overall academic record; whether the student has a firm offer in place; quality of recommendations from references; and quality of finalist's interview.

**Important Financial Aid Implications:**

If you are selected as a Santander Universities Scholar recipient, your financial aid award may be impacted and revised. Please contact the Financial Aid Office directly with questions.

**Questions:**

Visit [http://www.suffolk.edu/law/academics/internships/25599.php](http://www.suffolk.edu/law/academics/internships/25599.php) or contact Professors Shah (rnshah@suffolk.edu) and Trujillo (etrujillo@suffolk.edu). Out of a sense of fairness to all applicants, we cannot provide specific advice on the substance of your application.
# Santander Universities Scholarship - Project Proposal

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INSTRUCTIONS: Use this outline to complete your project proposal. The length of your proposal must not exceed four double-spaced pages (not including the cover sheet). If feasible, your proposal should be developed in consultation with the placement organization.

I. Summary: Summarize the goal, impact and activities of your international experience, as well as the nexus between the international experience and your professional and academic goals.

II. Description: Identify and describe the issues that you will focus on and explain why they are significant and how you will address them. Describe the partner organization.

III. Goal and Impact of International Experience: State briefly the overall goal of your international experience. What do you hope to accomplish? State briefly the impact your international experience will have on: (a) your clients; (b) your partner organization; and (c) the international community.

IV. International Experience Activities: Describe the specific activities you will undertake during the international experience period. What tasks will you perform? What type of research or work will you produce? Who will supervise your work?

V. Nexus between International Experience and Professional and Academic Goals: Describe how the goals, impact, and activities of this international experience intersect with your professional and academic goals. How will this international experience help you achieve your professional and academic goals?

VI. Conclusion: State briefly why you should be provided with a Santander Universities Scholarship.

VII. Finances: Please list your expected expenses during the international experience. If your host organization is providing you with any assistance, such as housing vouchers, travel allowance, food or meals, etc., please list them.
SANTANDER UNIVERSITIES SCHOLARSHIP – IDENTIFICATION SHEET

NAME:

YEAR IN SCHOOL:

ADDRESS:

PHONE:

EMAIL:
Please enter anticipated costs associated with the international experience (e.g. internship or studies). *Please note that you may only list expenses directly or indirectly associated with your internship or studies.* Do not list costs for tourism or other expenses unrelated to your internship or studies. Please provide details to assist us in verifying the cost. For example: $1354 for a roundtrip plane ticket from Boston to Vienna. Documentation of expenses may be required. Financial Aid may be reduced or canceled if expenses are deemed unreasonable.

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I certify that the above-listed costs are as accurate as possible and reflect only anticipated costs associated with the international experience program of study or internship. **I certify that I understand all of the requirements expected of me detailed on this application if I am chosen as a Santander Universities Scholar.** I agree to notify Professor Shah (rnshah@suffolk.edu) and the Financial Aid Office (jevans@suffolk.edu) at Suffolk Law School if I do not complete the program.

Student signature_____________________________________ Date ______________