

The Brooklyn Legal Pipeline Initiative



**Internships
Mentors
and
Education**

January 2019 - August 2019

THE BROOKLYN LEGAL PIPELINE INITIATIVE

The Brooklyn Legal Pipeline Initiative (BLPI) is designed to provide students from diverse backgrounds, who live or attend college in Brooklyn, direct instruction on how to successfully apply to and fund a law school education. Participants will attend networking events where they will have the opportunity to socialize with practicing attorneys and judges and identify potential mentors. Students who attend all sessions will be offered an opportunity to obtain a summer internship. In past years students have interned for judges, legal service organizations and private law firms. This program is co-sponsored by the Brooklyn Women's Bar Association (BWBA), The Defense Association of New York (DANY) and the Brooklyn Bar Association (BBA).

Selected students will attend five (5) two-hour classroom sessions, once a month, starting in January 2019 that will be moderated by volunteer judges, attorneys and law school administrators. Classes will be held at the Brooklyn Bar Association's landmark building located at 123 Remsen Street in downtown Brooklyn. These classes will address the following topics:

January 15, 2019 – The Legal Profession - What is a lawyer? What do they do? – Panel discussion with judges and attorneys describing the areas in which they practice.

February 19, 2019 – Applying to Law School - Course selection- Time management – Writing skills – IRAC - The LSAT's – Paying for law school – Guided questions and answer session with a career counselor and a law school admissions officer.

March 19, 2019- Networking and Mentoring – Each participant will be paired with an Attorney Mentor - Developing a resume and cover letter.

April 16, 2019 - Internships –Interview Skills - Professionalism.

May 21, 2019 - Mock Interviews - Each participant will participate in simulated interviews and will receive immediate constructive feedback.

July -August 2019 - Summer Internship Program

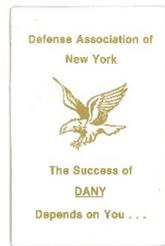
APPLICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE ONLINE AT

www.brooklynwomensbar.org

www.defenseassociationofnewyork.org



Brooklyn Bar Association (BBA) - Established in 1872, the Brooklyn Bar Association's primary purpose is to promote professional competence among attorneys and increased respect for the legal system. The BBA promotes access to the legal system through a Lawyer Referral Service, which provides referrals for legal assistance in multiple practice areas. It advances leadership and promotes opportunities for success through networking opportunities and through sections and committees, which focus on improvements in the practice of law. The BBA provides Continuing Legal Education, which enhances the skills, competence and ethics of its members. The belief that the administration of justice is achieved through the integrity, honor and courtesy of the members of the legal profession is the foundation of this association.



The Defense Association of New York (DANY) has been serving New York's civil defense bar and legal community for **over 50 years** -- bringing together by association, communication, and organization attorneys and qualified non-attorneys in the state of New York who devote substantial professional time to the handling of litigated cases primarily for the defense of civil claims. **DANY** is committed to improving the services of the legal profession, elevating the standards of trial practice, supporting and working for the improvement of the adversarial system of jurisprudence in our courts and facilitating and expediting the trial of disputed civil claims.



Brooklyn Women's Bar Association (BWBA) came into existence on April 20, 1918, six months after women were granted the right to vote in New York State, when it was incorporated by nine Brooklyn Law School graduates. Their creed—and the Bar's to this day—was education, support and legislation. Since its founding, the BWBA has provided a professional network and legal education programs for women lawyers and engaged in charitable efforts for the benefits of the broader community. It is the goal of the organization to present pertinent continuing legal education that helps women excel in the profession, increase young membership, and overcome the wage inequality between men and women. The BWBA is a chapter of the Women's Bar Association of the State of New York (WBASNY). Through its affiliation with WBASNY, the Association has played a key role in shaping many local and national laws affecting women and, by participating in WBASNY's International Law Committee, the BWBA has expanded its influence in global matters involving women.

BROOKLYN LEGAL PIPELINE INITIATIVE APPLICATION

Rolling admissions open through January 11, 2019

All applications must be submitted via email to crush@crfslaw.com
or mailed to BWBA, 123 Remsen Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201.

All applicants must submit the following items to be considered:

REQUIRED ITEMS

A copy of your transcript

A resume

Completed application form

Name: _____

Home Address: _____

Phone: (H): _____ **(C):** _____

Email: _____

Emergency Contact Information: _____

College: _____

Major and Minor: _____

GPA: _____

Graduation Date: _____

Do you receive financial aid? _____

Demographics: (Please self- identify, all responses will be kept confidential)

Female ___ Male ___ LGBTQ ___

African American ___

Asian ___

Hispanic ___

Native American ___

Pacific Islander ___

Caucasian ___

Other (please describe) _____

YOU MAY USE ADDITIONAL SHEETS TO ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

- 1) Maximum participation is essential to the success of the program. Are you committed to attending each session as well as participating in a 2-month summer internship program in 2019?**

- 2) What is the primary goal you hope to achieve through participation in the program? (50-word maximum):**

- 3) Have you ever participated in a formal mentoring relationship? If so, please describe. (50-word maximum):**

- 4) Everyone belongs to many different communities and/or groups defined by (among other things) shared geography, religion, ethnicity, income, interests, race, ideology, or intellectual heritage. Identify one of the communities to which you belong, describe that community and explain how your participation in this program will help you establish yourself as a leader in this community. (250 words maximum):**

- 5) Do you have any previous office experience or special skills computers, typing, languages, etc.?**

- 6) Please describe briefly why you would like to participate in the Joint Internship program this summer. (100 words)**

- 7) How did you find out about the Internship Program?
School/Teacher /Career Services
Other (please describe): _____**

STUDENT SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____