

INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE UNIVERSITY TRAINEESHIP PROGRAMME

INVITATION TO LSE LAW APPLICANTS

LSE is delighted to announce that it has been invited to submit applicants for the University Traineeship Programme at the International Court of Justice in The Hague. The nine-month traineeship will run from 1 September 2015 to 30 June 2016. If an LSE candidate is taken on by the Court, he/she will receive a stipend from LSE to help support the cost of living while in the Hague.

There is no guarantee that the nominated LSE candidate(s) will be selected for the traineeship. LSE is among a select group of leading law schools, including Oxford, Cambridge, Harvard, NYU, Columbia, Yale, Michigan and Geneva, eligible to nominate students to the ICJ. The Court reviews candidates nominated by these universities and selects its trainees from this pool of candidates. The trainees assist members of the court in tasks such as drafting opinions, orders, and other court documents, preparing case files and researching a variety of legal issues.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Open to LLB (final year), LLM or PhD students from the Department of Law at LSE and recent graduates from these degrees.
- Excellent command of either French or English and a very good working knowledge of the other.
- Excellent academic record with proven research and writing skills.

APPLICATION MATERIALS

- Application letter;
- Completed ICJ University Trainee Application Form (template available on LSE website);
- Curriculum Vitae (the ICJ has requested that candidates include details of citizenship and age);
- Copy of candidate's official academic record
- TWO letters of reference from individuals who can speak to the candidate's credentials in the field of international law;
- Writing sample (no more than 15 pages – see below).

WRITING SAMPLE

Candidates are required to submit a writing sample of no more than 15 typewritten pages of work that has been submitted for publication or is of publishable quality. The Court accords significant attention to this element of a candidate's application.

ADDRESS

Application letters and references can be addressed to The Honourable Peter Tomka, President, International Court of Justice, Peace Palace, Carnegieplein 2, 2517 KJ The Hague, The Netherlands. The appropriate salutation would be 'Dear President Tomka'.

Applications and reference letters should be sent by email to Devika Hovell at D.C.Hovell@lse.ac.uk or by post to Dr Devika Hovell, Department of Law, London School of Economics, Houghton Street, London, United Kingdom WC2A 2AE.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: 15 January 2015