

**BURTON BLATT INSTITUTE
At Syracuse University**

**DISABILITY RIGHTS
SUMMER POLICY INTERNSHIP IN WASHINGTON, DC**

Open to Law Students Completing Their 1st or 2nd Year
Application Deadline: March 8, 2010
Stipend: \$5,000

The Burton Blatt Institute (BBI) at Syracuse University is now accepting applications for the Summer Policy Internship in Washington, DC. This internship offers select law students the unique opportunity to work on legal projects dedicated to research, writing, analysis, and policy development in the area of Disability Civil Rights.

The mission of BBI is to advance the civic, economic, and social participation of people with disabilities worldwide. BBI is a national and international leader in research, outreach, education, and advocacy on disability issues.

This internship is 40 hours a week. This year's projects will include:

- Comparative analysis of state and federal disability antidiscrimination laws;
- Research and policy development regarding the impact of federal and state policies on access, employment and financial security of individuals with disabilities;
- Analysis of proposed regulations implementing the Americans with Disabilities Act, Fair Housing Act, and other federal laws;
- Working with the Association of Disability Rights Counsel, a national group of disability rights attorneys;
- Developing state and federal policy recommendations regarding fair housing, asset development, and transportation, and employment for people with disabilities;
- Evaluating systems-level policies and practices for improving outcomes for students with disabilities (K - Grade12);
- Meeting with national disability rights advocates, federal regulators, and others.

The internship is based in Washington, DC, will last 8 weeks from June to August, and has a stipend of \$5,000. Applicants should be first or second year law students with a demonstrated passion for social justice and a commitment to public interest work. Past activist/organizing experience and involvement with disability rights and disability issues is a plus. People of traditionally under-represented groups, particularly members of the disability community, are strongly encouraged to apply. For more information on BBI, see <http://bbi.syr.edu>

The deadline to apply is March 8, 2010. Selections will be made by April 9, 2010. Please submit a cover letter, resume, and 2 references via email to Eve Hill, Senior Vice President – bsadow@law.syr.edu or fax to 202-296-2047 (no calls, please).