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About the program



The Sacramento Superior Court in collaboration with the California State University, Sacramento, implemented the Judicial Internship Program in January 2008.

Originally inspired by

Justice Norman L. Epstein who served as legal counsel, vice-chancellor and general counsel for CSU, the internship program evolved into a unique group dynamic where students have an opportunity to interact with a judge on a variety of topics.



Students are introduced to the organization and structure of the Sacramento Superior Court and the California Court system through weekly group discussions

conducted by Sacramento Superior Court judges.

Students aspiring to careers in the law learn about numerous aspects of the judicial process by observing trials, legal proceedings and other special events designed to offer different insights into our system of justice.

Student Eligibility

California State University, Sacramento recruits academically qualified students who seek out pre-law advice and counseling and who demonstrate a strong interest in pursuing the practice of law. Only a limited number of highly motivated undergraduate students may participate in this program conducted by Sacramento Superior Court judges.

Eligibility

To be eligible for selection by California State University, Sacramento, for spring 2010, submit an application by **Friday, October 30**. The following criteria must also be satisfied to be eligible:

- Junior or senior status
- Plan to attend law school soon after graduation from California State University, Sacramento
- Be able to spend 6-8 hours per week at the Sacramento Superior Court
- Commit to participation in one academic semester

Program Goals



The Judicial Internship Program goal is:

- Give upper-division students a unique educational opportunity to observe the court system and judicial processes first-hand
- Encourage diverse students to participate and make them more competitive when applying to law school
- Provide an internship experience that compliments the students academic program
- Provide judges who are interested in outreach an opportunity to provide students with a unique education

For further information, contact the California State University, Sacramento, Center for California Studies at 916-278-4487