

# 2020 Federal Justice Fellowship



The United States District Court for the Eastern District of Missouri is deeply committed to local public service and advancing student learning opportunities. The Federal Justice Fellowship is a brand new program that has been established to provide upper level college students with a unique educational opportunity at the federal courthouse in Cape Girardeau from June 1-26, 2020.

**The Court's Education and Outreach Committee will select a total of four students for the 2020 inaugural class of Fellows. The Fellows will be individuals who have shown leadership potential and the requisite academic ability to thrive in an intensive learning environment.**

During this intense four-week summer program, Fellows will: gain an understanding of the state and federal judicial systems; learn more about the U.S. Constitution; observe district court cases and appellate arguments before the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals; and receive an introduction to legal writing. Fellows will also shadow lawyers, staff, and Federal law enforcement officers from the **U.S. Attorney's Office, Federal Public Defender's Office, U.S. Probation Office, U.S. Pretrial Services Office, U.S. Marshals, and the Clerk's Office**. At the end of the program, each fellow will make a final presentation to a federal judge in a courtroom.



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United States Courthouse  
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Cape Girardeau, MO 63701**

## Who is eligible?

Rising college juniors and seniors who have an interest in a career in the legal field. Particularly, students considering law school.

## What are the benefits?

- Learning about the judicial system
- Enhancing public speaking skills
- Gaining leadership and networking skills
- Developing meaningful relationships
- Observing court cases firsthand

## Will I be paid?

Yes. Fellows will receive an educational stipend of \$400 per week. There may also be compensation for travel expenses.

## When & where do I apply?

Applications will be available February 7, 2020. **The deadline is March 6, 2020.**

**To access the online application, visit:** [www.moed.uscourts.gov/federal-justice-fellowship](http://www.moed.uscourts.gov/federal-justice-fellowship)

## Be sure to include:

- Completed online application
- Transcript from your school
- Letter of recommendation from a recent professor or guidance counselor
- Proof of U.S. citizenship or legal residence status