

After many years of attrition, the IRS Office of Chief Counsel is turning a corner this year and looking to recruit law students and lawyers from a diverse group of well qualified candidates. The Office of Chief Counsel has always offered unparalleled opportunities for professional advancement. With implementation of the most comprehensive tax reform law in a generation under way, working with the Chief Counsel' Office is a truly unique opportunity to participate in the development of entirely new provisions of tax law, both in technical positions drafting guidance and providing advice and in trial attorney positions handling cases in Tax Court.

We generally accepts applications as early as summer 2019 for Honors Program positions beginning fall 2020 and Summer Legal Program positions for summer 2020. This year, applicants can begin applying to our Honors Program beginning May 20, 2019, and have until September 30, 2019, to submit application materials. Although the final deadline to apply is September 30<sup>th</sup>, both the Honors Program and Summer Legal Program announcements have two earlier application cutoff dates, July 31<sup>st</sup> and September 3<sup>rd</sup>. Applicants who apply by the earlier deadlines will be considered and likely receive offers before the final deadline, so please encourage interested applicants to apply as soon as possible.

Here is some key information about the Honors Program and Summer Legal Program, along with application links that law students and recent graduates can use to apply. The application links provide job descriptions, cities where we're hiring, and eligibility and hiring criteria information.

**Key Hiring Information:**

**Class Years:** 2L, 3L, Tax LLM, Recent Graduate

**Cities:** Hiring for various cities (see specific information in the application links )

**Deadlines:** 1<sup>st</sup> cutoff date: July 31; 2<sup>nd</sup> cutoff date: Sept. 3; **Final application deadline:** Sept. 30

**Careers Website:** <https://www.jobs.irs.gov/resources/job-descriptions/office-chief-counsel>

**Application Links:**

**Honors Program:** <https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/534283500>

**Summer Legal Program:** <https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/534284200>

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