



Equal Justice Works Immigration Legal Fellowship

African Communities Together (ACT) is seeking a law student in the class of 2020 or a recent law school graduate who has not held a full-time, permanent public interest attorney position to jointly apply for an Equal Justice Works Fellowship starting in the fall of 2021.

If approved, the Fellowship will provide competitive salary, health and fringe benefits, generous loan repayment assistance, 3-Day Leadership Development Training to include ongoing personalized staff support, and lasting relationships with the private sector sponsor(s) of your Fellowship.

ACT is a mutual aid, organizing, and civil rights organization for African immigrants. ACT's mission is to empower African immigrants to integrate socially, get ahead economically, and engage civically.

The Fellow will work alongside the Legal Director to provide legal assistance to underserved African immigrants within the NY Metropolitan area. Activities may include legal research, filing petitions and applications to USCIS, direct representation in Immigration Courts, conducting Know Your Rights presentations, and community outreach.

ACT is interested in hearing from candidates who are passionate about serving African communities who are in dire need of quality immigration legal assistance. ACT is committed to working closely with the selected candidate at every stage of the process to develop a compelling fellowship proposal and application.

Qualifications

- Excellent legal research, writing, and analytical skills
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills
- Demonstration of a keen interest in working in public interest law
- Have taken or passed a bar exam by the beginning of the Fellowship term
- Experience working with immigrant communities
- Alignment with ACT's mission and values

Desired Qualifications

- Fluency in a widely spoken African language.
- Experience training, supporting, and supervising volunteers.

Application Instructions

If you are interested in developing a fellowship proposal with ACT, please submit a letter of interest, a resume and a writing sample to info@africans.us.

Applications will be considered on a rolling basis until a candidate is selected. Applicants are strongly encouraged to submit their applications early, and with enough time to comply with funding deadlines.