

Korematsu Clinical Teaching Fellow

Seattle University School of Law is currently accepting applications for our Korematsu Clinical Teaching Fellow in our Fred T. Korematsu Center for Law and Equality and Ronald A. Peterson Law Clinic. This fellowship is a two year appointment starting Fall 2011.

This two-year teaching fellowship will train an aspiring law teacher to become a teacher, scholar, and activist consistent with the vision of the Korematsu Center. Teaching fellows will be selected based on their strengths and abilities as a lawyer, supervisor, and teacher. A successful candidate will have the ability to conceive and effectuate broad-based advocacy strategies and to supervise effective student writing designed to carry out those strategies. In addition, a successful candidate will demonstrate the potential to produce cutting-edge scholarship in the area of law and inequality. The teaching fellow will receive mentoring in the area of scholarship and teaching. The fellow will teach and supervise students in a newly created Civil Rights Amicus Clinic which will be offered in the spring semester each year. The fellow will co-teach a social justice lawyering class that is a pre-requisite for the Civil Rights Amicus Clinic. In addition to developing as a scholar, the fellow will learn effective law teaching by observing classes and consulting with experienced faculty. During the second year, in addition to continuing to focus on scholarship and teaching, the fellow is expected to go on the academic teaching market. The fellow is expected to be in residence during each academic year.

The Korematsu Center is named after Fred T. Korematsu, who defied the United States government during World War II when he and other Japanese Americans on the west coast were ordered to appear at assembly centers which were way stations for the internment camps where most ended up. He took his case all the way to the U.S. Supreme Court, losing in 1944, before receiving vindication nearly 40 years later when his wartime conviction was vacated in 1983. He went on to champion the cause for justice and was especially active after 9/11 on behalf of individuals of Arab and Middle Eastern descent. Fred Korematsu passed away in 2005. Our Center is named after him and is devoted to honoring his legacy.

The Center's mission is to advance social justice by fostering critical thinking about discrimination in U.S. society and through targeted advocacy to foster equality and freedom. Its research unit focuses on understanding the relationship between law and categories of race, ethnicity, gender, sexuality, class, disability, age, and religion, especially with regard to their intersections. Its advocacy unit applies this understanding to combat discrimination through targeted advocacy efforts. Its education unit helps train the next generation of scholar/teacher/activists through post-graduate teaching and advocacy fellowships. For more information about Seattle University's Korematsu Center, please visit http://www.law.seattleu.edu/Centers_and_Institutes/Korematsu_Center.xml or contact Professor Robert Chang at changro@seattleu.edu.

Consistent with the vision of the Korematsu Center and the goals of this fellowship, Seattle University is seeking candidates with a strong academic record, a demonstrated commitment to social justice, and strong potential for scholarship and teaching.

This position requires a JD degree, active bar membership, as well as significant appellate litigation experience. A clerkship and teaching experience are highly desirable.

Compensation for the academic appointment is an annual stipend of \$50,000 and includes the University employee benefits package. Funding is also available for academic research and scholarly activities.

Seattle University, founded in 1891, is a Jesuit Catholic university located on 48 acres on Seattle's Capitol Hill. More than 7,500 students are enrolled in undergraduate and graduate programs within eight schools. U.S. News and World Report's "Best Colleges 2011" ranks Seattle University among the top 10 universities in the West that offer a full range of masters and undergraduate programs.

Seattle University continues a more than four-hundred-and-fifty-year tradition of Jesuit Catholic higher education. The University's Jesuit Catholic ideals underscore its commitment to the centrality of teaching, learning and scholarship; of values-based education grounded in the Jesuit and Catholic traditions; of service and social justice; of lifelong learning; and of educating the whole person. Students enjoy a university ethos characterized by small classes, individualized faculty attention, a strong sense of community, a commitment to diversity, and an outstanding faculty.

Seattle University School of Law educates ethical lawyers who distinguish themselves through their outstanding professional skills and their dedication to law in the service of justice. Faculty, students, and staff form a vibrant, diverse, and collaborative community that promotes leadership for a just and humane world. Innovation, creativity, and technological sophistication characterize our rigorous educational program, which prepares lawyers for a wide variety of successful careers in law, business, and public service. For more information on the School of Law, please visit: www.law.seattleu.edu

Individuals interested in the position should apply online at: <https://jobs.seattleu.edu> with a letter of interest, a resume or vitae, a writing sample, a detailed scholarly agenda, and the names and contact information for three references. References should be able to comment on candidate's appellate litigation experience and/or scholarly potential. Inquiries may be directed to the search committee chair, Professor Robert Chang, at changro@seattleu.edu

The Korematsu Center will begin reviewing applications as it receives them. Applications received by February 1, 2011, will receive priority consideration. The position will close when it is filled.

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