



**Placement Option Listing**  
**2022 Hybrid Pro Bono Spring Break Program**  
**Week I, March 7-11 and Week II, March 14-18**

**NOTE:**

- Students interested in participating in PBSB must be sure the desired legal aid week aligns with the law school’s academic calendar spring break.
- For each week, every legal aid program indicated the number of students they can host and whether student participation will be “virtual” or “in-person”.
- Students are asked to review the PBSB reimbursement parameters so they have a clear understanding of reimbursable expenses.

Rank Placement Options 1-3	Organization Name (with hyperlink)	Week I March 7-11	Week II March 14-18	Organization Description	PBSB Participant Preferences and/or Requirements
	<a href="#">American Gateways</a>	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 3 to 4 students	N/A	American Gateways (AG) is a nonprofit organization that provides immigration legal services and education to families in Central Texas. AG’s numerous programs provide assistance to the Central Texas immigrant community in the form of legal orientations and representation for asylum seekers detained in the following detention centers: Hutto, Karnes, and the South Texas Detention Center. AG also represents affirmative asylum seekers; persons applying for immigration benefits on the basis of being victims of crimes and human trafficking; family reunification; and naturalization. Austin-based interns <i>may</i> work with the Hutto center. Supervised by attorneys, interns will work on individual cases in the various program areas. They may also be involved in removal (deportation) defense, including assisting with case research and documentation of claims for asylum and other relief from removal.	Proficiency in English <i>as well as</i> Spanish, Haitian Creole, or French will be helpful.
	<a href="#">Catholic Charities-Dallas</a>	In-person participation preferred ♦ Will host 2 students	In-person participation preferred ♦ Will host 2 students	Catholic Charities Dallas (CC-Dallas) is a faith-based social service agency focused on improving the quality of life for people in need. CC-Dallas serves as some of the first responders to the community’s most vulnerable, helping those in crisis move toward a better life. Immigration Legal Services work may include but will not be limited to helping clients with Family Visa petitions, Adjustment of status applications, Consular Visa Processing, Representation of survivors of domestic violence/victims of violent crimes, Representation of minors and adults in removal proceedings, drafting motions for immigration hearings, Naturalization/Citizenship applications, Applications for Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals, Permanent resident applications for refugees and asylees, and/or Document renewals and replacements. CC-Dallas can provide necessary equipment.	Proficiency in English <i>as well as</i> bilingual in Spanish and/or Dari <u>highly</u> preferred.

	<a href="#">Dallas Volunteer Attorney Program</a>	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 1 student	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 1 student	Dallas Volunteer Attorney Program (DVAP), Dallas: The Dallas Volunteer Attorney Program provides free, civil legal help to low-income people in Dallas County. PBSB participants will assist with drafting case summaries, observing case staffing, assisting with Continuing Legal Education programs and recruiting events, and assisting with intake and interviews at various virtual legal clinics.	Bilingual proficiency in Spanish would be beneficial
	<a href="#">Disability Rights Texas-Fort Worth</a>	N/A	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 1 student	Disability Rights Texas (DRT) advocates for and protects the rights of individuals with disabilities and handles special education cases for K-12 students who have disabilities, including special education cases involving foster children and other students in psychiatric facilities. In addition to special education issues, students may possibly assist with other teams such as Community Integration/Healthcare, Social Security Rep. Payee, and HEAT (Housing, Employment, Accessibility, and Transportation). Students will likely participate in projects such as drafting federal administrative complaints, research of legal issues, and interaction with clients.	Bilingual proficiency in Spanish preferred but not required
	<a href="#">Disability Rights Texas-Houston Office</a>	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 1 to 2 students	N/A	See <i>Disability Rights Texas-Fort Worth</i> organization description.	Bilingual proficiency in Spanish preferred but not required
	<a href="#">Disability Rights Texas-Houston Education Team</a>	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 3 students	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 3 students	See <i>Disability Rights Texas-Fort Worth</i> organization description.	Bilingual proficiency in Spanish preferred but not required
	<a href="#">Disability Rights Texas-McAllen Office</a>	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 1 student	N/A	See <i>Disability Rights Texas-Fort Worth</i> organization description.	Bilingual proficiency in Spanish preferred but not required
	<a href="#">Disability Rights Texas-Lubbock</a>	N/A	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 1 to 2 students	PENDING	
	<a href="#">Disability Rights Texas-San Antonio</a>	N/A	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 1 to 2 students	See <i>Disability Rights Texas-Fort Worth</i> organization description.	Bilingual proficiency in Spanish preferred but not required

	<a href="#">Greater Waco Legal Services</a>	In-person participation preferred, remote is possible ♦ Will host 1 student	In-person participation preferred, remote is possible ♦ Will host 1 student	GWLS provides affordable legal services, holistic advocacy, and community-driven problem-solving so that all members of our community have equal access to justice, and we help our community grow healthier, more educated, and more financially secure.	Spanish proficiency would be helpful, but is not required
	<a href="#">Houston Volunteer Lawyers</a>	N/A	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 3 students	Houston Volunteer Lawyers (HVL), Houston: Spanish proficiency preferred but not required. HVL is the largest provider of pro bono legal services in Harris County and the surrounding areas and provides free legal assistance on civil legal matters to eligible, low-income area residents. PBSB participants placed with HVL will be: 1) Speaking to clients, handing client interviews to verify client eligibility for free legal services, and helping gather all facts and client documents related to the legal issue(s), using interview guides and questionnaires; and 2) Helping HVL be a terrific Pro Bono Program, by working with probate and family law attorneys to facilitate pro bono recruitment and pro bono placement.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Written or conversational fluency in any language is very helpful, but not required</li> <li>• Having completed a law school clinic or having completed a course in Family Law is very helpful, though not required.</li> </ul>
	<a href="#">Legal Aid of NorthWest Texas-Abilene</a>	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 1 student	N/A	Legal Aid of NorthWest Texas (LANWT) is a non-profit public interest legal aid law firm that provides high-quality free civil legal services to low-income persons and groups from 23 offices and branches in 15 cities in North and West Texas. LANWT is the fifth largest legal aid firm in the United States. Students will have an opportunity to work directly with LANWT attorneys. Under attorney supervision, students may be asked to conduct legal and factual research, assist with preparation for hearings, and assist with community education and outreach. Students may also assist attorneys with preparing legal documents and provide support for administrative and/or court proceedings. The work may include many areas of Poverty Law including family/domestic violence, housing, consumer law, barrier removal, public benefits and community development.	No preference, but proficiency in another language, especially, Spanish, is helpful
	<a href="#">Legal Aid of NorthWest Texas-Amarillo</a>	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 1 student	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 1 student	See <i>Legal Aid of NorthWest Texas-Abilene</i> organization description.	No preference, but proficiency in another language, especially, Spanish, is helpful
	<a href="#">Legal Aid of NorthWest Texas-Brownwood</a>	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 1 student either week – NOT both		See <i>Legal Aid of NorthWest Texas-Abilene</i> organization description.	No preference, but proficiency in another language, especially, Spanish, is helpful

	<a href="#">Legal Aid of NorthWest Texas-Dallas, Community Revitalization Project</a>	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 1 student	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 1 student	See <i>Legal Aid of NorthWest Texas-Abilene</i> organization description.	No preference, but proficiency in another language, especially, Spanish, is helpful
	<a href="#">Legal Aid of NorthWest Texas-Dallas, Family Law Unit</a>	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 1 student	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 1 student	See <i>Legal Aid of NorthWest Texas-Abilene</i> organization description.	No preference, but proficiency in another language, especially, Spanish, is helpful
	<a href="#">Legal Aid of NorthWest Texas-Dallas, Housing Law Unit</a>	N/A	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 1 student	See <i>Legal Aid of NorthWest Texas-Abilene</i> organization description.	No preference, but proficiency in another language, especially, Spanish, is helpful
	<a href="#">Legal Aid of NorthWest Texas-Dallas, South</a>	N/A	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 1 student	See <i>Legal Aid of NorthWest Texas-Abilene</i> organization description.	No preference, but proficiency in another language, especially, Spanish, is helpful
	<a href="#">Legal Aid of NorthWest Texas-Fort Worth</a>	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 2 students	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 2 students	See <i>Legal Aid of NorthWest Texas-Abilene</i> organization description.	No preference, but proficiency in another language, especially, Spanish, is helpful
	<a href="#">Legal Aid of NorthWest Texas-Legal Aid Line</a>	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 1 student either week – NOT both		See <i>Legal Aid of NorthWest Texas-Abilene</i> organization description.	No preference, but proficiency in another language, especially, Spanish, is helpful
	<a href="#">Legal Aid of NorthWest Texas-Legal Assistance to Survivors of Sexual Assault</a>	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 1 student	N/A	See <i>Legal Aid of NorthWest Texas-Abilene</i> organization description.	No preference, but proficiency in another language, especially, Spanish, is helpful
	<a href="#">Legal Aid of NorthWest Texas-Lubbock</a>	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 1 student	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 1 student	See <i>Legal Aid of NorthWest Texas-Abilene</i> organization description.	No preference, but proficiency in another language, especially, Spanish, is helpful
	<a href="#">Legal Aid of NorthWest Texas-McKinney</a>	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 1 student	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 1 student	See <i>Legal Aid of NorthWest Texas-Abilene</i> organization description.	No preference, but proficiency in another language, especially, Spanish, is helpful

	<a href="#">Legal Aid of NorthWest Texas-Midland</a>	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 1 student either week – NOT both		See <i>Legal Aid of NorthWest Texas-Abilene</i> organization description.	No preference, but proficiency in another language, especially, Spanish, is helpful
	<a href="#">Legal Aid of NorthWest Texas-Odessa</a>	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 1 student either week – NOT both		See <i>Legal Aid of NorthWest Texas-Abilene</i> organization description.	No preference, but proficiency in another language, especially, Spanish, is helpful
	<a href="#">Legal Aid of NorthWest Texas-Plainview</a>	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 1 student either week – NOT both		See <i>Legal Aid of NorthWest Texas-Abilene</i> organization description.	No preference, but proficiency in another language, especially, Spanish, is helpful
	<a href="#">Legal Aid of NorthWest Texas-San Angelo</a>	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 1 student	N/A	See <i>Legal Aid of NorthWest Texas-Abilene</i> organization description.	No preference, but proficiency in another language, especially, Spanish, is helpful
	<a href="#">Legal Aid of NorthWest Texas-Weatherford</a>	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 1 student either week – NOT both		See <i>Legal Aid of NorthWest Texas-Abilene</i> organization description.	No preference, but proficiency in another language, especially, Spanish, is helpful
	<a href="#">Legal Aid of NorthWest Texas-Wichita Falls</a>	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 1 student	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 1 student	See <i>Legal Aid of NorthWest Texas-Abilene</i> organization description.	No preference, but proficiency in another language, especially, Spanish, is helpful
	<a href="#">Lone Star Legal Aid-Conroe</a>	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 2 students	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 2 students	Lone Star Legal Aid (LSLA) serves 76 counties by providing free advocacy, legal representation, and community education that ensures equal access to justice. Some of the civil legal matters involve but are not limited to consumer issues, legal assistance to survivors of sexual assault, evictions, active military members & veterans, family law, environmental matters, probate & probate alternatives, and estate planning.	Proficiency in English <b>and</b> Spanish preferred
	<a href="#">Lone Star Legal Aid-Houston Office, Environmental Justice Team, Equitable Development Initiative</a>	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 1 student	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 1 student	See <i>Lone Star Legal Aid-Conroe</i> organization description.	None
	<a href="#">Lone Star Legal Aid-Houston, Pro Bono Office</a>	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 5 students	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 5 students	See <i>Lone Star Legal Aid-Conroe</i> organization description.	None

	<a href="#">San Antonio Legal Services Association</a>	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 3 students	N/A	The San Antonio Legal Services Association provides free legal services to indigent, vulnerable and at-risk individuals in and around San Antonio that are referred from community partners, including Texas RioGrande Legal Aid, Haven for Hope and multiple veterans service organizations. It is preferred but not required that any PBSB participant has some degree of technical savvy and be comfortable with video creation and/or navigating more complex IT functionality.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bilingual in Spanish preferred, but not required;</li> <li>• Some degree of technical prowess in video creation/more complex IT functionality would be beneficial</li> </ul>
	<a href="#">Texas Advocacy Project</a>	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 5 students	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 5 students	TAP works to prevent domestic and dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking throughout Texas through advice and counsel, assistance with protective orders including MOEP's, assistance in pro se matters, and direct representation. It also provides assistance with general civil issues that impact power-based abuse cases such as housing, employment, education, and immigration (where assault has occurred).	Spanish proficiency is helpful but not required
	<a href="#">Texas Fair Defense Project</a>	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 5 students	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 5 students	The Texas Fair Defense Project's mission is to fight to end the criminalization of poverty in Texas. We envision a system of justice that upholds the dignity and civil rights of all people, regardless of income, race, or gender. Through litigation, policy advocacy, and community lawyering we aim to disentangle people and communities from the criminal legal system and hold system actors accountable. As an anti-racist organization, we recognize the criminal legal system systematically targets Black people and other people of color, causing irreparable and intergenerational harm. We are committed to assisting and empowering impacted people and communities, working side by side to dismantle the current system so healthy communities can take hold in its place. The PBSB project will focus on criminal record clearing work (expunctions and nondisclosures).	Participants must have access to Zoom
	<a href="#">Texas Legal Services Center</a>	In-person participation preferred, remote is possible ♦ Will host 2 to 3 students	In-person participation preferred, remote is possible ♦ Will host 2 to 3 students	Founded in 1977, Texas Legal Services Center is a nonprofit organization that provides legal advice, advocacy, representation, and education to underserved people across the state. With more than a dozen practice areas, our work touches almost every aspect of civil law that impacts low-income Texans.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bilingual in English and Spanish preferred, but not required</li> <li>• Dependable transportation required</li> </ul>
	<a href="#">Texas RioGrande Legal Aid-Corpus Christi Guardianships/ Alternative to Guardianships</a>	Virtual Participation ♦ Will host 2 students	N/A	TRLA provides free civil legal services to residents in 68 Southwest Texas counties, and represents migrant and seasonal farm workers throughout the state and in six other southern states. TRLA also operates public defender programs that serve at least 10 Texas counties, representing low-income and indigent people accused of felonies, misdemeanors, and juvenile crimes.	None

	<p><a href="#">Texas RioGrande Legal Aid-Mercedes, Farmworkers</a></p>	<p>In-person participation preferred, if possible/safe by March ♦ Will host 2 students</p>	<p>In-person participation preferred, if possible/safe by March ♦ Will host 2 students</p>	<p>TRLA provides free civil legal services to residents in 68 Southwest Texas counties, and represents migrant and seasonal farm workers throughout the state and in six other southern states. TRLA also operates public defender programs that serve at least 10 Texas counties, representing low-income and indigent people accused of felonies, misdemeanors, and juvenile crimes.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bilingual proficiency in Spanish <b><i>strongly preferred</i></b>;</li> <li>• 2Ls and 3Ls preferred</li> <li>• If in-person, dependable transportation required</li> </ul>
	<p><a href="#">YMCA of Greater Houston (International Services)</a></p>	<p>In-person Participation ♦ Will host 2 students</p>	<p>In-person Participation ♦ Will host 2 students</p>	<p>YMCA's Immigration Department ("YMCA") has provided free or low-cost immigration legal services for over 40 years. Our staff delivers client-centered programs to refugees, detained adults, unaccompanied minors and other vulnerable populations in an effort to advance their economic independence, social integration and civic participation. The legal staff includes a team of experienced immigration attorneys, Department of Justice (DOJ) accredited representatives and immigration case managers. Our services range from basic consultations to complex appeals in the areas of asylum, permanent residency, family petitions, naturalization, relief for victims of human trafficking and crimes, and removal/deportation defense.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bilingual English <b><i>and</i></b> Spanish, Dari and/or Pashto-speaking student preferred</li> <li>• Dependable transportation required i</li> </ul>