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The Ronald H. Brown Center for
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Summer Law School Prep Program

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Mission Statement

The Ronald H. Brown Center's mission is to engage in legal studies, research and outreach focusing on issues that affect the lives of underrepresented people while simultaneously educating law students to be leaders on issues of racial, economic and social justice.

Why Attend?

For the past ten years, the percentage of African American and Latino/a students enrolled in law schools has *declined*. The Ronald H. Brown Summer Law School Prep Program gets students *ready* to the challenges of law school, the LSAT, and the law school application process. Through law school courses taught by actual law school faculty, internships with judges and lawyers working in variety of practice settings, and a comprehensively designed LSAT Prep course, the Ronald H. Brown Prep Program student gets an edge in the admissions process.

Over the past three years, the students who have participated in the Ronald H. Brown Program have seen a dramatic average increase in their LSAT scores. More importantly, the Ronald H. Brown Summer Prep Program students have been accepted to some of the most competitive law schools in the Nation: New York University, Duke University, Wake Forest University, Wayne State University, George Washington University, Indiana University-Bloomington, Penn State-Dickinson and St. John's School of Law. That's why students seriously considering the legal profession as a career should participate in the Ronald H. Brown Summer Law School Prep Program.

Eligibility

College students who have genuine interest in attending law school and becoming lawyers, a grade point average of 3.0 or better, have completed between 45 and 75 college credits as of June 2, 2009 and who are either low-income or first-generation college students or members of a group underrepresented in law school education are eligible.

Eligible students are selected by John Jay College of Criminal Justice Puerto Rican/Latin American Studies Department/CUNY, Medgar Evers College/CUNY, St. John's University, The United Negro College Fund or York College/CUNY in order to participate in the Summer Law School Prep program.

See contact information.

Goal

To increase participation of first-generation, low-income students from underrepresented groups in law schools by identifying them in their college years and providing them with early exposure to the study of law.

Tuition is free.

Dormitory (*limited dorm space available*)

\$200 for 3 weeks

\$425 for 9 weeks

Application Deadline

March 1, 2009

Program is partially funded by New York Community Trust, New York State Economic Development Council, Beatrice R. and Joseph A. Coleman Foundation for Environmental and Social Justice and the United Negro College Fund.

Summer Prep Curriculum

Three weeks of courses:

- Business Organizations
- Civil Procedure
- Criminal Law
- Introduction to Clinical Legal Education, Client Counseling and Negotiation
- Federal Income Tax
- Internship Seminar
- Introduction to Law
- Immigration Law
- Learning Styles
- Legal Ethics
- Legislation
- Legal Writing
- LSAT Review
- Property
- Race/Racism and the Law
- Torts
- Voting Rights and Election Law

Plus two Weeks:

Judicial internships

Plus four Weeks:

Internships with District Attorneys
New York State Attorney General's Office
New York City Corporation Counsel
Legal Aid Society
and other legal offices

Academic credits may be available.
Check with undergraduate contact.

Dates of Program

June 2 – August 3, 2009

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