Developing Your Path to Public Service

Please visit the CSO website “Career Paths” and go to either the   
Government or Public Interest & Public Defense pages for a PDF copy of this handout with links.

**General**

* Connect with the Career Services Office’s (CSO) Public Service Career Advisors:

Government: Kaycee Crisp at [kcrisp@law.utexas.edu](mailto:kcrisp@law.utexas.edu)   
Public Interest: Lawson Konvalinka at [lkonvalinka@law.utexas.edu](mailto:lkonvalinka@law.utexas.edu)

* Sign up for the [Texas Law Public Service Listserv](https://utlists.utexas.edu/sympa/subscribe/publicservice)
* Visit the CSO’s [Public interest & Public Defense Careers](https://law.utexas.edu/career/paths/public-interest/) and [Government Careers](https://law.utexas.edu/career/paths/government/) webpages
* Learn about Summer & Term-Time Fellowships ([Government](https://law.utexas.edu/career/type/summer-government/) and [Public Interest](https://law.utexas.edu/career/type/summer-publicinterest/))
* Receive Peer-to-Peer Employer Insights from 2Ls and 3Ls ([Government Agencies](https://law.utexas.edu/career/resources/peer-to-peer-employer-insights/peer-to-peer-insights-about-government-agencies/) and [Public Interest Organizations](https://law.utexas.edu/career/resources/peer-to-peer-employer-insights/peer-to-peer-insights-about-public-interest-organizations/))
* [William Wayne Justice Center for Public Interest Law](https://law.utexas.edu/publicinterest/)
* [Bernard and Audre Rapoport Center for Human Rights and Justice](https://law.utexas.edu/humanrights/)
* [Texas Law Clinical Program](https://law.utexas.edu/clinics/)
* [Texas Law Internships for Academic Credit](https://law.utexas.edu/internships/)

**Civil Rights**

* Read the “Law Reform/Policy Organizations” section from the [Texas Law Public Interest Career Handbook](https://utexas.instructure.com/courses/1154281/pages/texas-law-public-interest-career-handbook?module_item_id=7877923) on Canvas
* [PSJD’s Civil Rights and Civil Liberties Career Guide](http://www.psjd.org/Civil_Rights_and_Civil_Liberties)
* Civil rights alumni contacts available; email Lawson Konvalinka at lkonvalinka@law.utexas.edu

**Criminal Defense**

* Read the “Public Defenders” (PD) section from the [Texas Law Public Interest Career Handbook](https://utexas.instructure.com/courses/1154281/pages/texas-law-public-interest-career-handbook?module_item_id=7877923) on Canvas
* [PSJD’s Criminal Law Career Guide](http://www.psjd.org/Criminal_Law)
* PD interview resources available in the CSO, including the [Texas Law Interview Feedback Database: Public Defense](https://law.utexas.edu/career/paths/public-interest/texas-law-interview-feedback-public-defense/); email Lawson Konvalinka at [lkonvalinka@law.utexas.edu](mailto:lkonvalinka@law.utexas.edu) for additional information
* Indigent defense alumni contacts available in the CSO, including the [Texas Law Students & Alumni in Indigent Defense LinkedIn Group](https://www.linkedin.com/groups/12026161); email Lawson Konvalinka at [lkonvalinka@law.utexas.edu](mailto:lkonvalinka@law.utexas.edu) for additional contacts

**Criminal Prosecution**

* Prosecution interview resources available in the CSO, including sample interview questions; email Kaycee Crisp at [kcrisp@law.utexas.edu](mailto:kcrisp@law.utexas.edu) for more information
* [PSJD’s Criminal Law Career Guide](http://www.psjd.org/Criminal_Law)
* [The Texas Prosecutor: Justice in Action](https://law.utexas.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/4/2017/01/Texas-Prosecution-Booklet.pdf), distributed by the [Texas District and County Attorneys Association](http://www.tdcaa.com/)
* [The Criminal Hypothetical and Other Unique Aspects of the Criminal Law Interview Process](https://law.utexas.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/4/2017/01/NALP-criminal-law-interview.pdf) (NALP Bulletin, November 2006)
* Prosecution alumni contacts available in the CSO, including [Texas Law Students & Alumni in Criminal Prosecution LinkedIn Group](https://www.linkedin.com/groups/12028695/); email Kaycee Crisp at [kcrisp@law.utexas.edu](mailto:kcrisp@law.utexas.edu) for additional contacts

**Environmental Law**

* [Texas Law Public Interest Career Handbook](https://utexas.instructure.com/courses/1154281/pages/texas-law-public-interest-career-handbook?module_item_id=7877923) on Canvas
* [PSJD’s Environmental Law Career Guide](http://www.psjd.org/Environmental_Law)
* [The University of Texas School of Law Environmental Law Internship Guide](https://law.utexas.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/4/2017/01/UTLaw-Environmental-Energy-Internship-Guide.pdf)
* Environmental law alumni contacts available in the CSO; contact:

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Public Interest: Lawson Konvalinka at [lkonvalinka@law.utexas.edu](mailto:lkonvalinka@law.utexas.edu)

**Human Rights**

* “Careers in International Public Interest Law” section, [Texas Law Public Interest Career Handbook](https://utexas.instructure.com/courses/1154281/pages/texas-law-public-interest-career-handbook?module_item_id=7877923) on Canvas
* [PSJD’s International Resources](http://www.psjd.org/Public_Sector_Career_Paths), which includes the [Yale Law School Guide to International Public Interest Careers](http://www.psjd.org/Yale_Law_School_Guide_to_International_Public_Interest_Careers)
* [Law Student Opportunities](https://law.utexas.edu/humanrights/opportunity-type/law-students/) on the Bernard and Audre Rapoport Center for Human Rights and Justice website
* Human Rights alumni contacts available in the CSO, including the [Texas Law Students & Alumni in Human Rights LinkedIn Group](https://www.linkedin.com/groups/12029172); email Lawson Konvalinka at [lkonvalinka@law.utexas.edu](mailto:lkonvalinka@law.utexas.edu) for additional contacts

**Immigration Law**

* [Texas Law Public Interest Career Handbook](https://utexas.instructure.com/courses/1154281/pages/texas-law-public-interest-career-handbook?module_item_id=7877923) on Canvas
* [PSJD’s Immigration and Refugee Law Career Guide](http://www.psjd.org/Immigration_and_Refugee_Law)
* Immigration law alumni contacts available in the CSO; contact:

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