Yale Center for Asylum Medicine Trainee Internship

Description

The Yale Center for Asylum Medicine (YCAM) internship offers a Yale trainee (medical student or resident) the opportunity to directly assist the YCAM director in management of the clinical, scholarly, advocacy and educational missions of the Center. The YCAM intern will interact directly with referring attorneys and human rights groups and facilitate and participate in asylum evaluations. Experience working with asylum seekers and refugees is not required, but an interest in working with underserved individuals is essential. The asylum landscape changes frequently, therefore flexibility and intellectual interest in all aspects of the field of asylum medicine will allow the intern to contribute in a meaningful way. There is no stipend for this role, but we will work with deans and program directors to fund conference registration and travel costs.

Time Expectations

0-5 hours per week, with significant variability depending on YCAM events, evaluations and other responsibilities.

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Students are asked to commit to the program for the duration of their pre-clinical years. They can continue the role during the “fifth year” of medical school or while pursuing their MD/PhD, if applicable.

Responsibilities

1. Arrange and participate in clinical evaluations
2. Mentor other students and residents
3. Assist with Yale and national conferences
4. Submit abstracts to and present at local, regional and national meetings
5. Draft medical-legal affidavits
6. Draft lay opinion essays and medical perspective articles, if interested
7. Participate in advocacy activities on behalf of asylum seekers