

## 2017 Thomas Addis Emmet Fellowship

*in public interest law*

### Law Students!

Would you like to spend your summer working at the cutting edge of public interest law in the United States?

Each year, FLAC in conjunction with the University of Washington, Seattle, sends an Irish law student as the Thomas Addis Emmet Fellow to Seattle, Washington, for two months to get first-hand experience in human rights and public interest cases.

The Fellowship offers the successful candidate:

- the chance to work with a public interest law justice centre at the forefront of social change in Seattle;
- hands-on experience of targeted public interest litigation, policy development and campaigns;
- attendance at a lecture series on American and International Public Interest Law at the University of Washington;
- interaction and networking with law students and high profile practitioners working in public interest law in America.

The Fellowship pays for flights, accommodation and a stipend.

### Who can apply?

All current law students, including students that have studied law as part of their undergraduate degree, postgraduates in law, and students of the King's Inns or Law Society professional practice courses.

### How to apply

To apply, please submit an essay on an area of public interest law of your choice (max. 2000 words), along with a cover letter and CV to [info@flac.ie](mailto:info@flac.ie) by **Friday 13th of January 2017**. In your essay, please make specific reference to your chosen topic's relevance to public interest law.

A shortlist of applicants will be selected for interview in February 2017. The Honourable Mrs Justice Catherine McGuinness chairs the Adjudication Committee.

If you have any questions, please email [info@flac.ie](mailto:info@flac.ie).



### Sinéad Davies

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2016 Thomas Addis Emmet  
Fellow

Sinéad Davies was the 2016 recipient of the Thomas Addis Emmet Fellowship. Having completed three years of her law degree in Trinity College Dublin, Sinéad spent two months working in Seattle as a legal fellow in Washington Appleseed Centre for Public Interest Law.

Washington Appleseed is a non-profit which seeks to achieve social justice through working closely with community advocates and utilising pro bono resources.

Sinéad was primarily involved in a project on jury diversity, which is of particular concern in States with high ethnic minority populations.

Sinéad conducted research on diversity efforts across seven States, looking at childcare, modified trial schedules, juror compensation and jury summons enforcement as mechanisms to improve diversity and juror participation.

**'Exciting and intellectually exhilarating, the fellowship was the most challenging experience of my life. I would do it all again in a heart beat!'**