

2016 Summer Internship

The Center for Governance and Sustainability at UMass Boston seeks to bring scientific analysis and academic rigor to governance across scales and geographies. We engage in scholarship that tackles real-world policy challenges related to the environment, development, and sustainability. Our current research clusters around four core themes:

- Environmental governance and implementation of global conventions
- Institutional complexity
- Science-policy interface
- Resilience

We are working with the Yale Center for Environmental Law & Policy on a joint Project on Environmental Law Effectiveness ([PELE](#)) and are looking for one or two research assistants to engage in the PELE project and support the broader collaboration development between UMass Boston and Yale F&ES. The UMass Boston-Yale F&ES collaboration seeks to develop research and education opportunities. The candidate/s selected will contribute to both of these efforts and will collaborate in the Center's activities related to a number of projects, outreach, publications and administrative work.

Responsibilities will include:

- Analysis of the structure and obligations of global environmental conventions and environmental performance
- Data collection, coding and analysis
- Development of case studies
- Editorial work on publications
- Maintaining and updating the Center's blog at the Global Environmental Governance Project website
- Handling email inquiries
- Communication with center fellows, associates, scholars and policymakers
- Engagement with and mentorship of UMass Boston undergraduate students

Successful candidates will have the following qualifications:

- Interest in, and familiarity with international environmental issues, international development, international law and international relations
- Strong English language skills, including experience with academic and general writing
- Strong research skills, including data collection, analysis, and management
- Advanced Microsoft Excel skills and familiarity with the Microsoft Office suite
- Working towards a graduate degree in a related field (environmental studies, environmental management, natural sciences, politics, pre-law, etc.)
- Demonstrated record of teamwork

Internship term: 10 weeks over summer 2016/ 40 hours per week

Salary: \$5000 for the internship period

Location: Boston, MA

To apply: Applicants must send an email to natalia@environmentalgovernance.org including a cover letter, CV, an unofficial transcript, and a writing sample. The deadline to submit the applications is April 15th, 2016.