Director, IPLP Tribal Justice Clinic (full-time fiscal year-to-year appointment)

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The James E. Rogers College of Law Indigenous Peoples Law and Policy (IPLP) Program at the University of Arizona is seeking to hire a Tribal Justice Clinic Director (Director), beginning on or after July 1, 2019. The Director will work under the direction and supervision of IPLP Faculty Co-Chairs, Professors Robert A. Williams, Jr. and Rebecca Tsosie. This is a full-time fiscal year-to-year appointment.

POSITION SUMMARY: The Tribal Justice Clinic Director (Director) will be involved in the IPLP Program's teaching, research, and service work in promoting the protection, promotion and advancement of the human rights of American Indian and other indigenous peoples, organizations and communities around the world. Special focus and emphasis will be placed on the improvement of tribal courts and justice systems through the Tribal Justice Clinic's work and the provision of referral and legal advocacy services for the urban Indian population of Tucson served by the Tucson Indian Center. The Director will also be involved in student advisement, mentoring, and supervision of the IPLP J.D. Certificate Program.

The IPLP Program, established in 1999, is involved in a wide range of educational, advisory, clinical and advocacy-oriented projects and outreach, designed to provide resources to indigenous communities in Arizona, throughout North America, and around the world with the goal of addressing community defined problems.

Outstanding UA benefits include health, dental, and vision insurance plans; life insurance and disability programs; paid vacation, sick leave, and holidays; UA/ASU/NAU tuition reduction for the employee and qualified family members; state and optional retirement plans; access to UA recreation and cultural activities; and more!

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Duties & Responsibilities

Specific duties for this position will include, but are not limited to:

- Assisting with IPLP's work for indigenous communities and non-governmental organizations on a
 variety of legal issues, with a special focus on the improvement of tribal courts and justice
 systems through the work of the IPLP Tribal Justice Clinic and the provision of referral and legal
 advocacy services for the urban Indian population of Tucson served by the Tucson Indian Center.
- Providing instructional, administrative and other support to the IPLP Program's Tribal Justice Clinic and other human rights advocacy projects.
- Supervising students in their client interviews, counseling sessions, research, preparation of legal opinions and memorandums, and drafting of pleadings and other litigation-related documents.
- Participating in cases before tribal, domestic and international legal forums, and supervising and assisting with case management and administrative tasks related to the work of the IPLP Tribal Justice Clinic.

- Assisting in preparing educational materials, advising/supervising students working on IPLP clinical and other projects, and performing other duties and responsibilities as directed by the IPLP Program faculty.
- The Director will also be involved in student advisement and mentoring regarding IPLP's JD certificate and degree program requirements and externship placements.
- Teaching substantive courses in the IPLP and law school JD and BA Law curriculum.

Knowledge, Skills, & Abilities

Minimum Qualifications

- The successful applicant will hold an earned J.D. and be licensed to practice law in Arizona, or eligible to waive in.
- The successful applicant will have taken significant law school course work in federal Indian law, tribal law and justice systems, and international human rights law.
- The successful applicant will have at least 3-5 years of experience actively litigating in U.S. federal and/or state court systems, tribal justice systems, and/or international human rights forums.
- Excellent writing skills, a demonstrated ability to work with individuals, students, and clients
 from different cultural backgrounds, and an ability to work on multiple tasks simultaneously are
 also required.

Preferred Qualifications

- An S.J.D., and/or LL.M degree is preferred.
- Familiarity and experience in working with indigenous communities and tribal court systems and advocacy and negotiation techniques and willingness to travel to Arizona Indian country and other indigenous communities to support the work of the Tribal Justice Clinic are strongly preferred.

FLSA Exempt

Full Time

Number of Hours Worked per Week 40

Job Category Administrative and Professional

Benefits Eligible Yes - Full Benefits

Posted Rate of Pay DOE

Type of criminal background check required: Name-based criminal background check (non-security sensitive)