

THE WISTAR INSTITUTE GITTIS EXTERNSHIP (4 CREDITS)

Join a rich history of over 125 years of cutting-edge research and vaccine development in your externship at The Wistar Institute. Wistar's Legal Department seeks motivated and creative 2L and 3L students with an interest in health, life sciences, and/or nonprofit law.

Located in the heart of University City, Wistar is the nation's first independent institution devoted to biomedical research and training. Today, Wistar is an international leader in basic biomedical research in cancer and infectious diseases. Wistar's discoveries have led to the development of vaccines for rabies, rubella, rotavirus, Zika, and most recently, COVID-19, as well as the identification of genes associated with breast, lung, and prostate cancer, and the development of monoclonal antibodies and other significant research technologies and tools.

This externship is an ideal opportunity for students interested in hands-on experience working in-house at a nonprofit organization in the biomedical research industry. Students will witness firsthand how lawyers can support and work to propel medical innovation forward through the power of collaboration with academic and industry partners.

Examples of tasks performed by law students include:

- Conducting legal research, analysis and writing on a broad range of topics, including regulatory and compliance requirements for the conduct of scientific research, data and privacy issues, intellectual property, corporate and nonprofit law, and labor and employment issues;
- Drafting, reviewing and revising various contracts and agreements, including confidentiality, material transfer, data use, clinical trial, government, consulting, and vendor agreements;
- Drafting and reviewing institutional policies, procedures and templates; and
- Attending meetings with internal leaders and stakeholders.

TO APPLY: Email your application materials (resume and cover letter or statement of interest) in ONE PDF to externships@law.upenn.edu by **Monday, May 15, 2023 at 9AM**. Cover letter should be addressed to Michelle Nguyen, JD, Associate General Counsel.

More Information About Wistar

Founded as an anatomical teaching museum in 1892, Wistar has committed itself to the pursuit of original scientific knowledge from its very beginnings. In 1972, Wistar was designated a National Cancer Institute Cancer Center in basic research—a distinction it holds to this day. Today, Wistar employs approximately 350 researchers and staff dedicated to Wistar's mission to marshal the talents of outstanding scientists through a highly-enabled culture of biomedical collaboration and innovation, in order to solve some of the world's most challenging and important problems in the field of cancer, immunology, and infectious diseases, and produce groundbreaking advances in world health. Consistent with a pioneering legacy of leadership in not-for-profit biomedical research and a track record of life-saving contributions in immunology and cell biology, Wistar aims to pursue novel and courageous research paths to life science discovery, and to accelerate/potentiate the impact of those discoveries by shortening the path from bench to bedside.

In addition to its focus on science and innovation, one of Wistar's primary objectives is to educate students. In an average year, approximately 100 graduate students, postdoctoral fellows, and visiting scientists from around the world are trained at Wistar. Wistar also houses a high school fellowship program, a unique Biomedical Technician Training Program and a Biomedical Research Technician Apprenticeship, which is the

first of its kind in the United States. In turn, Wistar-trained investigators can be found among the leaders in every field of biomedical science. Wistar scientists have assembled state-of-the-art technologies into Shared Resources which function as engines of discovery for biomedical research initiatives at Wistar and throughout the greater research community. These resources include Bioinformatics, Biomedical Research Support, Flow Cytometry, Genomics, Imaging, Molecular Screening & Protein Expression, and Proteomics & Metabolomics.