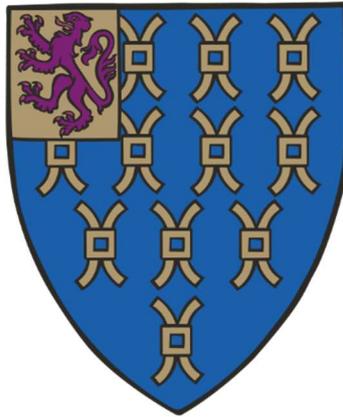


The Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn



# **International and European Scholarships and Awards**

**Johan Steyn Scholarship to the ICC, The Hague**

**Peter Duffy Scholarship to the ECtHR, Strasbourg**

**Nicolas Bratza Scholarship to the ECtHR, Strasbourg**

**EFTA Court Scholarship, Luxembourg**

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# Johan Steyn Scholarship

## ICC The Hague

**Duration: 6 Months**

**Funding: £9,500**

[www.icc-cpi.int](http://www.icc-cpi.int)



### **Eligibility**

This scholarship is open to members of Lincoln's Inn only. We accept applications from student members and those under five years call.

Applicants need to demonstrate a genuine interest in the work of the ICC and good knowledge of International and Criminal Law to enable them to participate fully in the work of the ICC at The Hague.

### **About the Court**

The International Criminal Court (ICC) investigates and, where warranted, tries individuals charged with the gravest crimes of concern to the international community: genocide, war crimes and crimes against humanity.

### **About the Placement**

Please be aware that if you are successful in securing this scholarship you will be required to make a separate application to an internship or visiting professional position at the Court. For more details on the positions available and requirements please visit the [vacancies section of ICC website](#).

# ECtHR Scholarships

**Duration: 3 Months**

**Funding: £4,700**

[www.echr.coe.int](http://www.echr.coe.int)



- Peter Duffy Scholarship with the UK Division
- Nicolas Bratza Scholarship with the Research Division

## **Eligibility**

This scholarship is open to members of Lincoln's Inn only. We accept applications from student members and those under five years call.

**Applicants need to demonstrate a genuine interest in the work of the ECtHR and good knowledge of human rights law to enable them to participate fully in the work of the ECtHR in Strasbourg.**

## **About the Court**

The European Court of Human Rights (ECtHR) is an international court set up in 1959. It rules on individual or State applications alleging violations of the civil and political rights set out in the European Convention on Human Rights.

## **About the Placement**

The Peter Duffy scholars will be attached to the UK division of the court. For more information you can read former Scholar [Jack Meek's report on his experience](#).

The Nicolas Bratza scholar will be attached to the Research Division of the court. For more information you can read former Scholar [Lilya Belfer's report](#) on her experience.

# EFTA Court Luxembourg

**Duration: 3 Months**

**Funding: €2,500 per month**

[www.eftacourt.int](http://www.eftacourt.int)



## **Eligibility**

This scholarship is open to members of any Inn. We accept applications from student members and those under five years call.

Applicants need to demonstrate a genuine interest in the work of the court in Luxembourg and good knowledge of European Law to enable them to participate fully in the work in of the court Luxembourg.

This Scholarship will be awarded to at least one candidate and is funded solely by the court.

## **About the Court**

The EFTA Court fulfils the judicial function within the EFTA system, interpreting the Agreement on the European Economic Area with regard to the EFTA States party to the Agreement.

## **About the Placement**

This scholarship is not provided by Lincoln's Inn but by the EFTA Court and is administered by the Inn on their behalf. The funds are therefore paid to the scholar in Euros as a salary during their three-month placement.

# Paul Heim Education Award

**Funding: Variable, dependent on the cost of course**

The Lincoln's Inn Education Award aims to encourage the study of European, international and human rights law by providing funding for at least one student per year to undertake a short course of study in one of these fields which will further their aim of practising in the relevant area of law. Students will need to secure their own place on their chosen course.

Some examples of appropriate courses are

- The Academy of European Law Summer Schools in Human Rights and European Law,
- The Hague Academy of International Law, the EUIC Venice Summer School in Human Rights
- The Institute for European Studies Summer School

The panel will consider applications from candidates wishing to undertake any other similar course of study.

## Overseas Placement Fund

In addition to these five scholarships available, the Inn has an Overseas Placement Fund to assist students and young barristers undertaking human rights law internships. These have included visits to Greece to work with Syrian refugees, working on death row cases in the USA and placements with the Women's Legal Centre, Cape Town, South Africa. The Inn cannot fully fund the placements but can make a contribution.

To apply for funding applicants are asked to submit an application form with a copy of the contract / letter of appointment to [education@lincolnsinn.org.uk](mailto:education@lincolnsinn.org.uk).

The application form can be found at [www.lincolnsinn.org.uk](http://www.lincolnsinn.org.uk).

# How to Apply

Please complete our online application form. The link will be on the [International Scholarships](#) page of our website once applications have opened on **24 January 2022**.

Deadline for applications: **10am, Monday 21 February 2022**.  
We will not consider applications received after this time.

Interviews will be held on **Friday 01** and **Monday 04 April 2022**.

The Johan Steyn Scholarship, Peter Duffy Scholarship, Nicolas Bratza Scholarship, and Paul Heim Education Award and the Overseas Placement Fund are open only to members of Lincoln's Inn.

The EFTA Court Scholarship is open to members of all Inns.

Applicants are welcome to apply for more than one scholarship.

# Thoughts from Our Scholars

My cohort of stagiaires benefited from newly introduced 'Meet the Judge' events that allowed us to speak to the Court's judges in small groups. I had the privilege to ask questions and learn from the experiences of the judges from Azerbaijan, Montenegro, Switzerland, and Georgia. Robert Spano, the President of the Court, also spoke to stagiaires at the Court's Grand Chamber Room. It was fascinating to get to know the differences and similarities between the judges' opinions on the same issues and their career paths. I was additionally able to meet assistant lawyers and a UK filtering lawyer and learn about early careers at the Court and practical information about the filtering process.

**Lilya Belfer, Nicolas Bratza Scholar 2021**

Thinking laterally to solve legal problems has been the most challenging adjustment I have made since starting my placement. In EU law, you are essentially providing a philosophical justification for your argument as well as a logical one. Your opinion really matters and you are encouraged to give it, but you need to be able to reason away any difficult questions. As a regular mooter and debater, I thought I had mastered this ability through responding to interventions. Boy, was I wrong! This is a different skill to thinking on your feet. You must think through your argument so thoroughly in advance that it is watertight. I have been stretched to my limit by my colleagues' interrogation of my principles and I feel like this experience has already begun to shape me as a lawyer.

Having read up on the function of the Court and its relationship with the ECJ in my first few days, I feel privileged to be able to work in such a unique judicial environment with colleagues that I respect and admire.

**Roxana Lackschewitz-Martin, EFTA Court 2021**

# Thoughts from Our Scholars

Being a Nicolas Bratza Scholar at the ECtHR enabled me to assist the work of the Office of the President, the Research Division and the Press Unit as well as to attend conferences and seminars and undertake training on the ECHR. I was exposed to a breadth of work which ranged from conducting research to drafting keynote speeches, covering topics such as the pandemic and the rule of law, the interplay between domestic remedies and the concept of subsidiarity in the Court's case-law, the use of artificial intelligence in the judiciary, soft law, democracy, freedom of speech and human rights.

I also learned about different advocacy styles and witnessed how the advocates addressed a panel of seventeen judges. Assisting the Head of the Research Division provided a great opportunity to engage in deep and rigorous legal analysis, as well as to learn more about the development of the Court's jurisprudence.

**Susana Ferrín Pérez, Nicolas Bratza Scholar, ECtHR, 2020**

I am appreciative of the knowledge and experience of international law that I have acquired during this internship. As a profession we are increasingly dealing with legal challenges which transcend national borders and learning about how certain rights and ideas can be challenged through international Interon institutions. This has been a truly insightful experience.

Overall my time in New York with Just Atonement and subsequently in Geneva with the CICJ allowed me to network with incredible human rights law practitioners and gave me a deeper understanding of the breadth and complexity of the international legal regime.

**Aqsa Hussain, Overseas Placement Fund, 2018**

**Reports from several of our former scholars can be found on the [publications section of our website](#).**