

Buffett Undergraduate Research Fellowship Opportunity

Global Capitalism and Law Research Group

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Project Synopsis: The Global Capitalism and Law research group is relaunching. We would like an undergraduate student to do research on the state of current endeavors in the US and Europe to rethink global capitalism. The research group investigates the political, social, legal, and normative underpinnings of successful and politically sustainable local, national, and global market economies. The members share an interest in legal infrastructures, but the research ambition is larger. We want to imagine how the rules of global capitalism can be revised to better address concerns of peoples and the world that the current system is unsustainable-- politically, environmentally, and ethically. More about the research group is available here: <https://globalcapitalismandlaw.northwestern.edu/research-vision/>

Project Term: Academic Year

Project Location: Hybrid, on campus

Job Description: First established in 2015, the Global Capitalism and Law research group is relaunching after a hiatus. We would like an undergraduate student to help us catch up on what has been going on since the COVID pandemic. Undergraduate research will involve web searches that lead to assembling reviews of ongoing academic centers, projects, and reports regarding how to reform global capitalism. Research will also involve identifying scholarship published in the last 5 years that recommends how to update the global economic system, including information about authors and one-page summaries of the books. The undergraduate researcher will also be invited to participate in the Spring 2025 research group activities.

Time Commitment: The total time commitment will be 20-30 hours. The scheduling of when the work is done will be flexible.

Number of available positions: One