

MOTION PICTURE ASSOCIATION (MPA)

Legal/Policy Externship

Position Title: *Legal / Policy Extern*

Location: Washington, D.C. / On-site

Term: Fall 2026 (September – December 2026) + Winter 2027 (January – April 2027)

Time Commitment: 10–20 hours/week

Compensation: Unpaid (Academic Credit Offered / Course Credit Required)

Supervisor: Karyn A. Temple, Senior Executive Vice President and Global General Counsel

About MPA: The **Motion Picture Association** serves as the leading voice and advocate of the motion picture, home video, and television industries. It works in every corner of the globe to advance the creative industry, protect its members' content across all screens, defend the creative and artistic freedoms of storytellers, and support innovative distribution models that bring an expansion of viewing choices to audiences around the world.

Position Overview: The **Motion Picture Association** is seeking a talented law student for a Legal/Policy Externship in our Washington, D.C. office. This position will work directly under the Global General Counsel, the SVP, Corporate Counsel and other legal team members on a variety of legal tasks, including but not limited to:

- legal research and analysis;
- initial drafting of documents for possible public dissemination, and
- development of legal presentations.

Qualifications:

- Enrolled in an accredited J.D. program (2L, or 3L preferred; exemplary 1L candidates may be considered). *NOTE: Enrollment in an official law school externship course for academic credit is required prior to the start date.*
- Demonstrated interest in copyright law and/or anti-piracy.
- Excellent legal research (Westlaw/Lexis), analytical, and written communication skills.
- Strong attention to detail and ability to work independently without constant close supervision, as well as above-average computer skills (Word, PowerPoint, Excel, etc.)

How to Apply: To apply, please send the following to internships@motionpictures.org

- 1) Resume
- 2) Cover letter including:
 - Availability (start date, end date, hours/days per week, etc.)
 - Include in the cover letter a brief statement of interest
 - Specific requirements for internships from your credit-granting academic institution

