



Strategic Advocacy
Human Rights

SAHR

GENDER JUSTICE LEGAL DEFENDERS FELLOWSHIP 2019

For aspiring human rights lawyers and activists !

If you want to take on a case of gender violence or discrimination case under the mentorship of an expert human rights lawyer, this Fellowship is for you!

We offer Fellows a stipend of USD\$3,000.00 to run a case over a period of 6 months in 2019.

Deadline for applications:

Round 1: 15 May 2019 (midnight GMT)

Round 2: 15 June 2019 (midnight GMT)

We accept applications on rolling basis until Fellows are selected, so apply as soon as possible!



ABOUT SAHR

A new era of human rights defenders

We are a network of human rights lawyers, academics and activists from all over the world. We are founded and led by women. We have 10 years of experience in rule of law, human rights and justice.

Justice is indispensable for a peaceful, just and inclusive societies. However, crimes of gender violence affect 1-in-3 women and girls around the world and most violations happen without recourse. Courts are failing to provide adequate access to justice and protection to survivors. Most cases never see the light of the day.

Having laws on the books is not enough to protect survivors, who are often intimidated into silence and risk facing stigma, abuse, and isolation. That is why action is needed to close the gender justice gap.

Our mission is to provide legal expertise, tools and training to survivors and rights defenders pursuing justice at the grassroots level, combining advocacy with service.

We work globally and partner with communities across the Middle East and South Asia.



THE FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

TAKE ON YOUR OWN CASE

Fellows will identify a specific case of gender violence or discrimination in their community and execute a chosen intervention towards justice, reparations, and accountability.

In the process, Fellows will learn critical legal skills including fact-finding, collecting and documenting evidence, building a case, and drafting claims and petitions.

The goal is get Fellows to think and work like a lawyer to hold offending persons and institutions accountable, while shedding light on the abuses. Fellows will work on their case a minimum of 20 hours / week for a duration of six months.

*We encourage you to read the full guidelines here:
<https://bit.ly/2INafqk>*

Visit our website at www.sa-hr.org for more information about our work.

Email us at fellowship@sa-hr.org

If you need help with the application, write to alana@sa-hr.org



ELIGIBILITY

We are looking for defenders who are committed to action.

We welcome you to apply either as an individual or a group, so long as you:

- > Were born female, identify as one, or identify as gender-plural/neutral;
- > Are an active human rights defender;
- > Are leading an ongoing project on interpersonal and institutional prejudice;
- > Are in contact with or can readily access survivors;
- > Are based in or have significant ties to survivors in the Middle East, North Africa, Central Asia, or South Asia;
- > Are proficient in English and the local language or dialect which survivors speak;
- > Have experience in community organizing or activism.

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APPLICATION PROCESS

We are here to help you submit a good application. Write to us if you need help.

1. Read the Guidelines carefully:

<https://bit.ly/2INafqk>

2. Preview the application questions here:

<http://tiny.cc/0kew5y>

3. Submit your application here:

<http://tiny.cc/nhew5y>

4. You will be asked to upload the following documents to the application form:

> Resume or CV

> One Letter of Recommendation

> [Optional] URL Link to a 3- 5-minute video explaining your project and who you are (uploaded onto YouTube) OR alternatively a 3-5 minute audio/voice recording.

5. Deadlines

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We wish you all the very best for your application. Do not hesitate to reach out if you had any questions.