



**Centre for Studies in International Trade and
International Investment Laws (CITIL),
Dharmashastra National Law University,
Jabalpur, M.P.**

Call for Applications *for*

**3rd CITIL National Research
Internship Programme**

Last Date to Apply: December 25, 2025

ABOUT US

CITIL is pleased to announce the opening of applications for a 3rd National Research Internship programme of our Centre. This internship provides a unique opportunity for aspiring researchers to gain hands-on experience in the field of International Trade Law.

The theme for the research internship is “Making Trade and AI Work for All: The Indian Perspective” The internship would be for 2 months, starting from January to February, and can be extended for 1 more month.

Dharmashastra National Law University, Jabalpur

Dharmashastra National Law University, Jabalpur was established in the year 2018, by Madhya Pradesh Dharmashastra National Law University Act 24 of 2018 with the object of advancing the cause of Legal education and achieving excellence as a university for imparting value based legal education to undergraduate as well as post-graduate students. DNLU is dedicated to providing high quality legal education that prepares students to excel in the field of law and contribute to the legal profession in society at large. The motto of the university is ‘Satyam Vada Dharmam Char’ which has been enshrined in verse eleven of the Shikshavallikha section of the Taittiriya Upanishad. The university places a strong emphasis on research and scholarship. It actively supports faculty and student research initiatives, organizes seminars, conferences and workshops and encourages publications in reputed legal journals. DNLU also fosters an environment conducive to moots and legal competitions, helping students develop practical legal skills and advocacy abilities.

Centre for International Trade and Investment Law (CITIL), DNLU

The Centre for Studies in International Trade and Investment Laws is a research and learning centre at DNLU, Jabalpur. The Centre aims to bring together the legal academics, professionals, students, researchers etc., with an objective of the dissemination of knowledge and encouraging research in the various realms of International Trade Law and International Investment Laws. It must be mentioned here that, the subjects of International Trade and International Investment Laws are offered usually as Optional or Elective Courses in Law schools. National Law Universities have always been at the cusp of dissemination of knowledge not only in traditional compulsory law courses but also have tried to expose the students to various other fields of law through various activities and events. The Centre is one of such initiatives of a blooming National Law University to expose the interested students, scholars and academics to this intricate field of law which has interconnected horizons with both domestic law and International Law.

INTERNSHIP POLICY

MODE OF INTERNSHIP

The internship shall be conducted online, utilizing appropriate communication and collaboration platforms.

NUMBER OF POSITIONS

There are a maximum of **ten internship positions**. Out of ten positions, one position may be given to a student of DNLU.

DURATION

To complete the internship, interns must actively participate for a minimum period of 60 consecutive days. Internship may be extended on the Director’s approval by one month.

INTERN’S RESPONSIBILITY

- The primary focus of the internship shall be on undertaking research work to create a “Research Report on Making Trade and AI Work for All: The Indian Perspective”
- The Report shall be modelled on the lines of the style and content of reports prepared by the Law Commissions of India.

On successful completion of the Report, the same shall be published by the Centre through a reputed publisher, and due credit will be given to the interns as per their contribution in the Report.

TASK PERFORMANCE

- Interns must submit their assigned work within the stipulated time for approval from the internship coordinator or project leader.
- If changes or revisions are suggested, the updated work must be resubmitted within the assigned timeframe.

PLAGIARISM

- Every submitted work will be checked for plagiarism, and the percentage of detected plagiarism should not exceed 10%. Use of AI Generative tools is strictly prohibited.

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The copyright for every submitted work by the intern shall vest with the Centre for Studies in International Trade And International Investment Laws (CITIL), DNLU, Jabalpur.

INTERNSHIP POLICY

UNSATISFACTORY PERFORMANCE

- If the updated work fails to meet the directions provided by the project leader or internship coordinator, it will be considered an unsatisfactory submission.
- If an intern's internship period concludes, and they submit an unsatisfactory assignment as their final task, the internship will not be deemed complete until they provide a satisfactory work submission. In such cases, certain measures will be implemented to address the misconduct and ensure accountability

The following revised statement captures these points:

1. ***Completion of Internship:*** The internship will not be considered complete if an intern submits an unsatisfactory assignment as their final task.
2. ***Internship Certificate:*** Until the intern provides a satisfactory work submission, the issuance of the internship certificate will be temporarily withheld.
3. ***Deadline for Submission:*** The intern will be given a specific deadline, typically three days, to revise and resubmit the unsatisfactory work.
4. ***Revocation of Internship:*** If the intern further delays and does not submit a satisfactory work within an additional two-day period, their internship will be deemed revoked.

Explanation: Failure to complete work within the assigned time will be considered an unsatisfactory submission, with each task evaluated individually.

TERMINATION

- Any successive unsatisfactory submission, as determined by the project leader and approved by the director, will result in termination of the internship.
- Internship may be cancelled by the Director if there are any instances of any misbehaviour which may include maligning the reputation of the University as well as that of the Centre, disclosing confidential information, treating fellow interns with misbehaviour etc.

INTERNSHIP POLICY

SELECTION PROCESS

- Interns will be shortlisted first on the basis of their CVs.
- The shortlisted intern will have to face a panel interview. In case the number of applications is huge, which makes it impractical to conduct the interviews, then the applications shall be shortlisted on the basis of the CV only.
- Only those individuals who are in their 3rd year or above of a 5-year integrated programme or 2nd year or above of a 3-year LLB programme are eligible for an internship.

Provided that if a selected individual fails to join the internship after the final selection, then they shall be barred from subsequently applying to the centre for future internships. And then the waitlisted candidate shall be given the opportunity.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

To apply for the internship, please submit the following documents via email to: citil_internship@mpdnlu.ac.in

- **Curriculum Vitae (CV)** outlining your educational background, relevant research experience, and any publications.
- **Published research paper** demonstrating your research and writing abilities.

The last date to apply for the internship is 25th December, 2025

No subsequent application shall be entertained after that

Internship will commence in 2nd week of January 2026

Contact us

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