

dorsey's denver summer associate program

DORSEY'S DENVER OFFICE TAKES GREAT PRIDE IN BUILDING A SUMMER PROGRAM THAT COMBINES REALISTIC WORK EXPERIENCE, ADVANCED PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT, AND SOCIAL ACTIVITIES THAT CONNECT OUR STUDENTS WITH THEIR FUTURE COLLEAGUES

Multiple Practice Areas

Not sure what practice area is right for you? No problem! Dorsey summer associates are given the opportunity to work with various practice groups throughout the summer, allowing them to get first-hand experience in different departments and work closely with attorneys from a variety of practice groups. In addition to gaining hands-on work experience, our summer associates attend client meetings, depositions, closings, and court appearances. Summer associates may rotate through the following practice areas: Corporate; Patent; Trademark; and Trial.





Former Vice-President Mondale speaks to Summer Associates

Pro Bono and Community Service

As part of Dorsey's commitment to pro bono work and our community, our summer associates have the opportunity to work on a variety of pro bono cases of their choosing. In fact, each summer 100% of Dorsey's summer associates work on challenging and inspiring pro bono projects. Examples of pro bono work performed by summer associates include: representing low income persons in housing court, representing individuals seeking orders for protection in cases of domestic abuse, attending legal clinics, and assisting with political asylum matters.

Feedback

At Dorsey we value the growth and development of our summer associates and recognize the importance of feedback throughout the process. We have a formal evaluation process in place to ensure summer associates receive timely and substantive feedback on each project they complete. Summer associates meet formally with Recruiting Committee members in the middle and at the end of the summer to discuss their work product and progress as a whole. We also encourage summer associates to meet informally with assigning attorneys and mentors throughout the course of the summer program to receive direct feedback and to discuss projects in depth.

Writing Workshop

During the first week of the summer program, Dorsey summer associates attend an in-house writing workshop to focus on writing techniques, discuss how legal writing within a firm compares with law school classes, and apply their writing skills to practical scenarios. Additional writing support is available throughout the summer.

Dorsey U

Dorsey U is our Firm's in-house professional development service which provides over 600 hours of programming on a variety of topics during the year. We strongly encourage our summer associates to attend training seminars during the summer to enhance their professional development. Examples of Dorsey U sessions that our summer associates attend are Hot Topics in Employment and Benefits Law, Addressing Antitrust Risk in M&A Transactions, and How Appellate Courts Do Their Work.

