



**PUBLIC INTEREST LAW AND POLICY CERTIFICATE PROGRAM
DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Student email: _____

Student ID#: _____

Anticipated Graduation Date (Semester/Year): _____ Full or Part-Time? _____

I am interested in pursuing the certificate program in Public Interest Law and Policy at the Georgia State College of Law. I understand that, in summary, the requirements are:

1. **Course Work:** The two foundational required courses; my choice of at least one course from a selection of courses focused on underrepresented communities; my choice of one experiential learning course from a list of pre-approved courses; and my choice of two electives from a pre-approved list, or others by petition.
2. **Writing Requirement:** A substantial writing project on a public interest law and policy topic, which may also be used to satisfy the College of Law writing requirement.
3. **Extracurricular Activities:** 40 hours of approved pro bono legal work. Coursework (including externships) and summer internship hours may not be counted.
4. **Grades:** Minimum GPA of 3.0 in the required courses and minimum of 3.0 for the writing project.
5. **Verification deadline:** Submission of a verification form and extracurricular activities report to faculty advisor and Assistant Director before the drop/add date of the last semester before graduation.

Please describe briefly your reasons for wanting to pursue the certificate and describe your career interests:

Please indicate if you have a preference for a particular faculty advisor. We will make every effort to accommodate preferences, subject to availability.

Are you a dual-degree student? Yes/No

If yes, please specify: JD/_____

Please advise if there is anything else we should know about your goals and interests:

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

I acknowledge that I have reviewed the Certificate website and packet for full details and information and that I understand all of the requirements for earning a certificate in Public Interest Law and Policy. I understand that by enrolling in the certificate program, I am not required to complete it; I may change my mind at any time. I will periodically consult with my faculty advisor about course selection and my progress toward completing the certificate requirements by the deadlines.

Student Name (Print)

Student Signature

Date

Assistant Director, Center for Access to Justice

Date