



## 2009 ARTHUR C. HELTON FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM Selected Fellows

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In 2009, ASIL awarded fellowships to 11 outstanding students and young professionals from over 50 applications received from individuals throughout Africa, Asia, Europe and Eurasia, Oceania, and North and South America. We are pleased to introduce the 2009 Helton Fellows as follows:

**Jeremie Bracka:** L.L.M. Candidate, New York University. As a full-time intern in the [Middle East and North Africa Unit of the International Center for Transitional Justice \(ICTJ\)](#), Jeremie's work will be two-fold, focusing on transitional justice education between Israel and Palestine and in Morocco. Jeremie will be disseminating transitional justice curricula in Hebrew, Arabic, and French to civil society organizations, academic institutions, research institutes, and intergovernmental organizations.

**Peter Forster Chapman:** JD Candidate, Washington College of Law, American University. Peter will work with the [Public International Law & Policy Group \(PILPG\)](#) in providing legal and technical assistance to Ugandan officials to support the development and implementation of key aspects of the Juba Agreements on Accountability and Reconciliation, in particular developing mechanisms that support truth telling, reconciliation, and memorializing the conflict.

**Justin Dubois:** J.D. Candidate, McGill University - Faculty of Law. Justin accepted an internship with the [Refugee Law Project \(RLP\)](#) to work at a legal aid clinic in Kampala, Uganda in providing free legal assistance to Uganda's refugee population. He will also be working to improve the implementation on the ground of the recently adopted 2006 Refugee Act.

**Bahaa Ezzelarab:** J.D. Candidate, University of Toronto. Bahaa will offer legal support on right to health cases litigated by the [Egyptian Initiative for Personal Rights \(EIPR\)](#). He will assist EIPR's lawyers in challenging a decree raising health insurance fees for school children and newborns and narrowing their coverage.

**Jacqueline C. Green:** J.D. Candidate, Case Western Reserve University School of Law. Jacqueline will be working with the [AIDS and Rights Alliance for Southern Africa \(ARASA\)](#), a regional partnership of NGOs that promotes a human rights approach to HIV/AIDS and TB in Southern Africa through capacity building and advocacy. She will work on the advocacy Campaign on Mining and TB for ARASA, which aims to reform the management of and compensation for occupational TB in the mining sector.

**Brittan Heller:** J.D. Candidate, Yale Law School. Brittan will be working with the Office of the Prosecutor, Prosecution Section, at the [International Criminal Court](#) on the trial of Thomas Lubanga Dyilo, the first suspect arrested on authority of an ICC warrant and the first defendant put on trial by the Court.

**Rachel E. Lopez:** J.D. Graduate, University of Texas at Austin. Rachel will work with [Open Society Justice Initiative](#) on an anti-corruption project in Cameroon. The aim of the project is to monitor violations of laws associated with exploitation of natural resources. The violations to be covered will include breaches of standards of oil field or environmental practice, and standards relating to the prevention and prohibition of corruption.

**Amanda Montague:** J. D. Candidate, Faculty of Law, University of Toronto. Amanda will conduct field research on the violation of aboriginal youth rights for equal access to education in Canada for [Justice for Children and Youth \(JFCY\)](#), an organization that provides select legal representation to low-income children and youth in Toronto and its vicinity.



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**Nicola Palmer:** DPhil Candidate, Faculty of Law, University of Oxford. Nicola will be conducting research under the auspices of the [Institute for Democracy in South Africa \(IDASA\)](#) States in Transition Observatory (SITO) Programme, an independent South African-based public interest organisation committed to social justice. In addition to conducting research at SITO, Nicola will contribute to their ongoing monitoring of human rights abuses in Zimbabwe.

**Aziz T. Saliba:** L.L.M. Graduate, University of Arizona, US and LL.B. Graduate, University of Itaúna, Brazil. Under the auspices of [Humanitas – MG](#), a non governmental human rights organization and the University of Itaúna, Aziz will be creating and designing human rights-related courses that will be available on the Internet and on DVDs distributed free of charge to community leaders in Brazil and worldwide.

**Rebecca Ann Sutton:** J.D. Candidate, University of Toronto Faculty of Law. This summer, Rebecca will participate in the Migrant Rights Monitoring Project with the [Forced Migration Studies Program \(FMSP\), based at the University of the Witwatersrand](#) in Johannesburg, South Africa. As a legal intern, she will be interviewing detainees in the Lindela Detention Facility where asylum seekers are kept pending their deportation. The information from these interviews will be used to train eligible officials on domestic and international human rights standards.

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