Be Employable:
Department of Justice
Consumer Protection Branch
Washington, D.C.
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Intro to DOJ and CPB

- DOJ - part of the executive branch
- DOJ - enforces federal law
- DOJ - defends the federal government in lawsuits
- CPB - enforces U.S. consumer protection laws
- CPB - criminal and civil litigation
Internship duties

- Assisting attorneys and paralegals with various projects for discovery – sentencing
- Conducting factual research and document review
- Transcribing audio recordings and listening for deceptive claims
- Interviewing witnesses and drafting affidavits, subpoena, search warrant/ seizure documents
- Assisting with grand jury preparation
Intern perks

- NETWORKING!
  - With federal attorneys
  - Federal Bar Association events
  - Brown bag lunch presentations
  - Federal site visits
  - Observe a Supreme Court oral argument!
Who this is appropriate for

- All majors
  - Show an interest in the work of the office
- Students interested in:
  - Federal work experience
  - Attending law school or becoming an attorney
  - Consumer protection laws and enforcement
Previous helpful experiences

► GVPT courses
  ► GVPT331- Law and Society
  ► GVPT439A- Comparative Constitutional Law

► Other internships
  ► Circuit Court (legal experience)
  ► TSA (federal work experience)
What did I gain?

- Better understanding of:
  - Federal legal service
  - The day-to-day work of an attorney
  - Interagency relationships and communication
- How to manage confidential information
How to apply?

- I applied through Careers4Terps
- Submit updated resume and unofficial transcript
- Write a polished and targeted cover letter
  - Express why you want to work in this specific office!
- 3.3 GPA or higher to be competitive
Questions?