Full-Time Legal Internship – Summer 2020

About Us
IMUMI (el Instituto para las Mujeres en la Migración) is a civil society organization based in Mexico City. IMUMI works to promote the rights of migrant women in the Mexican context, whether they are staying in, transiting through, or returned to the country from the United States. IMUMI recognizes that migration has aspects that affect women differently from men and maintains that women must have the right to develop their professional, emotional, and social lives in a way that promotes the well-being and security of themselves and their families. In addition to providing legal assistance through its legal clinic, IMUMI collaborates with other civil society organizations, academic institutions, and governments to advocate for gender-specific migration and human rights policies.

Internship Description
IMUMI is seeking an intern that is passionate about working at the intersection of race, gender, and migration. The intern will provide research, writing, and analytical support to an ongoing research project on the experience of Afro-descendent women migrants (from Africa and the Caribbean) entering, transiting through, and/or settling in Mexico. This project includes desk research as well as interviews with Afro-descendent migrant women in Mexico City and Tapachula and considers the unique barriers and intersectional discrimination being faced by this diverse population.

Legal Intern Responsibilities
The Summer 2020 intern will support the project’s research team – remotely and/or from Mexico City (TBD) – under the supervision of an attorney based in Mexico City. Responsibilities will include:

- Organizing and analyzing data from interviews conducted with Afro-descendent migrant women
- Research, writing, and analysis on the legal framework – including Mexican and international human rights law – applicable to Afro-descendent migrants in Mexico
- Strategies for advocacy at the UN and international level

Qualifications
- Current JD or LLM students with a demonstrated background in human rights, international law, and/or immigration law
- Excellent legal research and writing skills
- High level of initiative and self-motivation
- Highly desirable – fluency in Spanish; experience with qualitative research and data analysis; clinic experience
- Desirable – proficiency in French, Portuguese, and/or Haitian Creole; knowledge of Mexican immigration law

Funding
This is an unpaid internship, but the supervisor will support external funding (including PILC funding) applications as necessary

Application Procedure
Law students interested in the position should submit a brief cover letter, CV, law school transcript, and short writing sample (on any topic) in English – to spm303@nyu.edu
Applications due Friday, February 28th at 5pm EST but will be reviewed on a rolling basis.