JD/MPH DUAL DEGREE PROGRAM CAREER SERVICES ISSUES

RECRUITMENT/INTERVIEW PROGRAM PARTICIPATION

JD/MPH STUDENTS HAVE THE OPTION OF PARTICIPATING IN RERUITMENT/INTERVIEW PROGRAMS AS A 2L OR 3L IN THEIR THIRD YEAR OF LAW SCHOOL

Summer Associate Positions- Students enrolled in the JD/MPH program have the potential to apply for a summer associate position during **two summers**:

- 1) Summer after 2nd year: If students <u>apply</u> for a summer associate position after their 1st year of law school and <u>begin</u> their summer associate position after their year at Tufts they will have completed one year of law school, two semesters at Tufts and one co-op. If students receive a post-graduate offer, they have the possibility of arranging their last fall co-op to be the beginning of their post-graduate position. They will need to arrange time off with their employer to study for the February bar exam.
- 2) Summer after 3rd year: Students can <u>apply</u> for a summer associate position in the beginning of their third year of law school. If they receive an offer, they will have to wait until the following fall to begin their post-graduate position. These students will graduate in January, sit for the February bar exam and wait until September to begin their post-graduate position, unless the employer allows students to begin their position before September. This scenario is preferable for many large law firms.

Post-Graduate Positions (through Recruitment/Interview Programs)-Students enrolled in the JD/MPH program can <u>apply</u> for a **post-graduate** position as a 3L in their third year and <u>begin</u> their post-graduate position the following fall.

POST-GRADUATE POSITIONS

Employers offering **post-graduate positions** with traditional fall start dates (Fellowships, Clerkships and Honors Programs) may not be able to accommodate JD/MPH students because they have not officially graduated in September.

JD/MPH students have **two** potential **options** for applying to these types of employers:

- 1) Students can <u>apply</u> for these positions in the fall of their third year and <u>begin</u> their post-graduate position the following fall; the first eleven weeks of their position will have to satisfy their last co-op requirement. Note: Students must complete a public health co-op after completing their year at Tufts. If student has not done a prior public health co-op, their last co-op must be public health -related. Students' co-op must be approved by Professor Parmet. Students will need to arrange with their employer time off to study and sit for the February bar exam. Note: fellowship programs (including the Parmet fellowship) and judges/courts have hired JD/MPH students through this option.
- 2) Students can <u>apply</u> to the above positions the fall before they graduate to <u>begin</u> the following fall after their January graduation date. Students who choose this option will sit for the February bar exam and may need to find some interim work after the February bar exam and before they begin their position in September.

BAR IMPLICATIONS

Students enrolled in the JD/MPH program graduate in January. As a result, they are not eligible to sit for the July bar exam with the other members of their class. Most JD/MPH students sit for the February bar exam. An alternative option is to sit for the July bar exam following their January graduation date.