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Macaulay Seniors Recognized for Immigration Work

(April 29, 2015) - Macaulay Honors College seniors **Paula Garcia-Salazar** (City College) and **Stephanie Park** (Hunter) have been recognized by the Immigrant Justice Corps for their social justice work. They have been named Immigrant Justice Fellows for 2015.

Born in Ecuador, **Paula Garcia-Salazar** immigrated to Leesburg, Virginia with her single mother at the age of seven. Her personal experiences as an undocumented immigrant led her to develop an interest in human rights, and her passion for immigration work deepened after she spent the summer working with asylum seekers in Washington, DC. Garcia-Salazar has worked on union organizing, archival research, and interpreting.

Stephanie Park's experience as an immigrant naturally inspired her passion for social justice activism. She pursued this passion by studying the literature and history of marginalized peoples. While interning during college, Park assisted New York City immigrants with immigration applications.

Immigrant Justice Corp Community Fellows are recent college graduates who conduct outreach and legal intake in underserved neighborhoods in New York. They screen immigrant New Yorkers for legal relief, and help them file applications for citizenship, green cards, DACA, Deferred Action for Parents, and more. Community Fellowships run for two years at a salary of \$38,000 per year plus benefits. Fellows are trained by Immigrant Justice Corps at the start of their fellowship and meet as a group throughout the course of the fellowship for professional development, skills training, and support.

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