

SUMMARY OF IN-HOUSE CLINICAL PROGRAMS

Arts, Sports & Entertainment Law Clinic

Faculty	Geoff Scott
What type(s) of law are practiced?	Intellectual property law (including copyrights, trademarks, trade secrets, licensing, rights of privacy and publicity) and administrative law
What type(s) of work will student perform?	Advise clients, draft contracts, participate in negotiation sessions
How many students participate each semester?	7 students
Is there a mandatory term of enrollment?	1-semester commitment
How many credits per semester in the clinic?	1 or 2 credits (student can decide)
Does the clinic include a classroom component?	Yes, students in the clinic meet 1x/week for 2 hours
How many hours/week should I expect to work (outside of the classroom component)?	6-9 hours (minimum)
Are there pre-requisite or co-requisites courses with this clinic?	<u>Required:</u> Law of Artistic Properties and Persons (prior to concurrent enrollment)
	<u>Suggested:</u> Copyrights Trademarks Licensing of IP Internet Law Business Law Courses Tax Law Courses
Do I have to be a certified as a student legal intern to take this clinic?	Depends on the work

Center for Immigrants' Rights

Faculty	Shoba Sivaprasad Wadhia
What type(s) of law are practiced?	Immigration Law
What type(s) of work will student perform?	Collaborate with clients, build relationships with stakeholders, develop and implement advocacy and policy projects. Immigration work ranging from policy work for organizational clients, community outreach in Centre County and legal support for individual cases of immigrants fighting deportation
How many students participate each semester?	4-8 students
Is there a mandatory term of enrollment?	1-semester commitment
How many credits per semester in the clinic?	5 credits
Does the clinic include a classroom component?	Yes, students in the clinic meet 1x/week for 2 hours; students also have a mandatory weekly case meeting with the professor
How many hours/week should I expect to work (outside of the classroom component)?	18-24 hours
Are there pre-requisite or co-requisites courses with this clinic?	<u>Required:</u> None, but preference is given to those who have taken/are taking Immigration Law or Asylum and Refugee Law

Do I have to be a certified as a student legal intern to take this clinic?	No
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Civil Rights Appellate Clinic

Faculty	Michael Foreman
What type(s) of law are practiced?	Non-criminal civil rights, including but not limited to employment and other traditional discrimination cases
What type(s) of work will student perform?	Research and draft appellate briefs (often <i>amicus</i>), assist in appellate strategy development, and attend oral arguments
How many students participate each semester?	5-8 students
Is there a mandatory term of enrollment?	1-semester commitment (requests for a second semester will be considered)
How many credits per semester in the clinic?	4 credits
Does the clinic include a classroom component?	Yes, students in the clinic meet 1x/week for 2 hours
How many hours/week should I expect to work (outside of the classroom component)?	18-20 hours
Are there pre-requisite or co-requisites courses with this clinic?	<u>Required:</u> None, but preference is given to 3Ls who complete Evidence, and substantive civil rights or employment law courses
	<u>Suggested:</u> Civil Rights or Employment Law Courses Evidence
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Entrepreneur Assistance Clinic

Faculty	Tom Sharbaugh
What type(s) of law are practiced?	Legal issues of importance to entrepreneurs, including company formation, arrangements among owners, funding the business, basic intellectual property and HR
What type(s) of work will student perform?	Interview and advise clients, review and draft transactional documents, assist clients with business plans and funding strategy, represent clients at meetings
How many students participate each semester?	8-14 students
Is there a mandatory term of enrollment?	1-semester commitment (requests for a second semester will be considered)
How many credits per semester in the clinic?	4 credits
Does the clinic include a classroom component?	Yes. There is a class Thurs AM from 9:00 am to 10:50 am at the LaunchBox
How many hours/week should I expect to work (outside of the classroom component)?	12-16 hours
Are there pre-requisite or co-requisites courses with this clinic?	There are no prerequisites for this clinic
Do I have to be a certified as a student legal intern to take this clinic?	No

Family Law Clinic

Faculty	Jill Engle
What type(s) of law are practiced?	Domestic violence, divorce, custody, child and spousal support, paternity, adoption, parental rights and name changes.
What type(s) of work will student perform?	Advise and interview clients, research and draft correspondence and pleadings, appear at meetings and in court; and possibly work on policy related projects.
How many students participate each semester?	5-7 students
Is there a mandatory term of enrollment?	1-semester commitment
How many credits per semester in the clinic?	5 credits
Does the clinic include a classroom component?	Yes, students meet 1x/week for 2 hours and 1x/week with professor
How many hours/week should I expect to work (outside of the classroom component)?	18-20 hours
Are there pre-requisite or co-requisites courses with this clinic?	<u>Required</u> : Family Law (prior to enrollment) Evidence (prior to enrollment)
	<u>Suggested</u> : Professional Responsibility
Do I have to be a certified as a student legal intern to take this clinic?	Yes

Indigent Criminal Justice Practicum (2 Tracks Now Available)

ICJP Trial Work Track	
Faculty	Richard Settgest
What type(s) of law are practiced?	Criminal Law, Criminal Procedure, Constitutional Law, Trial Advocacy and Negotiation
What type(s) of work will student perform?	Draft motions and briefs, negotiate plea offers, weekly court appearances
How many students participate each semester?	2-3 students
Is there a mandatory term of enrollment?	2-semester commitment
How many credits per semester in the clinic?	5 credits
Does the clinic include a classroom component?	Yes, class sessions will be held twice a week for one hour followed by client interview sessions of 2 hours
How many hours/week should I expect to work (outside of the classroom component)?	12-16 hours
Are there pre-requisite or co-requisites courses with this clinic?	<u>Required</u> : 43 credits in law school plus Professional Responsibility and Evidence
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NEW PCRA/Amicus Track	
Faculty	Gopal Balachandran
What type(s) of law are practiced?	Criminal Law, Criminal Procedure, Constitutional Law, Advocacy
What type(s) of work will student perform?	Research and Analysis, interview and advise clients, draft letters, motions and briefs. Conduct direct and cross-examinations in contested hearings before a judge.

How many students participate each semester?	2
Is there a mandatory term of enrollment?	2 semester commitment
How many credits per semester in the clinic?	3 credits
Does the clinic include a classroom component?	Yes
How many hours/week should I expect to work (outside of the classroom component)?	10-12
Are there pre-requisite or co-requisites courses with this clinic?	<u>Required</u> : 43 credits in law school plus Professional Responsibility and Evidence
Do I have to be a certified as a student legal intern to take this clinic?	Yes

Intellectual Property Clinic

Faculty	Rachel Herder
What type(s) of law are practiced?	Intellectual property (IP) (e.g. patents, trademarks, copyrights and trade secrets), IP protection strategies, and contracts related to IP
What type(s) of work will student perform?	In person and telephonic/video conferences with clients, evaluation of company's IP (including trademark searches, patent searches, and freedom to operate) practical IP matters such as ownership, IP strategies, client counseling, drafting of US provisional and non-provisional patent applications and preparing related PTO documents. The IP Clinic is focused primarily on transaction law, but there is a possibility to comment on USPTO rulemaking and work on IP policy-related projects, if student expresses interest.
How many students participate each semester?	6-10 students
Is there a mandatory term of enrollment?	1 semester commitment (requests for a second semester will be considered)
How many credits per semester in the clinic?	4 credits
Does the clinic include a classroom component?	Yes. Students in the clinic meet 1x/week for 2 hours for combination of lecture, group discussion on active clients, and simulations. In addition, students will participate in 2 hr/week meeting with a supervisory attorney in addition to the in-class hours.
How many hours/week should I expect to work (outside of the classroom component)?	12-18 hours
Are there pre-requisite or co-requisites courses with this clinic?	<u>Required</u> : Patent Law prior to enrollment. (May be waived on a case-by-case basis by Director, must be taken concurrently).
	<u>Suggested</u> : Professional Responsibility, any of: Trademarks, Copyrights, Introduction to IP, Licensing of IP.
	Preference given to students who have passed the USPTO's Patent Registration Examination (sometimes referred to as the "Patent Bar").
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International Sustainable Development Clinic

Faculty	Jeffrey Erickson
What type(s) of law are practiced?	Foreign Law (project specific)
What type(s) of work will student perform?	Research and analysis, advise and document preparation re: foreign laws affecting design, implementation and viability of humanitarian project ventures
How many students participate each semester?	4-6 students
Is there a mandatory term of enrollment?	1-semester commitment (requests for a second semester will be considered)
How many credits per semester in the clinic?	3 credits per semester plus (possibly) 1 credit for the summer semester
Does the clinic include a classroom component?	Yes. In addition, students may be required to participate periodically in engineering course meetings
How many hours/week should I expect to work (outside of the classroom component)?	12-16 hours
Are there pre-requisite or co-requisites courses with this clinic?	<u>Required:</u> None
	<u>Suggested:</u> International Business Transactions
Do I have to be a certified as a student legal intern to take this clinic?	No, although recommended

Rural Economic Development Clinic

Faculty	Ross Pifer
What type(s) of law are practiced?	Legal issues of importance in rural communities with a focus on agricultural, food, and energy law
What type(s) of work will student perform?	Interview and advise clients, conduct legal research, review and draft transactional documents, prepare other written work product, engage in client development
How many students participate each semester?	4-6 students
Is there a mandatory term of enrollment?	1-semester commitment (requests for a second semester will be considered)
How many credits per semester in the clinic?	4 credits
Does the clinic include a classroom component?	Yes, students in the clinic meet 1x/week for a total of 2 hours
How many hours/week should I expect to work (outside of the classroom component)?	12-16 hours
Are there pre-requisite or co-requisites courses with this clinic?	<u>Required:</u> None
	<u>Suggested:</u> Agricultural Law Professional Responsibility Corporations
Do I have to be a certified as a student legal intern to take this clinic?	No, although recommended

Veterans & Servicemembers Legal Clinic

Faculty	Michele Vollmer
What type(s) of law are practiced?	We assist veterans, their spouses and families with their claims for disability, education and pension benefits from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. Most clients have been denied benefits or received fewer benefits than they deserve. We prepare appeals supported by service records, medical records, medical research, medical expert opinions, case law and written and oral advocacy. We also write amici briefs and advocate for other changes in the law that assist veterans. We sometimes educate veterans and servicemembers about their rights under the law.
What type(s) of work will student perform?	Advise and interview clients, request and review documents, conduct research, work with expert witnesses, draft correspondence, VA forms and written arguments, briefs or motions, appear at meetings and hearings with the VA, and/or work on policy or education related projects.
How many students participate each semester?	usually 4-8 students; some semesters, if a project we are working on is large, we may accept 10
Is there a mandatory term of enrollment?	1-semester commitment
How many credits per semester in the clinic?	4-5 credits, students may choose
Does the clinic include a classroom component?	Yes, students in the clinic meet 1x/week for 2 hours
How many hours/week should I expect to work (outside of the classroom component)?	12-18 hours for 4 credits; 16-20 hours for 5 credits
Are there pre-requisite or co-requisites courses with this clinic?	<u>Required</u> : None. We encourage 2Ls and LLMs to apply. Students committed to JAG or sworn in as officers may still participate on policy or education projects, and are permitted to learn from the work of other students in the clinic who work on appeals before the VA – see Prof. Vollmer for more details
	<u>Suggested</u> : Veterans Benefits Law offered every fall beginning in Fall 2019 because you will learn about all areas of this administrative law topic, but you can learn the statutes and regulations you will use to do clinic work during your time in the clinic without any problems
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