Judicial Extern Clinic  
Professor Alice Noble-Allgire  
Course Syllabus – Summer Semester 2015

Course Objectives: During this class, students will:

1. Improve lawyering skills, including writing, research, and legal analysis.
2. Demonstrate appropriate professional behavior and general job-related skills, including job knowledge, organization, interpersonal skills, and courtroom and chambers etiquette.
3. Reflect on the values and obligations of the legal profession as they apply to the court, to one’s clients, and to the public.
4. Learn how the judicial system operates and, more specifically, how judges decide legal issues and otherwise facilitate the resolution of legal disputes.
5. Observe and reflect upon the work of attorneys practicing before the court.

Minimum Course Requirements:

1. Satisfactory completion of the required number of work hours for the credit hours of enrollment.\(^1\) At least 20 percent of the required hours must be allocated to observation time.\(^2\) Time spent on podcasts, quizzes, journals, and TWEN discussions count toward general work hours.

2. Satisfactory completion of all course assignments and requirements, including:
   - Completion of introductory podcasts & quizzes
   - Learning Plan
   - Daily Journal & Bi-Weekly Hours Reports
   - Participation in TWEN discussions
   - Midterm Performance Review and Midterm Report
   - Final Performance Review, Final Report, Placement Evaluation and Course Evaluation

Course Grade/Evaluation: This course uses an S+, S, S-, and U grading system. Students will be assessed by their Field Supervisors and Faculty Supervisor using the Performance Review documents posted on the TWEN page. In determining the final course grade, the Faculty Supervisor will give substantial weight to: (1) the student’s ability to meet deadlines; (2) the quality of the student’s journal entries, reports, and TWEN discussion commentary; (3) the Field Supervisor’s performance review; and (4) the quality of the student’s writing samples (if any). A memo giving more detail about how the final grade will be calculated is in the “Syllabus and Lesson Plans” folder on the TWEN page.

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\(^1\)For two credits, 93 total hours are required; for three credits, 140 hours; for four credits, 186 hours; for five credits, 233 hours; and for six credits, 280 hours.

\(^2\)For 2 credits, 18 observation hours are required; for 3 credits, 28 hours; for four credits, 36 hours; for five credits, 46 observation hours; and for six credits, 56 observation hours.