Clinics & SPOs at a Glance

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2019 - 2020
22 IN-HOUSE CLINICS

- Animal Law and Policy Clinic
- Community Enterprise Project
- Criminal Justice Institute
- Crimmigration Clinic
- Cyberlaw Clinic
- Domestic Violence & Family Law Clinic
- Education Law Clinic/Trauma & Learning Policy Initiative
- Emmett Environmental Law & Policy Clinic
- Federal Tax Clinic
- Food Law and Policy Clinic
- Health Law and Policy Clinic
- Housing Law Clinic
- Harvard Dispute Systems Design Clinic
- Harvard Immigration and Refugee Clinical Program
- Harvard Legal Aid Bureau
- Impact Defense Initiative
- International Human Rights Clinic

14 EXTERNSHIP CLINICS

- Criminal Prosecution Clinic
- Delivery of Legal Services Clinic
- Democracy and the Rule of Law Clinic
- Education Law Clinic - Externships
- Employment Law Clinic
- Government Lawyer: Attorney General Clinic
- Government Lawyer: United States Attorney Clinic
- Government Lawyer: Semester in Washington
- Judicial Process in Trial Courts
- Sports Law Clinic
- Supreme Court Litigation Clinic

11 STUDENT PRACTICE ORGANIZATIONS

- Harvard Defenders
- Harvard Law Entrepreneurship Project
- Harvard Mediation Program
- Harvard Prison Legal Assistance Project
- HLS Advocates for Human Rights
- HLS Immigration Project
- HLS Mississippi Delta Project
- HLS Negotiators
- Project No One Leaves
- Recording Artists Project
- Tenant Advocacy Project
HLS offers the opportunity to work in clinical placements on campus, at the WilmerHale Legal Services Center (LSC) in Jamaica Plain, throughout the Greater Boston area, across the United States, and internationally.

WHERE WILL YOU WORK?

National placements include:
- Washington D.C.
  - Criminal Justice Appellate Clinic
  - Government Lawyer: Semester in Washington
  - Supreme Court Litigation Clinic
- Across the Country
  - Capital Punishment Clinic
  - Government Lawyer: Attorney General (Winter)
  - Sports Law Clinic

Greater Boston Area placements include:
- Child Advocacy Program
- Criminal Prosecution Clinic
- Education Law Clinic
- Employment Law Clinic
- Government Lawyer: Attorney General Clinic
- Government Lawyer: U.S. Attorney Clinic
- Judicial Process in Trial Courts Clinic
- Sports Law Clinic

Placements at LSC in Jamaica Plain:
- Domestic Violence & Family Law Clinic
- Federal Tax Clinic
- Housing Law Clinic
- Predatory Lending & Consumer Protection Clinic
- Veterans Law & Disability Benefits Clinic

International placements include:
- International Human Rights Clinic
- Making Rights Real: The Ghana Project

The remaining clinics are on the main HLS campus.
PURSUE YOUR INTERESTS

**Advocacy & Policy**
- Draft legal memoranda
- Draft policy papers
- Community outreach & coalition building
- Prepare comments on proposed rules

**Alternative Dispute Resolution**
- Conflict analysis
- Consensus building
- Facilitation
- Negotiation

**Appellate Work**
- Research and draft briefs
- Written and oral advocacy
- Client counseling
- Developing strategy

- Amount of appellate work varies each semester

**Programs**
- Animal Law and Policy Clinic
- Child Advocacy Program
- Cyberlaw Clinic
- Democracy and the Rule of Law Clinic
- Education Law Clinic/TLPI
- Emmett Environmental Law & Policy Clinic
- Food Law and Policy Clinic
- Government Lawyer: Semester in Washington
- HLS Immigration Project*
- Harvard Immigration & Refugee Clinical Program
- Health Law and Policy Clinic
- HLS Advocates for Human Rights*
- International Human Rights Clinic
- Making Rights Real: the Ghana Project Clinic
- Mississippi Delta Project*
- Project No One Leaves*

**Capital Punishment Clinic**
**Crimmigration Clinic**
**Criminal Justice Appellate Clinic**
**Cyberlaw Clinic**
**Emmett Environmental Law & Policy Clinic**
**Federal Tax Clinic**
**Harvard Immigration & Refugee Clinical Program**
**Supreme Court Litigation Clinic**

**Summer Externships**
- Draft legal memoranda
- Draft policy papers
- Community outreach & coalition building
- Prepare comments on proposed rules

**Harvard Dispute Systems Design**
- Harvard Mediation Program*
- HLS Negotiators *
- Mediation Clinic

**Projects**
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**Experiences**
- Conflict analysis
- Consensus building
- Facilitation
- Negotiation

**Research and Draft**
- Research and draft briefs
- Written and oral advocacy
- Client counseling
- Developing strategy

**Appellate Work**
- Amount of appellate work varies each semester
Civil Litigation

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- Child Advocacy Project
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- Cyberlaw Clinic
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- Employment Law Clinic
- Federal Tax Clinic
- Government Lawyer: Attorney General Clinic
- Government Lawyer: Semester in Washington
- Harvard Legal Aid Bureau

- Client counseling
- Impact litigation
- Trial preparation
- Litigation and courtroom experience
- Research and writing

Criminal Law

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- Criminal Justice Appellate Clinic
- Criminal Prosecution Clinic
- Crimmigration Clinic
- Criminal Justice Institute
- Child Advocacy Program
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- Government Lawyer: Attorney General Clinic
- Harvard Defenders*
- Harvard Prison Legal Assistance Project*
- Impact Defense Initiative
- Judicial Process in Trial Courts Clinic

- Trial preparation
- Factual and legal investigations
- Interview witnesses and clients
- Argue motions and try cases before a court
- Litigation and courtroom experience

*Student Practice Organization

AND DEVELOP NEW SKILLS
Individual Client Representation

- Child Advocacy Program
- Community Enterprise Project
- Criminal Justice Institute
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- Predatory Lending & Consumer Protection Clinic
- Recording Artists Project*
- Tenant Advocacy Project*
- Transactional Law Clinics

- Interviewing and counseling
- Litigation and courtroom experience
- Oral advocacy
- Problem solving

Transaction Practice

- Community Enterprise Project
- Cyberlaw Clinic
- Harvard Law Entrepreneurship Project*
- Recording Artists Project*
- Sports Law Clinic
- Transactional Law Clinics

- Draft and review contracts
- Issue identification and deal strategy
- Statutory and regulatory research
- Community outreach and coalition building
- Client counseling
# CLINICS & SPOs BY TOPIC AREA

## GOVERNMENT LAWYERING
- Criminal Prosecution Clinic
- Government Lawyer: Attorney General Clinic
- Government Lawyer: United State Attorney Clinic
- Capital Punishment Clinic
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## CRIMINAL LAW
- Criminal Prosecution Clinic
- Criminal Justice Appellate Clinic
- Harvard Defenders*
- Impact Defense Initiative
- Harvard Prison Legal Assistance Project*

## ADVOCACY & POLICY
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## ECONOMIC & HOUSING JUSTICE
- Harvard Legal Aid Bureau
- HLS Mississippi Delta Project*
- Housing Law Clinic
- Project No One Leaves*
- Predatory Lending & Consumer Protection Clinic
- Tenant Advocacy Project*
- Veterans Law & Disability Benefits Clinic

## BUSINESS, ENTERTAINMENT, ADR, & TECH
- Cyberlaw Clinic
- Harvard Dispute Systems Design Clinic
- Harvard Law Entrepreneurship Project*
- Harvard Mediation Program*
- HLS Negotiators*
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- Sports Law Clinic
- Transactional Law Clinics

## IMMIGRATION & INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS
- Crimmigration Clinic
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- HLS Immigration Project*
- International Human Rights Clinic

*Student Practice Organization
The Animal Law & Policy Clinic provides students with direct hands-on experience in animal advocacy on behalf of both captive animals and wildlife, including litigation, legislation, administrative practice, and policymaking.

Students will be introduced to the overarching issues that non-human animal law advocates face in their work, including rulemaking petitions, open-government laws, and basic litigation, legislative, administrative, and organizing strategies. Students also learn how to pursue advocacy under several substantive areas of the law, including the Endangered Species Act, the National Environmental Policy Act, the Animal Welfare Act, the Humane Slaughter Act, the Marine Mammal Protection Act, the Wild Horse and Burros Act, and state animal cruelty codes.

Instructor: Katherine Meyer
The Capital Punishment Clinic offers opportunities for students to represent clients with capital sentences through placements at capital punishment resource centers. Students work primarily at capital punishment resource centers in the southern United States, working on-site during the winter term and remotely in the spring.

Past placements have included:
- Capital Post-Conviction Project of Louisiana
- Center for Death Penalty Litigation
- Equal Justice Initiative
- Office of Capital Writs
- Southern Center for Human Rights
- Texas Defender Service

**Instructor:** Carol Steiker

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**CHILD ADVOCACY CLINIC**

Through external organizations, students represent children in advocacy cases and promote systemic change through impact litigation and legislative reform.

Work encompasses:
- Legal research
- Drafting policy, legislative, or regulatory materials
- Community education
- Client representation

**Required Course:** Child Advocacy Clinical Seminar

**Clinical Credits:** 4-5 for Fall/Spring; 6-7 for Winter-Spring

✓ **Satisfies HLS Pro Bono Requirement**

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**Externship**

**Required Course:** Capital Punishment in America (Fall)

**Clinical Credits:** 2 Winter + 2-3 Spring

✓ **Satisfies HLS Pro Bono Requirement**

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**Instructor:** Carol Steiker
CRIMINAL JUSTICE APPELLATE CLINIC

Students work with the Roderick & Solange MacArthur Justice Center (MJC) in Washington D.C. on appeals before federal circuit courts and/or the U.S. Supreme Court that raise important issues related to civil rights and the criminal justice system.

MJC is one of the nation’s premier civil rights organizations and champions criminal justice reform through litigation, in areas that include police misconduct, rights of the accused, issues facing indigent prisoners, the death penalty, and the rights of detainees. The organization’s Washington D.C. office focuses specifically on appellate litigation as a vehicle for achieving change in these areas.

Instructor: Amir Ali
BY APPLICATION ONLY

CRIMINAL JUSTICE INSTITUTE

The Criminal Justice Institute (CJI) represents indigent adults and juvenile clients facing misdemeanor and felony charges in the Boston criminal courts. Students are assigned cases in local district and juvenile courts, handling everything from the arraignment to investigation to motions to trial. Students handle an average of six to eight misdemeanor and felony cases during the semester. Students also represent juvenile clients in administrative and school hearings. In addition, student practice may include interlocutory appellate representation in the Appeals Court and Supreme Judicial Court.

Instructor: Dehliia Umunna

In-House
3L’s Only

Required Course: Criminal Justice Institute: Defense Theory and Practice
Requires Rule 3:03 Certification
Clinical Credits: 5 for Fall-Winter; 6 for Winter-Spring
✓ Satisfies HLS Pro Bono Requirement
✓ Satisfies HLS Professional Responsibility Requirement
Offered: Fall-Winter and Winter-Spring

Externship
Required Course: Criminal Justice Appellate Clinical Seminar
Clinical Credits: 2
✓ Satisfies HLS Pro Bono Requirement
✗ Does not satisfy HLS Professional Responsibility Requirement
Offered: Winter
CRIMINAL PROSECUTION CLINIC

Clinical placements are in local District Attorneys’ offices, where students represent the Commonwealth, prosecuting non-jury criminal cases in district court. Students are directly responsible for assisting with prosecuting a docket of cases (under the supervision of an assistant district attorney).

Students need two full days free (9 AM to 5 PM) in their schedules for this clinical placement.

Students are likely to handle:

- Arraignments
- Bail hearings
- Pre-trial conferences
- Motion hearings
- Trials

Instructor: Jack Corrigan

CRIMMIGRATION CLINIC

In the Crimmigration Clinic, students work on cutting-edge issues regarding the intersection of criminal law and immigration law. Students pursuing crimmigration clinical work will be divided into teams and complete projects such as drafting appellate briefs, advising criminal defense attorneys on the potential immigration consequences of criminal charges, and drafting policy memoranda for public defender offices and other nonprofit organizations.

Instructor: Phil Torrey

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In-House

Required Course: Crimmigration: The Intersection of Criminal Law and Immigration Law

Requires Rule 3:03 Certification

Clinical Credits: 3

✓ Satisfies HLS Pro Bono Requirement

Does not satisfy HLS Professional Responsibility Requirement

Offered: Fall or Spring

Externship

3L’s Only

Required Course: Prosecution Clinical Seminar

Requires Rule 3:03 Certification

Clinical Credits: 4 Fall + 1 Winter

✓ Satisfies HLS Pro Bono Requirement

✓ Satisfies HLS Professional Responsibility Requirement

Offered: Fall-Winter
COMMUNITY ENTERPRISE PROJECT

The Community Enterprise Project (CEP) is a by-application division of the Transactional Law Clinics in which students engage in both direct client representation and community economic development. In addition to representing clients on transactional matters, CEP students work in small groups to connect with community organizations, identify organizational and community legal needs, and develop comprehensive strategies to address those needs while gaining valuable, real-world transactional law experience in a community setting.

Instructor: Carlos Teuscher
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In-House at LSC
Required Course: Transactional Law Clinical Workshop
Clinical Credits: 4 or 5
✓ Satisfies HLS Pro Bono Requirement
☒ Does not satisfy HLS Professional Responsibility Requirement
Offered: Fall or Spring

CYBERLAW CLINIC

The Cyberlaw Clinic, based at Harvard’s Berkman Klein Center for Internet & Society, provides high-quality, pro-bono legal services to appropriate clients on issues relating to the Internet, new technology, and intellectual property. Students enhance their preparation for high-tech practice and earn course credit by working on real-world litigation, client counseling, advocacy, and transactional/licensing projects and cases. The Clinic strives to help clients achieve success in their activities online, mindful of (and in response to) existing law. The Clinic also works with clients to shape the law’s development through policy and advocacy efforts.

Instructor: Chris Bavitz

In-House
Required Course: Cyberlaw Clinical Seminar
Clinical Credits: 3-5
✓ Satisfies HLS Pro Bono Requirement
☒ Does not satisfy HLS Professional Responsibility Requirement
Offered: Fall or Spring
This externship clinic offers students the opportunity to work with Greater Boston Legal Services (GBLS) in downtown Boston. Students who enroll in this clinic will be contacted by the Office of Clinical and Pro Bono Programs to coordinate the placement process.

Students must have at least one full business day available in their schedule to work on-site at their placement organization. Any remaining clinical hours should be worked in blocks of at least 5 hours.

Instructor: Jeanne Charn

Students participate in an externship with The Protect Democracy Project, a nonpartisan nonprofit founded by former White House and Department of Justice attorneys and dedicated to holding the President and the Executive Branch accountable to the laws and longstanding practices that have protected our democracy through both Democratic and Republican administrations. Most clinical work is done remotely, although there may be opportunities for travel to Washington, D.C.

This Clinic focuses on issues such as ensuring the impartial application of the rule of law; safeguarding healthy civic institutions that allow for public participation in political debate; prohibiting official corruption; and challenging government if it targets certain people or groups in our society.

Instructors: Ben Berwick, Deana El-Mallawany, Justin Florence, Larry Schwartzol
The Education Law Clinic is part of a program called the Trauma and Learning Policy Initiative (TLPI), a collaboration between Harvard Law School and Massachusetts Advocates for Children (MAC), whose mission is to ensure that children impacted by family violence and other adverse childhood experiences succeed in school.

**Fall Clinic:** students provide direct representation to parents/guardians whose children have been affected by family violence or other adverse experiences and who are not getting the special education services they need.

**Spring Clinic:** students participate in projects that utilize multiple advocacy strategies in order to transform systems that affect the lives of children and families.

**Instructors:** Mike Gregory, Susan Cole

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**EDUCATION LAW CLINIC: EXTERNSHIPS**

The Education Law Clinic: Externships focuses on the educational rights of students with an emphasis on the educational success of at-risk, low income students, particularly those who have been traumatized by exposure to adverse experiences, have disabilities, have been or are homeless, or have experienced other barriers to success such as the achievement gap, bullying, truancy, suspensions and expulsions. Law students intern with organizations that are addressing these issues. Each student will be placed in either a non-profit organization (such as Massachusetts Advocates for Children, Lawyers’ Committee for Civil Rights Under Law) or a government agency (such as Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, the Legislature, the Bureau of Special Education Appeals).

**Instructor:** Susan Cole
The Employment Law Clinic focuses on rights in the workplace, with a particular emphasis on state and federal laws that prohibit discrimination, harassment, and retaliation based on race, sex, disability, and other protected characteristics. Work may also address issues such as unemployment benefits, wage and hour claims, severance negotiations, union issues, workplace safety, and more.

Externship placements are with nonprofit and governmental organizations and private plaintiff-side law firms.

**Instructor:** Steve Churchill

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The Emmett Environmental Law and Policy Clinic offers students an opportunity to do real-life and real-time legal and policy work. Clinic offerings include local, national and international projects covering the spectrum of environmental issues. Depending on the project, students may undertake litigation and advocacy work by drafting briefs, preparing testimony, conducting research, developing strategy, and reviewing proposed legislation.

Some students work off-campus with government agencies and nonprofit organizations, while others work on-campus on cutting-edge projects and case work under the supervision of Clinical Professor Wendy Jacobs, Senior Clinical Instructor Shaun Goho, and Clinical Instructor Aladdine Joroff.

**Instructor:** Wendy Jacobs
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE & FAMILY LAW CLINIC (LSC)

The Family Law Clinic addresses issues of custody, visitation, child and spousal support, health and life insurance, and the equitable division of marital property and debt in the context of divorce, paternity, modification, contempt, guardianship, and adoption actions. The Clinic also provides a broad range of direct legal services to the LGBT community, with a particular emphasis on family-related legal issues (custody, support and visitation, and second-parent adoptions) and estate planning (wills, power of attorneys, partnership agreements) to ensure that same-sex partners and families are legally protected.

The Domestic Violence Clinic focuses on abuse prevention, safety, and making sure that domestic violence is not a barrier to a client’s legal rights regarding custody, property division, and other aspects of family and domestic relations.

**Instructor:** Nnena Odim

FEDERAL TAX CLINIC (LSC)

Students in the Federal Tax Clinic represent low-income taxpayers in controversies with the IRS, both before the IRS and in federal court. Students work individually and in teams to represent taxpayers involving examinations, administrative appeals, collection matters and cases before the United States Tax Court and Federal District Courts. Students will represent taxpayer rights, including securing refunds and credits to which taxpayers are entitled, providing relief from joint and several liability for innocent spouses, and reducing tax liabilities through successful negotiated resolutions or compromises of liabilities based upon taxpayer financial hardship.

**Instructor:** Keith Fogg
The Food Law and Policy Clinic (FLPC) provides students with the opportunity to practice using legal and policy tools in order to address the health, environmental, and economic impacts of our food system. The FLPC utilizes substantive expertise in food law and policy and a robust policy skill set to assist clients and communities in understanding and improving the laws impacting the food system. Clinic projects aim to increase access to healthy foods, prevent diet-related diseases, assist small farmers and producers in participating in food markets, and reduce the waste of healthy, wholesome food.

**Instructor:** Emily Broad Leib

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Jim Tierney, instructor of the required course, Role of the State Attorney General oversees and directs the clinic. Liz Solar, Director of Externships, Office of Clinical and Pro Bono Programs, coordinates clinical placements.

**Fall and Spring clinic:** students work with the Office of Massachusetts Attorney General’s Office.

**Winter term:** students work in State Attorney General Offices around the country. Winter term placements are in various divisions of the State AG office.

**Instructor:** Jim Tierney
The Government Lawyer: U.S. Attorney clinic allows students to examine firsthand the roles and responsibilities of a federal prosecutor. Students are placed at the United States Attorney’s Office in Boston. Work may include research, writing, witness preparation, working with evidence, and attending hearings.

All students must complete a lengthy security clearance process by the Department of Justice, which involves numerous forms and fingerprinting. This process may take up to eight weeks for final clearance, which is then valid for only six months.

**Instructor:** Jonathan Wroblewski

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Students spend the entire Spring semester (except for Spring break) in Washington, D.C. working as legal interns in a variety of federal offices while taking an evening course on government lawyering. Placements are principally in federal government offices where lawyers conduct research and provide legal advice and assistance on policy, legislative or regulatory matters, rather than investigating and litigating cases.

**Instructor:** Jonathan Wroblewski

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Students in the clinic work on advanced client matters related to negotiation, mediation, and conflict management.

Each semester the clinic offers a mix of public, private, domestic, and international projects. Recent clients include federal and state agencies, nonprofits, religious organizations, transnational corporations, small start-up companies, professional sports teams, municipalities, local government officials, and universities.

Students work in teams of 2 to 4, typically collaborating on a single project for one client during the entire semester. By working for a single client, students have the unique chance to collaborate on a project from start to finish.

Instructor: Rachel Viscomi

For thirty years, the Harvard Immigration and Refugee Clinical Program (HIRC), in partnership with Greater Boston Legal Services, has focused on direct representation of individuals applying for U.S. asylum and related protections, as well as representation of individuals who have survived domestic violence and other crimes and/or who seek avoidance of forced removal in immigration proceedings pursuant to various forms of relief (i.e., VAWA, U-visas, Cancellation of Removal, Temporary Protected Status, etc.).

HIRC is also involved in appellate and policy advocacy at the local, national, and international levels.

Instructors: Deborah Anker and Sabi Ardalan
The Harvard Legal Aid Bureau (HLAB) is unique among HLS programs of clinical legal education in that its legal services program is student-run. The Bureau consists of approximately 50 second- and third-year student members who make two-year commitments to the Bureau’s program of clinical education and legal services to the indigent community. HLAB members are expected to devote at least 20 hours per week of clinical practice and related activities.

Each year the Harvard Legal Aid Bureau handles over 300 cases in varied practice areas, including family law, housing law, wage and hour law, government benefits, and Special Immigrant Juvenile Status (SIJS) matters.

**Instructor:** Esme Caramello

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**HEALTH LAW AND POLICY CLINIC**

Students enrolled in the clinic work on cutting-edge legislative, regulatory, and litigation projects at the state and national levels aimed at increasing access to quality, comprehensive health care for poor and low-income individuals and families.

Students gain a wealth of hands-on experience in current and emerging health law and policy issues, and develop written products such as fact sheets, in-depth reports, comment letters, testimony, presentations, draft legislation, regulatory guidance and brief writing and research in ongoing litigation. Students have the opportunity to develop a range of problem-solving, policy analysis, research and writing, oral communication, advocacy and leadership skills.

**Instructor:** Robert Greenwald
The Housing Law Clinic represents tenants who are facing evictions by private market and subsidized landlords.

The bulk of the clinic’s work consists of litigation in the Boston Housing Court, defending convictions and prosecuting counterclaims with the goal of improving housing conditions, enforcing consumer rights, supporting tenant organizing efforts, and preventing homelessness.

Students also have the opportunity to engage in community lawyering and to work on legislative and other law reform initiatives.

Instructor: Maureen McDonagh

In-House at LSC

Required Course: Housing Law Clinical Seminar
Requires Rule 3:03 Certification
Clinical Credits: 3-5
✓ Satisfies HLS Pro Bono Requirement
☒ Does not satisfy HLS Professional Responsibility Requirement
Offered: Fall or Spring

In-House

Required Course: Impact Defense Initiative: Seminar
Clinical Credits: 4
✓ Satisfies HLS Pro Bono Requirement
☒ Does not satisfy HLS Professional Responsibility Requirement
Offered: Fall

In partnership with the Public Defender Service for the District of Columbia, students work with Professor Crespo and PDS attorneys to identify complex and cross-cutting legal issues that arise systemically across the agency’s cases and that entail high-stakes consequences for both its clients and for the fair administration of justice in the District of Columbia.

The Impact Defense Initiative will serve as either outside co-counsel to the affected clients or as a strategic litigation consultant to the agency itself, with the ultimate goal being to develop creative legal arguments, to map out a strategic litigation campaign, and to put that campaign into action through effective and sophisticated motions practice and advocacy.

Instructor: Andrew Crespo
BY APPLICATION ONLY
The International Human Rights Clinic works to protect the human rights of client and communities around the world.

Mirroring the approach of practicing advocates, students work in small project teams, developing lawyering and ethical skills and receiving intensive mentoring and feedback from experienced clinicians.

Whether writing a legal submission, briefing policymakers, building a coalition, engaging with media, or negotiating a treaty, the clinic employs a problem-solving approach, introducing students to challenges they will confront in their human rights careers.

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Instructors: Susan Farbstein and Tyler Giannini

Clinical placements with this clinic are available with individual judges of the District Court, Boston Municipal Court, Juvenile Court, and Housing Court Departments of the Massachusetts Trial Court, and some limited placements may be available in Federal District Court.

Students work alongside a judge observing court, as well as researching and writing about many different areas of the law. Students will gain perspective on the career of a judge as they have the opportunity to discuss and write about a variety of cases, opinions, sentences, and other judicial matters with their supervising judge.

Students are required to work with their judge a minimum of one full day or two half days each week to earn clinical credits.

Instructor: Hon. John Cratsley
The Making Rights Real clinic builds on a partnership between Professor White, Harvard Law students, and a Ghanaian human rights-oriented civil society organization (CSO) engaged in leading-edge work on community lawyering and policy advocacy on educational equity issues in Ghana’s under-served rural north.

Our CSO partner uses multi-layered lawyering strategies, such as legal research and analysis; reviewing and drafting legislation and regulations; strategy mapping; human rights documentation; participatory action research; partner briefings; designing and facilitating grassroots education and empowerment workshops; conducting community meetings; and working with media. **Students work in Ghana over winter term.**

**Instructor:** Lucie White

**BY APPLICATION ONLY**

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**MEDIATION CLINIC**

Clinic placements are with the Harvard Mediation Program (HMP), where students are given an opportunity to observe and conduct mediations in small claims courts in court sessions for small claims cases and harassment prevention orders in the Boston area.

Clinic students must complete HMP’s 32-hour basic mediation training and mediate or observe in small claims court every week during the semester and work one hour per week in the HMP office. The court commitment is the same day and time every week and usually requires about three hours, including travel time.

**Instructor:** David Hoffman, Cathy Mondell
Through the Predatory Lending Clinic, students represent low-income people in cases related to predatory lending and other consumer matters, including bankruptcy and debt collection defense. Students are either placed in the general practice or the Project on Predatory Student Lending. The practice is primarily litigation and involves consumer, bankruptcy, banking, student loan, real estate, contract, and tort law.

Students who work with the Project on Predatory Student Lending help low-income student loan borrowers who have experienced predatory lending in connection with for-profit schools.

**Instructors:** Roger Bertling, Toby Merrill, Eileen Connor

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**SPORTS LAW CLINIC**

Sports Law clinical placements are in a variety of settings, including legal departments of major leagues or sports franchises, and with law firms and lawyers doing sports law in representing individual players, teams, or leagues. Students’ clinical work in the field may include contract and transactional work, arbitration, litigation, research, and writing.

Peter Carfagna, instructor of sports law courses at Harvard Law School, oversees clinical placements and students’ clinical work. Admission in the clinic is by application. Students must have complete or be enrolled in one of Prof. Carfagna’s courses to be eligible to apply.

**Instructor:** Peter Carfagna

**BY APPLICATION ONLY**
In the Supreme Court Litigation Clinic, students work full-time in the winter term in Washington, D.C. Students are fully involved in intensive work on cases before the Court, and also participate in a series of lectures and classroom discussions on Supreme Court practice - including strategy, procedure, brief writing, and oral advocacy. Students are assigned to small teams, each working closely with an instructor to write and file a petition for certiorari, brief in opposition to certiorari, merits brief, amicus brief and/or to prepare for oral argument in a pending case.

**Instructors:** Tom Goldstein, Tejinder Singh, Sarah Harrington

**BY APPLICATION ONLY**

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**TRANSACTIONAL LAW CLINICS**

The Transactional Law Clinics consist of the Business and Non-Profit Clinic, the Real Estate Clinic, the Entertainment Law Clinic and the Community Enterprise Clinic (participation in CEP is by application).

These clinics provide legal assistance to small businesses, entrepreneurs and community organizations for business formation, contract review and negotiation, commercial financing, leasing, community economic development, real estate purchase and sales, business acquisitions, intellectual property, nonprofit formation, permitting, licensing, and other transactional legal services.

**Instructor:** Brian Price
Students work to protect the rights of veterans and their families and persons with disabilities. There are three project areas: (1) Veterans Justice Project, (2) Estate Planning Project, and (3) Safety Net Project.

The Clinic’s practice includes, but is not limited to, administrative, disability, mental health, military, probate, and constitutional law. Students gain in-depth experience with: client and witness interviewing; working with medical evidence and experts; drafting pleadings, motions, and briefs; drafting legal instruments; examining and cross-examining witnesses at hearings; judicial review of agency decisions; presenting oral argument; engaging in mediation; and solving ethical dilemmas.

**Instructor:** Dan Nagin
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