Clinics at a Glance
2020-2021

**ANIMAL LAW AND POLICY CLINIC**
Focuses on opportunities to improve the treatment of animals both domestically and internationally. Student projects may include litigation, policy analysis, and applied academic research. *(By Application)*

**CENTER FOR HEALTH LAW AND POLICY INNOVATION: HEALTH LAW AND POLICY CLINIC**
Engages in administrative and regulatory advocacy, litigation, consultation and community organizing, among other activities, to expand access to high-quality healthcare and nutritious, affordable food; to reduce health disparities; to develop community advocacy capacity; and to promote more equitable and effective healthcare and food systems.

**CRIMINAL JUSTICE INSTITUTE**
A public defender clinic that provides client-centered representation to indigent adults and juvenile clients facing misdemeanor and felony charges in the Boston criminal courts. Student practice includes case investigation, trial court work from arraignment to disposition, and interlocutory appellate representation in the Appeals Court and Supreme Judicial Court. *(3Ls Only)*

**CRIMMIGRATION CLINIC**
Works on habeas and appellate litigation, policy advocacy, criminal defense counsel advisals, and advisory opinions, among other projects, concerning the intersection of criminal law and immigration law. *(By Application)*

**CYBERLAW CLINIC**
Engages in client counseling, advocacy, litigation, and transactional/licensing work on issues relating to the internet, technology, and intellectual property. Practice areas include artificial intelligence; communications infrastructure; privacy; general internet business law; government innovation; speech, media law, & First Amendment; and technology & access to justice.

**EDUCATION LAW CLINIC**
Provides referral, advice, and representation to families in special education cases and related matters on behalf of children who have experienced adversity. Pursues systemic remedies, including advocating for laws, regulations, policies, and funding streams, and conducting legal research to improve the educational system.

**EMMETT ENVIRONMENTAL LAW AND POLICY CLINIC**
Works on a wide variety of legal issues at the local, state, national, and international levels through litigation, participation in administrative proceedings, legislative and regulatory advocacy, preparation of model laws and guidance documents, and compliance and transactional counseling.

**HARVARD IMMIGRATION AND REFUGEE CLINIC**
Advises and/or represents applicants for U.S. refugee status, asylum, and other humanitarian protections in conjunction with Greater Boston Legal Services. Some placements are on campus, some in Boston at GBLS. Engages in, among other activities, appellate litigation, amicus briefs, and policy advocacy.

**HARVARD LEGAL AID BUREAU**
Advises and/or represents low-income clients in housing, family law, and other civil legal issues, and promotes the interests of that client community through policy advocacy, impact litigation, public education, and other law reform activities. HLAB is run by a student board. *(By Application)*

**HARVARD DISPUTE SYSTEMS DESIGN CLINIC**
Engages in a wide range of team-based consulting projects that may include assisting clients in designing or evaluating dispute systems, creating a consensus building process, designing and delivering a curriculum, assessing a conflict, conducting mediation, facilitating dialogue, or offering strategic negotiation advice.

**INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS CLINIC**
Works to protect the human rights of clients and communities around the world. The clinic has a broad human rights practice and students learn the core responsibilities and skills of human rights lawyering, including through litigation, advocacy, norm development, rule of law promotion, documenting abuses, and conducting fact-finding trips.

**MAKING RIGHTS REAL: THE GHANA PROJECT CLINIC**
Students work in partnership with Ghanaian Human Rights and Development organizations on economic and social rights issues. *(Winter Term) (By Application)*

**TRANSACTIONAL LAW CLINICS**
Provides legal services to small businesses, nonprofit organizations, real estate parties, community development corporations, or individuals and companies in the arts and entertainment industry.
Holistic community-based civil legal services program in the Jamaica Plain neighborhood of Boston.

**Family Law / Domestic Violence Clinic**
Represents survivors and victims of domestic violence through an innovative medical-legal partnership in divorce, custody, support, paternity, and order of protection cases.

**Federal Tax Clinic**
Represents clients before the IRS and the MA DOR in administrative and court settings necessary to resolve tax issues.

**Housing Law Clinic**
Represents tenants facing eviction, primarily through litigation in Boston Housing Court.

**LGBTQ+ Advocacy Clinic**
Represents LGBTQ+ members through civil litigation and policy advocacy.

**Predatory Lending and Consumer Protection Clinic**
Represents clients in litigation against predatory lenders.

**Veterans Law and Disability Benefits Clinic**
Represents veterans and individuals with disabilities in agency appeals, in state and federal courts, and in estate planning matters.

**Externship Clinics**

**Capital Punishment Clinic**
Students are placed with organizations and/or attorneys who represent clients on death row and work on broad based criminal justice reform issues. (Winter/Spring Clinic)

**Child Advocacy Program**
Students learn about different social change strategies in placements at external organizations doing child welfare, education, and/or juvenile justice work and using one or more advocacy methods to advance children’s interests, including direct services, impact litigation, legislative reform, and grassroots organizing, among others. May also include in-house placements.

**Criminal Justice Appellate Clinic**
Students are placed with the Roderick & Solange MacArthur Justice Center in Washington, D.C., working 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. (Winter Term Clinic) *(By Application)*

**Criminal Prosecution Clinic**
Students are placed at District Attorney Offices in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and work on District Court criminal cases. (3Ls Only)

**Democracy and the Rule of Law Clinic**
Students are placed with the Roderick & Solange MacArthur Justice Center in Washington, D.C., working 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.

**Employment Law Clinic**
Students are placed with law firms, government or non-profit organizations and work on issues related to various forms of employment discrimination against protected groups.

**Government Lawyer: Attorney General Clinic**
Students are placed at Attorney General offices in Massachusetts during Fall and Spring terms, and in offices throughout the country in Winter term, with the option to continue long distance in other semesters.

**Government Lawyer: U.S. Attorney Clinic**
Students are placed at the U.S. Attorney’s office in Boston and focus on federal prosecutorial work. *(By Application)*

**Government Lawyer: Semester in Washington**
Students are placed in various federal agencies and legislative offices and work on policy, legislative and regulatory matters. (Winter/Spring or Spring Clinic) *(By Application)*

**Judicial Process in the Trial Courts Clinic**
Students are placed with individual judges in various state and federal courts as well as administrative agencies in the Boston area, assisting them with research and writing projects.

**Sports Law Clinic**
Students are placed in a wide range of organizations including major leagues, sports franchises, law firms, sports management and marketing agencies, etc. to work on various sports law issues. (Winter or Spring Clinic) *(By Application)*

**Supreme Court Litigation Clinic**
Students are placed at Goldstein & Russell, P.C. in Bethesda, MD during winter term where they focus on representation before the U.S. Supreme Court. *(By Application)*

**Voting Rights Litigation and Advocacy Clinic**
Students are placed at externships with non-profit litigation and advocacy groups, such as the American Civil Liberties Union, Campaign Legal Center, and Common Cause.