



# In-House Skills Matrix

## 2023-2024

In-House Clinic	Description	Work & Skills	Placement Location
<b>Animal Law and Policy Clinic</b> <i>Kathy Meyer</i> <i>Fall or Spring</i>	Focuses on opportunities to improve the treatment of animals both domestically and internationally. Students will be introduced to the overarching issues that non-human animal law advocates face in their work	Litigation Legislation Administrative practice Policymaking and organizing strategies	On-campus
<b>Consumer Protection Clinic</b> <i>Legal Services Center</i> <i>Roger Bertling</i> <i>Fall or Spring</i>	Students represent low-income people in cases related to predatory lending and other consumer matters, including bankruptcy and debt collection defense	Interview and counsel clients Brief writing Significant trial preparation Strategic and impact litigation Agency, state, and federal court litigation	WilmerHale Legal Services Center (LSC) in Jamaica
<b>Criminal Justice Institute</b> <i>Dehlia Umunna</i> <i>3Ls Only</i> <i>Fall-Winter or Winter-Spring</i>	A public defender Clinic that provides zealous defense to indigent adults and juvenile clients facing misdemeanor and felony charges in 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	Engage in factual and legal investigations of criminal cases Interview witnesses and indigent clients Argue motions and try cases before a court Argue cases before the Appeals Court and Supreme Judicial Court	On-campus, and primarily in Roxbury District Court and Dorchester Juvenile Court
<b>Crimmigration Clinic</b> <i>Harvard immigration and Refugee Clinical Program (HIRCP)</i> <i>Phil Torrey</i> <i>Fall or Spring</i>	Seeks to protect the constitutional and statutory rights of immigrants who are facing detention and deportation due to alleged criminal activity	Advise criminal defense counsel on the immigration consequences of criminal charges Draft appellate briefs in state and federal litigation Conduct legal research and writing to advance policy and legislative initiatives	On-campus placements at Harvard Immigration and Refugee Clinical Program
<b>Cyberlaw Clinic</b> <i>Christopher Bavitz</i> <i>Fall or Spring</i>	Represents clients in cutting-edge tech issues including artificial intelligence, digital civil liberties, government innovation, intellectual property, privacy, and First Amendment	Client counseling in both litigation and transactional matters Client-centered policy and amicus advocacy Legal research and writing on tech law and policy	On-campus
<b>Education Law Clinic/Trauma and Learning Policy Initiative (TLPI)</b> <i>Michael Gregory, Jodi Guinn</i> <i>Individual Representation Clinic (Fall or Spring)</i> <i>Legislative and Administrative Lawyering Clinic (Spring)</i>	Provides representation to families in special education cases on behalf of children who have experienced adversity, and pursues systemic remedies to improve the educational system	Factual and legal research Handle hearings with Boston public schools Interview clients and experts Work on education policy	On-campus
<b>Election Law Clinic</b> <i>Ruth Greenwood</i> <i>By Application</i> <i>Fall or Spring</i>	Students have the opportunity to do hands-on litigation and advocacy work across a range of election law areas, with an initial focus on redistricting and vote suppression cases. Clinic offerings will include federal and state litigation projects, as well as some advocacy opportunities	Litigation Policy and advocacy work Legal research and writing Amicus briefs Working with experts	On-campus
<b>Emmett Environmental Law and Policy Clinic</b> <i>Andrew Mergen</i> <i>Fall, Winter or Spring</i> <i>Winter Term By Application</i>	Students focus on environment, energy, public health and social justice issues. They develop litigation strategies that are pursued in state and federal administrative and judicial forums; prepare legislative and judicial testimony; comment on proposed federal and state regulations; propose legislative and regulatory reforms; provide legal advice to non-profit and government clients	Factual and legal research Client conferences and advising Draft legal memoranda and briefs Write guidance manuals for non-lawyers Prepare comments on rules Write model statutes/ordinances Draft policy papers	On-campus or with Boston area nonprofit and government organizations
<b>Family Justice Clinic</b> <i>Legal Services Center</i> <i>Marianna Yang</i> <i>Fall or Spring</i>	Represents clients in divorce, domestic violence, paternity, child and spousal support, adoption, and guardianship proceedings.	Civil litigation in state family court Factual and legal research Client interviewing and counseling Court work is primarily a motion practice	WilmerHale Legal Services Center (LSC) in Jamaica
<b>Food Law and Policy Clinic</b> <i>Center for Health Law and Policy Innovation (CHLPI)</i> <i>Emily Broad Leib</i> <i>Fall or Spring</i>	Works to increase access to healthy foods, assist small farmers and producers in participating in food markets, and reduce waste of wholesome food.	Policy work Factual and legal research and writing Draft legislation and policy papers for different constituencies Community education and organizing	On-campus
<b>Harvard Immigration and Refugee Clinic</b> <i>Harvard immigration and Refugee Clinical Program (HIRCP)</i> <i>Sabi Ardalan</i> <i>Fall or Spring</i>	Represents applicants for U.S. refugee status, asylum, and related protections in conjunction with Greater Boston Legal Services	Administrative hearings Amicus briefs Appellate litigation Interview and counsel clients	On-campus or with Greater Boston Legal Services (Boston)

	with Greater Boston Legal Services	Draft asylum petitions, legal memoranda, and policy papers	
<b>Harvard Dispute Systems Design Clinic</b> <i>Rachel Viscomi</i> <i>Fall or Spring</i>	Involves dispute resolution skill-building to prepare students for complex, multilevel negotiations	Interview and counsel clients Stakeholder interviewing/assessment Conflict Analysis & Consensus Building Dispute System Evaluation & Design	On-campus
<b>Health Law and Policy Clinic</b> <i>Center for Health Law and Policy Innovation (CHLPI)</i> <i>Carmel Shachar</i> <i>Fall or Spring</i>	Students work to expand access to high-quality healthcare for vulnerable populations, to reduce health disparities, and to promote more equitable and effective healthcare systems through federal and state law as well as policy reform and litigation	Policy and litigation work Factual and legal research and writing Interview and counsel clients Community education and organizing	On-campus
<b>Housing Law Clinic</b> <i>Legal Services Center</i> <i>Maureen McDonagh, Julia Devanthery</i> <i>Fall or Spring</i>	Represents tenants facing evictions, sometimes as a result of domestic and sexual violence, often through litigation in the Boston Housing Court	Interview and counsel clients Factual and legal research Legal Research and Writing Significant trial preparation	WilmerHale Legal Services Center (LSC) in Jamaica
<b>Human Rights Entrepreneurs and Incubator Clinic</b> <i>Tyler Giannini</i> <i>Fall or Spring</i>	Gives students the opportunity to work in a lab-like atmosphere with human rights entrepreneurs in start-ups as well as innovators within existing organizations as they translate their ideas for change into reality	Strategic litigation Coalition building Factual and legal research	On-campus
<b>International Human Rights Clinic</b> <i>Susan Farbstein</i> <i>Fall or Spring</i> <i>International Human Rights Clinic - 3L Leadership Training with Advanced Seminar &amp; Semester in Human Rights (By Application, Fall)</i>	Works to protect the human rights of clients and communities around the world through a range of strategies and approaches, teaching students the responsibilities and skills of human rights lawyering	Fact-finding investigations, documentation, and reporting Factual and legal research and writing Draft briefs, legislation, treaties, reports, and policy papers Interview clients and witnesses Work in partnerships and coalitions	On-campus
<b>Institute to End Mass Incarceration Clinic</b> <i>Andrew Crespo, Premal Dharia</i> <i>By Application, Spring</i>	Works toward the dramatic decarceration of the United States, the eradication of the root causes of mass incarceration, and the promotion of new approaches to dealing with harm and safety in our communities	Advocacy work Legal research and writing Collaborating with partner organizations	On-campus
<b>LGBTQ+ Advocacy Clinic</b> <i>Legal Services Center</i> <i>Alexander Chen, Fall or Spring</i>	Represents LGBTQ+ members through civil litigation and policy advocacy	Direct legal services Impact litigation Policy and legislative advocacy	WilmerHale Legal Services Center (LSC) in Jamaica
<b>Making Rights Real: The Ghana Project Clinic</b> <i>Lucie White</i> <i>By Application</i> <i>Winter-Spring or Spring</i>	Students work in partnership with Ghanaian Human Rights and Development organizations on economic and social rights issues	Civil Litigation Client counseling Factual and legal research Significant trial preparation	On-campus and Ghana
<b>Mediation Clinic</b> <i>Cathy Mondell</i> <i>Fall</i>	Students observe and conduct mediations in small claims court sessions for small claims cases and harassment prevention orders in the Boston area	Mediation Alternative dispute resolution Consensus Building	On-campus
<b>Religious Freedom Clinic</b> <i>Josh McDaniel</i> <i>By Application, Fall or Spring</i>	Students represent a diverse group of clients in legal matters raising First Amendment and religious liberty issues. Focus on representing members of minority faiths, the vulnerable, and those who serve or support them	Factual and legal research and writing Interviewing clients Strategizing cases	On-campus
<b>Tax Litigation Clinic</b> <i>Legal Services Center</i> <i>Audrey Patten</i> <i>Fall or Spring</i>	Students represent low-income taxpayers in matters with the IRS, both before the IRS and in federal court. They represent taxpayers involving examinations, administrative appeals, collection matters and cases before the United States Tax Court and Federal District Courts	Tax practice and procedure at the agency level and in federal court Administrative law Interview clients Factual investigation Evidentiary hearings	WilmerHale Legal Services Center (LSC) in Jamaica
<b>Transactional Law Clinics</b> <i>Brian Price</i> <i>Fall or Spring</i> <i>Community Enterprise Project</i> <i>By Application</i> <i>(Fall or Spring)</i>	Provides legal services to small businesses, nonprofit organizations, real estate parties, individuals and companies in the arts and entertainment industry, and community development organizations and neighborhood residents	Transactional representation and negotiation Client interviewing, communications, counseling Draft and review documents and contracts Transactional deal analysis, issue identification, and deal strategy Statutory and regulatory research	On-campus
<b>Veterans Law and Disability Benefits Clinic</b> <i>Legal Services Center</i>	Students can select among three substantive areas. (1) <b>Veterans Justice Project:</b> representing veterans in administrative and federal court appeals to challenge wrongful denials of federal	Client Interviewing Fact Investigation	

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and state veterans benefits and in systemic reform efforts. (2) **Estate Planning Project:** representing veterans and their families in estate and financial planning matters such as wills, trusts, advanced directives, guardianships, and conservatorships. (3) **Saftey Net Project:** representing clients in administrative and federal court appeals to challenge wrongful denials of Social Security disability benefits

Policy advocacy

Administrative appeal hearings

Federal and state court litigation

Drafting estate planning documents

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