

**WFU Law School
Clinics and Externships
for
Academic Advisors and Registering Students
2011-2012**

Program	Appellate Advocacy Clinic
What do students do?	Students handle an appeal from start to finish, working with a student partner and their professor, in one of several appellate courts, including the United States Supreme Court, Fourth Circuit, Seventh Circuit, Delaware Supreme Court, and North Carolina Court of Appeals. When oral argument is allowed, one student from the pair argues and the other helps prepare for the argument. Students also attend weekly sessions to learn about various aspects of appellate practice and brainstorm their classmates' appeals. The Clinic also attends a day of arguments at the United States Supreme Court and meets with Court personnel while there.
Website	http://appellate-clinic.law.wfu.edu/
Course #	548
Credit hours	3
Prerequisites	Appellate Advocacy
Registration	Only students selected by the Clinical Professor may register for the Appellate Advocacy Clinic. At least a week (7 days) before Registration for their 3L fall semester, interested students should submit a completed Appellate Advocacy Clinic Questionnaire to Professor John Korzen at korzenjj@wfu.edu . Students will be selected and notified prior to Registration. Only selected students (including any waitlist) will be able to register for the class.
No. of semesters	2
Syllabus: sample topics	Topics include whether, when, and how to appeal; preservation of issues; standard of review; developing a theme and applying rhetorical principles; "results-oriented" research; appellate briefs; common appellate motions/petitions; and oral argument.
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Primary staff	Sonya Casstevens Jones, 336-758-5706, Room 3340 casstesa@wfu.edu
Primary location	Law School Room 3338

Program	Child Advocacy Clinic
What do students do?	<p>This clinic focuses on the representation of children in three settings: deciding the custody of children in high conflict cases, deciding the custody of children in civil domestic violence actions, and representing children of indigent parents in issues involving the public school system. Students study the various models for representing children – as lawyer advocate, as lawyer guardian ad litem, and as non-lawyer guardian ad litem – and analyze the ethical issues raised in the various settings. Students also study the procedural and substantive law involved in deciding the custody issue in both the family law and the domestic violence settings and in representing children in the educational setting.</p> <p>Students work in teams of two on cases that have been referred from the district courts of the 21st Judicial District to the Children’s Law Center. The education cases arise from indigent parents who have called the Children’s Law Center for assistance in discipline and other matters in the public schools. Students meet weekly for course work and schedule their field work in coordination with the professor. Students need blocks of time on at least two mornings other than Wednesday for the field work.</p>
Website	http://child-clinic.law.wfu.edu/ http://www.childrenslawcenternc.org/
Course #	563-2
Credit hours	3
Prerequisites	None
No. of semesters	1
Syllabus: sample topics	Psychology of domestic violence and custody; interviewing children; ethical issues in representing the child; civil domestic violence process; criminal domestic violence process; mediation; advocating for children in education cases.
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Primary location	Children’s Law Center, 8 W. 3 rd St., Winston-Salem, NC 27101

Program	Community Law and Business Clinic
What do students do?	Students assist with a range of legal and business matters that reflect a general civil practice. Topics include: entity selection, contract review, employment law, real estate, and topics related to representing business clients.
Website	http://community-clinic.law.wfu.edu/
Course #	601
Credit hours	4
Prerequisites	Must be a 3L or second semester 2L. No course prerequisites. Interest in business law and entrepreneurship, community based organizations and non-profits is beneficial.
Registration	Only students selected by the Clinical Professor may register. Students are asked to submit a statement of interest by the Friday before course registration and will be notified of selection by Sunday evening of that weekend. Statements of interest should discuss the student's background as it is relevant to the Community Law Clinic along with career goals.
No. of semesters	1
Syllabus: sample topics	Business organizations, real estate development and finance, employment law, commercial law and contracts.
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Primary location	8 W. 3 rd St., Suite 100A, W-S, NC 27101

Program	Elder Law Clinic
What do students do?	Represent individuals and their families in a general civil practice, small firm environment. Students draft wills and powers of attorney; handle some litigation, including guardianship hearings; handle consumer law dispute and health law cases.
Website	http://elder-clinic.law.wfu.edu/
Course #	604
Credit hours	4
Prerequisites	Must be a 3L or spring semester 2L; no course prerequisites
Registration:	Only students selected by the Clinical Professor may register for E-Clinic. At least a week (7 days) before Registration, students should email a letter setting out why they are interested in taking the course, along with a resume. Send it to Professor Kate Mewhinney. Eight students and at least two waitlisted students will be selected and notified prior to Registration. Only selected students (including a waitlist) will be able to register for the class on-line, using the regular registration process.
No. of semesters	1
Syllabus: sample topics	Interviewing; will drafting and estate planning for the small estate; Medicare and Medicaid; housing issues of older clients; mental capacity issues (taught by medical school faculty).
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Primary location	Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center, Sticht Center , Ground Floor, Medical Center Blvd., W-S, NC 27157-1207

Program	Innocence and Justice Clinic
What do students do?	Students study the causes of wrongful conviction while they review and investigate claims of actual innocence by inmates and, where appropriate, pursue legal avenues for exoneration and release from prison.
Website	http://innocence-clinic.law.wfu.edu/
Course #	622
Credit hours	4
Prerequisites	Criminal Procedure is co-requisite; must be 3L or spring semester 2L
No. of semesters	1
Syllabus: sample topics	Mistaken eyewitness identification; false confessions; invalid forensic science; the role of forensic DNA testing; post-conviction remedies for innocence claims; the use of informants, jailhouse snitches and cooperating witnesses; police and prosecutorial misconduct; incompetent lawyering; policy and legislative reforms and post-conviction compensation.
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Primary staff	Annemarie Buwalda, Administrator: buwaldaj@wfu.edu 336-758-6111, Room 3340
Primary location	Law School Room 3320

Program		Judicial Extern Program	
What do students do?	Judicial Extern students work a minimum of 120 hours over a 5 to 6 week summer school term. This includes time spent in court with their mentoring judge as well as time spent researching and writing. There is a 25 page writing requirement that can be met either with one paper or a series of short memos. Professor Anderson recruits mentoring judges for students in the Triad area. Most students are placed in state court and occasionally in federal court. Students may also recruit their own judges in any location where they hope to practice.		
Website	http://academics.law.wfu.edu/courses/		
Course #	540		
Credit hours	3 hours, pass/fail		
Prerequisites	Evidence is suggested but not required, which allows rising 2Ls take the course.		
No. of semesters	Summer I and Summer II: may be taken either session, not both.		
Syllabus:	Course begins with an orientation session. Students receive oral and written information about working with judges, their writing assignments, their required reflections, and a schedule with related deadlines.		
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Primary staff	Ann Robertson, Clinic Coordinator: robertab@wfu.edu , 336-758-5073		
Primary location	Law School Room 3344		

Program	Litigation Clinic
What do students do?	Tailored to student preferences. Includes a variety of civil litigation related practice: private firms, government entities (e.g., U. S. Attorney's Office, W-S/Forsyth County Board of Education, National Labor Relations Bd., Dept. of Veterans Affairs) and corporate counsel offices (e.g., Reynolds American, N.C. Baptist Hospital, Novant Health, BB & T). Also includes criminal placement (state or federal), either prosecution or defense, which insures student's appearance in court.
Website	http://litigation-clinic.law.wfu.edu/
Course #	603
Credit hours	4
Prerequisites	Evidence; Trial Practice (before or while taking Litigation Clinic)
No. of semesters	1
Syllabus: sample topics	District Court practice and case simulations; jury focus groups; interviewing & counseling; taking depositions; preparing deponents; expert witness preparation & examination.
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Primary staff	Ann Robertson, Clinic Coordinator: robertab@wfu.edu , 336-758-5073
Primary location	Law School Room 3344

Program Metropolitan Externship - Washington, D.C.	
What do students do?	Students work full-time with attorneys in government and not-for-profit organizations. The work may include legislative and regulation drafting, regulatory compliance, policy analysis and advocacy, and the many other kinds of work done by government and NGO's in the Washington area. It may focus on National or international law. In addition to the field-work, the course includes a weekly classroom session.
Website	http://dc-externship.law.wfu.edu/
Course #	639
Credit hours	10 hrs. for field work and 3 graded credits for classroom
Prerequisites	Complete all required courses
No. of semesters	1
Syllabus: sample topics (classroom)	Confidentiality, executive privilege, conflict of interest rules, whistle-blowing, special responsibility of government lawyers.
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