



## AGENDA\*

Application process, timeline, and related information

Scheduled law clinics

Scheduled field placements

\*This info session does not cover Semester in DC or simulation course opportunities



"[A]ll of these modalities are valuable and necessary in order for law students to be able to develop fully their professional identity...[E]ach...can contribute in distinctive ways to the student's professional development."



Simulation courses

Simulated practice

Clinics

Supervised practice  
in a "first chair" role

Field placements

Supervised practice  
in a "mentee" role

## APPLICATION PROCESS AND TIMELINE

- Apply via form:  
<https://www.slu.edu/law/experiential-learning/clinic-field-placement-information.php>
- Two -phase process: Law clinics followed by field placements
- Separate applications :
- Spring 2025 law clinics (due 9/19)
- Spring 2025 field placements (due 10/4)

## APPLICATION PROCESS AND TIMELINE: LAW CLINICS

- To be considered timely, submit by 11:59PM on 09/19/2024
- Timely applicants notified by email of whether being offered a clinic by 09/30/2024
- Must accept no later than the time specified in offer
- Can apply after the deadline; offers made on space-available basis
- If you accept placement in a clinic, you may not apply for a field placement opportunity for same semester

## APPLICATION PROCESS AND TIMELINE: FIELD PLACEMENTS

- To be considered timely, submit by 11:59PM on 10/04/2024
- Timely applicants notified by email of whether being offered a placement on a rolling basis
- Must accept no later than the time specified in offer
- Can apply after the deadline; offers made on space-available basis
- If no placement by start of general registration, register as if no placement and then drop other courses if one is later offered

NO SELF-REGISTRATION/DROP





## LAW CLINIC OR FIELD PLACEMENT OPPORTUNITY GUARANTEE

SLU LAW guarantees every eligible and interested student one law clinic or field placement experience. While effort is made to accommodate

LAW CLINICS OVERVIEW  
(SPRING 2025)

Children's  
Permanency Clinic

Criminal Defense  
Clinic

Entrepreneurship  
and Community  
Development  
Clinic

Human Rights at  
Home Litigation  
Clinic

## CHILDREN'S PERMANENCY CLINIC

- Represent clients in variety of matters related to children and families (e.g., child orders of protection, guardianships, delinquency, and other matters in which we can center the voice of children)
- Clinic I client work: 3 or 4 cr

## CRIMINAL DEFENSE CLINIC

- Represent clients charged with federal offenses with an emphasis on mitigation and sentencing advocacy
- Opportunities to work at satellite clinic space at Mission St. Louis
- Client work: 3 or 4 cr, p/np (45 hrs/cr)
- Classroom component: 2 cr, graded
- Questions? Contact Prof. McGraugh ([susan.mcgraugh@slu.edu](mailto:susan.mcgraugh@slu.edu) or 314.977.2778)

## ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CLINIC

- Represent entrepreneurs, nonprofits, community groups, and social enterprises in transactional matters, with a particular focus on community development
- Clinic I client work: 3 or 4 cr, p/np (45 hrs/cr)
- Clinic I classroom component: 2 cr, graded
- Clinic II (combined client/classroom work): 2 or 3 cr, p/np (45 hrs/cr)
- Questions? Contact Prof. Malkus ([dana.malkus@slu.edu](mailto:dana.malkus@slu.edu) or 314.977.2778) or see [FAQs](#)



## CLINIC II

After completing a Clinic I opportunity, students may apply to enroll in a second semester of the same clinic on a space-available basis. \*

\* Not available for Criminal Defense Clinic

FIELD PLACEMENTS OVERVIEW  
(SEE [FIELD PLACEMENT GUIDE](#))

Judicial  
Spring 2025

Corporate  
Spring 2025

Criminal  
Defense  
Spring 2025

Criminal  
Prosecution  
Spring 2025

Health Law  
Spring 2025

Public Interest  
Spring 2025



## JUDICIAL PROCESS

- Placed with judge as part-time law clerk—depending on chambers, may assist in preparing bench briefs and opinions; observe oral arguments, trials, or hearings; and perform legal research and write memos
- Bound by judicial canons (inc prohibition on work at law firm & political activity—e.g., social media, political campaign/donations); consider not advertising political affiliation on resume (can limit placement opportunities)
- 3 or 4 cr, p/np (50 hrs/cr) + class (1 cr, graded)
- Questions? Contact Prof. Phillips ([megan.phillips.1@slu.edu](mailto:megan.phillips.1@slu.edu) or 314.435.6560) or Prof. VanAmburg ([lisa.vanamburg@slu.edu](mailto:lisa.vanamburg@slu.edu) or 314.330.1397)



## CORPORATE

- Placed in a variety of nonprofit and for-profit corporate counsel and government settings; assist with transactional or litigation matters
- Field Placement I fieldwork: 3, 4, or 6 cr, p/np (50 hrs/cr) (cr hrs depend on placement site)
- Field Placement I classroom component: 1 cr, graded
- Field Placement II (combined field/classroom work): 2 or 3 cr, p/np (50 hrs/cr)
- Questions? Contact Prof. Chivetta ([aj.chivetta@slu.edu](mailto:aj.chivetta@slu.edu) or 314.780.1812)

## CRIMINAL DEFENSE

- Placed at sites providing criminal defense representation for individuals accused of crimes who cannot afford a private attorney
- Field Placement I fieldwork: 4, 6, or 8 cr, p/np (50 hrs/cr) (cr hrs depend on placement site)
- Field Placement I classroom component: 1 cr, graded
- Field Placement II (combined field/classroom work): 2 or 3 cr, p/np (50 hrs/cr)
- Questions? Contact Prof. Vigil ([matt.vigil@slu.edu](mailto:matt.vigil@slu.edu) or 314.977.2778)

## CRIMINAL PROSECUTION

- Students are placed at prosecutors' offices to assist in criminal prosecution matters
- Field Placement I fieldwork: 4, 6, or 8 cr, p/np (50 hrs/cr) (cr hrs depend on placement site)
- Field Placement I classroom component: 1 cr, graded
- Field Placement II (combined field/classroom work): 2 or 3 cr, p/np (50 hrs/cr)
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## HEALTH LAW

- Students placed with health systems where they assist with transactional and litigation matters; may also be placed at the USAO to assist in prosecuting health fraud matters
- Field Placement I fieldwork: 4 or 6 cr, p/np (50 hrs/cr) (cr hrs depend on placement site)
- Field Placement I classroom component: 1 cr, graded
- Field Placement II (combined field/classroom work): 2 or 3 cr, p/np (50 hrs/cr)
- Questions? Contact Prof. Sanders ([amy.sanders@slu.edu](mailto:amy.sanders@slu.edu) or 314.977.8176 or <https://amysanders-healthlaw.youcanbook.me/>)

## PUBLIC INTEREST

- Students placed in various government and public interest settings where they assist with transactional or litigation matters
- Field Placement I fieldwork: 4 or 6 cr, p/np (50 hrs/cr) (cr hrs depend on placement site)
- Field Placement I classroom component: 1 cr, graded
- Field Placement II (combined field/classroom work): 2 or 3 cr, p/np (50 hrs/cr)
- Questions? Contact Prof.Vigil (Matt.Vigil@slu.edu or 314.977.7038)

## FIELD PLACEMENTS: GUIDANCE

### Field Placement Guide and Handbook

The [Guide](#) provides an overview of the placement opportunities. If you are interested in particular opportunities, please note those on your application and discuss them with the relevant faculty member.

The [Handbook](#) provides important details about the Field Placement Program.

### Concurrent Employment and Conflicts

Some placements have special requirements related to concurrent employment, and some may prohibit concurrent employment entirely. Placements may also require extensive background checks, drug testing, conflicts checks, and other paperwork.

Be sure you understand these requirements for any opportunities for which you want to apply.



## FIELD PLACEMENT II\*

- After completing Field Placement I, students may apply to enroll in a second field placement through Field Placement II.
- Students may enroll in Field Placement II for either 2 or 3 cr (p/np), on a space-available basis.
- Students may take Field Placement I and II only one time each.

\* Judicial field placements are housed within a separate course and are not part of Field Placement I or II. Students can only do one judicial placement and may not enroll in a second judicial placement.

## FIELD PLACEMENT ELIGIBILITY (EXCLUDING JUDICIAL)

- Eligible for Missouri student practice license (includes completing at least half the credit hours required for graduation)—while this is a minimum requirement for the course, placement may or may not require a student practice license
- Completed Legal Profession (or, with permission from the relevant faculty member, enroll concurrently)
- Concurrently enroll in a 1 cr (graded) companion course (Field Placement I only)
- Be able to devote sufficient time to field placement (50 hrs of fieldwork for each p/np cr hr)

FOR MORE INFORMATION GO TO:

[WWW.SLU.EDU/LAW/EXPERIENTIAL-LEARNING](http://WWW.SLU.EDU/LAW/EXPERIENTIAL-LEARNING)

ACCESS  
APPLICATIONS HERE

