



EXTERNSHIP SEMINAR LEARNING PLAN

The goal of the externship program is to provide you with a learning experience in an approved legal setting that will afford you the opportunity to meet the following educational objectives:

1. Improve your lawyering skills.
 - a. Develop your research, writing, and drafting skills through work on legal documents, such as pleadings, agreements, legal memoranda and opinion letters, and
 - b. Develop oral advocacy skills through participation in, or observations of court, discovery and administrative hearings.
2. Increase your understanding of the range of skills necessary to be an effective lawyer through your participation in activities such as interviewing, counseling, negotiation, oral advocacy, investigation and formulation of case strategy.
3. Enhance your understanding of substantive law, and the legal and law-related issues facing the host organization and its mission.
4. Develop productive working relationships and explore career options.
5. Enhance your understanding of the issues related to professionalism, professional responsibility and other workplace issues which arise in legal practice and in professional work environments;
6. Engage in critical self-reflection to promote self-directed, lifelong learning.

With these objectives in mind, we ask that you develop specific individual goals that you would like to accomplish at your externship in order to maximize your learning experience.

We will ask your supervising attorney to evaluate you based on a review of certain professional skills, such as legal analysis, problem solving, legal research, written skills, oral skills, and other interpersonal/workplace skills. Your goals should include development of these applicable skills. Supervising attorneys should discuss these objectives and your individual goals with you and how you can accomplish these goals during your externship.

Identify three goals which you hope to accomplish this semester, and list the type of activities you can anticipate engaging in which will help you accomplish these goals.

After you discuss these with your supervising attorney, please sign this learning plan and have your supervisor sign as well.

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Goal 1: _____

Activities/Tasks:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

How will you measure your progress?

Goal 2: _____

Activities/Tasks:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

How will you measure your progress?

Goal 3: _____

Activities/Tasks:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

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Feedback: We agree to meet regularly to discuss the student's work & progress, including meeting mid-term and at the end of the externship to review the final evaluation.

Additional goals/activities: _____

Printed Name of Student

Printed Name of Supervisor

Signed by Student

Signed by Supervisor