

# LAW (CLINICS AND SKILLS) (LAWN)

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## LAWN 6000 Trial Practice

[3 credit hours]

Simulated exercises and trials, including such matters as pretrial motions, jury selection, opening statement, presentation of evidence, cross-examination, witness impeachment, closing argument, and jury instructions. Emphasis is given to developing and proving a theory of the case.

**Prerequisites:** LAWA 6310 with a minimum grade of C

## LAWN 6020 Advanced Legal Research

[2-3 credit hours]

An in-depth view of legal bibliography in both print and electronic formats. Detailed attention given to encyclopedias, treatises, and various general and topical indexes, digests, and citators as well as web based compilations of legal materials.

**Prerequisites:** LAWM 5000 (may be taken concurrently) with a minimum grade of D-

## LAWN 6030 Law Practice

[1-3 credit hours]

An introduction to management of a law practice. This course will develop concepts related to four areas: Business Management, Practice Management, Client Management and Life Management. In the area of Business Management, students will be exposed to business start-up considerations, including choice of entity, financing, bookkeeping and trust accounting. In the area of Practice Management, the students will cover administrative and substantive systems, including conflicts of interest, docket management, form files and employee management. In Client Management, the students will be exposed to issues related to client acceptance, declination, disengagement, client satisfaction and malpractice to name a few.

**Prerequisites:** LAWM 5000 (may be taken concurrently) with a minimum grade of D-

## LAWN 6050 Negotiation and Settlement

[2-3 credit hours]

This course focuses on developing an analytical framework for preparing, conducting and evaluating negotiations. A variety of negotiation strategies and tactics are explored including cooperative, problem-solving and competitive, positional approaches. Students conduct approximately ten negotiations that explore a variety of deal-making and dispute resolution fact situations.

**Prerequisites:** LAWM 5000 (may be taken concurrently) with a minimum grade of D-

## LAWN 6100 Negotiation: Theory and Strategy

[3 credit hours]

This practical, skills course develops a series of conceptual structures for understanding negotiation as a coherent process and for understanding the strategic dynamics of all negotiating situations. The goal of the course is to encourage students to become skilled, versatile, and effective negotiators by applying the relevant structures, theories, and strategies to legal negotiations that will be scheduled each week of the course.

**Prerequisites:** LAWM 5000 (may be taken concurrently) with a minimum grade of D-

## LAWN 6110 Advanced Trial Practice

[2 credit hours]

An examination of the development and adjudication of complex civil and criminal cases through demonstration and performance exercises. Students will participate in developing juror profiles and the creation of jury instructions; the direct and cross examination of expert witnesses; the introduction, handling and admissibility of exhibit evidence; and the recognition of constitutional issues arising during the trial.

**Prerequisites:** LAWA 6310 with a minimum grade of C and (LAWN 6000 with a minimum grade of C or LAWL 6180 with a minimum grade of S)

## LAWN 6130 Criminal Law Simulation

[2-3 credit hours]

In this simulation course, students will prepare a case for trial/plea and end the semester with a sentencing hearing. The course will feature written assignments and in-class exercises and will cover hearings on arraignment, detention, suppression, plea, and sentencing. Students will work together and hone their skills as members of prosecution and defense teams.

**Prerequisites:** LAWM 5000 with a minimum grade of C

## LAWN 6190 Interviewing and Counseling

[2-3 credit hours]

Most lawyers in both litigation and transactional practice spend substantial amounts of their time interviewing and counseling clients. The goals of this course are to develop understanding of theories and techniques of client interviewing and counseling and to assist students to develop skills in performance of interviewing and counseling. Readings and class discussion impart knowledge of theory and techniques. Mere understanding, however, is insufficient to develop performance competence. To develop competence in performance of these skills, students participate in simulations based on case files that will be distributed. Simulations will be recorded on videotape and will be evaluated by the performer, classmates and the instructor.

**Prerequisites:** LAWM 5000 (may be taken concurrently) with a minimum grade of D-

## LAWN 6310 Criminal Law Practice Program

[4-6 credit hours]

The Criminal Law Practice Program trains law students in basic prosecutorial skills and values. Students serve externships in local prosecutor offices trying cases, plea-bargaining, and interviewing witnesses. The clinic may be taken for either six or four credit hours.

**Prerequisites:** LAWA 6310 with a minimum grade of C

## LAWN 6330 Advanced Criminal Law Practice Program

[3-4 credit hours]

The Advanced Criminal Law Practice Program trains students in advanced skills of prosecution. Students undertake more challenging tasks than those typically undertaken in the basic clinic. For example, students may conduct jury trials, make appellate arguments, or draft clinical training manuals.

**Prerequisites:** LAWN 6310 with a minimum grade of C

**LAWN 6410 Dispute Resolution Clinic**

[2-4 credit hours]

In the Dispute Resolution Clinic, second and third year students have the unique opportunity to learn mediation skills and apply those skills mediating in the Lucas County Juvenile Court and Toledo Municipal Court. This fieldwork experience provides hands-on training in the area of alternative dispute resolution. Skills such as listening, communication, and negotiation are stressed in both the fieldwork and weekly classroom component. Students are taught theoretical technique and are exposed to a variety of topics and speakers in the Alternative Dispute Resolution field. This clinical program is designed to teach practical skills and give the students an opportunity to interact in the legal community in a new and emerging area of law.

**Prerequisites:** LAWM 5000 (may be taken concurrently) with a minimum grade of D-

**LAWN 6420 Advanced Dispute Resolution Clinic**

[2-4 credit hours]

The Advanced Dispute Resolution Clinic emphasizes development of skills beyond those achieved in the basic clinic. The course provides students with the opportunity to become involved in mediations in a number of courts throughout Lucas County and Northwest Ohio.

**Prerequisites:** LAWN 6410 with a minimum grade of C

**LAWN 6610 Public Service Externship**

[1-6 credit hours]

The Public Service Externship Clinic is a field placement program in which students are placed in structured legal settings with public service attorneys and programs. There is a required classroom component in which issues relating to learning from experience are explored. The program is available year round with out-of-town placements available in the summer term.

**Prerequisites:** LAWM 5000 (may be taken concurrently) with a minimum grade of D-

**LAWN 6910 Civil Advocacy Clinic**

[2-6 credit hours]

The Civil Advocacy Clinic focuses on development of skills such as interviewing, counseling, negotiation, problem-solving, fact investigation, strategy formation law, landlord and tenant, consumer, and civil rights cases. In addition, students may work on law reform and policy projects. Students in the clinic are the primary contact for clients, and are given responsibility for work on all aspects of the case under the close supervision of clinic faculty. Classroom meetings focus on practical, substantive, procedural, and ethical issues, especially as they relate to the clients and cases handled by the clinic. It is recommended, but not required, that students complete at least 59 credit hours and apply for certification as legal interns under Rule II of the Ohio Supreme Court Rules for the Governance of the Bar.

**Prerequisites:** LAWM 5000 (may be taken concurrently) with a minimum grade of D-

**LAWN 6930 Advanced Civil Advocacy Clinic**

[2-4 credit hours]

The Advanced Civil Advocacy Clinic emphasizes development of skills beyond those achieved in the basic clinic. The program is tailored to meet the needs and interests of individual students. Typically, students in the Advanced Civil Advocacy Clinic are assigned more complex legal matters, mentor students in the basic Civil Advocacy Clinic, and/or work on policy or legislative projects.

**Prerequisites:** LAWN 6910 with a minimum grade of C

**LAWN 6940 Children's Rights Clinic**

[3-6 credit hours]

The Children's Rights Clinic deals with a variety of legal and policy issues affecting survivors of domestic violence, including representation to obtain protection orders, dissolution of marriage, and attendant issues of custody and support. The Clinic also handles juvenile law matters including parentage, parental rights, and adoptions. Admission is by the permission of the instructor. It is recommended, but not required, that students complete at least 59 credit hours and apply for certification as legal interns under Rule II of the Ohio Supreme Court Rules for the Governance of the Bar.

**Prerequisites:** LAWM 5000 (may be taken concurrently) with a minimum grade of D-

**LAWN 6950 Advanced Children's Rights Clinic**

[2-4 credit hours]

In the Advanced Children's Rights Clinic students will act more independently as lead counsel for clients and may assume some supervisory responsibilities on cases handled by students in the basic Children's Rights Clinic. In addition, depending on student interest, students may conduct research on issues relating to domestic violence or juvenile law.

**Prerequisites:** LAWN 6940 with a minimum grade of C

**LAWN 9000 Trial Practice**

[3 credit hours]

Simulated exercises and trials, including such matters as pretrial motions, jury selection, opening statement, presentation of evidence, cross-examination, witness impeachment, closing argument, and jury instructions. Emphasis is given to developing and proving a theory of the case.

**Prerequisites:** LAWA 9310 with a minimum grade of C

**Term Offered:** Spring, Fall

**LAWN 9020 Advanced Legal Research**

[2-3 credit hours]

An in-depth view of legal bibliography in both print and electronic formats. Detailed attention given to encyclopedias, treatises, and various general and topical indexes, digests, and citators, as well as web-based compilations of legal materials.

**Term Offered:** Spring, Summer, Fall

**LAWN 9030 Law Practice**

[1-3 credit hours]

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**LAWN 9050 Negotiation and Settlement**

[2-3 credit hours]

This course focuses on developing an analytical framework for preparing, conducting and evaluating negotiations. A variety of negotiation strategies and tactics are explored including cooperative, problem-solving and competitive, positional approaches. Students conduct approximately ten negotiations that explore a variety of deal-making and dispute resolution fact situations.

**LAWN 9100 Negotiation: Theory and Strategy**

[3 credit hours]

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**Term Offered:** Spring, Summer, Fall**LAWN 9110 Advanced Trial Practice**

[2 credit hours]

An examination of the development and adjudication of complex civil and criminal cases through demonstration and performance exercises. Students will participate in developing juror profiles and the creation of jury instructions; the direct and cross examination of expert witnesses; the introduction, handling and admissibility of exhibit evidence; and the recognition of constitutional issues arising during the trial.

**Prerequisites:** LAWA 9310 with a minimum grade of C and (LAWN 9000 with a minimum grade of C or LAWL 9180 with a minimum grade of S)**Term Offered:** Spring**LAWN 9130 Criminal Law Simulation**

[2-3 credit hours]

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**LAWN 9190 Interviewing and Counseling**

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**LAWN 9310 Criminal Law Practice Program**

[4-6 credit hours]

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**Prerequisites:** LAWA 9310 with a minimum grade of C**Term Offered:** Spring, Fall**LAWN 9330 Advanced Criminal Law Practice Program**

[3-4 credit hours]

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**Prerequisites:** LAWN 9310 with a minimum grade of C**Term Offered:** Spring, Fall**LAWN 9410 Dispute Resolution Clinic**

[2-4 credit hours]

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**Term Offered:** Spring, Fall**LAWN 9420 Advanced Dispute Resolution Clinic**

[2-4 credit hours]

The Advanced Dispute Resolution Clinic emphasizes development of skills beyond those achieved in the basic clinic. The course provides students with the opportunity to become involved in mediations in a number of courts throughout Lucas County and Northwest Ohio.

**Prerequisites:** LAWN 9410 with a minimum grade of C**Term Offered:** Spring, Fall**LAWN 9510 Tax Controversy Clinic**

[4 credit hours]

In order to give law students valuable experience in handling actual tax cases, the Tax Controversy Clinic will offer free representation to taxpayers who are involved with IRS audits, appeals, and collection matters. In certain cases the Tax Clinic will represent taxpayers before the United States Tax Court. The Tax Clinic will negotiate and resolve contested matter with the IRS.

**Term Offered:** Spring, Fall

**LAWN 9520 Advanced Tax Controversy Clinic**

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**Prerequisites:** LAWN 9510 with a minimum grade of C**Term Offered:** Spring, Summer, Fall**LAWN 9610 Public Service Externship**

[1-6 credit hours]

The Public Service Externship is a field placement program in which students are placed in structured legal settings with public service attorneys and programs. There is a required classroom component in which issues relating to learning from experience are explored. The program is available year round with out-of-town placements available in the summer term.

**Term Offered:** Spring, Summer, Fall**LAWN 9710 Immigrant Justice Clinic**

[4 credit hours]

The Immigrant Justice Clinic helps prepare students for a career in immigration law, or to gain insight about how U.S. legal systems and policy decisions impact immigrants, families, and communities. The clinic introduces substantive immigration law and the theory and practice of core lawyering skills, including interviewing; counseling; listening; investigating facts; researching and analyzing relevant law; creative problem-solving; critical lawyering (lawyering conscious of power, bias, and justice issues); administrative agency and courtroom practicing; and legal writing, including affidavits and advocacy-focused briefs. Under the supervision of clinical faculty, students represent local community members with critical legal needs working through the U.S. immigration system, including people seeking family reunification and safety from domestic violence, persecution, torture, and human trafficking. Students also conduct community education on a variety of immigration law topics. Casework is complemented by a seminar that meets twice per week.

**Prerequisites:** LAWI 9440 (may be taken concurrently) with a minimum grade of D**Term Offered:** Spring, Summer, Fall**LAWN 9720 Advanced Immigrant Justice Clinic**

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**Prerequisites:** LAWN 9710 with a minimum grade of C**Term Offered:** Spring, Summer, Fall**LAWN 9910 Civil Advocacy Clinic**

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[3-6 credit hours]

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