

LAW 8067: Externship:Montco Juv Justice

Prerequisites: Evidence (LAW 7024) and Trial Advocacy (LAW 7050) or Trial Advocacy - Basic Intensive (LAW 7128); Trial Advocacy (LAW 7050) or Trial Advocacy - Basic Intensive (LAW 7128) may be taken concurrently with the Externship. Special Requirements: Student Certification - Student Certification Forms can be found on the VLS Externship website in the "Forms & Documents" section under "Program Information" called: "Student Certification Form." Completed forms should be returned to: Priscilla Holmes, Associate Director for Academic Affairs in the Deans' Suite. Time Commitment: Students must be available for training and case preparation all day every Tuesday for the semester in which you are enrolled. Students may not enroll on NOVASIS. Interested students should contact Prof. Matt McGovern. Students participating in this program will serve as externs in the Public Defender's Office of Montgomery County in Norristown focused on representing juveniles charged with delinquency. Student-externs will be supervised by Assistant Public Defenders in the Juvenile Unit, and each extern will be required to spend 10 hours per week at the office. The majority of this time will be on Tuesdays. The externship will include a basic introduction to juvenile justice law and the governing procedural rules. Externs will be assigned cases in Montgomery County Juvenile Court, with the expectation that over the course of the semester students will represent clients in detention hearings, adjudication hearings, and disposition (sentencing) hearings. Accessibility by public transportation is limited. Travel by car is recommended. Externs will gain experience interviewing clients, family members, and witnesses, conducting fact investigation, and researching alternatives to detention or placement. Each extern must maintain a journal of his/her experiences and meet every other week with the Law School faculty supervisor. The supervisi

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