CRIMINAL CLINICS APPLICATION – 2012

APPLICATIONS DUE IN STUDENT AFFAIRS NO LATER THAN MARCH 23, 2012 AT 5:00 P.M.

Check Semester You Are Applying For  □ SPRING  □ SUMMER  □ FALL

Last Name __________________________ First Name ________________________ UFID ________

E-mail ______________________________ Current Semester (check one)  □ 3  □ 4  □ 5  □ 6

Have you previously enrolled in a clinic? □ Yes  □ No  If Yes, which one? ______________

** Your Initial Clearance Letter from the Florida Board of Bar Examiners must be attached to this application. Also CLI rules require you to have completed 48 semester hours the semester you enter the Clinic. Please see additional information on the reverse side of this application.

SELECT CRIMINAL LAW CLINIC YOU ARE APPLYING FOR (check only ONE)

☐ CRIMINAL DEFENSE CLINIC

• This clinic is a one semester – 9 credit hours. 3 Credits are letter graded (classroom) and 6 Credits are graded S/U
• Bar Clearance Letter Required
• Three Prerequisites Required

Criminal Clinic Prerequisites. Please check that you taken the following:

☐ Evidence  ☐ Police Practices or Adversary Systems  ☐ One 3+ credit course from Preference Points list below

Please indicate remote county preference, which requires the prior approval of Professor Haughton.
I would like __________________________ County Approved: __________________________

Professor Haughton Worrell

OR

☐ CRIMINAL PROSECUTION CLINIC

• This clinic is a one semester – 9 credit hours. 3 Credits are letter graded (classroom) and 6 Credits are graded S/U
• Bar Clearance Letter Required.
• Three Prerequisites Required

Criminal Clinic Prerequisites. Please indicate when you took the following:

☐ Evidence  ☐ Police Practices or Adversary Systems  ☐ Trial Practice or Trial Advocacy

Please indicate remote county preference, which requires the prior approval of Professor Dekle.
I would like __________________________ County Approved: __________________________

Professor Dekle

Preference Points for Defense and Prosecution Clinics (1 point for each course; 2 points for externships)

Advanced Trial Practice
Criminal Litigation
Interviewing & Counseling
Juvenile Justice
Mental Health Seminar
Second Criminal Procedure course
Jury Duty Volunteering

Complex Criminal Investigation
Externship in SAO or PDO
Interviewing, Counseling & Negotiation
Mental Health Law
Prosecutorial Ethics
Trial Practice or Trial Advocacy

Total Number of Preference Points: __________________

For questions and information, please come by the Clinics at 100 Bruton-Geer Hall anytime.
Plan to attend Clinic Information Meeting on Tuesday, March 13, 2012 at NOON in Advocacy Center Courtroom.
CRIMINAL CLINICS

The Criminal Law Clinics operate Fall, Spring and Summer semesters. The Prosecutor Clinic places interns in the Office of the State Attorney and the Criminal Defense Clinic places interns in the Office of the Public Defender for various Florida circuits. Interns develop their legal skills by representing the State of Florida or criminal defendants in actual criminal cases. Interns practice before real judges, juries, and against opposing counsel under the supervision of a licensed attorney. Interns are assigned cases and will carry their own case load. In addition, interns attend a specialized clinic class each week.

CLI REQUIREMENTS: To be eligible to become a CLI (Certified Legal Intern), you must first register with the Florida Board of Bar Examiners and receive a "clearance letter." A copy of this letter is required as part of your clinic application. You also must have completed 48 credit hours before the semester in which you intend to take the clinic.

ENROLLMENT IN THE CLINICS: Generally, waiting lists exist for all Clinics. Students who wish to maximize their likelihood for enrollment are advised to plan ahead, take the appropriate prerequisite courses and gain preference points by taking additional courses. Please see list of courses for preference points on the front of the application. Students may not receive credit for a single course as both a pre-requisite and a preference point.

SPRING AND FALL TIME REQUIREMENTS: There is a mandatory orientation that takes place the week prior to the beginning of regularly scheduled classes. Each intern is required to account for a minimum of 25 hours per week of clinic-related work during the Fall and Spring terms, and 30 hours per week during the Summer term. In addition to this work requirement, each intern is required to attend class each week. The class provides a forum for discussion and in-depth study of topics that are critical to criminal practice.

CASE WORK REQUIREMENTS: The intern's primary responsibility in the Clinic is to represent the client, either the State of Florida or a defendant in a criminal case, fully and professionally. The Clinics require full preparation prior to every hearing, deposition, client or witness meetings, and other client events, as well as careful evaluation afterwards.

The minimum case requirements include attendance at all hearings, depositions, plea negotiations, client or witness interviews, and other events at which the intern is assigned.

ADDITIONAL IMPORTANT INFORMATION

NOTE: To arrange for an assignment outside the Alachua County, you must obtain approval from Professor Haughton Worrell (Criminal Defense Clinic) or Professor Dekle (Prosecution Clinic) prior to applying.

For more information contact Senior Legal Skills Professor Haughton Worrell (Defense), haughton@law.ufl.edu or 100C Bruton-Geer Hall Clinics or Senior Legal Skills Professor Dekle (Prosecution), dekle@law.ufl.edu 100B in the Clinics.