**Summer Externship Classroom Component**

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LAW 6946 Section 1860

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**Required and recommended textbooks and other course materials**

University of Florida, Canvas Course

Swimming Lessons for Baby Sharks: The Essential Guide to Surviving as a new Lawyer, Grover E. Cleveland.

**Topical outline of subjects to be covered**

**Course description:**

This course serves as the academic component of your externship and is designed to supplement and enhance your field placement.

**Course Pre-requisites:**All students must participate in a field placement for academic credit.

**Course length:**8 Weeks

**Classroom Contact Hours**: 8 Hours

**Credit Value**: Variable, depends upon the number of hours worked at the field placement.

**Evaluation**

The course grade is based primarily on participation in the chat sessions and completion of the journal entries.  Preparation for class and participation in class is an expectation for all students. **The grading is Pass / Fail.**

**Class attendance policy**

The Summer Internship grade is affected by attendance and participation. **If a student is absent from any class meeting, he or she must make up the assignment** or be dropped from the class roll and become ineligible to complete the course. See the College of Law attendance policy at: [http://www.law.ufl.edu/student-affairs/current-students/academic-policies (Links to an external site.)Links to an external site.](http://www.law.ufl.edu/student-affairs/current-students/academic-policies).

**Policy related to Make-up exams or other work**

The policy regarding a delay in completing any assignment is as stated in the College of Law policy on delay in taking exams. The College of Law policy may be found at [http://www.law.ufl.edu/student-affairs/current-students/academic-policies#12 (Links to an external site.)Links to an external site.](http://www.law.ufl.edu/student-affairs/current-students/academic-policies#12) .

**Statement related to accommodations for students with disabilities**

Students requesting classroom accommodation must first register with the Office of Disability Resources.  The UF Office of Disability Resources will provide documentation to the student who must then provide this documentation to the Law School Office of Student Affairs when requesting accommodation.  Student Course Evaluations

**Information on UF Law grading policies**

The law school grading policy is available at: [http://www.law.ufl.edu/student-affairs/current-students/academic-policies#9.](http://www.law.ufl.edu/student-affairs/current-students/academic-policies#9.  ) Students are expected to provide feedback on the quality of instruction in this course based on 10 criteria. These evaluations are conducted online at https://evaluations.ufl.edu. Evaluations are typically open during the last two or three weeks of the semester, but students will be given specific times when they are open. Summary results of these assessments are available to students at <https://evaluations.ufl.edu>.

**Honor Code**

Academic honesty and integrity are fundamental values of the University community. Students should be sure that they understand the UF Student Honor Code at <http://www.dso.ufl.edu/students.php>.

**Assignments**

Our class includes weekly assignments consisting of readings and journal submissions. In addition, we’ll have four (required) meetings where we’ll discuss the readings, your field experiences, or anything else that may be of interest to you related to lawyering.

**Assignment Schedule**

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| **Date** | **Assignment** |
| February 4th | Turn in First Journal  (2 weeks) |
| February 11th | Read Chapters 1 - 3 Meet at 6:00 p.m. |
| February 18th | Turn in Second Journal  (2 weeks) |
| February 25th | Read Chapters 4 - 6 Meet at 6:00 p.m. |
| March 4th | Turn in Third Journal  (2 weeks) |
| March 11th | Read Chapters 7 - 10 Meet at 6:00 p.m. |
| March 18th | Turn in Fourth Journal  (2 weeks) |
| March 25th | Read Chapters 8 - 12 Meet at 6:00 p.m. |

Summer Externship Program Learning Outcomes

**#1: Operation**

Students will be exposed to the practice of law and able to tie the field experience to the study of law.

**#2: Evaluation**

Faculty and the Field supervisor will evaluate students based on performance in the field placement and work in the course.

**#3: Experiential Quality**

Faculty will determine the overall quality of the placement and the student's experience based on the type of work given to the student, the opportunities provided by the placement, and the assignments completed by the student.

**#4: Contemporaneous Reflection**

Students will reflect on their experiences and goals, through regularly scheduled online classroom assignments and synchronous discussions with their faculty supervisor.

**#5: Application of Laws, Policies, Procedures, and Operational Techniques**

Students will recognize the purposes for, and be able to ethically apply, laws, policies, procedures, and operational techniques to law.

**#6: Legal Research and Analysis**

Students' research and analysis skills will be refreshed and used effectively in their placements.

**#7: Utilization of Information**

Students will use practice area or subject matter information to write briefs, orders, and other documents for the field placement.