**First Day Assignment**

**PUBLIC DEFENDER CLINIC**

*LAW 6942 (Class Number 29034) Section R317 - PD Classroom/Lab (2 credits)*

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**Assignment # 1: (January 19th)**

Introductions: Be prepared to introduce yourself, answering the following questions, and anything else you want the class to know about you.

 Who are you?

 Why are you participating in the Public Defender Clinic?

 What previous experience do you have? (e.g., clinical, internships, externships, volunteer/community-based work, extra and co-curriculars, etc.)

 What are your goals for the PD Clinic?

 What are your legal career goals?

 What’s your “go-to” self-care practice?

Get familiar with your unconscious biases.

 Complete at least 4 Implicit Association Tests (IAT’s) prior to class

 Race IAT

 Skin-tone / Ethnicity-based IAT

 Sexuality / Transgender IAT

 Gender – Career IAT

 We will debrief, and contextualize unconscious biases and preferences to your role as a CLI. You will NOT be required to share your IAT results.

We will view a brief video, as a class, and discuss.