DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND CIVIL PROTECTION ORDER CLINIC
Semester: Spring 2014

Course Number Classroom: IRTS 7037 Call Number: 000022
Course Number Field Placement: IRTS 7038 Call Number: 000021
You must sign up for both classes.

Professor: Kenyatta Mickels
Credits: 4 classroom credits and 2 nonclassroom credits
Primary Basis for Grade: Professor’s evaluation of clinic work; Letter grade for classroom work and following scale for field placement: High Pass/ Pass/ Low Pass/ Fail
Prerequisites: Evidence recommended. Civil trial practice recommended but not required.

Enrollment: Students must submit an application and be interviewed. Selected students will be enrolled in the classes by the Registrar.
Meets Seminar Requirement: No
Meets Writing Requirement: No
Meets Client Counseling Requirement: No
Meeting Time for Classroom Component: Tuesday 3:05-5:50
Location: 308

Course Description:

Third-year law students, with a legal intern license, advocate for survivors in a variety of settings.

As part of collaboration with the Legal Aid Society of Cincinnati, students represent clients from the initial interview through trial. Students also represent clients in post-trial matters when necessary to accomplish an equitable result. For example, students have filed objections to decisions and drafted, filed, and argued contempt and other post-trial motions. Students also draft briefs when cases are appealed to the First Appellate District Court and, when an argument is scheduled during the academic year, a student argues the case.

Students might participate as domestic violence advocates in other ways as well. For example, students conducted research and assisted in writing an amicus brief filed with the United States Supreme Court in Abbott v. Abbott, involving custody rights. In addition, when the YWCA shelter was threatened with loss of funding, two clinic students testified before the Cincinnati City Council, which voted to restore funding.

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