

## **FALL 2010 ELECTIVES**

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### **P301/P302/or P303 Clinical Education - (1, 2, or 3 units)**

**Prerequisites:**           **Completion of 2<sup>nd</sup> year**

You must pick-up a Clinical Education packet in the Law School Office.

There will be a mandatory Clinical Education meeting on **Tuesday, September 7, 2010 at 5 p.m.** in Room **TBA**. Two to three meetings will be scheduled at this time, during each of which students will make brief, five-to-seven minute presentations regarding their intern experience. Guest speakers will share their insight on the practice of law. Each student must distribute a writing sample to the class that illustrates the type of legal work he or she is doing. Professor Rickett will model this activity during the first class.

Students are required to attend every scheduled meeting. Students who miss a meeting, or who miss the first presentation by being late, will not receive Clinical Education units. Make sure that you have signed-up for your presentation date before leaving the first meeting.

### **C554 Disability Law Clinic - (3 units)**

**Prerequisites:**           **Completion of 2<sup>nd</sup> year**

Six law students are invited to work in the Disability Law Clinic, the area's primary resource for information and representation on the law as it pertains to people with disabilities, under the supervision of an attorney. Each student will be assigned several cases on which they will participate in all areas of case development from client interviews to court appearances. The cases assigned will all be in the area of Administrative Law. In addition to their work in the Law Clinic, students will attend a class in Administrative Law as it relates to Disability Practice. Class discussion will incorporate issues raised in the text, student experience with the Law Clinic, and current developments in Administrative Law.

### **C552 Elder Law Clinic - (2 units)**

**Prerequisites:**           **Completion of 1<sup>st</sup> year**

This class provides students with real life client counseling opportunities with senior citizens. The clinic allows students to interact with clients, provide advice, follow-up, and direct clients to legal and non-legal resources. Students will draft legal documents and correspondence under the supervision of a practicing attorney. The clinic will provide the public with free legal advice.

### **C538 MBE Exam Preparation - (1 unit)**

**Prerequisites:**           **Completion of third-year classes (priority given to 4<sup>th</sup> year students)**

This course is designed to introduce students to the procedures and techniques that can be used to be proficient in taking MBE examinations. Emphasis will be placed on taking examinations on the six areas of law on which the questions are used. Tests will be given in class using past Bar questions.

**C541 Immigration Law - (2 units)****Prerequisites: Completion of 2<sup>nd</sup> year**

Discussion of federal power, constitutional rights and issues, plenary power, the foundation cases, due process, and ethics. Consideration of visas, work permits, affidavits of support, court proceedings, asylum, refugees, and more.

**C557 Self Help Access Center (SHAC) - (2 units)****Prerequisites: Completion of 2<sup>nd</sup> year**

This clinic provides students an opportunity to work with self-represented litigants. All cases are in the areas of family law. SHAC offers free legal services to persons who have a related case in Sonoma County. Students will meet individually with parties and assist them with all aspects of their family law needs: divorce, paternity, custody, support. Students will learn Legal Solutions, Disso Master, drafting of pleadings and local court practices. A supervising attorney will oversee the work.

**P101/P102/or P103 Small Claims Advisory - (1, 2, or 3 units)****Prerequisites: Completion of 2<sup>nd</sup> year**

Empire College is pleased to provide guidance to people involved in Small Claims matters. In agreement with the Sonoma County Superior Court, the law school operates an advisory which provides help to people with questions regarding small claims cases. Under the supervision of an experienced professor, students give information on the preparation and presentation of a small claims action. Walk-In and telephone assistance is available. Matters include landlord/tenant issues; automobile sales and repair; breach of contract and construction disputes.