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SCHOOL DESIGNED PRACTICUM COURSES

Temple Law School is pleased to announce the following spring 2027 school designed practicum courses. A practicum combines legal work at a field placement with supervision by a member of the full-time faculty member.

Read this guide carefully. The individual description for each practicum sets forth what materials to submit, to whom you should submit the materials, and the application deadline. These Practicums have a deadline of **November 11, 2026.** After applying, some placements may choose to interview students. Students should hear back within approximately two weeks of submitting applications. You will have 48 hours to accept or decline an offer. It is important to respond to an offer in a timely manner.

If you have additional questions or would like further guidance on practicum selection for spring 2027, please contact amarcozzi@temple.edu.

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A. Application Deadline / Cycle 2: November 11, 2026

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW PRACTICUM (PHILADELPHIA BOARD OF ETHICS)

Number of Slots: up to 2
Faculty Supervisor(s): Professor Harwell Wells
Time Commitment: minimum 6.5 hours or 10 hours per week (depending on credits)
Number of Credits: 2 or 3
Required Application Documents: Resume, Cover Letter/Statement of Interest

The Philadelphia Board of Ethics was created in May 2006 by amendments to the City's Home Rule Charter. The Board interprets, administers, and enforces the ethics provisions in the Charter and City Code. These include the City's rules governing conflicts of interest, representation in City transactions, post-employment restrictions, gifts and gratuities, interests in City contracts, political activity, financial disclosure, lobbying, and campaign finance. Via its Enforcement Staff, the Board investigates potential violations of the laws within its jurisdiction and enforces those laws through administrative adjudication or court proceedings. The Board issues formal advisory opinions and promulgates regulations interpreting City ethics laws. The Board's General Counsel Staff also provides informal advice, develops and delivers ethics training, and offers compliance assistance to the regulated community.

In this practicum, the student will work closely with either Enforcement Staff or General Counsel Staff in furtherance of the Board's mission. If assigned to Enforcement Staff, the student will assist staff in ongoing investigations of potential violations of the Public Integrity Laws as well as matters in active enforcement via legal analysis, research, and writing, and will review documents sent in response to subpoenas and formal requests. The student will learn investigatory techniques and methods and will be asked to think creatively to explore leads and develop theories of the case. Depending on timing, availability, and the student's progress throughout the semester, the student may be asked to take the lead in witness interviews and other investigation events. If assigned to General Counsel Staff, the student will assist staff with their regulatory work. The student will be tasked with background research, drafting, and presentation of recommendations for new or amended ethics regulations. The student will also have the opportunity to attend regular General Counsel Staff meetings, which will provide exposure to Staff's work on advice, training, and other projects.

This Practicum is ideal for law students who are committed to, or interested in learning more about, administrative law, regulatory agencies, and municipal government. Students are not expected nor required to have taken administrative law prior to this Practicum. Students will need to commit to a minimum of 6.5 to 10 hours per week to this Practicum depending on the number of credits they prefer. Because this Practicum involves active collaboration with Board Staff, at least a portion of the hours to fulfill this Practicum (if not more) will need to be completed in-person at Board of Ethics offices, as arranged between the student and attorney supervisor. If you are interested in this opportunity, please forward a resume, cover letter/statement of interest to Richard Barzaga at richard.barzaga@phila.gov (cc: amanda.marcozzi@temple.edu) by **November 11, 2026**.

CORPORATE LAW (COMPLIANCE PRACTICUM - VARIOUS PLACEMENTS)

Number of Slots: Up to 3
Faculty Supervisor(s): Professor Michel Donnella
Time Commitment: minimum 10 hours per week
Number of Credits: 3
Required Application Documents: Cover Letter, Resume, Copy of Transcript

This practicum is within a company in the compliance department. Compliance officers navigate the complex laws and regulations that govern the work of companies in a broad range of industries from the pharmaceutical field to health care, to the financial sector. Compliance work can include risk analysis and the creation and implementation of controls and solutions. Compliance officers examine, evaluate, and investigate eligibility for, and compliance with, laws and regulations. Students will be expected to participate in all aspects of compliance work including the investigation, research, and analysis of eligibility and compliance. Students will be expected to identify issues, theories, strategies, and solutions. Past and current participating companies include Aramark, Jazz Pharmaceuticals, The Council of Spanish Speaking Organizations, Temple University Health System, Temple University Office of Ethics and Compliance, Saint Joseph University, Wawa Inc. and Xylem.

Temple Law's Compliance Practicums are ideal for law students who are interested in learning more about how to analyze risk, evaluate eligibility and compliance, and work for some of the top companies in the region. Students will need to commit 10-15 hours per week. If you are interested in this opportunity, please forward a cover letter, resume, and transcript to Professor Michael Donnella at michael.donnella@temple.edu (cc: amanda.marcozzi@temple.edu) by **November 11, 2026**.

CRIMINAL LAW PRACTICUM (DELAWARE COUNTY OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY)

Number of Slots: Multiple
Faculty Supervisor(s): Professor Marian Braccia
Time Commitment: minimum 6.5 hours or 10 hours per week (depending on credits)
Number of Credits: 2 or 3
Required Application Documents: 1 Page Resume, 1 Page Letter of Interest

This practicum is with the Delaware County Office of the District Attorney. Students who qualify to be a Certified Legal Intern (CLI) are assigned to the District Court Unit. CLIs are expected to litigate preliminary hearings at Magisterial District Courts across the County alongside assigned Assistant District Attorneys under the supervision of the District Court Deputy District Attorney. CLI responsibilities are the same as ADAs; they are expected to be an advocate for victims and the community. Interns will prepare victims and witnesses of crime for courtroom testimony, offer testimony, and make argument on evidentiary objections

and legal issues before the Judge. CLIs are expected to address issues on their feet as they arise in the course of court hearings. CLIs have the opportunity for additional assignments with the Court of Common Pleas including litigating motions, a Common Pleas rotation, etc.

Given the sensitive nature of the work, all students are expected to exercise excellent judgment in and out of the workplace. Students should be assertive and able to work independently. Non-District Court assignments include, but are not limited to, conducting research on areas of law, investigating evidence in pending cases, preparing evidence and cases for trial, and writing motions and briefs. All students are invited to observe court hearings including motions, bench trials, and jury trials as well as participate in policy discussions and policy development.

Students will need to commit to 6.5 to 10 hours per week, depending on the number of credits they prefer. If you are interested in this opportunity, please forward a one-page letter of interest and a one-page resume to NguyenT@co.delaware.pa.us (cc: amanda.marcozzi@temple.edu) by **November 11, 2026**.

CRIMINAL LAW PRACTICUM (PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE – LAW DIVISION)

Number of Slots: Up to 2
Faculty Supervisor(s): Professor Liz Lippy
Time Commitment: minimum 10 hours per week
Number of Credits: 3
Required Application Documents: Resume, Transcript, Writing Sample (Optional: Cover Letter/Statement of Interest)

This practicum is with the Philadelphia District Attorney's Office, the largest Prosecutor's office in Pennsylvania, and one of the largest in the nation. The District Attorney's Office is responsible for prosecution of over 50,000 criminal cases yearly. In this Practicum, students will have the opportunity to work in one of the following units: Appeals, Federal Litigation, or PCRA.

Students will need to commit to 10 hours a week for this three-credit practicum. If you are interested in this opportunity, please forward a resume, transcript, and writing sample to theresa.glinski@phila.gov and burhan.abdi@phila.gov (cc: amanda.marcozzi@temple.edu) by **November 11, 2026**.

CRIMINAL LAW PRACTICUM (PUBLIC DEFENDERS ASSOCIATION OF PENNSYLVANIA)

Number of Slots: 1
Faculty Supervisor(s): Professor Zamir Ben-Dan
Time Commitment: minimum 10 hours per week

Number of Credits: 3
Required Application Documents: Resume, Cover Letter/Statement of Interest

This practicum is with the Public Defender Association of Pennsylvania (PDAP), a non-profit corporation whose membership is comprised of the 600 or so public defenders employed full or part time in Pennsylvania's 67 county public defender offices of this Commonwealth. Incorporated in 1971, PDAP is a statewide community of public defenders dedicated to securing a fair justice system and ensuring high quality legal representation for people facing loss of life, freedom or family. Its mission is to provide tools, strategies, mutual support, training and information to Public Defender Offices in Pennsylvania; to be the voice of public defense in Pennsylvania; and to promote best practices in the leadership, management, and administration of justice in Pennsylvania.

In this practicum, students will work to support and build community for Pennsylvania's Public Defenders by engaging in some or all of the following:

- Tracking and summarizing Pennsylvania legislation related to the crimes code and criminal justice
- Participating and supporting the effort to secure funding from the state for Pennsylvania's Public Defenders, including research on indigent defense funding and the cost of wrongful convictions, preparing for and attending meetings with state legislators, and assisting with communications outreach to state legislators
- Expanding and facilitating communications campaigns to Public Defenders across Pennsylvania, including website review, working with committees and working groups of Public Defenders from across the state, and preparing communications for Public Defenders across Pennsylvania
- Supporting training initiatives for Public Defenders, including updating training materials and logistical help with training conferences

This practicum is ideal for law students who are committed to, or interested in learning more about, a career as a public defender or criminal justice law and policy. This is an entirely remote practicum with weekly in person meetings. If you are interested in this opportunity, please forward your resume and a cover letter/statement of interest addressed to the "Public Defenders Association of Pennsylvania Practicum Selection Committee" to SJacobson.pdap@gmail.com (cc: amanda.marcozzi@temple.edu) by **November 11, 2026**.

EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION PRACTICUM (OSHA WHISTLEBOWER PROTECTION PROGRAM)

Number of Slots: Up to 2
Faculty Supervisor(s): Associate Dean Lee
Time Commitment: minimum 10 hours per week
Number of Credits: 3
Required Application Documents: Resume, cover letter, transcript, statement of interest in position

OSHA's Whistleblower Protection Program enforces protections for employees who suffer

retaliation for engaging in protected activities under 25 federal laws. The investigation of complaints of retaliation against employees is conducted by investigators in OSHA's regions. OSHA's investigators are neutral fact finders; they do not work for either the complainant or respondent (employer). For more information, visit www.whistleblowers.gov.

The students will receive training about the substantive and procedural elements of the 25 statutory anti-retaliation provisions OSHA enforces. The students will shadow an investigator to screen incoming complaints for Whistleblower Protection Program (WPP) jurisdiction, which involves reviewing submissions from the public, interviewing Complainants to clarify their allegations, determining and explaining to Complainants whether their allegations meet jurisdictional requirements, referring complaints to other venues as appropriate, and docketing valid jurisdictional complaints for investigation.

The students will also receive practical training on OSHA's policies and procedures regarding the conduct of investigations and provide investigative support to senior investigators. Specifically, the students will assist with developing investigative plans, preparing and conducting interviews and interrogatories, document review, and analyzing evidence to make recommendations as to whether the complaint is meritorious or should be dismissed. The students will identify cases ripe for settlement, calculate damages and identify other appropriate settlement terms, negotiate and mediate settlement terms to resolve cases, and review private settlement agreements for OSHA approval under public policy considerations. Incidental duties will include organizing and developing electronic case files, drafting responses to external inquiries, tracking dispositions of cases with a statutory right of de novo review with the Office of Admin Law Judges, etc. The students will also work closely with the Department of Labor Solicitor's Office to further develop District Court complaints and case files in cases where OSHA issues merit Secretary's Findings.

The students may also participate in policy development, community education and outreach, and formal mediations conducted under the Alternate Dispute Resolution Program and review draft settlement agreements for compliance with OSHA policy and directives.

Students will need to commit to 10 hours a week for this three-credit practicum. If you are interested in this opportunity, please forward your resume, cover letter, transcript, statement of interest in position to Kristen Rubino at Rubino.Kristen@dol.gov (cc: amanda.marcozzi@temple.edu) by **November 11, 2026**.

ENVIRONMENTAL LAW PRACTICUM (CLEAN AIR COUNCIL)

Number of Slots: Up to 3
Faculty Supervisor(s): Professor Amy Sinden
Time Commitment: minimum 10 hours per week
Number of Credits: 3
Required Application Documents: Resume, Cover Letter

Clean Air Council is Pennsylvania's oldest environmental and health non-profit organization and has been working to protect everyone's right to a clean and healthy environment for over 50 years. The Council pursues cutting-edge litigation, participates in federal and state rulemakings, watchdogs environmental permitting, and champions impactful policy reforms; all in close collaboration with impacted communities.

The Council was founded in 1967 by a group of forward-looking community leaders, policy makers, and progressive business leaders. Headquartered in Philadelphia, the Council made a name for itself by the mid-1970s as the result of two major achievements: establishing and distributing a daily regional air quality index report (still in use today); and forcing Pennsylvania to implement its vehicle emissions testing program. The Council is continuing this tradition of tackling big challenges through programs to address the public health and environmental threats caused by shale gas extraction and distribution, climate change, developments in our energy markets and infrastructure, and major stationary sources of air pollution.

The Council maintains an active litigation docket addressing a broad range of environmental health issues in Pennsylvania and beyond. The Council regularly brings cases in both state and federal courts and before agency tribunals, such as Pennsylvania's Environmental Hearing Board and Public Utility Commission. We litigate a wide variety of issues within the realm of air quality regulation, water law, and energy law. The Council also engages in a significant amount of policy work, leading the charge on a variety of issues in Pennsylvania such as Pennsylvania's implementation of carbon cap and trade and regulation of methane emissions.

Students participating in the practicum will make substantive contributions to the Council's legal program and, with full support from senior attorneys, will take on staff attorney-level tasks. This practicum requires that students commit to 10 hours per week. Students have an opportunity to assume a great deal of responsibility, while receiving mentoring from a close-knit group of environmental attorneys.

Qualifications:

- Completion of 1-2 years in accredited J.D. program
- Demonstrated passion for public interest law and/or environmental protection
- Excellent writing and analytical skills
- Strong interpersonal and communication abilities
- Substantive knowledge of land use law, administrative law, environmental policy, and the federal environmental statutes—especially the Clean Air Act— preferred but not required.

Law students who wish to be considered for the position must submit a cover letter and resume to Kathryn Urbanowicz at kurbanowicz@cleanair.org (cc: amanda.marcozzi@temple.edu) by **November 11, 2026**.

ENVIRONMENTAL LAW PRACTICUM (DELAWARE RIVERKEEPER NETWORK)

Number of Slots: Up to 2
Faculty Supervisor(s): Professor Amy Sinden
Time Commitment: minimum 10 hours per week
Number of Credits: 3
Required Application Documents: Resume, Cover Letter

This practicum is designed to expose students to the broad intersection of litigation, transactional work, policy, advocacy and work with grass-roots organizations. It provides a specialized and unique course of study focused on the local region's natural heritage, practical legal skills, and special issues and pitfalls in environmental law. In conjunction with this placement, students will work closely with the Delaware Riverkeeper as well as the senior and staff attorneys of the Delaware Riverkeeper Network to provide legal support to environmental professionals and citizens to help effectively protect our environment and communities through compliance with the federal, state, and local environmental laws and regulations. Under the supervision and guidance of the senior and staff attorneys, students will be expected to act as junior staff attorneys – perform legal research; draft strategy memoranda, pleadings, briefs and other legal documents for timely filing with courts and other government agencies; and write and present comments and testimony before bodies considering proposals that will affect the environment.

Please note that the experiential hours of this practicum may be completed remotely or in-person (to be determined between you and the practicum). Any in-person experiential hours will be held at the Delaware Riverkeeper Network, which is located at 925 Canal Street in Bristol, Pennsylvania, directly across from the Bristol train station (SEPTA Trenton Line) and has ample parking.

This practicum is ideal for students who are committed to, or interested in learning more about, a career in environmental law, or students who want to gain writing experience. Students must complete a minimum of 10 hours each week of the semester of experiential work, classroom learning, or out of class assignments. Preference will be given to students who have taken, or will take concurrently, Environmental Law and Natural Resources. If you are interested, please forward your transcript, resume and a cover letter/statement of interest to Daryl Grable at Daryl@delawareriverkeeper.org and Kacy Manahan at kacy@delawareriverkeeper.org (cc: amanda.marcozzi@temple.edu) by **November 11, 2026**.

FAMILY LAW PRACTICUM (CHILD ADVOCACY UNIT – DEFENDER ASSOCIATION OF PHILADELPHIA)

Number of Slots: Up to 2
Faculty Supervisor(s): Professor Sarah Katz
Time Commitment: minimum 10 hours per week
Number of Credits: 3

Required Application Documents: Resume, Cover Letter/Statement of Interest [Students must be eligible for certification]

The Child Advocacy Unit (CAU) is a specialty unit within the Defender Association that ensures quality representation inside and outside of the courtroom for children involved in dependency and adoption cases. The CAU was created in 1974 and contracts with the City of Philadelphia to represent children, ranging from birth to twenty-one years old, who have open dependent petitions in Family Court; are victims of neglect, physical abuse, sexual abuse, or abandonment; are truant or incorrigible; are facing mental health challenges; need additional supports as they transition into adult living or desire to re-enter the dependent system through a Resumption of Jurisdiction Motion. The CAU utilizes a multi-disciplinary approach to child advocacy by teaming attorneys and social workers to represent our young clients. They represent most of the dependent children in Philadelphia, and presently have 38 staff attorneys, 34 social workers/social service advocates and 5 peer advocates.

In this practicum, students are expected to participate in all aspects of representing our clients, who range in age from birth to 21 years of age. The practicum curriculum will focus on how to collaboratively work a case using a strengths-based lens of looking at the family and how to navigate the system for the maximum benefit to the client; our multi-disciplinary team approach (social worker/attorney); courtroom experience (permanency and dispositional hearings); developing interviewing, counseling and investigatory skills; research into community programs and services for our clients and their families; collaboration with outside agencies to meet the needs and welfare of our clients; ethical considerations inherent in our dual role of counsel and guardian ad litem; developing the appropriate tools to successfully communicate with clients and conduct legal research, analysis and writing as needed.

This practicum is ideal for law students who are committed to, or interested in learning more about, a career advocating on behalf of children in the dependency arena and the child welfare system, or a career in public interest law. Students will need to commit to a minimum of 10 hours per week to this Practicum. Students must be eligible for certification under the student practice rule to be accepted. If you are interested in this opportunity, please forward your resume and a cover letter/statement of interest addressed to MLaver@philadefender.org and sginyard@philadefender.org (cc: amanda.marcozzi@temple.edu) by **November 11, 2026**.

FAMILY LAW PRACTICUM (CITY LAW DEPARTMENT – CHILD WELFARE UNIT)

Number of Slots: 1 to 2
Faculty Supervisor(s): Sarah Katz
Time Commitment: minimum 10 hours per week
Number of Credits: 3
Required Application Documents: Resume, Transcript, Cover Letter

The Child Welfare Unit represents the Department of Human Services (DHS) in Family Court throughout the various phases of litigation. DHS is the child welfare agency responsible for

providing safe and permanent solutions for children with at-risk behaviors or who are the subject of emotional, sexual, and physical abuse or neglect. In our Litigation & Appeals Division, the attorneys litigate cases involving youth that are the subject of a dependency petition. These attorneys consult with DHS on the filing of a dependency petition as well as represent DHS during the shelter care, adjudicatory, and review hearing phases of litigation. Their representation continues until termination of parental rights. In the Adoptions section, attorneys litigate cases in review hearings where parents have already had their rights terminated and the youth are awaiting adoption. The Juvenile Justice/Older Youth section is comprised of attorneys that represent DHS in dependency hearings in courtrooms that are specially designated to address: (A) minor victims of sex trafficking who require specialized trauma-informed treatment in the least restrictive manner; (B) youth who have committed delinquent acts but are also dependent, and (C) youth who will transition into adulthood.

In this placement, students will have the opportunity to complete research memoranda, participate in witness preparation, do witness direct examinations, and Certified Legal Interns may have the opportunity to participate in adjudicatory hearings and/or trials or shelter care hearings. Attorneys for the Child Welfare Unit (CWU) are in court 3-days per week, so there is also a robust opportunity to observe court proceedings.

Students will need to commit to 10 hours a week for this three-credit practicum. If you are interested in this opportunity, please forward your resume, transcript, and cover letter to Tianna Kalogerakis at Tianna.Kalogerakis@phila.gov (cc: amanda.marcozzi@temple.edu) by **November 11, 2026**.

FAMILY LAW PRACTICUM (WOMEN AGAINST ABUSE)

Number of Slots: up to 3
Faculty Supervisor(s): Professor Sarah Katz
Time Commitment: minimum 10 hours per week
Number of Credits: 3
Required Application Documents: Resume, Cover Letter/Statement of Interest

Women Against Abuse (WAA) is a nonprofit agency that provides comprehensive services for victims of domestic violence in Philadelphia. WAA provides services that include emergency safe haven, transitional housing, legal services, behavioral healthcare, hotline counseling, community education, and advocacy. With regard to legal representation, WAA engages in intake and direct advocacy. Each year approximately 12,000 petitions for protection from abuse orders are filed in Philadelphia. The majority of individuals seeking a protection from abuse order are unable to procure an attorney and must navigate complex legal processes on their own. In addition, many petitioners face escalating threats from an abuser to drop their case. Consequently, less than one third of petitioners obtain a final order of protection.

Students will spend the first semester focused on Protection from Abuse cases, developing client interviewing and counseling skills, engaging in case analysis, and assisting in preparing cases for litigation. Students that participate in the year-long practicum will expand their work

in the second semester to additionally focus on child custody, child support, and spousal support cases, will lead their own intakes, and prepare their own case reviews. Throughout the practicum, students will shadow attorneys at court, complete legal research and analysis as needed, contribute to policy research as needed, and attend various trauma informed trainings through the Pennsylvania Coalition for Domestic Violence. Students can expect to engage in research, case preparation, client interviews, general telephone counseling, and petition drafting.

This practicum is ideal for law students who are committed to, or interested in learning more about, a career advocating on behalf of domestic violence survivors, or a career in family law, public interest law, or criminal prosecution. Students will need to commit 12 to 14 hours per week. Preference will be given to students with an expressed interest in working with WAA for the entire academic year. If you are interested in this opportunity, please forward a cover letter/statement of interest (including general availability) and resume to Mary Kate Kalinich at mkalinich@womenagainstabuse.org (cc: amanda.marcozzi@temple.edu) by **November 11, 2026.**

GENERAL PRACTICUM (DEI COMMITTEE OF PHILADELPHIA BAR ASSOCIATION WORKERS COMPENSATION SECTION)

Number of Slots: 1
Faculty Supervisor(s): Associate Dean Jennifer Lee
Time Commitment: minimum 6.5 hours per week
Number of Credits: 2
Required Application Documents: Resume, Brief Cover Letter

This practicum is offered by the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee of Philadelphia Bar Association Workers' Compensation Section. Diverse students, defined as racial and ethnic minorities, women, disabled individuals, and gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender individuals, are encouraged to apply.

The practicum is designed to provide students with a broad overview of the workers' compensation system by offering students the opportunity to gain practical legal experience through hands-on work under the supervision of a seasoned workers' compensation attorney on the DEI Committee. Students will prepare for, attend and observe various phases of the litigation process, including hearings, depositions (including claimants, fact witnesses, and medical experts), mediations, and appeals.

Students will assist the supervising attorney with a variety of tasks, which may include performing pretrial investigation, assisting with discovery, preparing medical summarizes, drafting correspondence to clients with litigation strategy and recommendations, preparing settlement evaluations, legal research and writing, drafting motions and briefs, and attending court proceedings.

Students will need to commit to a minimum of 6.5 hours per week to this Practicum. If you are interested in this opportunity, please send your resume and brief cover letter (one or two

paragraphs) explaining interest addressed to the "DEI Committee of Workers' Compensation Section" to czern@cmz-law.net (cc: amanda.marcozzi@temple.edu) by **November 11, 2026**.

IMMIGRATION LAW PRACTICUM (DEFENDER ASSOCIATION OF PHILADELPHIA - CRIMMIGRATION)

Number of Slots: Up to 3
Faculty Supervisor(s): Professor Mary Levy
Time Commitment: minimum 10 hours per week, M-F during working hours (8:30AM-5:30PM), on-site required for at least one day a week
Number of Credits: 3
Required Application Documents: Resume, Cover Letter / Statement of Interest

Students enrolled in this practicum will work closely with attorneys in the Immigration Unit at the Philadelphia Office of the Public Defender, focusing on the immigration consequences of clients' criminal proceedings and representation of noncitizens in detained in immigration custody. Students will assist attorneys in performing legal research and analysis of immigration issues in various client matters both in state and immigration court, engage in client interviewing and counseling, complete country conditions research, draft affidavits, motions, and briefs, and support the work of our growing immigration habeas practice. If you are interested in this opportunity, please forward a resume and cover letter/statement of interest addressed to Edison Lopez at EJLopez@philadefender.org, cc: Lilah Thompson LRThompson@philadefender.org and amanda.marcozzi@temple.edu by **November 11, 2026**.

IMMIGRATION PRACTICUM (ESPERANZA IMMIGRATION LEGAL SERVICES)

Number of Slots: Up to 2
Faculty Supervisor(s): Associate Dean Jennifer Lee
Time Commitment: minimum 6.5 hours or 10 hours per week (depending on credits)
Number of Credits: 2 or 3
Required Application Documents: Resume, Cover Letter/Statement of Interest

This practicum is with Esperanza Immigration Legal Services (EILS). EILS was formed in 2009 to provide direct immigration legal services, education and advocacy to low-income immigrants and their families. EILS' current caseload includes naturalization cases, green card renewals, DACA renewals, work authorizations, U-Visa, VAWA, and asylum (defensive and affirmative) cases. EILS is in the heart of a low-income Latino neighborhood in North Philadelphia and is the only non-profit immigration legal services provider in Philadelphia focused on the Hispanic community.

In this practicum, students can be expected to assist in drafting, researching and preparing immigration applications before the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services involving Citizenship, I90 renewals, DACA Renewals, Violence Against Women Act (VAWA)

petitions, U visas, and/or asylum applications. EILS also provides representation to asylum seekers in immigration court and students will participate in brief writing, motions practice, and witness testimony. Students will also develop interviewing and public speaking skills by conducting legal screenings as well as by participating in Know Your Rights Info session, clinics and outreaches.

This practicum is ideal for law students who are committed to, or interested in learning more about, a career advocating on behalf of immigrant populations, or a career in public interest law. Students will need to commit to a minimum of 6.5 to 10 hours per week to this Practicum depending on the number of credits they prefer. Students must be professionally bilingual in Spanish and English. If you are interested in this opportunity, please forward a resume and cover letter/statement of interest addressed to Anu Thomas at athomas@esperanza.us (cc: amanda.marcozzi@temple.edu) by **November 11, 2026**.

IMMIGRATION LAW PRACTICUM (HIAS PA)

Number of Slots: Up to 3
Faculty Supervisor(s): Professor Jaya Ramji-Nogales
Time Commitment: minimum 10 hours per week
Number of Credits: 3
Required Application Documents: Resume, Cover Letter/Statement of Interest

This practicum is with HIAS Pennsylvania. At HIAS PA, students will develop their advocacy skills and deepen their understanding of asylum, refugee, and international human rights law. They will represent asylum applicants, asylees, and refugees who have been victims of torture, gender violence, unlawful arrests, and other forms of persecution on account of their race, religion, nationality, political opinion or membership in a particular group. Students will perform a variety of legal tasks ranging from interviewing clients, drafting documents and petitions, researching country conditions, and preparing motions and legal briefs for cases before the United States Citizenship and Immigration Service (USCIS), Immigration Court, the Board of Immigration Appeals, and the Third Circuit Court of Appeals.

Students must commit 10 to 12 hours per week to this Practicum. Students with Spanish language skills will be given preference, but this is not a requirement. If you are interested in an opportunity with HIAS PA, please forward your resume and a cover letter/statement of interest addressed to Rona Gershon and email it to: rgershon@hiaspa.org, pweisz@hiaspa.org, slubert@hiaspa.org (cc: amanda.marcozzi@temple.edu) by **November 11, 2026**.

JUDICIAL PLACEMENT PRACTICUM (HONORABLE GEORGETTE CASTNER, UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY)

Number of Slots: Up to 2
Faculty Supervisor(s): Professor Jules Epstein

Time Commitment: minimum 10 hours per week
Number of Credits: 3
Required Application Documents: Resume, Unofficial Transcript, Writing Sample

This practicum is with the Honorable Judge Georgette Castner in the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey. In conjunction with this placement, students will have the opportunity to provide legal research and writing assistance to Judge Castner. Students will gain valuable legal writing experience and may write legal memoranda, cite-check opinions, draft memorandum orders, and otherwise assist Judge Castner and her law clerks with civil and criminal matters. The position is in-person and two days per week in the Judge's chambers in Trenton, NJ. Students will need to commit to working 10 hours per week (not including travel time). If you are interested, please forward a resume, unofficial transcript, and writing sample to Jamie Quinn at Jamie_Quinn@njd.uscourts.gov (cc: amanda.marcozzi@temple.edu) by **November 11, 2026**.

JUDICIAL INTERNSHIP PRACTICUM (HONORABLE J. SCOTT O'KEEFE, CRIMINAL DIVISION)

Number of Slots: 2
Faculty Supervisor(s): TBD
Time Commitment: minimum 6.5 hours or 10 hours per week (depending on credits)
Number of Credits: 2 or 3
Required Application Documents: Resume, Cover Letter/Statement of Interest

The experiential learning project offered with this Practicum is with the Honorable J. Scott O'Keefe, Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas, Criminal Division. Judge O'Keefe presides over homicide cases. Practicum students will have the unique opportunity to witness the inner workings of homicide cases in a courtroom setting. Students will observe homicide trials, which often involve video evidence of the crime scenes. Students will also observe sentencings, which often include emotional testimonies from the families of the victims. The experiences can be emotionally challenging but provide invaluable insights into the complexities of criminal law and the impact of violent crimes on individuals and society.

In this practicum, students will closely observe homicide trials, and during sidebar or backroom conferences, students will witness legal arguments and objections from both prosecuting and defense attorneys. Students may also have the opportunity to visit other courtrooms to observe and learn from diverse judicial styles. Students will trial strategies, legal tactics, and how different judges handle cases.

This Practicum is ideal for law students who are committed to, or interested in learning more about, criminal law, particularly homicide cases. Please note that due to the emotionally charged nature of the cases and the exposure to sensitive content, this practicum may not be suitable for everyone. Students will need to commit to a minimum of 6.5 to 10 hours per week to this Practicum depending on the number of credits they prefer. If you are interested in this opportunity, please forward resume, cover letter/statement of interest addressed to the "Honorable J. Scott O'Keefe, Court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia County" to Assistant

Dean Bretschneider at jennifer.bretschneider@temple.edu (cc: amanda.marcozzi@temple.edu) by **November 11, 2026**.

PUBLIC INTEREST PRACTICUM (EMPLOYMENT ADVOCACY PROJECT)

Number of Slots: up to 2
Faculty Supervisor(s): Associate Dean Jennifer Lee
Time Commitment: minimum 6.5 hours per week
Number of Credits: 2
Required Application Documents: Resume, Cover Letter/Statement of Interest

This practicum is with the Employment Advocacy Project, a project of Philadelphia Legal Assistance. EAP provides direct representation to clients who have had their Unemployment Compensation Benefits denied or contested.

In this practicum, students will interview clients, build legal strategies, meet with clients in person to discuss the strategy and prep the client for a trial-like hearing. Advocates will then go to Unemployment Compensation Hearings and represent their clients before hearing referees, which includes direct examination, cross examination, and the use of documentary evidence. Students will also write appeal briefs to the Unemployment Compensation Board of Review. EAP expects students to work collaboratively to develop best practices and support other advocates. Philadelphia Legal Assistance has a substantial state appellate case load and students may have the opportunity to draft Commonwealth Court briefs.

This practicum is ideal for law students who are committed to, or interested in learning more about, unemployment law, and who are eager to work with and represent clients. Students must commit to 6.5 hours per week for a 2-credit practicum. This includes attendance at a mandatory training session, participation in "case rounds" in which you will discuss your cases, teach, and learn from the experience of other advocates, and availability for at least two blocks of time (three hours each) Monday through Friday between 8:00 am to 4:00 pm to take clients. All other times may be fit around your schedule and can include remote work.

If you are interested, please forward your resume and a cover letter/statement of interest addressed to Rachel Miller at rmiller@philalegal.org (cc: amanda.marcozzi@temple.edu) by **November 11, 2026**. In your cover letter, please note any foreign language skills (which is not a criterion but will be helpful in case assignment should you be selected).

PUBLIC INTEREST PRACTICUM (MONTGOMERY COUNTY SOLICITOR'S OFFICE)

Number of Slots: Up to 2
Faculty Supervisor(s): Nate Ela
Time Commitment: minimum 10 hours per week
Number of Credits: 3
Required Application Documents: Resume, Cover Letter or Statement of Interest

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Students will need to commit to 10 hours a week for this three-credit practicum. If you are interested in this opportunity, please forward your resume and cover letter or statement of interest to Heather Cook at heather.cook@montgomerycountypa.gov (cc: amanda.marcozzi@temple.edu) by **November 11, 2026**.