



Beasley School of Law

STATE COURT HONORS INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

APPLICATION - SPRING 2019

Temple Law School is proud to offer the State Court Honors Internship Program (SCHIP). In this three (3) credit experiential program, second year day and third year evening/part-time students are offered an opportunity to work for a judge in the First Judicial District of the Court of Common Pleas of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Students are educated on the structure, function, administration, and diversity of issues presented in the state judiciary, and gain practical experience with the various divisions in the First Judicial District. Working with the judges and their full-time clerks, students draft orders, research issues, prepare bench memoranda, and observe judicial proceedings. Students will receive 3 credits in this program and are expected to spend ten hours a week in chambers. Depending on the judge's needs, students may be assigned additional work or be asked to schedule their chambers hours on certain days. In addition to chambers hours, the Honorable Sheila Woods-Skipper, President Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia; Judge Annette Rizzo (Ret.); and Prof. Lynda Henry, Judicial Law Clerk, will conduct a required classroom component focusing on current issues impacting the state courts. This seminar meets on Friday from 10:00AM to 12:00PM in City Hall (students can work in chambers Friday morning and Friday afternoon but will also need to complete additional hours on a second day).

Participation in this program will be based on a selection process by a Law School Committee after review of your application and supporting materials (resume, writing sample, and statement of interest). Completion of this application constitutes your permission for the Committee to review your transcript. Should you be selected, you will be matched with a judge. Participating judges are all located in Philadelphia and are easily reached by car or public transportation.

Your application communicates your willingness to participate. You will not be permitted to drop this course once you are selected.

SELECTION CRITERIA

A student interested in participating in the State Court Honors Internship Program must:

- ✓ be a second year day or third year evening/part-time student;
- ✓ have a "B" average or better in the two semesters of LRW;
- ✓ submit the application, resume, writing sample, and a statement of personal interest by November 20, 2018 at 12 PM via e-mail to mai.le@temple.edu

SELECTION PROCEDURE

The application form is attached. The final selection and assignment of judges will be made at the Committee's discretion no later than November 29, 2018 at 12PM. All decisions are final and, if selected, a student must accept the assignment. If you have any questions or need more information, please contact Mai Le at mai.le@temple.edu.

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APPLICATION MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A RESUME, WRITING SAMPLE, AND A STATEMENT OF INTEREST.

Read the information regarding selection criteria and procedures which accompanies this application. Remember that your application communicates a willingness and commitment to participate in this program for the Spring, 2019 semester. **YOU MAY NOT DROP THIS COURSE AFTER YOU HAVE BEEN SELECTED BY THE COMMITTEE.**

NAME	TU ID #	
ADDRESS		
TELEPHONE	EMAIL	
STATUS	2nd YR DAY	3RD YR EVE/PT

Students selected to participate are assigned to the following categories of Judges. Please rank the categories according to your own interests.

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| 1. | Criminal Division | 1. |
| 2. | Civil Litigation | 2. |
| 3. | Family Court | 3. |
| 4. | Commerce Court | 4. |
| 5. | Orphans Court | 5. |
| 6. | Municipal Court | 6. |

I will not participate in the clinical if I am assigned to a judge in the _____
Division.

The Statement of Interest should address the following topics: (1) why you want to learn more about the practice of law in state courts (particularly in the divisions you ranked highly); (2) how you would benefit from this experience; and (3) what contributions you would make throughout this experience.

Completion and submission of this application constitutes your signature and willingness to participate.