UMKC School of Law Fall Semester 2006

COURSE NAME: Jackson County Prosecutor Clinic

COURSE NUMBER: 656P

PROFESSOR: The Prosecution Clinic Coordinator is Teresa A. Moore, Assistant Prosecuting Attorney. She will serve as the program coordinator for the Jackson County Prosecuting Attorney’s Office and will be the field supervisor for the Clinic. Associate Dean Berman will be the faculty supervisor.

ESSENTIAL PREREQUISITES: Rule 13 certification

DESIRABLE PREREQUISITES: Trial Advocacy I

COURSE BOOKS: N/A

METHOD OF GRADING & APPRAISAL OF STUDENT FOR GRADE:
Ungraded. Pass/Fail.

Students must enroll for two semesters and are required to devote at least 10 hours per week to formalized instruction, individual mentoring, and instruction and guidance from assistant prosecutors.

To receive a “pass” students must receive a favorable evaluation by the program coordinator with input from the assistant prosecutors participating in the clinic.

SUMMARY DESCRIPTION OF COURSE:

Goals: To develop and train students who demonstrate an interest in the field of criminal law, provide students with the opportunity to appear in court and assist the Jackson County Prosecutor’s Office with the duties and functions the office provides the community.

Methods Used: Formalized instruction, individual mentoring, courtroom monitoring and individual critiquing and instruction.

Instruction: 5 mandatory classes per semester, individual mentoring and instruction from assistant prosecutors.

COURSE CONTENT: 5 mandatory instructional sessions consisting of, tour of the office and break down of criminal justice system, in-house data base training, pleadings, probation violations, guilty pleas, post-conviction remedies, professionalism and prosecutorial ethics, search and seizure practical applications, scientific evidence, guided reflection and wrap up.

RELEVANCY OF COURSE FOR CAREER PURPOSES: Course will provide students with practical experience in the field of criminal law and actual courtroom experience.
LAW INTERN INFORMATION & REQUIREMENTS

INTERN COORDINATOR: Teresa Moore
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STATEMENTS OF INTENT DUE: Monday, April 3, 2006

INTERVIEWS: Friday, April 7, 2006

ESSENTIAL PREREQUISITES: Completed 2 years of Law School
Interview
Background Check
Confidentiality regarding cases
Missouri Supreme Court Rule 13 Certification (www.courts.mo.gov)

GOALS: To develop and train students who demonstrate an interest in the field of criminal law. Students will represent the State of Missouri in criminal proceedings under the direction of an Assistant Prosecuting Attorney. Students will gain invaluable real courtroom experience and assist the Jackson County Prosecutor’s Office with the duties and functions the office provides the community.

RELEVANCY FOR CAREER PURPOSES: Internship will provide students with practical experience in the field of criminal law. Students will assist Assistant Prosecutors with charging decisions, motion drafting, research, witness interviews and docket and trial preparation. Students will have numerous opportunities to appear in court and depending on schedules may participate in a jury trial.