COURSE NAME: Bankruptcy Court Clerkship

COURSE NUMBER: #877

PROFESSOR: Ferguson

ESSENTIAL PREREQUISITE(S):

1. Students enrolled for the Bankruptcy Court Clerkship must have completed Secured Transactions and be enrolled in either of the following courses: (a) Consumer Bankruptcy; (b) Bankruptcy Reorganization; or Debtors & Creditors’ Rights.

2. Before a student is accepted for enrollment in the Bankruptcy Court Clerkship, the student must participate in interviews with the faculty member supervising the program and with the local Bankruptcy Judges participating in the Court Clerkship Program. Interviews must be scheduled and conducted before the end of the semester preceding the semester of enrollment in the program.

See Professor Ferguson if you have any questions regarding the prerequisites.

DESIRABLE PREREQUISITE(S):

METHOD OF GRADING AND APPRAISAL OF STUDENT FOR GRADE:

Pass/Fail

SUMMARY DESCRIPTION OF COURSE:
Students enrolled in the program shall attend an orientation session under the joint direction of local Bankruptcy Judges participating in the program and the supervising faculty member, for discussion of the federal Law Clerk Handbook and the related subjects. Students shall commit a minimum of eighty (80) hours of time during the semester to the clerkship, on a schedule to be approved by the bankruptcy judge or judges (or their designees). Student shall also attend tri-weekly half-hour office conferences with the supervising faculty member, for discussion of clerkship experiences. Students shall also schedule and attend a minimum of three office conferences with the judge and an “exit conference”, for discussion of clerkship activities and judicial administration topics.

COURSE BOOK(S): None

COURSE MATERIALS: None

RELEVANCY OF COURSE FOR CAREER PURPOSES:

Expose students to bankruptcy practice and court functions.

RELEVANCY OF COURSE FOR MISSOURI BAR EXAM PREPARATION:

NONE

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