COURSE NAME: Child & Family Services Clinic

CATALOGUE NUMBER: 8752S

PROFESSOR: Mary Kay O’Malley

ESSENTIAL PREREQUISITES: Can qualify for Rule 13 certification

DESIRABLE PREREQUISITES: Professional Responsibility, Family Law, Evidence

COURSE BOOKS: Provided

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

SUMMARY DESCRIPTION OF COURSE: Clinical program in which students handle real cases involving legal permanency for children throughout all stages of litigation including: client counseling, investigation, creation of pleadings, witness preparation, representation in court hearings, completion of proposed judgments and closing case files.

2 Semester enrollment is required for a total of 6 hours credit. Substantive information is provided in weekly class setting and during individual conference time with the clinical professor.

COURSE CONTENT: Students will be expected to learn/know MO S. Ct. Rules of Civil Procedure, Rules of Professional Conduct, local rules and statutes governing juvenile court jurisdiction, paternity actions, dissolutions, adoption, motions to modify child custody, child support and Probate minor guardianships.

RELEVANCY OF COURSE FOR CAREER PURPOSES: This is a practical skills learning course that provides students with the opportunity for direct client representation in all phases of litigation under the supervision of a licensed attorney. Students who intend to pursue careers in Litigation, Family Law, Juvenile Law, Adoption and Probate practices should obtain valuable experience from this clinical course for their future endeavors.