COURSE NAME: MEDIATION

COURSE NUMBER: 8734

PROFESSOR: Mary Kay Kisthardt

ESSENTIAL PREREQUISITES: None

DESIRABLE PREREQUISITES: ADR

COURSE BOOKS: not yet selected

METHOD OF GRADING & APPRAISAL OF STUDENT FOR GRADE:
Final exam 50%, short paper on mediation in other contexts and presentation 30%, simulations and other written assignments 20%.

SUMMARY DESCRIPTION OF COURSE:
This course is designed to introduce students to both the theory and skills of mediation. This will be accomplished through the use of written materials, videotapes, simulated exercises, and lectures. It will also prepare students to effectively represent clients who are engaged in mediation and to familiarize students with mediative skills that can be used in the practice of law.

COURSE CONTENT: The topics to be covered include the origins of conflict, responses to conflict, negotiation, stages of mediation, mediator orientations, developing mediation skills and mediation in various contexts.

RELEVANCY OF COURSE FOR CAREER PURPOSES: The use of mediation continues to increase. Many courts are now using mediation as a complement to the adjudicative process. It is very likely that future attorneys will be involved in the mediation process.

Limited enrollment.