

HAMLIN UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW  
**IMMIGRATION LAW CLINIC**  
**COURSE SYLLABUS**

Spring 2009

Room 303

Wednesdays 3:00 – 4:50 p.m.

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Required Materials: Available on TWEN

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I. Goals and Objectives of the Clinic

The clinic is designed to give students practical experience working on a variety of immigration matters. Students will be responsible for all aspects of case management for the matters assigned to them. Responsibilities include meeting with clients, performing intake interviews, analyzing cases for legal remedy, gathering evidence, drafting and filing applications, and maintaining client correspondence. Students will also observe and participate in Immigration Court hearings. Students should leave the clinic with a sound, practical, and realistic understanding of what is required to practice in the area of immigration law.

II. Attendance Policy

Attendance is critical in a clinic setting. Classroom attendance is expected unless illness or an unavoidable conflict interferes. Anticipated classroom absences should be communicated to the professor beforehand. In addition to classroom attendance, students will have a variety of case-related meetings and appointments. Any unapproved absence on a case-related commitment may affect a student's grade. Students are expected to meet their case commitments with the same professionalism expected of licensed practitioners.

III. Testing and Grading

The clinic has no tests. Grades will be based on a combination of casework performance (80%) and class participation (20%). Course evaluation forms fully describing the grading criteria will be distributed on the first day of class.

**Required Readings / Assignments: All required readings will be available on TWEN or will be distributed by instructor prior to class.**

## COURSE SCHEDULE

Class 1	<u>January 21,2009</u>	<b>Introduction to Clinic Interviewing and Interpreters Confidentiality Rules of Professional Responsibility/Ethics</b>
Class 2	<u>January 28, 2009</u>	<b>Immigrant Law Center Computer Training on Immigration Software File Management <u>Class at ILCM</u></b>
Class 3	<u>February 4, 2009</u>	<b>The U.S. Citizenship &amp; Immigration Service The Immigration Courts</b>
Class 4	<u>February 11, 2009</u>	<b>Petition for Alien Relative K Visas</b>
Class 5	<u>February 18, 2009</u>	<b>Adjustment of Status Admissibility/Eligibility for Adjustment Unlawful Presence Waivers of Inadmissibility</b>
Class 6	<u>February 25, 2009</u>	<b>Consular Processing</b>
Class 7	<u>March 4, 2009</u>	<b>Affidavits of Support</b>
Class 8	<u>March 11, 2009</u>	<b>Naturalization and Citizenship</b>
Class 9	<u>March 18, 2009</u>	<b><u>Case Review / Class presentation</u></b>
NO CLASS	<u>March 25, 2009</u>	<b>SPRING BREAK !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!</b>
Class 10	<u>April 1, 2009</u>	<b>Removal Hearings and Defenses Immigration Consequences of Criminal Activity</b>
Class 11	<u>April 8, 2009</u>	<b>Political Asylum/Refugees Withholding of Removal Victims of Torture</b>
Class 12	<u>April 15, 2009</u>	<b>Violence Against Women Act Immigrant Victims of Crime U / T Visas</b>
Class 13	<u>April 22, 2009</u>	<b>Video Presentation “No Second Chance”</b>

Class 14

April 29, 2009

**Case Presentations/Professor Evaluation**