Lodestar Mediation Clinic

The Lodestar Mediation Clinic, an integral component of the nationally recognized Lodestar Dispute Resolution Center, helps students learn about alternatives to litigation while gaining practical experience about the mediation process. Student attorneys experience an intensive training program focusing on the theory, strategy and skills involved in the mediation of legal disputes, then act as mediators in civil (non-family) cases.

What students do:

- Act as neutral third parties who help Justice Court litigants attempt to resolve their lawsuits before trial.
- Shadow and comediate with professional mediators from the EEOC and private practice.
- Shadow state and federal judges in judicial settlement conferences.
- Understand that legal disputes often times are more influenced by personal and emotional factors than legal issues.
- Students are required to complete a 25 page paper.

Course Information:

- Students earn five graded clinic credits.
- Enrollment is limited to 9 students.
- Students will undergo a background check per Maricopa County Justice Court regulations.
- 3Ls have registration priority over 2Ls; individuals who have applied before and were wait-listed have priority over those who have not previously applied; late applications go to the bottom of the wait-list (if there is one).

Time Commitments:

- Students must attend a three-day pre-semester training program.
- Classes meet twice weekly.
- Students must completed 180 hours of clinical work.
- Students must block out two 4 hour time periods during the week to attend mediation sessions – one must be in the morning.

Mandatory Training:

- Enrolled students must attend three mandatory training sessions just prior to classes beginning. Please see dates posted on the application and web site.

To Apply:

Submit your application online at: law.asu.edu/lodestarmediation-clinic

For More Information:
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