

The KU School of Law Medical – Legal Partnership Field Placement Application

Thank you for your interest in KU Medical – Legal Partnership (“MLP”) field placement. We seek students with genuine interest in serving clients in various civil legal areas of law, with a strong focus on transactional law practice and client counseling under the supervision of the Managing Attorney in each office. Students will conduct intake interviews, develop case strategies, conduct legal research, prepare legal documents, and provide representation in administrative hearings and court (with a Rule 715 license).

The MLP is a collaboration between the KU School of Law and two health systems: The University of Kansas Health System in Kansas City, KS and Lawrence Memorial Hospital in Lawrence, KS. Student interns select one site and work at that single site during the course of their semester enrollment.

We serve a diverse client community at each site, all of whom are from low-income households with limited financial resources. Our applicants often face numerous civil legal issues at any one time, requiring strategic legal assistance and problem-solving. We focus on priority areas in which legal services can have the greatest impact on the health of patients: public benefits, housing, education, employment, immigration, estate planning, family law, or other legal matters.

Please understand that the MLP requires you to commit to a regular work schedule throughout the course of your semester. After an initial review of the applications, we will conduct phone interviews on a rolling basis to fill available enrollment slots. You will be notified of acceptance prior to the end of enrollment.

Because we represent clients, we are bound by the Model Rules of Professional Conduct, as stated in Rule 226 of the Kansas Supreme Court Rules. The rules prohibit representation that would create a conflict of interest. Given the unique, diverse client population we serve, student interns may not work for a state or federal prosecutor, public defender, or clerk for a State or Federal judge while working at the MLP given the risk of possible conflicts of interest. Interns may not work for firms representing creditors in collections actions, firms representing real estate or landlord interests, firms representing bankruptcy clients, or firms representing State or Federal benefits interests or agencies while working at the MLP given the risk of conflicts of interest. All other private bar employment or internships must be approved by the Managing Attorney on a case-by-case basis before final enrollment.

Students accepted into the Medical Legal Partnership field placement must also apply for acceptance to the general Field Placement program during course enrollment at Green Hall.

Please complete and return the attached application and your current resume to the Managing Attorney at the respective program where you wish to work.

Return the completed application and your current resume via email to either:
Lindsey Collins – lindsey.collins@ku.edu for the KU Medical Center or
Juliann Morland DaVee - jmorlanddavee@ku.edu for Lawrence Memorial Hospital

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Name: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____ Expected date of graduation: _____

I'm applying for: (Example: 2022 Academic Semester: Fall)

_____ Academic Semester: Fall

_____ Academic Semester: Spring

_____ Academic Semester: Summer

I'm enrolling for:

_____ 3 credit hours _____ 6 credit hours _____ Unsure (*you can decide after applying)

Describe your reasons for wishing to participate in the Medical – Legal Partnership.

Please note any special skills (e.g., foreign language ability) or job experiences you believe to be relevant to your ability to excel in the MLP.

Small section professor (or any other professor or staff member we might contact for a recommendation).

Have you participated in other law school clinics or field placement programs? If yes, please list them here.

At which MLP site do you wish to work?

_____ Lawrence Memorial Hospital – Lawrence, KS

_____ KU Medical Center – Kansas City, KS

_____ I am willing to work at either location.

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