

STUDENT LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Are you interested in coordinating a pro bono project? Student coordinators are responsible for a variety of duties that may include:

- scheduling volunteers
- communicating programmatic updates to volunteers
- acting as a mentor to new volunteers
- making website contributions
- suggesting program improvements

Boost your resume with a student coordinator position. Talk to the pro bono coordinator to express your interest in a student coordinator role.

TRAINING INFORMATION

All pro bono opportunities include training, either at the law school or at the pro bono site. If you feel you need more training, do not hesitate to contact pro bono coordinator Angela Schultz. angela.schultz@marquette.edu

Marquette University Law School Pro Bono Program

Pro Bono Projects 2012



Marquette strives to develop men and women who will dedicate their lives to the service of others, actively entering into the struggle for a more just society. We expect all members of the Marquette community, whatever their faith tradition, to give concrete expression to their beliefs by giving of themselves in service to those in need.

—Marquette University's Mission Statement.

This culture of service runs through all parts of the University and is part of what defines the Marquette Lawyer.

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MVLC Director: Julie Darnieder
MVLC Program Assistant: Lori Zahorodny
M-LINC Director: Karin Werner

Sign up for these and other opportunities at the Pro Bono Opportunities Pizza Lunch on the first Friday of each semester.

Look for registration information in Law News.

Have something else in mind?

Explore an individualized opportunity to meet your interests and availability.

Contact Pro Bono Coordinator,
Angela Schultz
(angela.schultz@marquette.edu) to present your idea or brainstorm other options.

MULS SPONSORED PROGRAMS:

Marquette University Law School sponsors the following programs.

MVLC: Marquette Volunteer Legal Clinics

The Marquette Volunteer Legal Clinics are free walk-in legal clinics, staffed by volunteer attorneys and Law School students to provide legal information and referral. The Hillview location focuses on services in Spanish. If you're a Spanish speaker, your skills will be used here! All students (including 1Ls) are encouraged to volunteer. Volunteer shifts are available for law students on:

1st & 3rd Mondays: 4:00-6:00 p.m. at the VA

Tuesdays: 3-5 or 5-7 p.m. at the House of Peace

Wednesdays: 5-7 p.m. at Hillview

Thursdays and Fridays: 2-4 p.m. Milwaukee Justice Center
Contact: MVLC Program Assistant Lori Zahorodny – lori.zahorodny@marquette.edu

M-LINC: Marquette Legal Initiative for Nonprofit Corporations

M-LINC is a public service initiative of the law school intended to provide Wisconsin 501(c)(3) organizations with access to free legal advice. Law students are an integral part of this service, fielding requests from Wisconsin nonprofits and conducting research on questions raised, under the supervision of licensed attorneys. M-LINC hosts a weekly legal clinic for nonprofits, where students can assist an attorney in providing legal information to local nonprofit corporations. Students can participate in the clinic, or with ongoing requests for information. Winter/Spring 2012 clinic takes place on Thursdays from noon-3:30 p.m. in the Eisenberg Suite (Room 138) of Eckstein Hall. Contact: Professor Karin Werner – karin.werner@marquette.edu.

VITA: Volunteer Income Tax Assistance: Assist members of the community with tax preparation and filing on Saturdays from February until the end of tax season in April. VITA serves low income residents, and nonresident students and researchers. Under the supervision of Professor Vada Lindsey, students conduct client interviews, prepare tax returns and grapple with the practical applications of tax law. In order to participate, students are required to have taken Federal Income Taxation of Individuals or have an accounting background and must attend and must attend a mandatory training in January. Students interested in participating in the program should contact Professor Lindsey – vada.lindsey@marquette.edu

MULS PARTNER PROGRAMS:

Marquette University Law School is a partnering entity of the following projects.

Guardianship Clinic

Law students assist the parent of an adolescent with a significant disability who is in need of a guardian as they approach adulthood. Students work directly with a social worker at Children's Hospital of Wisconsin to complete initial paperwork then assist volunteer attorneys from Quarles & Brady LLP and Whyte Hirschboeck Dudek S.C. to prepare guardianship pleadings and other necessary documents. This involves two meetings (by appointment) at Children's Hospital of Wisconsin in Wauwatosa followed by a hearing at the Milwaukee County Courthouse. Time commitment varies from case-to-case. Contact: Student Coordinator Heather Willick – heather.willick@marquette.edu.

Prerequisite: At least one semester volunteering for MVLC, M-LINC, or LAMP.

Know-Your-Rights: Immigrant Detention Project

Law students provide legal information and interview detained immigrants at the Kenosha Detention Center for the National Immigrant Justice Center. The interviews are used by the NIJC to determine if there are legal defenses for the individual detainees, and if so, to provide pro bono counsel. Transportation is provided to the Kenosha Detention Center. Bilingual students are strongly encouraged to attend. This trip takes place a few times each semester on a Friday morning from 7:00 a.m. until about 1:00 p.m. 2012 trip dates: Jan. 27, March 23, June 15, July 20, August 17. Contact: Student Coordinator Sklkime (Kime) Abduli – sklkime.abduli@marquette.edu.

LAMP: Legal and Medical Partnership

LAMP is an innovative medical-legal partnership between Marquette Law School, the Medical College of Wisconsin, Children's Hospital of Wisconsin and Quarles & Brady, where law students and volunteer attorneys provide limited legal advice and referral services to pediatric patients and their families. The LAMP clinic operates at the Downtown Health Center just blocks from the law school on 12th and State St. LAMP takes place on Wednesdays from 2-5p.m. Contact: Student Coordinator: Katie Lonze, katie.lonze@marquette.edu

MFMP: Milwaukee Foreclosure Mediation Program

The MFMP is a foreclosure mediation program coordinated by Marquette Law School through which law students can volunteer their time to review cases for mediation and to serve as co-mediators with appropriate experience or training. More information on the program and training materials are available at www.law.marquette.edu/foreclosure. Students must be available for a 4-hour block of time, Monday – Friday 9a.m.-5p.m. Contact: MFMP Coordinator Amy Koltz – amy.koltz@marquette.edu.

MJC: Milwaukee Justice Center Self-Help Desk

The MJC offers daily self-help sessions where students provide procedural information to *pro se* (self-represented) litigants in the area of family law. Students work under the supervision of an attorney to assist pro se litigants with completing legal forms. Law students volunteer during the following times: Mon – Fri: 9:00-10:30; 10:30-Noon; 1:00-2:30; 2:30-4:00
Student Coordinator- Diana 'Angel' Crawford, diana.crawford@marquette.edu

Peer Solutions: Brighter Futures

Peer Solutions brings restorative practices to students at schools and neighborhood centers to reduce suspensions, expulsions and levels of teen violence. A young offender meets with a circle of peers who guide a process, which examines how their actions affected others and determines an appropriate remedy. Law students train teens in conflict management, dispute resolution and principles of restorative justice. Students will learn about legal issues in public school systems through interactions with an attorney working with MPS. Locations and times vary. Contact: Professor Fleury -- natalie.fleury@marquette.edu

EXTERNAL PROGRAMS:

The following programs host Marquette Law Students for pro bono work.

ACLU of Wisconsin

The America Civil Liberties Union of Wisconsin is the state affiliate of the national ACLU and is a non-profit, non-partisan, private organization. The ACLU-WI is dedicated to defending the civil liberties and civil rights of all Wisconsin residents. Under attorney supervision, law students review correspondence from the members of the public who have concerns about violations of their own civil rights. Students are trained on a Case Management program and learn how to digitally manage legal files. Students may draft responses to inquiries in some cases. Students get substantive experience with issue-spotting skills and evaluation of constitutional claims. Students can arrange a flexible schedule. Contact: Donovan Lee dlee@aclu-wi.org

Bankruptcy Pro Se Self Help Desk

Law students, under the supervision of bankruptcy attorneys, have the opportunity to assist individuals with completing schedules, forms, and other Chapter 7 documents. The help desk takes place on Thursdays from 9-10:30a.m.at the Wisconsin Eastern District Federal Courthouse, 517 E. Wisconsin Ave. Room 153. Students should be available at least 2 Thursdays per month for the duration of the semester. Contact: Pro Bono Coordinator Angela Schultz or Attorney Coordinator Andy Herbach – aherbach@hswmke.com

Community Advocates

Under supervision of disability attorneys, law students work directly with clients assessing disability claims, assisting with filing initial applications and appeals, and providing information and referrals as needed. Students receive extensive training in Social Security disability practice and exposure to other areas of law including landlord/tenant and public benefits. Students should be available at least one four-hour shift per week; days/times are flexible. For more information, please contact Ann Laatsch at annl@communityadvocates.net or 414-270-2967.

Wills for Heroes

Wills for Heroes in Wisconsin is sponsored by the State Bar of Wisconsin's pro bono program. Law students assist volunteer attorneys to prepare wills and other basic estate planning documents at no charge. Visit the event page at www.eventbrite.com/org/384683063 or coordinate your participation in an event with MULS's Estate Planning Society at marquetteeeps@gmail.com

Placements are also sometimes available at the **Milwaukee Chapter of the NAACP, Disability Rights Wisconsin, and The Sojourner Family Peace Center**. Contact the Pro Bono Coordinator if you'd like to learn more.

INDIVIDUALIZED PLACEMENTS:

Are you interested in something else entirely? Contact Pro Bono Coordinator Angela Schultz to discuss an opportunity best suited for you. angela.schultz@marquette.edu