

University of Cincinnati
University Judicial Affairs Practicum
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Student Life Mission

We believe that learning is an integrated concept that includes both curricular and co-curricular experiences. Our major responsibilities to students are to:

- Identify and respond to the educational, developmental, and service needs of students;
- Encourage self-awareness and empowerment;
- Promote diversity, civility, and personal responsibility;
- Promote purposeful and healthy interpersonal relationships;
- Promote values that enhance character development.

To these ends we will foster accomplishment and development in a holistic and inclusive manner.

Mission and Overview of Judicial Affairs

The Mission of the Office of University Judicial Affairs is to support the mission of the University of Cincinnati, through the implementation of the Student Code of Conduct (the university code of behavior), educational programs/sanctions, interventional programs and a due process judicial system. The Office of Judicial Affairs is committed to promoting a safe, orderly, civil, and just community by utilizing the Student Code of Conduct in holding students accountable for decisions and behavior impacting the university community.

Practicum Goals

Though not an exhaustive list, the practicum student can expect to gain the following:

- ✓ Exposure to “Principles of Good Practice for Student Affairs”;
- ✓ An understanding of Student Life as a whole, and its value to students and Student Affairs;
- ✓ Opportunities to apply student development theory in a practical work setting;
- ✓ Experience with program planning, implementation and evaluation consistent with mission and goals; an understanding of the educational aspects of judicial affairs work;
- ✓ An appreciation of the difference between a campus judicial system and the legal system;
- ✓ A broad understanding of issues related to due process, the law, and the Constitution;
- ✓ Opportunities to apply student development theory in one-on-one, meaningful contact with students;
- ✓ Policy interpretation and decision making;
- ✓ Establish good professional practices skills;
- ✓ Establish a high level of research writing skills;
- ✓ Research of higher education and municipal law;
- ✓ Research of legal proceedings and court cases;

Orientation and Training

Orientation will include:

- ❖ A facilitated discussion of the department's mission and goals, and "Principles of Good Practice for Student Affairs", with the Director of University Judicial Affairs;
- ❖ Observation of and participation in various aspects of University Judicial Affairs work;
- ❖ An individual review of relevant theory, literature and University documents;
- ❖ Weekly meetings with the Director of University Judicial Affairs

Qualifications

Successful applicants students must"

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| - value the educational process, both within and outside the classroom; | - be open to new and different ideas; |
| - have practical experience working with college students; | - possess solid administrative skills; |
| - be able to work autonomously; | - have a familiarity with computers and the internet |
| - have high organizational skills | - have strong interpersonal skills |
| - possess good communication skills | |
| - be able to work appropriately with confidential information | |

Supervision and Evaluation

The student will meet weekly with the Director for the duration of the practicum experience. Early on, the student and supervisor will establish an agreement that defines the nature of the experience, the goals for learning, the expectations and the process by which the experience will be evaluated

Schedule

Approximately 10 hours per week, including daytime and evening commitments, will be scheduled around the student's academic schedule. Opportunities are available for Fall, Winter, and Spring quarters.