



Experiential Courses that Count for PIJD Credit

1. Clinics

- a. Northern California Innocence Project (505A, 505B, 515A, 515B)
- b. KGACLC Litigation Skills (481, 511A, 511B)
- c. KGACLC Courthouse Clinic (468)
- d. KGACLC Immigration (469)
- e. KGACLC Workers' Rights (463)
- f. Bates Mediation Clinic (510)
- g. Int'l Human Rights Clinic (727A, 727B, 728A, 728B)
- h. Immigration Appellate Practice (538)
- i. KGACLC - Decriminalization of Homelessness Interviewing and Advising (487)

All of the classes listed above count toward the requirement for nine credits of experiential learning. However, to satisfy the separate requirement of a 2-unit clinic, you must complete two (2) units of work in a single clinic in one semester. For this purpose, we will count two separate 1-unit clinics in KGACLC as a single clinic.

2. Externships

- a. Externship Seminar (706)
 - i. *Must be approved individually; depends on placement*
 - ii. *Students interested in public policy may wish to consider [applying for a Panetta Fellowship](#). The Panetta Fellowship qualifies for externship credit under Law 706. It also qualifies for PIJD externship credit.*
- b. Summer abroad externships
 - i. *Must be approved individually; depends on placement*

3. Other Experiential Classes

- a. Trial Techniques (325)
- b. Advanced trial techniques (331A, 331B)
- c. Honors trial team external (326)
- d. Using expert witnesses and consultants (507)
- e. Social justice workshop (408)
- f. Law of non-profit organizations (542)



- g. Criminal law and policy (364)
- h. Environmental law in a practice setting (243)
- i. Access to justice for community empowerment (676)
- j. Effective advocacy for legislative and policy reform (313)
- k. Interviewing and counseling (458)
- l. Energy Resources Law (444)
- m. Alternative dispute resolution (300)

Disclaimer: These courses are typically, but not always, taught to meet the standards of the ABA rules for experiential courses. With that in mind, students must confirm in Workday that the section they are registering for is listed as experiential for the course to count as experiential.

Discontinued Courses

The following courses previously counted toward the Public Interest J.D. and are listed here for students who completed them prior. While these courses may still be of interest to PIJD students, they do not contain sufficient public interest content to fulfill the requirements of the PIJD cohort certificate.

- a. Mediation: theory and practice (602)*
- b. Negotiating (327)*

*Counts for students who completed before Fall 2026