School of Law

MEDIATION CLINIC
APPLICATION
and
INFORMATION
WHY TAKE THE MEDIATION CLINIC?
Clinical legal education is the study of law and lawyering in context. You will work with real clients on real problems in real mediations. You will begin the lifelong process of becoming a capable, thoughtful, responsible and reflective lawyer. Students, under the close supervision of Professor Watts, are encouraged to identify and pursue their own learning goals while providing essential mediation services to a wide range of clients. Clinic students test their strengths as they take on increasing responsibility for their clients’ cases, knowing they have the watchful supervision of an experienced teacher, yet feeling the profound weight of working on important and often personal matters. Students become counselors, mediators, and educators as they learn to apply legal knowledge and other skills to their clients’ concerns.

COURSE CREDITS?
The mediation clinic awards six (6) points of clinical credit, counting towards graduation and completely fulfilling the ABA experiential credits requirement. Two (2) ungraded credits are awarded for the initial training and mediation workshop which takes place in its entirety from noon to 9pm during the first two Thursdays and Fridays of the Spring semester and all day for the first Saturday of the Spring semester. Four (4) criteria based graded credits are awarded for the mediation coursework and fieldwork which take place Thursdays afternoons and all day Friday during the Spring semester. Students in the clinic must enroll in both the workshop and the coursework/fieldwork component. It is possible for a limited number of students in their final semester of law school to enroll in the two (2) credit training and workshop only.

STATEMENT ON DIVERSITY AND INCLUSIVENESS
The mediation clinic program is dedicated to fostering an educational environment that accepts and fully includes all students. I seek to recognize an expansive and evolving understanding of diversity, encompassing considerations of race, ethnicity, culture, gender, age, religious status, socio-economic background, family history of post-baccalaureate opportunity, sexual orientation, disability, veteran status and life experience. I believe that diversity and inclusion in my program enhances the intellectual experience for all and contribute to the betterment of the legal profession.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE AND DEADLINES
If you are interested in enrolling in the mediation clinic in the Spring, please submit 1) this application form including the Enrollment Certification, 2) resume, and 3) unofficial transcript by March 6.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND FOLLOW UP QUESTIONS
If you have questions about the mediation clinic, please speak with or e-mail Professor Watts. His office is number 403 and his email is shawn.watts@ku.edu.
MEDIATION CLINIC APPLICATION

Name________________________________   Current class (1L, 2L)______

Cell: ___________________   Email________________________

Please describe any skills in languages other than English:

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Please list all extra-curricular activities or obligations (including journals, field placements, internships, externships, jobs, moot courts, etc.) in which you will be engaged in the Spring semester and the hours per week you expect to spend on each:

_______________________________________       ______ hours per week

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In the event that I am not selected for the mediation clinic, I would still be interested in taking the 2-credit, 2-week Mediation Skills workshop which takes place during the first two weeks of the semester:

Yes____   No____

Please describe any work experience, background, or other coursework that is relevant to the clinic. Please include any work you have completed in a language other than English, or skills you have in a language other than English:
Please discuss your reasons for wanting to take the clinic:

PLEASE RETURN THIS PAGE TOGETHER YOUR TRANSCRIPT AND RESUME BY E-MAIL TO shawn.watts@ku.edu BY MARCH 6th AT 11:59 P.M.
I understand that if I am offered a spot in the mediation clinic I must accept the offer in writing by the acceptance deadline given by the professor. I understand that if I accept an offer of admission in the clinic I am obligated to stay enrolled in the clinic for the duration of the semester and may not drop the clinic for any reason other than events that would require a grant of a leave of absence from my enrollment in the law school or withdrawal from the law school entirely.

I also understand that if I accept an offer of admission in the clinic it is my responsibility to ensure that I do not engage in any class, externship, internship, field placement, paid or unpaid employment, or other obligation that conflicts with any of the clinic training, classes, or mediation case times. Should I engage in any of the afore mentioned activities which conflict with the clinic I must have written permission from the clinic professor to do so and if permission is not granted, I must immediately withdraw or otherwise remove myself from the activity which conflicts with the clinic.

I understand that mediations take place Thursdays beginning at noon and all day on Fridays during the Spring Semester. Therefore, I understand I cannot schedule any classes or other conflicts after noon on Thursdays and cannot schedule any classes or other conflicts at all on Fridays.

PRINT NAME:______________________________________________

SIGNATURE:_______________________________________________