

## **LOCAL POLITICAL INTERNSHIP SYLLABUS – FALL 2012**

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Office hours: M, W 2-3:30. I am often available at other times—just email to see if I am free.

### GENERAL INFORMATION:

1. Each intern should arrange a mutually satisfactory work schedule of 10 - 12 hours per week with his or her supervisor.
2. You should start work in the first week or two of the semester and, hopefully, be involved quickly in an interesting assignment. Please see me if there are any problems.
3. Remember that you represent the University in an on-going manner.

you develop. For example, one year a student who interned for a private law firm developed a model of defense attorney behavior from the criminal justice literature and discussed its ability to explain the behavior he observed. Another student developed a framework for evaluating the services provided by the Legal Assistance Corp. Yet another approach is to analyze a substantive or organizational problem encountered from some perspective that will allow you to suggest and compare possible solutions. **It is essential that your paper be related to your internship in some very direct fashion.** Don't just use your internship as a lead into a topic. This should be a paper that you could not have written without your internship experience.

I am flexible regarding the format of your paper; however, I have found it necessary to add the following statement provided by the College.

### **Plagiarism**

Students sometimes arrive at college uncertain of what constitutes misuse of another person's express ideas.

This statement is designed to explain the limits normally used to define plagiarism.

1. Plagiarism is literary theft, intentional or unintentional. It is the use of a unique idea or phrase which does not originate with the user, without proper acknowledgement of the source.
2. In written papers due credit to the original source of major or unique ideas (i.e., ideas which you could not and did not arrive at by yourself) must be given the form of footnotes or clear allusions at the proper places in the paper itself. These precise indications of source must be given whether the material is paraphrased or quoted directly. An appended bibliography only is insufficient acknowledgement.
3. Quotation marks must enclose all direct quotations even though the quoted material is no more than occasional phrases interspersed with original observations.