

Experiential & Practical Hands-On Learning

EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

Emory Law has countless opportunities for experiential and practical handson learning in an environment of support and cooperation that encourages challenging the status quo. We empower you to discern your legal path right from the start of your legal education, from a first-year elective that explores an area of possible legal interest to a wide range of simulation programs, externships, clinics, and student organizations that guide you in finding what interests you.

The American Bar Association accreditation standards now require law students to complete at least one or more experiential courses totaling at least six credit hours.

Clinics

Emory Law clinics offer curriculum-based, real-world experience through direct client service in a range of settings under the direct supervision of law school faculty. Each clinic's docket is designed to fully immerse you in numerous aspects of the legal process, allowing you to take the lead in litigation, transactional, and policy matters at local, state, regional, national, and international levels.

- >>> Barton Policy and Legislative Advocacy Clinics
- >> Barton Juvenile Defender Clinic
- >> Barton Appeal for Youth Clinic
- >> International Humanitarian Law Clinic
- >> Turner Environmental Law Clinic

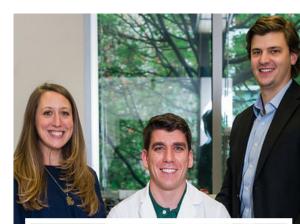
Students may participate in the following on-campus volunteer projects not offered for credit: International Refugee Assistance Project, Emory Immigrant Legal Assistance, Emory LGBTQ Legal Services, and the Volunteer Clinic for Veterans.

Externships

Externships are an integral part of the Emory Law experience, taking the skills and principles you learn in the classroom and applying them in practice. Our externship program places more than 200 students per semester with more than 130 government agencies, public interest organizations, courts, companies, and law firms. Under the supervision of an attorney, you will hone real-world lawyering skills, including research, writing, advocacy, interviewing, counseling, and contract drafting.

TI:GER

Technological Innovation: Generating Economic Results, or TI:GER®, is an award-winning collaboration between Emory Law and the Georgia Institute of Technology. TI:GER brings together graduate students in law, business, engineering, and science to work on start-up projects with a goal of transforming highly promising research into economically viable projects. Teams have won multiple competitions, including the Rice Business Plan Competition, the world's richest and largest tournament of its kind for graduate students.



TI:GER participants attend courses as a community of students with course assignments driving team activities. Courses expose students to leading thinkers and practitioners in the areas of technology commercialization and include guest speakers, a business lab, retreats, and workshops.



"[Through the Barton Child Law and Policy Center], I saw how your work as an attorney has a different approach when working with children versus adults. It reaffirmed that working with children would be extremely rewarding."

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ASSOCIATE, NELSON MULLINS RILEY &
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Additional Experiential Learning

Transactional Law Certificate Program

Emory Law is acclaimed for combining doctrine and practice in the Center for Transactional Law and Practice, which serves as a model for transactional education programs across the country. Through the Center's Transactional Law Program, students have the opportunity to become financially literate, acquire a strong foundation in business law doctrine, and practice contract drafting and other critical deal skills. The Center provides a roadmap for every student interested in studying transactional law—from those who want to learn only the basics to those who want to go further and earn the Transactional Law and Skills Certificate.

Kessler-Eidson Program for Trial Techniques

Modeled after the National Institute for Trial Advocacy's program for teaching practicing lawyers, Emory Law's Kessler-Eidson Program for Trial Techniques is the largest in the country and is recognized as one of the nation's finest. The program's teaching methodology focuses on integrating the second-year law student's knowledge of substantive evidence with practical trial skills through a "learn-by-doing" format. Trial experience is supplemented by a textbook, lectures, and discussions. Trial Techniques consists of two distinct sessions. In the spring, students meet on Friday afternoons at the law school and in downtown firms. In May, students participate in a one-week intensive at the law school taught by over 100 nationally recognized trial lawyers, judges, and professors. The May session culminates with each student conducting a mock jury trial. The American College of Trial Lawyers has twice conferred on Emory's program the Emil Gumpert Award for excellence in the teaching of trial advocacy.

Other Hands-On Learning Opportunities

David J. Bederman Emory Law School Supreme Court Advocacy Program (ELSSCAP)

ELSSCAP is the only student-run Supreme Court litigation program in the United States. Students work under the guidance of experienced litigators as they handle all aspects of ELSSCAP's work. Established by a student in 2010, ELSSCAP typically submits one to three petitions for certiorari and four to six amicus briefs each year in the Supreme Court of the United States.



In 2012, the Supreme Court granted certiorari in one of ELSSCAP's cases, *Bullock v. BankChampaign N.A.*, a bankruptcy case regarding the definition of "defalcation." On May 13, 2013, the Supreme Court issued a unanimous decision in favor of ELSSCAP's client.

Moot Court and Mock Trial Societies

Fortify your skills in trial advocacy through the Emory Mock Trial Society, which will help fine-tune your litigation skills through competitions. Develop a knack for brief writing and oral advocacy through the Emory Moot Court Society, which will help you become an effective appellate advocate. Both for-credit societies are among Emory Law's line-up of more than forty student organizations.

Practice Societies

Emory Law has nineteen practice areas that you can explore to better understand how the legal profession organizes itself and identify areas of interest. These organizations combine faculty, student leaders, key alumni, and career strategy advisors to plan networking and professional development events focused around specific practice areas. Active participation can help you bridge the academic realm and the real world of practice.

