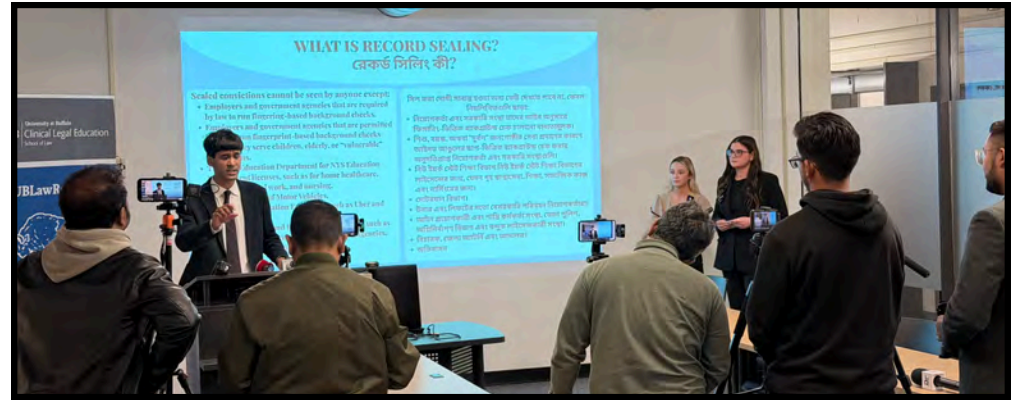


Access to Justice Clinic

University at Buffalo School of Law
Clinical Legal Education



The Work We Do

We work to protect and advance civil rights, equal rights, and reproductive justice, especially for vulnerable and underrepresented communities. Our work includes litigating in federal court, advocating for legislative reform, and engaging in the community.



Civil Rights

- Students will have the opportunity to work on federal civil rights cases, network with outstanding federal practitioners, and meet federal judges.
- Students will perform legal research, develop legal resources for unrepresented litigants, and aid in navigating legal documents and the court system.
- Students will also staff embedded clinics in the federal courthouses in Western New York.

Currently Hiring for Student Attorney Position!

The Access to Justice Clinic is in search of a student attorney to work both on UB North Campus as a part of the Access to Justice Clinic and in the Buffalo and Rochester federal courthouses.

Duties

- Interview and advise clients with high-level federal practitioners.
- Work with attorneys & judges while gaining practical legal skills.
- Legal research and drafting of legal documents and memorandum.

Pay Rate & Hours

- Paid position of 25 hours per week.
- Hourly rate of \$20.
- Reimbursement provided for parking and mileage.

Requirements

- 1L/Rising 2L or 2L/Rising 3L.
- Transportation to and from Rochester on Wednesdays from 11:30am to 2:30pm.

Deadline to apply is February 13, 2026.

Questions? Contact Vice Dean Bernadette Gargano at gargano@buffalo.edu

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Civil Rights and Housing Clinic

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We Litigate for the Public Interest

We are a litigation clinic focused on protecting and expanding civil rights and transparent government. Our mission is to advance justice by protecting individual civil rights and civil liberties, through litigation and broader “movement lawyering” advocacy and promoting government transparency, which is essential to meaningful public accountability and democratic oversight.



Why Work in Our Clinic?

Our clinic is designed for you to grow into the attorney you want to be. It offers practical, hands-on experience under the supportive supervision of clinical professors. You can expect to develop critical lawyering skills to become more ready for the practice of law. These are skills that are increasingly on the bar exam. You will work on cutting-edge legal issues and make a positive difference in the public interest. You will walk away with more confidence, a sense of your lawyering identity, and skills an employer will value.

Currently Hiring for Student Attorney Positions!

The Civil Rights and Housing Clinic is in search of small team of student attorneys to assist in litigation and related legal duties for tenants facing eviction. This is a new position that is a part of the Eviction Prevention Project in collaboration with Neighborhood Legal Services.

Duties

- Advise and represent tenants facing eviction.
- Interview clients to gather facts, spot legal issues, prepare defenses and represent clients in Buffalo City Court.

Pay Rate & Hours

- Full-time paid position of 35 hours per week.
- Hourly rate of \$20.

Requirements

- 1L/Rising 2L or 2L/Rising 3L.
- Be available to work 35 hours a week consistently through the summer term.

Applications are reviewed on a rolling basis, and the LOCK post may close early. Deadline to apply is February 15, 2026.

Questions? Contact Professor Heather Abraham at habraham@buffalo.edu

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Criminal Justice Advocacy Clinic

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Domestic Violence Survivors Justice Act

Clinic students represent individuals seeking resentencing under the Domestic Violence Survivors Justice Act (DVSJA). This 2019 law allows survivors of domestic violence to seek a reduced sentence if the abuse they suffered was a significant contributing factor to the crime for which they are convicted. Where other relief is not possible, students have also helped clients submit petitions for executive clemency to the governor.

Parole Preparation and Litigation

Students work with clients who are appearing before the Board of Parole and who are appealing a denial of parole. Student attorneys meet with their clients to prepare for their parole interviews and work together to compile a packet of materials in support of parole release. Where clients have been denied parole, students draft administrative appeals, as well as appeals that are filed with the Supreme Court and the Appellate Division. One student recently argued her client's appeal before a Justice of the Erie County Supreme Court.



Why Work In Our Clinic?

CJAC provides students with an opportunity to represent incarcerated individuals in second-look proceedings and to advocate for criminal system reforms in New York State. Students in the clinic represent clients seeking resentencing under the 2019 Domestic Violence Survivors Justice Act, preparing for hearing before the Board of Parole, or appealing parole or resentencing denials. Students also work on policy advocacy for reforms to New York's sentencing and parole systems.

Currently Hiring Summer Fellows

The Criminal Justice Advocacy Clinic is hiring one to two Sundram Fellows for summer 2026. Sundram Fellows will have the opportunity to represent incarcerated individuals in second-look proceedings and to advocate for criminal system reforms in New York State.

Duties

- Manage ongoing clinic cases, meet with clients, conduct investigations, interview witnesses, complete records requests, engage in legal research, and help review clinic intake matters.
- May have the opportunity to assist with hearing preparation or to observe and/or participate in hearings scheduled over the summer.

Pay Rate & Hours

- Part-time paid position of approximately 20 hours per week for 12-14 weeks.
- May to August 2026.
- Flat stipend of \$3500 for summer.

Requirements

- Rising 2L or 3L with preference for Rising 3L.
- Able to travel to correctional facilities in New York State.
- Have a demonstrated interest in criminal justice reform, working with incarcerated clients, and/or second-look advocacy.

Deadline to apply is March 31, 2026.

Applications are reviewed on a rolling basis.

Questions? Contact Professor Harrington at aharr@buffalo.edu

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Entrepreneurship Law Center Clinic

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We Support WNY Businesses

We strive to support economic development efforts in Western New York by cultivating entrepreneurship and innovation. We help create a thriving entrepreneurship community by providing complimentary legal services to early-stage startups, most of which stem from innovations generated at UB or at one of its partners on the Buffalo Niagara Medical Campus.

The clinic supports minority and women-owned business enterprises (MWBs), and conducts research and application around breaking the barriers of traditional venture investing. In doing so, the program will accelerate MWBs with a particular focus on high growth companies.

Why Work in Our Clinic?

The Entrepreneurship Law Center Clinic provides quality services to businesses and early-stage, high-growth ventures in conjunction with leading practitioners and law firms. Students enrolled in the University at Buffalo School of Law's Entrepreneurship Law Center Clinic participate in experiential learning by working closely with attorneys and business leaders to develop an in-depth knowledge of the many challenges unique to entrepreneurs.



Currently Hiring for Student Attorney Positions!

The Entrepreneurship Law Center Clinic is in search for up to four student attorneys to assist program companies. This fellowship will provide a great experiential learning opportunity for first year students interested in business and transactional law. Students will work under the supervision of licensed attorneys.

Services offered by the Entrepreneurship Law Center Clinic include:

- Entity selection and formation
- Securities/financing
- Tax
- Intellectual property (trademarks, trade secrets, copyrights and licensing)
- Social enterprises
- Commercial contracts
- Terms of use/privacy policies
- Small business advice and counseling
- Hiring and employment matters
- Ethics/conflicts of interest/governance

Pay Rate & Hours

- Full-time paid position of 32 hours per week for the summer semester (dates TBD).
- Hourly rate of \$20.00.

Requirements

- 1L/Rising 2Ls

Deadline to apply is March 13, 2026.

Question? Contact Professor Matthew Pelkey at mkpelkey@buffalo.edu

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Family Violence and Women's Rights Clinic

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Join the Fight Towards Safety & Justice for Survivors of Family Violence

Serving the unmet needs of local survivors in Western New York, the Family Violence & Women's Right Clinic seeks to fill the gap to ensure victims of domestic violence receive the proper legal representation needed in many areas of the law, including family offense petitions, child support, custody and visitation cases, and divorce.



Help a Population Unable to Secure Legal Representation

Student Attorneys represent individual victims of violence in civil family cases. While a typical Clinic client earns too much to qualify for a free, or pro bono attorney, the Clinic supports a population that is unable to afford private counsel, thus allowing the students to represent clients who would otherwise go without legal counsel.

Students work closely with staff from the Family Justice Center of Erie County, Child & Family Services Haven House, and other survivor serving domestic violence organizations who refer cases for legal representation.



Currently Hiring for Student Attorney Positions!

The Family Violence and Women's Rights Clinic is in search of one to two student attorneys for the Summer Fellowship position(s). The Summer Fellow will work under the direct supervision of the Clinic Director and staff attorneys and assist with the ongoing litigation and related legal duties of the clinic.

Duties

- Help manage the Clinic's ongoing docket of cases which include family offense petitions, child custody and visitation, divorce, and child support cases.
- Conduct case screenings.
- May work on clinic projects including research, preparation of community legal educational materials, and other activities.
- Attend community meeting and trainings in the field of family violence.

Pay Rate & Hours

- Full-time paid position of up to 40 hours per week for at least 10 weeks.
 - Depending on interest, there may be two part-time positions, each at 20 hours per week
- Hourly rate of \$20.

Requirements

- Complete all required paperwork needed to obtain student practice order
- 1L/Rising 2L or 2L/Rising 3L.

Deadline to apply is February 28, 2026.

Questions? Contact Professor Judith Olin at judyolin@buffalo.edu

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