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Greetings from Denver! It has been quite a year for our clinical program, including a \$300,000 settlement for one of our clients, precedent-setting developments on language access for water pollution permits, and a visit last April by Professor Sameer Ashar—our most recent Hartje Clinical Scholar in Residence. We are also thrilled to welcome two new visitors in our Criminal Defense and Immigration Law and Policy clinics, as well as three new fellows in our Christopher N. Lasch Clinical Teaching Fellowship program. Our externship program continues to raise the bar, this year hitting a record of over 40% paid externships. Finally, I'm excited to take the reins as our Clinical Director after Patience Crowder led us through the challenges and opportunities of the past few years. We're excited to share what we've been up to with all of you.

With gratitude,

Kevin J. Lynch
Professor and Ronald V. Yegge Clinical Director

New Clinical Fellows

The Student Law Office is host to the Christopher N. Lasch Clinical Teaching Fellowship Program, which welcomes a new director and three new clinical teaching fellows. Through their support for clinics in civil litigation, civil rights, and criminal defense, these new fellows join a growing national network started in 2015.

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Clinic Highlights



Civil Litigation Clinic

Civil Litigation Clinic (CLC) students have been actively working in court and in the community to represent clients and collaborate with community organizations to put their education to use in service of people, policy, and public education. CLC students' clients have included children, tenants, workers, and individuals threatened with abuse. [Read more](#)

Civil Rights Clinic

Civic Rights Clinic (CRC) student victories in 2022 included obtaining a \$300,000 settlement from the Federal Bureau of Prisons for a client denied adequate medical care, and the reversal of a decision against a client who sought damages for the violation of his rights under the Religious Freedom Restoration Act. [Read more](#)





Community Economic Development Clinic

This year's CEDC students will work with clients to build the capacity of nonprofits focused on economic development and community support. Students will also teach "legal night" classes, develop an equity assessment tool, and develop nontraditional governance structures that reflect the priorities of indigenous communities. [Read more](#)

Criminal Defense Clinic

Student attorneys in the Criminal Defense Clinic (CDC) are working on a diversity of cases, engaging in investigation and mitigation for municipal court cases, taking a juvenile felony case to trial, and working on a federal clemency case. Student attorneys recently successfully argued for the expungement of a juvenile adjudication. [Read more](#)



Environmental Law Clinic

Student attorneys in the Environmental Law Clinic have been hard at work representing the Center for Biological Diversity and other organizations in state and federal cases addressing protections for air, water, and agricultural quality in Colorado and taking action to make state protections more accessible to Spanish-speaking community members. [Read more](#)

Immigration Law & Policy Clinic

The Immigration Law and Policy Clinic (ILPC) celebrates its fifth birthday this year under the direction of Visiting Assistant Professor Elizabeth (Liz) Jordan. ILPC students are continuing the tradition of representing people from communities of color who face harsh immigration consequences and responding to emerging needs in Colorado's immigrant communities. [Read more](#)



Legal Externship Program

Denver Law's Legal Externship Program continues to expand, with 646 externships across the public and private sectors over three semesters. We promoted public sector and pro bono work with the launch of a Public Interest in Practice series, which showcased success stories in the courts, the legislature, and beyond.

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Low Income Taxpayer Clinic

The Low Income Taxpayer Clinic (LITC) looks forward to the future and reflects on successes of the past academic year in which 22 participating students represented more than 85 clients. In addition to work on behalf of low-income community members, students gave educational presentations to community organizations and individual taxpayers.

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