Christopher N. Lasch Clinical Teaching Fellow / Sturm College of Law

Immigration Law & Policy Clinic

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The University of Denver Sturm College of Law is a national leader in experiential learning, and our innovative and highly respected clinical program ranks in the Top 10 in the nation. Located in a dynamic and beautiful urban setting, the Sturm College of Law features an outstanding and diverse student body, a motivated and highly professional staff, a faculty that includes some of the most accomplished legal scholars in the nation, and roughly 17,000 alumni who have achieved careers of distinction in law, business, government, public interest, and other professional domains.

The Sturm College of Law was the first law school in the nation to offer academic credit to students for representing indigent clients. Today, its Student Law Office provides second- and third-year law students the opportunity to refine their lawyering skills and professional identity while providing outstanding legal representation to clients in seven in-house clinics: civil litigation; civil rights; community economic development; criminal defense; environmental law; immigration law and policy; and advancing social change.

Position Summary
The University of Denver College of Law is now accepting applications for its Christopher N. Lasch Clinical Teaching Fellowship Program. We are specifically seeking a fellow in the Immigration Law and Policy Clinic.

A fierce advocate for social justice, a nurturing teacher and mentor, and a scholar of immense range and significance, Professor Lasch held the training of future lawyers and clinical law teachers in the highest esteem. The Christopher N. Lasch Clinical Teaching Program at the Sturm College of Law prepares talented and dedicated individuals to serve as future full-time clinical faculty members at U.S. law schools. Christopher N. Lasch Clinical Teaching Fellows

("Lasch Fellows") undertake a rigorous training program involving assignment to a particular clinic within the Student Law Office and an associated three-year course of teaching, research, and study culminating in a Master of Laws (LL.M.) degree.

This graduate fellowship program in clinical legal education offers attorneys the opportunity to gain extensive practice in law school clinical teaching under the supervision of experienced clinical faculty. Graduate fellows also complete coursework on clinical teaching methods, learn about academic legal scholarship and, with the assistance of a faculty mentor, produce publishable-quality scholarship during their residence. Fellows receive an annual stipend and are awarded an LL.M. upon their successful completion of the fellowship. **It is the explicit goal of the fellowship to prepare fellows for a career in clinical teaching.**

We seek a Lasch Fellow to commence in spring 2023 to serve in the [Immigration Law & Policy Clinic](#) (ILPC), in which students represent indigent, detained clients in immigration court removal proceedings, through appellate advocacy at the Board of Immigration Appeals and federal circuit courts, and in other litigation and advocacy matters such as medical and disability advocacy, post-conviction relief, and federal habeas litigation.

Key Responsibilities

- Supervision of second- and third-year law students, with the goals of training students to become ethical and zealous advocates and of delivering outstanding client-centered representation
- Classroom teaching and curriculum development, in collaboration with the Director of the clinic

This fellowship will commence in January 2023. The fellow will directly supervise J.D. students enrolled in the Immigration Law and Policy Clinic, first as a co-supervisor with clinic faculty and then on their own. The fellow will also assist in teaching clinic seminars. Additionally, the fellow will enroll in a clinical pedagogy seminar and other activities designed to support an interest in clinical teaching and legal education. In addition to the above requirements, to complete the degree, the fellow must write a law review article of publishable quality.

Required Qualifications and Experience

- JD or equivalent degree

- Excellent written and oral communication skills
- At least three (3) years of practice experience in relevant areas of law
- Strong interest in clinical teaching, with a commitment to inclusive teaching methods designed to effectively engage a diverse student population
- Membership in the Colorado Bar or willingness to petition for admission prior to the start date of the fellowship
  - Note: Colorado permits lawyers teaching in a law school clinical program to waive into the bar.

Preferred Qualifications and Experience
- Teaching, training, or supervision of law students or early-career lawyers
- Experience with immigration law, with particular focus on removal proceedings.

Salary:

The salary for this position is $57,500 in Year 1, $60,000 in Year 2, and $62,500 in Year 3. The University of Denver has provided a compensation range that represents its good faith estimate of what the University may pay for the position at the time of posting. The University may ultimately pay more or less than the posted compensation range. The salary offered to the selected candidates will be determined based on factors such as the qualifications of the selected candidates, departmental budget availability, internal salary equity considerations, and available market information, but not based on a candidate's sex or any other protected status.

Benefits:

Lasch Fellows are eligible for the University of Denver's comprehensive benefits package, including medical, dental, paid time off, tuition benefit, and ECO pass. Lasch Fellows receive a waiver of all tuition and fees associated with the LL.M. program in which they are enrolled, as well as a professional development budget. As full-time students, Lasch Fellows also may qualify for deferment of their student loans and/or loan repayment assistance from their law schools.

How to apply: To apply, please email the following application materials to Laurie Saraceno (Administrative Director, Clinical Programs) at mailto:lsaraceno@law.du.edu, using "Lasch Fellow / ILPC" as the subject line.
   1. Resume

2. List of at least three (3) references
3. Statement of interest of no more than two pages addressing (a) why you are interested in the fellowship; (b) what you can contribute to the clinic in which you are interested; (c) your experience with the area(s) of law in which the clinic practices and with public interest/social justice work; (d) your future professional goals; and (e) anything else you consider pertinent.

Deadline: The application deadline is October 15, 2022, with applications considered on a rolling basis.

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All offers of employment are based upon satisfactory completion of a criminal history background check.

Advertised:
Applications close: Open until filled.