

THURGOOD MARSHALL SCHOOL OF LAW



EXTERNSHIP PROGRAM

STUDENT EXIT EVALUATION

Placement Office: _____

Student's Name: _____

Date: _____

Part 1: Questions About Placement

- 1: What percentage of your time was spent:
- (a) observing in court or administrative hearing? _____
 - (b) participating in court or administrative hearings? _____
 - (c) conducting legal research? _____
 - (d) conducting factual investigation? _____
 - (e) working with clients? _____
 - (f) working with the public? _____
 - (g) writing legal memos or briefs? _____
 - (h) drafting legal documents? _____
 - (i) meeting with supervising attorneys _____
 - (j) performing "clerical" work? _____
 - (k) other - specify (e.g., attending public hearings, office meetings?) _____

2. Were you given adequate supervision? ____ Please explain: (e.g., Did supervising attorney(s) explain assignments, review your work, how often did you meet, etc.)

3. Describe the type of feedback you received from your supervisor, (circle each that apply and give the frequency of each form of feedback.
 - a. Face-to-face
 - b. Email
 - c. Written Comments on Drafts
 - d. Group Meetings
4. Describe the benefits that you gained from the supervision as described above.
5. What is the most important lesson you've learned about yourself and your lawyering skills as a result of your supervisor's feedback?
6. Did you make progress toward your educational goals as identified in your Goal Sheet at the beginning of the term? Please explain and describe progress using examples:
7. Were the facilities adequate to perform your assignments? (library, work space)
If not, in what ways were they lacking; and with whom did you discuss this matter once identified?
8. In what ways was your experience in the field placement program most valuable to you?
Please explain.
9. In what ways, if any, was your experience disappointing to you? Please explain.

10. What should future students know about your placement?

11. What comments do you have about you supervisor?

12. Please comment on Field Placement Orientation:
 - a. What aspects of the Field Placement Orientation were the most useful/meaningful to you? Please explain.

 - b. Was there a part of Orientation that was not useful/meaningful to you? If so, please explain.

 - c. What suggestions do you have for improving Orientation for next semester?

13. Please comment on the classroom component of your externship program, if applicable:
 - a. In what ways did the class broaden your field placement experience? (e.g. introduce you to material, experiences, ideas, beyond your particular office)

 - b. In what ways did your class assist you in understanding or appreciating your placement experiences.(e.g., help you reflect)

- c. In what ways did your class assist you in developing professional skills? (e.g., advocacy, writing, drafting, trial practice, negotiation, reflection, etc.)

 - d. In what ways did your class assist you in developing our professional identity?

 - d. Do you have suggestions for improving Field Placement classes?
14. Please rate yourself in the following areas from 1-5, (*1 = Worse; 5 =Best*). *Please also add comments.*
- a. Your ability to quickly understand the assignment given. And if you did not understand the assignment, please give explain how you resolved this situation. (1-5) _____

- Why is this ability important?

- b. Your ability to complete research assignments, identify key issues, and use relevant sources. (Consider if there were any assignments that you did not complete; or assignments that you had to re-do). (1-5) _____

- Why is this ability important?

c. Your ability to integrate concepts and legal theory with facts of a given case in a coherent and logical progression. What were some of the comments that you received from your field supervisor? (1-5) _____

- Why is this ability important?

d. Your ability to develop clear, persuasive legal argument that is supported by well-chosen case or statutory law. (1-5) _____

- Why is this ability important?

e. Your ability to effectively work with clients. Was the student sensitive and responsive to the client's needs. Student's ability to be empathetic yet effective during client meetings. (1-5) _____

- Why is this ability important?

f. Your ability to be effective, yet responsive to client's needs during client interviews. (1-5) _____

- Why is this ability important?

- What do you need to work harder on?

g. Please describe your reliability in terms of professional demeanor. _____ (1-5)

- How do you define professional demeanor?
- Why is this skill important?

h. Please your reliability in terms of professional attitude. _____ (1-5)

- How do you define professional attitude?

- Why is this skill important?

i. Please describe your reliability in terms of willingness to take direction.
_____ (1-5)

- Why is this skill important?

j. Please describe your reliability in terms of team work and cooperation with other office faculty/staff. _____ (1-5)

- Why is this skill important?

k. Please comment your attendance and punctuality. Did you have attendance irregularities. Were you timely to work, court, docket calls, meetings, staffings, etc. (1-5)_____

- Please describe a time that you were not timely; what were the consequences?

- Why is this skill important?

l. Please comment on your ability to accept criticism and to constructively modify your work showing incorporation of the constructive criticism. (1-5)_____

- Please share one constructive critique that you received and how you made modifications.

- Why is this skill important?

m. Did you expand your knowledge in a field of law?

n. Did you expand your knowledge of professionalism?

o. Did you expand your knowledge of the rules of professional responsibility?

p. What lawyering skills have you observed during your externship?

- Fact Investigation _____
- Interviewing and Counseling _____

- Research _____
- Drafting _____
- Case Planning _____
- Problem Solving _____
- Negotiation _____
- Court Proceedings _____
- Court Room Demeanor _____
- Other _____

q. What lawyering skills have you developed during your externship?

- Fact Investigation _____
- Interviewing and Counseling _____
- Research _____
- Drafting _____
- Case Planning _____
- Problem Solving _____
- Negotiation _____
- Court Proceedings _____
- Court Room Demeanor _____
- Other _____

r. Do you have greater insight into your strengths and weaknesses as a lawyer?

s. Have you networked at your externship to help you get a job post-graduation?

t. Were you offered a job at your externship; if so, what position?

u. Were you offered a job as a result of your externship at someplace other than your placement?

15. General comments and suggestions:

16. Placements often asked for feedback from students:

Have you shared your comments with your Supervising Attorney? __Yes __No

May we share your comments with your Supervising Attorney? __Yes __No

NOTE: The Thurgood Marshall Law Scholl would like to keep your placement evaluation on file for review by interested students. Please check below as appropriate:

- _____ You may share this evaluation with others.
- _____ I prefer that my evaluation be kept confidential.
- _____ You may share this evaluation if you remove my name.