POLS 4371

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Expected Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of this course students will be able to:
1. Provide a first-hand account of the day to day work in a law office  
2. Describe the challenges and rewards of the legal profession  
3. Evaluate the contribution of lawyers to the community and the political order

Methods for Assessing the Expected Learning Outcomes

The expected learning outcomes for this course will be assessed through:
1. 14 weekly journal entries emailed to tony.bartl@angelo.edu during the Spring internship  
2. Feedback from the office where the student has worked during the internship – letter/memo detailing your duties and accomplishments  
3. 4 meetings in the office between the student and the professor

Course Assignments/Grade Determination

Preparation and Progress: Four meetings between the student and faculty adviser are required. By the end of week 4, the student should schedule the first meeting to update the instructor on her progress and professional development. Subsequent meetings should follow by the end of weeks 8, 11, and 15.

Journal: Student will keep a journal over the course of his/her time as law-office intern. The journal entries should be emailed weekly to the address, tony.bartl@angelo.edu. The journal entry should consist of reflection on your work activities, professional development experiences, and other opportunities presented by the internship. A total number of fourteen weekly journal entries are required and they can vary from week to week as far as content. The target length
should be 350 words. They can be a bit longer, especially as you get more to say, but they should not be much shorter.

**Office Evaluation:**

Interns will meet with the advising professor in his office four times over the course of the semester – in weeks 4, 8, 11, and 15. Those meetings will give the intern an opportunity to discuss her progress in learning about work in a law office and the processes involved in implementing them. The grade for this portion will be based on the meetings with the professor, with additional input from the internship supervisor.

**Grading:**

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