

BACE Bay Area Consortium on Externships

EXTERNSHIP SUPERVISOR AND LAW STUDENT EXTERN AGREEMENT

Extern: _____ Semester/Year: _____

Supervisor(s): _____

Placement: _____

Number of law student interns (total) under your supervision: _____

Number of externs (interns for credit) under your supervision: _____

Thank you for your support, supervision, and mentoring of a law student. The following are the minimal standards expected of extern supervisors and externs who will receive academic credit.

Supervisor's Agreement:

Please initial each standard and add any comments to the bottom of this form.

_____ **Orientation:** Externs receive an orientation, including a discussion of office procedures and confidentiality, and an overview of the work and expectations of the extern.

_____ **Supervision:** Externs are assigned a supervising attorney who will participate in directing, monitoring, and mentoring them throughout the semester. At a minimum, supervising attorneys are expected to meet weekly with their externs.

_____ **Assignments:** Externs are informed of the system for assigning work projects and given clear deadlines, and will receive on-going guidance for managing the workload.

_____ **Feedback:** Externs are provided specific, individualized, and timely feedback on each assignment. Periodic written evaluations will be completed for externs.

_____ **Diversity of Tasks:** Externs are assigned the same kind of work as a paid law clerk or entry-level staff attorney, including exposure to a broad range of lawyering skills. Administrative work will be kept to a minimum.

_____ **Observation:** Externs will have opportunities to observe court proceedings, client/staff/strategy meetings, and other appropriate and timely professional activities.

_____ **Opportunities for Reflection:** Externs will meet with their supervisor, other attorneys, and staff to discuss their observations, experiences, and other issues relevant to the profession.

_____ **Logistics:** The extern has a designated workspace and access to the tools (e.g., telephone, computer, library) and support reasonably necessary to complete assignments.

_____ **No Compensation:** I understand that ABA Rules prohibit students from receiving compensation during an externship for academic credit, except for reimbursement of reasonable out-of-pocket expenses related to the externship.

_____ **Bar Admission/Status.** I certify that my first bar admission was to the (state) _____ Bar in (month/year) _____ and that I am currently an active member with the (state) _____ Bar.

Extern's Agreement:

I have discussed the above standards with my supervisor. I agree to follow directions, seek clarification and advice in a timely fashion, and comport myself with professionalism and integrity.

My supervisor and I agree that the start and end dates of my externship are:¹

Start Date: _____ End Date: _____

Number of units of credit I seek for this externship: _____. I understand that to receive credit I must on average work _____ hours per week.

During this semester, I have the following classes and academic commitments:

Name of Class:	Day/Time:
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

We have reviewed this document and agree to act in accordance with these expectations. We are aware that we may contact the instructor/director of the Law School's Externship Programs with any questions or issues that arise during the externship.

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____ Email Address: _____

Contact Phone Number: _____

Signature of Supervising Attorney: _____

Date: _____ Email Address: _____

Contact Phone Number: _____

Please return this form by **Friday, January 20, 2012** to the Field Placement Program. You may submit a PDF version to TWEN or by email to Veronica Hash, Professional Skills Program Assistant, vhash@law.berkeley.edu; [or](#) a hard copy by fax, 510-643-6948, or mail to UC Berkeley School of Law, 421 Boalt Hall, Berkeley, CA 94720-7200. Please contact Sue Schechter, Program Director, sschechter@law.berkeley.edu, 510-643-7387, if you have questions about the Program or this form.

This evaluation form was developed and adopted for use by the Bay Area Consortium on Externships (BACE). Participating schools: Golden Gate, Santa Clara, Stanford, UC Berkeley, UC Hastings, University of the Pacific/McGeorge, University of San Francisco School of Law.

¹ Spring 2012 Semester: 1/9/12 – 5/1/12