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**OBJECTIVES AND METHODS  
FLORIDA IMMIGRANT ADVOCACY CENTER**

**OBJECTIVE I**      Obtain skills and develop proficiency in interviewing and counseling.

**METHODS:**

1.      Observe, and later conduct under supervision, initial interviews and follow-up meetings with clients.
2.      Review and critique performance with supervising attorney.

**OBJECTIVE II**      Obtain skills and develop proficiency in legal drafting in the immigration law context.

**METHODS:**

1.      Review applications for relief already filed.
2.      Review with supervisor all elements required in various applications and requests for relief.
3.      Draft, under supervision, client affidavits.
4.      Research facts supporting relief requested.
5.      Draft, under supervision, new applications for relief (e.g., asylum, adjustment, temporary protected status, permanent residency, improvement of conditions in INS jails, release from INS detention).
6.      Depending upon the scheduling of cases, students may have the opportunity to draft, under supervision, motions, memoranda of law, appellate briefs.

**OBJECTIVE III**      Develop a familiarity with substantive areas of immigration law and related procedure.

**METHODS:**

1.      Review applicable statutes, regulations and cases.
2.      Research specific issues of immigration law.
3.      Discuss issues and progress with supervising attorney.

**OBJECTIVE IV** Obtain skills and develop proficiency in preparing for administrative evidentiary hearings.

**METHODS:**

1. Observe and later conduct, under supervision, pre-hearing activities such as:
  - a) Witness interviews.
  - b) Anticipation of possible evidentiary problems and preparation of responses.
  - c) Preparation of examination of witnesses.
2. Depending on the scheduling of cases, students may have the opportunity to observe and later conduct preliminary administrative hearings.

**OBJECTIVE V** Maintain awareness of progress in the externship program.

**METHODS:**

1. Make daily entries in learning journal.
2. Write papers reflecting upon learning experiences at externship.
3. Write reports analyzing progress toward externship objectives.
4. Participate in discussions with other externs in seminars.
5. Discuss progress with supervising attorneys.