STATEMENT OF EXPECTATIONS
LEGISLATIVE ISSUES WORKSHOP
UNIVERSITY OF OREGON SCHOOL OF
LAW SPRING SEMESTER, 2015

1. Law student interns are expected to work with a host legislator/agency at least one full day in Salem each week. We expect that, in addition, a student may spend four to five hours on work that arises out of their day in Salem. The internship begins the week of January 12 and continues through the week ending Friday, April 24.

Because Monday, January 19, is a national holiday, students whose regular day in Salem is Monday will continue through Monday, April 27. These students, however, have the option to spend an extra day in Salem earlier in the semester to allow them to complete their field experience in Salem the week of April 20-24, when other students complete their Salem commitment.

Students are, however, permitted to take off the week of spring break. For law students, spring semester final exams begin Thursday, April 30.

2. Law student interns can assist in a number of areas, although for the school to provide academic credit we must ask that their focus be on work that will give them the opportunity to use their legal skills – for example, doing legal research and analysis, drafting or tracking bills, observing and reporting on legislative hearings, preparing for and presenting (for example, as staff counsel) or testifying before a subcommittee, etc. The attached checklist gives more specific examples of our expectations for the student.

3. Finally, for a student to receive credit for this internship, we will need a performance evaluation from the host legislator/agency supervisor in late April to confirm that the internship has been satisfactorily completed. Related to this, we hope to be able to meet with host legislators/agency supervisors briefly at least once during the semester.

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