Students in the Externship Program earn academic credit while gaining practical experience in a variety of placements. The Externship Program promotes learning through active participation in the student’s field placement.

Students in the Externship Program receive intensive supervision from the placement supervisor as well as supervision from the law school. In addition to the field placement, students are required to enroll in the classroom component to the externship.

Externship students are placed in field placements throughout the academic year and the summer term.

Academic Year Placements:
• State District Court
• State’s Attorney Offices in Grand Forks, Fargo and Grafton
• Grand Forks Air Force Base (JAG)
• Legal Services of North Dakota – Fargo
• Public Defender Office

Summer Placements:
• ND Supreme Court
• U.S. Attorneys Office – Fargo & Bismarck
• U.S. District Court – Fargo & Bismarck
• 8th Circuit Court of Appeals – Fargo

Legislative Placements
• 11 students spend one semester working with the ND Legislature