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<th>Faculty</th>
<th>Prof. Michael Kirkpatrick and fellow</th>
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<td>What do students do</td>
<td>Students engage in traditional civil rights litigation (such as cases alleging workplace discrimination) and other public-interest cases (such as freedom of information and constitutional litigation).</td>
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<td>Semester or year-long</td>
<td>One semester, Fall or Spring</td>
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<td>Open to</td>
<td>Second semester 2Ls and all 3Ls (at least 41 credits). The fall semester is limited to rising 3Ls; in the spring semester, 3Ls are given preference, but 2Ls may be considered.</td>
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<td>Prerequisite(s)</td>
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<td>Credits</td>
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<td>Meets WR requirement</td>
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<td>Requires Student Bar Certification</td>
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<td>How many students</td>
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<td>Conflicts</td>
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<td>Average time commitment</td>
<td>42 hours per week total. 32 hours per week M-F on cases. 10 hours per week preparing for and attending seminar and project rounds. Full-time work on cases will continue for one week into the reading period.</td>
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| Seminar hours      | Tues. 9:00-11:00 a.m.  
|                    | Wed. 9:00-11:00 a.m. |
| Orientation        | Orientation will take place on the first day of classes. |
| Information session(s) | March 26, 4:30-6:00 p.m., McD 312 |

THE IPR EXPERIENCE

The Institute for Public Representation (IPR) is a public interest law firm and student clinic founded in 1971. It consists of three divisions: Civil Rights-General Public Interest Law; Environmental Law; and Public Interest and Communications Law. Some functions of IPR, such as our weekly seminars, operate together, and all three divisions are housed in the same offices. However, the case work of each division differs, and students must apply separately to each division. The following description focuses on the Civil Rights-General Public Interest Law division (IPR-Civil Rights).

As our name indicates, IPR-Civil Rights does both traditional civil rights litigation (such as cases alleging workplace discrimination) and a variety of other public-interest litigation (such as freedom of information and constitutional litigation). In recent years, about half of our cases have involved trial-level litigation in federal district courts, and about half of cases have involved appeals in federal courts of appeals and, on occasion, in the Supreme Court.

IPR offers a variety of advocacy opportunities, such as drafting briefs and pleadings for use in court, taking discovery, meeting with clients, other attorneys, and government personnel, and interviewing witnesses.
Students benefit from regular participation in the decision making process and the careful preparation of legal documents under the day-to-day, hands-on supervision of the IPR faculty and fellow. Students interested in a public interest law career can obtain first-hand familiarity with the public interest law community and the kinds of clients, both individual and organizational, served by public interest lawyers. Students considering other careers will also profit from insights the clinic provide into litigation processes and from exposure to complex law practice involving real cases and real clients. IPR students obtain a greater understanding of their roles as attorneys and the responsibility of lawyers in our society through their work on projects as well as through participation in, and preparation for, weekly seminars and small group meetings.

The following non-exclusive list of projects recently undertaken by IPR-Civil Rights illustrates the types of cases students may work on. You can also find out more about recent projects on our website: instituteforpublicrepresentation.org.

- litigating a complex federal Freedom of Information Act suit against the Department of Defense and the CIA on behalf of researchers seeking records on “enhanced interrogation” used in the War on Terror;
- litigating retaliation claims on behalf of employees terminated for asserting their rights under FLSA and DC Wage and Hour law;
- litigating on behalf of an individual improperly assessed a deficiency under Maryland consumer protection statutes;
- litigating on behalf of an individual whose employer improperly denied her the lactation breaks she was entitled to under state and federal law;
- litigating on behalf of an individual whose employer improperly denied her disability and pregnancy accommodations, discriminated against her on account of her national origin, and illegally assessed fees against her in connection with her resignation;
- filing amicus briefs in four appellate cases – two pending before the United States Supreme Court, one in the DC Circuit, and one in the New York Court of Appeals;
- filing FOIA requests and using the responsive documents to prepare reports exposing government misconduct;
- preparing and arguing two appeals in federal court, one in the DC Circuit and one in the Fifth Circuit;
- on behalf of a public interest organization, analyzing potential APA claims related to the recall of exploding airbags and other automobile defects.

**TIME COMMITMENT**

The work undertaken by IPR students affects the lives of our clients and seeks to improve the laws that affect under-represented people and groups. Students completing the required work at IPR receive twelve credits. To represent clients zealously and meet academic requirements, students enrolled in IPR must make a serious, ongoing time commitment to their clinical work.

IPR expects that students will spend at least 32 hours each week during normal business hours (8:00-6:00) working at the law school (preferably in the IPR office space) or attending meetings, hearings, and other activities related to clinic cases. IPR also conducts weekly two-hour seminars and holds project case rounds, which average between one and two hours per week. Accordingly, in addition to time spent on projects, we expect students to devote the time necessary to prepare for and attend seminars and rounds, which we estimate will take an additional 5 to 7 hours a week. Preparation for seminars and rounds does not need to take place in our offices or at the Law Center. Students are also responsible for
important administrative tasks, such as maintaining time records for their projects and establishing and maintaining case files.

Orientation will take place on the first day of the semester.

SELECTION CRITERIA/APPLICATION PROCESS

IPR gives preference to students who will be in their final year of law school. If we have more applicants than slots for any particular project area, we will select students who have a demonstrated background or interest in the project area. If all the slots are not filled by students who will be in their final year, we will select from among students who will be in their second year based on demonstrated background or interest in IPR’s project areas. The clinic application can be found online at http://www.law.georgetown.edu/go/clinic-registration and must be completed by 11:59 p.m. on April 8, 2015.

STAFF

Michael Kirkpatrick, Visiting Professor of Law, directs IPR's civil rights and general public interest law section. Professor Kirkpatrick joined the faculty in 2014 after a 23-year career in public interest law, most recently as an attorney with Public Citizen Litigation Group (PCLG). His practice areas at PCLG included constitutional law, civil rights, class actions, administrative law, and open government, including practice before the U.S. Supreme Court. Before joining PCLG, Professor Kirkpatrick was a senior trial attorney with the Civil Rights Division of the U.S. Department of Justice, where he litigated employment discrimination cases against state and local government employers, and defended the constitutionality of federal affirmative action programs. Earlier in his career, he was a staff attorney with the Farm Worker Division of Texas Rural Legal Aid, where he litigated employment and civil rights cases on behalf of migrant, transnational, and contingent workers. Professor Kirkpatrick is a recipient of the Peter M. Cicchino Award for Outstanding Advocacy in the Public Interest. He has served as a Wasserstein Public Interest Fellow at Harvard Law School, and as a Law and Policy Mentor for the Jack Kent Cooke Foundation. Before joining the clinic, he was an adjunct professor at the Law Center, teaching a course on ethics in public interest practice.

Meghan Boone, clinical teaching fellow, received her J.D., summa cum laude from the Washington College of Law at American University, where she served as the Associate Symposium Editor for the American University Law Review. During law school, she also interned with the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and the National Women's Law Center. Prior to joining IPR, Meghan was an associate at a DC firm where she worked on Antitrust and Civil Rights class action litigation. She also clerked for the Honorable Martha C. Daughtrey on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit in Nashville, Tennessee. Meghan received her BA from Trinity College in Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies. She is barred in Florida and the District of Columbia.

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