

FARM ANIMAL PROTECTION PROJECT I AND II -

SHARED EARTH VISITING PROFESSOR RUSS MEAD

COURSE NUMBER LAW- 784 LAW-785

Legal research center room 6

10:05 to 12:00 noon.

Meets on Wednesdays

COURSE TYPE: Highly Specialized & Experiential

CREDITS: 3 per semester

Course length: One or two semesters. Students can join the Farm Animal Protection Project as either a one-semester project or a two-semester project. By taking two semesters, students can take on large-scale projects that would not be possible in a single semester. Other students can work with the Farm Animal Protection Project in a single semester, giving the students time in their schedule to take other specialized courses of interest.

ENROLLMENT LIMIT: Determined by Registrar

DESCRIPTION: The field of farm animal protection needs advocates with legal training to advance the minimal protection given to farm animals. The Farm Animal Protection Project gives L&C students experience working on legal projects similar to what they encounter in farm animal protection nonprofits. This project will give L&C students an employment advantage when applying for work with these organizations. Students will also gain essential advocacy skills consistent with the mission of Lewis & Clark Law School.

IN-CLASS COMPONENT: This course has an in-class component as well as a written deliverable. Each week the class explores ways to expand farm animal protections. The class also group problem solves issues that comes up in students projects. Class meets one day a week for two hours.

PROJECT COMPONENT: Each student is responsible for researching and writing on a real-world legal issue in the field of farm animal protection. The audience for these writings are lawyer and non-lawyer advocates working in the field of farm animal protection. The Farm Animal Protection Project shares its work with the public.

Students will conduct regular check-ins with the Farm Animal Protection Project professor. Students are expected to spend 10 hours a week on these projects.

Examples of these research and writing projects include:

- Writing amicus briefs on a significant piece of pending farm animal protection litigation.
- Creating white papers on rapidly developing farm animal protection issues.
- Filing Freedom of Information Act requests and publishing the results to aid the farm animal protection movement.
- Drafting new domestic and international farm animal protection legislation.
- Creating new curriculum for farm animal protection animal law courses around the globe.
- Creating informational campaigns on farm animal topics.
- Using artforms to raise awareness of farm animals, and farm animal law.
- There will also be an option for students to create a farm animal protection nonprofit as part of this class.

PROJECT STRUCTURE: Non-clinic experiential.

It is important to note that these projects do not have a "client." There is no attorney-client relationship between the project and any individual or organization. Not being directed by a client frees the Farm Animal Protection Project from client agendas and bias. Not having a client also allows the Farm Animal Protection Project to share the project's work with the world at large.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT

This class is designed to be a "safe environment" to practice the skills taught in this course. Class participation is an essential part of your grade in this class. That also means supporting your fellow students in the class with encouragement and constructive feedback.

CLASSMATES

This class attracts some of the most exemplary students at Lewis & Clark Law School. Take advantage of this unique setting. In this class, we are colleagues with the common goal of helping animals.

STUDENT EVALUATION METHOD: Credit / no credit based on the legal writing components of the project, performance on in-class exercises, and attendance.

WIE: Depends on the project.

CAPSTONE: Depends on the project.

ATTENDANCE:

The American Bar Association accreditation standards require students to regularly attend the courses in which they are registered. Lewis & Clark expects students to attend classes regularly and to prepare for classes conscientiously.

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USE OF LAPTOPS

The use of laptops and tablets is encouraged to research questions you think of in class.

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

Students are encouraged to use artificial intelligence tools in creating and executing their individual Farm Animal Protection Projects.

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

In this class we pay particular attention to the intellectual property rights of creators. This includes copyright owners of photographs. The intellectual property rights of students creating copyrighted works are detailed at:

<https://www.lclark.edu/live/profiles/3662-intellectual-property-policy>

Students give the Center for Animal Legal Studies a license to use copyrighted materials created by students.

MOODLE

We will communicate as a group through Moodle. This is where the weekly assignments are posted.

ZOOM

If for some reason, we cannot meet in person we will meet via zoom.