

Registering for IELP

The International Environmental Law Project

About IELP

In the International Environmental Law Project (IELP), students participate directly in international environmental legal processes by preparing documents and materials for meetings of the parties to international conventions and organizations, such as the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES), the International Whaling Commission, and NAFTA's environmental commission. Students may also prepare submissions to international tribunals to enforce international environmental law or draft new international environmental treaties. For example, IELP recently petitioned the World Heritage Committee to list Waterton-Glacier International Peace Park as a World Heritage Site in Danger due to climate change. These documents may be prepared on behalf of environmental organizations, governments, or international institutions. For more information about IELP's projects, see <http://www.lclark.edu/org/ielp>.

Credits and Grading

Except in special circumstances, this is a *full-year course* for *three credits each semester*. Grading is on a *pass/no pass* basis.

Application Process

Participation in IELP is limited to 5-10 people. Because of the demand for participation in IELP, we have instituted a process similar to a hiring process. A student must have the permission of Professors Chris Wold and Erica Thorson before registering for the course. If you would like to apply, please submit the following:

- a cover letter explaining why you want to participate in IELP;
- your resume;
- your transcript;
- a writing sample (this can be your appellate brief from legal writing if this is your only writing sample, but please submit only those portions that you wrote);
- an e-mail address and telephone number where we can reach you in May and June.

Deadline

You must submit your application by May 16. Professors Wold and Thorson will make their decisions in early June before you register for class. Remember, you must have our approval *before* you register for the course. If we have approved you, you do not need to bid any points on the course.

Apply to: Prof. Erica Thorson, Wood Hall Room 117. If you have further questions, please contact Prof. Thorson at 503/768-6715 or at ejt@lclark.edu.