

TIME TO APPLY FOR EARLY ADMISSION!

ENVIRONMENTAL LITIGATION CLINIC

Application Deadline: January 24, 2014

Decisions Announced: February 4, 2014

Number of Students Accepted: 20 – 25

Eligible to Apply: 2Ls, 3Ls, 4Ls, LLMS

What is early admission? To help students plan for their next year or two of law school, Earthrise is offering the opportunity to apply for Earthrise much earlier during the spring semester. We will still be accepting applications during our normal application process in late May (and the criteria for acceptance now and later in May will be the same), but students who apply now, during our early application process, will have their applications considered and get a decision from us by early February. We hope this will help students arrange their schedules and avoid potential conflicts by knowing that they have been accepted into Earthrise for the 2014-2015 academic year.

REQUIRED MATERIALS: Application Form, Cover Letter, Transcript, Resume, Writing Sample (5-10 pages of original written work) all in portable document format (PDF).

Submit to: Dianne Viales, dianne@lclark.edu

Selection Criteria: Interest in and commitment to environmental law; year of study (Spring 2015 grads given priority); lack of conflicts of interest; ability to successfully complete course requirements.

Conflicts of Interest: Enrolling in Earthrise and an externship or internship at the same time has the potential to create unavoidable conflicts of interest. For example, you cannot enroll in Earthrise and have an internship or externship with the Federal or Oregon Departments of Justice at the same time. Please consider taking Earthrise when you are not also going to be enrolled in an externship or internship.

Pre-Requisites/Co-Requisites: None, but we recommend that students take Environmental Law, Administrative Law and Environmental Litigation.

Your Commitment: 2-hour class each week with student presentations (Fridays from noon until 2pm); meet with supervising attorney regularly (usually once a week); 10-12 hours of independent work per week.

The Benefits: Help save salmon, protect clean air and water, and preserve our natural heritage while gaining practical experience in real-world environmental litigation! See <http://earthriselaw.org> to read about our cases and faculty.

Credits: Earthrise is a year-long course for which you will earn 3 ungraded credits per semester. Single semester students may be accepted in special circumstances. Please include such requests and the circumstances in your application.

Course Qualifications: Practical Skills Credit; Environmental and Natural Resources Law Certificate Course.

Earthrise Ethics: If you are selected for Earthrise, you may also register for Earthrise Ethics I and II to satisfy your Professional Responsibility Requirement.

More Information: <http://earthriselaw.org> (click on “Clinical Education”); email Tom Buchele at tbuchele@lclark.edu or call Tom at 503.768.6736.

EARLY APPLICATION FORM FOR EARTHRISE LAW CENTER
 ENVIRONMENTAL LITIGATION CLINIC
 2014-2015
Due January 24, 2014

Please complete this form and **SUBMIT VIA EMAIL** by **January 24, 2014**, to Dianne Viales at dianne@lclark.edu, **ALONG WITH** portable document format versions (PDF) of a cover letter, resume, transcript (unofficial is acceptable), and a 5-10 page sample of your original written work.

Name:	
Anticipated Graduation Date:	
Current Address:	
Best Phone Number:	
Best Email Address:	

Please answer each of the following questions:

1. Please describe why you are interested in participating in Earthrise.
2. Please discuss your interest in, and/or background and experience with, environmental issues.
3. Please discuss your interest in, and/or background and experience with, litigation.
4. Please discuss any interest or experience you have with administrative agencies.
5. Please provide any information to help Earthrise faculty determine whether you have or may develop a conflict of interest. Given Earthrise's clients and cases (see <http://earthriselaw.org>), please list any potential conflicts of interest you may have in working with Earthrise, including outside employment, volunteer work, internship seminars (including WRLC), internships, externships and other clinics. Please be sure to include any externship or internship that you may take at the same time as you take Earthrise . (You cannot enroll in Earthrise and have an externship or internship with the Federal or Oregon Departments of Justice at the same time.) If you are uncertain about something, please list it! A potential conflict may or may not affect your ability to work with Earthrise, but it is crucial that we know about all potential conflicts.