

## DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE:

"Clinical education is one of the cornerstones of the University of Baltimore School of Law. The breadth of our clinical program is truly astonishing, enabling students to gain experience in legal matters ranging from housing to child custody to criminal appeals to incorporating nonprofit organizations. Our outstanding faculty and staff guide students through their first experiences of lawyering, giving them the foundation that they need to enter the legal profession as confident, competent and community-minded attorneys. There is no better preparation for the practice of law than participation in UB's clinical program."

— Leigh Goodmark  
Professor of law and director of clinical education

## FROM THE DEAN:

"Our law school's clinical programs offer students hands-on legal experience in a wide range of practice areas under the close supervision of expert faculty. Clinical education is a key element of our curriculum and a great asset to graduates in the current legal marketplace. Our students develop real-world lawyering skills while they significantly improve the lives and communities of those they serve."

— Ronald Weich  
Dean of the University of Baltimore School of Law

## FACULTY

*The voice of experience*

Once you are enrolled in a clinic at the University of Baltimore School of Law, you'll learn how to practice client-centered counseling under the close watch of top-notch clinical faculty. These faculty members will serve as your advisers, as your counselors and often as your friends for the duration of your clinical experience — and beyond.

### Civil Advocacy Clinic

**Michele Gilman**  
Professor of law and director,  
Civil Advocacy Clinic  
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### Community Development Clinic

**Jaime Lee**  
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B.A., cum laude, Yale University  
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### Criminal Practice Clinic

**Dan Shemer**  
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### Mary Jo Livingston

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### Family Law Clinic

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Director, Family Law Clinic  
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### Immigrant Rights Clinic

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Assistant professor of law and director,  
Immigrant Rights Clinic  
B.A., magna cum laude, Carleton  
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### Innocence Project Clinic

**Michele Nethercott**  
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### Mediation Clinic for Families

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Assistant dean, law placement,  
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# MAKING A DIFFERENCE

The Clinical Law Program at the University of Baltimore School of Law





## MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Preventing a family's eviction. Helping to free an innocent man from prison. Strengthening small businesses. Empowering women subjected to abuse. The nationally recognized clinics at the University of Baltimore School of Law give students the chance to experience the challenges and rewards of lawyering firsthand.

When you enroll in the clinical program at the School of Law, you learn how to be a lawyer in a way you don't in most classes. You will meet with clients, research their cases, and plan how best to represent them to help them reach their goals, whether before a judge or by negotiating with opposing counsel outside the courtroom.

You will have the opportunity to make a real difference in your community and especially in the lives of clients whose stories might otherwise go unheard.

The work is demanding and the experience is intense, but the preparation for your legal career is unmatched.

## TRY SOMETHING NEW

Once you have completed 30 hours of law school coursework, including certain prerequisites, you are eligible to apply for a clinic placement. Placements are determined by a lottery.

### Civil Advocacy Clinic

[law.ubalt.edu/civiladvocacy](http://law.ubalt.edu/civiladvocacy)

Law students enrolled in the Civil Advocacy Clinic represent low-income individuals who cannot afford representation. Students' caseloads are diverse, touching on many areas of civil practice, including housing, consumer rights, education and public benefits. Under faculty supervision, students engage in the full range of activities involved in representing clients in litigation. The clinic also takes part in law reform projects to enhance civil legal policy and practice that affect low-income families and children.

### Community Development Clinic

[law.ubalt.edu/communitydev](http://law.ubalt.edu/communitydev)

The Community Development Clinic provides a wide variety of transactional legal services to and advocacy for historically underserved communities in Baltimore. Students assist community associations, nonprofit organizations and small-business owners with the legal aspects of business formation, operations and financing, land use, real estate acquisition and other matters.

### Criminal Practice Clinic

[law.ubalt.edu/criminal](http://law.ubalt.edu/criminal)

The Criminal Practice Clinic offers students the opportunity to practice criminal law in Maryland's trial courts. Students prosecute or defend people charged with a range of crimes, including assault, drug offenses, alcohol-related charges, disorderly conduct and theft.

### Disability Law Clinic

[law.ubalt.edu/disability](http://law.ubalt.edu/disability)

Students represent patients in involuntary civil commitment hearings within the Sheppard Pratt Health System. Students engage in a client interview and counseling session, in a medical record file review, and in case preparation and development. Representation culminates with an administrative hearing.



"Simply put, I cannot imagine having graduated from law school without my experience as a student attorney with a UB clinic. Not only did the clinic provide me with a solid foundation of lawyering skills, but I was able to test those skills in real-life situations. I have been able to pursue my practice of law with confidence thanks to those experiences. Moreover, the professional relationships that I developed with both my mentors and my fellow clinic students have already proved invaluable in my career. My time in the clinic by far was the most challenging, as well as the most rewarding, aspect of my academic career. I will always look back on that time with fondness and pride."

– Elizabeth Kenderdine, J.D. '10

### Family Law Clinic

[law.ubalt.edu/family](http://law.ubalt.edu/family)

Family Law Clinic students represent low-income clients seeking child custody, child support, divorce, adoption and civil remedies for domestic violence, and they also work on systemic law reform projects aimed at increasing access to justice in family law.

### Mediation Clinic for Families

[law.ubalt.edu/mediation](http://law.ubalt.edu/mediation)

Students in the Mediation Clinic for Families collaborate with the court system and with a variety of Maryland legal organizations that provide students with a wide range of opportunities in this expanding practice area. Students represent clients who are going through the mediation process, co-mediate family law disputes and engage in projects designed to improve the practice of family mediation.

### Immigrant Rights Clinic

[law.ubalt.edu/immigrantrights](http://law.ubalt.edu/immigrantrights)

Students represent low-income immigrants in Immigration Court, in Maryland District Court and before the Department of Homeland Security's U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services. Students' caseloads are diverse, as are their clients. During their clinical experiences, students touch on many areas of immigration practice— asylum law, trafficking protection, protection for battered immigrants, family reunification and naturalization—while representing clients from all over the world.

### Innocence Project Clinic

[law.ubalt.edu/innocence](http://law.ubalt.edu/innocence)

Students review records, interview clients and witnesses, conduct legal research, devise investigative strategies, draft pleadings and argue motions in cases involving claims of wrongful conviction under the supervision of an experienced criminal defense attorney. Students develop an understanding of the postconviction process and of the various scientific issues that affect the reliability of eyewitness identification, forensic evidence and police interrogation methods.