Experiential Learning

Students are required to earn a minimum of six credit hours of experiential learning coursework. Experiential Learning courses include clinics, externships, and simulation courses.

Legal Clinic
The University of Arkansas Law School Legal Clinic was founded by then-professor Hillary Rodham Clinton in 1975 to give students hands-on skills training by representing real clients in real life legal situations, and to provide a much needed service to the Northwest Arkansas community.

The Legal Clinic includes the Civil Litigation and Advocacy Clinic, Criminal Practice Clinic, Federal Practice Clinic, Human Trafficking Clinic, Immigration Clinic and Transactional Clinic.

Exterships
The University of Arkansas School of Law (School) Externship program provides an opportunity for students to actively participate in a field of interest to them while earning academic credit. Elective externships are available to second and third year law students who have successfully completed two semesters of law school, are in good standing, and (preferably) have completed or are concurrently enrolled in Professional Responsibility. Some externships demand more specific requirements intended to enhance the externship experience.

Externships are available in the areas of Capstone, Corporate Counsel, Criminal Defense, Criminal Prosecution, Government, International, Judicial, and Public Interest.

Simulation Courses
A Simulation Course is a course that complies with the requirements for simulation courses under § 304 of Chapter 3 of the American Bar Association’s Standards and Rules of Procedure for Approval of Law Schools. Simulation courses include the following: Arbitration; Business Lawyering Skills; Child Welfare Practice; Civil Litigation Discovery; Conflict Resolution; Construction Law Practice; Crime & the Supreme Court; Interviewing, Counseling and Negotiating; Mediation in Practice; and Trial Advocacy.