



UNIVERSITY OF NICOSIA
ΠΑΝΕΠΙΣΤΗΜΙΟ ΛΕΥΚΩΣΙΑΣ

DEPARTMENT OF LAW



LAW CLINIC

The Department of Law of the University of Nicosia, playing a leading role in the process of developing legal education in Cyprus, has founded the first Law Clinic in Cyprus, which will offer to its students clinical legal education.

The 'UNIC Law Clinic':

- Creates a process which strives to integrate theory and practice within the Department's curriculum by using clinical methodology for teaching students substantive and procedural law and skills mainly through the delivery of legal services to members of our society.
- Offers to its Members the opportunity to write reports on particular legal issues.
- Offers to its Members the opportunity and the means of developing a working knowledge of legal rules and procedures in a real world setting;
- Offers to its Members the opportunity to engage in a range of ethical and professional practical considerations, and the opportunity to develop their knowledge in various legal aspects and the application of law in practice.

Participation at the UNIC Law Clinic:

- Is limited only to a fixed number of students.
- The term of office at the Law Clinic is one semester.
- Students are selected through a process which takes into account their academic achievements and other special criteria which are set by the Director of the Law Clinic and the Department of Law.
- On completion of Members' term at the Law Clinic, the Department awards a certificate of involvement in the Law Clinic.

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GENERAL AIMS OF THE LAW CLINIC

The UNIC Law Clinic aims to be the main vehicle for clinical legal education in the University of Nicosia's Department of Law. In fulfilling this purpose, the UNIC Law Clinic will enable its Members, chosen among the students of the Department of Law, to learn through their supervised participation in the processes of real cases and to contribute to the social needs of the Cypriot society.

Another aim of the Law Clinic is to provide a public service, contributing to the social needs of the Cypriot society. In that respect, the UNIC Law Clinic is founded on the belief that everybody should be able to obtain and/or enjoy access to legal assistance and on the shared determination to work towards the fulfillment of this aim.

Additionally, the Law Clinic will enable the students to work on real cases, under the close supervision of the Managing Director and the Legal Co-ordinator/s, and on any other related project/s as so approved by the authorities of the Law Clinic.

The focus, in educational terms, is on developing an improved knowledge of law and legal practice and on the development of students' critical, analytical and/or any other related qualities. Clinical legal education is the study of what lawyers actually do in practice. The scholarly examination of practices of lawyers comprises (but it is not limited to) analyzing their theoretical structures and in a critical and systematic way and to impart these theoretical structures to students so they can develop a conceptual framework for the practice of law. Finally, the Law Clinic will offer to the students of the Department of Law of the University of Nicosia legal, transferable and personal skills and the opportunity to engage in a range of ethical and professional practical considerations.