

Children and the Law Lab  
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Class Meeting Time - TBA

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And by appointment.

**Book:**

O'Connors Family Code Plus 20 13–20 14 by Joan Foote Jenkins, Randall B. Whilhite. Additional materials will be distributed during the semester.

**Objectives:**

1. Students will learn to apply the substantive law of the child welfare permanency stage to hearings.
2. Students will consider practical and ethical issues in this area.
3. Students will be able to represent children in these hearings.

**Assignments:**

Students will be assigned up to four cases at the beginning of the semester. Each case will highlight a different aspect of permanency proceedings. Students will conduct all investigation of the case and prepare for hearings under the supervision of one of the supervisors.

**Grading:**

Your final grade will be based on your work on your cases, both in and out of court. Additional information will be distributed at orientation.

**Students with Disabilities:**

The faculty, staff and administration of the Law Center want to provide every reasonable accommodation to students with disabilities, including learning disabilities. For detailed information, please obtain a copy of the disabilities handbook available through Student Services. I will be happy to work with that office and you to make any necessary accommodations.