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Asylum & Immigration Clinic

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What do you remember most about your time in the Clinic?

I remember at first feeling scared that someone's case (and their life) was being entrusted to me and my partner. I also remember painstakingly having to figure out how best to represent our client and knowing this was a great way to learn for "the real world."

What lessons from the clinic do you still use today or have used in your professional career?

The lessons I learned on one case in the clinic prepared me for my first position as a staff attorney at a non-profit domestic violence legal services organization. Had I not worked and learned so much on my clinic case, I could not have done my job. Of course, I had to learn a lot more to do the job, but learning how to identify issues and how to find an answer on my own was extremely valuable. Also getting those fears out of having your first case representing a real love person when you still ultimately have the support, expertise, and guidance of an instructor is so helpful

What would you tell current or future DePaul law students about the clinic?

Do it! It's the most relevant, helpful, and interesting class you could take to prepare you for work as a lawyer.

Is there a message you would like to share with your fellow Clinic alums, faculty, or staff?

I'm so grateful for the experience and chance to learn important legal and practice issues. I'll never forget how relieved I was when I started my first position out of law school and realized I was equipped to do it. I've enjoyed maintaining a relationship over the years and addressing some classes along the way.