

MINORITY CLERKSHIP PROGRAM



STUDENT INFORMATION

This opportunity is open to all regardless of race, gender or ethnicity and is offered to provide legal experience to law students who are underrepresented in the legal community through summer placements at local law firms, government agencies and corporate offices. Examples of underrepresented groups include and are not limited to individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds, individuals with disabilities, individuals from the LGBTQIA+ community, individuals who are first generation higher education students, and individuals who grew up in geographically disadvantaged communities or regions.

To participate in the clerkship program, first- and second-year students from The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law and Capital University Law School are evaluated by potential employers on the basis of their writing, interview skills, and academic profile.



Clerkships typically begin late May and early June and end by mid-August.



All MCP clerkships are paid positions. Payment arrangements and salary are all handled by the participating employers.



Employers may or may not decide to ask MCP clerks to return for the following summer.



Clerkships range from 4-11+ weeks and may include virtual components or remote placements.

APPLICATION & PROGRAM BASICS

- Mandatory attendance at annual information meeting
- Applicants indicate their preference of employers for interviews
- Application includes biographical information, personal statement, writing assignment, and resume
- Interviews by prospective employers
- Public and private sector positions are available
- Applicants for MCP attend a mandatory orientation program in preparation for the interviews.
- Open to 1L and 2L students from Capital University Law School and The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law

IMPORTANT DATES

Mandatory Information Session

Wednesday, November 4, 2026 (12-1pm on Zoom)

Mandatory Information Session

Saturday, November 7, 2026 (9-10 am on Zoom)

Mandatory Information Session

Tuesday, November 17, 2026 (5-6 pm on Zoom)

Application Live

Tuesday, November 17, 2026 (12pm)

Student Applications Due

Wednesday, January 6, 2027 by 11:59 pm

Mandatory Skills Workshop and Orientation

Saturday, January 23, 2027
(9am - 2pm @ CBA)

Receive Interview Assignments

Tuesday, February 2, 2027

Interviews Day 1-2

February 9-10, 2027 (2-5pm @ CBA)

Employer Offer Period Begins

Monday, February 22, 2027

Employer Offer Period Ends

Saturday, February 27, 2027

Employer/Student Mixer

April 2027 (date, time and location TBD)

STUDENT APPLICATION DEADLINE: January 6, 2027