

### **Environmental and Natural Resources Law Center**

## UNIVERSITY OF OREGON ENVIRONMENTAL & NATURAL RESOURCES LAW CENTER'S

# INTERDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH PROJECTS & FELLOWS PROGRAM FELLOWSHIPS FOR 2LS AND 3LS

To further the ENR Center's mission of "engaging the law to support sustainability on earth," the Center has developed seven theme-based projects that draw upon existing faculty strengths and provide synergistic opportunities for promoting student experience, providing service to the community, and bringing intellectual energy to bear on some of the most challenging and cutting-edge environmental issues of our day. Each year the ENR Center selects law students to work with faculty on these projects as ENR Fellows. The seven interdisciplinary projects are:

**The Conservation Trust Project:** Fellows focus on public trust theory and private property tools to achieve landscape conservation. Project Leaders: Susan Gary and Mary Wood.

Examples of Possible Research in 2020-2021:

- Public Trust Doctrine, Atmospheric Trust and Climate Litigation
- Innovative Business Models, Ethical Investing and the Divestment Movement

**The Energy Law and Policy Project:** Fellows explore innovative law and policy to promote a green energy future. Project leaders: Gregory Dotson and Roberta Mann.

Examples of Possible Research in 2020-2021:

- Efforts to Increase Electrified Transportation
- Carbon Policy in Oregon
- Dual Use: Agriculture and Renewable Energy Generation

**The Food Resiliency Project:** Fellows probe key law and policy issues to ensure resilient, sustainable food systems. Project leaders: Michael Fakhri and Mary Wood.

Examples of Possible Research in 2020-2021:

- Indigenous Food Sovereignty
- Right to Food

**The Global Environmental Democracy Project:** Fellows engage the law to advocate for global change. Project Leaders: John Bonine, Tom Lininger, and Mary Wood.

Examples of Possible Research in 2020-2021:

- Atmospheric Recovery Through Natural Climate Solutions
- Necessity Defense for Climate Activists

**The Native Environmental Sovereignty Project:** Fellows examine emerging tribal roles in co-managing lands and resources. Project Leaders: Howie Arnett and Mary Wood.

Examples of Possible Research in 2020-2021:

• Pacific Northwest Tribes and Fossil Fuel Infrastructure

**The Oceans, Coasts, and Watersheds Project:** Fellows engage the law to promote sustainability for ocean, coastal, and freshwater resources. Project Leaders: Sarah Adams-Schoen, Adell Amos.

Examples of Possible Research in 2020-2021:

- INFEWS: The Energy, Water and Food Nexus
- Approaches to Protect Surface and Ground Water
- State Resource Protections Under the Coastal Zone Management Act

**The Sustainable Land Use Project:** Fellows engage the law to ensure sustainable development in our communities by evaluating land use laws, theories, and practices. Project Leaders: Sarah Adams-Schoen. Examples of Possible Research in 2020-2021:

- Middle Housing
- Public Transit and Ride Sharing

#### **OPPORTUNITIES FOR 2LS AND 3LS:**

#### **Fellowships:**

The fellowship appointment requires a minimum of 40 hours/semester time commitment and involves three primary areas of work: (1) administrative work including preparation of summary sheets and concept papers for each project, office hours, ENR Center staffing, helping out with ENR events, assisting other projects, talking with prospective students, and regular meetings with Heather Brinton, ENR Director; (2) project development work including project event planning, short courses, developing externship opportunities related to the project, organizing conference panels and workshops, brown bags, community events, and guest speakers; and (3) substantive research and writing related to the project's goals, developing interdisciplinary approaches to the issues addressed by the project and integrating traditional coursework with specialized study in the substantive area. Fellows will receive financial support at \$20/ hour.

#### **Application Instructions:**

To apply for an ENR fellowship, rising 2Ls and 3Ls must submit an application to **enr@uoregon.edu** by **Friday**, **April 10**, **2020 at 5:00pm** that contains the following: (1) a cover letter which describes interest and experiences within the ENR program or project area for which the individual is applying; (2) the interdisciplinary project(s) for which you are applying [Note: you may apply for more than one, but please indicate your order of preference]; (3) résumé; (4) transcript; and (5) a list of any other leadership roles you have accepted or are pursuing for the 2019-2020 academic year. Please attach all documents in a single .pdf. If you have any questions or need any assistance, please let us know.