

**Application for *Borderlands Law* and the
Summer Externship in Laredo, Texas (Summer 2019)**

Please complete this two-page application (front and back), including all required attachments, and return the completed application and attachments (in hard copy) to Student Services by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, March 18, 2019.

Part I. General Information (please print)

Name: _____

Fort Worth-Area Mailing Address: _____

Email: _____

Home telephone (if any): _____ Cellphone: _____

Current cumulative GPA: _____

Number of credit hours expected to be completed in law school as of May 2, 2019: _____

Expected year of graduation: _____

Name(s) of LARW I and II Professor(s): _____

I will have the use of a car during the period from May 12-June 29, 2019 (circle one): **Yes / No.**

I will register for both *Borderlands Law* and the Summer Externship in Laredo (the “Laredo Externship”), a total of six credit hours (circle one): **Yes / No.**

I am fluent in conversational Spanish (circle one): **Yes / No.**

*PLEASE NOTE: *Borderlands Law* is a prerequisite for the Laredo Externship. A student may not register for the Laredo Externship without also registering for *Borderlands Law*. **Preference for acceptance to *Borderlands Law* will be given to students who register for both *Borderlands Law* and the Laredo Externship.***

Part II. Required Attachments

Please attach the following to this application: (1) a brief statement of up to 150 words about why you are interested in enrolling in Borderlands Law; (2) (if applicable) a brief statement of up to 150 words about why you are interested in enrolling in the Laredo Externship and the type of externship placement that you would prefer (see Part III, below); (3) a copy of your current resume; and (4) a copy of your most recent transcript (an *unofficial* copy of your transcript is acceptable).

Part III. Preference for Laredo Externship Placement (if also applying for externship)

Please rank the following Laredo externship placement settings in order (with “1” being your most preferred setting and “5” being your least preferred setting):

- _____ Federal Judge or Magistrate
- _____ Federal Public Defender
- _____ District Attorney’s Office
- _____ Private Law Firm
- _____ Legal Aid Office (Texas Rio Grande Legal Aid)

Part IV. Agreement

By completing and signing this application, I understand and agree that:

- Selection of students for enrollment in Borderlands Law and the Laredo Externship will be in the sole discretion of Professor Stephen Alton, who may require an interview with me prior to selection.
- Borderlands Law will meet from Sunday, May 12, through Monday, May 27, 2019 (inclusive). The Laredo Externship will meet from Tuesday, May 28, through Friday, June 28, 2019 (inclusive).
- I must attend all class meetings, field trips, and other daily activities in Borderlands Law in order to be counted as present for that day, and I may not miss more than one day (or any class, field trip, or activity in one day) in Borderlands Law. If I miss more than one day (or any class, field trip, or activity in one day) in Borderlands Law, I will be withdrawn from BOTH Borderlands Law and the Laredo Externship and will receive no credit for either course.
- Borderlands Law may require some preliminary reading and writing to be completed before May 13, 2019; Borderlands Law will require several book reviews and reflective papers that will be due, and must be turned in, at specified times during the two weeks of class meetings.
- I hereby authorize Professor Alton and my LARW I and II professor(s) to discuss my performance in LARW I and II in connection my application to Borderlands Law and, if applicable, the Laredo Externship.
- I hereby authorize Professor Alton to share my resume and my transcript, and to discuss my academic information, as necessary, with potential Laredo Externship supervisors for the purpose of securing my summer externship in Laredo.
- If I am selected for the Laredo Externship, I will be assigned to an externship placement in Laredo chosen by Professor Alton (after consultation with me), and I am willing to accept the externship to which I am assigned. Professor Alton cannot promise that I will receive my most preferred placement settings.
- Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, can be a very dangerous place, and I will not cross the border into Nuevo Laredo or elsewhere into Mexico during the time I spend in Laredo while enrolled in Borderlands Law and (if applicable) the Laredo Externship.

PLEASE NOTE: Because of generous support from Texas A&M University, the law school will pay for each student's housing costs (based on double-occupancy) for the entire seven weeks of Borderlands Law and the Laredo Externship (a total of six credit-hours) for each student who is enrolled in all six credit-hours. However, each student is responsible for paying his or her own resident tuition and fees for all six credit-hours, and law school scholarships cannot be applied to these summer credit-hours.

Student's Signature

Date