

Repeat Externship Information

So, you want to extern at the same placement again? Professor Larmore is happy to enroll you again at the same legal office, but wants to make sure you have all the information first. Before you decide to repeat an externship, take a few moments to consider your reasoning.

Good reasons to extern again:

- ▶ Get more significant and challenging work
- ▶ Get to see the next phase of a case/project you've been working on
- ▶ Continue a mentoring relationship
- ▶ Stick around to increase chances of getting hired post-graduation
- ▶ Show your interest in the practice area

Bad reasons to extern again:

- ▶ It's easier than looking for something new
- ▶ Simply for the paycheck, even if you're not totally happy with the work

Also, Professor Larmore conducted a study of externs who repeated placements in the same office and found both pros and cons to consider.

Pros of repeating an externship placement:

- ▶ 93% of students say it's a good experience
- ▶ All students saw improved legal skills
- ▶ Over 60% of repeat externs got a post-grad job offer

Cons of repeating an externship placement:

- ▶ Although 60%+ got a job offer, 75% had hoped for one
- ▶ 22% of students felt "stuck" in the practice area
- ▶ 12.5% of students said they were "bored"

So please take a minute to consider whether you really want to continue for another semester at the same placement. If you do, go ahead and register for the externship course as usual. If you decide not to, or want to discuss your options, please contact Professor Larmore (larmore@chapman.edu).