

# **Clinical Faculty and Assistant Director: Call for Applications**

The Office of the Vice Chancellor and the Vice Dean of Clinical Legal Education, Jindal Global Law School is accepting applications for the position of **Clinical Faculty and Assistant Director** for the **Law & Marginalisation Clinic, Centre for Justice Law & Society.** 

This is a full-time contractual position with Jindal Global Law School.

#### About the Organisation

#### A. Clinical legal Education at JGU

Clinical Legal Education (CLE) at Jindal Global Law School (JGLS) was launched with the inception of the University in 2009. At JGLS, we believe that community outreach is the responsibility of lawyers and consequently, the clinics are designed to enable students to imbibe the values required from socially responsible legal practitioners. These clinics work on social justice issues of vital importance. These issues include transgender rights, reproductive rights, rights of prisoners, and survivors of child sexual abuse. Therefore, in the last 15 years, clinics at JGLS have consistently strived towards community-centric thoughts and actions and creating opportunities for students to learn from lawyers and social workers who have championed causes of social justice.

#### B. The Law and Marginalisation Clinic, Centre for Justice, Law and Society (CJLS).

The Law and Marginalisation Clinic at the Centre for Justice, Law and Society is an advocacycommunity outreach and legal aid initiative that brings together activists, movements, scholars and community members. The goals of our clinic are decided by our collaborators and friends in the trans justice and SRHR movement. The Clinic's legal aid initiative was established in 2013 in response to a growing demand for legal aid and capacity-building by transgender and genderdiverse persons. Since then, we have assisted with targeted legal interventions (including court interventions, legal advice, legal assistance, drafting representations, and legal counselling) on key issues, including legal name and gender change on identity documents, equal opportunities in education and employment, police harassment, negligence in gender affirmative surgery and fair housing. In the last three years, we have intervened in 74 cases, out of which four are in legal proceedings before the Delhi High Court and Supreme Court of India. For our legal aid work, we also receive assistance from student paralegals. Apart from work on Trans Justice issues, the clinic also works on issues of Reproductive justice along with several civil society members, activists and scholars.

# C. Centre for Justice Law & Society

CJLS is a multidisciplinary reservation centre that seeks to bridge the gap between academia and activism that has spent over a decade dedicating its efforts to create spaces for learning to create awareness on issues of law and marginalisation and advocate for radical policy changes through its pedagogical interventions. critically engages with contemporary issues at the intersection of law, justice, society and marginalization in South Asia. CJLS is a collaborative endeavour of a group of scholars, activists and students who are engaged in high quality empirical and theoretical research. CJLS foregrounds the question of justice, especially intersectional justice, in law and society studies, to respond to the changing relationship between law and society in South Asia today. We are looking for individuals who are committed towards advancing social justice and are interested in working on issues at the intersection of law and marginalisation.

Please visit <u>https://jgu.edu.in/cjls/about-us/</u> to know more about the Centre and its work.

# The Assistant Director will work with the Director, CJLS to conceptualise and implement the vision and goals of their clinic.

# **Qualification Requirements**

This role comes with a teaching position and the candidate must therefore meet the criteria for a clinical teaching faculty. As per the policy of the Office of Clinical Legal Education at JGLS, individuals are required to meet the following requirements to be hired as teaching clinical faculty:

a. an LLM degree or other equivalent postgraduate qualification;

b. advocacy experience of five years, which shall include one year of

experience in clinical pedagogy; This may include coursework experience of clinical learning at an LLM Programme and/or clinical teaching.

c. experience in writing reports and publishing journal articles; and

d. Litigation experience will be valuable.

# Primary tasks will include:

- Clinical teaching and assessment for a one-year long clinical course for 8 credits;
- Supervising 2-credit winter and summer clinics in the month of January and July.
- Working on legal aid cases including client meetings, drafting, filing, coordinating with lawyers and court staff, among others;
- Supervising all the legal aid work undertaken by the Clinic including management and supervision of all cases for legal consultation and drafting and research for live cases before judicial forums;
- Facilitating client meetings and drafting of legal notices, letters and other such material for legal aid work at the Clinic;
- Supervising all lawyers, associates, paralegals and interns working with the Clinic on legal aid initiatives.
- Clinical projects, reports and publications including writing including research, writing, editing and designing.

- Fostering collaborators for clinical courses and developing a clinical project in consultation with them.
- Attending conferences, workshops and seminars including pedagogy workshops on clinical teaching
- Drafting funding proposals and report writing for grant opportunities;
- Drafting of quarterly and annual progress reports to be submitted to the CLE Office
- Managing the social media pages for the Law & Marginalisation Clinic

Please send your updated CV with a brief cover letter to <u>vd.cle@jgu.edu.in</u> and copy <u>devina.malaviya@jgu.edu.in</u>, <u>djain@jgu.edu.in</u>, <u>shahla.nigar@jgu.edu.in</u> and <u>dchaudhari@jgu.edu.in</u>.

Please use "Application for Position of Assistant Director L&M Clinic" as the subject of the email. Applications for the positions will be accepted until March 8<sup>th</sup> 2024 and the role commences flexibly between March - July 2024. Shortlisted candidates will be invited to participate an interview and will be notified by 15<sup>th</sup> March. Please note, only shortlisted candidates will be informed.

#### Remuneration will be commensurate with experience.

CJLS, JGLS is an equal opportunities employer and we encourage applicants from marginalised backgrounds including Dalit Bahujan and Adivasi persons, persons with disabilities, women, trans and non-binary persons as well as persons belonging to other minority groups.