UMKC School of Law Fall 2011

COURSE NAME: Tax Practicum

COURSE NUMBER: 8838R

PROFESSOR: Wiseman

ESSENTIAL PREREQUISITES: None

DESIRABLE PREREQUISITES: Federal Income Tax

COURSE BOOKS:

REQUIRED: Tax Research

RECOMMENDED:

METHOD OF GRADING & APPRAISAL OF STUDENT FOR GRADE: Pass Fail based on student paper and oral presentation of paper

SUMMARY DESCRIPTION OF COURSE: This course is primarily for LL.M. (tax) students or Combined JD/LL.M (tax) students. During the first week of class, we spend approximately 10 hours learning tax research through a combination of lecture and research exercises. The course focuses on both print material and electronic resources. The students are then assigned a research topic and use the research skills learned in this class to prepare a research memo. Finally, all students give an oral presentation of their research. Usually, students work in teams of two for the project, and usually, they work on a project for a local tax attorney.

RELEVANCY OF COURSE FOR CAREER PURPOSES: Extremely relevant for those pursuing a career in tax law.

RELEVANCY OF COURSE FOR MO/MULTI-STATE BAR EXAMINATION: Not tested