

Denver Law's Alternative Spring Break 2024: Durango, Colorado

Alternative Spring Break (ASB): For over 10 years, Denver Law has offered Alternative Spring Break to students, allowing students to provide critical legal and law related support to individuals and communities in need. Due to the pandemic, ASB was on hold for a number of years, but we are excited to re-launch Spring 2024 with a trip to Durango! Students who participate will travel to Durango, Colorado in order to gain exposure to the access to justice crisis, legal deserts, and practicing in rural areas.

Dates: Students will be expected to shadow and provide support from March 25-27, 2023. This will allow for travel time to/from Durango and still allow students to experience some rest and relaxation – a necessary part of any break.

Participating Offices: The following offices have agreed to host students, but *more may be added:*

- 6th Judicial District Attorney's Office (criminal prosecution)
- 6th Judicial District (judge still TBD)
- Albrechta Law (small firm employment law)
- Anderson and Baker (small firm family law)
- Colorado Legal Services (eviction defense/landlord tenant issues, family law with presence of domestic violence, consumer protection, and public benefits)
- Crane & Tejada (small firm criminal defense, personal injury, worker's compensation)
- Durango Family Law (small firm-family law)
- Reynolds Law Group (small firm civil lit, real estate, elder law)
- Sholler Edwards (small firm employment law)

Social Time: Students are encouraged to spend time exploring the region together/on their own. At least one social event will also be organized by the local bar.

Housing: Denver Law has secured Comfort Inn and Suites, 5 minutes from the sites, for free housing. Students will need to share a room. Students can also find and pay for their own housing – but will need to share that with organizers after confirmation.

Transportation: Students will be expected to drive to Durango; carpooling will be encouraged and Denver Law will help arrange this. If students want to fly, they can pay for such arrangements on their own.

Costs: We will provide estimated costs to all participating students. However, we hope to limit costs to food and then pay for student transportation (carpooling) and housing. By signing up below you are not yet confirmed and will still be able to "back out" of the trip if costs are a concern for you once shared or if you are not pleased with your placement.

Public Service Requirement: Participating in ASB 2024 can satisfy the public service requirement, assuming students complete relevant certifications (Dean Freeman will ensure supervisor certification).

To Apply: Complete this registration by Dec. 20. Your participation is not guaranteed until you receive a confirmation from Denver Law and you subsequently confirm. Additional details are shared in this registration.

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