



Petition for Relief Under the Modified Service Graduation Requirement

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STUDENT INFORMATION:

 Student Name
 Expected Date of Graduation

 Student Year
 Student ID Number

 Student Phone Number
 Student Email Address

MODIFIED SERVICE GRADUATION REQUIREMENT:

The COVID-19 Pandemic has uniquely altered the Winter, Summer, and Fall 2020 pro bono and community service work students normally perform. In light of these unforeseeable changes to the daily life of communities across the world, NSU Law has implemented the following temporary procedures and policies:

1.5.1.1 Modification of Mandatory Service Hours Requirement:

The service graduation requirement is reduced for December 2020 and May 2021 intended graduation students from 30 hours to 15 hours of qualifying service.

1.5.1.2 Fulfillment of Modified Mandatory Service Hours Requirement:

The requirement that December 2020 and May 2021 intended graduation students must fulfill this requirement by the end of the semester before they plan to graduate is suspended.

1.5.1.3 Evaluation of Non-Fulfillment of Modified Mandatory Service Hours Requirement:

December 2020 and May 2021 intended graduation students who have not fulfilled this temporarily modified service graduation requirement (a minimum of 15 hours of pro bono and/or community service hours) will have their situations evaluated individually by the Dean of Student Services and the Director of Public Interest Programs based only on a petition filed by the student.

PETITION REQUIREMENTS FOR NON-FULFILLMENT OF MODIFIED MANDATORY SERVICE HOURS:

Please utilize the space below for your answers and attach (a) separate document(s) if needed to support this petition.

(A) Graduation Service Hours Completed:

Total Service Hours Completed	Total Service Hours Submitted to NSU Law
Total Service Hours Still Need to Complete	Total Service Hours Still Need to Submit to NSU Law
Organization(s) Where the Service Hours Were Completed AND Month and Year of Service Completed There	

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(B) Please explain why you believe you will not be able to fulfill your graduation service requirement.

Please utilize the space below for your answer and be sure to include any established relationship volunteering with (a) community partner(s), and any plans you may have had to complete service that was disrupted.

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(C) Personal impact by the Pandemic.

Please utilize the space below to describe the extent to which you have been personally impacted by the pandemic. This may include, but not limited to: changes in work, family, and other obligations; food and/or housing insecurity caused or exacerbated by the pandemic; physical and/or mental health challenges (to you or immediate family member that you have responsibilities of care or support for) caused or exacerbated by the pandemic; and any other changes in circumstances that are particular to you.

CERTIFICATION:

I hereby certify that: the information listed above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge; I am a law student currently enrolled at NSU Law with an anticipated graduation date of December 2020 or May 2021; I understand this petition is subject to individual review by the Dean of Student Services and the Director of the Public Interest Programs; if my petition is not approved, I understand that I must meet the modified service graduation requirement of 15 hours prior to graduation.

Signature of Student

Date

Please submit your petition to Jennifer Gordon, Esq., Director of Public Interest Programs by Friday, February 19th, 2021 at 6pm.

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