

ABSTRACT

THE IMPORTANCE OF CLINICAL LEGAL EDUCATION IN NEPAL

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A research study has shown that the representation of the poor in the judicial process is minimal with lawyers reluctant to take up pro-bono legal aid cases. The author firstly intends to explain the concept of clinical legal education and its importance in the legal education system. The author will then highlight the Nepalese legal education system and the challenges that it faces. In the second part the author will list the various actors that can play a role in the Nepalese legal education system. In the third part the author lament a few efforts made by Nepalese law schools and how they have tried to address the challenge of adopting clinical legal education. While discussing the illusions and misconceptions of the Nepalese law schools the author calls for such law schools to review their policies to make them more socially accessible to the larger population.

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