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### Strategies for Selecting Courses

*In order to plan your second- and third-year schedules wisely, you will need to consider a number of factors – including preparation for the bar exam, your interests and career goals, and the practical realities of how often certain courses appear on the schedule. The list of “strategies” below offers a number of perspectives you should consider as you formulate your course choices.*

#### The Course and Exam Schedule

Foremost, you should consult the Course and Exam Schedule issued a few months before each semester. The schedule will list the specific courses offered for that semester, their meeting times, and their exam times. Notably, a typical schedule includes several new or experimental classes not described in the School of Law catalog – these courses appear under the name Selected Legal Topics.

You will often find that two (or more) courses you want to take appear in the same time slot on the schedule. Accordingly, one of the significant challenges you will face is to choose which of these classes you want to take. Several of the strategies detailed below will help you make this choice – in particular, you should consider how often the conflicting courses typically appear on the schedule (see **Frequency**).

As you plan your schedule, you should carefully determine the exam dates for each class. While you should not avoid an important class just because it will lead to a demanding exam schedule, you should not unnecessarily disadvantage yourself with an exam schedule that gives you insufficient time to study for each course.

#### Requirements

- 1) You must successfully complete a minimum of 90 credit hours of law courses.
- 2) You must have a cumulative G.P.A. of 2.00 or better.
- 3) You may complete those 90 required credit hours in a minimum of 24 months from commencement of law study and a maximum of 84 months from commencement of law study
  - If you plan on graduating with fewer than five traditional Fall or Spring semesters, you must obtain advance permission from the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs. You should consult with the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs regarding your plan as early in law school as possible.

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4) You must have a minimum of 75 of the 90 required credit hours in courses that meet in regularly scheduled class sessions.

- Externships, co-curriculars (law journals, moot court, trial advocacy, negotiation, etc.), and individual study do not count as “regularly scheduled” classes. Certain designated clinics do not count as “regularly scheduled” classes. The Registrar will regularly list those courses that count and do not count as classes that meet in regularly scheduled class sessions.
- You may seek advance permission from the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs for an exception allowing you to have a minimum of 70 of the 90 required credit hours in courses that meet in regularly scheduled class sessions. After a brief conference, the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs will normally grant this exception.

5) You must have a minimum of 70 of the 90 required credit hours in letter-graded classes rather than Z-graded classes.

- No more than 4 Z-graded credit hours of the 90 required credit hours may come from co-curricular activities (law journals, moot court, trial advocacy, negotiation, etc.). (Exception: Enrollment in Law 610 Law Journal allows the Editor-in-Chief of the Mississippi Law Journal to count 5 Z-graded hours toward the 90 required credit hours.)
- Pursuant to the policy on Visiting and Transient Course Work, you may seek advance permission from the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs for an exception allowing you to visit at another school for more than a semester.

6) You must also successfully complete the following courses:

- 1L Required Courses (those entering 2012 or 2013):
  - Law 503 Civil Procedure I (3 credits, one semester)
  - Law 507 Constitutional Law I (3 credits, one semester)
  - Law 501 Contracts (6 credits, two semesters)
  - Law 568 Criminal Law (3 credits, one semester)
  - Law 514 & 515 Legal Research and Writing I & II (6 credits, two semesters)
  - Law 504 Property (4 credits, one semester)
  - Law 502 Torts (6 credits, two semesters)
- 1L Required Courses (those entering 2014):
  - Law 503 Civil Procedure I (3 credits, one semester)
  - Law 507 Constitutional Law I (3 credits, one semester)
  - Law 501 Contracts (4 credits, two semesters)
  - Law 568 Criminal Law (3 credits, one semester)
  - Law 514 & 515 Legal Research and Writing I & II (6 credits, two semesters)
  - Law 504 Property (4 credits, one semester)
  - Law 502 Torts (4 credits, two semesters)
  - A Three Hour Elective as Determined by Law Faculty

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- Law 603 Legal Profession
- Upper Level Writing Course  
*The Registrar will list on each semester schedule those courses designated as satisfying this requirement.*
  
- Skills Requirement
  - You must successfully complete three skills courses. Normally, a student satisfies the requirement with three courses in the required January Skill Session.
  - For each spring semester in residence, you must take a skills course in the required January Skill Session.
  - If you are unable to successfully complete three January Skill Session courses, you must obtain permission from the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs to substitute a designated skills course for each January Skill Session course you did not complete. The Registrar will list on each semester schedule those courses designated as skills courses.

Note: You will need to substitute one or more skills courses under this provision if you seek to graduate in less than three traditional years, if you transferred, if you took a leave during a Spring semester, or if you withdrew from or failed a Skill Session course.

7) You must file an Intent to Graduate Form as directed by the Registrar. If you are pursuing a certificate program, you will need to submit the associated Statement of Completion form with your Intent to Graduate form.

- If you seek to graduate in May, you must file the form in the preceding fall semester.
- If you seek to graduate in August, you must file the form in the preceding spring semester.
- If you seek to graduate in December, you must file the form in the preceding spring semester.

### Bar Exam Preparation

The bar exam emphasizes first-year courses and certain upper-level courses. In order to prepare for the bar, many students enroll in a bar review course following graduation. Although you can learn a few new topics during bar review, prudence dictates that you should take a significant number of bar courses during law school, especially those subjects heavily tested by the bar examiners.

Please refer to **Upper-Level Courses Emphasized on the Bar Exam** for guidance on which courses will help you prepare for the bar.

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### Course Selection

Many students – perhaps even the majority – do not yet have clearly defined career plans, or definite thoughts about which area of law they enjoy. Some will have broad general law practices. In addition, the areas in which many lawyers practice will change over the course of their careers. It, therefore, is important to take a range of courses that constitute the backbone of a solid legal education. The faculty strongly recommends that all students take many if not all of the following courses:

- Civil Procedure II
- Constitutional Law II
- Corporations
- Criminal Procedure I
- Evidence
- Family Law
- Income Tax of Individuals
- Secured Transactions
- Wills and Estates

You should also enroll in a steady progression of bar subjects. Next, you should consider several of the course selection strategies listed below and take courses with the expectation that you will develop a sense of which area of law suits you best. Ideally, you should also avail yourself of the special opportunities that law school offers to expand your interests by exploring unfamiliar topics and courses that will enrich your life as a lawyer even if they do not tangibly benefit your career.

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In addition to taking courses to prepare for the bar exam, you should also take courses to prepare for your career and to satisfy your interests. To the extent you know the area of practice that you would like to pursue, you should take core and supplemental courses in that field. In many substantive areas, you will find it difficult to take every core course, much less every related course, and still cover a safe number of bar subjects. You will need to make some compromises and sacrifices. Similarly, although you can use law school to follow your personal interests, you should balance that pursuit with the reality of the bar exam.

Please refer to **Areas of Interest** for guidance on different major substantive areas of practice, the core and supplemental courses in those fields, and some suggestions on which courses to take as soon as possible.

### Logistics

#### Prerequisites

Some upper-level courses have prerequisites and/or co-requisites. For example, Evidence is typically a prerequisite for the trial practice courses, and Income Taxation of Individuals is a common prerequisite for the advanced tax courses. Occasionally, instructors waive the prerequisites.

Please refer to **Course Logistics** for guidance on prerequisites.

#### Sequencing

Many upper level courses will make more sense if you have taken appropriate foundation courses first – even if those foundation courses are not prerequisites.

Please refer to the **Areas of Interest** listings for guidance on which Core courses you should take as soon as possible. In each area of interest, you will find certain courses marked with an asterisk designating that course as a foundation course.

#### Frequency

The School of Law offers some upper-level courses every semester – typically those heavily tested on the bar and those foundation courses necessary for more advanced study. Other courses, however, appear less frequently. In planning your schedule, you should recognize that certain courses may be offered only once while you are in law school – you need to take those courses when they appear.

Please refer to **Course Logistics** for guidance on the approximate frequency each course is offered.

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### Variety / Enrichment / Diversity

Law school affords you the chance to explore topics that practicing lawyers cannot find listed on the CLE calendar. A number of theoretical and interdisciplinary courses appear on the schedule each year (e.g., Law and Literature). Moreover, courses outside your anticipated area of practice will increase your understanding of and appreciation for the law and will enrich your professional life. On a more practical level, exploration of the curriculum may lead you to shift your interests in a direction more suited to your personality or intellect than the area you initially planned on studying.

Please refer to **Perspectives Courses** for a list of classes that offer a theoretical or interdisciplinary understanding of the law.

### Clinical and Externship Opportunities

To receive hands-on experience in the practice of law, you should consider the Law School's clinical and externship programs. In the **Clinics**, 2L and 3L students work in one of seven areas: child advocacy, elder law, policy/legislation, transactional, housing, tax and street law (for more information, see Desiree Hensley). In the **Criminal Appeals**, 3L students are admitted to practice before the state supreme court or court of appeals for the purpose of representing a client during the appellate process (for more information, see Phil Broadhead). In the **Mississippi Innocence Project**, 2L and 3L students investigate and litigate cases – DNA cases as well as non-DNA cases – to aid incarcerated individuals who have viable claims of innocence (for more information, see Tucker Carrington). **Externships** places 3L students with government agencies and with judges, public defenders, and prosecutors, as well as with non-profit organizations and other pro bono attorneys (for more information, see Hans Sinha).

NOTE: Many of these programs have prerequisites. Please consult **Course Logistics**.

### Certificate Programs

The Law School has approved a **Certificate in Business Law, Certificate in Criminal Law, Certificate in Remote Sensing, Air and Space Law**. These certificates require extensive concentration in that substantive area. To obtain this certificate you typically must begin the coursework during your second year in order to complete the requirements.



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### **Professors You Like / Professors You Have Not Yet Had**

If you do not have a defined area of interest, and you have enrolled in a reasonable number of bar subjects, it may make sense to take courses offered by professors that you enjoy or by professors with whom you have not yet had a class. The logic for taking courses with professors you like is that your enthusiasm for the teacher may lead to success in the course and interest in the topic. Be forewarned, however, that some professors adopt different styles in different courses, while others teach dramatically unrelated topics. By taking classes with new professors, you will not only explore the curriculum, but will also experience a variety of approaches to legal reasoning.

Please refer to **Course Logistics** and to **Elective Courses Typically Offered by Each Professor** for guidance on which upper level classes each instructor usually teaches.

### **Size/Style**

In the same way that diversity of subject matter will enrich your legal education, variety of course size and style will also prove beneficial. After first-year, many students take advantage of numerous courses with small enrollments – usually the non-bar exam topics. Moreover, the second- and third-year electives provide many opportunities for enrollment in classes that deviate from the standard case method and the single-final-exam approach. An ideal schedule would include a mix of large and small classes, and a combination of exam classes, practice/skills classes, and paper-writing courses.

### **Consultation With Advisors / Employers / Professors**

You should discuss course selection with professors whose opinions you value, potential or future employers, and other mentors. In other words, ask for guidance.

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### Skills Courses

*The following classes satisfy the Skills Requirement. Remember, you must complete a total of 9 credits. Please consult the Course Schedule to determine which courses are offered each semester.*

Advanced Legal Research  
Alternative Dispute Resolution  
Appellate Advocacy  
Clinics: Child Advocacy  
Clinics: Criminal Appeals  
Clinics: Elder Law  
Clinics: Externship  
Clinics: Housing  
Clinics: Innocence Project  
Clinics: Legislation and Policy  
Clinics: MacArthur Justice Clinic  
Clinics: Pro Bono Initiative  
Clinics: Street Law  
Clinics: Tax  
Clinics: Transactional  
Conflict Management Practicum  
Contract Negotiation and Drafting  
Criminal Trial Evidence Skills  
Criminal Trial Practice  
Estate Planning  
Federal Trial Practice  
General Practice  
Interviewing and Counseling  
Lawyering Skills Workshop  
Legal Problems of Indigence  
Pretrial Practice  
Supreme Court Practice  
Tax Problems  
Wills and Trusts Drafting

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### Writing Courses

*The following courses are often offered in a format that will fulfill the Upper-Level Writing Requirement. Consult the Course Schedule each semester to determine which courses are actually offered as Upper-Level Writing Requirement courses. Note that the Course Schedule typically includes one or more Selected Legal Topic classes that satisfy the Upper-Level Writing Requirement.*

Academic Legal Writing  
Advanced Legal Ethics  
Advanced Legal Writing  
Bioethics  
Capital Punishment and the Judicial Process  
Clinics: Criminal Appeals  
Communications Law  
Comparative National Space Law  
Constitutional Law Seminar  
Disability Law and Policy  
Estate Planning  
European Union Law  
Fourth Amendment Seminar  
Gaming Law  
Gender and the Law  
International Aviation Law  
International Human Rights Law  
International Security Law and Policy  
International Space Law  
Law and Film  
Law and Literature  
Law and Medicine  
Legal History  
Legal Problems of Indigence  
Political and Civil Rights  
Remote Sensing Law  
School Law Seminar  
Space Security Law  
Supreme Court Practice  
The Prosecution Function  
U.S. National Aviation Law  
United States Domestic Space Law  
White Collar Crime  
and Selected Legal Topic courses as listed in the Course Schedule

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### Upper-Level Courses Emphasized on the Bar Exam

In many states, the bar exam consists of four components typically tested over three days: (1) the State Essay Exam, (2) the Multi-State Essay Exam, (3) the Multi-State Bar Exam, and (4) the Multi-State Performance Exam. Additionally, you must pass the Multi-State Professional Responsibility Exam, although you may take this component in advance of the bar exam.

– The State Essay Exam typically covers several substantive areas beyond the first year curriculum. Listed below are the areas tested for several states. PLEASE CONDUCT YOUR OWN RESEARCH TO CONFIRM THAT THE SPECIFIC TOPICS TESTED BY EACH STATE.

Mississippi: Administrative Law, Agency, Bankruptcy, Commercial Paper, Conflict of Laws, Constitutional Law I & II, Contracts/Sales, Corporations, Criminal Law & Procedure I, Domestic Relations, Evidence, Federal Civil Procedure, Federal Income Tax, Federal Jurisdiction & Rules of Civil Procedure, Mississippi Constitutional Law, Partnerships, Practice & Procedure of Mississippi Courts, Professional Conduct & Ethics, Real Property, Secured Transactions, Torts, UCC, Wills, Estates, Trusts & Future Interests, and Worker's Compensation.

Alabama: Alabama Civil Litigation (Civil Procedure & Remedies), Agency, Conflict of Laws, Equity, Family Law, Partnerships, UCC, Trusts & Estates, and Wills

Arkansas: Agency, Commercial Paper, Conflict of Laws, Constitutional Law I & II, Contracts/Sales, Corporations, Criminal Law & Procedure I, Domestic Relations, Equity, Evidence, Federal Civil Procedure, Partnerships, Secured Transactions, Wills, and Estates & Trusts

Tennessee: Agency, Civil Procedure (State & Federal), Commercial Paper & Bulk Transfers, Conflict of Laws, Constitutional Law I & II, Contracts/Sales, Corporations, Criminal Law & Procedure I, Corporations, Domestic Relations or Personal Status, Evidence, Partnerships, Personal Property, Professional Responsibility, Restitution & Remedies, Secured Transactions, State Constitutional Law, and Wills & Estates.

– The Multi-State Essay Exam covers the following topics – with the topics and number of questions selected by the state: Business Associations (Agency and Partnership; Corporations and Limited Liability Companies), Conflict of Laws, Constitutional Law I & II, Contracts/Sales, Criminal Law and Procedure I, Evidence, Family Law, Federal Civil Procedure, Real Property, Torts, Trusts and Estates (Decedents' Estates; Trusts and Future Interests), and Uniform Commercial Code (Commercial Paper (Negotiable

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Instruments); Secured Transactions).

– The Multi-State Bar Exam is a six-hour, two-hundred question multiple-choice examination covering Contracts/Sales, Torts, Constitutional Law I and II, Criminal Law and Procedure I, Evidence, Real Property, and Civil Procedure.

– The Multi-State Performance Test consists of a case file and some legal authorities. You must assess the facts, analyze the relevant authorities (potential cases, statutes, and administrative materials), and complete a writing project that applies the law to the facts in a manner that resolves the client's problem. The test often contains ethical issues as well other areas of substantive law.

As you can see, some subjects appear on several components of the bar exam. Upper-level electives tested on multiple components in many states include:

Civil Procedure II  
Conflict of Laws  
Constitutional Law II  
Corporations  
Criminal Procedure I  
Evidence  
Family Law  
UCC (Secured Transactions & Commercial Paper)  
Wills and Estates

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### Areas of Interest

*In the course of your law school career, you should consider taking courses that will prepare you for a particular practice area or area of personal interest to you. This section of the Guide provides a list – by no means exhaustive – of such areas of interest and separates related courses into core and supplemental categories.*

*You may wish to sample core courses in a variety of areas or, if you already know what practice area you expect to pursue or have a strong personal interest in, you may wish to take most or all of the core courses and a significant number of supplemental courses in that area. Unfortunately, in most cases you will not have time to take more than a small number of supplemental courses under a particular area of interest. You should also consider other strategies for selecting courses, especially with respect to courses that will best prepare you for the bar exam.*

*The list of areas of interest is provided immediately below, with the core and supplemental courses for each area beginning on the following page. In some cases, an asterisk appears next to a core course. This means that the course is one that generally should be taken before at least one other course in the list (e.g., Income Tax I before Income Tax II).*

*The asterisk is intended to help you determine the order in which you take courses, but not to suggest that the asterisked course is necessarily more important than other core courses in a particular area.*

### Areas of Interest

**Alternative Dispute Resolution**  
**Business / Transactional Law**  
**Civil Rights Law**  
**Clinical Programs: Criminal**  
**Clinical Programs: Civil**  
**Commercial Litigation**  
**Criminal Law**  
**Domestic Relations**  
**Employment Law**  
**Environmental Law**

**Estate Planning**  
**General / Solo Practice**  
**Government Law**  
**Intellectual Property**  
**International Law**  
**Public Interest Law**  
**Real Estate**  
**Space Law**  
**Tax Law**  
**Tort Litigation**

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### Alternative Dispute Resolution

#### Core

Alternative Dispute Resolution\*  
Civil Procedure II  
Evidence\*  
Pretrial Practice

#### Supplemental

Administrative Law  
Advanced Legal Research  
Advanced Legal Writing  
Conflict Management Practicum  
Conflict of Laws  
Employer-Employee Relations  
Employment Law  
Entertainment Law  
Family Law  
Federal Jurisdiction  
International Commercial Arbitration  
Interviewing and Counseling  
Immigration Law  
Labor Arbitration Law  
Labor Law  
Negotiation Board  
Problems in Evidence  
Sentencing  
Sports Law  
Workers' Compensation

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### Business / Transactional Law

#### Core

- Bankruptcy\*
- Corporations\*
- Income Taxation of Corporations and Shareholders
- Income Taxation of Individuals\*
- Secured Transactions
- Securities Regulation

#### Supplemental

- Administrative Law
- Agency and Partnership
- Antitrust Law
- Banking Law
- Bankruptcy Reorganization Seminar
- Business Law Practicum
- Business Planning
- Clinics: Transactional
- Commercial Paper
- Communications Law
- Conflict of Laws
- Contract Drafting
- Copyright Law
- Corporate Finance Law
- Deferred Compensation
- Employee Benefits
- Employer-Employee Relations
- Employment Discrimination
- Energy Law
- Entertainment Law
- Environmental Law
- Essential Business Concepts
- Evidence
- Federal Jurisdiction
- Gaming Law
- Health Care Law
- Health Care Law II
- Income Tax II
- Insurance
- Int'l Aviation Financing and Leasing Law
- Intellectual Property
- International Trade
- Internet Law
- Labor Law I
- Law and Economics



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### **Business / Transactional Law Continued**

#### **Supplemental Continued**

Legal Accounting  
Partnership Taxation  
Patent Law  
Remedies  
Sports Law  
Trusts  
White Collar Crime

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### Civil Rights Law

#### Core

- Constitutional Law II\*
- Constitutional Law Seminar
- Disabilities Law and Policy
- Employment Discrimination
- Federal Trial Practice
- Political and Civil Rights
- Supreme Court Practice

#### Supplemental

- Advanced Legal Research
- Advanced Legal Writing
- Bioethics
- Capital Punishment and the Judicial Process
- Constitutional Law Seminar
- Criminal Procedure I: Investigations
- Critical Race Theory
- Employer-Employee Relations
- Federal Habeas Corpus Remedies
- Federal Jurisdiction
- Gender and the Law
- Higher Education and the Law
- Clinics: Innocence Project
- International Human Rights Law
- International Security Law and Policy
- Jurisprudence
- Law and Medicine
- Law and Religion
- Law of Armed Conflict
- Legal History
- Legal Problems of Indigence
- Legislation
- Remedies
- School Law Seminar
- Supreme Court Practice

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### Clinical Programs: Civil

#### Core

Clinics: Child Advocacy  
Clinics: Elder Law  
Clinics: Housing  
Clinics: Innocence Project  
Clinics: Legislation and Policy  
Clinics: Street Law  
Clinics: Transactional  
Civil Procedure II\*  
Evidence\*  
Family Law  
Federal Trial Practice

#### Supplemental

Alternative Dispute Resolution  
Conflict Management Practicum  
Family Law Seminar  
Housing Law  
Interviewing and Counseling  
Legal Problems of Indigence  
Legislation  
Pretrial Practice  
Clinics: Externship (public service area)

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### Clinical Programs: Criminal

#### Core

Clinics: Criminal Appeals  
Clinics: Externship  
Clinics: Innocence Project  
Criminal Procedure I: Investigations\*  
Criminal Procedure II: Adjudication\*  
Criminal Trial Practice  
Evidence  
Prosecution Function

#### Supplemental

Capital Punishment and the Judicial Process  
Criminal Trial Evidence Skills  
Cybercrime  
Federal Habeas Corpus Remedies  
Federal Jurisdiction  
Interviewing and Counseling  
Legislation  
Problems in Evidence  
Sentencing  
White Collar Crime

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### Commercial Litigation

#### Core

- Bankruptcy
- Corporations\*
- Civil Procedure II\*
- Evidence\*
- Federal Trial Practice
- Mississippi Civil Practice
- Pretrial Practice
- Secured Transactions

#### Supplemental

- Administrative Law
- Advanced Legal Research
- Advanced Legal Writing
- Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Antitrust Law
- Bankruptcy Reorganization Seminar
- Commercial Paper
- Conflict of Laws
- Corporate Finance Law
- Employer-Employee Relations
- Employment Discrimination
- Entertainment Law
- Federal Jurisdiction
- Income Taxation of Individuals
- Insurance
- Intellectual Property
- International Commercial Arbitration
- Internet Law
- Labor Law
- Law and Economics
- Legal Accounting
- Legislation
- Problems in Evidence
- Remedies
- Securities Regulation
- Sports Law
- White Collar Crime
- Workers' Compensation

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### Criminal Law

#### Core

Clinics: Criminal Appeals  
Clinics: Externship  
Clinics: Innocence Project  
Criminal Procedure I: Investigations\*  
Criminal Procedure II: Adjudication\*  
Criminal Trial Practice  
Evidence\*  
Federal Habeas Corpus Remedies

#### Supplemental

Advanced Legal Research  
Advanced Legal Writing  
Capital Punishment and the Judicial Process  
Criminal Trial Evidence Skills  
Cybercrime  
Federal Jurisdiction  
Legislation  
Problems in Evidence  
Sentencing  
White Collar Crime

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### Domestic Relations

#### Core

Alternative Dispute Resolution  
Children in the Legal System  
Family Law\*  
Family Law Seminar

#### Supplemental

Administrative Law  
Advanced Legal Research  
Advanced Legal Writing  
Bioethics  
Conflict of Laws  
Employee Benefits  
Estate Planning  
Federal Trial Practice  
Gender and the Law  
Immigration Law  
Income Taxation of Individuals  
Interviewing and Counseling  
Law and Medicine  
Trusts  
Wills and Estates  
Wills and Trusts Drafting

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### Employment Law

#### Core

Disabilities Law and Policy  
Employee Benefits  
Employment Discrimination  
Employer-Employee Relations\*  
Gender and the Law  
Labor Arbitration  
Labor Law \*

#### Supplemental

Advanced Legal Research  
Advanced Legal Writing  
Administrative Law  
Alternative Dispute Resolution  
Deferred Compensation  
Entertainment Law  
Federal Jurisdiction  
Higher Education and the Law  
Insurance  
Labor Arbitration Law  
Law and Economics  
Legislation  
Local Government Law  
Political and Civil Rights  
School Law Seminar  
Seaman's Remedies  
Sports Law  
Workers' Compensation



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### Environmental Law

#### Core

Administrative Law\*  
Environmental Law\*  
Legislation

#### Supplemental

Advanced Legal Research  
Advanced Legal Writing  
Agriculture Law  
Coastal and Ocean Law  
Energy Law  
Environmental and Toxic Torts  
Federal Jurisdiction  
International Environmental Law  
Land Planning  
Law and Economics  
Natural Resources  
Oil and Gas  
Public Utility Law  
Remedies  
Remote Sensing Law  
White Collar Crime

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### Estate Planning

#### Core

- Income Taxation of Individuals\*
- Income Taxation of Corporations and Shareholders
- Legal Accounting
- Wills and Estates\*
- Wills and Trusts Drafting

#### Supplemental

- Agency and Partnership
- Conflict of Laws
- Deferred Compensation
- Employee Benefits
- Estate Planning
- Federal Taxation of Gratuitous Transfers
- Tax Problems
- Trusts

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### General / Solo Practice

#### Core

Alternative Dispute Resolution  
Civil Procedure II  
Corporations\*  
Criminal Procedure I: Investigations  
Criminal Procedure II: Adjudication  
Evidence  
Family Law  
Income Taxation of Individuals\*  
Land Finance I or Land Titles  
Mississippi Civil Practice  
Pretrial Practice  
Solo Practice (Selected Legal Topic)

#### Supplemental

Advanced Legal Research  
Advanced Legal Writing  
Agency and Partnership  
Administrative Law  
Bankruptcy  
Business Planning  
Conflict of Laws  
Employer-Employee Relations  
Employment Discrimination  
Federal Jurisdiction  
Federal Trial Practice  
Immigration  
Income Tax II  
Income Taxation of Corporations and Shareholders  
Insurance  
Lawyering Skills Workshop  
Legal Accounting  
Local Government Law  
Remedies  
Secured Transactions  
Wills and Estates  
Wills and Trusts Drafting  
Workers' Compensation

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### Government Law

#### Core

Administrative Law\*  
Constitutional Law II\*  
Federal Jurisdiction  
Federal Trial Practice  
Legislation\*

#### Supplemental

Advanced Legal Research  
Advanced Legal Writing  
Antitrust Law  
Banking Law  
Disabilities Law and Policy  
Communications Law  
Criminal Procedure II: Adjudication  
Employment Discrimination  
Environmental Law  
European Union Law  
Federal Jurisdiction  
Gaming Law  
Health Care Law  
Health Care Law II  
Higher Education and the Law  
Housing Law  
Immigration  
International Law  
International Security Law and Policy  
International Telecommunication Law  
Intellectual Property  
Land Planning  
Law of Armed Conflict  
Local Government Law  
Political and Civil Rights  
Public International Air Law  
School Law Seminar  
Securities Regulation  
Structures and Powers in the U.S. Constitution  
U.S. Aviation Law  
U.S. Domestic Space Law  
Workers' Compensation

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### Intellectual Property

#### Core

- Administrative Law\*
- Copyright Law
- Intellectual Property\*
- Patent Law

#### Supplemental

- Advanced Legal Research
- Advanced Legal Writing
- Antitrust
- Cybercrime
- Entertainment Law
- International Intellectual Property
- International Trade
- Internet Law
- Law and Economics
- Legislation
- Remedies
- Remote Sensing Law

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### International Law

#### Core

- Comparative Law\*
- Conflict of Laws
- International Law\*
- International Trade

#### Supplemental

- Admiralty
- Coastal and Ocean Law
- Cybercrime
- European Union Law
- Immigration Law
- International Aviation Law
- International Commercial Arbitration
- International Environmental Law
- International Human Rights Law
- International Security Law and Policy
- International Space Law
- International Telecommunication Law
- Int'l Aviation Finance and Leasing Law
- Law of Armed Conflict
- Oil and Gas
- Private International Air Law
- Public International Air Law
- Remote Sensing Law

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### Public Interest Law

#### Core

Constitutional Law II\*  
Federal Trial Practice  
Legislation  
Political and Civil Rights

#### Supplemental

Advanced Legal Ethics  
Advanced Legal Research  
Advanced Legal Writing  
Alternative Dispute Resolution  
Clinics: Child Advocacy  
Clinics: Elder Law  
Clinics: Externship  
Clinics: Housing  
Clinics: Innocence Project  
Clinics: Legislation and Policy  
Clinics: MacArthur Justice Clinic  
Clinics: Pro Bono Initiative  
Clinics: Street Law  
Clinics: Transactional  
Conflict Management Practicum  
Critical Race Theory  
Disabilities Law and Policy  
Environmental Law  
Family Law  
Federal Jurisdiction  
Gender and the Law  
Health Care Law  
Health Care Law II  
Housing Law  
Immigration Law  
Income Taxation of Individuals  
International Human Rights  
Land Planning  
Law and Literature  
Law and Medicine  
Law and Religion  
Legal History  
Legal Problems of Indigence  
Remedies

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### Real Estate

#### Core

- Land Finance I\*
- Land Finance II
- Land Planning
- Land Titles

#### Supplemental

- Agency and Partnership
- Agriculture Law
- Bankruptcy
- Contract Drafting
- Eminent Domain Seminar
- Environmental Law
- Housing Law
- Local Government Law
- Natural Resources Law
- Oil and Gas
- Trusts
- Wills and Estates



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### Space and Aviation Law

#### Core

Administrative Law\*  
Comparative National Space Law  
Intellectual Property  
International Aviation Law  
International Law\*  
International Space Law  
International Telecommunication Law  
International Trade  
Int'l Aviation Financing and Leasing Law  
Journal of Space Law  
Private International Air Law  
Public International Air Law  
Remote Sensing Law  
Space Security Law  
United States Domestic Space Law\*  
U.S. National Aviation Law\*

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### Tax Law

#### Core

- Corporations\*
- Income Taxation of Individuals\*
- Income Tax II
- Income Tax of Corporations and Shareholders
- Legal Accounting\*
- Partnership Tax

#### Supplemental

- Administrative Law
- Business Planning
- Clinics: Tax
- Corporate Finance Law
- Deferred Compensation
- Employee Benefits
- Estate Planning
- Federal Taxation of Gratuitous Transfers
- Law and Economics
- Legislation
- Tax Problems
- White Collar Crime
- Wills and Estates
- Wills and Trusts Drafting

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### Tort Litigation

#### Core

Alternative Dispute Resolution  
Civil Procedure II\*  
Evidence\*  
Federal Trial Practice  
Mississippi Civil Practice  
Pretrial Practice

#### Supplemental

Advanced Legal Research  
Advanced Legal Writing  
Appellate Advocacy  
Clinics:  
Conflict of Laws  
Disabilities Law and Policy  
Employer-Employee Relations  
Employment Discrimination  
Environmental and Toxic Torts  
Federal Jurisdiction  
Health Care Law  
Health Care Law II  
Insurance  
Interviewing and Counseling  
Law and Economics  
Law and Medicine  
Political and Civil Rights  
Problems in Evidence  
Remedies  
Workers' Compensation

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### Course Logistics

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<b>Course</b>	<b>Frequency</b>	<b>Instructor</b>	<b>Prerequisites</b>
Academic Legal Writing	Every Year	Nowlin	
Accounting (EBC)	Every Year	Bullard	
Administrative Law	Every Year	Case, C. Green	
Admiralty Law	Infrequently	Otts	
Advanced Legal Ethics	Every Year	Cooper	
Advanced Legal Research	Every Year	Gilliland	
Advanced Legal Writing	Every Semester	M.A. Percy	
Advocacy Competition	Every Semester		
Agriculture Law	Infrequently		
Alternative Dispute Resolution	Every Year	Pittman	
Analytic Methods (EBC)	Every Year	Bullard	
Antitrust Law	Infrequently		
Banking Law	Every Other Year	Bullard	
Bankruptcy	Every Year	Czarnetzky	
Bankruptcy Reorganization Sem	Every Year	Czarnetzky	Bankruptcy
Bar Exam Skills	Every Year	Krueger	
Bioethics	Every Other Year	Pittman	
Business Law Practicum	Infrequently	Bullard	
Business Planning	Infrequently		
Capital Punish. & Judicial Process	Every Other Year	Berry	
Capital Structure and Valuation (EBC)	Every Year	Bullard	
Children in the Legal System	Every Year	S. Davis	
Civil Procedure II	Every Year	Cooper, Percy, Case	
Climate Change and Policy	Infrequently		
Clinics: Advanced	Every Semester	Cope, Hensley	
Clinics: Child Advocacy	Every Semester	Calder	
Clinics: Criminal Appeals	Every Semester	Broadhead	
Clinics: Elder Law	Every Semester	Kilgore	
Clinics: Externship	Every Semester	Sinha	
Clinics: General	Infrequently		
Clinics: Housing	Every Semester	Hensley	
Clinics: Innocence Project	Every Semester	Carrington	

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Clinics: Legislation and Policy	Infrequently	Hensley	
Clinics: MacArthur Justice Clinic	Every Semester	Johnson	
Clinics: Pro Bono Initiative	Every Semester	Bell	
Clinics: Street Law	Every Semester	Howard	
Clinics: Tax	Every Year	Davis, D.	
Clinics: Transactional	Every Semester	Cope/Abel	
Coastal and Ocean Law	Every Year	Showalter Otts	
Commercial Paper	Every Other Year	C. Green	
Communications Law	Infrequently		
Comparative Law	Infrequently	Sinha	
Comparative National Space Law	Every Year		
Conflict Management Practicum	Every Semester	Edmondson	
Conflict of Laws	Every Year	Hoffheimer	
Constitutional Law II	Every Year	Nowlin, Roy, Rychlak	
Constitutional Law Sem	Every Year	Cochran	
Contract Drafting	Infrequently		
Copyright Law	Every Year	Wilkins	
Corporate Finance Law	Every Year	Bullard	
Corporations	Every Semester	Bullard, Davis, D.	
Criminal Procedure I: Investigations	Every Semester	Hall, Nowlin, Rychlak	
Criminal Procedure II: Adjudication	Every Year	Berry	
Criminal Trial Evidence Skills	Every Year	Broadhead	
Criminal Trial Practice	Every Semester		Evid.
Critical Race Theory	Infrequently	Alexandre	
Current Problems in Int'l Law	Infrequently		
Cybercrime	Infrequently		
Deferred Compensation	Infrequently	D. Davis	
Disabilities Law and Policy	Infrequently	Alexandre	
Employee Benefits	Infrequently		
Employer-Employee Relations	Infrequently	Berry	
Employment Discrimination	Every Year	Berry	
Energy Law	Every Other Year	Pace	
Entertainment Law	Every Year	Lantagne	
Environmental and Toxic Torts	Infrequently	Case	
Environmental Law	Every Year	Case, Rychlak	
Estate Planning	Every Other Year	K. Green	
European Union Law	Every Other Year	Eliason	
Evidence	Every Semester	Rychlak, Percy	
Family Law	Every Year	Bell, Gershon	
Family Law Seminar	Infrequently	Bell	Family Law
Federal Habeas Corpus Remedies	Every Other Year	Broadhead	
Federal Jurisdiction	Every Year	Cochran, Green, C.	
Fed. Tax. of Gratuitous Transfers	Every Year	K. Green	
Federal Trial Practice	Every Semester		Evid & CivPro/II

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Fourth Amendment Seminar	Infrequently		
Gaming Law	Every Year	Rychlak	
Gender and the Law	Every Other Year	Alexandre	
Health Care Law	Every Year	Gilchrist	
Health Care Law II	Every Year	Gilchrist	
Higher Education and the Law	Infrequently	Cooper	
Housing Law	Infrequently		
Immigration Law	Infrequently		
Income Tax II	Every Year	D. Davis, K. Green	Inc Tax of Ind
Income Tax. of Corporations	Every Year	D. Davis	Inc Tax of Ind
Income Taxation of Individuals	Every Year	D. Davis, K. Green	
Insurance	Every Year	Percy	
Intellectual Property	Every Year	Lantagne, Wilkins	
International Aviation Law	Infrequently	Serrao	
Int'l Commercial Arbitration	Infrequently		
International Environmental Law	Infrequently		
International Finance	Infrequently		
International Human Rights Law	Every Year	Alexandre	
International Intellectual Property	Infrequently		
International Law	Every Year	Alexandre, Cambridge	
International Legal Research	Every Year	Gilliland	
Int'l Telecommunication Law	Every Year	Blount	
Int'l Security Law and Policy	Every Other Year	Rychlak	
International Space Law	Every Year	Dodge	
International Trade	Every Year	Eliason	
Internet Law	Infrequently		
Int'l Aviation Finance & Leasing	Every Year		
Interviewing and Counseling	Every Year	J. Williams	
Journal of Space Law	Every Semester		
Jurisprudence	Infrequently	Nowlin	
Labor Law	Infrequently	Berry	
Land Finance I	Infrequently	C. Green	
Land Finance II	Infrequently		
Land Planning	Every Other Year	Pace	
Land Titles	Infrequently		
Law and Economics	Infrequently	Bullard	
Law and Film	Infrequently	Derrick	
Law and Literature	Infrequently	Alexandre	
Law and Medicine	Every Other Year	Pittman	
Law and Religion	Every Year	Roy	
Law of Armed Conflict	Every Other Year	Eliason	
Lawyering Skills Workshop	Every Year	R. Percy	
Legal Accounting	Infrequently	D. Davis	
Legal History	Infrequently	Hoffheimer	

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Legal Problems of Indigence	Infrequently	Bell	
Legal Process	Infrequently		
Legal Profession	Every Semester	Cooper, Roy, Gershon	
Legislation	Every Other Year	Hall	
Local Government Law	Infrequently		
Mississippi Civil Practice	Every Year	Abbott	
Mississippi Law Journal	Every Semester	Nowlin	
Moot Court Board	Every Semester	Hall	
Natural Resource Law	Infrequently	Janasie	
Negotiation Board	Every Semester		
Oil and Gas	Every Other Year	Pace	
Partnership Taxation	Every Year	K. Green	Income Tax of Individuals
Patent Law	Infrequently		
Political and Civil Rights	Every Year	Alexandre	
Pretrial Practice	Every Year	Pittman, Sanders	
Private International Air Law	Every Year	Serrao	
Problems in Criminal Procedure	Infrequently		
Problems in Evidence	Infrequently		
Professional Skills	Skill Session		
Public International Air Law	Every Year	Serrao	
Remedies	Every Year	Hoffheimer	
Remote Sensing Law	Every Year	Harrington	
Research for Legal Scholarship	Every Year	Gilliland	
School Law Seminar	Infrequently		
Secured Transactions	Every Year	Czarnetzky	
Securities Regulation	Every Year	Bullard	Corporations
Sentencing	Infrequently		
Space Security Law	Every Year	Blount	
Sports Law	Every Year	Berry	
Sports Law Review	Every Semester	Berry	
Supreme Court Practice	Every Year	Cochran	
Tax Problems	Infrequently	D. Davis	
The Prosecution Function	Infrequently	Sinha	
Trial Advocacy Board	Every Semester		
Trusts	Infrequently		
U.S. National Aviation Law	Every Year	Harrington	
United States Domestic Space Law	Every Year	Harrington	
White Collar Crime	Infrequently	Berry	
Wills and Estates	Every Year	Weems, Gershon	
Wills and Trusts Drafting	Infrequently		Wills & Ests
Workers' Compensation	Every Year	Bradley	

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### Perspectives Courses

*These catalog courses offer a theoretical or interdisciplinary approach to the law.*

Bioethics  
Comparative Law  
Gender and the Law  
International Environmental Law  
International Human Rights Law  
Internet Law  
Jurisprudence  
Law and Computers  
Law and Economics  
Law and Literature  
Law and Film  
Law and Medicine  
Law and Religion  
Legal History  
Legal Problems of Indigence  
Political and Civil Rights



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### Elective Courses Typically Offered by Each Professor

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#### Abbott

Mississippi Civil Practice

#### Alexandre

Critical Race Theory  
Disabilities Law and Policy  
Gender and the Law  
International Human Rights Law  
International Law  
Law and Literature  
Political and Civil Rights

#### Bell

Family Law  
Family Law Seminar  
Legal Problems of Indigence  
Clinics: Pro Bono Initiative

#### Berry

Capital Punishment and the Judicial  
Process  
Criminal Procedure II  
Employer-Employee Relations  
Employment Discrimination  
Labor Law  
Sports Law  
White Collar Crime

#### Bradley

Workers' Compensation

#### Broadhead

Criminal Appeals Clinic  
Criminal Trial Evidence Skills  
Federal Habeas Corpus

#### Bullard

Banking Law  
Corporate Finance Law  
Corporations  
Essential Business Concepts  
- Accounting  
- Analytic Methods  
- Capital Structure and Valuation  
Law and Economics  
Securities Regulation

#### Carrington

Clinics: Innocence Project

#### Case

Administrative Law  
Civil Procedure II  
Environmental and Toxic Torts  
Environmental Law

#### Cochran

Constitutional Law II  
Constitutional Law Seminar  
Federal Jurisdiction  
Supreme Court Practice

#### Cooper

Advanced Legal Ethics  
Civil Procedure II  
Higher Education and the Law  
Legal Profession

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Czarnetzky

Bankruptcy  
Bankruptcy Reorganization Seminar  
Secured Transactions Davis, Donna  
Clinics: Tax  
Corporations  
Income Taxation of Corporations and Shareholders  
Income Taxation of Individuals  
Income Tax II  
Legal Accounting

Davis, Sam

Children in the Legal System  
Evidence  
Family Law

Derrick

Law and Film

Eliason

European Union Law  
International Trade  
Law of Armed Conflict

Gershon

Family Law  
Legal Profession  
Wills and Estates

Gilchrist

Health Care Law  
Health Care Law II

Gilliland

Advanced Legal Research  
International Legal Research  
Research for Legal Scholarship

Green, Christopher

Administrative Law  
Commercial Paper  
Federal Jurisdiction  
Jurisprudence  
Land Finance I  
Structures & Powers of US Constitution

Green, Karen

Estate Planning  
Federal Taxation of Gratuitous Transfers  
Income Taxation of Individuals  
Income Tax II  
Partnership Tax

Hall

Criminal Procedure I  
Criminal Procedure II  
Federal Trial Practice  
Immigration Law  
Legislation

Harrington

International Space Law  
Remote Sensing Law  
U.S. National Aviation Law  
US Domestic Space Law

Hensley

Clinics: Housing  
Clinics: Legislation and Policy

Hoffheimer

Conflict of Laws  
Legal History  
Remedies

Lantagne

Entertainment Law  
Intellectual Property

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Nowlin

Academic Legal Writing  
Constitutional Law II  
Criminal Procedure I  
Jurisprudence

Ottis

Admiralty Law  
Costal and Ocean Law

Pace

Energy Law  
Land Planning  
Oil and Gas

Percy

Civil Procedure II  
Evidence  
Insurance

Pittman

Alternative Dispute Resolution  
Bioethics  
Law and Medicine  
Pretrial Practice

Roy

Constitutional Law II  
Law and Religion

Legal Profession

Rychlak

Constitutional Law II  
Criminal Procedure I  
Environmental Law  
Evidence  
Gaming Law  
International Security Law & Policy

Sinha

Clinics: Externship  
Comparative Law  
The Prosecution Function

Weems

Evidence  
Wills and Estates

Wilkins

Copyright Law  
Intellectual Property

Williams, J.

Interviewing and Counseling

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### Links

#### Mississippi

Mississippi Bar Admissions

<http://www.mssc.state.ms.us/baradmissions/baradmissions.html>

State Bar Review Info

<http://www.barbri.com/states/mississippi/>

#### Other States

Alabama Bar Admissions

<http://www.alabar.org/admissions/>

Arkansas Bar Admissions

<https://courts.arkansas.gov/administration/professional-programs/bar-exam>

Louisiana Bar Admissions

<http://www.lascba.org/>

Tennessee Bar Admissions

<http://www.state.tn.us/lawexaminers/>

Texas Bar Admissions

<http://www.ble.state.tx.us/>

Washington, D.C. Bar Admissions

(by motion after admission to any state bar w/ minimum score)

<http://www.dccourts.gov/internet/appellate/admincommittee/main.jsf>

#### National

National Conference of Bar Examiners

<http://www.ncbex.org/>

Bar Review Info – with links for each state (which include topics tested in each state)

<http://www.barbri.com/home.html>

#### Course Selection Advice From Other Law Schools

Wisconsin's Principles of Course Selection

<http://www.law.wisc.edu/current/selectingcourses.htm>

Tulane Law School

[http://www.law.tulane.edu/uploadedFiles/Academic\\_Programs/SelectingCourses](http://www.law.tulane.edu/uploadedFiles/Academic_Programs/SelectingCourses)

Columbia Law School

<http://web.law.columbia.edu/students/course-selection>