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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
  o You must successfully complete three skills courses. Normally, a student satisfies the requirement with three courses in the required January Skill Session.
  o For each spring semester in residence, you must take a skills course in the required January Skill Session.
  o 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.
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.
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.
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.
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.
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
- Contract Negotiation and Drafting
- Criminal Trial Evidence Skills
- Criminal Trial Practice
- Estate Planning
- Federal Trial Practice
- Interviewing and Counseling
- Lawyering Skills Workshop
- Legal Problems of Indigence
- Pretrial Practice
- Tax Problems
- Wills and Trusts Drafting
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.

- Advanced Legal Ethics
- Advanced Legal Writing
- Bioethics
- Capital Punishment and the Judicial Process
- Communications Law
- Constitutional Law Seminar
- Criminal Appeals Clinic
- Disability Law and Policy
- Estate Planning
- 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 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.
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.


– 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
Instruments); Secured Transactions).


– 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
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)
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
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
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
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
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*
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
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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
Course Selection Guide – Spring 2015

Course Logistics

The following list is offered for advisory purposes only. Actual scheduling – the frequency of offering and the specific instructor – will depend on curricular issues, staffing, and a host of other factors. This list includes only those courses listed in the School of Law catalog and not those Selected Legal Topics courses offered during any given semester. Consult the Course Schedule to determine which courses are offered by which professor and the exact prerequisites.

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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
Elective Courses Typically Offered by Each Professor

The following list is offered for advisory purposes only. Actual scheduling will depend on curricular issues, instructor interest, staff availability, and a host of other factors. This list includes only catalog courses and not any Selected Legal Topics professors may offer.

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
Law and Economics
Securities Regulation

Carrington
Clinics: Innocence Project

Case
Administrative Law
Civil Procedure II
Environmental and Toxic Torts
Environmental Law

Cochran
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

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

Eliason
European Union Law
International Trade
Law of Armed Conflict

Gershon
Legal Profession
Wills and Estates

Gilchrist
Health Care Law
Health Care Law II

Gilliland
Advanced Legal Research

Green, Christopher
Administrative Law
Commercial Paper
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
Federal Trial Practice
Legislation

Hensley
Clinics: Housing
Clinics: Legislation and Policy

Hoffheimer
Conflict of Laws
Legal History
Remedies

Lantagne
Entertainment Law
Intellectual Property

Nowlin
Academic Legal Writing
Constitutional Law II
Criminal Procedure I
Jurisprudence

Otts
Admiralty Law
Costal and Ocean Law
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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

Williams, J.
  Interviewing and Counseling
Links

**Mississippi**
- Mississippi Bar Admissions
  - [http://www.mssc.state.ms.us/baradmissions/baradmissions.html](http://www.mssc.state.ms.us/baradmissions/baradmissions.html)
- State Bar Review Info

**Other States**
- Alabama Bar Admissions
  - [http://www.alabar.org/admissions/](http://www.alabar.org/admissions/)
- Arkansas Bar Admissions
  - [https://courts.arkansas.gov/administration/professional-programs/bar-exam](https://courts.arkansas.gov/administration/professional-programs/bar-exam)
- Louisiana Bar Admissions
  - [http://www.lascba.org/](http://www.lascba.org/)
- Tennessee Bar Admissions
  - [http://www.state.tn.us/lawexaminers/](http://www.state.tn.us/lawexaminers/)
- Texas Bar Admissions
  - [http://www.ble.state.tx.us/](http://www.ble.state.tx.us/)
- Washington, D.C. Bar Admissions
  - (by motion after admission to any state bar w/ minimum score)

**National**
- National Conference of Bar Examiners
- Bar Review Info – with links for each state (which include topics tested in each state)
  - [http://www.barbri.com/home.html](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](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](http://web.law.columbia.edu/students/course-selection)