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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 Law 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 2017):
 - 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)
 - Law 577 Civil Procedure II (3 credits, one semester)
 - Law 590 Contract Drafting and Negotiation (3 credits, winter intersession)
- 1L Required Courses (those entering 2018 or later):
 - 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)

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- Law 502 Torts (4 credits, two semesters)
- Law 577 Civil Procedure II (3 credits, one semester)
- Law 590 Contract Drafting and Negotiation (3 credits, winter intersession)

- 2L/3L Required Courses (those entering 2017)
 - Law 603 Legal Profession
 - Upper Level Writing Course (2-3 credit hours) - *The Law Registrar will list on each semester schedule those courses designated as satisfying this requirement.*
 - Skills Requirement (3 credit hours) - *The Law Registrar will list on each semester schedule those courses designated as satisfying this requirement.*

- 2L/3L Required Courses (those entering 2018 or later)
 - Law 603 Legal Profession
 - Law 600 Evidence
 - Upper Level Writing Course (2-3 credit hours) - *The Law Registrar will list on each semester schedule those courses designated as satisfying this requirement.*
 - Skills Requirement (3 credit hours) - *The Law Registrar will list on each semester schedule those courses designated as satisfying this requirement.*

7) You must file an Intent to Graduate Form as directed by the Law Registrar. If you are pursuing a Concentration 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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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:

- Constitutional Law II
- Corporations
- Criminal Procedure I
- Family Law
- Income Tax of Individuals
- Secured Transactions
- Wills and Estates
- Mississippi Civil Practice (for any student planning for a civil practice in Mississippi)

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**.

Concentration Programs

The Law School has approved a **Concentration in Business Law**, **Concentration in Criminal Law**, **Concentration in Remote Sensing, Air and Space Law** and **Concentration in Sports and Entertainment Law**. These Concentrations require extensive concentration in that substantive area. To obtain this Concentration 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 6 credits. Please consult the Course Schedule to determine which courses are offered each semester.

Advanced Legal Research
Alternative Dispute Resolution
Clinics: Child Advocacy
Clinics: Criminal Appeals
Clinics: Elder Law
Clinics: Externship
Clinics: Housing
Clinics: Innocence Project
Clinics: Legislation and Policy
Clinics: Low-Income Taxpayer
Clinics: MacArthur Justice Clinic
Clinics: Street Law
Clinics: Tax
Clinics: Transactional
Contract Negotiation and Drafting
Criminal Trial Evidence Skills
Criminal Trial Practice
Federal Trial Practice
Interviewing and Counseling
Pretrial Practice
and Selected Legal Topic courses as listed in the Course Schedule

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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
Business Planning
Capital Punishment and the Judicial Process
Clinics: Criminal Appeals
Communications Law
Comparative National Space Law
Constitutional Law Seminar
Critical Race Theory
Disability Law and Policy
Emerging Issues in Intellectual Property
Estate Planning
European Union Law
Fourth Amendment Seminar
Gaming Law
Gender and the Law
International Aviation Law
International Human Rights Law
International Investment Law
International Security Law and Policy
International Space Law
International Trade
Internet 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
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Trademark Law

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 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

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and Procedure I, Evidence, Real Property, and Civil Procedure I and II.

– 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
Sports and Entertainment 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

- Accountancy
- Administrative Law
- Agency and Partnership
- Analytic Methods
- Antitrust Law
- Banking Law
- Bankruptcy Reorganization Seminar
- Business Planning
- Capital Structure and Valuation
- Clinics: Low-Income Taxpayer
- Clinics: Tax
- Clinics: Transactional
- Commercial Paper
- Communications Law
- Copyright Law
- Corporate Finance Law
- Deferred Compensation
- Disability Law and Policy
- Employee Benefits
- Employer-Employee Relations
- Employment Discrimination
- Energy Law
- Entertainment Law
- Environmental Law
- 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

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Business / Transactional Law Continued

Supplemental Continued

Labor Law I and II
Law and Economics
Legal Accounting
Partnership Taxation
Patent Law
Remedies
Sports Law I (Intercollegiate Sports)
Sports Law II (Professional Sports)
Trademark Law
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
Clinics: MacArthur Justice Clinic
Criminal Procedure I: Investigations*
Criminal Procedure II: Adjudication*
Criminal Trial Practice
Evidence
The 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 I (Intercollegiate Sports)
Sports Law II (Professional Sports)
White Collar Crime
Workers' Compensation

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Criminal Law

Core

Clinics: Criminal Appeals
Clinics: Externship
Clinics: Innocence Project
Clinics: MacArthur Justice Clinic
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 I (Intercollegiate Sports)
- Sports Law II (Professional Sports)
- 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
Ocean and Coastal Law
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
- Trademark 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 Legal Research
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: Low-Income Taxpayer
Clinics: MacArthur Justice Clinic
Clinics: Pro Bono Initiative
Clinics: Street Law
Clinics: Transactional
Conflict Management Practicum
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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Sports and Entertainment Law

Core

- Copyright Law
- Entertainment Law*
- Gaming Law
- Intellectual Property*
- Sports Law I (Amateur Sports)*
- Sports Law II (Professional Sports)*
- Trademark Law

Supplemental

- Administrative Law
- Advanced Torts
- Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Clinics: Externship (Athletic Compliance)
- College Sports Law Practicum (Skill Session)
- Corporate Finance Law
- Corporations
- Employee Benefits
- Employer-Employee Relations
- Employment Discrimination
- Higher Education and the Law
- Income Tax. of Corp. and Shareholders
- International Commercial Arbitration
- International Intellectual Property
- International Sports Law (Cambridge)
- Internet and Emerging Technologies
- Labor Law
- Law and Film
- Patent Law
- Sports Law Review
- Transformative Works and Copyright Fair Use
- Worker's Compensation

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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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Course	Frequency	Instructor	Prerequisites
Academic Legal Writing	Every Year	Hall	
Accounting	Infrequently	Bullard	
Administrative Law	Every Year	Case	
Admiralty Law	Infrequently	Adjunct	
Advanced Legal Ethics	Infrequently	Cooper	
Advanced Legal Research	Every Year	Gilliland	
Advanced Legal Writing	Every Semester	M.A. Connell	
Advanced Torts	Every Year	Pittman	
Advocacy Competition	Every Semester		
Agriculture Law	Every Other Year	Janasie	
Alternative Dispute Resolution	Every Year	Pittman	
Analytic Methods	Infrequently	Bullard	
Antitrust Law	Infrequently		
Banking Law	Every Other Year	Bullard	
Bankruptcy	Every Year	Czarnetzky	
Bankruptcy Reorganization Sem	Infrequently	Czarnetzky	Bankruptcy
Bar Exam Skills	Every Semester	TBD	
Bioethics	Every Other Year	Pittman	
Business Planning	Infrequently	Bullard	
Capital Punish. & Judicial Process	Every Year	Berry	
Capital Structure and Valuation	Infrequently	Bullard	
Children in the Legal System	Every Year	S. Davis	
Clinics: Advanced	Every Semester		
Clinics: Child Advocacy	Every Semester	Calder	
Clinics: Externship	Every Semester	Sinha	
Clinics: Housing	Every Year	Hensley	
Clinics: Innocence Project	Every Semester	Carrington	
Clinics: Legislation and Policy	Infrequently	Hensley	
Clinics: Low-Income Taxpayer	Infrequently	Hughes	
Clinics: MacArthur Justice Clinic	Every Semester	Johnson	
Clinics: Pro Bono Initiative	Every Semester	Simpson	
Clinics: Tax	Every Year	Davis, D.	

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Clinics: Transactional	Every Semester	Cope/Abel	
Coastal and Ocean Law	Infrequently	Otts	
Commercial Paper	Infrequently	C. Green	
Communications Law	Infrequently		
Comparative Law	Infrequently	Sinha	
Comparative National Space Law	Every Year	Tronchetti	
Conflict Management Practicum	Infrequently		
Conflict of Laws	Every Year		
Constitutional Law II	Every Semester	Roy	
Constitutional Law Seminar	Every Year	Green	
Copyright Law	Every Year	Wilkins	
Corporate Finance Law	Every Year	Bullard	
Corporations	Every Semester	Bullard, Davis, D., Czarnetzky	
Criminal Procedure I: Investigations	Every Semester	Hall, Rychlak	
Criminal Procedure II: Adjudication	Every Year	Hall, Sinha	
Criminal Trial Evidence Skills	Every Year	Broadhead	
Criminal Trial Practice	Every Year	Adjunct	Evid.
Cybercrime	Infrequently		
Deferred Compensation	Infrequently	D. Davis	
Disabilities Law and Policy	Every Other Year		
Emerging Issues in Intellectual Prop.	Every Other Year	Wilkins	
Employee Benefits	Infrequently		
Employer-Employee Relations	Infrequently		
Employment Discrimination	Every Year	Strong Connell	
Energy Law	Infrequently		
Entertainment Law	Every Year	Lantagne	
Environmental and Toxic Torts	Infrequently	Case	
Environmental Law	Every Year	Case, Otts, Rychlak	
Estate Planning	Infrequently		
European Union Law	Every Other Year	Eliason	
Evidence	Every Semester	Rychlak, F. Percy	
Family Law	Every Year	Bell	
Family Law Seminar	Infrequently		Family Law
Federal Habeas Corpus Remedies	Infrequently		
Federal Indian Law	Infrequently		
Federal Jurisdiction	Every Year	Green, C.	
Fed. Tax. of Gratuitous Transfers	Every Year	Gershon	
Federal Trial Practice	Every Year	Calder, Hall	Evid & CivPro/II
Fourth Amendment Seminar	Infrequently		
Gaming Law	Every Year	Rychlak	
Gender and the Law	Every Year	Butler	
Health Care Law	Every Year	Hyde/Gilchrist	
Health Care Law II	Every Other Year	Hu/yde/Gilchrist	
Higher Education and the Law	Infrequently	Cooper/Melear	

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Immigration Law	Every Other Year	Hall	
Income Tax II	Every Year	Gershon	Inc Tax of Ind
Income Tax. of Corporations	Every Year	D. Davis	Inc Tax of Ind
Income Taxation of Individuals	Every Year	D. Davis	
Insurance	Every Year	Percy	
Intellectual Property	Every Year	Lantagne	
International Aviation Law	Infrequently		
Int'l Commercial Arbitration	Infrequently		
International Environmental Law	Infrequently		
International Finance	Infrequently		
International Human Rights Law	Infrequently		
International Investment Law	Infrequently	Eliason	
International Law	Every Year	Eliason, Cambridge	
International Legal Research	Infrequently	Gilliland	
Int'l Telecommunication Law	Every Year	Blount	
Int'l Security Law and Policy	Every Year	Rychlak	
International Space Law	Every Year	Stotler	
International Trade	Every Year	Eliason	
Internet Law	Infrequently	Lantagne	
Int'l Aviation Finance & Leasing	Every Year	Honnebier	
Interviewing and Counseling	Infrequently	J. Williams	
Journal of Space Law	Every Semester	Hanlon	
Jurisprudence	Infrequently		
Labor Law	Every year	Maliniak	
Land Finance I	Infrequently	C. Green	
Land Finance II	Infrequently		
Land Planning	Infrequently	Janasie	
Land Titles	Infrequently		
Law and Economics	Infrequently	Bullard	
Law and Film	Every Year	Derrick	
Law and Literature	Infrequently		
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		
Legal Problems of Indigence	Infrequently	Lee	
Legal Profession	Every Semester	Cooper, Gershon	
Legislation	Every Other Year	Hall	
Local Government Law	Infrequently		
Mississippi Civil Practice	Every Year	Pierce	
Mississippi Law Journal	Every Semester	Hall	
Moot Court Board	Every Semester	Hall	

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Natural Resource Law	Every Other Year	Janasie	
Negotiation Board	Every Semester	Bullard	
Oil and Gas	Infrequently		
Partnership Taxation	Every Year	Edmonson	Income Tax of Individuals
Patent Law	Infrequently		
Political and Civil Rights	Infrequently	Phillips	
Pretrial Practice	Every Year	Pittman, Sanders	
Private International Air Law	Every Year	Hanlon	
Professional Skills	Infrequently		
Public International Air Law	Every Year	Petras	
Remedies	Every Year		
Remote Sensing Law	Every Year	Hanlon	
Research Assistant I and II	Every Semester		
Research for Legal Scholarship	Infrequently	Gilliland	
School Law Seminar	Infrequently		
Secured Transactions	Every Year	Czarnetzky	
Securities Regulation	Every Other Year	Bullard	Corporations
Sentencing	Infrequently	Berry	
Space Security Law	Every Year	Blount	
Sports Law I (Intercollegiate Sports)	Every Year	Berry	
Sports Law II (Professional Sports)	Every Year	Berry	
Sports Law Review	Every Semester	Berry	
Supreme Court Practice	Infrequently	C. Green	
The Law and Higher Education	Infrequently	Strong Campbell	
Tax Problems	Infrequently	D. Davis	
The Prosecution Function	Infrequently	Sinha	
Trademark Law	Every Other Year	Lantagne	
Trial Advocacy Board	Every Semester	Sinha	
Trusts	Infrequently		
U.S. National Aviation Law	Every Year	Stotler	
United States Domestic Space Law	Every Year	Hanlon	
White Collar Crime	Infrequently	Berry	
Wills and Estates	Every Year	Gershon	
Wills and Trusts Drafting	Infrequently		Wills & Ests
Workers' Compensation	Infrequently		

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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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Bell	Family Law	Case	Administrative Law Environmental and Toxic Torts Environmental Law
Berry	Capital Punishment and the Judicial Process Criminal Procedure II Sentencing Sports Law I (Intercollegiate Sports) Sports Law II (Professional Sports) Sports Law Review White Collar Crime	Connell, M.A.	Advanced Legal Writing
		Cooper	Advanced Legal Ethics Higher Education and the Law Legal Profession
Blount	International Telecommunication Law Space Security Law	Cope	Clinics: Transactional
Broadhead	Criminal Trial Evidence Skills	Czarnetzky	Bankruptcy Bankruptcy Reorganization Seminar Corporations Secured Transactions
Bullard	Accounting Analytic Methods Banking Law Business Planning Capital Structure and Valuation Corporate Finance Law Corporations Negotiations Board Securities Regulation	Davis, Donna	Clinics: Tax Corporations Income Taxation of Corporations and Shareholders Income Taxation of Individuals Tax Problems
		Davis, Sam	Children in the Legal System
Calder	Clinics: Child Advocacy Federal Trial Practice	Derrick	Law and Film
Carrington	Clinics: Innocence Project		

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Eliason

European Union Law
International Investment Law
International Law
International Trade
Law of Armed Conflict

Gershon

Family Law
Federal Taxation of Gratuitous
Transfers
Income Tax II
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

Commercial Paper
Constitutional Law Seminar
Federal Jurisdiction
Structures and Powers in the US
Constitution

Hall, J.

Criminal Trial Practice

Hall, M.

Academic Legal Writing
Criminal Procedure I
Criminal Procedure II
Federal Trial Practice
Immigration Law
Legislation
Mississippi Law Journal
Moot Court Board

Hanlon

Clinics: Externship
Journal of Space Law
Private International Air Law
Remote Sensing Law
US Domestic Space Law

Hensley

Clinics: Housing
Clinics: Legislation and Policy

Honnebier

Int'l Aviation Finance and Leasing
Law

Hughes

Clinics: Low-Income Taxpayer

Hyde

Health Care Law
Health Care Law II

Janasie

Agricultural Law
Land Planning
Natural Resources Law
Water Law Seminar

Johnson

Clinics: MacArthur Justice Clinic

Lantagne

Entertainment Law
Intellectual Property
Internet Law
Trademark Law

Lee

Legal Problems of Indigence

Maliniak

Labor Law

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Otts	Costal and Ocean Law Environmental Law	Rychlak	Criminal Procedure I Environmental Law Evidence Gaming Law International Security Law & Policy
Percy, F.	Evidence Insurance	Sanders	Pretrial Practice
Percy, R.	Lawyering Skills Workshop	Sinha	Clinics: Externship Comparative Law The Prosecution Function Trial Advocacy Board
Petras	Private International Air Law Public International Air Law	Stotler	Clinics: Externship International Space Law Journal of Space Law U.S. National Aviation Law
Pierce	Mississippi Civil Practice	Strong Campbell	Employment Discrimination
Pittman	Alternative Dispute Resolution Bioethics Law and Medicine Pretrial Practice	Tronchetti	Comparative National Space Law
Roy	Constitutional Law II Law and Religion Legal Profession	Wilkins	Copyright Law Emerging Issues in Intellectual Property
		Williams, J.	Interviewing and Counseling

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Links

Mississippi

Mississippi Bar Admissions

<https://courts.ms.gov/bar/baradmissions/baradmissions.php>

Other States

Alabama Bar Admissions

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

Arkansas Bar Admissions

<https://www.arcourts.gov/administration/professional-programs/bar-exam>

Louisiana Bar Admissions

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

Tennessee Bar Admissions

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

Texas Bar Admissions

<https://ble.texas.gov/home>

Washington, D.C. Bar Admissions

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

<https://www.dccourts.gov/court-of-appeals/committee-on-admissions>

National

National Conference of Bar Examiners

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

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

<https://www.barbri.com/>

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

<https://www.kaptest.com/bar-exam>

Course Selection Advice from other Law Schools

Wisconsin's Principles of Course Selection

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

Columbia Law School

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