

University of Iowa College of Law

Curriculum by Subject Areas

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In order to provide students with more guidance in selecting courses, this listing identifies current law school courses by subject areas. Please keep in mind that while some students have particular interests they wish to pursue, it is not necessary to specialize during your legal education. For many students, a broad range of courses will be most useful in preparing for the bar and finding a satisfying legal career.

All courses included in this listing will be offered this year or have been offered during the past two years. Courses offered during the 2007-08 academic year are listed in regular type; courses that will not be offered during this academic year are marked in italics; courses marked with an (i) are offered as intersession courses; and courses marked with an (s) include substantial instruction in professional skills. Students with particular academic or practice interests should also investigate opportunities for independent research or non-clinic legal externship credit. In addition, some students pursue dual degree programs or take specialized courses at other colleges within the university.

Subject Areas:

Civil Litigation and Dispute Resolution
Constitutional Law and Civil Rights
Contracts and Commercial Law
Corporate and Antitrust Law
Criminal Law and Procedure
Employment and Labor Law
Family and Estate Law
Health Care and Disability Law
Intellectual Property and Technology
International and Comparative Law
Legal Profession, Practice, and Professional Skills
Legal Theory and Interdisciplinary Studies
Nonprofit Organizations
Property, Real Estate, and Environmental Law
Regulatory and Administrative Law
Taxation
Torts and Personal Injury Law

Civil Litigation and Dispute Resolution

Core Courses:

104 Civil Procedure
210 Appellate Advocacy
212 Intro to Appellate Advocacy
265 Evidence
370 Trial Advocacy

Specialized Courses:

202 *Advanced Civil Procedure*
207 Arbitration (s)
219 *Civil Procedure: Pretrial Theory & Practice (i)(s)*
220 *Notable American Trials*
274 *Federal Courts – Constitutional Litigation*
275 *Federal Courts – Structure & Jurisdiction*
281 Interest-Based Negotiations (s)
295 *International Commercial Arbitration*
315 *Mediation: Theory & Practice (s)*
321 *Alternative Dispute Resolution*
342 Negotiations (s)

Related Courses:

204 Administrative Law
228 *Conflict of Laws*
340 Remedies
410 Client Counseling (s)

Seminars:

611 *Citizen Enforcement of the Environmental Laws (s)*

Additional Opportunities:

371 Trial Advocacy Board
372 Stephenson Trial Advocacy Competition (s)
399 Judicial Externship (s)
402 Moot Court Board
404 Van Oosterhout Competition (s)
405 Baskerville Moot Court Competition (s)
406 Clinic – Internship (s)
407 Clinic – Externship (s)
430 Jessup International Moot Court Competition (s)

Constitutional Law and Civil Rights

Core Courses:

116 Constitutional Law I
232 Constitutional Law II

Specialized Courses:

125 Criminal Procedure: Investigation
206 *Criminal Procedure: Adjudication*
227 *Comparative Constitutional Law*
254 *Education Law*
274 *Federal Courts: Constitutional Litigation*
275 *Federal Courts: Structure & Jurisdiction*

Related Courses:

280 Immigration
283 Copyright
303 Federal Indian Law
328 *Presidential Power (i)*
341 Managing National Security Law (i)
354 State & Local Government
623 Critical Race Theory

Seminars:

627 *Gender & Sexuality in U.S. Laws*
632 Higher Education & the Law
652 *Law & the Civil Rights Movement*
654 *Law, Politics and the Family*
658 First Amendment Law: Religion Guarantees
665 National Security Law

Additional Opportunities:

406 Clinic – Internship
425/426 Journal of Gender, Race and Justice

Contracts and Commercial Law

Core Courses:

120 Contracts & Sales
215 Debt Transactions
222 Commercial Transactions

Specialized Courses:

214 Bankruptcy
230 Consumer Law
234 Commercial Contract Drafting (s)

Related Courses:

200 Agricultural Law (i)
282 International Business Transactions
287 International Trade Law

Additional Opportunities:

406 Clinic – Internship
507 Banking Law Tutorial

Corporate and Antitrust Law

Core Course:

241 Corporations I

Specialized Courses:

208 Antitrust Law
239 Corporate Governance (i)
243 Taxation of Business Enterprises
297 Law & Accounting
343 *Corporate Control and Shareholder Democracy (i)*
355 Securities Regulation

Related Courses:

204 Administrative Law
218 *Corporate Crimes*
262 *Federal Regulation of Health Care*
276 Private International Finance
286 Introduction to Intellectual Property Law
320 Nonprofit Organizational Effectiveness I
322 Nonprofit Organizational Effectiveness II
342 Negotiations (s)

Seminars:

601 Advanced Topics in Corporate Law
626 Federal Antitrust Policy
642 *Innovation, Business and Law*

Additional Opportunities:

415/416 Journal of Corporation Law
450 Corporate Law Practicum (Delaware Supreme Court) (s)

Criminal Law and Procedure

Core Courses:

124 Criminal Law
125 Criminal Procedure: Investigation
210 Appellate Advocacy (s)
212 Intro to Appellate Advocacy
265 Evidence
370 Trial Advocacy (s)

Specialized Courses:

206 *Criminal Procedure: Adjudication*
218 *Corporate Crimes*
256 Federal Criminal Practice (s)
290 *Juvenile Justice*

Related Courses:

196 *Juvenile Delinquency & Juvenile Justice*
275 Federal Courts – Structure & Jurisdiction
280 Immigration

Seminars:

245 *Domestic Abuse Law*
603 Capital Punishment
628 History of Crime and Punishment
633 International Criminal Law
640 Human Trafficking
664 *Postconviction Remedies*
665 National Security Law

Additional Opportunities:

406 Clinic – Internship (s)
407 Clinic – Externship (s)
Prosecutorial Internships (noncredit) (s)

Employment and Labor Law

Core Courses:

250 Employment Law
253 Employment Discrimination
292 Labor Law

Related Courses:

207 Arbitration (s)
204 Administrative Law
342 Negotiation (s)

Seminars:

357 Gender, Work & the Law
640 Human Trafficking
656 *Labor Standards Legislation*
661 Legal Issues in Intercollegiate Athletics
685 *Special Topics in ERISA*

Additional Opportunities:

406 Clinic – Internship (s)

Family and Estate Law

Core Courses:

268 Family Law
378 Trusts and Estates

Specialized Courses:

196 *Juvenile Justice & Juvenile Delinquency*
360 *Taxation of Gratuitous Transfers*
203 Income Taxation of Estates and Trusts

Related Courses:

254 *Education Law*
261 Health Law
272 Basic Federal Income Tax
280 Immigration Law
315 *Mediation: Theory & Practice (s)*
342 Negotiations (s)
410 Client Counseling (s)

Seminars:

245 *Domestic Abuse Law*
600 Abused/Neglected and Dependent Children
616 Family Law in the World Community
654 *Law, Politics and the Family*
674 Poverty Law

Additional Opportunities:

406 Clinic - Internship (s)
VAWA Tutorial (s)

Health Care and Disability Law

Core Courses:

261 Health Law
244 Intro to Disability Law: Policy (i)
270 Health Care Quality

Specialized Courses:

262 Federal Regulation of Health Care

Related Courses:

204 Administrative Law
254 Education Law

Seminars:

660 Medical Tutorial for Law Students
629 History of Regulation of Smoking and Tobacco

Additional Opportunities:

406 Clinic – Internship (s)
455 Health Law & Policy Practicum
Law, Health Policy and Disability Center
National Health Law and Policy Resource Center

Intellectual Property and Technology

Core Course:

286 Introduction to Intellectual Property Law

Specialized Courses:

283 Copyright
306 Law of Electronic Media
324 Patent Law
369 Trademark and Unfair Competition

Seminars:

604 Patent Prosecution (s)
608 Advanced Topics in Intellectual Property
624 Cyberspace Law
642 Innovation, Business and Law

Related Courses:

208 Antitrust
258 Arts & Entertainment Law (i)

International and Comparative Law

Core Courses:

195 Introduction to Public International Law
224 Comparative Law
282 International Business Transactions
287 International Trade Law

Specialized Courses:

193 Human Rights in the World Community
225 Comparative Law Post-Communist Countries
227 Comparative Constitutional Law
235 Constitutional Law of the European Union
236 Contemporary Russian Law
260 Foreign Relations Law
266 European Union Law
276 Private International Finance
280 Immigration
285 Foreign & Comparative Legal Research
291 International Environmental Law
295 International Commercial Arbitration
307 Law in the Muslim World
341 Managing National Security (i)

Related Courses:

228 *Conflict of Laws*
618 Cultural Property/Heritage

Seminars:

605 Advanced Problems in International Environmental Law: Global Climate Change
606 Problems in International Business & Economic Relations
616 Family Law in the World Community
633 International Criminal Law
640 Human Trafficking
655 Law of War, Peace & Military Affairs
657 LLM Seminar
663 Problems in International Law
665 National Security Law
683 Rethinking Public International Law

Study Abroad:

460 Bucerius Law School, Hamburg
823 Program in Comparative Law, Arcachon, France
824 London Law Consortium

Additional Opportunities:

406 Clinic – Internship (s)
420/421 Transnational Law and Contemporary Problems
430 Jessup International Moot Court Competition (s)
505 Center for International Finance & Development (E-book) Tutorial
UI Center for Human Rights

Legal Profession, Practice, and Professional Skills

Core Courses:

210 Appellate Advocacy I (s)
308 Professional Responsibility
370 Trial Advocacy (s)

Specialized Courses:

198 Advanced Legal Research
220 Notable American Trials
234 Commercial Contract Drafting (s)
256 Federal Criminal Practice (s)
281 Interest-Based Negotiations (s)
285 Foreign & Comparative Legal Research
302 Estate Planning (s)
315 Mediation: Theory & Practice (s)
342 Negotiations (s)
410 Client Counseling (s)

Seminars:

604 Patent Prosecution (s)
659 Law & Lawyers in Literature

Additional Opportunities:

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Prosecutorial Internships (noncredit) (s)

Legal Theory and Interdisciplinary Studies

288 *Jurisprudence*
309 *Law and Economics*
358 *Forms of Argument/Systems of Belief*
623 *Critical Race Theory*

Seminars:

628 *History of Crime and Punishment*
647 *Law of the Frontier: US 1820-1870*
652 *Law and the Civil Rights Movement in Alabama*
659 *Law & Lawyers in Literature*

Additional Opportunities:

425/426 *Journal of Gender, Race and Justice*

Nonprofit Organizations

320 *Nonprofit Organizational Effectiveness I*
322 *Nonprofit Organizational Effectiveness II*

Related Courses:

192 *Art Law & Ethics*
618 *Cultural Property/Heritage*

Seminars:

646 *Nonprofit & Philanthropic Orgs.*

Additional Opportunities:

Iowa Nonprofit Resource Center

Property, Real Estate, and Environmental Law

Core Courses:

132 *Property*
136 *Property II*
255 *Environmental Law*
378 *Trusts and Estates*

Specialized Courses:

215 *Debt Transactions*
291 *International Environmental Law*

Related Courses:

200 Agricultural Law

283 Copyright

324 Patent Law

369 Trademarks and Unfair Competition

Seminars:

618 Cultural Property/Heritage

604 Patent Prosecution Seminar (s)

Regulatory and Administrative Law

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Seminars:

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629 History of Regulation of Smoking and Tobacco

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Taxation

Core Course:

272 Basic Federal Income Tax

Specialized Courses:

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243 Taxation of Business Enterprise

360 *Taxation of Gratuitous Transfers*

Related Courses:

251 ERISA

302 *Estate Planning (s)*

378 Trusts and Estates

685 *Special Topics in ERISA*

Torts and Personal Injury Law

Core Course:

364 Torts

Specialized Course:

209 *Advanced Torts*

Related Courses:

228 *Conflict of Laws*

340 Remedies

Seminars:

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