

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 2010-11 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*
- 240 Arbitration: Practice & Advocacy
- 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)

666 Notable American Trials

Additional Opportunities:

371 Trial Advocacy Board

373 Stephenson Trial Advocacy Team (s)

399 Judicial Externship (s)

402 Moot Court Board

403 Advanced Moot Court Competition Team

404 Van Oosterhout/Baskerville Domestic Competition (s)

406 Clinic – Internship (s)

407 Clinic – Externship (s)

430 Jessup International Moot Court Competition (s)

431 Jessup Moot Court Team

91: ??? Arbitration Advocacy Competition

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:

- 6 1st Amendment Seminar
- 613 Constitutional Interpretation
- 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

Seminars:

610 Advanced Problems in Contract Law

Additional Opportunities:

406 Clinic – Internship

507 Banking Law Tutorial

Corporate and Antitrust Law

Core Course:

241 Business Associations

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 Federal White Collar Crime
- 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

252 Family Gender Constitutional Law

379 Advanced Trusts and Estates

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

672 Selected Issues in Family Law: Adoption

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:

6 Selected Topics in Health Care Law: Health Care Finance

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

635 International Financial Institutions & Development

640 Human Trafficking

655 Law of War, Peace & Military Affairs

657 LLM Seminar

663 Advanced Topics In International Law: Responding to the Haiti Disaster

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

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- 308 Professional Responsibility
- 370 Trial Advocacy (s)

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- 256 Federal Criminal Practice (s)
- 281 Interest-Based Negotiations (s)
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- 302 Estate Planning (s)*
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- 342 Negotiations (s)
- 410 Client Counseling (s)*

Seminars:

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

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288 Jurisprudence

309 Law and Economics

358 Forms of Argument/Systems of Belief

623 Critical Race Theory

Seminars:

680 Supreme Court Seminar

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:

325 Philanthropy and the Law

646 Nonprofit & Philanthropic Orgs.

Additional Opportunities:

Iowa Nonprofit Resource Center

Property, Real Estate, and Environmental Law

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132 Property

136 Property II

255 Environmental Law

378 Trusts and Estates

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