COLLEGE OF LAW

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About the College of Law

At Syracuse University College of Law, a legal education extends far beyond the classroom.

From our nationally recognized innovative centers and trial advocacy program to prestigious externship placements and practical clinical opportunities, experiential learning is key to our students' success. Learn from renowned faculty who are experts in their fields, leading the way in disability, technology innovation, and national security law.

As an Orange lawyer, our students become a part of a powerful network of over 11,000 extraordinary alumni. Join us today for a dynamic legal education that will prepare you to impact justice and empower change. Contact our Admissions team for more information.

Admission

Applicants to the College of Law are not required to present college credit in a particular subject area. A broad general education is helpful preparation for law study. Above all, prospective law students should be able to use language effectively. Applicants should have the ability to communicate ideas orally and in writing with precision and clarity.

The Admissions Committee at the College of Law considers the Law School Admission Test (LSAT) or the Graduate Record Examinations (GRE) scores and writing samples, transcripts showing records of prior academic performance, letters of recommendation, and any other documentation submitted by applicants indicating likely success in the demanding law school curriculum and legal profession.

Academic Rules & Regulations

See our Academic Handbook for Academic Rules and Regulations (https://law.syracuse.edu/academic-rules/?_gl=1*1tp7om7*_gcl_au*MTA1MDAwMTg2NS4xNzQ5MDQ1NDcz).

Enrollment in Law Courses

On a space-available basis, matriculated Main Campus graduate students may enroll in a limited number of courses at the College of Law with special approval of the Associate Dean for Academic Programs. Matriculated Main Campus graduate students wishing to take law courses should follow the below procedures.

- If space is available, get permission and signature from the law professor to enroll in the course.
- The approved forms will be submitted to the College of Law Office of the Registrar for processing.

Students should contact the dean of their home college to determine whether law courses can be applied toward their graduate degree.

The mere enrollment in a course offered by the College of Law does not constitute admission to the college. Students must be matriculated in the College of Law to receive law credit toward the J.D. degree. Consequently,

law credits taken prior to admission to the College of Law will not be accepted toward the J.D. degree.

Our Degree Programs

On-Campus J.D. Program

Join our community of aspiring lawyers through the On-Campus J.D. Program (https://law.syracuse.edu/academics/degree-programs/j-dresidential/). Our On-Campus J.D. Program gives you the core knowledge, aptitude, and skills to build your career as a profession-ready lawyer in a broad spectrum of fields. An innovative approach to legal education, our vast and connected alumni network, and our focus on collaboration will help you create the foundation for a lifetime of success.

Online J.D. Program, JDinteractive (JDi)

Designed for professionals. Delivered with excellence. An Online J.D. that works for you. Earn your law degree from home through JDinteractive (JDi).

JDi is an ABA-accredited, hybrid online J.D. program that offers students the same high-caliber legal education as the on-campus J.D. with substantial flexibility. The program has been recognized by The Princeton Review as one of the Best Online J.D. programs for 2025. Now with a six-year track record of success, JDi is the nation's premier online J.D. program for working professionals.

Whether you are a career advancer or a career changer, our program is adaptable to your schedule. You can attend year-round to get your degree in three to four years, or space out your learning experience for up to seven years. JDi is flexible for ambitious professionals who are employed full-time, have parental commitments, are involved in their community, need to travel often, or have other time obligations. It makes the law degree accessible.

Master of Laws (LL.M.) Program for International Law Graduates

The Master of Laws (LL.M.) (https://law.syracuse.edu/academics/degree-programs/master-of-laws-ll-m-in-american-law/) for international law graduates at the Syracuse College of Law is a 24-credit hour graduate law program designed to offer international legal professionals the opportunity to broaden their effectiveness through the study of U.S. laws and the American legal process.

Courses are offered mainly in the Fall (August - December) and Spring (January - May) semesters. A few courses are offered in the summer. In the first semester, LL.M. students are required to enroll two courses specifically designed for the LL.M. program: Introduction to the American Legal System (3 credits), and Legal Writing for LL.M. Students (3 credits). The remainder of the program allows the student to tailor their own experience in the LL.M. from among the diverse courses offered at the College.

This program is exclusively available to graduates in law from foreign academic institutions or those who are otherwise licensed to practice law in their home jurisdictions. We seek applicants from diverse legal backgrounds, including corporate, government, private practice, judicial and academic.

Joint Degree Programs

Joint degree study is an integral part of academic life at the College of Law allowing students who desire a greater degree of specialization to select from a number of disciplinary opportunities through Syracuse University's schools and colleges. Formal joint degree programs designed to fit career objectives are available in international relations, public administration, communications, business administration, education, forensic science, history, philosophy, political science, social work, forest and natural resource management (concurrent degree), and computer science.

Joint degree programs are structured so that students can earn both degrees in substantially less time than required to earn each degree separately. Students in the joint degree programs must complete their first year of study in the College of Law prior to beginning coursework in the other graduate program.

Admission to Joint Degree Programs:

Those interested in enrolling in a joint degree program must apply and be admitted to both the College of Law and the other school or college at the University. Admission to the College of Law does not guarantee one's acceptance into another graduate program. Admission to the joint degree program shall be open to all law students who have a GPA of 2.9 or higher in all Required Lower-Division Courses at the College of Law. A student's eligibility for joint degree candidacy must be approved in advance by the Administrative Hearing Officer as meeting the qualification requirements for admission to the Joint Degree Program.

The College of Law conducts a semi-annual review of each joint degree candidate's progress in the Joint Degree Program. A faculty advisor from the joint degree school or department provides the College of Law with data on the student's progression in that school, college, or department. The College of Law determines whether the student is making satisfactory progress under the following factors: (1) the number of and reasons for "Incompletes" in course work; (2) failure to maintain a cumulative grade-point average of (GPA) of 2.9 or above; (3) the student's standing in the non-law degree program; and (4) progress made and plans for satisfying the writing and optional oral defense requirements of the joint-degree program.

Minimum Credit Hours:

Students enrolled in joint degree programs, other than the Master of Professional Studies in Forest and Natural Resources Management at the SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry, must earn a minimum of 72 credit hours required for the J.D. at the College of Law. In addition, a minimum of 15 credit hours must be earned by successfully completing offerings outside the College of Law pursuant to the approved joint degree program.

Students enrolled in the Master of Professional Studies in Forest and Natural Resources Management in the SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry program must take Environmental Law and must earn a minimum of 78 credit hours required for the J.D. at the College of Law. In addition, a minimum of 9 credit hours must be earned by successfully completing offerings outside of the College of Law pursuant to the approved joint degree program.

Current College of Law students: please contact the College of Law Office Registrar's Office, Dineen Hall, Syracuse, NY 13244-1030; Email: lawstudentrecords@syr.edu.

For admissions information, please contact the College of Law Admissions Office (https://law.syracuse.edu/admissions/) at, 315-443-1962.

For financial aid and scholarship information, please contact the College of Law Financial Aid Office at (https://law.syracuse.edu/financial-aid/), 315-443-1962.

Students with general questions and inquiries concerning procedures regarding joint degrees should contact lawstudentrecords@syr.edu.

Areas of Excellence

Our centers and institutes (https://law.syracuse.edu/academics/centers-institutes/) are where diverse and interdisciplinary perspectives meet to solve the most complex challenges of our time. Explore the places where innovation meets expertise, as the brilliant minds of students, faculty, and practitioners collaborate for focused learning in critically important areas of the law.

Among our applied learning opportunities, Syracuse Law is home to interdisciplinary research institutes and centers that collaborate with other schools and colleges across Syracuse University, providing comprehensive learning and research experiences.

- The Institute for Security Policy and Law (SPL) (https://securitypolicylaw.syr.edu/), a partnership between Syracuse Law and the Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs, is a leader in preparing the next generation of practitioners and policymakers to enter the fields of national security, homeland security, intelligence, military law, and more.
- With a focus on intellectual property and in collaboration with the Whitman School of Management and College of Engineering and Computer Science, students in the Innovation Law Center (ILC) (https://securitypolicylaw.syr.edu/) work on legal and regulatory analyses for entrepreneurial clients who are nurturing new technologies from lab to market.
- Teaching international and comparative disability law, the Disability Law and Policy Program (DLPP) (https://law.syracuse.edu/ academics/centers-institutes/disability-law-and-policy-program/) is the nation's most extensive program in this field. Students can choose to pursue a joint degree for a J.D. and Master of Science in Cultural Foundations of Education with an Optional Certificate in Disability Studies in collaboration with the School of Education.
- Develop your advocacy and litigation skills both in and outside of the classroom through our Advocacy Program (https://law.syracuse.edu/ academics/advocacy-training/). Through a blend of intra- and intercollegiate competitions, including pioneering virtual formats, you'll have the chance to excel on a global stage. Our track record speaks for itself, with student advocates regularly winning major awards at regional, national, and international competitions.

Practical Experience

For students who wish to gain practical experience while establishing professional networks in geographically diverse legal markets, our Externship Program (https://law.syracuse.edu/academics/experiential-courses-clinics-externships/externships/) provides the flexibility you need to tailor your experience to your career goals.

Students can enroll in one semester or two semester-long placements. Syracuse Law offers a broad range of externship opportunities with law firms, public interest organizations, judges and local to national governmental agencies.

Moreover, externships are offered throughout the country. For students who wish to gain international legal experience, we offer an immersive introduction to the UK's legal landscape through the summer LondonEx. The Orange Flex (https://law.syracuse.edu/academics/degree-programs/

j-d-residential/third-year-away/) program allows students in their 3L year to fulfill graduation requirements while at an externship placement by taking online classes through our JDinteractive program.

Clinical & Experiential Education

To be a profession-ready lawyer, you need experience.

Learn how to apply doctrinal law while representing clients under the supervision of faculty-mentors via the College of Law's clinic program.

Through close supervision and rigorous feedback, you'll develop competence in law practice management and professional responsibility as well as a deeper understanding of substantive law. While providing a stellar educational experience as student attorneys, our clinics also provide much-needed, otherwise unavailable legal resources to the communities and people of Central New York.

See more details (https://law.syracuse.edu/academics/experiential-courses-clinics-externships/) about Clinical & Experiential Education.

Programs

Master's

 Law, LLM (https://coursecatalog.syracuse.edu/graduate/law/lawllm/)

Doctorate

- Law, JD (https://coursecatalog.syracuse.edu/graduate/law/law-jd/)
- Law, SJD (https://coursecatalog.syracuse.edu/graduate/law/law-sjd/)

Combined

- Cultural Foundations of Education, JD/MS/CAS (https:// coursecatalog.syracuse.edu/graduate/law/cultural-foundationseducation-jd-ms-cas/)
- Law, JD/Social Work, MSW (https://coursecatalog.syracuse.edu/ graduate/law/law-jd-social-work-msw/)
- Law/Advertising, JD/MA (https://coursecatalog.syracuse.edu/ graduate/law/law-advertising-jd-ma/)
- Law/Advocacy and Litigation, JD/LLM (https:// coursecatalog.syracuse.edu/graduate/law/law-advocacy-litigation-jdllm/)
- Law/Business Administration, JD/MBA (https:// coursecatalog.syracuse.edu/graduate/law/law-businessadministration-jd-mba/)
- Law/Computer Science, JD/MS (https://coursecatalog.syracuse.edu/ graduate/law/law-computer-science-jd-ms/)
- Law/Forensic Science, JD/MS (https://coursecatalog.syracuse.edu/ graduate/law/law-forensic-science-jd-ms/)
- Law/History, JD/MA (https://coursecatalog.syracuse.edu/graduate/ law/law-history-jd-ma/)
- Law/International Relations, JD/MA (https:// coursecatalog.syracuse.edu/graduate/law/law-internationalrelations-jd-ma/)
- Law/Magazine, News and Digital Journalism, JD/MA (https://coursecatalog.syracuse.edu/graduate/law/law-magazine-news-digital-journalism-jd-ma/)
- Law/Philosophy, JD/PhD (https://coursecatalog.syracuse.edu/ graduate/law/law-philosophy-id-phd/)

- Law/Political Science, JD/MA (https://coursecatalog.syracuse.edu/ graduate/law/law-political-science-jd-ma/)
- Law/Political Science, JD/PhD (https://coursecatalog.syracuse.edu/ graduate/law/law-political-science-jd-phd/)
- Law/Public Administration, JD/MPA (https:// coursecatalog.syracuse.edu/graduate/law/law-public-administrationjd-mpa/)
- Law/Public Relations, JD/MS (https://coursecatalog.syracuse.edu/ graduate/law/law-public-relations-jd-ms/)
- Law/Television, Radio and Film, JD/MA (https:// coursecatalog.syracuse.edu/graduate/law/law-television-radio-filmjd-ma/)

Certificate of Advanced Study

- National Security and Counterterrorism Law, CAS (https:// coursecatalog.syracuse.edu/graduate/law/national-securitycounterterrorism-law-cas/)
- Postconflict Reconstruction, CAS (https:// coursecatalog.syracuse.edu/graduate/law/postconflictreconstruction-cas/)
- Security Studies, CAS (https://coursecatalog.syracuse.edu/graduate/ law/security-studies-cas/)
- Technology Law and Entrepreneurship, CAS (https:// coursecatalog.syracuse.edu/graduate/law/technology-lawentrepreneurship-cas/)

Faculty

Courtney Abbott Hill, Associate Teaching Professor J.D., Syracuse University College of Law, 2009 Legal Communications and Research; Legal Foundations; Professional Responsibility

Rakesh K. Anand, Professor of Law J.D., Yale University, 1994 Constitutional Law II; Criminal Law; European Union law

Elizabeth A. August, Teaching Professor J.D., Syracuse University College of Law, 1994 Legal Communications and Research; Transactional Drafting; Negotiation Skills; Professional Skills: Negotiations

James E. Baker, Professor of Law; Director, Syracuse University Institute for Security Policy and Law; Professor of Public Administration, Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs (by courtesy Appointment)

J.D., Yale Law School, 1990

Central Challenges National Security Law Policy; Space Law and Policy; National Security Law; The Theory and Practice of National Security (and Legal) Leadership; Professional Skills: Legal Ethics in National Security

Kristen Barnes, Associate Dean for Faculty Research; Professor of Law J.D., Harvard Law School, 1990; PhD, Duke University, 2003 Housing Law; Property; International Law

Todd A. Berger, Professor of Law; Director, Advocacy Programs; Director, PhillyEx

J.D., Temple University 2003; LL.M. Temple University 2007Evidence; Trial Practice; Constitutional Criminal Procedure: Adjudication; EU-US Coop Criminal Matters; Intercollegiate Team Comp; Advocacy Honors Society; Constitutional Criminal Procedure: Investigative; Trial Practice-Advanced; Transnational Alternative Dispute Resolution; Professional

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Skills: Trial Advocacy; Intercollegiate Team Comp; Advanced Legal Topics: Capital Habeas Practicum

Peter D. Blanck, University Professor; Chairman, Burton Blatt Institute J.D., Stanford University, 1986; Ph.D., Harvard University, 1982 Disability Law; History Disability Law & Policy

Craig M. Boise, Dean and Professor of Law J.D., University of Chicago Law School, 1994; LL.M. (Tax), New York University School of Law 1999

Business Associations; Advanced Legal Topics: International Tax Law (with LAW 798)

Jennifer S. Breen, Laura J. & L. Douglas Meredith Professor of Teaching Excellence 2022-2023; Associate Professor of Law; Senior Research Associate, Campbell Public Affairs Institute

J.D., Cornell law School, 2015; Ph.D., University of Pennsylvania, 2011 Administrative Law; Constitutional Law; Emerging Issues in Labor & Employment Law; Labor Law

Emily Brown, Associate Teaching Professor J.D., Syracuse University School of Law, 2009 Legal Communication & Research; Legal Communication & Research II; Legal Communications

Keith J. Bybee, Paul E. and Hon. Joanne F. Alper '72 Judiciary Studies Professor; Professor of Law; Professor of Political Science; Director, Institute for the Study of the Judiciary, Politics, and the Media (IJPM); Senior Research Associate, Campbell Public Affairs Institute Ph.D., University of California at San Diego, 1995
Constitutional Law I and II; Law, Politics, and the Media (IJPM); Elements of the Law

Sanjay K. Chhablani, Laura J. & L. Douglas Meredith Professor of Teaching Excellence 2017-2020; Professor of Law; Adjunct Professor, Forensic and National Security Sciences Institute, College of Arts and Sciences

J.D., Yale Law School, 1996

Criminal Law; Evidence; Constitutional Criminal Procedure: Adjudication

Maria Cudowska, Visiting Teaching Professor Ph.D., University of Białystok Faculty of Law, 2019; Postgraduate Degree in Legal Translation, 2017; Law Degree, 2014; Michigan State University College of Law, LL.M in the American Legal System, 2016 Environmental Law; National Security/Terrorism Research Center;

Business Associations; National Security Negotiations

Kelly K. Curtis, Associate Dean of Students; Teaching Professor J.D., Ohio State University, Moritz College of law, 2005 Professional Responsibility: Law & Sexuality

Lisa A. Dolak, Angela S. Cooney Professor of Law 2009-2022; Professor of Law

J.D., Syracuse University College of Law, 1988 Civil Procedure; Federal Courts; Law; Patents and Trade Secrets

Jan Fleckenstein, Teaching Professor; Director of the Law Library J.D., Syracuse University College of Law, 2011 Advanced Legal Research

Shannon P. Gardner, Associate Dean for Academic Programs; Teaching Professor

J.D., Loyola Law School, Los Angeles, 1994Legal Foundations; American Legal System; Appellate Advocacy Skills; Professional Skills: Criminal Investigations: Essential Lawyering Skills

Brian Gerling, Professor of Practice; Executive Director, Innovation Law Center

J.D., Syracuse University College of Law, 1999

Law Practicum - Technology; Tech. Innovation Law & Practice

Gregory L. Germain, Professor of Law

J.D., University of California, Hastings College of Law, 1985; LL.M. (Tax), University of Florida, 2001

Contracts; Bankruptcy Clinic

Shubha Ghosh, Crandall Melvin Professor of Law; Director, Syracuse Intellectual Property Law Institute (SIPLI)

J.D., Stanford Law School, 1994; Ph.D., University of Michigan, 1988 Business Associations; Intellectual Property; Advising the Startup I; Advising the Startup II; Journal of Science and Technology Law

Antonio Gidi, Teaching Professor

J.D., Federal University of Bahia, Brazil, 1990; LL.M., PUC University, Sao Paulo, Brazil, 1993; S.J.D., University of Pennsylvania, 2001; Ph.D., PUC University, Sao Paulo, Brazil, 2003

Civil Procedure; Torts; Class Actions; Complex Litigation; Legal Applications

Lauryn P. Gouldin, Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs; Laura J. and L. Douglas Meredith Professor of Teaching Excellence; Crandall Melvin Professor of Law; Director, Syracuse Civics Initiative

J.D., New York University School of Law, 2000

Constitutional Criminal Procedure (Investigative); Criminal Law; Criminal Justice Reform Seminar

Jack M. Graves, Teaching Professor

J.D., University of Colorado School of Law, 1994

Evidence; Advanced Legal Topics: Arbitration; Advanced Legal Topics: A.I. and the Law; Contracts

Andrew S. Greenberg, Teaching Professor

J.D., Syracuse University College of Law, 1989

Professional Responsibility; Appellate Advocacy Skills; Torts; Administrative Law

Margaret M. Harding, Professor of Law, Co-Director, LondonEx

J.D., Georgetown University Law Center, 1986

Civil Procedure; Alternative Dispute Resolution

Laurie Hobart, Associate Teaching Professor

J.D., Harvard law School, 2007

Constitutional Law; National Security Law; Legal and Literacy Writing on War and Peace

Paula C. Johnson, Professor of Law; Director, Cold Case Justice Initiative J.D., Temple University, 1985; LL.M., Georgetown University Law Center, 1990

Constitutional Criminal Procedure Investigation; Multicultural Lawyering; Criminal Law; Civil Rights Murder Cases

Andrew Kim, Professor of Law J.D., Harvard Law School, 2007 Torts; Immigration Law

Nina A. Kohn, Board of Advisors Distinguished Professor of Law; Distinguished Professor of Law

J.D., Harvard University, 2002

Torts; Wills and Trusts; Advanced Legal Topics; Elder Law;

Elizabeth G. Kubala, Teaching Professor; Executive Director, Office of Clinical Legal Education; Director of the Betty and Michael D. Wohl Veterans Legal Clinic; Director of Veteran and Military Affairs for the College of Law

J.D., University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Law; LL.M, The Army Judge Advocate General's School, 2005

Veteran's Legal Clinic; Veteran's Legal Clinic II; Professional Skills; Administrative Representation

Laura G. Lape, Associate Professor of Law J.D., University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, 1985 Copyright-Literary and Artistic works; Intellectual Property; Property Law; Wills and Trusts

Thomas M. Leith, Associate Teaching Professor; Director, Criminal Defense Clinic

J.D., New York University School of Law, 2006 Criminal Defense Law Clinic; Criminal Defense Law Clinic II; Legal Communications and Research II; Trial Practice

Monica M. Luna, Teaching Professor

J.D., University of California, Los Angeles, 2007

Legal Communications and Research I; Legal Communications and Research II; Family Law; Legal Foundations

Katherine A. Macfarlane, Professor of Law; Director; Disability Law and Policy Program

J.D., Loyola Law School, 2006

Civil Rights Litigation; Constitutional Law I; Disability Law

Kevin Noble Maillard, Professor of Law

J.D., University of Pennsylvania Law School, 2002; M.A., Ph.D., University of Michigan, 2004

Professional Skills; Media Training for Attorneys

Robin Paul Malloy, Ernest I. White Chair and Distinguished Professor of Law; Kauffman Professor of Entrepreneurship and Innovation; Director, Center on Property, Citizenship and Social Entrepreneurism; Professor of Economics, Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs (by courtesy appointment)

J.D., University of Florida, 1980; LL.M., University of Illinois, 1983 Real Estate Transactions; Law Review

Eugene F. McCarthy, Associate Professor of Law Ph.D., University of California, Berkeley, Rhetoric, 2016; J.D., UCLA School of Law, 2008 Contracts

Suzette M. Meléndez, Teaching Professor; Director, Syracuse Medical Legal Partnership

J.D., University of Connecticut, 1989

Child Health Policy and Legal Practice; Syracuse Medical Legal Partnership Clinic; Family Law

Aliza M. Milner, Teaching Professor; Director, Legal Communication and Research

J.D., George Washington University, 1998

Legal Communication and Research I; Legal Writing in Judicial Chambers

Jessica Murray, Teaching Professor; Director, Transactional law Clinic J.D., Cornell Law School, 1988

Transactional Law Clinic; Transactional Law Clinic II; Legal Writing for International Students

Robert G. Nassau, Teaching Professor; Director, Sherman F. Levey '57, L'59 Low Income Taxpayer Clinic

J.D., Harvard University, 1986

Federal Income Taxation I; Federal Income Taxation II; Business Transaction; Low Income Taxpayer Clinic; Low Income Taxpayer Clinic II

Grace W. Orsatti, Associate Professor of Law Harvard Medical School, Master of Science in Bioethics, 2025; J.D., Thomas R. Kline School of Law, Duqesne University, 2004 Wills and Trusts; Bioethics (pending)

Keli Perrin, Associate Teaching Professor; Managing Director, Syracuse University Institute for Security Policy and Law J.D., Syracuse University College of Law

Cyber Security Law & Policy; Regulatory Law & Policy; Administrative Law; Homeland Security Law & Policy

Richard S. Risman, Teaching Professor

J.D., State University of New York at Buffalo, 1984Research and Rhetoric; Legal Writing for International Students; Legal Applications; Advanced Legal Writing: Research/Rhetoric

Brian M. Sirman, Associate Professor of Law J.D., William & Mary Law School, 2022; Ph.D., Boston University, 2004 Civil Procedures; Health Law and Policy

Kent Syverud, Chancellor and President, Syracuse University J.D., University of Michigan School of Law Negotiation

Mary Szto, Teaching Professor J.D., Columbia University School of Law, 1986 Business Associations; Contracts; Artificial Intelligence Law and Ethics

Daniel Traficonte, Associate Professor of Law Ph.D., Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 2021; J.D., Harvard Law School, 2017

Property; International Technology Law; Patents and Trade Secrets

C. Cora True-Frost, Laura J. & L. Douglas Meredith Professor of Teaching Excellence 224-2027; Professor of Law

J.D., Syracuse University College of Law, 2001; LL.M., Harvard Law School, 2006

Constitutional Law II; International Human Rights Law; Journal of International Law; Impunity Watch; International Law

Kristin L. Walker, Professor of Practice; Faculty Director of Externships J.D., Syracuse University College of Law, 2008
Transactional Drafting; Adv. Litigation Skills; Externship Seminar;
Externship Placement; Professional Skills: Advanced Litigation Skills; Pro Bono Scholars Externship

Richard Wallach, Associate Teaching Professor J.D., Syracuse University College of Law, 2006 Legal Communication and Research I; Legal Communication and Research II

A. Joseph Warburton, Professor of Law; Professor of Finance, Whitman School of Management

Ph.D., University of Michigan, 2009

Commercial Transactions; Transactions: The Future of Money

Casey Weissman-Vermeulen, Associate Teaching Professor; Director, Housing Clinic

J.D., University of North Carolina, 2012

Housing Clinic I; Housing Clinic II: Legal Interviewing/Counseling

Danielle Wild, Associate Teaching Professor

J.D., Syracuse University College of Law, 2015

Legal Communications & Research I; Legal Communications & Research II; Criminal Law; Professional Skills: Oral Communication & Advocacy Skills

Faculty can also be found by clicking on the link below: http://law.syr.edu/deans-faculty/faculty-and-instructors (http://law.syr.edu/deans-faculty/faculty-and-instructors/)

Courses

Law

LAW 530 Negotiation (1 Credit)

Law

The course will emphasize learning the skills of negotiation by simulations in which students will negotiate and watch their classmates negotiate. Class members will conduct three negotiations, a simple sales contract, a retainer agreement between an attorney and a client, and a complex multi-party dispute.

LAW 601 Civil Procedure (4 Credits)

Law

Procedural processes that guide the adjudication of civil actions in American courts. Allocation of judicial power between federal and state courts, focusing on the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. Fundamental policies underlying particular procedural rules.

LAW 602 Constitutional Law (3 Credits)

Law

This course covers (1) Judicial Review in all its aspects, including the Case and Controversy Doctrine, and (2) Structure, that is, Federalism (Federal and State regulatory and taxing powers) and Separation of Powers/Checks and Balances among the branches of the federal government.

LAW 603 Contracts (5 Credits)

Law

Legal protection afforded promissory agreements. Contract interpretation; contract formation, including offer and acceptance, mutual assent, and consideration. Parties affected by contracts and remedies for breach of contract.

LAW 604 Criminal Law (3 Credits)

Law

Elements of various crimes and problems of statutory construction and interpretation. Substantive defenses, emphasizing the defense of insanity, as well as attempts and the specific crimes of conspiracy, theft, and homicide.

LAW 607 Property (5 Credits)

Law

Problems concerning the possession of land and chattels. Methods of acquiring title to personal property, possessory and concurrent estates, and landlord and tenant problems. Historical introduction to real estate, including future interest, real covenants, and easements.

LAW 608 Torts (5 Credits)

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Imposition of liability for personal wrongs as viewed by traditional tort law and current alternatives. Historical development and policy basis of liability for various types of injury-producing conduct, including intentional torts, negligence, and strict liability.

LAW 609 Legal Communications and Research I & II (3 Credits)

Legal Communications & Research I This course introduces legal analysis and writing. Students write legal memoranda with elements of legal reasoning and legal citation. They learn to structure analysis around rules, elements, and factors. They also practice writing with clarity to communicate well as they address legal problems. Legal Communications & Research II This course continues exploration of legal analysis and writing. It introduces legal research, including research plans and finding primary and secondary authority. Students learn to write persuasive legal analysis and present a persuasive oral argument. Students continue to practice legal citation, revision, and editing to advocate effectively.

Repeatable

LAW 630 Negotiation (1 Credit)

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The course will emphasize learning the skills of negotiation by simulations in which students will negotiate and watch their classmates negotiate. Class members will conduct three negotiations, a simple sales contract, a retainer agreement between an attorney and a client, and a complex multi-party dispute.

LAW 641 Fact Investigation and Analysis (3 Credits)

Law

An introduction to the world of fact investigation and analysis, this course will provide an overview of how to develop and scrutinize facts. The course will cover five major topics: 1) How lawyers gather facts; 2) How lawyers evaluate evidence/facts; 3) How to organize evidence into a comprehensive narrative; 4) How human memory, biases, and perception affect fact gathering; and 5) The ethical issues surrounding fact investigations. The course will involve a significant interactive skill development component including mock interviews, drafting exercises, guest speakers, and hands-on investigation exercises.

LAW 642 Introduction to Legal Practice: Applying Contracts, Torts, and Civil Procedure (3 Credits)

Law

This course translates theory into practice through a semester-long simulation of legal work. Building upon students' mastery of Torts, Contracts, and Civil Procedure, this course introduces students to essential lawyering skills including client relations, negotiations, interviewing, drafting, motion practice, and discovery. The course will also focus on professional identity issues as they arise in the context of the applied learning of the practice of law.

LAW 643 Land Use and Zoning Law (3 Credits)

Law

Every Town and municipality in the country has to deal with land use and zoning law issues. Land regulations control what private property owners can do with their property. They also regulate speech; define families; control access to public and private places for people with disabilities; address housing discrimination; and implement environmental law at the local level. In this course, we cover the applied administrative law of land use and zoning, and we do hands-on projects that prepare you to be practice ready from day one for handling a zoning claim and a petition to a zoning board of appeal.

LAW 644 National Security Lawyering (3 Credits)

Law

The central goal of this course is to equip students with skills required to practice law in a political and bureaucratic context. It will teach students about the organizational structure of the national security infrastructure; how key figures make, implement, and oversee policy and operational decisions; and the unusually diverse array of legal materials that regulate national security players and thus constitute the "law" of national security law

LAW 645 Negotiation for Lawyers (3 Credits)

Law

This course will introduce students to the theory and practice of negotiation. Students will learn basic negotiation skills and will be introduced to a variety of other skills including: valuation of a client's position; interviewing; business communications; and basic drafting.

LAW 646 Problem Solving and Intelligent Lawyering (3 Credits)

A series of problems challenge students to determine client interests and consider different options for effective representation. The problems span civil and criminal law and become more complicated as the semester progresses. Discussions with practicing attorneys will supplement students' work on the problems. To develop skills of perception and judgment, the course also incorporates the study of mindfulness and emotional intelligence. Students will learn about concentration, awareness, and the development of compassion in legal representation. They will practice interviewing clients and making decisions in a group. If they would like, students may also be guided in mindful breathing, meditation, and yoga.

LAW 647 Professional Responsibility (3 Credits)

Law

This course will cover the essential components of professional responsibility and will focus on professional identity formation. Utilizing a problem approach that lends itself to simulations and skills development, students will learn how to analyze ethical issues; develop basic interviewing, counseling, and informal advocacy skills; practice collaboration; and reflect on the role of the lawyer and their own professional development. This course meets the Professional Responsibility requirement.

Advisory recommendation Prereq: LAW 901 and LAW 902

LAW 648 Public Interest Lawyering (3 Credits)

Law

This course will explore major lawyering themes and skills used by public interest lawyers, cutting across diverse practice areas and settings. The course is designed to integrate academic theory with experiential learning (through role plays, simulations, and individual and group exercises) related to current issues affecting public interest law advocacy today.

LAW 649 Trauma Informed Lawyering (3 Credits)

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This course will focus on cases that involve partner violence and rape to examine how trauma effects participation in the criminal justice process. Understanding trauma will allow students to develop effective advocacy for their clients. Students will also learn how to engage with law enforcement, attorneys, judges and community based advocates. Interviewing techniques, role playing, active listening, and problem solving with clients will be discussed. Developing strategies for policy changes will also be addressed.

LAW 690 Legal Communications & Research III (2 Credits)

Law

A variety of courses that build on the skills learned in the first two semesters of the Legal Communication and Research Program. The courses focus more specifically on practice areas (such as civil litigation, criminal litigation, and transactional drafting) as well as courses that focus on legal writing (such as theories and strategies in persuasive writing and revising and editing legal prose).

Prereq: LAW 609

LAW 691 Transactional Drafting (2-3 Credits)

Law

This course introduces students to contract concepts, terminology, drafting and ethics through lecture, class discussion, exercises, and assignments. During the semester students will revise and/or draft contracts such as attorney retainer agreements, commercial or residential leases, employment agreements and service contracts. Students will also work on developing other lawyering skills including legal research, drafting professional correspondence, and negotiation. This course satisfies the professional writing requirement.

LAW 692 Advanced Legal Writing: Research & Rhetoric (2 Credits)

This advanced writing and research course is designed as a continuum and review of curriculum covered in LCR I and II. It also explores new materials formatted in a simulated litigation setting. Lawyering skills, including the writing of memorandum of law both objective and persuasive, trial court papers and documents, use of transactional and litigation forms, client letters, negotiation, and related lawyering skills comprise graded assignments in this professional writing course and skills offering.

LAW 693 Legal Foundations (2 Credits)

Law

This is the first residential course in the online JD program. it is a two-credit course designed to prepare students to study law. The course will introduce students to the American legal system, build a foundational understanding of the basic framework of legal and lawmaking institutions, and help prepare them to succeed in their legal studies.

LAW 694 Legal Writing in Judicial Chambers (2 Credits)

Law

This course explores the work of judges and law clerks in chambers, including research, deliberation, and writing. It considers the complex and creative ways that judges reach decisions. The main work for the course is writing opinions for real cases pending on appeal. By the end of the course, students are comfortable drafting trial court orders and appellate court opinions for a supervisor¿s review. This course meets the professional writing requirement.

LAW 695 Writing for Appeals (2 Credits)

Law

LAW 699 Constitutional Law II (3 Credits)

Law

A continuation of Constitutional Law I (LAW 602) for second and thirdyear law students. This course covers Individual Rights, that is, Due Process, Equal Protection and the First Amendment, including freedom of speech, the press and religion.

Prereq: LAW 602

LAW 700 National Security Law (3 Credits)

Law

Obtaining information about the government; restraints on publication; government surveillance; travel restrictions; war and emergency powers; nuclear weapons issues; civil disobedience and draft issues.

LAW 701 Accounting for Lawyers (2 Credits)

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Principles of financial accounting applied to business entities: proprietorships, partnerships, and corporations; accounting for and tax implications of business organizations; and problems with estates and trusts. Not open to students who have more than one year of accounting.

LAW 702 Administrative Law (3 Credits)

Law

Nature and function of the administrative process. Procedural constraints on administrative investigation, adjudication, and rule making; judicial review of agency action.

LAW 703 Pension and Employee Benefit Law (2 Credits)

Law

This course offers a comprehensive overview of pension law, focusing on the Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA) and the Internal Revenue Code. Emphasizing real-world applications, the course will include practical examples to illustrate how pension laws impact both employers and employees, as well as other areas of law such as estate planning, mergers and acquisitions and family law. By the end of the course, students will have a solid understanding of the legal framework and key topics governing employee benefit plans.

LAW 704 Commercial Transactions (4 Credits)

Law

Commercial practices under the Uniform Commercial Code, particularly sales, commercial paper and bank collections, letters of credit, bulk transfers, and secured transactions; business background, planning, and counseling.

LAW 705 Comparative Law (3 Credits)

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This course will provide a comprehensive introduction to the legal systems of the civil law, with a focus on continental Europe. Many characteristic features of the Civil Law – the absence of a jury, the relative lack of reliance on judicial precedents, the emphasis on codification – have their origin in ancient and medieval times. Our course will therefore trace a historical review of European legal history and the civil law, beginning with Roman law, proceeding through medieval times and the early modern era of the 18th and 19th centuries, to the modern period of international law. We will focus on the emergence of the three most influential modern systems, those of France, Germany, and Italy. We will examine the civil codes, the nature of continental adjudication, the inquisitorial approach to criminal justice, and comparative constitutional law. We will conclude the course by addressing the rise of the European Union and its legal institutions.

LAW 706 Conflict of Laws (2 Credits)

Law

Legal rules applicable to disputes with contacts to more than one state or country; the historical development of such rules; and their application in contract, tort, property, and other cases.

LAW 707 Music Law (3 Credits)

Law

Music Law will be practical look at representing performers, bands, song writers, and others in the music industry. We will look at both the law and the industry, exploring the agreements that transfer rights between the various players and case law affecting those rights, as well as examining the industry itself and who those players are. Students will also benefit from the insight of guest speakers from various areas of the industry. Topics include recording agreements, band agreements, touring, songwriting, music publishing, management and others.

LAW 708 Constitutional Criminal Procedure - Investigative (3 Credits)

Constitutional and statutory requirement for investigative procedures in criminal cases. Topics include searches, seizures, lineups, confessions, and electronic surveillances.

LAW 709 Capital Habeas Practicum (1 Credit)

Law

This course provides students with an overview of the substantive and procedural law involved in capital post-conviction litigation. Topics include an overview of some of the constitutional principles governing the imposition of the death penalty, the exclusion of intellectually disabled defendants from death-eligibility, effective assistance of counsel in capital cases, and certain aspects of state post-conviction and federal habeas corpus procedure. This course has a heavy experiential component in which students focus on developing lawyering skills needed for effective post-conviction capital litigation, including legal research and writing and effective courtroom advocacy.

LAW 710 Law & Sexuality (3 Credits)

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LAW 711 Labor and Employment Law (2 Credits)

Law

This course provides an introduction to the law applicable to employment. It is divided into two parts, labor law and employment law. The first part, labor law, will cover collective employment relations, primarily between unions and employers. The formation and organization of labor unions, their recognition by employers, and the rules governing collective bargaining and interpreting collective bargaining agreements will be addressed. Key policy issues, such as the effectiveness of labor laws, possible reforms and the future of union will also be considered. The second part of the course, employment law, deals with individual employment relations between employees and their employers. The initial focus will be on the common law ¿employment at will¿ doctrine, which provides employers wide latitude to discharge employees. Next, statutory non-discrimination law, prohibiting employers from discriminating against employees on the basis of race, sex, disability, age, genetic characteristics and other protected categories will be examined. This part of the course will conclude with a consideration of topical issues such as gig work, employment arbitration agreements, and the impact of artificial intelligence on employment law.

LAW 712 Business Associations (4 Credits)

Law

This is a business organizations course covering both unincorporated businesses and corporations. The first half of the course pertains to small business forms: partnerships; LLCs and close corporations. The balance covers public corporations, including regulation under securities laws.

LAW 713 Speech & Religion Under the First Amendment (3 Credits)

Law

Comprehensive coverage of issues of freedom of speech, the free exercise of religion, and establishment of religion.

LAW 715 Wills and Trusts (3 Credits)

Law

Law governing interstate succession; execution, and revocation of wills; inter vivos will substitutes; the creation, nature, and revocation of trusts.

LAW 716 Environmental Law (3 Credits)

Law

Pollution control and toxic substance regulation; the ends and means of environmental protection; the institutional responsibilities of legislatures, agencies, and courts. This course will introduce students to the major federal laws aimed at protecting the natural/human environments as well as the range of approaches to addressing environmental harms.

LAW 717 Estate & Gift Taxation (2 Credits)

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Taxation of transfers during life and at death. Planning and alternative modes of disposition.

LAW 718 Evidence (4 Credits)

Law

Procedural and substantive rules of evidence. Judicial notice, presumptions and burdens of proof, rules governing the receipt of oral and documentary evidence, impeachment, direct and cross-examination, competency, hearsay, privileges, and the best evidence rules.

LAW 719 Mediation Skills (2 Credits)

Law

This applied learning skills-based course explores the stages of mediation in a variety of substantive law areas, including personal injury, landlord/tenant, commercial and contract disputes, labor relations, consumer claims, and court-annexed processes. Mediation preparation, strategies, competencies, and ethics are examined and practiced through individual and team advocacy simulations from the perspectives of client, attorney and neutral. Drafting of essential settlement and related documents is also a primary focus of the class.

LAW 720 Family Law (3 Credits)

Law

State regulation of family relations. Family autonomy, marital and nonmarital contracts, adoption. Issues in divorce: separation agreements, spousal and child support, property division, and child custody.

LAW 721 Federal Courts (3 Credits)

Law

Essential functions of federal courts. Relationships between federal courts and the other branches of the federal government, the states, and the individual.

LAW 722 Federal Income Tax I: Individual Tax (3 Credits)

Law

A study of the structure and underlying principles of the U.S. Federal income tax system, including an introduction to tax planning. This course devotes substantial class time to the fundamentals of statutory interpretation, including: agency adjudications, judicial review of agency action, statutory interpretation techniques, methodologies, and legislative history.

LAW 723 Federal Income Tax II: Taxation of Business Transactions (2-3 Credits)

Law

Income tax problems of the corporation and its shareholders, emphasizing corporate organization, distributions, redemptions, liquidations, reorganizations, collapsible corporations, and S corporations.

Prereq: LAW 722

LAW 724 Veterans Law (3 Credits)

Law

This course examines the substantive, administrative, and procedural process of claims before the Department of Veterans Affairs. Students will learn how to write regulations, understand the notice and comment procedures for proposed regulations, and write informal and formal briefs to the agency and courts. Students will have the opportunity to advocate for a mock veteran, third party, and VA interests. The course will devote substantial class time in covering fundamentals of administrative law, including agency rulemaking process, agency adjudication, and judicial review.

LAW 725 Distressed Dealmaking (1 Credit)

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Distressed Dealmaking is designed to provide students with a real world, hands-on understanding of the issues involved in a major corporate restructuring. In considering the perspectives of all stakeholders and the management of a business in financial distress, the course will explore ¿ through cases lived by the professor (including Toys R Us, BCBG, Gymboree, the Atlantis Bahamas and others) ¿ the delicate balance of legal knowledge, business acumen and crisis management skills necessary to maximize the value of the corporation. Students will participate in a simulated presentation to a board of directors to better understand the complexities of a corporate reorganization process.

LAW 726 Intellectual Property (3 Credits)

Law

Survey of the foundations of copyright, patent, unfair competition, and trade law. For students who wish to concentrate in intellectual property or who want a basic course as preparation for business planning or litigation practice.

LAW 727 International Business Transactions (3 Credits)

Law

This course provides an introduction to the transactional, regulatory, and litigation aspects of international business involving at least one private party. Major areas of substantive coverage include international sales of goods (with special focus on the United Nations Convention on the International Sale of Goods), licensing of technology, foreign direct investment, contract and tort liability in the United States and abroad, and the law proscribing corruption in cross-border transactions. We will also cover subsidiary litigation and regulatory topics, such as choice-of-law analysis, international commercial arbitration, international civil litigation in U.S. courts (focusing on jurisdiction and other procedural threshold issues), U.S. regulation of foreign investment and export controls, and intellectual property protection.

LAW 728 International Law (3 Credits)

Law

This course introduces students to the basic subjects, processes, and problems of contemporary public international law. We begin by exploring the sources of public international law; the traditional role of states in international law formation; and the growing role of international organizations, nongovernmental organizations, and subnational municipalities in transnational legal processes. Our attention then turns to the relationship between international law and U.S. law, including the principles that govern (and impede) the application of international law in U.S. courts. Rather than attempt to canvass the myriad subfields that comprise contemporary public international law, we devote sustained attention to a selection from among the following subjects: principles of jurisdiction, international regulatory regimes and globalization, state claims to natural resources, the law of war, and international human rights. With this foundation in place, the course concludes with an invitation to grapple with several perennial critiques of the international legal system.

LAW 729 Homeland Security Law & Policy (3 Credits)

Law

LAW 730 Labor Law (2-3 Credits)

Law

This class addresses the legal regime structuring the rights of workers to act collectively to improve their wages and working conditions. The course is focused on labor unions, but some attention will also be paid to non-union workers acting as a group. Over the course of the semester we will address issues including (but not limited to) which workers are covered by labor law (and which workers are not), how labor law is administered by the National Labor Relations Board, the process of gaining union representation through organizing, the process of collective bargaining, and other forms of "concerted activity."

LAW 731 Selecting Your Jury (1 Credit)

Law

Students will be instructed on the procedures and laws governing jury selection in a criminal case, see jury selection modeled for them, and will also participate in simulated jury selection exercises under the supervision of experienced trial attorneys. An emphasis will be placed on identifying a theory of the case and identifying potential jurors who can be persuaded to accept the case theory. Other topics to be addressed include but are not limited to preparation, organization, interacting with the judge and opposing counsel, the role of the client, and overcoming objections. ¿

LAW 732 Housing Law (3 Credits)

Law

This course examines housing law through the lenses of federal and state law. Topics will include: The Fair Housing Act, housing affordability, smart cities, gentrification, exclusionary and inclusionary zoning, federal housing policy, community development and investment, and housing discrimination.

LAW 733 Law and Market Economy (1 Credit)

Law

Double-numbered with ECN 575

Use of economic tools in the analysis of law and legal regulations, including use of economic incentives to analyze evolution of legal institutions and impact of these institutions on economic dynamics. Advisory recommendation Prereq: (ECN 301 or 311) and ECN 302

LAW 734 Foundational Skills for Academic Success (1 Credit)

Law

To help such students achieve mastery of critical skills for academic and bar success, LAW 734 will meet virtually each week to discuss, practice, and reinforce a critical academic skill. For each skill covered there will also be a graded assignment to reinforce the lesson and assess mastery. This course will focus on skills that upper-level students struggle with the most in their upper-division classes and bar preparation. The LAW 734 curriculum is primarily a formalized version of the most effective exercises created and used by staff in the Office of Academic and Bar Success when working with students at risk of dismissal, students on academic probation/Structured Curriculum, and students attempting to raise their GPA.

LAW 735 Federal Criminal Law (3 Credits)

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Examines substantive Federal criminal law, including the following topics: The Federal Role in Enforcement Against Crime, The Consequences of Jurisdictional Overlap, Fraud and Political Corruption, Mail Fraud, The Hobbs Act, Official Bribery and Gratuities, Drug Trafficking and Money Laundering, Currency Reporting Offenses, Group and Organizational Crime (including RICO), Anti-Terrorism Enforcement, The Criminal Civil Rights Statutes, The Federal False Statement Statutes, Obstruction of Justice, Sentencing Guidelines, and Forfeiture.

LAW 736 The Law and Literature (3 Credits)

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The focus of this course/seminar will be the law, the legal process, and concepts of justice as they are treated in a number of works of fiction as well as by lawyers in judicial opinions and other writings. The fictional readings will be short stories (Tolstoy, Faulkner, Glaspell, Hawthorne, Cather, de Maupassant, Vonnegut, etc.) and two novellas. In-depth consideration of the materials should demonstrate to the student the wide gamut of emotions, human relationships, and ambiguities with which case law frequently does not adequately deal. The materials raise issues of morality, natural law, divine law, mercy, the limits of advocacy, and ethics all of which must deeply concern any lawyer who wishes to strive to fulfill the true object of his or her profession.

LAW 738 Communications Law (3 Credits)

Law

Examination of the market structure and regulation of the communications industry as well as the relationship between the communications industry and the several branches of government. Topics include the authority of state and federal government to license spectrum and to regulate broadcast communications and cable, satellite, wireline and wireless services. Other topics may include broadcast fairness, political broadcasting and regulation of the Internet and emerging technologies.

LAW 739 Artificial Intelligence Law and Ethics (3 Credits)

Law

We discuss the history and development of AI, including its use in the legal profession. We also discuss the development of AI law and ethics in the US and elsewhere, and proposals for the future. Students will have an opportunity to research and present on these topics.

LAW 741 Project Finance (2-3 Credits)

Law

This course is designed to introduce students to project financing and the many legal and practical considerations in advising clients in these transactions. This course will focus on the application of project financing for financing infrastructure projects, such as power plants, telecommunication systems, water treatment plants, toll roads as well as large industrial plants all of which generate revenue in exchange for the output of the project, i.e., electricity, water supply or required commodities. This course will also examine actual transaction documents, key provisions and issues that arise negotiating these agreements. Students will also be introduced to financial models which are the key economic measure of any project financing.

LAW 742 Entertainment Law (3 Credits)

Law

Will simulate actual entertainment law practice and will emphasize the process by which contracts are developed and entered into so as to make use of copyrighted properties. The student will be required to draw upon and further develop multiple legal skills, particularly substantive analysis, drafting, analysis of and otherwise dealing with "paper" from the other side, practical research, formulation of advice, and participation in various kinds of oral discussions.

LAW 743 New York Civil Practice (4 Credits)

Law

This course introduces law student to the various litigation procedures in New York as set forth in New York's Civil Practice Laws and Rules and is designed to prepare students to litigate in New York courts. Among topics covered are jurisdiction, pleadings, statutes of limitation, discovery, motion practice and pretrial proceedings. Classes include lectures and inclass small group hypothetical problem discussions. Grading is based on two in-class quizzes, class participation and a final examination

LAW 744 The Theory and Practice of National Security (and Legal) Leadership (2-3 Credits)

Law

In the practice of national security law, many, if not most of the practice challenges lawyers face either derive from personality or leadership problems or are best addressed through the timely application of effective leadership and process. (The substantive challenges derive from world events.) This course introduces students to some of the leadership challenges of national security practice, as well as legal practice generally. It then explores the meaning of leadership through the consideration of leadership philosophies and leadership traits drawn from philosophy, history, literature, and practice. The course next considers the application of these traits in the context of individual, group, and institutional settings and case studies. The course and reading are directed to national security context; however, one question students will consider is to what extent the principles are applicable to the practice of law and life generally.

LAW 745 Negotiation Skills (2 Credits)

Law

Negotiation Skills will introduce students to the tools they need for effective negotiation. This course will focus on the three stages of negotiation: preparation, negotiation and post negotiation self ¿assessment. Students will negotiation numerous times during the semester and will receive feedback on their negotiations.

LAW 746 Professional Responsibility (3 Credits)

Law

Relationship of the lawyer to the profession, community, client, and society. ABA Code of Professional Responsibility, ABA Model Rules of Professional Conduct, and American Lawyer's Code of Conduct.

LAW 747 Real Estate Transactions (3 Credits)

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Expands on fundamentals of property and contract law. Materials address contracting for the purchase and sale of property, conveyancing, financing, and title issues. The course also covers foreclosure. Materials focus on developing a real estate law vocabulary, enhancing transactional lawyering skills, and acquiring the knowledge needed for the Bar examination, where up to fifty-percent of the property law related questions may come from the materials covered in real estate transactions.

LAW 748 Sports Law (3 Credits)

Law

This course will examine various areas of the law as they relate to sports (both professional sports and intercollegiate sports), including such areas as contract law, antitrust law, labor law, law regulating player agents, gender discrimination law, and personal injury law.

LAW 749 Religious Faith, Secular Nationalism, and the Practice of Law (2 Credits)

Law

This course will explore the relationship between an individual's religious beliefs and the practice of law, and will be centered around the important and growing body of literature of the religious lawyering movement. Initially, the course will take up the fundamental question of whether one can be religious and be a lawyer. In this context, the course will explore the extent to which a secular disposition about law, for example, that law is America's civil religion or an expression of American nationalism precludes a space for faith in the practice of law. Subsequently, the course will examine how religious beliefs might be integrated into the practice of law, and what practicing as a religious lawyer might look like.

LAW 750 Securities Regulations (3 Credits)

Law

Securities Act of 1933: regulation of the distribution of securities, including the registration process, exempt securities, exempt transactions, enforcement, and liabilities. Securities Exchange Act of 1934: regulation of trading in securities and related market activities, including tender offers proxy solicitations, market manipulation, disclosure requirements, insider trading, and express and implied civil liabilities.

LAW 751 International Technology Law (3 Credits)

Law

This course covers a range of topics central to technology-oriented legal practice at the global level. The primary substantive focus of the course will be on international trade and intellectual property law, and may include additional discussion of commercial arbitration and select topics in international business transactions. Beyond this substantive material, the course will also focus on skills in international legal practice involving technology. The goal of the course is to provide students with a solid foundation in the topics with which international technology lawyers must be fluent, and to offer students a window into the ¿on-the-ground¿ work in which those lawyers are involved.

LAW 752 Antitrust Law (3 Credits)

Law

This is a survey of federal antitrust law and policy under the Sherman, Clayton, and FTC Acts. It takes an historic, layered approach, building on the four eras of antitrust enforcement: The Foundation Period (1890-1914); The Rule of Reason Period (1915-1939); The Per Se Rule and Focus on Market Structure (1940-1974); The Modern Era (1975-Present). The course covers basic economic theory of the free-market; The Rule of Reason and per se offenses; price fixing, market division, and boycotts; trade association behavior; monopoly and attempts to monopolize, mergers and joint ventures; vertical restraints like resale price maintenance; exclusive dealing and tie-in agreements; and selected exemptions from antitrust liability.

LAW 753 Legal Interviewing (2 Credits)

Law

This course will combine the theory and practice of legal interviewing. The substantive and theoretical framework for legal interviewing will be examined and then applied in practice. Practical applications will include both simulations and at least two live interviews of real clients with real-time, real-life legal problems.

LAW 754 Trial Practice (3 Credits)

Law

Courtroom techniques and tactics drawing on substantive and procedural law and evidence courses. Students prepare and conduct trial exercises under direction of instructor.

Repeatable

Pre-Corequisite: LAW 718 or LAW 893

LAW 755 Trademarks and Unfair Competition (3 Credits)

Law

A practical review of current intellectual property issues relating to trademarks, trade dress, false advertising, internet and the First Amendment, and rights of publicity. The course features mock courtroom presentations by experienced litigators and guest presentations by practitioners in the field.

LAW 756 Lawyering Skills (3 Credits)

Law

Lawyering Skills - Basic: The course covers the practical lawyering skills essential for the successful and effective representation of clients in various areas of the law, including criminal law, corporate, real property and zoning, estates and trusts, litigation, appellate practice, and other area of practice. When discussing those areas of law, special emphasis will be placed on client interviews, ethical issues, negotiation techniques, counseling skills, drafting documents, making presentations, persuasive writing, decision-making, and, most importantly; critical and strategic thinking. By doing so, the course should condense and weave together a broad range of experiences and exercises which the students may encounter in the actual practice of law. Lawyering Skills - Planning for the Non-Traditional Family: Drafting of legal instruments for individuals and their loved ones who do not fit the traditional nuclear family model. Topics would include domestic partnership agreements, estate planning instruments (e.g. wills, trusts, and corporate formations), tax planning, and second-parent adoptions.

LAW 757 Select Topics in Mergers & Acquisitions (2 Credits)

Law

LAW 758 Civil Rights Law (3 Credits)

Law

This course examines the role of law in confronting discrimination based on race, gender, sexual identity, social and economic class, and disabilities. We will study (1) the extent to which law has been used to reinforce existing patterns of privilege that result from such discrimination and (2) the ability of law to eliminate discrimination and alter those patterns. The focus will be primarily on federal law. Prereg: LAW 602 and LAW 699

LAW 759 Computer Crimes (3 Credits)

Law

This course is organized around three questions: 1) what conduct involving a computer is prohibited by criminal law? 2) What legal rules govern the collection of digital evidence in criminal investigations? 3) What powers do state, national, and foreign governments have to investigate and prosecute computer crimes? More specifically, topics will include computer hacking, computer viruses, encryption, online undercover operations, the Fourth Amendment in cyberspace, the law of Internet surveillance, laws governing access to e-mail, forum-shopping, jurisdiction, national security, and federal & state relations and international cooperation in the enforcement of computer crime laws. Special attention will be paid to cyber terrorism. No advanced knowledge of computers and the Internet is required or assumed.

LAW 760 Patent Prosecution (3 Credits)

Law

This course is designed primarily for students who plan to practice in the area of Patent Law before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) which permits only registered patent attorneys and agents to represent clients in the prosecution of patent applications. The course will cover the process of procuring a patent from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. The course will also enhance students' understanding of the legal standards for patentability (building upon the principles explored in Patents and Trade Secrets), will familiarize students with the PTO's elaborate rules of practice in patent cases, and will provide students with practice applying these standards and rules to facts and situations encountered in basic patent prosecution practice.

LAW 761 Appellate Advocacy Skills (3 Credits)

Law

This course introduces students to various aspects of appellate advocacy, including review of the record and selection of issues for appeal, standards of review on appeal, appellate brief writing, and appellate oral advocacy. This course covers various aspects of appellate brief writing, including developing an effective theory of the case and persuasive arguments tailored for an appellate court. As part of the course, students will research and draft an appellate brief. Students also will regularly engage in oral argument and have a final oral argument on their appellate brief. This course satisfies the Professional Writing Requirement.

LAW 762 Employment Discrimination Law (3 Credits)

Law

This course examines the law regulating employment discrimination and equal employment opportunity. It is an introductory, but comprehensive, course that emphasizes the major analytical frameworks for conceptualizing discrimination and equality in the workplace while surveying the relevant doctrine, focusing primarily on federal employment discrimination statutes.

LAW 763 Disability Law (3 Credits)

Law

This class deals with federal laws prohibiting discrimination against people with disabilities, with particular emphasis on the American Disabilities Act of 1990. The goal of the course is to provide you with a legal, conceptual, and practical understanding of people with disabilities, forms of discrimination that occur on the basis of disability, and the protections against such discrimination that currently exist.

LAW 764 Bankruptcy Law: Creditors Rights and Debtors Protection (3 Credits)

Law

This course will cover state law remedies (how to collect a judgment), the rights of secured and unsecured creditors under state law and in bankruptcy, and the protections available to individuals and businesses in bankruptcy. The course will devote substantive class time to covering the fundamentals of statutory interpretation, including statutory interpretation techniques and methodologies, canons of statutory interpretation, and the role of legislative history in statutory interpretation.

LAW 765 Patents and Trade Secrets (3 Credits)

Law

Designed for the generalist law student interested in the contemporary importance of intellectual property, this course provides a basic to intermediate overview of the fundamental issues arising from patent prosecution, patent litigation, and patent licensing. No technical background is required for understanding the legal concepts. Trade secrets will be addresses as they supplement patent law. Instruction will be through in class discussion of relevant statutes, cases, and administrative materials from the USPTO and several intensive take home projects. Materials from important government websites like the USPTO, FTC, and FDA will be integrated into the teaching. Students considering the Patent Bar Exam should supplement this course with a bar review course.

LAW 766 Lawsuit (3 Credits)

Law

Lawsuit emulates, as realistically as possible, a lawsuit from start to finish. Students will represent either the plaintiff or the defendant. The case begins when your client walks into your office. For the plaintiff, you must decide which claims to make. For the defense, it is your job to figure out how to defend your client against that claim, or what counterclaims you should bring. The class ends with a final trial. In between, you will represent your client at every stage of the litigation - from drafting the initial complaint and answer, filing discovery demands, answering interrogatories, conducting a deposition and participating in settlement discussions. Student teams are supervised and classes are taught by the course's co-instructors. Guest lecturers from the SUCOL faculty will also help teach students specific advocacy focused skill sets in preparation for the litigation's various stages. In doing so, Lawsuit utilizes the collective expertise and experience of the SUCOL faculty to help best prepare students for the world of litigation. The course is a year long and consists of three experiential credits for each semester.

LAW 767 Introduction to the Law & Practice of Electronic Discovery (2 Credits)

Law

The advent of the digital age has changed the way lawyers exchange information in litigation. Whether it be on computers, cell phones, tablets, data management portals, or social media, the key documents and information necessary to litigate are stored electronically, posing never before seen challenges for today¿s lawyer. Whether advising a client of litigation holds and data retention policies, propounding or responding to discovery demands, preparing for and taking depositions, or engaging in motion practice on evidentiary issues, understanding technology is paramount to the modern day litigator. In this experiential, fully synchronous course, you will learn what it is like to be that lawyer. Employed as an associate at a fictional law firm, you will be responsible for managing electronic discovery in two cases, from the initial client interviews, through and including depositions and trial preparation. Taught by a lawyer with experience as an associate and partner at large law firms in New York City and Boston, boutique practices, a federal clerkship, and as in-house counsel, this course offers a great opportunity to learn both the law, and the requisite skills to be a successful lawyer in the digital age.

LAW 768 Copyright-Literary and Artistic Works (3 Credits)

Law

Advanced copyright course. In-depth exploration of a number of copyright law areas in music, fine arts, and film; issues on the boundaries of copyright law. Includes fair use, work for hire in both industry and academia, compensation for ideas, moral rights, right of publicity, the impact of new technologies on research, data bases and fact-based works, infringement on unpublished works, and international copyright protection.

LAW 769 Trial Practice-Advanced (2-3 Credits)

Law

Advanced training in direct and cross-examination, witness interviewing and preparation, negotiation techniques, voir dire and jury preparation, final arguments, discovery, pretrial and trial ""motions, pretrial conferences, jury trial techniques, posttrial procedure.

Advisory recommendation Coreg: LAW 718 and LAW 754

LAW 770 Corporate Compliance Law (2-3 Credits)

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This course examines the rules and standards that govern the burgeoning subject of compliance and risk management. It will examine questions of governance: boards of directors, executives and third party vendors. It will examine the compliance function, organized by the nature of the enforcer managers, regulators, prosecutors, whistleblowers, gatekeeper and plaintiffs; attorneys. It will also examine particular areas of law: information security, off-label drugs, foreign corrupt practices, money laundering, sexual harassment, etc.

LAW 771 Voting Rights (3 Credits)

Law

This course examines past and current developments in voting rights law. Topics include: the right to vote, the Voting Rights Act, laws that govern the political process, political representation, gerrymandering, election administration, political parties, ballot initiatives, and campaign finance.

LAW 772 Alternative Dispute Resolutions (3 Credits)

Law

An introduction to the spectrum of processes other than courtroom litigation that are available for resolving disputes. This includes such "pure" processes as negotiation, mediation, and arbitration, and such "hybrid" processes as the Mini-Trial and the Summary Jury Trial.

LAW 773 Comparative Trial Advocacy (3-4 Credits)

Law

Students will spend two weeks in London gaining exposure to various aspects of trial advocacy in a global setting. Foundational discussions and simulations on oral arguments, opening and closing statements, witness preparation and cross examination, will give way to a final trial. Students will gain a diversity of perspectives and advice from London¿s barristers and solicitors representing a wide cross-section of criminal and civil practice areas. Class size is limited to 16 students. Prerequisites ¿ For College of Law students: Any J.D. residential/interactive law student who has completed the First Year/Lower Division Curriculum and is in good academic standing. Any LL.M. or S.J.D. student in good academic standing. ¿ All students must comply with current travel, visa, and health requirements of Syracuse University and the United Kingdom.

LAW 774 Asian Americans & the Law (3 Credits)

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In this seminar we examine Asian American legal history and contemporary issues within historical context; and refine research, writing, presentation, and discussion skills. We cover topics and cases such as the Chinese Exclusion Acts, Yick Wo v. Hopkins, US v. Wong Kim Ark, Japanese American incarceration during World War II, the model assimilated minority myth and the bamboo ceiling, Asian Americans in the legal profession, and countering anti-Asian pandemic harassment. Students select cutting edge research topics. Substantial research papers and a class presentation are required. This course satisfies the upper level writing requirement.

LAW 775 Internet Law (3 Credits)

Law

A survey of legal issues relating to computers networks, including electronic commerce, the protection and enforcement of proprietary rights in software and electronic works, privacy and security, and content regulation. This course also explores the evidentiary use of computer records and other emerging issues in computer law.

LAW 777 Elder Law (3 Credits)

Law

This course will address ethical issues related to the competency assessment of elder clients. Income maintenance, including Social Security, Supplemental Security Income, and other public and private pensions as well as Medicare and Medicaid will be considered. Guardianship, long-term care, and estate planning will be considered as well. Additional topics may include employment discrimination, housing, health care decision making, and elder abuse.

LAW 778 International Human Rights (3 Credits)

Law

After introducing human rights law in the context of a case study on the death penalty, this course examines international human rights law from both a practical and theoretical perspective. The course is designed to provide students with an informed and critical perspective on international instruments, intergovernmental organizations, and domestic legal arrangements articulating and implementing human rights. Topics will include the historic origins of modern human rights law; the content of and connections between civil, political, social, and economic rights; relationships between human rights law, international criminal law, and the law of armed conflict; transnational strategies associated with implementation and enforcement of human rights law; the importance of soft law; and international responses to mass atrocities.

LAW 779 Law and Technology (3 Credits)

Law

This course examines contemporary legal issues involving the development and use of technology. Students will discuss how laws and regulations can facilitate the development of new technologies and how these technologies, in turn, present new legal and regulatory challenges. Students will examine the legal frameworks that govern emerging technologies including (but not limited to) artificial intelligence, autonomous vehicles, genetic engineering, carbon capture, robotics, blockchain and cryptocurrency, and drones. They will also study the emerging impact of these technologies on various areas of substantive law as well as the legal profession itself. While legal materials and cases will be used, the materials will be largely cross-disciplinary, drawing on work in political economy, sociology, sociotechnical studies, and contemporary journalism. The course aims to equip students with the knowledge and skills to navigate the complex legal and regulatory landscape surrounding technology and innovation.

LAW 780 Adoption Law (3 Credits)

Law

Legal theories involved in adoption law, the attorney's role in adoption practice, and the various legal documents involved.

LAW 781 The Art of Trial Advocacy (2-3 Credits)

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This course will provide a more sophisticated and practical approach to trial advocacy and help students develop litigation skills commensurate with those of a practicing trial attorney. Students will learn the ¿art of trial advocacy¿ through lectures, discussions, demonstrations, and practical exercises. The exercises will be based on a murder trial of a criminal defendant, using one case fact pattern. The course will simulate the phases of a trial, including case analysis and formulating a trial strategy, using a theme and theory, designing an effective order of proof, and performing exercises in jury selection, opening statements, direct and cross-examination and closing arguments. Each lesson will focus on the importance of effective communication, including the use of compelling word choice, developing a proficient understanding of the rules of evidence and the practical application of these rules in a pre-trial and trial setting

LAW 782 Gaming Law (3 Credits)

Law

While gaming, with the exception of horse race wagering, was only permitted in Nevada in the middle of the 20th century, every state except Utah and Hawaii now permits some form of regulated gambling. Legal gambling in America is an \$350 billion industry and includes casinos, card rooms, sports wagering, horse race wagering and lotteries. Gambling is big business and can have positive and negative impacts on society. This course introduces students to the law of gambling and commercial gaming. Areas of study include determining whether an act is gambling; public policy and criminal/regulatory approaches to gambling; the federal role in gaming regulation; and how state governments address the social harms of gambling. The course also will cover private law issues in gambling such as contracts and the enforcement of judgments. Topics in regulated gambling include regulatory organization, licensing, taxation, auditing, enforcement, disciplinary actions, cheating, advantage play and exclusion rights.

LAW 783 Law and Popular Culture (2-3 Credits)

Law

Law is everywhere around us, and the most unlikely of places are the best subjects to examine. Even in contexts outside the obviously legal, law manifests, constantly updating itself. If traditional legal education and other formal legal representations represent the "high culture" of law, what is deemed popular culture, that which is modern, material, and local—unabashedly represents the "low." This class examines the dissemination of legal information to the masses and the concomitant effect of the masses upon the law. By examining film, literature, art, and music, students will learn the dialectical influences of law and humanity, and how this is translated into various media.

LAW 784 Employment Law (3 Credits)

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This course provides a survey of the common law and statutory principles relating to modern employment. Among the topics we will cover. the nature of the employment relationship, the at-will rule and its limitations, layoffs and unemployment insurance, employee mobility issues (e.g., covenants not-to-compete), employee privacy, family leave, worker safety, and wage and hour law. This course is intended to provide an overview and survey of the field and there is some overlap with topics traditionally covered in Employment Discrimination and Labor Law courses. While we will touch on some issues ordinarily covered in those course, we will not do so in the depth they are given when taught in distinct 3 or 4 credit courses. During the semester, I hope to be able to provide those students who are interested with the opportunity to represent a claimant in an unemployment administrative hearing under my supervision. Assisting a claimant in an unemployment insurance case provides students with the opportunity to learn about employment law in a very practical way.

LAW 785 Advanced Torts (3 Credits)

Law

This course will explore the substantive laws of products liability, medical malpractice, workplace injuries, defamation, and invasions of privacy; through use case studies will develop action plans, draft pleadings, and other mechanisms used in tort litigation.

LAW 787 Children and the Law (3 Credits)

Law

Parent-child, child-state relationships. Education, health, welfare, child abuse, juvenile delinquency, and representation of children will be covered in this course.

LAW 788 Immigration Law (3 Credits)

Law

This course offers an introduction to the laws, practices, and policies governing the ability of non-United States citizens to enter and remain in the United States either temporarily or permanently. The topics of study include the rights of non-U.S. citizens, the bases upon which the United States admits non-U.S. citizens either temporarily or permanently and the procedures for admission, the bases upon which non-U.S. citizens may be removed from the U.S. and the procedures for removal, the principles and policies behind the current and past system of immigration law, the complex and intricate statutory and regulatory framework governing immigration, and the roles and powers of the different branches of government in the development and implementation of immigration law and policy. The material in this course will implicate and develop your understanding of other areas of law, including administrative law, international law, and constitutional law.

LAW 789 Empirical Study in Disability Law and Policy (1-3 Credits)

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This course examines ¿Empirical Study in Disability Law and Policy¿ primarily under U.S. law. The course will require an advanced understanding of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA) and related disability civil rights law, policy, and practice. This class will cover the scientific method and litigation strategy; scientific study presented in civil, criminal, and constitutional law litigation; scientific expert trial testimony; mental health law; employment law, state and local governmental law, among other areas.

LAW 790 Counterterrorism and the Law (3 Credits)

Law

This course will concern U.S. and international law responses to terrorism. The course will include a brief overview and history of terrorism. Topics will include legal definitions of terrorism, investigation and intelligence collection in the U.S. and abroad, apprehension of terrorists across borders, immigration and border controls, prosecution of terrorists, sanctions against terrorism and its supporters (including reprisal, assassination, asset freeze and forfeiture), crisis and consequence management in the event of terrorist attacks (including martial law and detention, domestic use of the military, catastrophic emergency measures, hostage and rescue operations), and law reform issues.

LAW 791 International Commercial Arbitration (3 Credits)

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As a private form of dispute resolution that bypasses the jurisdiction of national courts, international commercial arbitration is the principal method of resolving cross-border disputes between individuals, companies, and countries in connection with international trade and investment. The course will discuss the domestic, international, and comparative aspects of the arbitration agreement (score and validity), the devices to compel parties to arbitrate (enforcement of the agreement), the role of arbitrators, the role of the courts, the arbitration process, and the enforcement of the award.

LAW 792 Privacy Law (3 Credits)

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As information technology advances, so do concerns about the collection, use, and disclosure of personal information. As a consequence of the digital revolution, the field of privacy law has grown exponentially in the past two decades. This course focuses on the concept of information privacy generally and examines its tension with other competing values and interests, including free speech, national security, law enforcement, public health, and commercial interests. The course includes units on information privacy issues that arise in: media, law enforcement, national security, health records, government records, financial information; consumer data; and employment information. The course will also include a unit on international privacy law approaches (including, in particular, the E.U. Data Protection Directive).

LAW 794 Regulatory Law & Policy (3 Credits)

Law

An advanced exploration of regulatory decision making, focusing on the reasons for and methods used in implementing regulation; how policy and politics impact on regulatory decisions and relate to the legal authority of agencies; case studies of regulatory programs, their successes and failures. Course requirements include one or more research papers which will meet the College of Law writing requirement. Administrative Law or Public Administration and Law are prerequisites for this course. This one-semester course is a J.D./M.P.A. program requirement.

Prereq: Law 702

LAW 795 Canadian Law (3 Credits)

Law

The course is intended to provide students with an overview of the law and legal systems of Canada. It will explore Canada's historical development, legal structure, and place within the common law world. Covering topics such as Federalism, Responsible Government, the Charter of Rights, Family Law, Conflicts of Law, Criminal Law and Procedure, First Nations, Hate Speech, and Business Law the course will concentrate on both the similarities and differences with U.S. law and the probable reasons for the differences. Some attention will be devoted to the law of Quebec and the duality of its legal system. At least one week will be spent on conducting legal research in Canadian Law, but the course is not a research course.

LAW 796 Constitutional Criminal Procedure - Adjudicative (3 Credits)

Constitutional and statutory requirements for adjudicative procedures in criminal cases. Topics include accus-atory instruments, bail, discovery, guilty pleas, double jeopardy, speedy trial, fair trial, jury trial, assistance of counsel, and confrontation.

LAW 797 Expert Witnesses (1-3 Credits)

Law

This course focuses on the legal and practical considerations involved in the use of expert witnesses in trial. Students will learn about the Federal Rules of Evidence and relevant case law that affect the use of witnesses with specialized knowledge, skills, education, or experience (aka experts). The course will offer students an opportunity to learn effective strategies for both the pre-trial and trial stages of their case. Students will be expected to prepare for and conduct jury voir dire, direct/cross examinations, and opening statements/closing arguments related to the expert witnesses and their testimony.

LAW 798 International Tax Law (2 Credits)

Law

Travel to Switzerland over spring break 2022 to gain exposure to the foundational principles of international tax law and develop an understanding of (i) an overview of the Civil Law system and identification of the differences between the Civil Law and Common Law systems of jurisprudence; (ii) International tax law, tax competition, and the practice of international tax law in Civil Law and Common Law jurisdictions; (iii) concepts of business and tax advising relative to transfer pricing, Base Erosion & Profiting Shifting (BEPS), measuring risk and intangibles, and related topics; and (iv) common reporting standards under the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD); the application of various tax regimes; information reporting standards, monitoring, enforcement and related issues. One weekend lecture on February 26 and final exam on April 8. Class size is limited to 26 students.

LAW 799 International and E.U. Human Rights Law (2 Credits)

Law

This seminar examines cutting edge issues in human rights law, primarily through a deep institutional study of the European Court of Human Rights, but also accesses a comparative view of some of the international human rights framework. The course will mostly take place in Strasbourg in order to closely focus on the institutions of human rights articulation and enforcement in the European Union and the Council of Europe. The seminar will be devoted to closely studying various emerging topics in European rights law, which may include: the relationship between international humanitarian and human rights law liability; interactions between international and domestic law regarding specific norms, such as freedom of speech and individual criminal liability, among others. The European region is at the vanguard of regional rights systems in articulating and promoting international law regarding these issues, and the European Court of Human Rights; involvement raises a host of related issues, particularly for states in the Council of Europe. Students will take an active role in discussing and analyzing these and other topics. Students do not require a background in international law, but will benefit from having one. This seminar is a complement to the International Human Rights Law seminar and can be taken in addition to that class, or independently. The issues in these sister-courses will not significantly overlap. While the focus of the IHRL class is on the system of IHRL law and its development and enforcement, this class is centered on the substantive issues arising in the European Union and the Council of Europe. The seminar has an experiential component regarding international law, as well as a writing requirement, either a long paper or a series of short papers, as well as presentations of the materials. The seminar combines various pedagogical approaches to engage students' multiple learning modalities. The class is experiential and is primarily learner-driven with a heavy emphasis on student participation and leadership. I structure the course to encourage students' basic comprehension of reading material to occur before class (including by assigning written responses to the reading materials). By emphasizing and incentivizing student comprehension in advance of class discussions, our time can be focused primarily on higher-level synthesis and critical analysis of the materials. I use a variety of methods to stimulate learner-driven learning and in-class discussion--simulations, case studies, hypotheticals, debates with assigned roles, questions generated from members of the class in advance of the class, and questions from me. I seek to ensure that every student contributes during each and every class, and also encourage students to take responsibility for advancing course discussion.

LAW 800 Foundational Skills for Attorney Licensing (3 Credits)

The course will provide an understanding of the bar review and bar exam process as well as the skills necessary to be successful in the licensing process . A significant portion of the course will be spent discussing how to approach and do well on practice bar exam questions, including essays, performance tests and multiple choice questions. Time will be spent discussing how to learn from bar review outlines and lectures, and how to conduct a self-assessment to understand personal study habits and adjustments which must be made prior to the review of bartested subjects. The course will also cover specific topics and skills to help students understand how to manage their attitude, stress, and study time.

LAW 801 The Future of Money (2 Credits)

Law

Digitization and technological innovation are poised to transform how money is imagined. The payment system is rapidly taking center stage, becoming pervasive in our everyday lives and in business operations. At the same time, innovation in money and payments is creating a plethora of regulatory challenges and raising new questions surrounding the role of government, central banks, and regulators within the monetary architecture. In this course, you will explore the ways technological innovation is changing the concept of money and the traditional payment system. You will analyze the ways of making payments, from consumerto-business (C2B), from consumer-to-consumer (C2C), and from businessto-business (B2B). You will discover the future of money and payments, from mobile payments to digital currencies such as cryptocurrencies, stablecoins and central bank digital currencies. You will be able to explain what the future of money might look like, how these shifts have enormous implications for the way business is done, and how global financial structures could evolve to address technological advances in the world of money and payments.

LAW 803 Law Practice Management (2-3 Credits)

Law

Law Practice Management comprehensively examines all aspects of the formation, management, development and growth of a law firm. The course will focus primarily on solo practitioners and small partnerships. The course will explore forms of partnership, licensing requirements, insurance, human resources and employment practices, accounting and finance, information technology, marketing and business development, and dissolution.

LAW 806 Legal Interviewing and Counseling (3 Credits)

Law

Legal Interviewing and Counseling is a course that will introduce students to the theory and practice of legal interviewing and counseling and the skills necessary to conduct interviews and provide counseling to clients. Classes will involve a combination of interaction discussion and interviewing and counseling sessions. In addition, students will be assigned one interviewing and one counseling demonstration to present in class that will include written submissions.

LAW 807 Civil Rights Litigation (3 Credits)

Law

This course examines bringing and defending lawsuits alleging violations of federal civil rights laws, including: 42 U.S.C. § 1983; Title VII; the Americans with Disabilities Act; the Fair Housing Act; and Title IX. The course will also introduce students to intersectionality, and will study the impact of modern civil rights movements. Discussion of landmark cases will consider their historical context and recent litigation in which the cases have been applied.

LAW 808 Advanced Constitutional Civil Rights Law & Litigation (3 Credits)

Law

Advanced constitutional civil rights litigation deals with constitutional theory and interpretation, emphasizing practical aspects and procedural tactics inherent in suing or defending a civil rights claim in federal court. The course covers who are proper defendants under 42 U.S.C. § 1983, what kind of constitutional violation must be shown, how causation works for constitutional torts, immunity and other defenses that have been read into the statute, how damages are assessed, and when successful plaintiffs can recover attorneys fees.

LAW 809 Advanced Disability Law and Policy (3 Credits)

Law

Advanced Disability Law is an applied research course that requires students to select a topic of interest in disability law, research it, and prepare a class PowerPoint or Prezi presentation and a research paper on their topic. Students must select a topic related to domestic or international policy or practice. Topics include research methodology, human rights, history, mass media, health care, justice, and education. The course is open to all students, including those who have not taken a disability law course in the past. However, a background in disability law will be useful.

LAW 811 General Counsel (3 Credits)

Law

This applied learning course is designed to expose students to a number of areas of practice that are common for house counsel. Students will work individually and in teams and undertake simulations in litigation management, agreement negotiation and drafting, employment problems, and intellectual property practice. Students will learn how lawyers handle complex problems in such diverse areas and may conduct research, draft agreements and file memoranda, conduct interviews, and negotiate to resolve the issues found in the practical exercises that will be the backbone of the course.

LAW 812 Legal Counseling (2 Credits)

Law

Legal Counseling will introduce students to the skills necessary to provide counseling to clients. Classes will involve a combination of interactive discussion and counseling simulation exercises. The class will cover identifying clients' legal needs and objectives, and then assisting clients in evaluating options, weighing consequences, and decision-making.

LAW 813 The Rule of Law in Post Conflict Reconstruction Seminar (3 Credits)

Law

This course addresses the legal challenges faced by the international community in reconstructing societies following armed conflict or other crises. The course is divided into two sections. Part one focuses on a number of core issues, including defining and identifying the rule of law; the relationship between the law and reconstruction; the question of transitional justice and international criminal law; international human rights; protecting vulnerable populations; and regulating the security sector. In the second part, the focus moves to case studies, South Africa, Rwanda, Haiti, Sierra Leone, Afghanistan and East Timor to test some of the theoretical premises as well as stimulate debate.

LAW 814 Technology Transactions Law (3 Credits)

Law

This course provides students with an in-depth understanding of the technical, business, and legal factors involved in bringing new technologies to market. Fall semester covers basic intellectual property law, securities and debt finance related to intellectual property, covenants not to compete, licensing basics, antitrust restraint of trade and monopolization. Spring semesters covers design patent, design copyright, trade dress, trade secrets, licensing negotiation, antitrust treatment of mergers, and patent assertion entities. At the conclusion of each semester, students will have a broad knowledge of technology innovation law and practice.

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LAW 815 Law Practicum - Technology Transfer Research (3 Credits)

This applied learning course allows students interested in the areas of intellectual property and business law to apply their knowledge to actual new technology. Students work in supervised teams consulting with companies, entrepreneurs, or universities that are seeking to commercialize new technologies. The finished product includes a report and presentation that covers such things as: analyzing the technology, investigating intellectual property protection, examining the market landscape, identifying any regulatory concerns, and exploring opportunities for funding or licensing. Instructor guides the issuespotting and provides feedback on reports through the individual team supervisors: Professor of Practice Jack Rudnick and adjunct professors Dean Bell and Dominick Danna, and project advisor Chris Horacek.

LAW 816 Commercial Real Estate Practice (2 Credits)

This applied learning course will build on the fundamentals of the Real Estate Transactions I course and will focus on the development of a regional shopping mall which will provide a framework for the course outline. The course will not only provide ways to convey many of the concepts found in this type of real estate, but will also provide the basis to explore the relationship between the real estate concepts and the business framework of which they become a part. Case law will be utilized to supplement certain interpretations of Real Property Law. Prereq: Law 747

LAW 817 Military Law and Procedure Seminar (2 Credits)

Military Law and Procedure is an overview of the military justice system and its procedural application in today's Armed Forces of the United States. Students will read, discuss, and practice how the Uniform Code of Military Justice and its procedural applications ensure proper discipline within the ranks of today's armed forces. The course will trace the history of discipline within those armed forces, the development of the rule of law in the military, the practice aspects of advocating before a courts-martial, as well as understand the non-judicial and administrative aspects of discipline in the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marines. Additionally, the students will study the application of the UCMJ on the battlefields of Iraq and Afghanistan, as well as the new challenges faced by commanders and their legal advisers in the battlefields of tomorrow.

LAW 819 Family Law Mediation and Collaborative Law (3 Credits)

This Course will focus on alternative dispute resolution in the family law area. Students will study mediation and collaborative law through written materials and mock exercises. The ethical issues involved in these forms of ADR will also be addressed.

LAW 820 US Arbitration Law & Practice (2 Credits)

Law

This class will focus on the law and practice of domestic arbitration when it is the dispute resolution process required by the parties; contractual agreement. The class will examine the legal framework supporting arbitration, including federal and state statutes, Supreme Court case law interpreting the Federal Arbitration Act, and the interaction between state and federal arbitration law. The process of arbitration will be examined as will the rules governing private arbitration. The course will also explore controversial uses of arbitration and proposed reform efforts at both the state and federal level.

Repeatable

LAW 822 National Security & Counter Terrorism Research Center (3 Credits)

Law

The National Security and Counterterrorism Research Center serves as a working research laboratory for law and other graduate students interested in national security and counterterrorism issues. Students will work in teams on research projects assigned by the director. Typically, the projects will involve assessments of legal and law-related issues of concern to federal, state, and local government officials in responding to national security and terrorism threats. Other projects may examine private sector security concerns.

LAW 824 Advising the Startup I (3 Credits)

Law

This course is the first part of a two part year-long sequence on legal issues arising from start-up companies as they develop and move towards an initial public offering. This first part covers the legal issues arising from protection on inventions and creations through intellectual property law, choice of business entity, basic securities law, contracts, employment law, licensing, and antitrust. The course is designed for students across disciplines (law, business, engineering, information science, public policy) who are interested in the legal foundations for start-ups and entrepreneurship. For JD students, pursuing LAW 815 and the Technology Commercialization track, the two-semester sequence of LAW 824 and LAW 825 replaces and expands upon the previous LAW 814 and is strongly recommended for LAW 815 and technology commercialization career. JD students seeking the certificate for the Technology Commercialization Law Program must take both LAW 824 and LAW 825; other students can take either or both semesters. Writing credit is available for law students.

LAW 825 Advising the Startup II (3 Credits)

Law

This course is the second part of a two part year-long sequence on legal issues arising from start-up companies as they develop and move towards an initial public offering. This second part covers the legal issues arising from protection of design through intellectual property law, licensing drafting, exhaustion of intellectual property rights, FDA regulation introduction, Telecom and Internet regulation introduction, and the relationship between antitrust and regulation. This course is designed for students across disciplines (law, business, engineering, information science, public policy) who are interested in the legal foundations for start-ups and entrepreneurship. For JD students pursuing LAW 815 and the Technology Commercialization track, the two-semester sequence of LAW 824 and LAW 825 replaces and expands upon the previous LAW 814 and is strongly recommended for LAW 815 and a technology commercialization career. JD students must take both LAW 824 and 825; non-JD students can take either or both semesters. Writing credit available for law students.

LAW 827 Corporate Financing Transactions (1.5-2 Credits)

Double-numbered with FIN 827

This course combines diverse aspects of business and law education in a transaction-based setting. It guides students through a syndicated commercial loan, including the structuring, negotiation, pricing, and documentation.

Advisory recommendation Coreq: LAW 712

LAW 828 Advanced Criminal Evidence (3 Credits)

Law

The course will cover Federal and New York rules of evidence, and constitutional rules pertaining to the rights to confront and present a defense, in connection with a range of issues typically arising in criminal cases. Weekly assignments will be designed to simulate work that would be performed in a prosecutor's or defender's office. They will include motions in liminie and supporting memoranda, inter-office trial preparation memoranda, and both trial court and appellate advocacy of evidentiary issues. The course is a limited enrollment course and the grade will be based exclusively on written and oral advocacy. Prereg: Law 718

LAW 829 Criminal Justice Reform Seminar (3 Credits)

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Across the country, fiscal pressures, political changes, and a growing embrace of evidence-based approaches to policymaking have created a momentum around criminal justice reform. These reform efforts seem especially promising because of their interdisciplinary roots and their bipartisan support. While some data points - like drops in prison populations and declining arrest rates - demonstrate the these initial efforts are having an incremental impact, more transformative reforms are needed. The seminar will address criminal justice reform broadly, covering a range of criminal justice reform topics including, for example, prosecutorial discretion, right to counsel, sentencing and punishment, reentry, mental health issues, risk assessment, juvenile rights, plea bargaining, privatization, and comparative international criminal justice reform. The course will include special focus on three particular areas of criminal justice reform that are currently capturing significant attention in the criminal justice community: (i) policing, (ii) pretrial detention and bail reform, and (iii) the opioid crisis. Students taking this course will learn about these topics through in-class guess speakers, assigned readings, and their own outside research. Students will assemble a final report focusing on criminal justice reform topics. The final projects are expected to include practical blue prints for federal, state, or local policymakers. In developing their own writing projects for the course, students will have the option of working alone (to satisfy the College of Law Writing Requirement) or collaborating with others to develop reports on the aforementioned topics.

LAW 830 Criminal Justice Law & Policy Lab (2 Credits)

LAW 832 Cyber Security Law and Policy (3 Credits)

Law

The 2009 White House Cyberspace Policy Review states: The United States needs to conduct a national dialogue on cybersecurity to ensure an integrated approach toward the Nation's need for security and the national commitment to privacy rights and civil liberties guaranteed by the Constitution and law. This three-credit, one-semester seminar intends to be part of that dialog. Some cyber security law already exists. Other laws of long standing present issues of applicability or adaptability to the cyber realm. Many proposals remain in Congressional committees, such as bills that would mandate security measures for all entities receiving federal money, establish a federal certification for technicians serving computer networks of entities receiving federal money, and provide the President with authority to "pull the plug" on national Internet connectivity in times of emergency. This course is premised on the belief that much policy and law to implement it will be made in the next few years to institute a national policy to protect U.S. interests in cyberspace. The seminar uses an interdisciplinary approach, but no special background or prerequisites are required.

LAW 833 The Role of Executive Power in Undermining Democracy (3 Credits)

Law

This three-credit graduate seminar will examine the role of executive power in undermining democracies. In recent years, democracies across the globe have become autocracies. In many cases, democracies have disappeared through a gradual erosion of democratic norms, rather than through a sudden military coup. Elected populist heads of state have driven this decline, with the cooperation of the governing political party. Each student in the class will prepare a case study examining the role of executive power in democratic decline in a country that has experienced substantial movement toward autocracy, examining the role of centralization of executive branch power and emergency powers in particular. The students will also present their preliminary findings to the class.

LAW 834 Social Deviance and the Law (3 Credits)

Law

Deviant behavior characterizes a course of action that violates recognized social norms. First, formal social norms govern human behavior through legal institutions. Conversely, informal social norms gather energy through no concrete regulatory structure, but through social approbation. This course focuses on both types of norms. Students will explore informal norms as an alternative way of thinking about power and governance outside the provenance of law. They will develop critical thinking skills about the authority of manners and society as equally forceful, or perhaps even more so, than formalized law. This interdisciplinary course brings together law, literature, philosophy, and film. Topics covered will be: Manners, Propriety, Violence, Sexuality, Blue laws, and Intercultural competence.

LAW 835 Feminist Jurisprudence (3 Credits)

Law

This course examines the historical and contemporary treatment of women under the Constitution, statutes, and common law. Students will examine how the legal system has constructed and applied notions of gender and gender equality. It will introduce students to significant contemporary legal scholarship on the status of women in modern America, and will explore how gender affects legal relationships and status. Feminist jurisprudence, or feminist theory, will be applied to doctrinal legal issues. Satisfies the upper level writing requirement.

LAW 836 Class Actions:Complex Litigation (3 Credits)

Law

Class action is the most controversial procedural device. After studying the technical issues (prerequisites, certification, notice, opt out, settlement, res judicata) and its specific applications (consumer, antitrust, security, discrimination, mass tort) in concrete cases (tobacco, asbestos, Wal-Mart), you will be able to better understand the political and social implications behind class actions. Although class actions may bring social change and right injustices, it may also be improperly used to harass and blackmail defendants into settling non-meritorious claims. The course also deals with non-class aggregation, like joinder, impleader, interpleader, intervention, consolidation, transfers, and bankruptcy. It is also an excellent opportunity to review civil procedure concepts.

LAW 837 European Union Law (2 Credits)

Law

This course will introduce students to the European Union, its legal system and legal doctrines. Topics covered include the European Union and its principal institutions, the constitutional framework of the European Union, the operation of the Court of Justice of the European Union, legislative procedure, the internal market, and fundamental rights.

LAW 838 Inclusive Capitalism, Property Rights, and Binary Economics (1-2 Credits)

Law

This Seminar may be taken in two ways: (1) as a two-semester, threecredit seminar that may satisfy the writing requirement with instructor permission or (2) as a one¿semester, two-credit seminar (in the Fall Semester only) that does not Satisfy the Writing Requirement. The seminar does not require prior exposure to economics or an above average mathematical aptitude. The seminar explores the relationship among the following subjects: capitalism, property rights, economics, democracy, professional responsibility, and skills of advocacy. It examines (and provides a conceptual alternative to) the mainstream economic theories that provide the foundation important private, business, and public decision-making that dominate political and economic discourse nationally and globally. It provides an alternative economic policy for those who believe that ¿too much government is the problem; and those who believe that ¿more government is a necessary part of the solution.¿ Particular attention will be given to fulleremployment and growth consequences of broadening capital acquisition with the earnings of capital. There are no pre-requisites for this Seminar except an open mind and a willingness to explore these subjects from a foundation grounded in professional responsibility. The seminar will provide important understanding regarding (1) legal, economic, and political controversy regarding the regulation and protection of property rights, (2) corporations, corporate finance, fiduciary duties and social responsibility, (3) private and governmental economic policy, (4) the principles of private property, (5) the requisites of a robust democracy, (6) the economic and property rights organization of society and ways to improve it, and (7) the relationship between economic theory and various conceptions of economic justice. Students taking the seminar for two credits (for the Fall Semester only) will take an in-class closed book final exam. Students taking the seminar for three credits (for the Fall and Spring Semesters) may elect to take an in-class closed nook final exam or write a paper. Students taking the seminar for three credits (for the Fall and Spring Semesters) who elect to write a paper will submit one or more drafts of the paper and make an in-class presentation based on the paper. Based on the assigned reading and additional research, the paper will discuss one or more important social problems or issues. LLM degree students may consider writing a paper on how the principles examined in the course relate to one or more important issues in their country.

LAW 839 Law, Politics and the Media (3 Credits)

Law

The American judicial system today operates in a complex environment of legal principle, political pressure, and media coverage. The separate elements of this complex environment are typically studied by different groups of individuals working from different perspectives. Law faculty tend to focus on legal principle; political scientists examine the influence of politics; and scholars of public communication assess the media. The goal of this course is to introduce students to the court system and its environment as a single, integrated subject of study. To this end, the course is taught by a team of faculty instructors drawn from law, journalism, and political science. Academic discussions are complemented by lectures from sitting judges, practicing lawyers, and working journalists. Topics to be covered in the course include: conventional understandings of judicial independence; contemporary public opinion of the courts; the ethics of good judging and good journalism; the politics of judicial elections and judicial appointments; the possibilities for judicial reform; the politics of judicial budgets; the media, tort reform, and the litigation crisis; trials of the century; the media treatment of wrongful convictions and cold cases; and the relationship between press coverage, the courts, and national security.

LAW 840 Law of Armed Conflict Seminar (3 Credits)

Law

Mankind has attempted to regulate the horror of war for centuries. This seminar will review those attempts, focusing on the modern era. Particular attention will be paid to recent challenges related to the war on terror and the ramifications for future enforcement of these key principles. Any student interested in practicing national security law or going into international criminal justice must have a clear understanding of the law of armed conflict. This seminar will assist in that understanding. The student will have the opportunity to be involved in several practical exercises that will reinforce their learning and write a paper on various cutting edge issues, of their choosing, related to the law of armed conflict.

Repeatable

LAW 841 Child Health Policy and Legal Practice (3 Credits)

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Child Health Policy and Legal Practice is a 3-credit, interdisciplinary course that will address how law & policy impact child health in the United States and influence parental decision-making over children's health. Additionally, the course explores the role of child-serving systems (family court, education, public health) and how they attempt to maximize child healthcare outcomes, and where they fall short. This experiential course will cover how child health policy is developed, implemented, evaluated, and influenced, as well as the myriad ways child health policy may impact seemingly unrelated policy discussions and decisions. This course is a co-requisite for students enrolled in the Syracuse Medical Legal Partnership Clinic.

Advisory recommendation Coreg: Law 747

LAW 843 Data Science, AI, and Law (2 Credits)

Law

In this course, we will explore the means and methods by which lawyers can leverage data and technology to deliver more cost-effective legal services. This ability to use newly evolving tools is important in any law practice (as reflected in MRPC 1.1). However, it has the increasing potential to revolutionize legal service delivery in markets that have historically found traditional legal services cost prohibitive. Technologyleveraged law practice and disruptive innovation (terms we will explore in some detail) have already begun to attract the attention of the legal profession over the past decade or two. However, more recent advances in artificial intelligence, especially in the form of large language models (LLMs), have very significantly accelerated this interest. In many ways, the legal profession stands today at a crossroads, looking at a future involving unusually rapid and potentially disruptive change (in a profession not necessarily accustomed to either). In this course, we will consider both the challenges and the opportunities presented in applying data science, generally, and artificial intelligence, specifically, to the practice of law. The course includes two components cone asynchronous, provided by Datacamp under an Enterprise License with SUCOL (as curated and monitored by SUCOL teaching faculty) and one synchronous via weekly class meetings on Zoom. We will explore general data literacy, data science, and artificial intelligence in the asynchronous portion and then focus more specifically on their application to law practice in the synchronous portion. In doing so, we will also consider how the use of appropriate technology can help to mitigate our persistent problem with access to justice.

LAW 844 Emerging Technologies and Global Security (3 Credits)

LAW 846 History of Regulation of Trade and Business (2-3 Credits)

This course explores the legal and moral principles of business and trade regulation over 5,000 years, including: ancient regulation of prices, usury laws, licensing, and other concepts as they evolved into our current system.

Law 847 An Introduction to American Legal Thought (2 Credits)

This course will explore a variety of contemporary schools of legal thought, with an emphasis on their understanding of the nature of law and, where applicable, the appropriate objectives of law and law reform. The course will begin with an overview of the historical roots of today's thinking, exploring Langdell's orthodoxy, Oliver Wendell Holmes reaction thereto, and the highly influential legal realists. The course will then turn to its more central focus: the legal process school and the contemporary progeny of legal realism (e.g., law and economics, critical legal studies, law and feminism). The course will also expose students to a powerful new alternative to these popular schools of thought, namely the cultural study of law.

LAW 848 Adjudication of Employment Disputes (2 Credits)

LAW 850 Pharma-Biotech Law and Economics (2 Credits)

This course offers an introduction to the intersection of law and economics in the life sciences sector, with a focus on pharmaceutical regulations and institutional frameworks in the United States and the European Union. Students will explore the dynamic connections between medicine, biology, and drug manufacturing, examining the legal and economic dimensions of major industry trends. Topics include the rise of personalized medicine, orphan drugs, and advanced therapies. Special emphasis will be placed on the challenge of ensuring equitable access to drugs and vaccines, also by considering recent reforms of pricing policies in the US and abroad. No prior medical knowledge is required: foundational materials and selected readings will be provided throughout the course.

LAW 852 Affordable Care Act Seminar (2-3 Credits)

Law

This seminar explores four aspects of the Affordable Care Act also known as Obamacare. The first is the long history of advocacy for the federal government to declare health care a right and to provide public funding for all medical and hospital attention. The second will be a study of the contents of the ACA, attempting to understand how the legislation was conceived, written and passed. The third will be a study of the implementation of the law including the experience of the failed roll-out using the Internet. Finally, legal decisions arising from the law will be examined. This course can be used to fulfill the legal writing requirement.

LAW 853 Comparative Privacy Law (1 Credit)

Law

Domestic legal systems vouchsafe and define "privacy," and its first cousin "dignity," in different ways that strongly reflect local legal and cultural values. Yet, in an increasingly globalized world, purely local protection of privacy interests may prove insufficient to safeguard effectively fundamental autonomy interests - interests that lie at the core of self-definition, personal autonomy, and freedom. This short course will survey constitutional privacy rights in the United States, Canada, South Africa, the United Kingdom, and in the jurisprudence of the European Court of Human Rights. Consideration of constitutional privacy protections in these jurisdictions will establish important points of transnational agreement about how to define and protect privacy interests; it will also demonstrate that serious disagreements exist about protecting privacy - most notable in resolving the inherent tension between protecting both privacy and freedom of speech. The course will give sustained attention to the potential benefits and challenges that will confront any serious efforts to harmonize constitutional privacy protections across national borders. A comparative legal analysis of privacy will also illuminate, some of the important underlying social and political values that lead the U.S. to fail to protect privacy as reliably or as comprehensively as other liberal democracies. Finally, and no less important in this era of Big Data, drones, and society-wide surveillance programs, the short course will consider carefully the significant interrelationship that exists between privacy and speech in the context of sustaining and facilitating democratic self-government.

LAW 855 International Environmental Law (3 Credits)

Law

This seminar is a study of the general concepts of international environmental law, problems of enforcement, and problems in treaty-making. The course addresses endangered species, ozone depletion, climate change, marine mammal protection, and free trade's relationship of environmental protection.

LAW 857 Activist Investing and Corporate Goverance (2 Credits)

This course is designed to provide students with an introduction to activist investing and public company corporate governance, as well as related topics including environmental, social and governance (ESG) matters and board composition and diversity. Prominent activist investors, attorneys and corporate governance experts will also lecture to the class, sharing their insights and perspectives on the topics covered.

LAW 859 Advanced Issues in Copyright Law (1 Credit) Law

LAW 860 Business Valuation Law (3 Credits)

Law

An understanding of the principles of valuation is essential to a wide array of legal practice areas ranging from corporate law to marital dissolution. This course will focus on the concepts and methodologies employed to evaluate privately held and publicly traded enterprises. The fundamental and market-based business valuation theories and techniques will be examined, including the capitalization of earnings method, the dividend discount model, the discounted cash flow method, the capital asset pricing model, and the efficient capital market hypothesis. Additional topics will include the applicability of minority and marketability discounts and the exclusivity of appraisal rights. Students will have the opportunity to analyze business valuation problems and discuss the implications of the various business valuation models. Repeatable

Coreq: LAW 712

LAW 861 Advanced Deposition Practice (2 Credits)

Law

This experiential course is designed for students who have completed Deposition Practice and wish to further develop their skills of taking and defending depositions. Students will continue to work on preparation and organization, phrasing questions, handling hostile or recalcitrant witnesses, preparing witnesses, assessing the question form of prior deposition testimony, and many other skills. Students will learn largely through engaging in and practicing the skills in weekly class simulations.

LAW 862 Public Health Law Seminar (3 Credits)

Law

This course deals with the law which empowers, tailors and limits federal, state and local governmental efforts to enhance and protect the health of the general population. It will make use of case studies of government educational and regulatory efforts in several areas of historic and very current controversy to examine issues which commonly arise with that law. The course will introduce students to the constitutional foundations and limits on the essential power of national, state and local governments and their officials to protect the health of individuals in areas where such protection may conflict with other important rights, such as with abortion, 'immoral behavior, religious practices and beliefs, and with seat belts, ferrets and fluoridation. It will examine the use of peculiarly public-health-protective techniques such as quarantine and other liberty-restricting methods in the context of traditional diseases such as tuberculosis, newer diseases such as HIV/AIDS, and more recent threats of pandemic (including the H1N1 flu) and biological terrorism. Recognizing the public health system's needs for accurate information in fashioning government responses and programs, the course will look at the law related to public health surveillance the law about the effective collection and maintenance of information and its use in biomedical research. In examining case studies about contagious diseases, environmentally-related cancers and DNA-banking, students will be exposed to tensions between the public health system's need for information and the privacy rights of individuals about whom such information is gathered.

LAW 863 Indigenous Law (3 Credits)

Law

Legal and mainstream perceptions of Indigenous people and governance has perpetuated an assumption of lawless, savage and uncivilized lifeways. Haudenosaunee and Indigenous cultures have ongoing, proven complex and thoughtful legal and communal systems that preexisted and influenced settlements in the Americas. These Indigenous systems are the bases for political and social constructs that continue to influence today¿s world. In this class, you¿ll learn how these legal systems impact treaties, governments, policies and social justice movements throughout North America.

LAW 864 Estate Planning (3 Credits)

Law

The course grade is based entirely on the preparation of four written projects typical of those required of an associate in an estate planning firm that represents high net worth individuals. These projects are: 1. Preparation of a family gifting plan. 2. Preparation of a comprehensive estate plan for a married couple, including the drafting of the necessary legal documents. 3. Preparation of a charitable gifting plan 4. Preparation of a federal estate tax return Initially, class time will be devoted to training students in how to apply concepts learned in the courses in Wills and Trusts, Federal Income Tax I, Estate and Gift Taxation, and Professional Responsibility, to the solution of actual client problems. Following the completion of each project, detailed written feedback will be provided both on the projects themselves as well as oral feedback n class so that the students will be better prepared to undertake subsequent projects. Principal skills emphasized are client counseling, legal drafting, and related ethical considerations.

Repeatable

Coreq: LAW 715 and 717

LAW 865 International Energy Law & Policy (3 Credits)

Law

This course serves an introduction to elements of the international legal regime govern the exploration, extraction, exploitation, regulation and arbitration of natural resources in the developing world. Students will be required to submit a seminar term paper that would address on one of the aforementioned themes. The course begins with an introduction to public international law and principles applicable to energy and natural resource activities, including sovereignty over natural resources and sustainable development. Other resources ¿ genetic resources, water, wood, fish and mammals are also briefly examined. The second section of the course focuses on international legal regulations of specific energy sector: oil and gas, nuclear, and renewable sectors. The unique features of the legal regimes that have merged is that they must address and support the trans-boundary aspect of natural resources, as seen with the construction of oil and gas pipelines. The third section examines question of rights and the environment exploring issues relating to duty of care in relation to the extraction of resources. This part includes case study of trans-boundary pipelines development to illustrate, inter alia, the complex interplay of human rights, environment and other factors, and to identify the actors involved (including international financial institutions such as the World Bank) and the remedies routes available to affected individuals and groups. This links to Part IV, the accountability of nonstate actors ¿ including multinational enterprises ¿ and institutions for environmental, human rights, and other consequences of their energy and natural resources activities. Examination of emerging best practice in mineral policy. Interfuse within the course is a policy-based review of the security aspect of natural resources, as these are susceptible piracy, hostage-taking and armed incursions, to security of supply in times of international emergency.

LAW 866 Banking Law (3 Credits)

Law

Federal and state laws and regulations affecting banks in the United States.

LAW 867 Property and Tax from Ancient Athens to Modern America (3 Credits)

Law

Double-numbered with ACC 745

This course covers how the ancients developed concepts of private property and tax, adjudicated disputes, and developed concepts that influence the law today. Development of legal theory assists in understanding practical applications of the law.

LAW 868 Smart Grid: Sec. Prov. & Ecn (3 Credits)

Law

This highly interdisciplinary, team-taught course covers the fundamental engineering, economic, and legal principles underlying the smart grid. It focuses on building the skills needed to design and test the protocols, policies, and specifications for enabling technologies that will guarantee the security and integrity of the grid while preserving personal privacy and providing maximum market flexibility with minimal need for new regulation. Students who complete the course will be able to integrate four perspectives - technology, security, economics, and law - allowing them to lead the development of the next generation electric grid.

LAW 869 EU-US Cooperation in Criminal Matters (1 Credit)

Students will work on cases relating to most popular instruments in such cooperation, namely extradition and mutual legal assistance with a focus on electronic evidence-gathering. To that end the students will analyze and apply the adequate legal framework (EU-US Mutual Legal Assistance Agreement and EU-US Extradition Agreement and domestic acts accompanying it). Given the transnational character of the course students will also have a unique opportunity to cooperate with their foreign colleagues. That will consist of conducting hypothetical cases relating to extradition and evidence-exchange between EU-US. The students will both issue requests abroad and execute the requests coming from their foreign colleagues. This exercise will not only be a chance of practicing the international procedure, but also reporting and overcoming obstacles to cooperation in criminal matters, such as double criminality, surrounding of citizens, admissibility of foreign evidence, data protection.

LAW 870 Corporate Finance Seminar (2 Credits)

Law

This seminar will study of the basis for financial decisions of corporations and the shareholders, including an introduction to basic techniques of investment decisions, valuation and financial structure. We will concentrate on valuing the firm and its securities and senior securities (bonds, debentures and notes). Interest and time permitting, we will explore capital structure and leverage and possibly do some work in mergers and acquisitions. Pre/co requisites: Business Associations Advisory recommendation Prereq: LAW 712

LAW 871 Transnational Alternative Dispute Resolution (1 Credit)

This course is co-taught by Professor Todd A. Berger and Professor Marta Kuklo of the University of Bialystok in Bialystok, Poland. Using an on-line platform, students from both universities attend class simultaneously. Class features live lectures by Professors Berger and Kuklo as well as participation from students at each institution. The class features unique opportunities for students from both universities to cooperate with their foreign colleagues. Specifically, the course gives law students on both sides of the Atlantic an opportunity to hone their negotiation and communication skills in a transnational setting. Particular emphasis is placed on the importance of cross-cultural negotiation and communication in resolving disputes and facilitating client agreements. In addition to classroom instruction, students will work on resolving a series of problems presented in a particular factual scenario. The scenarios are not dependent on the law of a particular country and are the type commonly encountered in international business, trade, and political disputes.

LAW 872 International Criminal/Civil Practice and Procedure Seminar (2 Credits)

Law

International Criminal/Civil Practice and Procedure prepares a student for the real world of practicing before international criminal courts and federal district courts related to human rights violations, as well as seeking redress before other world judicial bodies to include the International Court of Justice and the various regional human rights courts. This seminar will be an intensive study of case studies taking the student from initial allegations of war crimes or crimes against humanity, developing an investigative plan, drafting of indictments, preparing pre-trial motions, preparing for trial, and trial practice. Ancillary considerations related to civil suits before regional human rights courts and US federal district courts will be studies as well. The student written work product and presentations will form the basis of the grade at the end of the course.

LAW 877 Islamic Law (2 Credits)

Law

This limited enrollment course is designed to introduce students to the terminology, principles, and concepts of classical Islamic law. After discussing the origins and evolution of Islamic law, we will turn first to the organization of qadi courts (procedure and evidence) and then to specific areas of the law, e.g., personal status (marriage and divorce), the intergenerational transmission of property (bequests, gifts, and endowments), interdiction, paternity, adoption, illicit sexual relations, and slander. The application of legal doctrine to actual disputes will be analyzed through the reading of expert judicial opinions or fatwas (in English translation) issued in connection with medieval and modern court cases.

LAW 880 Race and Law (3 Credits)

Law

Race and Law is a 3-credit graduate law discussion class critically examining the ways laws and courts address issues of race and construct race relations in the United States. Primary readings are historical and modern legal cases, the U.S. constitution, relevant U.S. statutes, and interdisciplinary scholarship on race and law. This course studies the history of treatment of African-Americans, Native peoples, Latinos, Asians and White people in American law before we look at particular topic areas and contemporary legal analyses. Topics may include equality doctrine, education and segregation, civil rights (e.g., housing, employment, public accommodations, and legal responses to civil rights organizing), criminal laws, policing and profiling, and prisons, sexuality and family, immigration, and existing and potential legal remedies. Weekly reading assignments, periodic online exercises, and active, engaged class discussions of assigned materials are critical components of the course. Students are required to write a 10-12 page analytical paper on one of the topics covered in the course and based on course materials and readings. Students may also be required to facilitate a class discussion on reading assignments and create a research bibliography. This law school course is open to non-law graduate students on a limited basis. Non-law students are required to get permission of the professor before enrolling in this law school class.

LAW 881 Vietnam: A Disability Lens (1 Credit)

Law

This course offers a comparative look at the laws, policies and practices vis-à-vis disability in Vietnam and the United States, coupled with an on-the-ground, close-up look in Vietnam. The course will introduce the students to the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, Vietnam's law on disability enacted in 2010, and federal laws specific to disability, namely the Americans with Disabilities Act, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, and the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.

LAW 882 The Law and Practice of Electronic Discovery (3 Credits)

The advent of the digital age has changed the way lawyers exchange information in litigation. Whether it be on computers, cell phones, tablets, data management portals, or social media, the key documents and information necessary to litigate are stored electronically, posing never before seen challenges for today's lawyer. Whether advising a client of litigation holds and data retention policies, propounding or responding to discovery demands, preparing for and taking depositions, or engaging in motion practice on evidentiary issues, understanding technology is paramount to the modern day litigator. In this course, you will be that lawyer. Employed as an associate at a fictional law firm, you will be responsible for managing all aspects of electronic discovery in two cases, from the initial client interviews, through and including depositions and trial preparation. Taught by a lawyer with experience as an associate and partner at large law firms in New York City and Boston, boutique practices, a federal clerkship, and as in-house counsel, this course offers a great opportunity to learn both the law and the requisite skills to be a successful lawyer in the digital age.

LAW 884 Advanced Litigation Skills (3 Credits)

Law

Approximately 90% of civil cases never reach trial. The savvy litigator knows how to navigate the pretrial process, whereby most civil cases resolve. This experiential course offers a modern approach to litigation advocacy where aspiring litigators learn to assess a civil matter from the start, build a case theory, and strategize its best path to resolution. Learning how to advocate for your client before and during the early stages of a lawsuit allows a litigator to identify which cases to settle; which cases to sue; and which to try. This course will focus on topics which span the pretrial process timeline, from initial client contact, early case investigation, and negotiations; to initiating a lawsuit, discovery strategy, depositions, motion practice, and alternative dispute resolution. A combination of classroom discussion, written assignments, and practical simulations will be used to develop best practices within the pretrial process.

LAW 885 Introduction to US Disability Law (2 Credits)

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This seminar examines U.S. disability civil rights law and policy, primarily under the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 as amended, or ¿ADA, ¿ with a focus on lawsuits brought in federal court. U.S. disability law and policy, and related ADA civil rights, is a fast-evolving area, further complicated by the COVID-19 epidemic. Disability law and policy, including the law of the ADA, has evolved dramatically over the past thirty plus years in the U.S. and internationally. By some estimates there are sixty million Americans (almost one in five Americans) with disabilities, and more than one billion individuals (one in seven people) with disabilities around the world. Yet people with disabilities still are disproportionately excluded from the labor market and other economic, social, and civic opportunities. My ambition is to help seminar participants appreciate the expansive impact of U.S. disability law and policy on the lives of persons with disabilities.

LAW 886 Animal Law (2-3 Credits)

Law

This course addresses the status and treatment of nonhuman animals in numerous areas of law, as well as the history and theory of advocacy on behalf of non human animals.

LAW 887 Multicultural Lawyering (3 Credits)

Law

LAW 888 Consumer Law (3 Credits)

Law

An introduction to federal and state regulation of the consumer market including unfair and deceptive practices; consumer credit regulation including truth in lending, usury, and predatory finance; debt collection; warranties; credit reporting and identity theft. The course will explore the on-going changes brought on by the Dodd-Frank Act and how federal feeshifting statutes create opportunities for entrepreneurial law graduates. Students will review and analyze consumer contracts and statutes; draft legal documents based on real world scenarios; and draft comments and other advocacy materials on regulatory and legislative proposals.

LAW 889 International Human Rights and Comparative Disability Law (3 Credits)

Law

This course introduces students to recent developments in international human rights and comparative disability law, including an analysis of the UN Convention on the Rights of People with Disabilities (CRPD). The CRPD was entered into force in 2008 as the first treaty to protect the rights of people with disabilities under international law. This course is for law students and other graduate students who are interested in disability rights and international human rights law, generally. The course uses disability as a case study for the study of the development of international human rights protections for certain groups; the adoption, monitoring, and implementation of UN treaties; the role of regional human rights tribunals in enforcing human rights protections for people with disabilities; and the relationship between international human rights laws and domestic disability-related laws in selected countries.

LAW 890 Child Health Policy (3 Credits)

Law

Child Health Policy is a 3-credit, interdisciplinary course that will address how policy affects child health and influences parental decision-making over their children's health, as well as how policy influences, and is influenced by, child-serving systems (e.g., public health, education, juvenile justice). The course will cover how child health policy is developed, implemented, evaluated, and influenced as well as the myriad of ways health policy may impact seemingly unrelated policy discussions and decisions. As an interdisciplinary course, students will study how law and medicine (specifically, child health) intersect, hearing from a variety of perspectives on this intersection from experts, as broadly defined (lawyers, advocates, case workers, health professionals, academics, and families themselves). Further, with the expectation that lecturers will discuss the interrelation between law, medicine, and advocacy in their respective fields, so too will it be expected that students reflect on at least two of these (law, medicine, advocacy) in their work (i.e., discussion, journals, presentations, papers). The course's multi-disciplinary approach, and student enrollment, will contribute to a fuller view of child health policy: students gain the perspective of varied disciplines and how expertise from these disciplines might be joined to enhance effectiveness of health policy.

LAW 891 Climate Change: Science, Perception & Policy (3 Credits) Law

Climate change (global warming) is rapidly becoming one of the most pressing issues of the twenty-first century. This course introduces students to the challenges posed by climate change through a unique multidisciplinary exploration of the scientific, economic, policy, communicative, and even philosophical dimensions of the issue. The course will cover topics such as the current state of scientific knowledge about climate change, the role of the media in shaping public opinion on the issue, competing discourses of climate change, risk and uncertainty in decision-making, costs and benefits of different types of policies, the Kyoto protocol and other policy initiatives, actions being taken to address the issue, and the ethical dimensions of the choices facing humanity. Faculty from SU and ESF in law, economics/public administration, earth science, and environmental studies will co-teach this course and bring to students a unique dialog that crosses traditional disciplinary boundaries. Moreover, emphasis will be placed on drawing out the general lessons obtained from a multidisciplinary approach to climate change: many of the insights will be applicable to other complex, highly technical environmental problems. This course is intended to bring together students from a diverse range of backgrounds and does not have specific prerequisites.

LAW 892 Capital Punishment Seminar (3 Credits)

Law

The death penalty is society's ultimate legal sanction, meant to be reserved for the worst of the worst. Given the finality and enormity of the government's deliberate taking of a human life, the United States Supreme Court has developed a complex jurisprudence regulating the imposition of the death sentence. In this seminar, we will study this constitutional framework for the modern death penalty. In addition, we will engage in a critical study of the institution of capital punishment, discussing topics such as the impact of capital crimes on victims' families, the theoretical rationales for capital punishment, the historical development of the death penalty, capital punishment in global law and practice, the impact of mental illness, race and poverty on how the death penalty is administered, and the sentencing of innocent persons to death.

LAW 893 Professional Skills (1.5-3 Credits)

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In-person residential courses required for JDinteractive students. This is a skills-focused course that utilizes experiential learning techniques to introduce and practice skills of importance to practicing attorneys. Repeatable 1 times for 3 credits maximum

LAW 896 Education Law (3 Credits)

Law

This seminar will introduce students to the issues surrounding the provision of public and private education and to enable students to develop understandings of educational delivery systems that will help them to address education-related issues in their legal practice. Topics will include federal and state roles in public education, use of public funds for private/parochial education, public school choice and school vouchers, special education, gender equality in education, affirmative action and diversity in higher education, and public school desegregation.

LAW 897 National Security Negotiations in Theory & Practice (2 Credits)

Law

LAW 898 Environmental Law and Policy (3 Credits)

Law

Introduction to the approaches used in US environmental law. Analysis of common law and statutory designs and strategies used to address environmental problems. Critically analyzes common law environmental remedies, Clean Air Act, Clean Water Act, Endangered Species Act, hazardous waste, and other environmental laws.

LAW 899 Atrocity Law and Policy: Practicing before International Criminal Tribunals (2 Credits)

Law

International criminal law is a new discipline within the legal profession. Over the past 12 years, the discipline has developed at an exponential rate. Cutting edge rulings and decisions are setting the cornerstones in international criminal law for years to come. It is a rare opportunity for teachers, students, practitioners, and policy makers to be present at the beginnings of a new area of the law. Rarer still is the opportunity for students to be able to take a seminar from one of the senior international practitioners in the field, using his work as the basis for this seminar. Drawing upon unique experiences in West Africa, a great deal of the new ideas and fresh thinking began with our work as the Chief Prosecutor of the international war crimes tribunal in Sierra Leone, called the Special Court for Sierra Leone. The seminar will use, as a case study, the entire creative process in West Africa of establishing the Office of the Prosecutor of the Special Court for Sierra Leone; from planning, preparation, and executing the many tasks necessary to prosecute war criminals in a forgotten and tragic land. Using real world and contemporary cases, vignettes, and scenarios this 2 credit hour seminar will give students a rare opportunity, to study and do research with the practitioner who created the entire prosecutorial plan to prosecute those who bore the greatest responsibility for war crimes and crimes against humanity that resulted in the murder, rape, maiming, and mutilation of over 1.2 million human beings.

LAW 901 Externship Seminar (1-2 Credits)

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The Externship Program allows students to earn credit while gaining legal experience that will stand out on their resumes. The program consists of a one-credit online seminar with asynchronous content that meets virtually throughout the semester and a 2-12 credit externship placement for JDr students or a 2-10 credit externship placement for JDi students (depending on hours worked at the placement) during which students work under the supervision of a lawyer in placements in Central New York and across the country (Law 902). Professional Responsibility is a pre/co requisite class to any externship. Registration in the accompanying placement (Law 902) is required. Permission from the Director of Externships is required for enrollment.

LAW 903 Criminal Defense Law Clinic (6 Credits)

Law

Student attorneys represent clients charged with misdemeanors and violations in Syracuse City Court. They engage in extensive fact investigation, interviewing, client counseling, and plea negotiations, and appear regularly in local courts. They also assist clients with civil matters related to the pending criminal charges

Coreq: LAW 746

LAW 904 Housing Clinic (6 Credits)

Law

The Housing Clinic will allow second- and third-year law students to represent indigent tenants in housing matters in Onondaga County. Syracuse University College of Law is partnering with the Legal Aid of Central New York and Legal Services of Mid-New York to provide representation in variety of rental housing matters including eviction defense, warranty of habitability and affordable housing preservation. Students will handle all aspects of their cases from initial client interview to trial. Students will learn the basic skills of lawyering including interviewing, counseling, and negotiation along with landlord/tenant law and real estate procedure.

LAW 905 Criminal Defense Clinic II (1-4 Credits)

Law

Prereq: LAW 746 or 647 and LAW 903

LAW 906 Low Income Taxpayer Clinic II (1-4 Credits)

Law

Prereg: Law 722 and 746 and 914

LAW 907 Securities Arbitration & Consumer Law Clnic II (1-4 Credits)

Law

Prereq: LAW 746 or 647 and LAW 922

LAW 908 Syracuse Medical Legal Partnership Clinic (3 Credits)

Law

The Syracuse Medical Legal Partnership Clinic is a combined clinical offering and course designed for students interested in developing legal skills and policy analysis in the area of children¿s health. Students will provide non-litigation legal service (intake, advice, research and referrals) for a busy pediatric clinic in Syracuse, NY, around legal issues that impact health care access and outcomes. This may include children¿s access to education, safe housing, medical equipment, family court issues, government aid programs, transition-age youth, and more. Patients who have complex medical needs, are aging out of pediatric health care and social services, and need to preserve their legal rights, will be a special population served by this clinic. Students who are enrolled in the Syracuse Medical Legal Partnership must be co-enrolled in Child Health Policy and Legal Practice as the classroom component to this experiential course. The Syracuse Medical Legal Partnership (SMLP) is an interdisciplinary collaboration between the pediatric unit at SUNY Upstate Medical University and Syracuse University College of Law. SMLP provides legal advocacy to improve the overall health and wellbeing of vulnerable patient populations. SMLP also works to achieve systemic change through the multidisciplinary education of law students, medical students, residents and other professionals whose expertise is imp. Doctors and lawyers learn to work collaboratively to attain favorable health outcomes for patients. Not only do patients receive critical legal assistance, but professionals learn about using community resources and employing cooperative strategies to benefit patients and clients in their own practices.

LAW 909 Bankruptcy Clinic (2 Credits)

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The pro bono bankruptcy clinic consists of a clinic open to second and third year students, and a pro bono volunteer program open to first year students. The upper division clinic students will represent an indigent client in filing a bankruptcy case and will be in charge of the team supervising the first year student volunteers. The clinic students will be responsible for obtaining from the clients all of the information required by the Bankruptcy Code for filing a bankruptcy case, organizing that information, drafting the petition and schedules, and representing the client at the official meeting of creditors. Students will also address an legal issues that arise in the case. The class component will involve formal training in basic consumer bankruptcy law and practice, and an open discussion of issues that arise in the cases.

LAW 910 LondonEx: Clinical Internship (4-6 Credits)

Law

Students will spend the first week of the seven week program attending lectures by authorities in English law. This introduction to the English Legal System will prepare the students for their internships by providing an overview of the fundamental tenets of English law, with an emphasis on English legal institutions, court structure, the legal profession, and adjudicative procedure in both civil and criminal cases. Classes during this first week will meet for a minimum of 15 hours and will be supplemented by visits to one of the Inns of Court and the Houses of Parliament and by a guided tour of Legal London. Following this first week of classes, students will undertake six-week internships with barristers, solicitors, public agencies or other legal organizations, under the supervision of Syracuse University College of Law faculty. Internships are full-time jobs, and students are expected to work the normal hours at their placements.. During this six-week period these internship experiences are augmented by once-a-week, two-hour evening seminars conducted by the program faculty and cooperating English practitioners. Repeatable

LAW 911 Syracuse Medical Legal Partnership Clinic II (1-4 Credits)

The Syracuse Medical Legal Partnership Clinic II is an enhanced clinical offering and course designed for students interested in further continuing and developing legal skills and policy analysis in the area of children¿s health. Students will provide non-litigation legal service (intake, advice, research and referrals) for a busy pediatric clinic in Syracuse, NY, around legal issues that impact health care access and outcomes. This may include children¿s access to education, safe housing, medical equipment, family court issues, government aid programs, transition-age youth, and more. Patients who have complex medical needs, are aging out of pediatric health care and social services, and need to preserve their legal rights, will be a special population served by this clinic. Students who are enrolled in the Syracuse Medical Legal Partnership II must have completed the entry Syracuse Medical Legal Partnership clinic course. The Syracuse Medical Legal Partnership (SMLP) is an interdisciplinary collaboration between the pediatric unit at SUNY Upstate Medical University and Syracuse University College of Law. SMLP provides legal advocacy to improve the overall health and well-being of vulnerable patient populations. SMLP also works to achieve systemic change through the multidisciplinary education of law students, medical students, residents and other professionals whose expertise is imp. Doctors and lawyers learn to work collaboratively to attain favorable health outcomes for patients. Not only do patients receive critical legal assistance, but professionals learn about using community resources and employing cooperative strategies to benefit patients and clients in their own practices.

LAW 912 Elder and Health Law Clinic (6 Credits)

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This clinical course will focus on representation of the elderly in a variety of substantive areas, with initial focus on administrative proceedings regarding public benefits, especially Medicaid. Students will have substantial opportunities to interview and counsel clients, conduct fact investigation, grapple with thorny ethical issues unique to elderly clients, and advocate for clients in a variety of settings, including in administrative proceedings. Students will have primary responsibility for their cases, under the guidance of the faculty member. There may be opportunities for collaboration with medical staff from the SUNY Upstate Geriatric Clinic and other professionals working with the elderly. Coreq: LAW 746 or LAW 647

LAW 913 Elder and Health Law Clinic II (1-4 Credits)

Law

Prereq: LAW 746 or 647 and LAW 912

LAW 914 Low Income Taxpayer Clinic (3 Credits)

Law

The Low Income Taxpayer Clinic offers legal assistance to low income taxpayers who have controversies with the I.R.S. The controversies may include collection, examination, appeals or Tax Court matters. Student attorneys will also be involved in community outreach and education regarding income tax matters.

Coreq: LAW 722 and (LAW 746 or 647)

LAW 915 Summer Externships (2-4 Credits)

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LAW 916 Summer Law Clinic (4 Credits)

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LAW 919 LondonEx Seminar (1 Credit)

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LAW 920 CNY Externship Seminar (1-2 Credits)

Law

The Externship Program allows students to earn credit while gaining legal experience that will stand out on their resumes. The program consists of a one-credit online seminar with asynchronous content that meets virtually several times throughout the semester and a 2-12 credit externship placement (depending on hours worked at the placement) during which students work under the supervision of a lawyer in offices throughout Central New York (Law 921). Professional Responsibility is a pre/co requisite class to any externship. Registration in the accompanying placement (Law 921) is required.

Coreq: LAW 746 or LAW 647

LAW 921 CNYEx (2-12 Credits)

Law

This is a 2-12 credit externship placement during which students work under the supervision of a lawyer in offices throughout Central New York. Students gain hands-on lawyering experience working with and as lawyers in real office settings. Placement areas can be in private firms, corporations, government offices, public interest/legal aid offices, judicial placements, and non-traditional placements. The Family & Elder Law Practicum is a focused externship which offers students the unique opportunity to gain hands on experience in the broader family law practice, which includes opportunities to advocate for and protect children¿s rights and servicing those aged 60 and over and who are of low or moderate incomes. These placements can be remote or in person. All work must be performed under the direct supervision of an attorney. Professional Responsibility is a pre/co requisite class to any externship. Participation and registration in the accompanying, one credit externship seminar (Law 920) is required.

LAW 922 Securities Arbitration Clinic (6 Credits)

Law

Provides legal assistance to small investors who have lost some or all of their investments as a result of improper conduct on the part of stockbrokers, investment advisors, securities firms, and mutual funds. Students enrolled in the SAC provide representation to eligible investors who are required to use the arbitration process for the resolution of their disputes.

Repeatable 2 times for 999.99 credits maximum Coreq: LAW 746 or LAW 647

LAW 923 Disability Rights Clinic (6 Credits)

Law

The Disability Rights Clinic is dedicated to providing representation to individuals and groups in our community who are unable to secure representation elsewhere. One reason DRC clients are unable to find other lawyers to represent them is due to their lack of financial resources. In our community, as elsewhere, the vast majority of lawyers provide legal assistance only to those who can afford to pay for their services. And in recent years, federal funding, the major source of funding for legal services for people with low or no incomes, has been reduced dramatically. A second reason DRC clients are unable to find lawyers elsewhere relates to the types of cases they may have which may involve controversial issues or conflicts of interest for other lawyers. DRC student attorneys practice in federal and state courts, and before administrative agencies in a broad range of civil rights matters, including race, gender, age and disability discrimination, sexual harassment, prisoners rights, immigration, accessibility under the Americans with Disabilities Act, and employment matters.

Coreq: LAW 746 or 647 and LAW 763

LAW 924 Disability Rights Clinic II (1-4 Credits)

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Prereg: LAW 746 or 647 and LAW 763 and LAW 923

LAW 925 Social and Economic Justice in South Africa (1 Credit)

Law

The week-long visit to South Africa will study the constitutional, economic, and social history of South Africa as it has moved from apartheid to a multi-racial republic. Students will visit the Constitutional Court; government agencies including the Truth and Reconciliation Commission and the Commission for Conciliation, Mediation and Arbitration; several townships and municipalities; and a historically Black and historically White University. The students will meet with Constitutional Court justices, government officials, and University faculty involved in social and economic justice issues and learn about the entrenched systemic poverty, racism, and injustice that is the legacy of apartheid, and the efforts including legislation, policies, and programs to reverse the effects of apartheid. Applications for this course must be completed and approved before registration.

LAW 926 Veterans Legal Clinic (4-6 Credits)

Law

This course provides an in-depth introduction to the legal framework governing veterans; benefits administered by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). Through analysis of statutes, regulations, case law, and practical guidance from the Veterans Benefits Manual, students will explore the full lifecycle of a VA benefits claim¿from initial application to appeal. Topics include service connection, disability ratings, effective dates, VA duties to assist claimants, and the procedural structures of the Board of Veterans; Appeals and the U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims. Students enrolled in this course will serve as student attorneys in the Betty and Michael D. Wohl Veterans Legal Clinic and represent local veterans in complex VA disability compensation claims and appeals. Under faculty supervision, student attorneys will interview clients, gather and evaluate evidence, develop legal strategy, and advocate before the VA and related administrative bodies. This hands-on experience provides meaningful engagement with real clients and fosters the development of critical lawyering skills in administrative and client-centered practice. The course also addresses intersecting legal and social issues affecting veterans, including PTSD, military sexual trauma, and barriers to access. Ideal for students interested in public interest law, administrative law, or military-connected legal practice, this seminar combines doctrinal learning with direct service to those who have served. No prior military experience is required.

Coreq: LAW 746 or LAW 647

LAW 928 Veterans Legal Clinic II (1-4 Credits)

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Veterans Legal Clinic II is an advanced clinical course for students who have successfully completed Veterans Legal Clinic I (Law 926) and who receive approval from the Clinic Director for continued enrollment. In this course, student attorneys deepen their practical experience by continuing to represent veteran clients in complex disability compensation cases before the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs and related administrative bodies. Building on foundational skills developed in the first clinic semester, students in Veterans Legal Clinic II are entrusted with greater responsibility and autonomy in their casework. They may engage in advanced legal strategy, develop expert medical and lay evidence, draft appellate briefs, and handle appeals at the Board of Veterans; Appeals or prepare matters for referral to the U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims. Students are expected to demonstrate increased proficiency in client communication, legal writing, and case management. There are no formal classroom sessions in this course. However, students are required to participate in regular weekly case meetings with the Clinic Director and are expected to contribute actively to the collaborative learning environment of the Veterans Legal Clinic. This course offers a meaningful opportunity for students to strengthen their lawyering skills while continuing to serve the legal needs of veterans in the Central New York community.

Prereq: LAW 926

LAW 930 Pro Bono Scholars Program Seminar (2 Credits)

Law

The Pro Bono Scholar seminar is a forum that facilitates discussions related to lawyering as a profession and where issues particular to the student's placement experience are addressed. It is a forum to discuss the role of lawyers in our justice system, the responsibilities lawyers have in obtaining access to this system, and the practical implications of upholding the ethical standards demanded by the profession. Students will discuss the stresses particular to this profession, and explore the emotional commitment the profession demands.

LAW 931 Pro Bono Scholars Program Externship (12 Credits)

Law

Students in the final year of law school to devote their last semester of study to performing pro bono service for the poor through an approved externship, legal services provider, law firm, or corporation. Placements are available in Central New York and Washington, DC. Only students selected by the Pro Bono Scholars Program committee and approved by the New York Court of Appeals may register for the course. Students accepted for the Program will spend 12 weeks working full time in a placement beginning in March. Students will also have a seminar component, Pro Bono Scholars Seminar, for which they will earn two credits.

LAW 933 Land Use Planning and Public Regulation in Italy (1 Credit) Law

LAW 938 Veteran's Clemency Project (3 Credits)

Law

The Veterans Clemency Project is a 3-credit clinic course that will offer students an opportunity to advocate on behalf of eligible veterans who are currently incarcerated for drug-related crimes in federal prisons and who are seeking a reduced sentence because of their non-violent history and non-violent prison conduct. After studying clemency and sentencing issues, students will conduct detailed legal analysis to screen applications from inmates seeking clemency; depending on time and logistical constraints, students might have an opportunity to then draft a clemency petition for an inmate who is identified as a veteran. Students interested in registering for this course, which is a hybrid between a traditional doctrinal course and a traditional clinic, will need to submit an application to Professor Sanjay Chhablani (schhablani@law.syr.edu). For additional details, please visit the Blackboard site for the Office of Student Services.

LAW 940 Studying Disability in Japan and the U.S.: A Comparative Approach to Laws, Policies, & Perspectives (1 Credit)

Law

Travel to Tokyo, Kyoto, and Hiroshima to compare Japan and the United States under a disability studies lens. You will draw on a number of disciplines, including policy, law, and education, for a close-up look at policies and practices in Japan. Tour sites of disability in Japan - schools, institutions, and government offices - and meet people with disabilities, all in an effort to learn how disability is negotiated.

Law 950 Intercollegiate Team Competition (1-2 Credits) Law

LAW 951 Journal of International Law and Commerce (1-3 Credits)

The Syracuse Journal of International Law and Commerce, first published in October 1972, is one of the oldest student-edited international law reviews in the United States. With a strong and diverse subscriber base worldwide, the journal provides a premier platform for exploring a broad range of topics in international law. Through rigorous editing and scholarly engagement, students have the opportunity to deepen their expertise in this vital area of law, gaining insights into the legal issues shaping our interconnected world. The journal's commitment to excellence makes it an essential resource for scholars, practitioners, and students alike.

Advisory recommendation Coreq: Law 728

LAW 952 Syracuse Law Review (1-3 Credits)

Law

Please contact the Office of Student Life for more information.

LAW 953 Advocacy Honors Society (1-3 Credits)

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Please contact the Office of Student Life for more information.

LAW 954 Transactional Law Clinic II (1-4 Credits)

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LAW 955 Transactional Law Clinic (4-6 Credits)

Law

The Transactional Law Clinic assists clients with business and non-profit formation; contract drafting and review; business permits; licensing; trademarks; copyright and trade secret protection; employee and confidentiality agreements; partnership and shareholder agreements; corporate governance issues; applications for tax-exempt status; and regulatory compliance. The Clinic participates in the United States Patent and Trademark Office's Law School Clinic Certification Program for Trademarks. In addition to learning about those substantive areas of law, students learn transactional lawyering skills including drafting, interviewing, counseling, and negotiation.

Coreq: LAW 746 or LAW 647

LAW 956 Journal of Science and Technology Law (1-3 Credits) Law

LAW 957 Childrens Rights & Family Law Clinic (6 Credits)

Law

This combined clinical offering is designed for students interested in developing legal skills in the area of children's rights and in handling various civil cases. Students will assist in cases pertaining to education, school disciplinary hearings, suspension hearings, children's access to public education and public housing. Students will also represent clients in court and in negotiations to enforce child and spousal support and on divorce and custody cases. Representation of the clients includes interviewing witnesses, gathering evidence, negotiation settlements, appearing in court, and conducting hearings and trials. During the seminar, students will discuss the fundamentals of interviewing, counseling, negotiation, and written and oral advocacy as well as the substantive areas of family and public interest law, public assistance, and social security.

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Coreq: LAW 746 or LAW 647

LAW 958 Children's Rights Clinic II (1-4 Credits)

Law

Repeatable 1 times for 8 credits maximum Prereq: LAW 746 or 647 and LAW 957

LAW 959 Advanced Legal Research (2 Credits)

Law

Advanced Legal Research expands upon the foundation of research skills acquired in the first year. The course addresses effective research methods and strategies, examines the structural and theoretical underpinnings of traditional and automated research systems, and explores specialized areas of research (such as legislative history, administrative law, and non-legal resources). Students will have ample opportunities to refine research techniques through hands-on practice sessions in the law library.

LAW 960 NIABA Journal (1-2 Credits)

Law

Please contact the Office of Student Life for more information.

LAW 962 Introduction to Litigation Skills (2-3 Credits)

Law

LAW 970 Professional Writing for Lawyers (3 Credits)

Law

This course offers second- and third-year law students an opportunity to develop further their written communication skills in the context of drafting civil litigation documents. Using civil litigation documents, students will learn/review/practice basic principles and strategies of effective writing, effective legal writing, and effective legal research. The course will emphasize the importance of organization, checklists, samples bank, point of view, audience, strategy, clarity, conciseness, self-editing, and teamwork. Further, the course will aim at helping students to develop confidence in writing and to create a personal writing style.

LAW 972 Topics in Foreign, Comparative & Int'l Law Research (3 Credits)

Law

The purpose of this course is to offer students a working knowledge of legal bibliography and research methods, both in traditional print sources and in electronic formats, for conducting research in the laws of foreign countries, international law, and comparative law.

LAW 975 Space Law & Policy: National Security's Next Frontier (2-3 Credits)

Law

This is an interdisciplinary law and policy course directed to the national security uses of space as well as threats to and in space arising from the national security and commercial uses of space. The course will start with an overview of key terms and concepts as well as consideration of how different states and entities use space for national security purposes. We will then address key national security policy issues related to space, including situational awareness and traffic management; launch requirements; small satellites; orbital debris; rendezvous and proximity operations and non-earth imaging; remote earth sensing; sustainability and the environment; liability; and space threats, counterspace threats, and the use of force. Along the way, the course will identify and examine the domestic and international law relevant to the national security uses of space by the U.S., other state actors, and non-state actors, as well as potential gaps in applicable law and how those gaps should or might be filled. The course will also briefly consider the law and policy related to other global domains, such as the high seas and cyber space for purposes of comparison and analogy. There are no perquisites for the course other than interest. Course requirements: A paper and related class presentation along with class participation.

LAW 980 Impunity Watch (1-2 Credits)

Law

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LAW 983 Science & Technology Law Reporter Note (0 Credits)

LAW 991 Independent Research (1-4 Credits)

Law

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LAW 994 Advanced Legal Topics (1-4 Credits)

Law

This is the fifth and sixth residential courses in the online JD program. This two-credit course will have a number of different sections, focused on different substantive areas of the law. Students will take the course twice during the course of their study, selecting different sections for each. The goal is to allow students to acquire a deep understanding of an area of legal practice, appreciate the level of knowledge and engagement needed to successfully practice in a specialized field of law, and understand how key policy concerns can shape a particular field of law. Prerequisites, LAW 693, Legal Foundations and LAW 793, Legal Applications, and LAW 893, Professional Skills.

Repeatable 1 times for 4 credits maximum Prereq: LAW 693 and LAW 793 Coreq: LAW 893

LAW 995 Special Project (1-9 Credits)

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LAW 997 Independent Research (1-2 Credits)

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Master of Laws

LLM 647 Professional Responsibility - LLM Students (2 Credits)

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This course will cover the essential components of professional responsibility and will focus on professional identity formation. LL.M. students will learn how to identify and analyze ethical issues and reflect on the role of the lawyer and their own professional development.

LLM 900 American Legal System (3 Credits)

Law

This course is designed to introduce students to United States law. The course will offer a survey of the United States legal system, an introduction to United States constitutional law and provide an overview of multiple areas of United States doctrinal law both substantive and procedural.

LLM 901 Legal Writing for International Students (3 Credits)

Law

This course will instruct the student in legal research, writing and analysis. It is specifically designed for LLM students.

LLM 902 International LL.M. Prep Course (1 Credit)

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An introduction to the process of American legal education and assessment. The class will teach an introduction to the Socratic method, the case briefing system of legal analysis and introduce skills in preparation for common legal assessment methods, including case briefing, case analysis, exam taking methodology, and other essential skills.

LLM 903 Intro to the Study of American Law (1 Credit)

Law

This course will prepare LL.M. students for their study of law by introducing students to the Socratic method, case briefing, IRAC writing structure, and Bluebook citation forms; introducing students to the structure of American government and court systems; introducing students to the sources of American law; and introducing students to discrete primary concepts of doctrinal law in such subjects as Constitutional Law, Contracts, and Torts.

LLM 914 Technology Innovation Law & Practice (3 Credits)

Law

This course provides LLM students with an integrated understanding of the technical, business, and legal factors involved in bringing new technologies to market. This is a year-long course that combines traditional and applied learning on topics ranging from basic intellectual property law and performing patent searches to economics to finance and business areas such as financing technology innovation. The course includes multiple guest lectures from practicing professionals involved in technology transactions at universities as well as private companies and in law firms. At the conclusion of the course, students will have a broad knowledge of technology innovation law and practice. Students will apply knowledge to actual new technology commercialization projects. Students work in teams consulting with companies, entrepreneurs or universities that are seeking to commercialize new technologies. Finished products include an in-depth report and presentation covering such things as: analyzing the technology, investigating intellectual property protection, examining the market landscape, identifying any regulatory concerns, and exploring opportunities for funding or licensing. Students will also engage in client consults and short term research projects.

Repeatable 1 times for 3 credits maximum