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LAW 501 Contracts I
Crosslisted with: LAW 501G
Notes: This is a 2-semester course: Part II is Contracts II (Law 502/502G) and is offered each spring.
Description: Basic principles governing the creation, interpretation and enforcement of private agreements. Offer and acceptance, consideration, the effect of changed or unforeseen circumstances, conditions and remedies.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 502 Contracts II
Crosslisted with: LAW 502G
Notes: This is a 2 semester course. Part I is Contracts I, Law 501/501G and is offered in the fall semester only.
Description: Basic principles governing the creation, interpretation and enforcement of private agreements. Offer and acceptance, consideration, the effect of changed or unforeseen circumstances, conditions and remedies.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 503 Torts I
Crosslisted with: LAW 503G
Description: Legal protection afforded in civil proceedings against interference with the security of one's person, property, relations, and other intangible interests. Substantive principles that govern tort claims (ranging from claims for intentional wrongdoing, to negligence claims, to claims that the defendant is strictly liable for harms caused to the plaintiff), and the theoretical bases and practical implications of such claims.
Credit Hours: 4
Max credits per semester: 4
Max credits per degree: 4
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 505 Property I
Crosslisted with: LAW 505G
Notes: This is a 2 semester course. Part II is Property II, Law 506/506G and is offered in the spring semester only.
Description: Problems in possession, gifts of personal property, bona fide purchasers of personal property, estates in land, landlord and tenant, the modern land transaction, controlling the use of land, easements, licenses and equitable servitudes and constitutional limitations on the power of government to restrict individual economic liberties.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 506 Property II
Crosslisted with: LAW 506G
Notes: This is a 2 semester course. Part I is Property I, Law 505/505G and is offered in the fall semester only.
Description: Problems in possession, gifts of personal property, bona fide purchasers of personal property, estates in land, landlord and tenant, the modern land transaction, controlling the use of land, easements, licenses and equitable servitudes and constitutional limitations on the power of government to restrict individual economic liberties.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 508 Criminal Law
Crosslisted with: LAW 508G
Description: Substantive criminal law, focusing on the theoretical foundations, general principles, and doctrines that govern the rules of liability and defenses, both in the common law tradition and under the Model Penal Code.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 513 Legal Research and Writing
Crosslisted with: LAW 513G
Notes: Students must also take Law 514/G (4 cr hr) which is offered in the spring semester only.
Description: The emphasis of this course is on the development of legal research and writing skills; writing is the lawyer's most commonly used skill, and effective writing rests on effective research. Communicating like a lawyer, however, means not only communicating professionally but also conducting oneself ethically. In addition to providing sustained and intensive instruction on legal research and writing, this course introduces students to many facets of professionalism and to the skills necessary to make ethical and professional choices.
Credit Hours: 2
Max credits per semester: 2
Max credits per degree: 2
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 514 Legal Research and Writing
Crosslisted with: LAW 514G
Notes: This course is a continuation of Law 513/G, which is a fall semester course only.
Description: The emphasis of this course is on the development of legal research and writing skills; writing is the lawyer's most commonly used skill, and effective writing rests on effective research. Communicating like a lawyer, however, means not only communicating professionally but also conducting oneself ethically. In addition to providing sustained and intensive instruction on legal research and writing, this course introduces students to many facets of professionalism and to the skills necessary to make ethical and professional choices.
Credit Hours: 4
Max credits per semester: 4
Max credits per degree: 4
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING
LAW 516 Civil Procedure I
Crosslisted with: LAW 516G
Notes: This is a 2 semester course. Part II is Civil Procedure II, Law 517/517G and is offered in the spring semester only.
Description: Introduction to federal and state court organization, jurisdiction, and procedure. Emphasis on pre-trial, trial, and post-trial procedures, including pleading, enforcement of judgements, motion practice, appellate review, and the effects of res judicata and collateral estoppel.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL
Prerequisite for: LAW 729, LAW 729G

LAW 517 Civil Procedure II
Crosslisted with: LAW 517G
Notes: This is a 2 semester course. Part I is Civil Procedure I, Law 516/516G and is offered in the fall semester only.
Description: Introduction to federal and state court organization, jurisdiction, and procedure. Emphasis on pre-trial, trial, and post-trial procedures, including pleading, enforcement of judgements, motion practice, appellate review, and the effects of res judicata and collateral estoppel.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING
Prerequisite for: LAW 729, LAW 729G

LAW 518 International Perspectives in U.S. Legal System: Practicing Law in a Global Legal Environment
Crosslisted with: LAW 518G
Description: Introduce students to federal and state court organization, jurisdiction, and procedure. Emphasis on pre-trial, trial, and post-trial procedures, including pleading, enforcement of judgements, motion practice, appellate review, and the effects of res judicata and collateral estoppel.
Credit Hours: 2
Max credits per semester: 2
Max credits per degree: 2
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 519 Comparative Chinese Law and Culture
Crosslisted with: LAW 519G
Description: A comparison of Chinese law and culture with American law and culture. Students will spend two weeks in China with instruction from both Chinese and American law professors and visits to Chinese legal institutions. A paper will be required, the nature of which will depend on whether the student is seeking 2 or 3 credit hours.
Credit Hours: 2-3
Min credits per semester: 2
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: FLD

LAW 580 Intro to Federal Contract Law
Crosslisted with: LAW 580G
Description: Provides an overview of Government Contract Law, identifying key provisions of applicable law, regulations and general federal acquisitions contract principles. Looks at the authority of contracting officers and how authority is delegated and the impact of such delegation. Provide a basic understanding of the phases of the acquisition lifecycle including: pre-award, solicitation, award, and post-award legal issues. Federal government contract funding and fiscal matters, labor, socioeconomic policies and fraud also examined.
Credit Hours: 1
Max credits per semester: 1
Max credits per degree: 1
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 581 Comparative Chinese Law and Culture
Crosslisted with: LAW 581G
Description: A comparison of Chinese law and culture with American law and culture. Students will spend two weeks in China with instruction from both Chinese and American law professors and visits to Chinese legal institutions. A paper will be required, the nature of which will depend on whether the student is seeking 2 or 3 credit hours.
Credit Hours: 2-3
Min credits per semester: 2
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: FLD

LAW 582 Domestic CyberSecurity
Crosslisted with: LAW 582G
Description: Cybersecurity is one of the most important and challenging emerging legal issues of the 21st century. Networked computer systems give bad actors access to data and information stored on those systems (e.g., consumer financial or health information; trade secrets and other sensitive commercial information), control over the systems themselves (e.g., to damage or disrupt; to use for other computer-based activities), and access to physical-world control systems (e.g., control over industrial equipment, electrical infrastructure, or driverless cars). Amazingly, there is no coherent legal framework to address these issues. There is, however, an at-times incomplete and at-times overlapping patchwork of legal authorities that applies to many of them. Moreover, many of these issues implicate technical considerations: either technology makes it more difficult for the law to address them, or they are better solved by technology than through the law. This class provides students with an interdisciplinary introduction to cybersecurity law, focusing on the legal frameworks that exist today, the challenges of developing more comprehensive legal frameworks, and the nuts-and-bolts guidance that lawyers need to be able to give their clients when it comes to good (and bad) cybersecurity practices.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
LAW 583 Corporate & Securities Law Seminar
Crosslisted with: LAW 583G
Prerequisites: LAW 632
Notes: Securities Regulation is not a prerequisite and the instructor will not assume students have any background in securities law.
Description: Selected issues in corporate and securities law. Theories of the corporation, corporate governance, corporate and securities litigation, and small business financing. Students may write papers on any topic within the broad area of corporate and securities law, whether or not listed above, with "corporate" law defined to include non-corporate entities as well.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC

LAW 584 Secured Transactions Seminar
Crosslisted with: LAW 584G
Description: An overview of the rights and obligations of an unsecured creditor under state law with focus on the rights and obligations of a secured creditor under Article 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code. Consider relationship between debtor and secured creditor by examining statutory requirements for granting a security interest in personal property and the rights of the secured creditor when the debtor defaults on its obligations. Learn how relationship between debtor and creditor impacts other creditors of the debtor. Study of the filing system used for perfection of security interest and the priority rules for resolving conflicts between the various creditors of a debtor. Learn the fundamental bankruptcy concepts.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 585 Litigation Capstone: Labor and Employment Focus
Crosslisted with: LAW 585G
Prerequisites: At least one of: Law 647G or Law 680G or Law 753G
Notes: Much of the students’ work will be self-directed, but classroom sessions will offer opportunities for instruction and coaching of student performance of practice skills from experienced labor and employment attorneys. Class sessions may be scheduled for times other than the time that appears on the course schedule.
Description: Hands-on experience integrating a wide-range of employment and labor law doctrine with practice skills and professional ethics. Students will be divided into attorney teams to represent a particular client in a simulated dispute. The client’s student attorney team will decide how to pursue potential claims or how to defend claims brought against the client. Claims may include unfair labor practice proceedings before the National Labor Relations Board, employment discrimination and sexual harassment charges before the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and in litigation, arbitration of employee discipline under a collective bargaining agreement, arbitration under non-union employment contracts, defamation, and claims under the Family and Medical Leave Act and ERISA. During the term, students may experience interviewing and counseling clients, filing claims with administrative agencies, conducting research in labor and employment law, drafting pleadings and legal memoranda, negotiations, engaging in discovery, and representing clients in arbitration, mediation and litigation motion practice.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 586 Disaster Law Seminar
Crosslisted with: LAW 586G
Description: Exploration of issues that arise before, during and after catastrophic disasters. Using real-life case studies, students will assess legal tools for reducing vulnerability, enhancing emergency preparedness and response, and increasing environmental protection.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 587 Law & Behavioral Science Seminar
Crosslisted with: LAW 587G
Description: Actual and potential uses of science in the law. The course primarily focuses on social science but considers general principles that apply to all types of science in the law. Specifically, we will look at the use of social science as fact in litigation (e.g., consumer confusion and civil damages) and as context in litigation (e.g., syndromes and criminal defenses). A secondary objective is to look at how social science can be used to understand the more general function and purpose of the courts and more specifically the application of various legal practices and policies to social problems. Third, the course examines the concept of junk science in the law including the misuse of science in litigation and legislation. Throughout the course, we will consider how empirical research can shed light on matters of importance to the legal system.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL/SPR
LAW 588 Family Mediation
Crosslisted with: LAW 588G
Prerequisites: Mediation or another ODR-approved Basic Mediation Training
Notes: This course is not available to first-year students.
Description: Family Mediation is a simulation-based class that meets the Nebraska Supreme Court’s Office of Dispute Resolution for an approved 30 training hours requirement to be a Parenting Act mediator under the Nebraska Parenting Act. Issues involving family conflict, focusing on mediating and developing Parenting Plans for parents who are divorcing, separating, or in paternity actions.
Credit Hours: 1
Max credits per semester: 1
Max credits per degree: 1
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 589 Introduction to Compliance
Crosslisted with: LAW 589G
Description: Focuses on the framework underlying the recent surge in compliance programs and an overview of the relationship between corporate governance, risk and compliance. Identify common features of a compliance program and examine specific regulations affecting corporate compliance, such as Sarbanes-Oxley, SEC investigations, anti-money laundering, data protection, consumer finance, anti-corruption laws (such as the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act) and health care. Discuss the role of a compliance officer and the coordination and integration of counsel and other experts, such as accountants. Exploration of ethical considerations of a compliance program, such as privilege and confidentiality and the role of legal counsel versus the compliance officer, and will emphasize building a culture of compliance in an organization.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 602 Elder Law
Crosslisted with: LAW 602G
Description: Addresses the legal concerns and issues facing the rapidly growing subpopulation of older adults. Topics covered in the course will include the legal and social science aspects of: ethical issues related to client legal capacity, health care decision making, Medicare, Medicaid, Social Security, long-term informal and formal care (including guardianship), financial aspects of aging, ageism, and elder maltreatment.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 603 Law Office Management
Crosslisted with: LAW 603G
Description: Issues confronted by the small firm and/or sole practitioner. Firm organization, e.g., partnerships, professional corporations, limited liability companies, limited liability partnerships and partnership and shareholder agreements. The role of partners, shareholders, associates and non-lawyer staff, e.g., law clerks paralegals and legal secretaries. Ethical issues involved in the marketing of legal services, firm financial matters and dealing with clients within the organizational structure. Managing the legal product as well as physical resource needs such as traditional libraries through electronic information resources.
Credit Hours: 2
Max credits per semester: 2
Max credits per degree: 2
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 604 NATL MOOT COURT TEAM
Credit Hours: 1-2
Min credits per semester: 1
Max credits per semester: 2
Max credits per degree: 2
Format: IND
Offered: SPRING

LAW 605 Law Review Research
Credit Hours: 1-3
Min credits per semester: 1
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 6
Format: LEC
Offered: ALL

LAW 606 National Trial Team
Credit Hours: 1-2
Min credits per semester: 1
Max credits per semester: 2
Max credits per degree: 2
Format: IND
Offered: FALL

LAW 607 Moot Court Research
Credit Hours: 1-3
Min credits per semester: 1
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 608 Semester Externship
Credit Hours: 9-12
Min credits per semester: 9
Max credits per semester: 12
Max credits per degree: 12
Format: FLD
Offered: FALL/SPR
LAW 609 Constitutional Law I
Crosslisted with: LAW 609G
Description: Provides a general overview of the structure of the federal government, including the history and judicial interpretation of the Constitution, the limited jurisdiction of the federal courts and the impact that has on the cases that they hear, federalism concerns, interstate commerce, due process, equal protection and separation of powers.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL
Prerequisite for: LAW 729, LAW 729G

LAW 610 Appellate Advocacy
Crosslisted with: LAW 610G
Description: Appellate Practice & Procedure. Explores federal and Nebraska appellate practice, including the mechanics and timing of appeals, with an emphasis on written and oral advocacy. Draft appellate briefs, prepare other appeal-related documents and participate in an oral argument.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 612 Law and Storytelling Seminar
Crosslisted with: LAW 612G
Prerequisites: Cannot have taken Law & Literature, LAW 712G.
Notes: Cannot have taken Law & Literature, LAW 712G.
Description: Examines the role of storytelling in The Law. Novelists, poets, and playwrights dramatize the law and legal events in ways that the bare fact patterns of case law cannot. Read literature that examines "the law" as an object of fascination and revulsion. Examine legal texts using the tools of literary analysis and explore the literary aspects of the law.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 613 Electronic Commerce
Crosslisted with: LAW 613G
Description: Focused on the legal and policy issues in digital transactions and the various problems with legal advice for the business owner on a variety of topics, including: choice of business model; protecting digital assets; digital contracts; electronic payments; financing intellectual property and other digital assets, consumer protection.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 614 Congressional Law
Crosslisted with: LAW 614G
Description: Provides an overview of the structure and processes of the federal government from the legislative branch. Includes an examination of the separation of powers, the history of federalism, the uses of litigation, and the interpretation of the Constitution.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL
Prerequisite for: LAW 749, LAW 749G

LAW 615 Entertainment Law
Crosslisted with: LAW 615G
Description: Comprehensive survey and analysis of the laws governing the entertainment industry, artists, and their representatives. Learn about legal restraints on entertainment, including censorship of sex and violence, defamation, and privacy and publicity rights. Covers intellectual property in entertainment assets: copyright, trademark, artistic credits, and "moral rights." Acquire a working vocabulary of important entertainment transactions, such as publishing agreements, film and television option agreements, and agent and personal management contracts. Includes hands-on analysis of entertainment contracts, especially in the publishing, movie, and television industries.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 616 International Human Rights Law
Crosslisted with: LAW 616G
Notes: Students previously enrolled in Seminar (707G) may not enroll in this course.
Description: Historical, political, religious and philosophical roots of international human rights law, its development over the course of the last century and its contemporary role in international affairs. May include: current attempts to strengthen U.N. fact-finding and implementation mechanisms; the relationship between U.N. peacekeeping and peacemaking and international humanitarian law; the activities of regional human rights systems; the effect of the United States' recent signature and ratification of U.N. human rights conventions and the role of such conventions and international human rights law through the criminal process; and military intervention to protect human rights victims, including NATO's intervention in Kosovo.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 617 Construction Practice
Crosslisted with: LAW 617G
Description: In-depth study of the construction process as an example of the initiation, administration, and handling of disputes in a relational contract. Topics covered include practice in the art of drafting contracts, analysis of the performance of the contracting parties, and the resolution of disputes between parties.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING
LAW 618 Farm & Ranch Taxation
Crosslisted with: LAW 618G
Prerequisites: LAW 637G
Notes: Student grade is based primarily on final examination with a small amount of graded work during the semester.
Description: A selection of substantial income tax, estate tax and other tax-related problems and issues affecting farmers and ranchers.
Credit Hours: 2-3
Min credits per semester: 2
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 619 Constitutional History
Crosslisted with: LAW 619G
Description: American constitutional history with a focus on "transformative" moments at which the Constitution and the nature of American politics and government changed. American Revolution and the framing of the Constitution and Bill of Rights, Civil War and Reconstruction, and the New Deal. Exploration of the courts and how they stood on history and original intent when they interpret the Constitution.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 621 Education Law Seminar
Crosslisted with: LAW 621G
Description: An in-depth study of selected current national and state legal issues pertaining to education.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 623 Environmental Ethics and Law Seminar
Crosslisted with: LAW 623G
Description: Key theories in environmental ethics and environmental law; enhanced ability to analyze critically and communicate clearly and persuasively in an interdisciplinary forum through writing, informal discussion, and formal presentations; and a deeper understanding of sustainability as a principle of environmental law and ethics especially in agriculturally dominated landscapes. Nature of ethics and its relation to law; climate change; bio-fuels with implications for farm communities, water resources, and food supplies; and genetically modified organisms (GMO's).
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 624 Immigration Law
Crosslisted with: LAW 624G
Description: History of immigration to the United States, federal authority to regulate immigration, immigrant visas, nonimmigrant visas, deportation, political asylum, citizenship, rights of aliens in the United States, and ethical issues for immigration lawyers.
Credit Hours: 1-4
Min credits per semester: 1
Max credits per semester: 4
Max credits per degree: 4
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 625 Copyright Seminar
Crosslisted with: LAW 625G
Description: The protection of literary, artistic, musical, and audiovisual works under the laws of copyright and unfair competition. Rights in computer programs, characters, titles, and useful articles. Home recording, photocopying, computer uses/Internet, and public performance.
Credit Hours: 1-4
Min credits per semester: 1
Max credits per semester: 4
Max credits per degree: 4
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 627 Payment Systems
Crosslisted with: LAW 627G
Description: Negotiable instruments, bank collections, negotiable documents, selected aspects of sales, and products liability.
Credit Hours: 1-4
Min credits per semester: 1
Max credits per semester: 4
Max credits per degree: 4
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 628 Antitrust and Trade Regulation
Crosslisted with: LAW 628G
Description: Control of business activities through the federal antitrust laws. Emphasis on monopolies, joint ventures, pricefixing, boycotts, resale price maintenance, exclusive dealing and tying arrangements, territorial restrictions, and mergers.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 629 Accounting for Lawyers
Crosslisted with: LAW 629G
Notes: Students who have previously taken an accounting course at any level may not enroll in this course.
Description: Introduction to basic accounting principles and the interaction of law and accounting. Gain an understanding of accounting statements, accounting terminology, and accounting issues you are likely to encounter in legal practice. Students who have previously taken an accounting course at any level may not enroll in this course.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL
LAW 630 Family Law
Crosslisted with: LAW 630G
Description: The family examined as a socio-legal entity with respect to its creation, dissolution, and the problems incident to its continuation, including interspousal rights and duties and the relationship between parents and children.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL
Prerequisite for: LAW 635, LAW 635G; LAW 686, LAW 686G

LAW 631 Criminal Procedure
Crosslisted with: LAW 631G
Description: Basic problems of criminal procedure with emphasis on the fourth, fifth, and sixth amendments to the United States Constitution and their impact on the criminal justice system.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL/SPR

LAW 632 Business Associations
Crosslisted with: LAW 632G
Description: Introduction to the law of business associations. Examines the relationships among the various participants in business entities and, to a lesser extent, the relationships between business entities and outsiders.
Credit Hours: 3-4
Min credits per semester: 3
Max credits per semester: 4
Max credits per degree: 4
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL/SPR
Prerequisite for: ACCT 848; LAW 583, LAW 583G; LAW 636, LAW 636G; LAW 658, LAW 658G; LAW 723, LAW 723G; LAW 746, LAW 746G; LAW 789, LAW 789G

LAW 633 Administrative Law
Crosslisted with: LAW 633G
Description: Origin and growth of the administrative process, the development of administrative law and its impact upon traditional legal institutions, analysis of the types of federal and state administrative tribunals, their powers and functions, and problems of administrative procedure, judicial and other controls upon the administrative process.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 634 Criminal Adjudication
Crosslisted with: LAW 634G
Description: Covers the criminal adjudication process from "bail to jail" -- from the suspect's first appearance in court through sentencing and appeal. Topics include right to counsel, pretrial detention and bail, the charging decision, grand juries, discovery, plea bargaining, the right to a speedy trial, jury rights, proof at trial, sentencing, post-conviction review, and double jeopardy. Designed to complement Criminal Procedure, which focuses on the Fourth, Fifth, and Sixth Amendments to the United States Constitution. Material may overlap slightly.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 635 Family Law Practice
Crosslisted with: LAW 635G
Prerequisites: LAW 630/G
Description: Emphasizes family law practice skills such as ethics, interviewing, counseling, negotiations, mediation, drafting, discovery, evaluating property, tax problems, and working with other professionals. Work on a simulated upper middle class divorce case that culminates in negotiating a property settlement agreement and parenting plan, and will also process one real low-income non-contested divorce.
Credit Hours: 4
Max credits per semester: 4
Max credits per degree: 4
Format: CLN
Offered: SPRING

LAW 636 Corporate Mergers and Acquisitions
Crosslisted with: LAW 636G
Prerequisites: LAW 632/G
Description: Corporate mergers and acquisitions, including tender offers. The history of corporate acquisitions, their rationales, the legal duties of the officers and directors involved, different ways to structure a corporate acquisition, issues in negotiation and contracting, and securities law issues.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 637 Taxation-Individual Income Tax
Crosslisted with: LAW 637G
Description: The structure and content of the federal income tax system, focusing on taxation of individuals. Income, deductions, income splitting, capital gains, and tax accounting. Technical proficiency in solving tax problems and an understanding of the tax policy decisions implicit in the technical rules.
Credit Hours: 3-4
Min credits per semester: 3
Max credits per semester: 4
Max credits per degree: 4
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL/SPR
Prerequisite for: ACCT 838; ACCT 945; LAW 618, LAW 618G; LAW 638, LAW 638G; LAW 650, LAW 650G; LAW 658, LAW 658G; LAW 745, LAW 745G; LAW 767, LAW 767G
LAW 638 Taxation-Corporate
Crosslisted with: LAW 638G
Prerequisites: LAW 637
Description: Advanced federal income tax focusing on income taxation of corporations and shareholders.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING
Prerequisite for: ACCT 848

LAW 639 Wills and Trusts
Crosslisted with: LAW 639G
Description: Intestate succession and related matters, execution of wills, revocation of wills, problems created by the time gap in wills, limitations on the power to devise, construction of wills (mistake and ambiguity), "living wills", durable powers of attorney, health care directives, the elements of trust, formalities in the creation of a trust, the interest of the beneficiary, charitable trusts and problems of trust administration.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL/SPR
Prerequisite for: LAW 767, LAW 767G

LAW 640 International Law
Crosslisted with: LAW 640G
Notes: This course is available to online LL.M. students.
Description: Delves in great depth into the relationship between international agreements and the US legal system as well as international law governing treaties. Examines specialty areas of international law as "case studies" including international investment law, international trade law, international family law, international space law, and international human rights law. Mock exercises involve international negotiations, litigation, and interagency meetings. Critically examines recent international law cases within the US Supreme Court and federal courts of appeal.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL
Prerequisite for: LAW 665, LAW 665G

LAW 641 Environmental Law
Crosslisted with: LAW 641G
Description: Examines the theoretical and scientific underpinnings of environmental policy as well as specific federal laws designed to control water and air pollution or assign liability for toxic cleanups. Issues are viewed from several perspectives, including those of regulated businesses, environmental activists, and government agencies.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 642 Conflict of Laws
Crosslisted with: LAW 642G
Description: Legal and constitutional concepts involved in choosing the applicable law when the essential facts of a case are not confined to one state or national sovereignty.
Credit Hours: 2
Max credits per semester: 2
Max credits per degree: 2
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 643 Advanced Torts
Crosslisted with: LAW 643G
Description: Selected topics in tort law. Advanced class in tort law, considering the general legal theory of tort, as well as specific topics not studied in detail during the required first-year torts class. May include tort claims other than the intentional torts, negligence, and products liability—i.e., defamation, nuisance, privacy, abuse of legal process, interference with advantageous relationships, tort claims implied from statutes, the prima facie tort, and others. May also include topics relating to the functioning of tort law in social context—e.g., the efficiency with which tort litigation accomplishes its apparent purpose, alternative legal mechanisms to reduce risk or promote safety, alternative systems of compensating for harms, legislative tort reform initiatives, and others.
Credit Hours: 1-4
Min credits per semester: 1
Max credits per semester: 4
Max credits per degree: 4
Format: LEC
Offered: SUMMER

LAW 644 Secured Transactions
Crosslisted with: LAW 644G
Description: Overview of the rights and obligations of an unsecured creditor under state law. Focuses on the rights and obligations of a secured creditor under Article 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code. Study the relationship between the debtor and the secured creditor and examine the requirements of the taking of a security interest in personal property and the rights of the secured creditor upon default by the debtor. Study of the filing system for perfection of a security interest and the priority rules for resolving conflicts between the secured creditor and a variety of other creditors, including the bankruptcy trustee.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 645 Unfair Competition
Crosslisted with: LAW 645G
Description: Study of the federal and state statutes and common law doctrines restricting unfair methods of competition in business. Topics include false advertising, trademark law, misappropriation, trade secret law and the right of publicity.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL
LAW 646 Evidence
Crosslisted with: LAW 646G
Description: Covers the Federal Rules of Evidence and its application to the courtroom. Uses a problem-based approach and centers around two in-depth case files, which simulate the kind of cases that might appear in any lawyer’s office.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL
Prerequisite for: LAW 761, LAW 761G

LAW 647 Employment Law
Crosslisted with: LAW 647G
Description: Analysis of the employment relationship as it has developed outside of the collective bargaining context. History and current status of the employment relationship, including discharge-of-will, occupational safety and health, minimum wage/maximum hour legislation, unemployment compensation and noncompetition agreements.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING
Prerequisite for: LAW 585, LAW 585G

LAW 648 Business Planning
Crosslisted with: LAW 648G
Description: Process of planning business transactions that take into account many relevant bodies of law as well as the needs of clients. Learn about the goals and methods of business planning, the role of ethics in providing legal advice, factors that influence the choice of business entity for a venture, legal rules applying to partnerships and limited liability companies (“LLCs”), relevant laws dealing with corporations and securities regulation, laws that pertain to corporate restructurings, and laws applying to the purchase, sale, or merger of corporate businesses.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 649 First Amendment: Freedom of Speech & Press
Crosslisted with: LAW 649G
Description: Freedom of Speech and of the Press in the age of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act and reporters going to jail for refusing to reveal their sources. Topics include free speech, free press, fair trial, defamation, privacy, state secrets, indecency, obscenity, censorship, commercial speech, media access to trials, jails, and executions.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 650 International Taxation
Crosslisted with: LAW 650G
Prerequisites: LAW 637G
Description: Introduction to the U.S. federal income tax rules that apply to U.S. persons who live or do business abroad, or receive income from foreign sources, and to foreign persons who live or do business in the U.S., or receive income from U.S. sources. Includes a study of the role and effect of U.S. tax treaties. Introduction to the US federal income tax rules that apply to US persons (including corporations, partnerships and individuals) living or doing business abroad or receiving income from foreign sources, and to foreign persons living or doing business in the US or receiving income from US sources. Effect of US tax treaties on these rules.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 651 Bioethics and Law Seminar
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC

LAW 653 Refugee and Asylum Law and Practice
Crosslisted with: LAW 653G
Description: Examination of refugee issues in the context of domestic and international political environments. Topics will include asylum reform, gender-based persecution, persecution of lesbians and gays, deficiencies in international and domestic refugee law and firm resettlement of displaced persons. Study of the interplay among political, social, economic, cultural and psychological phenomena as refugees, governments of host countries and international and nongovernmental organizations interact in the context of ongoing crises around the world. Participate in simulations designed to teach practical skills necessary to an asylum and refugee law practice, including working with translators, interviewing and case advocacy. Asylum cases will serve as the foundation for role play exercises.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 654 Comparative Law: World Legal Systems and Their Relevance to U.S. Law and Practice
Crosslisted with: LAW 654G
Description: Study of the different legal systems of the world and how they relate to one another. Develop a general understanding of the major foreign legal systems and their impact on U.S. law, lawyers and clients. Substantive topics for comparative study may include torts, contracts, civil procedure, criminal procedure, and the protection of human rights. Investigate the potential for identifying general principles of law and ethics common to most legal systems. Acquire skills in thinking critically about comparative law and what light it can shed on the American legal system and possible reforms of it
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL
LAW 655 Sales and Leases
Crosslisted with: LAW 655G
Description: A study of the law governing the sale and lease of goods with primary emphasis on Article 2 and 2A of the Uniform Commercial Code. Among the topics included are: contract formation and modifications; acceptance and rejection of goods; warranties; risk of loss; and remedies for breach of contract, including breach of warranty remedies and some non-UCC remedies in consumer transactions. On selected issues, the Convention on the International Sale of Goods will be examined. Develop contract drafting skills. Enhance ability to read and analyze a statute.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 656 Regulation of Banks and the Fintech Industry
Crosslisted with: LAW 656G
Description: Provides an overview of a number of basic banking issues. Examines the structure of the financial services industry, including the formation and expansion of banks and financial holding companies. Topical issues will include internet banking, lending (including a close look at a number of consumer fair lending laws (TILA, HELC, ECOA, HMDA and RESPA)), securitization of bank loans, securities and insurance (brokerage and underwriting) by banking institutions, international banking and other current issues in banking law. The focus is on federal regulation of banking, although there is an opportunity to compare the state regulation of banking during a conversation with local bankers and a Nebraska banking regulator.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL/SPR

LAW 657 Empirical Legal Studies
Crosslisted with: LAW 657G
Description: Introduction to one of the fastest growing areas of legal scholarship and practice - the use of empirical techniques in research and litigation. Learning how to be sophisticated and critical consumers of empirical research that lawyers and experts often use to resolve legal cases and controversies, to shape legislation, and to use as argument in public policy debates. Introduction to survey research methodology, designing and conducting experiments, data gathering and analysis through descriptive and inferential statistics. In addition to discussing how to perform these techniques, students read cases and articles in which each of the techniques has played an important role. The course introduces law students to the social sciences through a "hands on" approach. Students will collect and analyze their own data by completing small research projects related to their areas of interest. Class sessions include discussion of social science and legal materials, lectures on the basics of empirical analysis, assistance with analyzing statistical data with computer packages, assistance with interpreting data, and student presentations. Students fulfill the course requirements through writing a paper, participating in class, presenting their research to the class, and completing several exercises. Students will learn to use computer statistical software packages (SPSS) for these exercises.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 658 Clinical Practice-Entrepreneurship
Crosslisted with: LAW 658G
Prerequisites: Law 632G and 637G; Senior Standing; Participation in a concurrent seminar concentrating on the development of skills necessary to effectively advise entrepreneurial clients is required.
Notes: Limited enrollment pursuant to a written application process that occurs in the prior semester.
Description: Under close faculty supervision advise and represent startup business clients in a variety of early-stage legal matters, including entity formation, contract drafting and review, intellectual property protection, real estate, financing, regulatory, compliance and other transactional matters.
Credit Hours: 6
Max credits per semester: 6
Max credits per degree: 6
Format: CLN
Offered: ALL

LAW 660 Science and the Law
Crosslisted with: LAW 660G
Description: Analysis of the role of science in the law. This class will explore issues such as biotechnology, computers, scientific evidence, regulatory approval, antitrust, and environmental law to explore the intersection of science, technology, and the effect on the law and legal decision making.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL/SPR

LAW 661 Aviation Law
Crosslisted with: LAW 661G
Description: Focus is on public international air law, with emphasis on the Chicago Convention of 1944 and the International Civil Aviation Organization, the exchange of air traffic rights by way of bilateral air service agreements, criminal air law treaties and selected areas of private international air law including air carrier liability under the Warsaw and Montreal Conventions, respectively the Rome Convention alternatively tort law. It will also include the role of the GATS and the EU in aviation law.
Credit Hours: 1
Max credits per semester: 1
Max credits per degree: 1
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL/SPR

LAW 662 International Intellectual Property Law
Crosslisted with: LAW 662G
Description: Overview of the United States laws of copyright, patent, trade secret and trademark for students of all backgrounds and discussions of the laws and mechanisms to protect intellectual property rights abroad including analysis of all major international treaties and conventions. Covers not only the legal and regulatory schemes but also the policy implications.
Credit Hours: 2
Max credits per semester: 2
Max credits per degree: 2
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL
LAW 663 Taxation-Individual Income II
Crosslisted with: LAW 663G
Description: Most important tax principles affecting business and investments, as well as an introduction to basic tax procedure (both administrative and judicial), civil and criminal fraud, tax research, and certain ethical issues common in tax practice.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC

LAW 664 Gender, Race, and Class Issues in the Law
Crosslisted with: LAW 664G
Notes: Credit toward the degree may be earned in only one of: Gender Issues in the Law (LAW 771/771G) and (LAW 664/664G), but not both.
Description: The role of gender, race, and class in shaping socio-legal relationships and policies. Selected procedural substantive areas of the law that affect and are affected by gender, race, and class. Employment, property, torts, constitutional law and contractual relationships, and the complex relationship between gender, race, class, and the law.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 665 International Trade Law and Policy Seminar
Crosslisted with: LAW 665G
Prerequisites: LAW 671/G preferred; or LAW 640/G
Description: Selected issues of international trade law and policy. Several prominent issues of international trade law and policy, including trade in agricultural goods, new issues facing the international trading system, and other topics selected by students for research papers. Visiting scholars, government officials, or faculty from other departments at the university may make presentations to the seminar.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 666 International Environmental Law
Crosslisted with: LAW 666G
Description: Analysis of the legal rules and institutions used to address international environmental issues. Includes the sources and nature of international environmental law, extraterritorial application of domestic environmental law, transboundary pollution, sustainable development, protection of the global environment, and the impacts of international trade policy and international development policy on the environment.
Credit Hours: 1-4
Min credits per semester: 1
Max credits per semester: 4
Max credits per degree: 4
Format: LEC

LAW 667 Construction Law
Crosslisted with: LAW 667G
Description: General concepts and legal principles relating to construction contracts, including some basic foundation principles such as communication, risk allocation, problem solving, loss and profit sharing, mutual objectives, and dispute resolution. Taught against backdrop of construction law, includes study of legal and equitable issues resulting from the construction relationship and disputes relating to that relationship. May be applicable for employment contracts, interfirm agreements, supply-chain relationships, informal credit contracts, and other settings where contracting is focused on the continued relationship between the parties as opposed to a discrete transaction.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 668 Principles of Regulation
Crosslisted with: LAW 668G
Description: Examination of the principles of regulation and about whether and how regulatory intervention is beneficial to society; the myriad of tensions and contradictions often inherent in regulation; provide critical analytical tools needed in today’s legal, political, and business environment.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 669 Research in a Selected Field I
Crosslisted with: LAW 669G
Notes: Before registering for this course, a student must (1) obtain the approval of the faculty member involved and (2) submit the Research in a Selected Field form to the College of Law registrar. Absent the prior approval of the dean, no student may take more than 6 hours of Research in a Selected Field and/or Psycholegal Research.
Description: Individual study under the supervision of a faculty member.
Credit Hours: 1-3
Min credits per semester: 1
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: IND
Offered: ALL

LAW 670 Research in a Selected Field II
Crosslisted with: LAW 670G
Notes: Before registering for this course, a student must (1) obtain the approval of the faculty member involved and (2) submit the Research in a Selected Field form to the College of Law registrar. Absent the prior approval of the dean, no student may take more than 6 hours of Research in a Selected Field and/or Psycholegal Research.
Description: Individual study under the supervision of a faculty member.
Credit Hours: 1-3
Min credits per semester: 1
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: IND
Offered: ALL
LAW 671 International Trade Law
Crosslisted with: LAW 671G
Description: Explores government regulation of international trade and the interaction between national and international rules governing trade. Specific topics covered include U.S. constitutional issues regarding the regulation of trade by the U.S. federal and state governments, regulations regarding the importation of goods into the United States (e.g. classifying, valuing and determining the origin of imported goods), barriers to U.S. exports, rules of the GATT and NAFTA that seek to eliminate or limit such barriers, U.S. unfair trade laws (i.e. laws designed to protect U.S. businesses from imports that have an "unfair" advantage) and the institutional and dispute settlement rules of the newly created World Trade Organization (WTO). A visitor from the Washington, D.C., trade policy community may be invited to speak. Past speakers include: U.S. Senator Chuck Hagel, Governor Ben Nelson, Congressional Representative Doug Bereuter and the Honorable Abner Mikva. Students who have taken LAW 668G may not enroll in this course.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 4
Format: LEC
Prerequisite for: LAW 665, LAW 665G

LAW 672 JURISPRUDENCE
Crosslisted with: LAW 672G
Description: Examines central jurisprudential questions that arise in the criminal law. The following topics will be considered: (1) the purpose and justification of punishment, especially the legitimate role, if any, for retribution and the expressive function of punishment; (2) the relationship between retribution and revenge; (3) the justification of capital punishment; (4) the relationship among the state, defendants, and victims in the criminal process, including the proper role, if any, of victim impact statements.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 673 International Business Transactions
Crosslisted with: LAW 673G
Notes: Available to online LLM students. Students who have taken LAW 668G may not enroll in this course.
Description: Covers both private and public (government regulation) aspects of international business transactions. Specific topics covered include international sales contracts and the Convention on the International Sale of Goods (CISG), regulation of foreign investment and Bilateral Investment Treaties, (BITs), private international dispute resolution (including choice of forum and choice of law clauses, international commercial arbitration, and enforcement of foreign arbitral awards), US customs law, responses to fairly and unfairly traded imports, and international bribery and the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA).
Credit Hours: 1-4
Min credits per semester: 1
Max credits per semester: 4
Max credits per degree: 4
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 674 Juvenile Law
Crosslisted with: LAW 674G
Description: Investigation of the relationship between children, the family, and the state. Both public and private law considerations with emphasis on the juvenile justice system and general considerations of children's constitutional rights.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 675 Animals & Agricultural Production - Law & Policy
Crosslisted with: LAW 675G
Description: Examines those areas of law that impact animal agriculture. Includes coverage of those legal regimes that implement governmental policy concerning animal welfare, animal-based medical research, food safety, consumer information, international trade, and environmental impacts. Also examines the underlying scientific foundation for these policy concerns.
Credit Hours: 2
Max credits per semester: 2
Max credits per degree: 2
Format: LEC
Offered: SUMMER

LAW 676 Space & Satellite Business Law
Crosslisted with: LAW 676G
Notes: Students will engage in a simulation of a condensed commercial space business transaction from business plan to launch. This course is available to online LLM students.
Description: Review and examination of the history of Presidential space policies regarding space commercialization. Exploration of the work of all key federal agencies charged with licensing and regulating the commercial space transportation and satellite industries and the statutes that give these agencies this authority and the rules that the agencies administer and enforce. Students will engage in a simulation of a condensed commercial space business transaction - from business plan to launch.
Credit Hours: 2
Max credits per semester: 2
Max credits per degree: 2
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 677 Representing the Spanish-Speaking Client
Crosslisted with: LAW 677G
Notes: Basic Spanish language, writing and conversation skills required.
Description: Be introduced to Spanish-speaking attorneys in many practice areas and community members that work with Spanish-speaking attorneys and their clients. Discuss the needs of Spanish-speaking clients when dealing with county attorneys, public defenders, private practice criminal defense, private practice immigration, private practice injury cases, non-profit legal services, court interpreters and consulate representatives of foreign governments.
Credit Hours: 1
Max credits per semester: 1
Max credits per degree: 1
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL
LAW 679 Food Law and Policy: Regulation of Safety and Marketing
Crosslisted with: LAW 679G
Description: Examination of federal laws and regulations that govern food safety and food labeling shared by federal agencies, including the Food and Drug Administration, U.S. Department of Agriculture, U.S. Department of Commerce, and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. History of federal food safety laws and enforcement, discussion of case studies highlighting current issues in the news, e.g., salmonella contamination of eggs, tort liability for "defective" foods, regulation of biotechnology use in foods, and the science underlying food safety regulation and food production. Conclusion with analysis of the policy goals and implementation of the FDA Food Safety Modernization Act signed into law by President Obama, January 4, 2011, which provides for a new system of federal oversight of domestically produced and imported foods.
Credit Hours: 2
Max credits per semester: 2
Max credits per degree: 2
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 680 Employment Discrimination Law
Crosslisted with: LAW 680G
Description: The inequalities in American society which arise from employment discrimination against minorities and other under-represented groups, how these inequalities are reinforced and at times created by laws, and how law can be used to remedy many of these inequalities.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL
Prerequisite for: LAW 585, LAW 585G

LAW 681 Cyberlaw
Crosslisted with: LAW 681G
Notes: Available to online LLM students.
Description: Explores a range of legal issues in cyber domain, including cyber security, cyber-bullying and online harassment, privacy, network ownership and access, private versus public regulation of cyberspace, speech in cyberspace, content as property and intellectual property in cyberspace, jurisdiction over cyberspace activities, liability of intermediaries, state and local regulation of cyberspace, and the interrelationship between technology and law as mechanisms of regulation.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 683 Patents and International Intellectual Property
Crosslisted with: LAW 683G
Description: Two separate components; one involving patent law and one involving international intellectual property. The patent law component looks at some of the central issues of the protection and enforcement of patents with emphasis on the policy issues that arise from patent protection. Focus of the international intellectual property component is on private law. Materials emphasize issues that an American lawyer representing an American company should understand. Relative emphasis between patents and international intellectual property determined each term.
Credit Hours: 1-4
Min credits per semester: 1
Max credits per semester: 4
Max credits per degree: 4
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 684 Bioethics and Law
Crosslisted with: LAW 684G
Description: Role of law in controlling, shaping, and responding to scientific and technological developments in the field of medicine and the biological sciences. May include contraception, abortion, sterilization, artificial conception, genetic engineering, the right to refuse treatment, euthanasia, the right to treatment of defective newborns, organ transplantation, and experimentation with human subjects.
Credit Hours: 1-4
Min credits per semester: 1
Max credits per semester: 4
Max credits per degree: 4
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 685 Capital Punishment
Crosslisted with: LAW 685G
Notes: Differs significantly from LAW 672G. LAW 672G directs primary attention to jurisprudential arguments regarding the justification of capital punishment in principle and in practice, with only secondary attention to a few of the central court cases. This course directs primary attention to the court cases and legal doctrine and policy issues arising out of those court cases. Thus, the two courses are complimentary with relatively little overlap, and neither presupposes the other. Those who wish to enroll in both courses are free to do so.
Description: Examines legal doctrine and policy regarding capital punishment in the United States. Draws heavily but not exclusively on decisions by the US Supreme Court. Topics addressed include: various Constitutional challenges and limitations according to Supreme Court decisions; aggravating and mitigating circumstances; jury selection and qualification; discriminatory application; the use of clinical testimony; and the role of counsel.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING
LAW 686 Gender Issues in the Law  
Crosslisted with: LAW 686G  
Prerequisites: LAW 630/G  
Description: Critical review of the role of gender in shaping socio-legal relationships and policies. Examines selected procedural and substantive areas of the law that affect and are affected by gender. Includes, but are not limited to, employment, property, torts, the Constitution and contractual relationships. Emphasis on the complex relationship between gender, race and class.  
Credit Hours: 1-4  
Min credits per semester: 1  
Max credits per semester: 4  
Max credits per degree: 4  
Format: LEC  
Offered: FALL  

LAW 687 Public Health Law  
Crosslisted with: LAW 687G  
Prerequisites: LAW 632G.  
Description: Study of public health as an independent field, with emphasis on the law’s involvement in implementing public health initiatives, and in setting limits on them.  
Credit Hours: 2  
Max credits per semester: 2  
Max credits per degree: 2  
Format: LEC  
Offered: FALL/SPR  

LAW 689 Workers’ Compensation Law  
Crosslisted with: LAW 689G  
Notes: This course is closed to first year students.  
Description: Supplement students’ understanding of tort principles and to acquire a better understanding of how work-place injuries and occupational diseases are handled within the legal system, with particular emphasis on Nebraska law, practice, and procedure. For graduates that might enter into a litigation practice, and for graduates who undertake to provide advice to business clients about insurance coverage and employment law. Obtain a better understanding of the interrelationships between tort law situations and work-place injuries/occupational diseases, including the interplay paid by private health insurers or government insurers such as Medicare, Medicaid, and the Veterans Administration. A brief overview of other work-place injury systems such as the Federal Employees’ Compensation Act (FECA) and the Longshore and Harbor Workers’ Compensation Act will be provided. Some practical application related to Nebraska workers’ compensation law and suggested pleadings, trial, and settlement practice will be presented.  
Credit Hours: 1  
Max credits per semester: 1  
Max credits per degree: 1  
Format: LEC  
Offered: SPRING  

LAW 690 Real Estate Transactions  
Crosslisted with: LAW 690G  
Description: Examination of the typical provisions found in the legal documents that govern the transfer and financing of real estate and related legal issues with an emphasis on transactional drafting. Covers listing agreements, real estate sales contracts, deeds and deed covenants, title examination and title insurance, mortgage substitutes such as installment sale contracts, and mortgage agreements and deeds of trust. Concludes with an examination of the foreclosure process and alternatives to foreclosure. As part of a realistic real estate transaction simulation exercise represent either the buyer or the seller and negotiate and draft a real estate sales contract and related transactional document.  
Credit Hours: 3  
Max credits per semester: 3  
Max credits per degree: 3  
Format: LEC  
Offered: FALL  

LAW 691 Advanced Torts Seminar  
Crosslisted with: LAW 691G  
Description: An advanced class in tort law, considering the general legal theory of tort, as well as specific topics not studied in detail during the required first-year torts class. Tort claims other than the intentional torts, negligence, and products liability: Defamation, nuisance, privacy, abuse of legal process, interference with advantageous relationships, tort claims implied from statutes, the prima facie tort, and others. Topics relating to the functioning of tort law in social context: The efficiency with which tort litigation accomplishes its apparent purposes, alternative legal mechanisms to reduce risk or promote safety, alternative systems of compensating for harms, legislative tort reform initiatives, and others.  
Credit Hours: 3  
Max credits per semester: 3  
Max credits per degree: 3  
Format: LEC  
Offered: FALL  

LAW 692 State and Local Taxation  
Crosslisted with: LAW 692G  
Description: Covers how state and local governments raise revenues and how the U.S. Constitution limits their choices. Look at how the evolution of interstate commerce (and specifically electronic commerce) has impacted state and local governments and how those governments are seeking new ways to finance themselves as well as the structure of state income, sales, and property taxes.  
Credit Hours: 3  
Max credits per semester: 3  
Max credits per degree: 3  
Format: LEC  
Offered: FALL/SPR  

LAW 693 Law and Economics  
Crosslisted with: LAW 693G  
Description: Introduction to economic tools and their application to the law. Overview of the principles of microeconomics and their application to various areas of private law (e.g., torts, contracts, property) and public law (e.g., environmental, constitutional, and criminal law & procedure).  
Credit Hours: 3  
Max credits per semester: 3  
Max credits per degree: 3  
Format: LEC  
Offered: FALL
LAW 694 Sports Law
Crosslisted with: LAW 694G
Description: Selected legal issues affecting amateur and professional sports. Topics may include applicability of antitrust, communications, contract, labor, employment, trademark and tax laws to amateur and professional sports; the Division I NCAA governance structure; the relationship between the NCAA and international competition conducted under the auspices of the USOC and national sports governing boards; the ethical and professional aspects of player representation; the extra-governmental regulation of amateur athletics; and negotiations for media sports coverage.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 695 Children's Justice Clinic
Crosslisted with: LAW 695G
Notes: Two semester course: students receive 4 credit hours each semester (fall & spring only).
Description: Clinic in which third year law students, under the direct supervision of clinic director, serve as guardian ad litem (GAL) for children involved in child welfare system. Goals: provide students with knowledge, skills and ethical underpinnings necessary to function as effective advocates in a setting involving the legal needs of young children; allow student to obtain certification as approved GALs in the Nebraska court system, making them "practice ready" upon graduation.
Credit Hours: 4
Max credits per semester: 4
Max credits per degree: 8
Format: CLN
Offered: FALL/SPR

LAW 696 Client Interviewing and Counseling
Crosslisted with: LAW 696G
Description: Introduction to the basics of legal interviewing (lawyer interaction with a client for the purpose of identifying the client's problem and gathering information on which the solution to that problem can be based) and counseling (a process in which lawyers help clients reach decisions). Course work includes class discussion, reading materials, demonstrations, and role play exercises and interviews.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 697 Patent Law
Crosslisted with: LAW 697G
Description: Introduction to the basic principles of the law of patents in the United States including the history, utility and function of the patent system; statutory and procedural requirements for patentability; recent case law; and patent enforcement mechanisms, remedies and defenses. Foundation in patent law for general legal practice that crosscuts all potential business client interests from individual inventors to small and large companies.
Credit Hours: 2
Max credits per semester: 2
Max credits per degree: 2
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 698 Natural Resources Law
Crosslisted with: LAW 698G
Description: Addresses the conservation and use of public lands (including National Parks, Forests and other federal and state lands), wildlife, cultural and historic properties, and mineral resources. Focused primarily on federal law and its implications for state, tribal and private interests, as played out in the federal courts.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 699 Land Use Planning
Crosslisted with: LAW 699G
Description: Legal and administrative aspects of the regulation of land use and development, the problems and techniques of urban planning at the various levels of government, and the relationship of private owners and builders to the government policies involved in shaping the physical environment.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 8
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 701 Health Care Finance Seminar
Crosslisted with: LAW 701G
Description: Analysis of specific issues in the design and control of market and governmental mechanisms for the diversification of risk.
Credit Hours: 1-4
Min credits per semester: 1
Max credits per semester: 4
Max credits per degree: 4
Format: LEC

LAW 702 Introduction to the U.S. Legal System and Constitutional Principles for LL.M. Students
Crosslisted with: LAW 702G
Description: Introduction of international students to the foundations of the United States legal system, including the federal system; the separation of powers; the functions of the three branches; and the role of the common law. An overview of legal education in the United States, and an introduction to legal research and writing and case analysis.
Credit Hours: 1
Max credits per semester: 1
Max credits per degree: 1
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL/SPR
LAW 703 Law and Medicine
Crosslisted with: LAW 703G
Description: Survey of major topics at the intersection of law and medicine in America today. Topics will relate to the legal implications of health-care quality and cost, to the legal implications of access to health care, or to issues in the areas of bioethics. Particular focus on the rights of access to health care; to the financing of health care; to the legal implications of the quality of health care; to the laws relating to medical personnel and institutions; to the individual rights of patients; and to the medicolegal issues surrounding morally controversial developments in medicine and the life sciences, such as organ transplantation.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 704 AGRICULTURAL LAW
Crosslisted with: LAW 704G
Description: Legal problems and issues of unique importance to lawyers serving the agricultural sector. Representative topics include economic and environmental regulation of agriculture; organizing the farm business; financing agricultural production; marketing agricultural products; and managing agricultural risk.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 706 Rural Development and Energy Law
Crosslisted with: LAW 706G
Description: This course will cover specific laws and regulations, as well as business and policy considerations, that inform efforts to develop rural infrastructure, stimulate jobs, establish community-based financial and non-profit institutions, and encourage rural entrepreneurship. Particular emphasis will be placed on how energy law and policy may be shaping the rural future. This course will also include a comparative element, with literature from the Law and Development movement, international development, and the affordable housing and urban renewal contexts considered in conjunction with current rural development concerns.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL/SPR

LAW 707 International Human Rights Law Seminar
Crosslisted with: LAW 707G
Description: Examines the historical, political and philosophical roots of international human rights law, its development over the course of the last century and its contemporary role in international affairs. Specific topics may include the relevance of international human rights law for a practicing U.S. lawyer; the effect of the United States' recent signature and ratification of U.N. human rights conventions; the U.S.'s interaction with international human rights bodies, such as the U.N. Human Rights Committee; customary international human rights law; the rights of women; economic and social rights; religion and human rights; the prohibition of torture and its relationship to efforts to combat terrorism; contemporary measures to enforce international human rights law through the criminal process; the activities of regional human rights systems and their organs, such as the European Court of Human Rights; and the debate on whether there is a global "responsibility to protect" victims of genocide, war crimes, and crimes against humanity, including through the use of military intervention.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 708 Alternative Dispute Resolution
Crosslisted with: LAW 708G
Description: Theoretical, practical, ethical and legal issues confronted by mediators, arbitrators, neutral evaluators, and other dispute resolution specialists and the parties they serve. Legal context within which alternative forms of dispute resolution take place. Procedures examined: agreements arising from negotiations, mediations, arbitrations, summary jury trials, mini-trials, private judges, early neutral evaluations, neutral experts and masters, negotiated rulemaking, and claims facilities. Status of these procedures examined in light of existing case and statutory law and from a public policy point of view. Issues: confidentiality and privilege, conflicts of interest, finality/enforceability of resolutions, liability and ethical standards applicable to third parties, the extent of judicial review of decisions, arbitrariness of disputes, international law, and public interest concerns. Disputes in a variety of settings considered: family, employment, medical, commercial, criminal, and international.
Credit Hours: 1-4
Min credits per semester: 1
Max credits per semester: 4
Max credits per degree: 4
Format: LEC

LAW 709 Arbitration
Crosslisted with: LAW 709G
Notes: Students will need to set aside one Saturday to participate in arbitration hearing simulations, and the course will end two weeks early to take into account the Saturday time.
Description: Offers an in-depth look at the legal and practical issues involved in domestic arbitration, as well as an examination of the skills necessary to be a successful advocate in the arbitral forum. Examines the use of arbitration in a number of different areas, including commercial, consumer, labor, employment, securities, construction, and international disputes.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING
LAW 710 Mediation  
Crosslisted with: LAW 710G  
Description: Study of the process in which a trained neutral third party assists others in resolving a dispute or planning a transaction. Training in basic mediation skills through readings, demonstrations, simulations, and the keeping of a mediation notebook. Topics include the nature of mediation and its relationship to other forms of dispute resolution, the nature of conflict, models and styles of mediation, negotiation theory, communication skills, the interest-based mediation process, the representation of clients in mediation, special issues relating to attorney mediators, and mediators standards and ethics.  
Credit Hours: 4  
Max credits per semester: 4  
Max credits per degree: 4  
Format: LEC  
Offered: FALL/SPR  
Prerequisite for: LAW 588, LAW 588G

LAW 711 Copyright Law  
Crosslisted with: LAW 711G  
Description: Protection of literary, musical, artistic, and audiovisual works under the laws of Copyright and Unfair Competition. Topics include the standards for copyright protection; procedural issues including copyright notice, registration, and duration; rules governing copyright infringement and fair use; and issues arising from digital technologies, including the distribution of copyrighted works over the Internet and the use of technological measures to protect copyrighted works.  
Credit Hours: 2  
Max credits per semester: 2  
Max credits per degree: 2  
Format: LEC  
Offered: SPRING

LAW 712 Law and Literature  
Crosslisted with: LAW 712G  
Description: Study the law-in-literature and the law-as-literature. Novelists, poets, and playwrights dramatize the law and legal events in ways that the bare fact patterns of case law cannot. Read literature that examines "the law" as an object of fascination and revulsion. Examine the law-as-literature by reading legal texts using the tools of literary analysis and explore the literary aspects of the law.  
Credit Hours: 3  
Max credits per semester: 3  
Max credits per degree: 3  
Format: LEC

LAW 713 Style and Composition in Legal Writing  
Crosslisted with: LAW 713G  
Description: Study the various causes of poor legal writing-legal writing that is unnecessarily difficult to read-and attempt to understand what constitutes good legal writing, and what makes it work. Practice writing to develop the characteristics of good writing. Focus on developing clarity, coherence, and concision in legal writing. Develop a better understanding of the linguistic causes of good and bad legal writing, and a set of concrete writing tools for the improvement of their own writing.  
Credit Hours: 2  
Max credits per semester: 2  
Max credits per degree: 2  
Format: LEC  
Offered: FALL

LAW 714 Comparative Law: International Gender Issues  
Crosslisted with: LAW 714G  
Credit Hours: 1-4  
Min credits per semester: 1  
Max credits per semester: 4  
Max credits per degree: 4  
Format: LEC  
Offered: FALL

LAW 715 Human Rights and International Criminal Law  
Crosslisted with: LAW 715G  
Description: Introduction to several international law topics of current interest and special importance to the international community, particularly related to transnational criminal activities, terrorism, and international criminal law offenses. Specific topics will include: the conclusion, interpretation and termination of international agreements; state sovereignty over land, sea and air; extraterritorial state criminal jurisdiction; nationality; extradition; international criminal law; war crimes; the International Criminal Court, and the United Nations Charter regime and related structures, including the ad hoc international criminal tribunals.  
Credit Hours: 3  
Max credits per semester: 3  
Max credits per degree: 3  
Format: LEC  
Offered: SPRING

LAW 716 Comparative Law: International Gender Issues Seminar  
Crosslisted with: LAW 716G  
Credit Hours: 1-4  
Min credits per semester: 1  
Max credits per semester: 4  
Max credits per degree: 4  
Format: LEC  
Offered: FALL
LAW 717 Education Law  
**Crosslisted with:** LAW 717G  
**Description:** The role that law plays in education in the United States. The rights of students and teachers, special education and disability, school finance, school searches, student discipline, privacy of records, liability of school officials and discrimination based on gender and race. The emerging case law on state constitutional claims of education equity and adequacy.  
**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Max credits per semester:** 3  
**Max credits per degree:** 3  
**Format:** LEC  
**Offered:** SPRING

LAW 718 Forced Migration and Human Rights: Refugees, Asylees, IDPs, Victims of Trafficking  
**Crosslisted with:** LAW 718G  
**Notes:** Students who have previously taken Refugee and Asylum Law and Practice (Law 653) may not enroll in this course.  
**Description:** Examination of refugee issues in the context of domestic and international political environments. Topics include asylum reform, gender-based persecution, persecution of gays and lesbians, deficiencies in international and domestic refugee law, and firm resettlement of displaced persons. Interdisciplinary focus: considers the interplay among political, social, economic, cultural and psychological phenomena as refugees, governments of host countries, and international and non-governmental organizations interact in the context of ongoing crises around the world.  
**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Max credits per semester:** 3  
**Max credits per degree:** 3  
**Format:** LEC  
**Offered:** SPRING

LAW 719 National Security Law  
**Description:** Examines international and U.S. law relevant to the handling of national security matters. Studies the allocation of power under the Constitution between Congress and the President with respect to war powers and assess the role of the courts as a check on the political branches in this area, particularly as it relates to ongoing efforts to fight terrorism. Analyzes the military detention of suspected terrorists and their trial by military commissions. Focuses on international law governing the use of force, conflict management and collective security arrangements. Special attention will be given to the U.N. Charter, the doctrine of self-defense, arguments setting forth justifications for the unilateral use of force, intervention in internal conflicts, and the institutional framework for collective efforts to maintain international peace and security, including peacekeeping operations and peace enforcement actions.  
**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Max credits per semester:** 3  
**Max credits per degree:** 3  
**Format:** LEC  
**Offered:** FALL

LAW 720 Advocacy in Mediation  
**Crosslisted with:** LAW 720G  
**Description:** Considers the differing roles of the neutral and the advocate in mediation, focusing on representing clients in all aspects of the mediation process. Represent clients in drafting agreements to mediate, preparing for mediation, attending mediation sessions, and drafting mediation settlements. Covers issues such as confidentiality and ethics. Employs role-play and drafting exercises, in addition to class discussions.  
**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Max credits per semester:** 3  
**Max credits per degree:** 3  
**Format:** LEC  
**Offered:** SPRING

LAW 721 Agricultural Environmental Law  
**Crosslisted with:** LAW 721G  
**Notes:** This course is available to online LL.M. students.  
**Description:** Environmental law in agriculture, the Clean Water Act as it applies to agriculture, the environmental and conservative provisions of the farm program, pesticide regulation and liability, and other areas where environmental concerns and the agriculture industry intersect.  
**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Max credits per semester:** 3  
**Max credits per degree:** 3  
**Format:** LEC  
**Offered:** SPRING

LAW 722 Agricultural Environmental Law  
**Crosslisted with:** LAW 722G  
**Prerequisites:** LAW 632/G  
**Notes:** Neither securities regulation or any knowledge of federal securities law is a prerequisite for this course.  
**Description:** Regulation of brokers and investment advisers by federal securities law; regulation of brokers under the Securities Exchange Act; regulation of investment companies under the Investment Company Act; and regulation of investment advisers under the Investment Advisers Act.  
**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Max credits per semester:** 3  
**Max credits per degree:** 3  
**Format:** LEC  
**Offered:** SPRING

LAW 723 Securities Brokers, Mutual Funds, and Investment Advisers  
**Crosslisted with:** LAW 723G  
**Notes:** Neither securities regulation or any knowledge of federal securities law is a prerequisite for this course.  
**Description:** Regulation of brokers and investment advisers by federal securities law; regulation of brokers under the Securities Exchange Act; regulation of investment companies under the Investment Company Act; and regulation of investment advisers under the Investment Advisers Act.  
**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Max credits per semester:** 3  
**Max credits per degree:** 3  
**Format:** LEC  
**Offered:** SPRING

LAW 724 Domestic Spectrum Law and Policy  
**Crosslisted with:** LAW 724G  
**Notes:** This course is available to online LL.M. students.  
**Description:** Provides an overview of the law and policy governing spectrum management in the United States. Broad coverage includes spectrum allocation and domestic assignment, the FCC/NITA jurisdictional split, and Title III of the Communications Act. Specific coverage includes spectrum auctions, the debate over licensed and unlicensed spectrum use, and issues related to licensing satellite spectrum for use in the U.S.  
**Credit Hours:** 1-3  
**Min credits per semester:** 1  
**Max credits per semester:** 3  
**Max credits per degree:** 3  
**Format:** LEC  
**Offered:** SPRING
LAW 725 Economic Justice Seminar
Crosslisted with: LAW 725G
Description: A social justice critique of free markets. The relationship of legal rules to the distribution of wealth. Introduction of a range of materials and critique the economic theory underlying various approaches to law and economics. Readings will include an interdisciplinary perspective. Current topics in economic inequality, e.g., access to credit, housing, and others.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 726 Domestic Telecommunications Law
Crosslisted with: LAW 726G
Notes: Available to online LLM students.
Description: Addresses the legal framework applied in the United States to telecommunications and media industries, including the Internet, landline telephone, broadcast radio and television, cable television, and mobile technologies. Substantial attention is given to current regulatory issues involving the Internet and online video, the structure and power of the Federal Communications Commission, and economic, technological, and speech concerns, including understanding the role of and challenges created by the use of advocacy in public policy.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 728 Statutory Interpretation: Practice & Policy
Crosslisted with: LAW 728G
Description: Focuses on the tools lawyers utilize when they interpret statutes. Examines various theories and canons of statutory interpretation and issues of statutory interpretation involving administrative agencies. Provides a comprehensive approach to wrestling with the problems that arise during statutory interpretation.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 729 Civil Rights Litigation
Crosslisted with: LAW 729G
Prerequisites: LAW 516/G, 517/G and 609/G
Description: Major substantive and procedural issues in litigation to protect civil rights. Established theories of liability and defenses, possible new developments in legal doctrine, and pending statutory changes.
Credit Hours: 1-4
Min credits per semester: 1
Max credits per semester: 4
Max credits per degree: 4
Format: LEC

LAW 730 Technology and the Practice of Law
Crosslisted with: LAW 730G
Description: Designed to provide a basis understanding of the impact of technology on the practice of law and the benefits and risks associated with using technology in client representation.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 731 Tribal Gaming Law Seminar
Crosslisted with: LAW 731G
Description: Examines the history of tribal gaming, the landmark case of California v. Cabazon Band of Mission Indians, 480 U.S. 202 (1987) and the resulting Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (IGRA). Tribal gaming is regulated by tribal, federal, and state law and is a complex mix of issues: what constitutes a tribe and tribal lands; how do newly acquired lands become Indian Country; what is the role, structure, and authority of the National Indian Gaming Commission; what defines and distinguishes Class I, Class II and Class III gaming; how are tribal-state compacts formed; who may claim a portion of gaming revenues through fees or taxes; and what institutions and political players are crucial to the public debates on tribal and state revenue sharing, tribal economic development, and off-reservation casinos.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 732 Constitutional Law II
Crosslisted with: LAW 732G
Notes: LAW 609G is not a prerequisite for this course.
Description: Emphasizes protected individual civil liberties. The origin and modern applicability of the state action concept in constitutional litigation; the scope of congressional power to enforce the post Civil War amendments; freedom of speech, association, and press; and constitutional principles enforcing the first amendment’s command that “Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 733 Advanced Legal Research
Crosslisted with: LAW 733G
Description: Provides a deeper, more intimate exposure to the material of legal research. Emphasis will be on practical skills and the nature and philosophies of the organization and production of the materials themselves. Gain the ability to analyze any research problem in terms of the types of materials that may be of use in answering the question.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL/SPR
LAW 734 Export Control Law: International Traffic in Arms Regulations
Crosslisted with: LAW 734G
Notes: This course is available to online LL.M. students.
Description: Provides an extensive examination of the International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR), the Export Administration Act, U.S. economic embargos and related Executive Orders, as well as discussion of the foreign policy and national security interests influencing US laws, regulations and policy. Particular emphasis will be given to the ongoing efforts to reform the US export control system with regard to spacecraft.
Credit Hours: 2
Max credits per semester: 1
Max credits per degree: 1
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 736 Bankruptcy
Crosslisted with: LAW 736G
Notes: This is a survey course.
Description: Provides an overview of the relationship between debtors and creditors outside of bankruptcy under state law. Includes an examination of the Federal Debt Collection Practices Act and of consumer and business bankruptcy law. Specifically, Chapter 7, 11, 12 and 13 proceedings are discussed. Engage in a client counseling exercise designed to evaluate the client’s eligibility for a Chapter 7 proceeding and prepare for electronic filing a Chapter 13 petition for bankruptcy. Prepare a short, client-counseling memorandum for the unit on business bankruptcies related to a motion for relief from the automatic stay. Current policy issues in bankruptcy will be addressed as time permits.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 737 Law of Provider and Patient
Crosslisted with: LAW 737G
Notes: Students may also enroll in LAW 713G Style and Composition in Legal Writing for an additional hour of Law College credit.
Description: Covers a limited but central topic in the larger field of health-care law - the law bearing on the relationship between a health-care provider and a patient. Survey the legal rights and obligations of patients and their health care providers, individual and institutional. Cover qualification as a health care provider (institutional and individual licensure); the legal doctrines relating to the formation of provider-patient relationship; the locus of decisional authority in the relationship; the provider’s fiduciary duties to the patient (to deliver care of professionally acceptable quality [including traditional malpractice law], to avoid conflicts of interest, to respect the patient’s privacy and to protect the confidentiality of medical information about the patient); the reciprocal obligation of the patient to take reasonable steps to assure payment and to comply with medical directives; and the legal doctrines relating to the termination of provider-patient relationships. Explore the way provider-patient obligations are affected when the patient also becomes the subject of medical or scientific research.
Credit Hours: 2
Max credits per semester: 2
Max credits per degree: 2
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 739 Criminal Law II
Crosslisted with: LAW 739G
Description: Scope and content of federal crimes. Fraud and political corruption, drug trafficking, money laundering, organized crime, false statement, obstruction of justice and federal sentencing guidelines.
Credit Hours: 3-4
Min credits per semester: 1
Max credits per semester: 4
Max credits per degree: 4
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL/SPR

LAW 740 Negotiations
Crosslisted with: LAW 740G
Description: Examines a variety of negotiation styles and applies these styles in a series of increasingly complex negotiation problems. Negotiation problems will include plea bargains, personal injury cases, commercial negotiations and labor management disputes. Strategic and psychological factors present in negotiation styles will be examined. Improve negotiation performance and broaden the repertoire of strategic and stylistic choices available.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL/SPR

LAW 741 Pretrial Litigation
Crosslisted with: LAW 741G
Description: Concentrates on the application of procedural rules to the bringing and defending of civil law suits and on considering the tactical and strategic aspects of litigation. Perform weekly exercises on pleading, motion practice and discovery.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL/SPR

LAW 743 Remedies and Damages
Crosslisted with: LAW 743G
Description: Examination of the basic remedies available to redress legal wrongs: injunctions, damages, and restitution. Among the topics covered are permanent injunctions (including specific performance), provisional injunctions, contempt, contract damages, tort damages (primarily personal injury and property damages), proof requirements, present value adjustments, legal restitution, equitable restitution, equitable defenses, election of remedies, and declaratory relief.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING
LAW 744 Legislation and the Political Process
Crosslisted with: LAW 744G
Description: This course will examine the basic structure of American legislative institutions and the process of law-making with emphasis on legislative process and external influences shaping the consideration, composition, enactment and implementation of new laws. The course will draw on real-world, “hot topic” issues for various practical exercises, including the drafting of statutes and written comments for agency and congressional submission. In addition, the course will familiarize students with various kinds of materials, including bills, committee reports, legislative rules, floor debates, and statutes. Collectively, these exercises and readings will allow the class to fully explore and evaluate the legislative process in its various contexts.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC

LAW 745 Taxation-Partnership
Crosslisted with: LAW 745G
Prerequisites: LAW 637/637G
Description: Introduction to the fundamental federal income tax rules for general and limited partnerships, limited liability partnerships and limited liability companies.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 746 Corporate Finance
Crosslisted with: LAW 746G
Prerequisites: LAW 632/G
Description: Introduction to the theories and applications of modern corporate finance. Explores a range of topics, including basic finance theories (time value of money, the efficient capital market hypothesis, the capital asset pricing model, standard deviation, etc.), the various forms of corporate finance (common stock, debt, preferred stock, options, etc.), and the documentation associated with financing transactions.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL/SPR

LAW 747 National Security Space Law
Crosslisted with: LAW 747G
Notes: This course is available to online LL.M. students.
Description: Addresses the national security aspects of space law, including legal issues related to new and emerging space technologies. Includes an examination of key space arms control issues, U.S. national security space strategy, U.S. military space doctrine, the international law framework governing military uses of space and space weapons, significant contemporary challenges and initiatives in the area of national security space law, and efforts to prevent an arms race in outer space and its weaponization.
Credit Hours: 1
Max credits per semester: 1
Max credits per degree: 1
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 748 Space Law
Crosslisted with: LAW 748G
Description: Provides a basic overview of international space law with primary emphasis on the civilian and commercial dimensions of space law and policy, including civilian government space, satellite launch, satellite navigation, and satellite remote sensing. Topics will include the five major international treaties dealing directly with space and the application of these Cold-War era treaties to modern space activities.
Credit Hours: 2
Max credits per semester: 2
Max credits per degree: 2
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL
Prerequisite for: LAW 766, LAW 766G

LAW 749 Commercial Law Seminar
Crosslisted with: LAW 749G
Description: Students write and present a paper addressing an area of interest in commercial or banking law. Increasingly, attorneys are facing new legal dilemmas posed by several developments in commercial practices. Explores several current issues in commercial and banking law. Includes “Technology and the Uniform Commercial Code,” “Consumer Protection and the UCC,” “Banks and Community Needs” and various issues arising from proposed revisions to the Uniform Commercial Code (UCC).
Credit Hours: 1-4
Min credits per semester: 1
Max credits per semester: 4
Max credits per degree: 4
Format: LEC

LAW 750 American Foreign Affairs Law and Policy Seminar
Crosslisted with: LAW 750G
Prerequisites: Previous enrollment in an international law course recommended
Notes: Previous enrollment in an international law course recommended.
Available to online LL.M. students.
Description: Explores structural/organizational issues (e.g., separation of powers, federalism) related to U.S. foreign policy-making as well as U.S. foreign policy in a number of substantive areas. Areas of foreign policy examined include the war on terrorism, international economy policy, and current foreign policy crises.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING
LAW 751 Employee Benefits Law
Crosslisted with: LAW 751G
Description: Study of the federal laws that govern retirement, health care, and other benefit plans sponsored by private employers for their employees. Topics include: employer compliance requirements under the Internal Revenue Code, the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, and the Affordable Care Act; the responsibilities of plan fiduciaries; federal claims and remedies available to plan participants; and federal preemption of state laws. Uses an applied problem method of learning and is designed for students who plan to practice in the areas of corporate law, employment litigation, insurance litigation, family law, or estate planning.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 752 Labor and Employment Law: Theory and Practice
Crosslisted with: LAW 752G
Description: The class will have a limited enrollment. Preference given to students who have earned at least 6 credits from the following courses: Civil Rights Litigation, Civil Rights Litigation Seminar, Employment Law, Employment Law Seminar, Labor Law, Labor Law Seminar, Legal Control of Discrimination, Legal Control of Discrimination Seminar, Pension and Employee Benefit Law, Public Employment Law. A modest bridge between classroom instruction in labor and employment law and real world practice in the area. Local practitioners collaborate with faculty member to formulate problems for the class and participate in several class sessions. Students engage in intensive analysis of issues arising out of the problems; they may be asked to prepare and discuss work products that fall anywhere on a continuum between the scholarly (such as law review-type analyses of complex issues) and the intensely practical (such as drafting interrogatories).
Credit Hours: 1-4
Min credits per semester: 1
Max credits per semester: 4
Max credits per degree: 4
Format: LEC

LAW 753 Labor Law
Crosslisted with: LAW 753G
Description: Legislative and judicial patterns of the modern labor movement; the objectives of labor combinations; the forms of pressure employed for their realization and prevention; strikes, boycotts, picketing, and lockouts; the legal devices utilized in carving out the permissible bounds of damage suits involving labor activity; the labor injunction; the National Labor Relations Board; the nature of collective bargaining agreements; extra legal procedure for settling labor disputes—the techniques of mediation, conciliation, and arbitration.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL
Prerequisite for: LAW 585, LAW 585G

LAW 754 Federal Courts
Crosslisted with: LAW 754G
Description: Advanced study of United States constitutional law in the litigational context and focused on the power, history, and development of the federal judicial system and the distribution of power between the federal and state systems.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 755 Products Liability
Crosslisted with: LAW 755G
Description: In-depth study of the common law and statutory systems regulating liability for product-caused injuries. Private causes of action are the focus, but they may also be contrasted with administrative regulations which govern the sale and distribution of products.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC

LAW 756 International Cyber Security: Mischief, Crime and Warfare
Crosslisted with: LAW 756G
Notes: This course is available to online LLM students.
Description: Examines international legal issues related to emerging conflicts in cyberspace and explores threats to international cyber security posed by a wide range of hostile cyber acts, from damaging cyber mischief and crime to cyber warfare. The primary focus is on the legal frameworks that may apply to hostile acts in cyber space, including the domestic criminal laws of states, international law, and particularly the law of armed conflict. Compares various forms of cybercrime with state-sponsored efforts to disrupt, deny, degrade or destroy information in computer networks and systems, explores private and governmental roles in cyberspace, and assesses the appropriate legal responses to increasingly diverse state-sponsored military and intelligence operations in cyberspace, including those related to data exploitation, espionage and sabotage.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC

LAW 757 Psycholegal Research Other than Thesis I
Crosslisted with: LAW 757G
Notes: Absent the prior approval of the Dean, only those students enrolled in the Law/Psychology Joint Degree Program may register for this course. Absent the prior approval of the Dean, no student may take more than six hours of Research in a Selected Field and/or Psycholegal Research.
Description: A substantial research and writing project on a psycholegal topic. The research is supervised and approved by a faculty member in the Law/Psychology program.
Credit Hours: 3-6
Min credits per semester: 3
Max credits per semester: 6
Max credits per degree: 6
Format: IND
Offered: ALL
Prerequisite for: LAW 585, LAW 585G
LAW 758 Psycholegal Research Other than Thesis II
Crosslisted with: LAW 758G
Notes: Absent the prior approval of the Dean, only those students enrolled in the Law/Psychology Joint Degree Program may register for this course. Absent the prior approval of the Dean, no student may take more than six hours of Research in a Selected Field and/or Psycholegal Research.
Description: A substantial research and writing project on a psycholegal topic. The research is supervised and approved by a faculty member in the Law/Psychology program.
Credit Hours: 3-6
Min credits per semester: 3
Max credits per semester: 6
Max credits per degree: 6
Format: IND
Offered: ALL

LAW 759 Employment Law Seminar
Crosslisted with: LAW 759G
Description: Selected current national and state legal issues pertaining to private and public employment.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 760 Arms Control: Problems of Law and Technology
Crosslisted with: LAW 760G
Description: Examines the historical, political and strategic foundations of contemporary arms control and disarmament regimes and will evaluate the nature and effectiveness of supporting legal frameworks. Specific topics will include: prohibited weapons under international law; agreements banning various conventional weapons; the successes and failures of the Chemical Weapons Convention and the Biological Weapons Convention; nuclear arms limitation agreements and underlying nuclear deterrence doctrines; the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Agreement, and; future arms control initiatives related to new and emerging new military technologies.
Credit Hours: 2
Max credits per semester: 2
Max credits per degree: 2
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 761 Trial Advocacy
Crosslisted with: LAW 761G
Prerequisites: LAW 646/G
Description: Students perform weekly exercises which are videotaped and critiqued and will try a case. Fundamentals of trial practice. Emphasis on questioning witnesses, selecting and addressing the jury, and admitting items into evidence.
Credit Hours: 1-4
Min credits per semester: 1
Max credits per semester: 4
Max credits per degree: 4
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING
Prerequisite for: LAW 782, LAW 782G; LAW 799, LAW 799G

LAW 762 Law and Behavioral Science
Crosslisted with: LAW 762G
Description: Examines actual and potential uses of social scientific research findings and theories in the law and the methods for evaluating the quality and application of social scientific evidence. The uses of social scientific evidence to determine facts, to make law, to provide contextual background for legal decisions, to plan litigation and to assess the functioning of the legal system are examined in a variety of substantive areas. Topical coverage includes: establishing community standards in obscenity cases, the death penalty, research ethics, explaining and predicting behavior, jury decision making, eyewitness reliability and pretrial publicity.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL/SPR

LAW 763 Mental Health Law
Crosslisted with: LAW 763G
Notes: Credit may only be earned in either LAW 763G or LAW 772G. Students who have previously taken, or are currently enrolled in, Mental Health Law Seminar (LAW 772/G) may not enroll in this course.
Description: Addresses both civil and criminal issues that are likely to arise in practice. These include: civil competence for a variety of purposes; civil guardianship and conservatorship; civil commitment; confidentiality and privilege; health care provider liability in the context of mental health care; competence to proceed at several stages of the criminal process; criminal responsibility; and criminal sentencing. Critical review of the mental health laws throughout the nation and their psychological foundations. Emphasis on the research that illuminates the problems facing mental health law, system, and processes and the available solutions. Includes the insanity defense, competency to stand trial, guardianship, conservatorship, and civil commitment.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 764 Topics in Law and Psychology I
Crosslisted with: LAW 764G
Description: In-depth analysis of specific psycholegal topics. Previous course titles have included Aging and the Law, Eyewitness Testimony, Privacy, Mental Health Policy, Legal Decision Making, Jurors/Jury Decision Making, Institutional Reform and Deinstitutionalization, Legal Policy and Child Development, Domestic Violence, Psychological Testimony in Criminal Cases: Battered Women's Cases, Expert Evidence, Children and the Law, and Psychology and Family Law.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL/SPR
LAW 765 Law and Practice of the United Nations
Crosslisted with: LAW 765G
Notes: This course available to online LLM students.
Description: This course explores the structure and institutional rules of the United Nations (including an examination of the UN Charter, membership rules, law-making powers, and financing), the major powers and responsibilities of the institution (including development, peace operations, sanctions, and humanitarian assistance), its privileges and immunities, and current major controversies connected with the United Nations. The course concludes with a look at possible reforms to the United Nations System.
Credit Hours: 1
Max credits per semester: 1
Max credits per degree: 1
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 766 National Space Legislation
Crosslisted with: LAW 766G
Prerequisites: LAW 748/G
Notes: This course is available to online LL.M. students.
Description: Discuss the various ways in which countries across the world have chosen, or are choosing, to implement relevant international requirements as well as to assert national space policies by means of such national law. A prominent place in this context will be taken by discussion of national US law on such activities as satellite communications, satellite remote sensing and space tourism.
Credit Hours: 2
Max credits per semester: 2
Max credits per degree: 2
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 767 Estate Planning
Crosslisted with: LAW 767G
Prerequisites: LAW 637/637G; Pre- or coreq: LAW 639/639G
Description: Federal estate and gift taxation, related income tax rules, estate planning concepts, and state inheritance taxation.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING
Prerequisite for: LAW 768, LAW 768G

LAW 768 Estate Planning Problems
Crosslisted with: LAW 768G
Prerequisites: LAW 767/G
Description: Problems of planning and implementing estate plans for clients of substantial wealth with special emphasis upon skills of drafting the various legal instruments usually required for comprehensive estate planning.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 769 Tax Policy Seminar
Crosslisted with: LAW 769G
Description: Policies of federal income taxation with emphasis on current legislative proposals and alternatives.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 770 Economic Justice
Crosslisted with: LAW 770G
Notes: The readings for this discussion will be from an interdisciplinary perspective. List of topics will be narrowed during the first week of class based on the interest of the enrolled students. Frequent written briefings (1-2 pages) will be required.
Description: Examination of the relationship of legal rules to the distribution of wealth. Exploration of whether the current income and wealth gap differs from historical accounts about this gap. Discussion of a range of materials that present and critique the economic theory underlying various approaches to law and economics. Mock legislative hearings, simulated conferences/presentations and small group discussions on current topics in economic justice (e.g., worker supports, access to credit, access to housing, and others).
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 771 Gender Issues in the Law Seminar
Crosslisted with: LAW 771G
Description: Critical review of gender role in shaping socio-legal relationships and policies. Procedural and substantive areas of the law that affect and are affected by gender. Employment, property, torts, Constitutional law, and contractual relationships. Complex relationship between gender, race and class.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL
LAW 772 Mental Health Law Seminar
Crosslisted with: LAW 772G
Notes: Credit may only be earned in either LAW 763G or LAW 772G. Students who have previously taken, or are currently enrolled in, Mental Health Law (Law 763/G) may not enroll in this course.
Description: Addresses both civil and criminal issues that are likely to arise in practice. These include: civil competence for a variety of purposes; civil guardianship and conservatorship; civil commitment; confidentiality and privilege; health care provider liability in the context of mental health care; competence to proceed at several stages of the criminal process; criminal responsibility; and criminal sentencing. Critical review of the mental health laws throughout the nation and their psychological foundations. Emphasis on the research that illuminates the problems facing mental health law, system, and processes and the available solutions. Includes the insanity defense, competency to stand trial, guardianship, conservatorship, and civil commitment.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 777G Water Law Planning & Policy
Crosslisted with: LAW 776G
Description: Judicial, legislative and administrative problems in water resource development, allocation and control. Representative topics include: the acquisition, maintenance and transfer of private rights to use surface water and groundwater; public rights and environmental protection; interstate allocation; and federal rights and powers.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 776G Water Law Planning & Policy
Crosslisted with: LAW 776G
Description: Judicial, legislative and administrative problems in water resource development, allocation and control. Representative topics include: the acquisition, maintenance and transfer of private rights to use surface water and groundwater; public rights and environmental protection; interstate allocation; and federal rights and powers.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 773 Criminal Sanction Seminar
Crosslisted with: LAW 773G
Description: Criminal sanction with attention to conceptual and justificatory problems. Issues relating to the just administration of punishment, including the death penalty, as well as legal doctrines and defenses negating or mitigating criminal responsibility. Sentencing process considered with attention to the legal rights of offenders from conviction to final release.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 774 Environmental Law and Water Resource Management Seminar
Crosslisted with: LAW 774G
Prerequisites: Permission
Description: An interdisciplinary seminar with the Department of Civil Engineering. Contemporary environmental issues and water resource management.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 777G Water Law Planning & Policy
Crosslisted with: LAW 776G
Description: Judicial, legislative and administrative problems in water resource development, allocation and control. Representative topics include: the acquisition, maintenance and transfer of private rights to use surface water and groundwater; public rights and environmental protection; interstate allocation; and federal rights and powers.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 776 Water Law Planning & Policy
Crosslisted with: LAW 776G
Description: Judicial, legislative and administrative problems in water resource development, allocation and control. Representative topics include: the acquisition, maintenance and transfer of private rights to use surface water and groundwater; public rights and environmental protection; interstate allocation; and federal rights and powers.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 778 Researching Space Law
Notes: This course is only open to LL.M. students and J.D. students who have declared space and/or telecommunications law as an area of concentrated study.
Description: Overview of space law as well as general international law and telecommunications law (because these latter two areas of law are so integrally connected to space law) and training on how to research in these three areas of law.
Credit Hours: 1
Max credits per semester: 1
Max credits per degree: 1
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 780 Introduction to the American Legal System
Notes: This is a non-credit course designed exclusively for students with foreign law degrees who are enrolled in the Space, Cyber, and Telecommunications LLM program or foreign students visiting at the Law College. It is taught in August prior to the start of classes. This course is available to online Space, Cyber and Telecommunication LL.M students.
Description: The basics of the U.S. legal system, focusing primarily on the constitutional structure and institutions of the United States, including separation of powers and federalism issues and including an introduction to the common law and case analysis.
Credit Hours: 0
Max credits per semester: 1
Max credits per degree: 1
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 781 Constitutional Problems Seminar
Crosslisted with: LAW 781G
Description: Selected constitutional issues of current importance.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 782 Advanced Trial Advocacy
Crosslisted with: LAW 782G
Prerequisites: LAW 761/G
Notes: Enrollment limited to 12 students per semester.
Description: Simulation exercises concerning advanced trial advocacy topics including jury selection, expert witnesses, problem witnesses, development of a trial theme and multi-party litigation. Perform simulated bench and jury trials and represent clients in mock cases selected to provide courtroom experience.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 780G Introduction to the American Legal System
Notes: This is a non-credit course designed exclusively for students with foreign law degrees who are enrolled in the Space, Cyber, and Telecommunications LLM program or foreign students visiting at the Law College. It is taught in August prior to the start of classes. This course is available to online Space, Cyber and Telecommunication LL.M students.
Description: The basics of the U.S. legal system, focusing primarily on the constitutional structure and institutions of the United States, including separation of powers and federalism issues and including an introduction to the common law and case analysis.
Credit Hours: 0
Max credits per semester: 1
Max credits per degree: 1
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 781G Constitutional Problems Seminar
Crosslisted with: LAW 781G
Description: Selected constitutional issues of current importance.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL

LAW 782G Advanced Trial Advocacy
Crosslisted with: LAW 782G
Prerequisites: LAW 761/G
Notes: Enrollment limited to 12 students per semester.
Description: Simulation exercises concerning advanced trial advocacy topics including jury selection, expert witnesses, problem witnesses, development of a trial theme and multi-party litigation. Perform simulated bench and jury trials and represent clients in mock cases selected to provide courtroom experience.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL
LAW 783 Insurance Law
Crosslisted with: LAW 783G
Description: Focuses on the features of common insurance contracts, legislative and administrative restrictions on insurance contracts and judicial techniques for interpreting, construing and regulating insurance contracts.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC

LAW 784 International Satellite Communications Law
Crosslisted with: LAW 784G
Description: The branch of space law which is focused most on practical and commercial applications without a doubt is the satellite communications sector. The present class will address the specific legal regimes dealing with satellite communications law in particular at the international level. Thus, it will address the role of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) in allocating, allotting and assigning frequency spectrum and orbital slots/orbits, and the role of the World Trade Organization (WTO) in regulating the international trade in satellite communication services. Also, the unique roles of the international satellite organizations INTELSAT and INMARSAT, especially since their transition to privatized companies kicked off, will be addressed. Finally, other, more regional developments in the USA, Europe and elsewhere will be briefly touched upon.
Credit Hours: 1
Max credits per semester: 1
Max credits per degree: 1
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL/SPR

LAW 785 Introduction to European Union Law
Crosslisted with: LAW 785G
Notes: This course is available to online LL.M. students.
Description: Overview of the development of European Union law from the origins of the EEC, right through the latest developments such as the establishment of the European Union and the current transition from the failed Constitutional Treaty to the new Reform Treaty. The unique character of the EC/EU as a half-way house between a classical intergovernmental organization and a federal state will be explained, as well as the respective roles of the Council, the European Commission, the European Parliament and the European Court of Justice in the process of law-making - Regulations, Directives and Decisions - at the European level. Major substantive elements of EU law, such as the freedom of movement of goods, services, person and capital and the competition regime will also be briefly discussed.
Credit Hours: 1
Max credits per semester: 1
Max credits per degree: 1
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING
Prerequisite for: LAW 786, LAW 786G

LAW 786 European Regulation of Space and Telecommunications
Crosslisted with: LAW 786G
Prerequisites: LAW 785/G
Notes: Available to online LL.M. students.
Description: Interaction between EC/EU and the European Space Agency in the development of European space activities and policies, in regard to EUTELSAT and EUMETSAT, and their institutional integration. The development of Galileo and the Global Monitoring for Environment Security project; general legislative and regulatory competencies of commercial space and satellite communications; gradual development of an internal market for SATCOM services.
Credit Hours: 1
Max credits per semester: 1
Max credits per degree: 1
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 788 State and Local Government Law
Crosslisted with: LAW 788G
Description: Law of local government units, including their relationship with state government. Topics include vertical distribution of governmental powers, theories of allocating governmental power, and recent problems in the operation and administration of local government. State constitutional law issues arise throughout our consideration of these topics.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 789 Securities Regulation
Crosslisted with: LAW 789G
Prerequisites: LAW 632/G
Description: Survey of the statutes and regulations governing the distribution and trading of securities. Primary focus is on the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, with limited attention to state “blue sky” securities legislation.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: SPRING

LAW 790 Legal Profession
Crosslisted with: LAW 790G
Notes: This course meets the faculty’s requirement for a course in professional responsibility.
Description: A systematic study of the principles of professional responsibility governing the practice of law in the United States.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Offered: FALL/SPR
LAW 791 JSD Research  
Crosslisted with: LAW 791G  
Description: Research-focused and dissertation-based, students, working over a 2-3 year period, are required to write a book-length thesis about an aspect of space law.  
Credit Hours: 6  
Max credits per semester: 6  
Max credits per degree: 24  
Format: IND  
Offered: FALL/SPR

LAW 792 Externship  
Notes: A student may participate in more than one externship, but the total number of credits for all externships shall not exceed three credit hours. Non-joint degree students may not take more than 12 total credit hours of Externship. Research in a Selected Field and non-law school courses.  
Description: Field placement program which may only be taken with prior approval of a sponsoring faculty member.  
Credit Hours: 1-3  
Min credits per semester: 1  
Max credits per semester: 3  
Max credits per degree: 3  
Format: FLD  
Offered: ALL

LAW 793 Products Liability Seminar  
Crosslisted with: LAW 793G  
Description: Selected problems in products liability, with emphasis on research and writing projects analyzing the problems.  
Credit Hours: 3  
Max credits per semester: 3  
Max credits per degree: 3  
Format: LEC

LAW 794 Clinical Practice - Immigration  
Notes: By faculty invitation only. Two students per year are permitted to enroll. Students may not take Immigration Clinic and Civil or Criminal Clinic.  
Description: Represent low-income clients with immigration problems under close faculty supervision. Work in the areas of deportation defense, family-based immigrant visas, VAWA (Violence Against Women Act) self-petitions and asylum applications. Engage in the following types of activities: factual development and analysis, frequent client interviewing and counseling, preparation of immigration applications and supporting documentation, attendance with clients at immigration interviews, appearing in Immigration Court on behalf of clients, state and federal court appearances (as dictated by clients’ legal needs), legal analysis and planning, frequent creation of written work product (including but not limited to legal memoranda, briefs, letters, and so forth), analysis and resolution of professional ethics issues, and other skills necessary to function effectively as lead counsel on a variety of immigration cases.  
Credit Hours: 2-4  
Min credits per semester: 2  
Max credits per semester: 4  
Max credits per degree: 12  
Format: CLN  
Offered: ALL

LAW 795 Thesis - LL.M  
Credit Hours: 3-4  
Min credits per semester: 3  
Max credits per semester: 4  
Max credits per degree: 4  
Format: IND  
Offered: FALL/SPR

LAW 796 Native American Law  
Crosslisted with: LAW 796G  
Description: Investigation of the federal statutory, decisional, and constitutional law that shapes the interactions of Indian tribes, the states, and the federal government. Includes an overview of the history of federal Indian policy and emphasizes the unique legal principles that inform the modern federal trust responsibility, tribal sovereignty, and complex civil and criminal jurisdictional issues that arise in Indian Country. Current topics including tribal water rights, tribal justice systems, reservation economic development, and tribal religious rights will also be addressed.  
Credit Hours: 3  
Max credits per semester: 3  
Max credits per degree: 3  
Format: LEC  
Offered: SPRING

LAW 797 Native American Law Seminar  
Crosslisted with: LAW 797G  
Notes: Students who have previously taken Native American Law (Law 796) may not enroll in this course.  
Description: Legal concepts historically used to fit Native American nations into the legal structure of the United States are examined. The legal power or jurisdiction of the federal government, the states and the tribes is explored in cases, legislation and practice.  
Credit Hours: 3  
Max credits per semester: 3  
Max credits per degree: 3  
Format: LEC  
Offered: FALL

LAW 798 Clinical Practice-Civil  
Crosslisted with: LAW 798G  
Prerequisites: Parallell LAW 741G  
Notes: May be taken for 4 or 6 credits. Senior standing only. Preference will be given to students participating in the Litigation Skills Program of Concentrated Study. Strong preference will be given to students who have had Trial Advocacy.  
Description: Under close faculty supervision represent clients in a variety of civil cases. Typical cases include domestic cases, bankruptcy, collection, landlord-tenant, housing, administrative appeals, conversion and replevin, adoption, name changes, and negligence.  
Credit Hours: 4-6  
Min credits per semester: 4  
Max credits per semester: 6  
Max credits per degree: 6  
Format: CLN  
Offered: ALL

LAW 798A Clinical Practice-Civil  
Credit Hours: 1-4  
Min credits per semester: 1  
Max credits per semester: 4  
Max credits per degree: 4  
Format: CLN  
Offered: SUMMER
LAW 798B Clinical Practice-Civil
Credit Hours: 1-4
Min credits per semester: 1
Max credits per semester: 4
Max credits per degree: 4
Format: CLN
Offered: SPRING

LAW 799 Clinical Practice-Criminal
Crosslisted with: LAW 799G
Prerequisites: LAW 761/G; Senior standing
Notes: Cases are prosecuted through the Lancaster County Attorney¿s Office and the practice component is conducted out of that office.
Participation in a seminar concentrating on the development of skills necessary to the prosecution of criminal cases is required.
Description: Prosecute a variety of misdemeanor offenses under the close supervision of a faculty member.
Credit Hours: 6
Max credits per semester: 6
Max credits per degree: 6
Format: CLN
Offered: ALL