Concentration - Business Law

Juris Doctor

Description
The School of Law offers a Juris Doctor (J.D.), a concurrent Juris Doctor/Master of Accountancy (J.D./M.Accy.) and a concurrent Juris Doctor/Master of Taxation (J.D./M.Tax.).

Minimum Total Credit Hours: 90

Course Requirements

First Year
- Law 503 Civil Procedure I (3 credits, one semester)
- Law 507 Constitutional Law I (3 credits, one semester)
- Law 501 Contracts (4 credits, one semester)
- Law 568 Criminal Law (3 credits, one semester)
- Law 514 & 515 Legal Research and Writing I & II (6 credits, two semesters)
- Law 504 Property (4 credits, one semester)
- Law 502 Torts (4 credits, one semester)
- 1 Skills course (3 credits) (courses fulfilling the Skills requirement are designated each semester by the law faculty)
- Law 577 - Civil Procedure II (3 credits)

Upper Level (Second and Third Years)
- Law 603 Legal Profession (3 credits, one semester)
- Law 600 Evidence (3 credits, one semester)
- 1 Skills course (3 credits) and 1 Writing course (2-3 credits) (courses fulfilling the Skills and Writing requirements are designated each semester by the law faculty)

Otherwise, students have free choice of elective courses to complete the remainder of their credit hours.

Other Academic Requirements
For the Juris Doctor degree, the requirements are: (1) successful completion of 90 credit hours of law courses (70 of which must be graded credit hours and 75 of which must come from courses that meet in regularly scheduled classroom hours), including the courses specifically required for graduation, and (2) an overall grade-point average of 2.00 (C) or better. The curriculum and courses required for graduation are subject to change at any time without prior notice at the direction of the law faculty.

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Description
The concentration in business law is designed to establish a useful framework for guiding students who have a particular interest in business law and paths for developing a practice-ready skill set.

Course Requirements
A student must complete 27 credit hours in business law subjects. At least 18 credit hours in core courses (Corporations 603, Bankruptcy 558, Secured Transactions 571, Income Taxation of Individuals 613, Income Taxation of Corporations and Shareholders 633 or Partnership Taxation 634, and Intellectual Property 580 or Corporate Finance 606 or Securities Regulations 650 are required. The remainder of the credit hours can be fulfilled by taking courses from a list of approved elective courses:
- Alternative Dispute Resolution 651
- Antitrust Law 621
- Banking Law 607
- Bankruptcy Reorganization Seminar 622
- Business Planning 629
- Commercial Paper 694
- Copyright Law 657
- Deferred Compensation 660
- Disability Law and Policy 717
- Employee Benefits Law 728
- Employer-Employee Relations 645
- Employment Discrimination 640
- Energy Law 746
- Entertainment Law 581
- Estate Planning 682
- Federal Taxation of Gratuitous Transfers 626
- Gaming Law 661
- Income Taxation II 702
• Insurance 559  
• International Commercial Arbitration 722  
• International Finance 543  
• International Intellectual Property 732  
• International Law 620  
• International Trade 575  
• International Trade and Commercial (SLT)  
• Labor Arbitration Law 624  
• Labor Law I 614  
• Labor Law II 617  
• Law and Economics 576  
• Legal Accounting 573  
• Mutual Fund and Hedge Fund Regulation (SLT)  
• Oil and Gas 609  
• Sports Law 709  
• Tax Problems 623  
• Workers' Compensation 618  

As appropriate, additional courses and Selected Legal Topic courses focusing on business law may also be included in this category on a case-by-case basis.

**Other Academic Requirements**

A cumulative grade-point average of 2.5 in all concentration courses with no grade lower than a “C” must be achieved in order to successfully complete the concentration. Students earning a cumulative grade-point average of 3.2 or higher in all concentration courses will have “with honors” reflected on their certificates.