

THOMAS M. COOLEY LAW SCHOOL
JD - REQUIRED COURSES

Advanced Writing - ADVW 1084 LECT

Credits: 3

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Builds on Research & Writing. Students write an opinion letter, a brief, and a major contract. They can have draft conferences on the brief and contract and receive extensive written feedback on both. There are also weekly assignments that provide various forms of feedback, including in-class discussion, sample answers, and individual written feedback.

The research instruction covers federal statutes and regulations, legislative history, and loose-leaf services--again through a series of self-guided audiotapes. And students receive additional training in advanced computer research, along with an introduction to various practical resources that lawyers often overlook. To be taken in year three.

Business Organizations - TXBW 518 LECT

Credits: 3

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Covers partnerships; limited liability companies; some aspects of limited partnerships, including formation of the limited partnership and the potential loss of limited liability of limited partners; corporations, including closely held and publicly owned corporations; social policy developed under the common law; and agency principles.

Civil Procedure I - CIVP 105 LECT

Credits: 3

PREREQUISITES: CONTRACTS I (CONT108LECT) AND TORTS I (TOEQ106LECT).

Covers personal jurisdiction, notice and service of process, subject matter jurisdiction, removal, transfer, venue, simple joinder, pleading, default, dismissals, the Erie doctrine and related matters.

Civil Procedure II - CIVP 209 LECT

Credits: 3

PREREQUISITE: CIVIL PROCEDURE I (CIVP105LECT).

Covers complex joinder, class actions, former adjudication, discovery, trial, summary judgment, post-trial motions, and related matters.

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Constitutional Law I - CONL 404 LECT

Credits: 3

PREREQUISITE: NONE.

Covers judicial review, Tenth and Eleventh Amendment doctrines, separation of powers, federal-state relations, Congressional powers, state action, and the Contracts Clause.

Constitutional Law II - CONL 503 LECT

Credits: 3

PREREQUISITE: CONSTITUTIONAL LAW I (CONL404LECT).

Covers due process, equal protection, freedom of expression, and freedom of religion.

Contracts I - CONT 108 LECT

Credits: 3

PREREQUISITE: NONE.

Covers contract formation, consideration, remedies for breach of contract, and statute of frauds.

Contracts II - CONT 213 LECT

Credits: 3

PREREQUISITE: CONTRACTS I (CONT108LECT).

Covers the parol evidence rule, interpretation, avoidance, conditions, substantial performance, anticipatory repudiation, third-party beneficiaries, assignment and delegation.

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Criminal Law - CRLP 107 LECT

Credits: 3

PREREQUISITE: NONE.

Studies both the common law and modern statutory schemes. Covers the crimes of homicide, rape, assault, battery, kidnapping, arson, burglary, theft, attempt, solicitation, and conspiracy; general principles of imputability and responsibility; defenses; and double jeopardy principles.

Criminal Procedure - CRLP 305 LECT

Credits: 3

PREREQUISITES: CRIMINAL LAW (CRLP107LECT).

Involves the criminal case in a constitutional rather than tactical context. Primary emphasis is on the Fourth, Fifth, and Sixth Amendments.

Equity & Remedies - TOEQ 620 LECT

Credits: 3

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND PROPERTY II (PRSE207LECT) AND CIVIL PROCEDURE II (CIVP209LECT) AND CONSTITUTIONAL LAW I (CONL404LECT) AND CONSTITUTIONAL LAW II (CONL503LECT) AND BUSINESS ORGANIZATIONS (TXBW518LECT).

Studies basic characteristics of legal, equitable, and restitutionary remedies and their application to tortious wrongs and disrupted transactions.

Evidence - EVID 406 LECT

Credits: 3

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Covers the Federal Rules of Evidence and their common law sources. Includes standards and procedures for admission and exclusion of all forms of evidence. Examines problems of relevance, prejudice, character and conduct evidence, hearsay evidence, testimonial privileges, and expert testimony.

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Introduction to Law - INTR 110 LECT

Credits: 0

PREREQUISITE: NONE.

This is a required 12-week intensive skills course, intended to teach first-term students the basic skills needed to succeed in law school. Teaches students how to use the pattern of legal text (cases, statutes, etc.) to set purposes for reading and to guide students in finding all the important parts; how to develop an efficient note-taking system for out-of-class notes and in-class notes; how to listen effectively in class; how to merge the law from various sources into an effective outline; how to use the outline to construct organized legal analysis; how to write using the legal analysis pattern; and how to think through multiple choice questions. Torts, Criminal Law and Contracts are used to illustrate these skills.

No Exam.

Personal and Professional Responsibility - PROF 308 LECT

Credits: 3

PREREQUISITE: TORTS II (TOEQ304LECT).

Examines the ethical dimensions of the lawyer's role, duty, and tactics as advisor, counselor, and problem-solver in civil and criminal settings. Inculcates the study of the ethical obligations of the profession in delivering legal services. Covers the American Bar Association Model Code of Professional Responsibility, Model Rules of Professional Conduct, and Code of Judicial Conduct.

Property I - PRSE 109 LECT

Credits: 3

PREREQUISITE: NONE.

Covers the private ownership and possession of real property, estates in land, introduction to mortgages, and the transfer of property for value or gratuitously.

Property II - PRSE 207 LECT

Credits: 3

PREREQUISITE: PROPERTY I (PRSE109LECT).

Involves land-use fundamentals: landlord-tenant rights and duties, neighbors' rights, easements, covenants and servitudes, zoning and subdivision controls, eminent domain and inverse condemnation.

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Research & Writing - RESW 214 LECT

Credits: 3

PREREQUISITES: TORTS I (TOEQ106LECT) AND CONTRACTS I (CONT108LECT).

Centers on the skills of legal research, writing and analysis. Students write several papers, including three law-office memorandums that emphasize the analysis, synthesis, and application of law. Students can have draft conferences on at least two of the memos and receive extensive feedback on all three. They are also taught the principles of good legal writing, plain English, and citation form.

The research instruction covers the evaluation and use of primary state and national authorities and the major secondary authorities relied on in the practice of law. Students work through a series of self-guided audiotapes designed to teach the process of research, along with legal analysis. And they receive six hours of training in electronic research. To be taken in final term of year one.

Secured Transactions - PRSE 604 LECT

Credits: 3

PREREQUISITE: PROPERTY II (PRSE207LECT).

Addresses the rights and obligations accompanying security interests in personal property. Article 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code is studied in detail along with portions of the Federal Bankruptcy Code.

Taxation - TXBW 516 LECT

Credits: 3

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

An in-depth study of federal income taxation, including the concepts of income, identification of the proper taxpayer, deductions, characterization of income, and the timing, deferral and non-recognition of income.

Torts I - TOEQ 106 LECT

Credits: 3

PREREQUISITE: NONE.

Covers intentional interference with person and property, privileges, negligence liability, including duty rules, breach and causation, and the defenses of comparative and contributory negligence and assumption of the risk.

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Torts II - TOEQ 304 LECT

Credits: 3

PREREQUISITE: TORTS I (TOEQ106LECT).

Covers damages, including wrongful death and survival actions, immunities, statutes of limitation, joint and several liability, vicarious liability, strict liability, products liability, workers' compensation, misrepresentation, defamation, and invasion of privacy.

Wills, Estates & Trusts - TXBW 517 LECT

Credits: 3

PREREQUISITES: PROPERTY I (PRSE109LECT) AND RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Introduces students to the general concepts of succession to property. Covers intestate succession, family protection, and the law of wills. Also covers trusts and introduces students to transfer taxes.

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Access to Justice Clinic I - CLIN 1110 CLNC

Credits: Variable

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (PROF308LECT).

3 to 5 credits per term, two terms. The Access to Justice Clinic at Cooley's Grand Rapids campus is partnered with the Legal Assistance Center at the Kent County Courthouse. The students in the clinic, under the supervision of the clinic faculty, advise and represent low income residents in Kent County in general civil cases, primarily in family and consumer law cases. Students may enroll in the clinic once they have completed 40 credit hours. Students are preselected. No Exam.

Access to Justice Clinic II - CLIN 1205 CLNC

Credits: Variable

PREREQUISITE: ACCESS TO JUSTICE CLINIC I (CLIN1110CLNC).

3 to 5 credits per term. Builds on Access to Justice Clinic I. Students are preselected. No Exam.

Accounting for Lawyers - ELEC 455 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: TAXATION (TXBW516LECT)

Provides students with an introduction to the principles of financial accounting that are relevant to lawyers practicing business and tax law. Topics include the mechanics of the double-entry bookkeeping system and the related financial and tax ramifications of implementing various accounting conventions and methods in addition to the various regulatory requirements surrounding accounting internal controls in a corporate environment. Provides a basic understanding of generally accepted accounting principles and basic financial statements utilized by business clients. Grades are typically based on tests, class participation, a take home final.

Adv. Appellate Techniques: Ethics, Law, and Appellate Pract - ELEC 1082 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Provides concentrated practice in the advanced techniques, strategies, and ethics necessary for successful appellate advocacy. Provides an opportunity to improve and perfect writing and oral advocacy skills in a dynamic yet low-pressure learning environment. No Exam.

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Advanced Appellate Practice: Child Abuse and Neglect - ELEC 1214 LECT Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT), CHILD ABUSE & NEGLECT (ELEC975LECT), AND ADVANCED WRITING (ADVW1084LECT) OR MOOT COURT (INTRA-SCHOOL) ELEC 1011LECT. Prerequisites, EXCEPT Research & Writing, may be waived.

Explores the skills, knowledge and ethics needed to effectively represent the child, the parent, or the Department of Human Services in an appeal from the termination of a parent's rights to his or her child. Using actual files from Michigan Court of Appeals cases, students work in groups to research, write a brief, and prepare for oral argument together. Oral argument is presented to the professor. Each group will receive a grade and that will be the grade for each member in the group. No Exam.

Advanced Business Mediation - ELEC 1117 LECT Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Explores collaborative methods for resolving business disputes. Students will learn theoretical frameworks then practice the skills of conflict diagnosis, dialoguing, interest based negotiation, and facilitative mediation in business disputes. No Exam.

Advanced Computer Assisted Legal Research - ELEC 1057 LECT Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Covers the theory and application of computer assisted legal research, its uses and limitations and its relation to traditional legal research. Provides training through both lecture and hands-on experience with computer terminals. No Exam.

Advanced Criminal Procedure - ELEC 1052 LECT Credits: 3

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND CRIMINAL PROCEDURE (CRLP305LECT).

Examines the tactical and procedural aspects of criminal prosecution and defense from arrest to sentencing. Includes bail, discovery, grand jury, preliminary examination, motion practice, plea bargaining, trial strategy, and sentencing. Designed for those students who anticipate practicing outside Michigan, the course focuses on procedures common to many jurisdictions with an emphasis on federal law. (A different course, CRIMINAL PRACTICE IN MICHIGAN, emphasizes Michigan Law and Procedure.)

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Advanced Practice Skills - International - ELEC 1086 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Introduces the basic concepts and supporting documents of international law, and then applies those using written and oral presentation to an international court or tribunal. The Phillips C. Jessup International Moot Court Team will be selected from all participants. No Exam.

Advanced Practice Skills- Mediation Training - ELEC 1088 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

This course is the Michigan State Court Administrator's Office approved training for mediation under MCR 2.411. Students learn principles and skills of facilitative mediation through experiential training, practicing the roles of parties, lawyers and mediators. Students who complete the course will be a few short steps from eligibility to serve as court-appointed mediators. No exam.

Advanced Practice Skills-Domestic Mediation - ELEC 1209 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH AND WRITING (RESW214LECT)

This course is the Michigan State Court Administrator's Office approved training for domestic mediation under MCR 3.216. Students explore conflict management theories and skills needed to mediate a divorce. Considers emotional issues, children's issues, custody and support, parenting time, property division, power balancing, family violence, financial concerns, building future relationships and ethics. The course satisfies Michigan's first step for eligibility to serve as a court-appointed mediator in family law. No exam.

Advanced Practice Skills-Family Law - ELEC 1225 LECT

Credits: 3

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT), PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (PROF308LECT), EVIDENCE (EVID406LECT), AND FAMILY LAW (ELEC915LECT).

Explores advocacy techniques in family law cases. Students will practice skills including conducting direct and cross examination, introducing evidence, impeaching witnesses, arguing motions, making opening statements and closing argument. Students prepare pleadings, motions, and a trial or mediation brief. No exam.

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Advanced Practice Skills-Multiple Party Dispute Resolution - ELEC 1213 LECT Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH AND WRITING (RESW214LECT); AND ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION (ELEC996LECT)OR ADVANCED PRACTICE SKILLS-MEDIATION (ELEC1088LECT).

Explores the skills needed to build consensus with multiple parties. Students will apply principles of facilitation to a simulated multiple-party dispute. Students will learn critical problem solving skills, including identifying appropriate stakeholders, bringing necessary parties to the table, and forming and working with representative subgroups. No exam.

Advanced Practice Skills: E-Discovery - ELEC 1200 LECT Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: CIVIL PROCEDURE II (CIVP209LECT) AND RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Explores recent changes to the federal and state rules of civil procedure, the practical effects of the changes, and various technological options available for meeting new requirements. Considers the practical problems with discovery of electronically stored information, including when and how to preserve information, how to locate and retrieve information, and options for producing information in different forms. The course also examines how to present the information as evidence at trial. Students will also learn about other emerging issues in discovery law that are not unique to discovery of electronic information, including preservation of the attorney-client privilege and trade secrets, and potential conflicts in cross-border litigation between U.S. discovery rules and privacy laws in other countries.

Advanced Professional Ethics - ELEC 1107 LECT Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (PROF308LECT).

Introduces the student to the history, philosophy, and morality of legal ethics to help the student evaluate, shape, adopt, and put into practice a purposive professional ethic. Paper will be required. No exam.

Advanced Trial Practice - Action Methods and Storytelling - ELEC 1079 LECT Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (PROF308LECT) AND TRIAL SKILLS (ELEC1018LECT).

Explores the use of action methods and storytelling techniques in trial preparation and trial. Subjects include: re-enactment, of critical events, assisting the client in telling the story, discovering the witness through action, in-court demonstrations, first-person storytelling. Readings center around theories and methods of bringing action into the courtroom, and use of action methods in trial preparation. No Exam.

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Advanced Trial Practice - Technology - ELEC 1083 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND TRIAL SKILLS (ELEC1018LECT).

This advanced practice class acquaints students with litigation support software, TeleVideo conferencing, electronic filing and brief submission, and video depositions, including editing and sub-titling. Allows students to become proficient in Power Point, document cameras, illustrators, and the application of realtime court reporting. Explores the ethical pitfalls of electronic presentations. Grades are based on a 15-page paper and student performance in three sets of in-class presentations. This paper must be filed electronically and in hardcopy. No Exam.

Alternative Dispute Resolution - ELEC 996 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND CIVIL PROCEDURE I (CIVP105LECT).

Examines the procedural, practical, and theoretical aspects of settlement; covers negotiation, conciliation, mediation, arbitration, mini trials, and additional settlement mechanisms. Reviews emergent organizations and resources for informal resolution of complex or protracted litigation. No Exam.

Alternative Dispute Resolution Externship - CLIN 5022 EXTE

Credits: Variable

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (PROF308LECT).

Offering students the opportunity to practice law in a supervised setting, third-year students can complete lawyering tasks assigned by their supervisors, with their learning guided by a Cooley faculty member. Students must apply and be approved for externship placements and corresponding classes, and all sites must be pre-approved. There is a classroom component for small group discussion. No Exam.

Alternative Dispute Resolution Externship - Remote - CLIN 5122 EXTE

Credits: Variable

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (PROF308LECT).

Offering students the opportunity to practice law in a supervised setting, third-year students can complete lawyering tasks assigned by their supervisors, with their learning guided by a Cooley faculty member. Students must apply and be approved for externship placements and corresponding classes, and all sites must be pre-approved. No Exam.

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American Legal History - ELEC 878 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH AND WRITING (RESW214LECT)

Explores how and why the institutions and principles of American law developed into their present forms. Surveys the development of the American legal system from its ancient and medieval roots through the 21st century. Exam course.

Animal Law - ELEC 1115 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Considers how legal systems, cases, statutes, and society view and protect the rights of nonhuman animals. Explores how legal concepts such as rights, legal personhood, standing, and property can be used in managing the conflicts involved in various human and nonhuman interactions. No Exam.

Appellate Practice - ELEC 905 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: EVIDENCE (EVID406LECT) AND CRIMINAL PROCEDURE (CRLP305LECT) AND CRIMINAL LAW (CRLP107LECT) AND RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Studies appellate jurisdiction, remedies, and procedures in the context of presentation of appeals before state and federal appellate court. Requires participation in the practical experience of preparation of an appellate brief in conjunction with clinical assignment to the Office of the State Appellate Defender, Office of the Attorney General, a county prosecutor's office, or private assigned defense counsel. No Exam.

Art, Cultural Heritage and the Law - ELEC 1108 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: NONE.

Covers freedom of expression, copyright, moral rights, architectural works, and preservation of historic structures, museums, art merchants, quality and authenticity of art, title of art, cultural heritage and war, international trade of cultural property, and exploration and appropriation of indigenous culture.
No Exam.

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Aviation Law - ELEC 923 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Covers statutory, regulatory and judicial aspects in the aviation field, along with some attention to the legal implications of the space age.

Banking Law - ELEC 948 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: SECURED TRANSACTIONS (PRSE604LECT).

Explores the formation and regulation of banks, bank officials, and non-bank institutions that offer bank services. Includes discussion of the latest TARP issues and the nationalization of the banking industry by the federal government and how it impacts financial institutions and financial services.

Bankruptcy - ELEC 3959 LECT

Credits: 3

PREREQUISITE: SECURED TRANSACTIONS (PRSE604LECT).

Building on the principles established in Secured Transactions; covers Chapters 7, 11, 12, and 13 of the Bankruptcy Code.

BarPlus - BARP 170 LECT

Credits: 0

PREREQUISITES: CONSTITUTIONAL LAW I (CONL404LECT) AND CONSTITUTIONAL LAW II (CONL503LECT) AND BUSINESS ORGANIZATIONS (TXBW518LECT) AND SECURED TRANSACTIONS (PRSE604LECT) AND PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (PROF308LECT).

Designed for graduates, BarPlus is a six week long supplemental bar review program that is designed to supplement a bar review course by providing practice Multistate Bar Exam (MBE) and essay questions and feedback, as well as test taking skills. While this course will benefit anyone who is taking a full service bar review course, the program is specifically tailored around Bar/Bri's lecture schedule. As a result, each BarPlus session (for the most part) will address the MBE subject that was covered in Bar/Bri during that week of class. This approach benefits students by providing practice while the material is still fresh in their minds. It also allows Bar/Bri students to stay on schedule with Bar/Bri's Paced Program. Please keep in mind, however, that BarPlus does not provide a substantive review of the tested subjects. Rather the course is solely designed to provide test taking practice and feedback. Only a full service bar review course can adequately provide the substantive information necessary to pass the bar exam. No Exam.

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BarStart - BARP 150 LECT

Credits: 0

PREREQUISITES: CONSTITUTIONAL LAW I (CONL404LECT) AND CONSTITUTIONAL LAW II (CONL503LECT) AND CONTRACTS II (CONT213LECT) AND EVIDENCE (EVID406LECT) AND PROPERTY II (PRSE207LECT) AND TORTS II (TOEQ304LECT).

Introduces students to the bar exam regardless of which state they will take the exam in, and provides them with substantive law reviews and updates, test-taking strategies and skills, and a bar study plan that will prepare them to hit the ground running when they begin their post-graduation study for the bar in earnest. Begins with an introduction to the different components of the bar exam, including the Multistate Bar Exam, the Multistate Essay Exam, the Multistate Performance Test, the Multistate Professional Responsibility Exam, and state essay exams. Provides a substantive law review and update of recent developments in the law for the six Multistate Bar Exam subjects tested in virtually all states (Contracts, Constitutional Law, Criminal Law & Procedure, Evidence, Property, and Torts), coupled with practice tests and feedback about test-taking strategies and skills. Covers time and stress management techniques, study techniques, study schedules and the different bar review preparation options. Recommended for seniors. No Exam.

Business Planning - ELEC 1040 LECT

Credits: 3

PREREQUISITES: TAXATION (TXBW516LECT) AND BUSINESS ORGANIZATIONS (TXBW518LECT) AND RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Examines issues in representing small or privately-owned corporations, and provides the practical skills necessary. Includes selecting and capitalizing the enterprise, valuation of closely-held enterprises, corporate distributions and redemptions, and securities law aspects of business planning. Drafting and negotiating skills are also covered. Major written projects will be required. No Exam.

Business Regulation Externship - CLIN 5005 EXTE

Credits: Variable

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (PROF308LECT).

Offering students the opportunity to practice law in a supervised setting, third-year students can complete lawyering tasks assigned by their attorney supervisors, with their learning guided by a Cooley faculty member. Students must apply and be approved for externship placements and corresponding classes, and all sites must be pre-approved. There is a classroom component for small group discussion. No Exam.

Business Regulation Externship - Remote - CLIN 5105 EXTE

Credits: Variable

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (PROF308LECT).

Offering students the opportunity to practice law in a supervised setting, third-year students can complete lawyering tasks assigned by their attorney supervisors, with their learning guided by a Cooley faculty member. Students must apply and be approved for externship placements and corresponding classes, and all sites must be pre-approved. No Exam.

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Canadian Administrative Law - ELEC 1228 LECT

Credits: 3

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT)

Explores the obligation of procedural fairness for governmental decision-makers in Canada, the standard of review and the method of review assigned to administrative agencies, judicial review, and the framework for provincial and federal review. Examines the differences between Canadian and U.S. administrative law systems. Exam course.

Canadian Constitutional Law - ELEC 1229 LECT

Credits: 3

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT)

Covers the nature and sources of the Canadian Constitution and how it differs from the U.S. Constitution, the role of each branch of government and checks and balances, and the balance of power between the federal and provincial governments. Considers the rule of law at the heart of the Canadian system of government and the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms, including aboriginal rights. Exam course.

Canadian Criminal Law and Procedure - ELEC 1230 LECT

Credits: 3

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT), CRIMINAL LAW (CRLP107LECT), CRIMINAL PROCEDURE (CRLP305LECT)

Examines the differences between criminal law and procedure in the U.S. and Canada, including the Canadian federal legal system and the provincial administration of justice; the Canadian criminal code and case law interpreting the code, and the rights of the accused as determined by the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms. Exam course.

Canadian Law (Foundations of) - ELEC 1231 LECT

Credits: 3

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT)

Provides an overview of Canadian law and the role of law in Canadian society. Considers judicial review and statutory interpretation; the relationships between the branches of Canadian government; treaty-making and the relationship of the Aboriginal People and the Canadian state. Explores the sources of Canadian law and how to research it. Exam course.

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Child Abuse & Neglect - ELEC 975 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Examines, from an interdisciplinary viewpoint, the appropriate occasions for state intrusion into ongoing family relationships. Focuses on the roles of the participants in the decision to withdraw a child from the home, the standards used to arrive at that decision, and the interrelationships between and among the fields of law, psychiatry, psychology, and social work.

Children and the Law - ELEC 892 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: CONSTITUTIONAL LAW II (CONL503LECT).

Examines the legal relationships between children and the state and between children and their parents. Includes an examination of common law, statutory, and constitutional constraints on the rights and status of children in both civil and criminal contexts. No Exam.

Client Counseling Competition - ELEC 1101 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

By invitation only. Students participate in practice counseling rounds, then compete in regional competitions that are held each fall. No Exam.

Climate Change Law - ELEC 1216 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT)

Provides an overview of international and domestic law related to climate change, and focuses on several United Nations treaties and conventions, the federal Clean Air Act, tax incentives to encourage energy conservation and alternative energy sources, and common law remedies such as nuisance and negligence. A final paper is due for this course. No exam.

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Coastal and Great Lakes Law - ELEC 1118 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Focuses on the public and private property interests and developmental issues and impacts along the Nation's ocean and Great Lakes coasts, including beach erosion and shoreline protection, beach access, and wetlands protection; and examines the federal Coastal Zone Management Act, which provides a legal framework for protecting the Nation's coastal resources. The course also examines offshore issues such as ocean energy resources, fisheries and marine ecosystems, submerged cultural resources, and pollution of coastal waters. Research paper. No Exam.

Collective Bargaining - ELEC 999 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: LABOR LAW (ELEC920LECT).

Explores the legal and practical problems associated with negotiating a collective bargaining agreement, with aspects of administering the contract. Emphasizes a transactional approach where students negotiate a complete collective bargaining agreement. No Exam.

Comparative Law - ELEC 972 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Surveys the major legal systems, including European, Japanese and Third World countries and their law, courts and lawyers. Covers modern mechanisms such as the European Economic Community and the Canada-U.S. Free Trade Agreement institutions which coordinate the interaction of the world's major legal systems.

Comparative Procedure (Florida) - ELEC 997 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND CIVIL PROCEDURE II (CIVP209LECT).

Covers civil procedure under Florida Court Rules, and other matters related to civil practice in Florida.

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Comparative Procedure (Michigan) - ELEC 866 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND CIVIL PROCEDURE II (CIVP209LECT).

Covers civil procedure under Michigan Court Rules, and other matters related to civil practice in Michigan.

Comparative Procedure (New York) - ELEC 985 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND CIVIL PROCEDURE II (CIVP209LECT).

Covers civil procedure under the New York Court Rules, and other matters related to civil practice in New York.

Computer Crimes Seminar - ELEC 1077 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: CRIMINAL LAW (CRLP107LECT) AND CRIMINAL PROCEDURE (CRLP305LECT) AND RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Explores the legal and practical issues confronted in the Internet world. The course will cover the basic architecture of the Internet; criminal jurisdiction; the 4th Amendment; federal and state computer crimes statutes; a discussion of particular crimes in detail, such as hacking, on-line sexual solicitation of minors, and identity theft; wiretapping; privacy on the Internet; retrieval of electronic evidence. Paper and class presentations required. No Exam.

Computer Law - ELEC 992 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: TORTS II (TOEQ304LECT) AND RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Considers legal issues related to the use of computers, including patent and copyright aspects of computer programs, protection of privacy, confidentiality of information, the use of evidence produced by computer, computer-connected crimes, and tort and contract issues relating to computers. This course does not cover legal research. See Research and Writing and Advanced Computer Assisted Legal Research.

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Condominium Law - ELEC 1080 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Explores the substantive law and practice related to condominiums, with particular emphasis on the Michigan Condominium Act, homeowner associations, resort developments and mixed use developments. Examines the practical considerations regarding the representation of condominium associations and condominium association developers. No exam.

Conflict of Laws - ELEC 960 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT), CIVIL PROCEDURE I (CIVP105LECT), AND CONSTITUTIONAL LAW I (CONL404LECT).

Reviews jurisdiction and the Erie Doctrine. Covers choice of law, constitutional limitations, comity. This course will help students prepare for the Michigan bar examination.

Constitutional Law Seminar - ELEC 963 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: CONSTITUTIONAL LAW I (CONL404LECT) AND CONSTITUTIONAL LAW II (CONL503LECT) AND RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Focuses on particular topics and issues of current significance in constitutional law. No Exam.

Construction Law - ELEC 835 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: CONTRACTS II (CONT213LECT) AND RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Builds on the foundation of contracts as applied in the construction industry. Includes construction lien laws, sureties and bonding, and review of standard construction industry forms. Focuses on the construction process and the legal/contractual relations of the principal parties.

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Consumer Law - ELEC 965 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Reviews and studies consumer laws regarding fraud, deceptive advertising and marketing practices. Includes state and federal anti-deception laws and credit and usury practices.

Cooley Immigrant Rights and Civil Advocacy Clinic - CLIN 1030 CLIN

Credits: 3

PREREQUISITES: CIVIL PROCEDURE I (CIVP105LECT), CIVIL PROCEDURE II (CIVP209LECT), PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (PROF308LECT), RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT), AND MINIMUM 40 CREDITS EARNED. IMMIGRATION LAW, PRETRIAL SKILLS, FAMILY LAW AND TRIAL SKILLS ARE RECOMMENDED, BUT NOT REQUIRED.

The Cooley Immigrant Rights and Civil Advocacy Clinic is available to weekend and evening students and others if space is available. Interns interview and counsel clients; work on civil legal representation for immigrants with documentation issues. This program allows students to have the clinical experience during evening hours. One term commitment. Students are preselected. No Exam.

Corporate Counsel Externship - CLIN 5004 EXTE

Credits: Variable

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (PROF308LECT).

Offering students the opportunity to practice law in a supervised setting, third-year students can complete lawyering tasks assigned by their attorney supervisors, with their learning guided by a Cooley faculty member. Students must apply and be approved for externship placements and corresponding classes, and all sites must be pre-approved. There is a classroom component for small group discussion. No Exam.

Corporate Counsel Externship - Remote - CLIN 5104 EXTE

Credits: Variable

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (PROF308LECT).

Offering students the opportunity to practice law in a supervised setting, third-year students can complete lawyering tasks assigned by their attorney supervisors, with their learning guided by a Cooley faculty member. Students must apply and be approved for externship placements and corresponding classes, and all sites must be pre-approved. No Exam.

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Criminal Defense Externship - Remote - CLIN 5103 EXTE

Credits: Variable

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (PROF308LECT).

Offering students the opportunity to practice law in a supervised setting, third-year students can complete lawyering tasks assigned by their attorney supervisors, with their learning guided by a Cooley faculty member. Students must apply and be approved for externship placements and corresponding classes, and all sites must be pre-approved. No Exam.

Criminal Practice in Michigan - ELEC 909 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND EVIDENCE (EVID406LECT) AND CRIMINAL PROCEDURE (CRLP305LECT).

Includes counseling the accused, defenses, and trial strategy, both prosecutorial and defense, with a focus on Michigan Law. (A different course, ADVANCED CRIMINAL PROCEDURE, is designed for students who plan to practice outside Michigan.)

Criminal Sentencing/Law & Practice - ELEC 1046 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: CONSTITUTIONAL LAW II (CONL503LECT) AND CRIMINAL LAW (CRLP107LECT) AND CRIMINAL PROCEDURE (CRLP305LECT) AND RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Details sentencing plans, credits, concurrent and consecutive sentencing and presentence report issues. Covers repeat offender provisions, probation, and parole. Reviews procedures for obtaining relief. Explores sentencing guidelines.

Cultural Competency - ELEC 1204 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (PROF308LECT).

Explores how lawyers can provide competent representation to clients from a variety of ethnic and cultural backgrounds. Research Paper. No exam.

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Death Penalty Seminar - ELEC 1061 LECT

Credits: 3

PREREQUISITES: CONSTITUTIONAL LAW I (CONL404LECT) AND CONSTITUTIONAL LAW II (CONL503LECT) AND RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Covers the constitutional and procedural issues involved in a death penalty case including methods of execution; proportionality as a limit on punishment; race, gender and the death penalty; executing juveniles, mentally insane, and mentally retarded defendants; aggravating and mitigating circumstances in a death penalty case; and state and federal habeas corpus. No exam.

Defending Battered Women - ELEC 787 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND CRIMINAL LAW (CRLP107LECT) AND CRIMINAL PROCEDURE (CRLP305LECT).

Provides students an understanding of domestic violence and the ways in which its victims are represented within the criminal justice system. Examines the dynamics of abuse, including syndrome theories. Focuses on how women become involved with the criminal justice system, and the general mechanics of a criminal trial for women who defend themselves or retaliate. Explores Battered Women's Syndrome evidence and how it can be used. Discusses the phases of trials and appeals in which battered women are defendants. Representation from arrest through the appeal will be covered. Examines current state of the criminal justice system as it relates to domestic violence victims. No Exam.

Deferred Compensation and Pension Planning - ELEC 973 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: TAXATION (TXBW516LECT) AND RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Includes problems in the tax aspects of deferred compensation with particular emphasis on qualified pension and profit-sharing plans: minimum eligibility, participation, and vesting requirements; deductions, contributions, and benefits limitations; and taxation of distributions. As time permits, prohibited transaction, fiduciary responsibilities, and termination issues are also considered.

Directed Study - ELEC 990 LECT

Credits: Variable

PREREQUISITES: CIVIL PROCEDURE I (CIVP105LECT) AND CIVIL PROCEDURE II (CIVP209LECT) AND CONTRACTS I (CONT108LECT) AND CONTRACTS II (CONT213LECT) AND CRIMINAL LAW (CRLP107LECT) AND CRIMINAL PROCEDURE (CRLP305LECT) AND PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (PROF308LECT) AND PROPERTY I (PRSE109LECT) AND PROPERTY II (PRSE207LECT) AND RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND TORTS I (TOEQ106LECT) AND TORTS II (TOEQ304LECT).

Variable credit. Provides an opportunity for junior and senior students in good academic standing to submit a proposal for a Directed Study project to a full-time faculty member. Generally requires 15 to 20 pages of a written project for each credit hour earned. The project must be approved by a full-time faculty member and the Associate Dean of Planning Programs and Assessment. No Exam.

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Disabled Worker - ELEC 847 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Examines the statutes, regulations and case law which affect the rights of the disabled worker. Discusses theories of unlawful employment discrimination, as well as the Michigan Handicappers Civil Rights Act, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and the Americans With Disabilities Act. Particular attention will be paid to administrative procedures and remedies.

District Court Practice - ELEC 910 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND CIVIL PROCEDURE II (CIVP209LECT) AND CRIMINAL PROCEDURE (CRLP305LECT).

Reviews practice in the district courts emphasizing both procedural rules and substantive concepts. Both criminal and civil practice are involved. Emphasis is placed on substantive areas the practitioner uses most often in Michigan district courts.

Drunk Driving Law and Practice - ELEC 1119 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: EVIDENCE (EVID406LECT) AND CRIMINAL LAW (CRLP107LECT) AND CRIMINAL PROCEDURE (CRLP305LECT) AND RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Explores the prosecution and defense of Michigan's most common crime: Operating While Intoxicated (OWI). Topics include the substantive law of OWI, the law and science of breath and blood testing, substantive & procedural motions, trial, sentencing, administrative law, and ethics.

Education Law - ELEC 931 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: CONSTITUTIONAL LAW I (CONL404LECT) AND CONSTITUTIONAL LAW II (CONL503LECT) AND RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Introduces the topics of state regulation of education, school finances, teachers' duties and rights, students' duties and rights, discrimination in educational systems, academic freedom, church/state problems, educational malpractice and tort liability, and collective bargaining.

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Elder Law Practice - ELEC 1226 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT), WILLS, ESTATES & TRUSTS (TXBW517LECT), AND PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (PROF308LECT).

Provides students with a comprehensive understanding of the basics of an elder law practice. Examines how to start an elder law practice, the legal components of an elder law and the issues faced by potential elder law clientele. Focuses on estate planning concepts, incapacity planning, protection of vulnerable adults, housing options and rights, governmental benefits, ethics in representing elderly clients, elder abuse and approaches to starting an elder law practice.

Election Law - ELEC 943 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Analyzes Michigan and federal election laws with practical experience in current election matters. Includes an analysis of legislation and also the practical administration of recounts and other election matters.

Emerging Elderlaw Issues Seminar - ELEC 1105 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Explores emerging issues in elderlaw in the US. Each student selects an elderlaw topic, prepares and presents a paper of publishable quality exploring the legal and social issues presented. No Exam.

Employment Law - ELEC 1227 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Explores legal issues raised by adverse personnel actions in the non-union private sector Michigan workplace, including the doctrine of employment at will and its exceptions, as well as related tort and contract theories; state and federal employment discrimination law; the use and enforceability of restrictive covenants to engage in business competition, the federal wages and hours laws; state and federal safety laws; and Michigan's wage statutes.

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Energy Law - ELEC 1109 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND CONSTITUTIONAL LAW I (CONL404LECT) AND FEDERAL ADMINISTRATIVE LAW (ELEC622LECT).

Acquaints students with issues addressed in energy-law related careers in public and private sectors. Students will create an energy law practice notebook of state-specific information about energy resources, usage, case law, statutes, and regulations for the state in which the student first plans to practice. They also will write a short paper advocating a point of view on a particular question of energy policy or practice.

Entertainment Law - ELEC 991 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: CONTRACTS II (CONT213LECT) AND RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Focuses on principles governing activities within the entertainment industry. A major focus of the class will be in the intellectual property areas. (A different course, INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY OF ENTERTAINMENT, is devoted exclusively to this area.)

Environmental Law - ELEC 3912 LECT

Credits: 3

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Covers environmental protection; state and federal pollution control; common law and statutory remedies. Surveys the major statutory programs, such as the Clean Air and Water Acts, and the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act.

Environmental Law Externship - CLIN 5002 EXTE

Credits: Variable

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (PROF308LECT).

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Environmental Law Externship - Remote - CLIN 5102 EXTE

Credits: Variable

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (PROF308LECT).

Offering students the opportunity to practice law in a supervised setting, third-year students can complete lawyering tasks assigned by their attorney supervisors, with their learning guided by a Cooley faculty member. Students must apply and be approved for externship placements and corresponding classes, and all sites must be pre-approved. No Exam.

Estate & Gift Tax - ELEC 913 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND WILLS, ESTATES & TRUSTS (TXBW517LECT).

Focuses on the federal transfer taxes: the gift tax, the estate tax, and the generation skipping transfer tax. Examines the Internal Revenue Code and regulations rulings, and case law leading to the present system of taxing gratuitous transfers.

Estate Planning - ELEC 914 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND WILLS, ESTATES & TRUSTS (TXBW517LECT).

Involves a study of typical problems and transactions in planning an effective and economical distribution of property while alive and at death. Includes basic estate and gift tax concepts. No Exam.

Estate Planning Clinic - Auburn Hills - CLIN 1201 CLNC

Credits: 3

PREREQUISITE: PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (PROF308LECT) AND RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND WILLS, ESTATES & TRUSTS (TXBW517LECT).

The Estate Planning Clinic-Auburn Hills, a partnership with Lakeshore Legal Aid, is available to weekend and evening students and others if space is available. Interns interview and counsel clients; draft wills, powers of attorney, and medical directives. This program allows students to have the clinical experience during weekend or evening hours. Students may enroll in the clinic once they have completed 40 credit hours. One Term. Students are preselected. No Exam.

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Estate Planning Clinic - Lansing - CLIN 5015 CLNC

Credits: 3

PREREQUISITE: PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (PROF308LECT) AND RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND WILLS, ESTATES & TRUSTS (TXBW517LECT).

Sixty Plus offers a One-Term Estate Planning Clinic. This program is available in Lansing to weekend and evening students and others if space is available. Interns interview and counsel clients; draft wills, powers of attorney, and medical directives. This program allows students to have the clinical experience during weekend or evening hours. Students may enroll in the clinic once they have completed 40 credit hours. Students are preselected. No Exam.

European Union Law - Substantive Issues - ELEC 1098 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Delves into substantive areas of European Union (EU) law, including trade in goods, intellectual property protection, competition law, consumer protection and environmental principles, with an emphasis on the likely impact of the EU constitution. EU Law- Institutional Aspects recommended before taking this course.

European Union Law- Institutional Aspects - ELEC 794 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Examines the laws and legal institutions of the European Union (EU), including treaties, directives, regulations, competition law, negative clearances, conflicts, jurisdiction, trade, litigation and EU law databases.

Evidence Problems - ELEC 982 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: EVIDENCE (EVID406LECT) AND RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

An in-depth examination of selected areas of the law of evidence including relevancy, hearsay and non-hearsay, character evidence, impeachment and support, and scientific and demonstrative evidence.

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Family Law - ELEC 915 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND CIVIL PROCEDURE II (CIVP209LECT).

Covers pre-marital agreements, status of marriage, annulments, legitimacy, paternity, adoption, intra-family torts, emancipation of minors, poor laws, divorce, property settlements, custody, support, alimony, tax implications of divorce, enforcement and modification of divorce judgments and procedure and jurisdiction in various types of causes of action in domestic relations.

Family Law Assistance Project - CLIN 5019 CLNC

Credits: Variable

PREREQUISITE: Civil Procedure II (CIVP209LECT).

By Invitation Only. Variable Credit. 2 terms. FLAP provides free legal representation to Oakland County clients in family matters. Students are the attorneys in the case pursuant to MCR 8.120, and work closely at our Auburn Hills campus with staff attorneys from Lakeshore Legal Aid. Students interview clients, prepare all documents related to their cases, negotiate, and represent clients in courts. First term students work closely in pairs with experience second term students and all participate in a class taught by Cooley faculty. No Exam.

Family Violence Practice - ELEC 857 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: CRIMINAL PROCEDURE (CRLP305LECT) AND TORTS II (TOEQ304LECT) AND RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Explores through an interdisciplinary approach the correlation between family violence, child abuse and the abuse of elderly. Covers crime victimization, psychology, criminology of the assailant, and the need for a leadership role in coordinating a community response. Helps identify resources within the community, including battered women's shelters, child abuse intervention programs, and offender's treatment programs. Explores the Model Code on Domestic Violence approved by the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges and current state law material on domestic violence, civil remedies, tort litigation, and divorce actions. Identifies the remedies available to persons experiencing or who have experienced abuse - including injunctive relief, divorce, arrest, prosecution, and tort litigation. Covers trial evidence strategies for civil litigation and criminal prosecution of family violence crimes. No Exam.

Federal Administrative Law - ELEC 622 LECT

Credits: 3

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND CONSTITUTIONAL LAW I (CONL404LECT).

Examines the principles governing the theory, practice, and procedures of federal administrative law. Covers delegation, separation of powers, access to information, rule making, due process, adjudication, and judicial review.

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Federal Courts Practice - ELEC 946 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: Civil Procedure I (CIVP105LECT) AND CIVIL PROCEDURE II (CIVP209LECT) AND CONSTITUTIONAL LAW I (CONL404LECT) AND CONSTITUTIONAL LAW II (CONL503LECT) AND RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Explores the procedures and skills necessary for effective practice in federal district courts. Students will develop their written and oral advocacy skills through in-class exercises. Student evaluation includes simulation, short writing assignments, and a research paper. No exam.

Federal Disabilities Law - ELEC 1210 LECT

Credits: 2

PREQUISITE: RESEARCH AND WRITING (RESW214LECT)

Examines federal legislation, regulations, and case law affecting the rights of individuals with physical and mental disabilities. Special emphasis is placed on all components of the Americans with Disabilities Act. Other federal legislation surveyed in this course includes the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Fair Housing Amendments of 1988.

Federal Indian Law - ELEC 880 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND CONSTITUTIONAL LAW I (CONL404LECT).

Examines legal doctrines relating to American Indians, Indian tribes, and Indian reservations. Focuses on the relationship of Indian tribal sovereignty to the federal and state governments.

Federal Telecommunications Law - ELEC 821 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND FEDERAL ADMINISTRATIVE LAW (ELEC622LECT).

Analyzes substantive issues involving the federal regulation of telecommunications providers, principally telephony providers. Covers antitrust; restructuring the Bell System under the divestiture decree, including lines of business restrictions; pricing; telecommunications equipment; enhances services; mobile telephony; long-distance telephony; telephony and cable television and international issues.

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Foreign Relations - ELEC 1089 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: CONSTITUTIONAL LAW I (CONL404LECT) AND RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Covers foreign relations of the United States, including diplomacy, treaty-making, defense extradition, alien torts, foreign sovereign immunities, classification of information claims, war-making powers, Freedom of Information Act, and Congressional oversight.

Forensic Evidence in Criminal Cases - ELEC 1099 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND EVIDENCE (EVID406LECT).

Examines the use of forensic and scientific evidence in criminal cases. Covers the various types of forensic evidence, such as DNA typing, polygraphs, hypnosis, psychological and syndrome evidence, and other types of police identification techniques. Includes admissibility, reliability, and the scientific method. Paper required. No Exam.

Gaming Law - ELEC 1035 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Focuses on the parameters involved in the development of gaming as it expands in new states; concentrates on the existing law as it applies to this emerging, highly regulated business. Examines federal and various state gaming laws and regulations along with constitutional and administrative law issues; analyzes recent developments in gaming law, Indian gaming, and tax and debt collection. No Exam.

General Practice Externship - CLIN 5009 EXTE

Credits: Variable

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (PROF308LECT).

Offering students the opportunity to practice law in a supervised setting, third-year students can complete lawyering tasks assigned by their attorney supervisors, with their learning guided by a Cooley faculty member. Students must apply and be approved for externship placements and corresponding classes, and all sites must be pre-approved. There is a classroom component for small group discussion. No Exam.

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General Practice Externship - Remote - CLIN 5109 EXTE

Credits: Variable

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (PROF308LECT).

Offering students the opportunity to practice law in a supervised setting, third-year students can complete lawyering tasks assigned by their attorney supervisors, with their learning guided by a Cooley faculty member. Students must apply and be approved for externship placements and corresponding classes, and all sites must be pre-approved. No Exam.

Gun Control Seminar - ELEC 851 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND CONSTITUTIONAL LAW I (CONL404LECT).

An in-depth study of gun-related laws including federal and state constitutional provisions affording rights to own and bear arms, current federal and state gun-control laws, proposed federal and state gun-control laws, and the potential need for local gun-control ordinances. No Exam.

Health Law - ELEC 940 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Examines selected issues and concepts relating to individual and institutional health care providers. Covers patient/provider confidentiality, informed consent, wrongful birth and wrongful life, and termination of life support systems. No exam.

Homeland Security Law - ELEC 1222 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT), CRIMINAL PROCEDURE (CRLP305LECT), CONSTITUTIONAL LAW I (CONL404LECT), AND CONSTITUTIONAL LAW II (CONL503LECT)

Explores the legislative and judicial responses to the threat of domestic terrorism in the United States. Students will identify and analyze legal issues arising from the US efforts to plan, prepare, respond, and recover from modern terrorist threats, including the tension between Homeland Security and individual liberties. They will assess and analyze the international rule of law in the application of Homeland Security. No exam; paper required.

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Immigration Law - ELEC 954 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Examines the rights of aliens such as the right to enter, right to asylum, right to remain in the United States; rights in deportation proceedings and registration; and the rights of aliens as students, the right to work, to own property and to receive governmental benefits. Focuses upon the Immigration and Nationality Act, with its preferences and other requirements leading to United States citizenship.

Immigration Law Externship - CLIN 5010 EXTE

Credits: Variable

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (PROF308LECT).

Offering students the opportunity to practice law in a supervised setting, third-year students can complete lawyering tasks assigned by their attorney supervisors, with their learning guided by a Cooley faculty member. Students must apply and be approved for externship placements and corresponding classes, and all sites must be pre-approved. There is a classroom component for small group discussion. No Exam.

Immigration Law Externship - Remote - CLIN 5110 EXTE

Credits: Variable

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (PROF308LECT).

Offering students the opportunity to practice law in a supervised setting, third-year students can complete lawyering tasks assigned by their attorney supervisors, with their learning guided by a Cooley faculty member. Students must apply and be approved for externship placements and corresponding classes, and all sites must be pre-approved. No Exam.

Innocence Project - CLIN 1070 CLNC

Credits: Variable

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND CRIMINAL LAW (CRLP107LECT) AND CRIMINAL PROCEDURE (CRLP305LECT).

2 term commitment, variable credits.

Explores post-conviction remedies for defendants who claim they are innocent of crimes for which they have been convicted. Students investigate claims of innocence, relying on DNA evidence that had previously been unavailable. Students assist in preparing all documents for post-conviction relief in state or federal court as appropriate. Students may enroll in the clinic once they have completed 40 credit hours and are preselected. No Exam.

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Intellectual Property Law - ELEC 1097 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Covers basic principles of trade secret, patent, trademark, and copyright law and related intellectual property law issues. Provides a basic understanding of the scope of rights in these field and the protection and enforcement of those rights. Serves as a foundation for further study in Intellectual Property Law, or as an overview of the field for general practitioners.

Intellectual Property of Entertainment - ELEC 1068 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Covers copyright, trademark, and appropriations as those bodies of law apply to music, theatre, film, art, literature, and other aspects of entertainment. Current trends and future directions of this dynamic area of the law will also be discussed.

International and Comparative Contract Law - ELEC 1120 LECT

Credits: 2

Examines the Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods (CISG) and compares it to the Uniform Commercial Code. Compares common law and civil law issues of contract formation, performance, breach and remedies.

International Arbitration - ELEC 1114 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Explores the resolution of international disputes by arbitration. Covers the authority of arbitration tribunals, the arbitrators, the arbitration process, and the effects and limits of international arbitration awards.

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International Business Law - ELEC 829 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Covers international business relationships and issues. Includes U.S. and foreign regulation of transactions, formation and operation of subsidiaries, joint ventures and other business entities, sales, and tax considerations. Counseling and drafting skills are emphasized.

International Criminal Law - ELEC 1203 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: CRIMINAL PROCEDURE (CRLP305LECT), RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT)

Explores international criminal law, including prosecution and defense in different fora. Considers international war crimes, crimes against humanity, genocide, and human rights.

International Law - ELEC 917 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Examines public international law, covering sources of international law, international agreements, international organizations, recognition of states, international claims and use of force.

International Trade - ELEC 1049 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Covers the private international legal system and domestic implications that arise from global trade as reflected in the U.S. Customs framework. Focuses on GATT and applies those rules to practical and fact-intensive problems.

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Interviewing and Counseling - ELEC 1085 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (PROF308LECT).

Introduces students to theories about how and why lawyers interview counsel clients and gives students opportunities to practice the skills of interviewing. No Exam.

Jessup/International Law Team - ELEC 1102 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND INTERNATIONAL LAW (ELEC917LECT)

Students are preselected, usually from participants in Advanced Practice Skills-International. Students participate in preparation of a case based on a problem received from the competition sponsors. Students prepare Memorials (written briefs) and present oral arguments at the Midwest super-regional competition. No exam.

Journal of Practical and Clinical Law - ELEC 1044 LECT

Credits: Variable

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

2 term maximum, variable credits.

1 credit hour per term for Associates; 2 credit hour per term for Board Members.

By Invitation Only. Provides an opportunity for selected students to serve on the Journal staff. No Exam.

Judicial Externship - CLIN 5006 EXTE

Credits: Variable

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (PROF308LECT).

Offering students the opportunity to practice law in a supervised setting, third-year students can complete lawyering tasks assigned by their attorney supervisors, with their learning guided by a Cooley faculty member. Students must apply and be approved for externship placements and corresponding classes, and all sites must be pre-approved. There is a classroom component for small group discussion. No Exam.

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Judicial Externship - Remote - CLIN 5106 EXTE

Credits: Variable

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (PROF308LECT).

Offering students the opportunity to practice law in a supervised setting, third-year students can complete lawyering tasks assigned by their attorney supervisors, with their learning guided by a Cooley faculty member. Students must apply and be approved for externship placements and corresponding classes, and all sites must be pre-approved. No Exam.

Jurisprudence - ELEC 918 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Discusses and analyzes major problems of legal philosophy.

Juvenile Law - ELEC 919 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: CONSTITUTIONAL LAW I (CONL404LECT) AND CONSTITUTIONAL LAW II (CONL503LECT) AND RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Reviews the legal interrelations of children, parents, and the state in terms of offenses committed by or against juveniles.

Labor Law - ELEC 920 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Offers an overview of labor laws on the national and state level with concentration placed on the statutory controls designed to regulate labor law, emerging judicial concepts, and legal relationship between labor and management.

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Law and the Mental Health System - ELEC 1211 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH AND WRITING (RESW214LECT), CONSTITUTIONAL LAW I (CONL404LECT) AND CONSTITUTIONAL LAW II (CONL503LECT)

Introduces the legal, political, and social issues affecting individuals with a mental disorder, family members, and service providers. Topics surveyed include the types of mental illness and psychiatric treatments, civil commitment, children in the mental health system, the right to treatment, the right to refuse treatment, homelessness, and legal representation of individuals with a mental illness. No Exam.

Law of Cyberspace - ELEC 1062 LECT

Credits: 3

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Access to Internet required. Addresses accessing, researching, and evaluating Internet resources. Explores the legal, ethical, and technological implications of working in Cyberspace, including first amendment issues, intellectual property, torts, and contracts on-line. No Exam.

Law Office Management - ELEC 955 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Analyzes problems related to the management of private law firms. Emphasizes legal economics, organization, billing, business systems, client counseling, and opening a new practice. Recommended for seniors. No Exam.

Law Review - ELEC 820 LECT

Credits: 1

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND SCHOLARLY WRITING (ELEC1009LECT).

By Invitation Only. Board Members. Maximum of 6 credit hours. Provides an opportunity for selected students to serve on the Thomas M. Cooley Law Review. No Exam.

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Law Review Board I - ELEC 825 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND LAW REVIEW (ELEC820LECT).

By Invitation Only. No exam.

Law Review Board II - ELEC 826 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND LAW REVIEW BOARD I (ELEC825LECT).

By Invitation Only. No Exam.

Law Review Board III - ELEC 827 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND LAW REVIEW BOARD II (ELEC826LECT).

By Invitation Only. No Exam.

Legal Services Externship - CLIN 5001 EXTE

Credits: Variable

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (PROF308LECT).

Offering students the opportunity to practice law in a supervised setting, third-year students can complete lawyering tasks assigned by their attorney supervisors, with their learning guided by a Cooley faculty member. Students must apply and be approved for externship placements and corresponding classes, and all sites must be pre-approved. There is a classroom component for small group discussion. No Exam.

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Legal Services Externship - Remote - CLIN 5101 EXTE

Credits: Variable

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (PROF308LECT).

Offering students the opportunity to practice law in a supervised setting, third-year students can complete lawyering tasks assigned by their attorney supervisors, with their learning guided by a Cooley faculty member. Students must apply and be approved for externship placements and corresponding classes, and all sites must be pre-approved. No Exam.

Legislative Process - ELEC 870 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: CONSTITUTIONAL LAW II (CONL503LECT) AND RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Examines legislative intent and imparts practical experience dealing with current legislation, legislative hearings, and the relationship between the legislative and executive branches of government. Students draft a bill and analyze the steps for its passage. No Exam.

Legislative Process Externship - CLIN 5011 EXTE

Credits: Variable

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (PROF308LECT).

Offering students the opportunity to practice law in a supervised setting, third-year students can complete lawyering tasks assigned by their attorney supervisors, with their learning guided by a Cooley faculty member. Students must apply and be approved for externship placements and corresponding classes, and all sites must be pre-approved. There is a classroom component for small group discussion. No Exam.

Legislative Process Externship - Remote - CLIN 5111 EXTE

Credits: Variable

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (PROF308LECT).

Offering students the opportunity to practice law in a supervised setting, third-year students can complete lawyering tasks assigned by their attorney supervisors, with their learning guided by a Cooley faculty member. Students must apply and be approved for externship placements and corresponding classes, and all sites must be pre-approved. No Exam.

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Medical Malpractice - ELEC 888 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND EVIDENCE (EVID406LECT).

Focuses on contemporary legal and medical issues particular to medical and dental malpractice.

Medicine, Forensic Science and Law - ELEC 924 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: EVIDENCE (EVID406LECT).

Covers medical/legal problems in civil and criminal cases, medical examiners, blood testing, forensic science developments, medical proof in litigation, disability evaluations, professional liability of hospitals, doctors, and nurses.

MI Essay Workshop - BARP 160 LECT

Credits: 0

This three day workshop provides substantive lectures on Michigan law not covered in our core required courses, including updates on recent developments. In addition, students answer actual bar exam questions and receive model answers and additional feedback on successful test taking strategies and skills. Students also receive a book of actual bar exam questions, model answers, and student answers for future use and study. No Exam.

Michigan No-Fault Insurance - ELEC 1078 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Provides an in-depth analysis of Michigan's No-Fault insurance law. Both first-party (contract) benefits and third-party (tort) benefits will be explored, including what is required to trigger these benefits under Michigan's No-Fault Act. In addition to covering the statutory and case law necessary to understand Michigan's No-Fault coverage, includes practice information; such as claims handling requirements, proving a threshold injury, and uninsured and under insured coverage.

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Military Law - ELEC 944 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Considers the military lawyer's role and function in the United States military establishment focusing on the Army Judge General's Corps as the model for all services. Examines the organization and operation of the military court structure and its relationship with commanders. Emphasizes military criminal and disciplinary law, claims and tort liability, and administrative law. Covers legal assistance services, international affairs and law, litigation and real estate matters.

Modern Real Estate Transactions - ELEC 961 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: TAXATION (TXBW516LECT) AND RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

This course is largely transaction and problem oriented. Discusses problems involving real estate transactions: acquisition, development, operation and disposition with financing and tax considerations. Develops skills to help clients plan for shopping centers, office buildings, apartment complexes and other major projects.

Moot Court (Intra-School) - ELEC 1011 LECT

Credits: 3

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Appellate practice in a learn-by-doing environment. Students compete in two-person teams representing the parties in a mock appeal before the U.S. Supreme Court. The first two-thirds of the term is devoted primarily to preparation of a written brief. The last one-third of the term is devoted to oral argument of the issues raised in the written briefs. The winners of the competition receive a cash scholarship. Top competitors are invited to represent Cooley Law School in national competitions. May not be on 2nd term probation. No Exam.

Moot Court (National Teams) - ELEC 979 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND MOOT COURT (INTRASCHOOL) (ELEC1011LECT).

Students are preselected. Students participate in preparation of a case based on a problem received from the competition sponsors. The regional oral arguments are held in the fall or winter; the prevailing law schools advance to the national competitions. Competitions include: National Appellate Advocacy Team (ABA), National Team (Young Lawyers Committee of the Bar of the City of New York and the American College of Trial Lawyers), Frederick Douglass Competition (National Black Student Lawyers), Environmental Moot Court, Jessup International Law Competition. No Exam.

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Moot Court (Teaching Assistant) - ELEC 886 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND MOOT COURT (INTRASCHOOL) (ELEC1011LECT).

Students are preselected. The student teaching assistant will assist the Chairman of the Moot Court Committee, Professors, and Adjunct Instructors in the Moot Court Program by organizing judges, bailiffs, room assignments for competitions and rehearsals, and perform other administrative duties as required. The teaching assistant will also prepare a 10-15 page bench memorandum on the elected Moot Court problem for the term. No Exam.

Mortgages and Land Contracts - ELEC 926 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: PROPERTY II (PRSE207LECT) AND RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Covers creation, discharge, default, foreclosure, redemption, priorities, and alternative means of land financing.

Multistate Bar Exam Prep - ELEC 1116 LECT

Credits: 3

PREREQUISITES: PROPERTY I (PRSE109LECT) AND PROPERTY II (PRSE207LECT) AND CONTRACTS I (CONT108LECT) AND CONTRACTS II (CONT213LECT) AND EVIDENCE (EVID406LECT).

Prepares students for success on the Multistate Bar Examination. Students will learn skills needed to study for the examination and to pass the test. The course provides a substantive review of Real Property, Contracts and Sales, and Evidence--three of the six subjects tested on the Multistate Bar Examination. Students will be provided outlines and lectures for each subject, be taught strategies to study, and techniques for answering multiple choice and essay examinations. Students will prepare flashcards, take quizzes, and analyze their answers over the term. Recommended for students in their final term on campus.

NAFTA - ELEC 1067 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Considers international trade within the framework of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) among the United States, Canada, and Mexico. After an introduction to policies, economics, and general rules of global international trade and precursor issues to NAFTA ratification, considers the major components of the agreement in detail - free trade in goods, trade in services, foreign investment, intellectual property, and dispute settlement. Examines the NAFTA side agreements in labor and environment, along with expectations about the evolution of the agreement in the future.

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Negotiation and Confrontation - ELEC 1106 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (PROF308LECT).

Explores components of the negotiation process and methods of negotiation. Students will define and hopefully refine their own negotiating styles; learn effective methods of confronting and managing difficult issues, as well as strategies for dealing with negotiation obstacles. They will learn negotiation ethics and consider negotiation within the context of the attorney-client relationship. Students will role play negotiations and prepare several short papers. No Exam.

Negotiation National Team - ELEC 1104 LECT

Credits: 2

Students are preselected. Students research and prepare for negotiation based on a problem received from the competition sponsors. Students conduct negotiation in regional competition. No exam.

Oil & Gas Law - ELEC 956 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: PROPERTY II (PRSE207LECT) AND RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Covers theories of ownership, the Rule of Capture, correlative rights, state regulation, pooling, environmental concerns, leases, mineral estates, royalties, co-tenants, and trespassers.

Pathway to Success: Your Career and Portfolio - ELEC 1206 LECT

Credits: 2 or 0

Offered either for 2 or 0 credits, at students' choice, with credit awarded upon completion of final term of course. In two- or three-hour classes offered three times a term over three to five terms, students explore a personal path to a satisfying legal career. Working with small groups and taught by deans and specialized instructors, students will develop self-awareness, explore available resources, develop their professional identities, and create personal professionalism portfolios, with a goal of helping each student find a fulfilling career in the law. Enrollment open to first term students only. No grade; must complete all assignments and meet attendance requirements to pass. No Exam.

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PMBE - BARP 100 LECT

Credits: 0

PREREQUISITES: CONTRACTS I (CONT108LECT) AND CONTRACTS II (CONT213LECT) AND CRIMINAL LAW (CRLP107LECT) AND CRIMINAL PROCEDURE (CRLP305LECT) AND CONSTITUTIONAL LAW I (CONL404LECT) AND CONSTITUTIONAL LAW II (CONL503LECT) AND EVIDENCE (EVID406LECT) AND PROPERTY I (PRSE109LECT) AND PROPERTY II (PRSE207LECT) AND TORTS I (TOEQ106LECT) AND TORTS II (TOEQ304LECT).

This three day program begins with a one day released Multistate Bar Exam (MBE), followed by two days of feedback lectures covering all questions tested. This program is an excellent way to familiarize yourself with the MBE, which virtually all states require their applicants to take. In addition to the 200 multiple-choice question exam, administered under actual MBE conditions, our full-time faculty will provide a two day feedback session covering all 200 of the questions tested. In addition, students will receive the MBE questions, written diagnostic feedback answers, and individualized subject by subject computer feedback.

Police-Civil Liability - ELEC 785 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Covers civil liability under 42 USC section 1983 with special emphasis on police liability.

Pretrial Skills - ELEC 510 LECT

Credits: 3

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND CIVIL PROCEDURE I (CIVP105LECT) AND CIVIL PROCEDURE II (CIVP209LECT).

Covers the pretrial aspects of representing clients, including interviewing, counseling, pleading preparation, negotiating, discovery, motions, and pretrial preparation. Includes simulated client contact, discovery proceedings, and settlement negotiations. Students will receive instruction on persuasive legal writing, brief form and content, and oral advocacy and will prepare written motions and briefs. Students will present oral arguments before a circuit court judge. No Exam.

Probate Court Practice - ELEC 939 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: WILLS, ESTATES & TRUSTS (TXBW517LECT) AND RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Covers winding up a decedent's affairs, evaluation of assets in the estate for probate and for tax purposes, immediate post-mortem estate planning, liquidity considerations, probating of small estates, will contest litigation, guardianships, trust estates, conservatorships and adoptions.

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Products Liability - ELEC 936 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Covers liabilities of various parties in the chain of distribution. Includes theories of liability of manufacturers, distributors, and retailers, as well as concepts of defectiveness, causation, proofs and remedies, and defenses based upon plaintiff's conduct. Compares traditional negligence and strict liability theories.

Professional Liability - ELEC 1113 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND TORTS I (TOEQ106LECT) AND TORTS II (TOEQ304LECT).

Explores conduct for which professionals may be accountable in damages. Emphasizes analysis of orthodox tort elements in the context of four fields: medicine, accounting, engineering/architecture, and the law.

Prosecutors Externship - CLIN 5000 EXTE

Credits: Variable

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (PROF308LECT).

Offering students the opportunity to practice law in a supervised setting, third-year students can complete lawyering tasks assigned by their attorney supervisors, with their learning guided by a Cooley faculty member. Students must apply and be approved for externship placements and corresponding classes, and all sites must be pre-approved. There is a classroom component for small group discussion. No Exam.

Prosecutors Externship - Remote - CLIN 5100 EXTE

Credits: Variable

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (PROF308LECT).

Offering students the opportunity to practice law in a supervised setting, third-year students can complete lawyering tasks assigned by their attorney supervisors, with their learning guided by a Cooley faculty member. Students must apply and be approved for externship placements and corresponding classes, and all sites must be pre-approved. No Exam.

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Public Defender Clinic - Kent - CLIN 5023 CLNC

Credits: 0

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT), PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (PROF308LECT), AND CRIMINAL LAW (CRLP107LECT)

Working for the Kent County Public Defender's office in Grand Rapids, students are allowed to practice law under Michigan Court Rule 8.120. Students appear in court under the supervision of an assistant defender and with the approval of the judge. Students interview, counsel and represent indigent defendants charged with misdemeanors and felonies. The clinic class is taught by Cooley clinic faculty at Grand Rapids. Students may enroll in the clinic once they have completed 40 credit hours and are preselected.

Public Defender Clinic - Washtenaw - CLIN 5018 CLNC

Credits: Variable

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (PROF308LECT) AND CRIMINAL LAW (CRLP107LECT).

Working for the Washtenaw County Public Defender's office in Ann Arbor, students are allowed to practice law under Michigan Court Rule 8.120. Students appear in court under the supervision of an assistant defender and with the approval of the judge. Students interview, counsel and represent indigent defendants charged with misdemeanors and felonies. The clinic class is taught by Cooley clinic faculty at Lansing. Students may enroll in the clinic once they have completed 40 credit hours and are preselected. No Exam.

Public Resources and Endangered Species - ELEC 797 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND FEDERAL ADMINISTRATIVE LAW (ELEC622LECT).

Focuses on the federal government's management of our nation's resources and the environmental and ecological impact of governmental actions; emphasizes Endangered Species Act, National Environmental Policy Act, public land management statutes, and the preservation of biodiversity.

Public Sector Law Clinic - CLIN 5021 CLNC

Credits: 3

PREREQUISITES: MINIMUM 40 CREDIT HOURS, GOOD ACADEMIC STANDING, RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT), PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (PROF308LECT).

Explores the practice of law in a government setting. Designed for evening and weekend students, this clinic asks students to perform transactional, advisory, legislative, policy, and systemic work to assist government entities. Students may practice problem-solving, legal analysis, research and writing, fact investigation, communication, client counseling, management of legal work, resolution of ethical issues, consistent with MCR 8.120. All legal work is supervised by a Cooley faculty member or staff attorney. Students are preselected. No examination.

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Race and the Supreme Court - ELEC 1074 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: CONSTITUTIONAL LAW I (CONL404LECT) AND CONSTITUTIONAL LAW II (CONL503LECT) AND RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Examines the history of Supreme Court cases dealing with race and ethnicity. Representative topics include Native American land titles cases, slavery, voting rights, criminal procedure cases dealing with trial rights, discrimination in travel and accommodations, deportation, education, and affirmative action. The course covers race cases chronologically rather than thematically to get historical appreciation of the Supreme Court's treatment of racial issues. No Exam.

Regulation of Health Care Systems - ELEC 1066 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Covers licensing, quality assessment and risk management, EMTLA, ERISA, the False Claims Act, fraud and abuse under Medicaid and Medicare.

Representing the E-Business Client - ELEC 1087 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND CONSTITUTIONAL LAW I (CONL404LECT) AND EVIDENCE (EVID406LECT).

Explores the legal and practical issues presented in representing an Internet-based business or a business with an Internet presence. Covers the history of government regulatory involvement, the rise of and need for cyber law, personal jurisdiction, state regulatory oversight, contracting in cyberspace, information privacy, intellectual property, tortious speech, unsolicited electronic mail, online liability, and electronic evidence. No Exam.

Sales - ELEC 621 LECT

Credits: 3

PREREQUISITES: CONTRACTS I (CONT108LECT) AND CONTRACTS II (CONT213LECT) AND RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Covers Uniform Commercial Code Articles 2 and 3, with limited coverage of Article 4.

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Scholarly Writing - ELEC 1009 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

By invitation only – based upon scholastic achievement.

Includes training in advanced research, the use of authority and proper citation form, the principles of legal writing, and the basics of editing. Each student will write a casenote or comment during the term. This course is a prerequisite to participate in Law Review and to serve on the Journal of Practical and Clinical Law Board of Editors. No Exam.

Securities Regulation - ELEC 930 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND BUSINESS ORGANIZATIONS (TXBW518LECT).

Covers the federal regulation of the distribution of securities, regulation of brokers and dealers, civil liabilities under the securities laws, and merit regulation under the state securities laws.

Sexual Orientation and American Law - ELEC 1223 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT), CRIMINAL PROCEDURE (CRLP305LECT), AND CONSTITUTIONAL LAW I (CONL404LECT)

Explores the knowledge, skills, and ethics needed to effectively represent gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered clients, with particular attention to discrimination, family law, estate planning, hate crimes, and protections.

Sixty Plus Advanced - CLIN 1091 CLNC

Credits: Variable

PREREQUISITES: SIXTY PLUS CLINIC I (CLIN1032CLNC) AND SIXTY PLUS CLINIC II (CLIN1033CLNC) AND RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

By invitation only.

Experienced Sixty Plus students develop their legal skills by continuing with a selected Sixty Plus caseload, supervising Estate Planning students, and completing other client related projects. No Exam.

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Sixty Plus Clinic I - CLIN 1032 CLNC

Credits: 3

PREREQUISITE: WILLS, ESTATES & TRUSTS (TXBW517LECT).

Students are preselected; 40 credit hours minimum.

Sixty Plus is a non-profit corporation that provides free legal representation to senior citizens in a wide variety of civil matters, including but not limited to estate planning, public benefits, divorce, consumer and contract disputes. Students are the attorneys in the case pursuant to MCR 8.120. They interview clients, prepare all documents related to their cases, and represent clients before administrative agencies and courts. First term students work closely in pairs with experienced second term students and are closely supervised by a faculty member. One or two-term commitment. No Exam.

Sixty Plus Clinic II - CLIN 1033 CLNC

Credits: 3

PREREQUISITES: SIXTY PLUS CLINIC I (CLIN1032ONSI) AND WILLS, ESTATES & TRUSTS (TXBW517LECT) AND RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Second-term clinic students continue and expand on work in Sixty Plus I. No exam.

Sixty Plus/Estate Planning - CLIN 1054 CLNC

Credits: 3

PREREQUISITES: WILLS, ESTATES & TRUSTS (TXBW517LECT) AND RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Students, acting pursuant to MCR 8.120, interview clients who need wills, medical powers of attorney, and durable powers of attorney. Students prepare and finalize all documents. Students work closely with experienced Sixty Plus students and a faculty member. This class was designed for evening and weekend students unable to participate in the 2-term Sixty Plus clinic. No Exam.

Special Education Law - ELEC 1212 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH AND WRITING (RESW214LECT)

Examines the Individuals With Disabilities Education Act which governs special education at the pre-school, primary, and secondary levels. Also addresses disability-related issues in higher education, including the right to specialized services and accommodations, and freedom from discrimination.

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Sports Law - ELEC 969 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: CONTRACTS II (CONT213LECT) AND RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Covers amateur and professional sports law. Examines the contractual relationship between player and club including labor aspects, antitrust issues, injury and tax problems.

State & Federal Agencies - CLIN 5014 EXTE

Credits: Variable

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (PROF308LECT).

Offering students the opportunity to practice law in a supervised setting, third-year students can complete lawyering tasks assigned by their attorney supervisors, with their learning guided by a Cooley faculty member. Students must apply and be approved for externship placements and corresponding classes, and all sites must be pre-approved. There is a classroom component for small group discussion. No Exam.

State & Federal Agencies - Remote - CLIN 5114 EXTE

Credits: Variable

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (PROF308LECT).

Offering students the opportunity to practice law in a supervised setting, third-year students can complete lawyering tasks assigned by their attorney supervisors, with their learning guided by a Cooley faculty member. Students must apply and be approved for externship placements and corresponding classes, and all sites must be pre-approved. No Exam.

State Administrative Law - ELEC 1059 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND FEDERAL ADMINISTRATIVE LAW (ELEC622LECT).

Examines the principles governing the theory, practice, and procedures of state administrative law. Covers delegation, separation of powers, access to information, rulemaking, due process, adjudication, and judicial review.

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State and Local Government Law - ELEC 1202 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT), CONSTITUTIONAL LAW I (CONL404LECT)

Explores state and local governments: their forms, relationships, creation, structure, powers, financing, liability and the relationship of state and local governments, public employees, and citizens.

Sustainable Development Law and Policy - ELEC 1208 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: PROPERTY II (PRSE207LECT) and RESEARCH AND WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Introduces students to sustainability concepts and the legal, regulatory and corporate governance that now often requires the implementation of sustainable practices, the metrics that measure success or failure, and the incentives available to make organizations sustainable.

Tax Exempt Organizations - ELEC 881 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND TAXATION (TXBW516LECT) AND BUSINESS ORGANIZATIONS (TXBW518LECT).

Examines the law of tax-exempt organizations, focuses on the statutory framework and rationale, the different types of organizations, the rules of formation and operation, and the taxation of unrelated business income.

Tax Fraud - ELEC 859 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: CRIMINAL LAW (CRLP107LECT) AND CRIMINAL PROCEDURE (CRLP305LECT) AND RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Examines civil and criminal tax fraud, emphasizing the difference between tax avoidance and tax evasion. Includes a review of the statutory elements of civil and criminal tax fraud and the study of administrative summonses, grand jury subpoenas and the rights of witnesses and targets.

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Taxation for the Bankruptcy Law Practitioner - ELEC 1220 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: TAXATION (TXBW516LECT)

Addresses tax issues that arise in a bankruptcy practice. Covers debt priority, liens, levies, debt modification (bankruptcy versus nonbankruptcy debt modification), equity for debt recapitalizations, and deductibility of expenses incurred during a bankruptcy.

Taxation for the Family Law Practitioner - ELEC 1217 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: TAXATION (TXBW516LECT)

Considers tax provisions that are relevant for the family law practitioner. Takes an in-depth look at the tax consequences of child support, alimony, and division of property. Also considers the deductibility of costs incurred in a divorce proceeding, filing status, innocent spouse issues, various child-related deductions, and child-related tax credits.

Taxation for the Real Estate Practitioner - ELEC 1219 LECT

Credits: 2

PREQUISITE: TAXATION (TXBW516LECT)

This course considers tax issues faced by a real estate practitioner. It covers qualifying as a "dealer," like-kind exchanges, condominium sales, issues arising from rental real estate, application of the at-risk and passive activity loss provisions, real estate financing, REITS, charitable gifts of real estate, and sale of a personal residence.

Taxation for the Solo or Small Firm Practitioner - ELEC 1218 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: TAXATION (TXBW516LECT)

This course goes beyond the tax provisions covered in the Individual Income Tax Course, and will cover issues relevant to the operation of a small firm or issues likely to arise in a small general practice. In the area of gross income, it takes an in-depth look at the exclusion of gain from the sale of a principal residence and the tax consequences of litigation awards. It considers various deductions including those for entertainment and business meals expenses, fringe benefits, charitable contributions, and deductions associated with dual use property. It also covers hobby losses, sales of a business, and various emerging issues.

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Taxation of Business Entities - ELEC 1094 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: TAXATION (TXBW516LECT) AND BUSINESS ORGANIZATIONS (TXBW518LECT) AND RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Includes a comparative study of the tax effects resulting from formation, operation, and partial or total liquidation of corporations (including "S Corporations") and partnerships (including LLC's). Emphasizes the "non-recognition" sections of the Internal Revenue Code.

Terrorism and the Law - ELEC 1100 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: CONSTITUTIONAL LAW I (CONL404LECT) AND CONSTITUTIONAL LAW II (CONL503LECT) AND RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Examines the present day and historical legislative and judicial response to terrorism.

Trial Skills - ELEC 1018 LECT

Credits: 3

PREREQUISITES: EVIDENCE (EVID406LECT) AND RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Explores fundamental trial skills in a learning-by-doing setting. Students practice opening statements, direct and cross examinations, and closing argument. Emphasizes introduction of evidence. No Exam.

Trial Skills (National Teams) - ELEC 925 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: TRIAL SKILLS (ELEC1018LECT) AND RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

By audition and selection only. Teams of students prepare to handle a simulated trial leading to a competition conducted by the A.B.A. and A.T.L.A., or another sponsoring agency. Regional competitions are at various times throughout the year. No Exam.

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Trial Skills Teaching Assistant - ELEC 983 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: TRIAL SKILLS (ELEC1018LECT) AND RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

By invitation only. The student teaching assistant will assist the Adjunct Professor and Instructor in conducting one section of Trial Workshop by organizing judges, witnesses and student assignments, conducting demonstrations of segments of trials, consulting with students in the section who need help on specific trial techniques, and once or twice a term, acting as judge for the mock trials. The teaching assistant will also prepare a 10-15 page memorandum on a selected evidentiary problem in one of the trial files used by the class. No Exam.

Water Law - ELEC 876 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Addresses the issues of riparian rights and the relationship to ownership of land, prior appropriation, water transfers, administration of water rights. Emphasizes the special problems of groundwater and public rights to water, including navigability; federal reclamation and irrigation systems; and federal water quality and pollution regulation, including wetlands protection.

White Collar Crime - ELEC 1224 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: CRIMINAL LAW (CRLP107LECT), CRIMINAL PROCEDURE (CRLP305LECT), AND EVIDENCE (EVID406LECT).

Explores the law of economic and political crimes associated with non-violent, often complex criminal offenses involving the use of power, influence or trust for the purpose of illegal gain or advantage. Students, acting as federal prosecutors or defense attorneys, will formulate arguments in conspiracy, bribery and gratuities, mail and wire fraud, tax fraud, extortion, securities fraud, money laundering and RICO cases as well as civil enforcement actions.

Workers Compensation Law - ELEC 934 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITE: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT).

Coverage, practice and procedure under the various state workers' disability compensation laws. Covers remedies for an injured worker under workers' disability compensation, social security, unemployment, third party actions, and first party actions.

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Wrongful Convictions Seminar - ELEC 1215 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND CRIMINAL PROCEDURE (CRLP305LECT)

Explores the causes of and possible remedies for wrongful convictions in the United States. Take-home examination.

Zoning and Land Use Planning - ELEC 935 LECT

Credits: 2

PREREQUISITES: RESEARCH & WRITING (RESW214LECT) AND PROPERTY II (PRSE207LECT).

Covers zoning, public and private land development, urban renewal, master plans, subdividing, wetlands, open space and farmlands preservation.