

# COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

## **CL500: Fundamentals**

The Fundamentals course is designed to give you a glimpse into the law school experience and the tools and systems you will use while at Concord Law School so that you are prepared to begin your studies on the first day of class. While not required and no credit is given, participation is highly encouraged as it will provide foundational knowledge of the law and how to best prepare for your law school journey.

Credit Hours: 0 | Prerequisite: None

## **CL600: Introduction to Legal Analysis I**

This first-year course is designed to introduce you to the study of law and the American Legal System. It teaches you the ability to spot and analyze legal issues in factual situations. The course also introduces you to legal reasoning and legal writing.

Credit Hours: 1 | Prerequisite: None | Corequisite: CL610 and CL620

## **CL601: Introduction to Legal Analysis II**

This course is a continuation of CL600: Introduction of Legal Analysis I. This first-year course is designed to introduce you to the study of law and the American Legal System. It teaches you the ability to spot and analyze legal issues in factual situations. The course also introduces you to legal reasoning and legal writing.

Credit Hours: 1 | Prerequisite: CL600 | Corequisite: CL611 and CL621

## **CL610: Contracts I**

This course examines the legal theories and principles relating to parties and agreements and their resultant obligations or benefits. Covered topics include: formation, conditions, and remedies of contracts; bargained-for consideration; third-party contracts (including assignments and delegations); statute of frauds; parole evidence; impossibility of performance; and frustration of purpose.

Credit Hours: 4 | Prerequisite: None | Corequisite: CL600 and CL620

## **CL611: Contracts II**

This course is a continuation of CL610: Contracts I. This course examines the legal theories and principles relating to parties and agreements and their resultant obligations or benefits. Covered topics include: formation, conditions, and remedies of contracts; bargained-for consideration; third-party contracts (including assignments and delegations); statute of frauds; parole evidence; impossibility of performance; and frustration of purpose.

Credit Hours: 4 | Prerequisite: CL610 | Corequisite: CL601 and CL621

## **CL620: Torts I**

This course explores the study of civil liability relating to intentional acts and violation of duties imposed by law. In addition, legal wrongs committed by a private person upon the person or property of another independent of a contractual relationship are covered in detail in this course. Topics include intentional torts, negligence, strict liability, product liability, nuisance, defamation, invasion of privacy, and misrepresentation.

Credit Hours: 4 | Prerequisite: None | Corequisite: CL600 and CL610

## **CL621: Torts II**

This course is a continuation of CL620: Torts I. This course explores the study of civil liability relating to intentional acts and violation of duties imposed by law. In addition, legal wrongs committed by a private person upon the person or property of another independent of a contractual relationship are covered in detail in this course. Topics include intentional torts, negligence, strict liability, product liability, nuisance, defamation, invasion of privacy, and misrepresentation.

Credit Hours: 4 | Prerequisite: CL620 | Corequisite: CL601 and CL611

## **CL630: Criminal Law I**

This course examines the state's ability to punish individuals for wrongs committed. Homicide, theft (including robbery and burglary), assault, rape, kidnapping, and arson as well as attempts, conspiracies, and solicitation are covered in depth. The state of mind required to commit a crime, including justifications and excuses, is thoroughly covered.

Credit Hours: 3 | Prerequisite: None

## **CL631: Criminal Law II**

This course is a continuation of CL630: Criminal Law I. This course examines the state's ability to punish individuals for wrongs committed. Homicide, theft (including robbery and burglary), assault, rape, kidnapping, and arson as well as attempts, conspiracies, and solicitation are covered in depth. The state of mind required to commit a crime, including justifications and excuses, is thoroughly covered.

Credit Hours: 3 | Prerequisite: CL630

## **CL650: Constitutional Law I**

This course examines the organization and framework of the federal government, the distribution of political and governmental authorities and functions, and the fundamental principles that regulate the relationship between the government and its citizens. Specific topics include the source of judicial review, the powers of legislative and executive branches, the authority reserved for the states, due process, equal protection, and First Amendment freedoms.

Credit Hours: 3 | Prerequisite: None

## **CL651: Constitutional Law II**

This course is a continuation of CL650: Constitutional Law I. This course examines individual rights under the United States Constitution that impose limitations on governmental power. Specific topics include due process, equal protection, and First Amendment freedoms.

Credit Hours: 3 | Prerequisite: CL650

## **CL660: Real Property I**

The law governing all aspects of real property and the creation of rights is the focus of this course. Additional topics include ownership rights (including present estates), co-tenancy, future interests, and the relations between landlord and tenant. Real property contracts, statute of fraud problems, real property mortgages, conveyancing, and adverse possession are also discussed.

Credit Hours: 4 | Prerequisite: None

## **CL661: Real Property II**

This course is a continuation of CL660: Real Property I. The law governing all aspects of real property and the creation of rights is the focus of this course. Additional topics include ownership rights (including present estates), co-tenancy, future interests, and the relations between landlord and tenant. Real property contracts, statute of fraud problems, real property mortgages, conveyancing, and adverse possession are also discussed.

Credit Hours: 4 | Prerequisite: CL660

## **CL670: Civil Procedure I**

Access to the U.S. court system is the focus of this course. Proper jurisdiction and venue (including long-arm statutes and minimum contacts) are covered in detail. Other topics include pleadings, joinder of parties and claims, class actions, discovery, summary judgment, directed verdict, res judicata, collateral estoppel, and the appeal process.

Credit Hours: 3 | Prerequisite: None

**CL671: Civil Procedure II**

This course is a continuation of CL670: Civil Procedure I. This course addresses the requirements of the civil litigation process in federal courts. These requirements come from the United States Constitution, federal statutes, and the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. This course covers answers and amendments to complaints, choice of law, discovery, summary judgment, judgment as a matter of law, jury trials, preclusion, and touches on appellate review. As part of the course, you will draft an answer to a complaint, discovery requests, and a motion for summary judgment with a memorandum of law.

Credit Hours: 3 | Prerequisite: CL670

**CL685: Criminal Procedure**

This course focuses on the law governing the rights of the accused. The topics of arrest, search and seizure (Fourth Amendment), confession and self-incrimination (Fifth Amendment), police lineups, sentencing and the death penalty (Eighth Amendment), and the right to counsel (Fifth and Sixth Amendments) are covered in detail.

Credit Hours: 4 | Prerequisite: CL630 (can be taken as a corequisite)

**CL700: Corporations and Business Organizations I**

This course covers the area of law relating to artificial persons or legal entities, consisting of members acting with a common purpose. Particular emphasis is placed on the formation of the corporate unit, the sale of shares (including federal securities law), the operation and management of the corporation, and the law covering dividends, repurchases, and redemptions.

Credit Hours: 2 | Prerequisite: None

**CL701: Corporations and Business Organizations II**

This course is a continuation of CL700: Corporations and Business Organizations I. This course covers the area of law relating to artificial persons or legal entities, consisting of members acting with a common purpose. Particular emphasis is placed on the formation of the corporate unit, the sale of shares (including federal securities law), the operation and management of the corporation, and the law covering dividends, repurchases, and redemptions.

Credit Hours: 2 | Prerequisite: CL700

**CL710: Evidence I**

This course covers the substance of and means by which alleged matters of fact are proved or disproved in court. Central topics include the requirements for the introduction and impeachment of evidence, relevancy, character evidence, expert testimony, privileges, and hearsay. The course also covers the roles of judges and juries in the evaluation of evidence.

Credit Hours: 3 | Prerequisite: None

**CL711: Evidence II**

This course is a continuation of CL710: Evidence I. This course covers the substance of and means by which alleged matters of fact are proved or disproved in court. Central topics include hearsay, expert testimony, and privileges. The course also covers the roles of judges and juries in the evaluation of evidence, and key distinctions between the Federal Rules of Evidence and the California Evidence Code.

Credit Hours: 3 | Prerequisite: CL710

**CL727: Legal Analysis and Writing**

This course teaches you how to synthesize complex information, analyze and formulate strategy, predict outcomes, and advocate for a client. You will develop objective and persuasive writing skills and ethical values in legal writing. The course covers the client interview, letters and other communications, and a pretrial brief.

Credit Hours: 2 | Prerequisite: CL601

**CL728: Advanced Legal Analysis and Writing - Regulatory and Transactional**

This course teaches you how to analyze and write in legal and professional fields. You will develop skills and ethical values in analyzing issues using objective and persuasive writing. Course projects will provide instruction and practice in advanced writing skills that are useful to anyone in legal and professional fields, such as drafting an employment contract provision, advising a client, and analyzing a regulation or policy.

Credit Hours: 2 | Prerequisite: CL727

**CL729: Advanced Legal Analysis and Writing - Litigation**

This course gives you an opportunity to practice analysis and writing in the context of a variety of tasks in which litigators typically engage. You will develop skills and ethical values in formulating legal strategy; drafting legal documents to file with a court, including a brief; and presenting an oral argument.

Credit Hours: 2 | Prerequisite: CL727

**CL730: Electronic Legal Research**

This course focuses on research skills and techniques, including the use of an online library. You will learn to plan the research process, evaluate research resources, find relevant legal authorities, and evaluate the weight of authority.

Credit Hours: 2 | Prerequisite: None

**CL735: Professional Responsibility**

The law relating to the ethical standards that govern attorneys and judges is the focus of this course. It covers the ABA Model Rules of Professional Conduct, the ABA Model Code of Judicial Conduct, and some California Rules of Professional Conduct. The course will also include materials on professional conduct of the attorney, the role of a lawyer, the lawyer as an officer of the court, and the relationship of the lawyer to society.

Credit Hours: 2 | Prerequisite: JD only

**CL740: Future of Law Practice**

This course will explore emerging topics in law practice. Topics will include challenges and opportunities emerging in ethics, societal and legal industry change, and technology. Specific emphasis will be placed on application of the ABA Rules of Professional Responsibility to contemporary law practice. Skills emphasized in the course are research, analysis, communication, and business planning.

Credit Hours: 2 | Prerequisite: JD only; CL730

**CL745: Cross Professional Ethics**

This course focuses on fundamental, contemporary ethical questions in the practice of law and examines the basic premises underlying the lawyer-client relationship and some of the duties of lawyers, including duties to clients, the public, the courts, and other professionals, with an emphasis on the unauthorized practice of law. It also compares the ethics of the legal profession with other professions. The course incorporates various forms of media to illustrate ethical dilemmas in everyday professional life including presentations, web resources, and print media.

Credit Hours: 2 | Prerequisite: None

**CL750: Estates, Wills, and Trusts I**

This course covers the law of estates and trusts as applied in California and gives a general overview of how it applies in the rest of the country. Issues dealing with the validity and revocation of wills are examined in particular, as they may affect distribution of assets of an estate. In addition, the laws of express trusts (including creation and administration), charitable trusts, and consecutive trusts are covered.

Credit Hours: 2 | Prerequisite: None

**CL751: Estates, Wills, and Trusts II**

This course is a continuation of CL750: Estates, Wills, and Trusts I. This course covers the law of estates and trusts, including different types of trusts; the formation, modification, and termination of trusts; the rights of beneficiaries and creditors to trust assets; the duties of trustees; and the rights and remedies available to beneficiaries in the event of trustee breaches. Related topics such as powers of appointment and future estates are also addressed. In addition, the course will revisit wills topics addressed in CL750, examine the requirements for basic estate planning, and teach practical skills related to interviewing estate planning clients, planning estates, and drafting wills.

Credit Hours: 2 | Prerequisite: CL750

**CL760: Community Property**

This course covers the Law of Community Property and Division of Marital Assets in California. Specific topics include the characterization of property as separate or community, creditors' rights, third-party transfers, and the resolving of disputes upon the termination of a relationship or the death of a party.

Credit Hours: 2 | Prerequisite: None

**CL761: Family Law Practicum**

This course continues where CL 760 left off, incorporating practical community property and family law skills and concepts. Family law is a very common practice area for solo and small firm attorneys, particularly early in their careers, and there is a societal need for representation in this area, given that 80 to 90 percent of family law litigants are self-represented. Family law is at the intersection of law, social policy, and the most intimate of human relations, marriage and parentage. This course will explore topics including jurisdiction over the family, separation, dissolution, annulment, parenting time, parenting responsibility, child support, partner support, and domestic violence. Much of family law is policy driven and designed with a policy outcome in mind. This class will help you analyze legal policy to determine if, in application, it meets the policy goal. You will engage in practical exercises in the context of California law and procedure.

Credit Hours: 2 | Prerequisite: CL760

**CL770: Remedies I**

This course reviews both legal and equitable remedies, focusing on the underlying liability theories that give rise to the remedy and the remedy itself. Special attention is given to contract and tort remedies. Students will be exposed to the types of problems that they may encounter in law practice, with particular emphasis on ones that cross a variety of disciplines. Final papers are similar to the performance tests currently administered by the State Bar of California.

Credit Hours: 2 | Prerequisite: None

**CL771: Remedies II**

This course is a continuation of CL770: Remedies I. This course reviews both legal and equitable remedies, focusing on the underlying liability theories that give rise to the remedy and the remedy itself. Special attention is given to contract and tort remedies. Students will be exposed to the types of problems that they may encounter in law practice, with particular emphasis on ones that cross a variety of disciplines. Final papers are similar to the performance tests currently administered by the State Bar of California.

Credit Hours: 2 | Prerequisite: CL770

**CL780: Capstone I**

This course provides you with an effective means of integrating what you have learned over the course of your legal education, building on a strong substantive and skills foundation to make critical judgments about the law and policy as a practicing attorney. Special attention will be devoted to the skills necessary for success on the California Bar Examination. Through work with testing forms currently employed by the California Committee of Bar Examiners, you will refine your ability to analyze legal principles and express your thoughts in an appropriate legal fashion. This course will be graded pass/fail.

Credit Hours: 2 | Prerequisite: Fourth year JD only

**CL781: Capstone II**

This course is a continuation of CL780: Capstone I. This course provides you with an effective means of integrating what you have learned over the course of your legal education, building on a strong substantive and skills foundation to make critical judgments about the law and policy as a practicing attorney. Special attention will be devoted to the skills necessary for success on the California Bar Examination. Through work with testing forms currently employed by the California Committee of Bar Examiners, you will refine your ability to analyze legal principles and express your thoughts in an appropriate legal fashion. This course will be graded pass/fail.

Credit Hours: 2 | Prerequisite: CL780

**CL801: Contract Drafting**

A lawyer once said, "Legal drafting is legal thinking made visible." The drafter's work makes explicit the parties' understanding of the deal, but also fills the "gaps" sometimes left in contract negotiations and anticipates problems that might arise in the future. This course uses contract drafting to (1) exemplify the principles of contract law; (2) illustrate those principles in a planning context rather than a litigation context; and (3) develop the legal skills of reading, writing, and analysis. Through a series of readings and drafting exercises, you will learn to analyze and draft contracts that accomplish the particular needs and objectives of your client.

Credit Hours: 2 | Prerequisite: None

**CL802: Business Planning and Skills Training - Practicum**

This course focuses on the role of the lawyer as an advisor to closely held businesses and their owners. During the course, you will study and plan the formation, operation, and dissolution of a closely held business. You will receive the substantive knowledge you need to draft the documents required by the business.

Credit Hours: 4 | Prerequisite: CL700 and CL701 (can also be taken as a corequisite)

**CL805: Federal Taxation**

This course examines the fundamental concepts underlying the federal income tax system, with an emphasis on individual taxation. Major topics include determination of gross income, deductions, timing issues, and disposition of property. In this course, you will interpret the Internal Revenue Code, United States Treasury regulations, tax cases, and related tax material.

Credit Hours: 4 | Prerequisite: None

**CL811: Administrative Law**

This course provides an overview of administrative law and procedure, including the creation and authority of federal agencies and the ways that agencies exercise their authority to govern certain areas. It includes a review of agency rulemaking, investigation, and adjudicatory functions. It also includes judicial review of administrative agency actions. The assessments in the course give you hands-on opportunities to apply what you learn by completing projects on federal agencies in which you are interested and by addressing situations based on real agency actions. Credit Hours: 4 | Prerequisite: None

**CL813: Employment Discrimination**

This course will focus on the federal statutory responses to the issues surrounding employment discrimination on the basis of age, disability, race, color, religion, sex, national origin, and alienage. In this context, you will examine the manner in which Congress and the federal courts have balanced the competing interests of preserving the rights to control private property with the nation's commitment to equal opportunity in employment. To that end, you will carefully examine the provisions of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, and sex, the nineteenth-century federal Reconstruction Civil Rights Acts, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, and the Americans with Disabilities Act. Credit Hours: 2 | Prerequisite: None

**CL816: Immigration Law**

Immigration law has a significant impact on individuals, families, businesses, nonprofits, and national security. Immigration intersects with employment law, criminal law, and family law. This course will prepare you for practical application of immigration law. You will learn about the process of legally entering the United States and how people can become U.S. citizens or lawful permanent residents. This course will also explore the consequences of entering or remaining in the U.S. without authorization. Additionally, the course will discuss how people can lose their citizenship or permanent residency. You would benefit from taking Constitutional Law and Criminal Procedure before this course, but are not required to do so. Credit Hours: 2 | Prerequisite: CL601

**CL820: Intellectual Property**

This is a survey course in the field of intellectual property law. Topics that are covered include examination of the statutory basis and rationale for protection of inventions (patents), creative works (copyright), and brands (trademarks). The course will include review of the processes involved in obtaining federal protection of intellectual property and the threshold criteria for qualifying for such protection. The enforcement of intellectual property rights will also be discussed, including where subject matter and personal jurisdiction may be found. Credit Hours: 4 | Prerequisite: None | Corequisite: CL650 and CL670

**CL821: Cyber Law**

This broad survey course is designed to explore the legal, ethical, and technological issues involved in cyberspace. Topics will include: Internet history, policy development, governance, and regulation; jurisdiction; First Amendment and privacy; copyright and fair use; and trademark. The course lends itself to active discussion of issues. Discussion may require additional research and bluebook citation and, to promote active discussion, will have deadlines. Credit Hours: 4 | Prerequisite: None | Corequisite: CL650

**CL822: Patent Law Fundamentals**

This class focuses on the law relating to the procurement and enforcement of patent rights. The course begins with an examination of the statutory basis for patents and how that relates to the "patentability requirements." The patentability requirements are also discussed in the context of patent litigation, where a failure to meet the requirements can provide a defendant a way to invalidate a patent that is asserted against it. In this course you will gain a broad overview of the patent laws as interpreted by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office and applied by the various federal courts (primarily the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit) that have exclusive jurisdiction to hear patent matters. Credit Hours: 2 | Prerequisite: None

**CL823: Patent Litigation**

This course will focus on the law associated with enforcing patents through the U.S. district court system including the elements of the complaint (i.e., standing/jurisdiction, infringement, damages), issues arising in discovery (potential defenses), trial (the role of the judge and jury), and a potential appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit (CAFC). Credit Hours: 2 | Prerequisite: CL820 or CL822, CL670, and CL671 (can also be taken as corequisites)

**CL824: Patent Claim Drafting**

This class will focus almost entirely on the law and rules associated with writing claims that pass muster at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Such claims must be written to cover the invention and, at the same time, avoid the "prior art." Such claims should be of varying scope, commercially relevant, and stand up to validity challenges during litigation. This course will introduce you to sufficient principles regarding patent law to be able to understand the patent application prosecution process and write claims. Credit Hours: 2 | Prerequisite: CL820 or CL822 (can also be taken as corequisites)

**CL826: Cybersecurity Law**

Cybersecurity law is a complex area of practice that is likely to expand and evolve. This course will provide insights into data security law, data breach notification laws, privacy law as it applies to cybersecurity, antihacking law, and government surveillance law. Laws discussed will include HIPAA, HITECH, FERPA, and GLBA. Skills practiced in this course will include writing, analysis, and research. Credit Hours: 2 | Prerequisite: CL601

**CL827: Employment Law**

Employment law has a significant and pervasive impact on society and our economy. This course addresses employment relationships, employment contracts, employment-related torts, worker's compensation, re-employment, whistleblower statutes, safety, employee benefits, and wage and hour issues. Skills addressed in this course include client counseling, compliance, drafting, and negotiating. Credit Hours: 4 | Prerequisite: CL611 and CL621

**CL830: Health Law**

This course introduces you to the legal issues involving the health care system and health care providers. Areas covered include licensing and discipline, informed consent, confidentiality, patient-professional relationships, liability of health care professionals and institutions, fraud and abuse, and beginning of life and end of life issues. Credit Hours: 4 | Prerequisite: None



**CL831: Medical Malpractice/Professional Liability**

This course examines the duty of health care professionals and organizations to provide appropriate care by addressing specific tort issues, practice guidelines and standards, applicable regulations, and data bank issues.

Credit Hours: 2 | Prerequisite: CL830

**CL833: Medical Products Liability**

This course explores the legal aspects of health-related products liability, including medical devices, pharmaceuticals, and genetically engineered treatment modalities, plus relevant toxic tort issues. You will evaluate the current laws applicable to these areas and how they are applied through product liability claims and through administrative agencies like the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA). The course will emphasize health law issues in products liability and will also cover aspects of administrative law. The course assessments provide you with some hands-on opportunities to apply what you learn in a "real-world" way by completing projects on the FDA and on litigation involving medical devices and pharmaceuticals and by drafting pleadings and a judicial decision to address hypothetical situations.

Credit Hours: 2 | Prerequisite: None

**CL834: Risk Management in Health Care**

This course explores various models and trends in risk management programs, along with their components. The course will focus on all forms of risk and risk management in health care environments, from initiation of care through completion of care.

Credit Hours: 2 | Prerequisite: CL830

**CL836: Health Law Independent Study**

This course affords you the opportunity to write a major paper on a health law topic. Papers will have to be original, be significant in length, and reflect a high level of research and thorough analysis of a topic. You will develop a thesis or prepare an expository piece on a particular area of health law.

Credit Hours: 2 | Prerequisite: CL830

**CL840: Trial Advocacy - Theories, Tactics, and Techniques**

This course introduces you to the fundamentals of the courtroom and oral advocacy. Interactive modules allow you to study the foundation of effective advocacy and to learn by doing. You are exposed to trial tactics and techniques including opening statements, direct and cross examinations, introduction of evidence, and closing arguments. You are assessed and receive feedback on your own performances via online video presentations. You must have access or arrange access to a webcam or other recording device that allows you to record videos online.

Credit Hours: 3 | Prerequisite: CL670 and CL671; CL710 and CL711 (can be taken as a corequisite)

**CL841: ADR and Technology**

ADR and Technology explores how technology can facilitate dispute resolution and problem solving. You will analyze online dispute resolution platforms that already exist, and you will have an opportunity to resolve disputes using those platforms. You first will be introduced to different traditional offline dispute resolution processes. You then will use and critically evaluate different audio, video, and text-based technologies that can assist in resolving disputes; become familiar with several existing dispute resolution software programs that are available commercially; study and discuss current literature concerning technology-mediated dispute resolution; and be expected to use video and audio technology to make a presentation to the entire class. You are expected to attend select live class sessions. You must have, or have ready access to, a web camera (webcam) as well as a sufficiently fast Internet connection to participate in a direct negotiation via webcam. You are also required to participate in dispute resolution simulations using email and instant messaging.

Credit Hours: 2 | Prerequisite: None

**CL842: Oral Argument Training and Practice**

This course covers effective oral argument and how to implement presentational skills in the context of how to argue a case before an appellate court. The skills, however, apply equally to (1) students who will argue a motion before a trial court and (2) students who never intend to practice law but, on occasion, need to speak before a group of people. You will analyze and apply legal principles and policy to a complicated fact pattern and improve your skills in organization and logical thinking. While there are written assignments, success in the course turns on two oral arguments, one on each side of the case. You will work with partners and on teams. The overarching goal of this course is "collaborative learning," and you will research, analyze, and plan arguments in "law firm" teams. This is an opportunity to work in cooperative groups toward a final collective goal.

Credit Hours: 2 | Prerequisite: None | Corequisite: CL730

**CL843: Virtual Law Practice**

Virtual law practice is a fact of operation for the vast majority of modern law firms; even law firms that would not be considered to be wholly virtual nonetheless incorporate components of virtual practice. This course will focus on the practical aspects of virtual law practice management, and the constituent technology inputs that make up such a practice, making this a useful overview if you wish to incorporate any aspect of virtual practice into what you will do. This course will also address ethical considerations, client acquisition tactics, staffing, data management, and the future of virtual law firms.

Credit Hours: 2 | Prerequisite: None

**CL845: Administrative Advocacy**

In this course, you will develop skills related to interviewing clients, presenting evidence, and making legal arguments at administrative hearings. You will participate in a mock hearing using a free video chat platform assigned by the professor. You will interact with your professor and fellow classmates by email, phone, and face-to-face using the video chat platform. You must have, or have ready access to, a web camera (webcam), a microphone, and a sufficiently fast Internet connection in order to participate in these interactions and in the mock hearing.

Credit Hours: 2 | Prerequisite: CL601

**CL850: Education Law**

Education Law provides you with an overview of key topics in the field by examining the constitutional principles, statutes, agency regulations, and judicial decisions that have shaped public and private education. The course will help you understand how these various sources of law affect schools and their students and staff. Topics include: foundational principles; school funding; employment issues; school liability; instruction and curricular issues; privacy rights and right-to-know laws; student and teacher rights in areas such as the First Amendment, discipline, discrimination, and religion; search, seizure, and interrogation; special education; other federal laws; and cutting-edge topics such as electronic speech, discipline for off-campus behavior, cyberbullying, strip searches, and education reform. The course uses a problem-based approach that allows you to apply what you learn by discussing and addressing real-world situations through various problems, activities, and assessments. You will also go outside of the classroom materials to gather information about how education law works in practice in your own state.

Credit Hours: 4 | Prerequisite: None

**CL855: Special Education Law**

Special Education Law provides you with an overview of key topics in the field by examining the statutes, agency regulations, and judicial decisions that have shaped special education. Topics include evaluations, eligibility, the meaning of a free and appropriate public education (FAPE), Individual Education Programs (IEPs), placement, least restrictive environment requirements, discipline, procedural safeguards, dispute resolution, Section 504/ADA, and remedies. The course will help you understand how the legal standards that govern these topics impact the services that schools must provide to students with disabilities. The course allows you to apply what you learn by discussing and addressing real-world situations through various problems and assessments. You will also go outside of the classroom materials to gather information about how special education law works in practice and in your state.

Credit Hours: 2 | Prerequisite: None

**CL884: Legal Education Experience Program (LEEP)**

The Legal Education Experience Program (LEEP) provides you with the opportunity to experience the law. You will apply your knowledge of the law and utilize your legal skills at a corporation, organization, government entity, law firm, or other setting. You will work with the Director of Externships to identify and obtain approval for an appropriate externship. You may take this course a second time for credit if you obtain a different externship. This course will be graded pass/fail.

Credit Hours: 2 | Prerequisite: Minimum 2.0 cumulative GPA

**CL887: Legal Education Experience Program II (LEEP II)**

Legal Education Experience Program II (LEEP II) provides you with a second opportunity to experience the law in a practical setting. You will work under a supervising attorney in a judicial, law firm, public law office, corporate, or government setting. You will work with your professor to identify and obtain approval for an appropriate externship. You may not be placed with the same organization for LEEP II.

Credit Hours: 2 | Prerequisite: CL884; minimum 2.0 cumulative GPA

**CL890: Independent Study**

This course requires you to design and execute a research project that generally will result in a paper of at least 30 pages. If you are considering this elective, you should review the Independent Study Request Form for further information on the expectations for student work in the course and the process for getting approval of an independent study project. You may take this course a second time for credit if you get approval for a different independent study project.

Credit Hours: 2 | Prerequisite: Preapproval via Independent Study Request Form, cumulative GPA requirement. | Corequisite: CL727

**CL892: Independent Study**

This course requires you to design and execute a research project that generally will result in a paper of at least 60 pages. If you are considering this elective, you should review the Independent Study Request Form for further information on the expectations for student work in the course and the process for getting approval of an independent study project. You may take this course a second time for credit if you get approval for a different independent study project.

Credit Hours: 4 | Prerequisite: Preapproval via Independent Study Request Form, cumulative GPA requirement | Corequisite: CL727

**CL894: Moot Court - Honors Program**

In this course, selected third- or fourth-year JD students have an opportunity to participate in external moot court competitions in order to hone written and oral advocacy skills. Competitions selected may change from year to year.

Credit Hours: 4 | Prerequisite: CL729 and selection by faculty

**CL900: First-Year Intensive (FYI)**

First-Year Intensive (FYI) is an extensive program designed to prepare students for the First-Year Law Students' Exam (FYLSE). The course is a full review of the substantive law covered on the FYLSE, together with lectures on the techniques necessary to succeed on the exam. Finally, this course also contains extensive practice materials to allow you to hone the necessary skills needed to successfully complete the exam.

Credit Hours: 0 | Prerequisite: JD only

**CL950: Second Time Success**

The Second Time Success (STS) program is designed to help you focus your studying as you prepare to retake the First-Year Law Students' Exam. In addition to individual feedback and support, STS is centered on a series of live seminars. The first seminar reviews your experiences in preparing for the FYLSE and discusses strategies for overcoming obstacles to preparedness. STS also includes lectures and written assignments from the Concord First course and concludes with FYLSE seminars which begin approximately one month prior to the exam.

Credit Hours: 0 | Prerequisite: None