

LEX - LAW

LEX 5000 Law in Social Context Cr. 3

Covers several substantive areas, with a particular focus on property in both its traditional common-law form (like owning a house) and in its newer statutory contexts (like intellectual property – for example, owning a patent). What does it mean to own something? What makes someone a legal owner of something? What kinds of things can be owned, what things cannot, and why? Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate level students.

LEX 5010 Law and Harm Cr. 3

Presents the basic concepts of law and the fundamentals of legal analysis, giving in-depth attention to the fields of tort and criminal law and using them to examine how law conceives of, regulates, and adjudicates questions of harm. When can you sue a person or a group for harming you? On the street or in a business, what makes something a crime, and why do we prosecute and punish crimes the way we do? Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate level students.

LEX 5020 Legal Procedure Cr. 3

Examines the lifecycle of a case in court. Discusses how a lawsuit begins with the filing of a complaint and how it ends in a judicial order, and it covers everything else that happens along the way—with special attention paid to things like negotiation and settlement. Introduces legal concepts like “due process of law,” and explores the procedural similarities and differences between civil cases, criminal cases, and administrative proceedings. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate level students.

LEX 5030 Law and Transactions Cr. 3

This course introduces students to the legal theories, concepts, and rules related to the formation, interpretation, performance, breach, and termination of contractual relationships between and among individuals and entities, primarily private parties. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate level students.

LEX 5100 Law and Regulation Cr. 3

This course introduces students to the modern regulatory state and the methods of legal analysis used within different legal and political institutions in the United States. The course will explore the roles and structure of administrative agencies and procedures, and examine how different approaches to regulation require the ability to interpret statutes, assess arguments and evidence with an understanding of multiple disciplines, and engage in comparative institutional analysis. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate level students.

LEX 5110 Access to Justice Cr. 3

The U.S. civil legal systems are complex. To navigate these systems generally requires a lawyer. But lawyers are expensive. Legal aid attorneys, who provide free legal services for low-income persons, are overworked and there simply are not enough. This course engages students in understanding the significant access to justice issues in the U.S. and developing ways to address these issues. Utilizing historical overviews, the course will explore legal and political systems and how they intersect with access to justice. Students will explore how race, gender, sex, age, wealth, and other status determine access to justice. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate level students.

LEX 6100 Civil Procedure A Cr. 3

Structure of the judicial system in the United States and the process of civil litigation from the commencement of an action through appeal. Subjects considered include jurisdiction, the relationship between state and federal courts, pleading, discovery and other pre-trial devices, trial and appellate review. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 6101 Civil Procedure B Cr. 3

Structure of the judicial system in the United States and the process of civil litigation from the commencement of an action through appeal. Continuation of LEX 6100. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 6200 Contracts A Cr. 3

General principles of the law of contracts; definitions of contract; illegality, mistake, frustration, impossibility; statute of frauds, interpretation, the parol evidence rule; performance and breach; rescission; repudiation and discharge. Remedies, including damages, specific performance, injunction and restitution. All topics considered from viewpoints of both common law and statute. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 6201 Contracts B Cr. 3

General principles of the law of contracts; definitions of contract; illegality, mistake, frustration, the parol evidence rule; performance and breach; rescission; repudiation and discharge. Remedies, including damages, specific performance, injunction and restitution. All topics considered from viewpoints of both common law and statute. Continuation of LEX 6200. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 6300 Criminal Law Cr. 3

General doctrines of criminal liability as they relate to the moral and social problems of crime; definitions of principal crimes and defenses to criminal prosecution, both common law and statutory; limitations on the use of criminal sanctions. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 6400 Legal Research and Writing Cr. 2

Analysis of legal problems and the use of legal materials, through discussion, written assignments, and personal conferences. Preparation of a trial brief and oral argument on a selected civil or criminal case before a court composed of faculty or members of the local bench and Bar. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 6500 Property Cr. 4

Basic course in real property, which will include selected materials from some of the following areas: historical introduction to real property; personal property transfers by gift, finding, adverse possession; modern law of possessory estates, including non-freehold estates, and landlord and tenant relationships; concurrent estates; restraints upon the use of land; conveyancing and effects of the Recording Acts. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 6600 Torts Cr. 4

Legal principles underlying wrongs not based on contract, arising from intentional or negligent conduct and including strict liability; the nature of particular wrongs, including injuries to the person, to reputation, to real or personal property, and to interference with business or family relations. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 6700 Constitutional Law I Cr. 3

Problems arising under the Constitution of the United States, with particular attention to the nature of judicial review in constitutional cases and to the role of the judiciary in umpiring the federal system. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 6800 Professional Responsibility and the Legal Profession Cr. 2

Conflicts of interest; the attorney's standard of care, fiduciary duty, the organization of bar associations, the attorney's duty to the court and the community; the attorney's responsibilities in trial, and in unilateral actions and negotiations. The duty of disclosure of adverse data, the development of group legal services, and of legal services to the poor, and the responsibility of the bar in these areas. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 6850 Bar Exam Strategies and Fundamentals Cr. 2

This course will focus on the bar examination strategies and foundational skills required to pass the bar examination. It will introduce students to the components of the bar exam, provide instruction on strategies to pass, and teach students how to effectively answer bar exam questions. This course will complement other elements of Wayne Law's institutional bar preparation program to provide students with a full-scale, integrated, comprehensive bar examination preparation experience and approach. By offering bar exam strategies in a course for credit, students will not only get a head-start preparing for the bar exam, but students who may be at-risk for failing the bar exam will head into bar preparation with an understanding of the foundational skills needed to pass the exam. Offered Every Term.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Law level students.

LEX 6900 The Regulatory State Cr. 3

Introduction to statutes and agency decisions and the central role they play in modern government. Nature of statutes and agency regulations, how they are generated, and how they are interpreted and applied. Justifications for modern regulation, the modern administrative state, the incentives that influence the behavior of the various actors, and the legal rules that help structure the relationships among legislatures, agencies and courts. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7001 Accounting for Lawyers Cr. 2

Basic concepts of bookkeeping and generally-accepted accounting principles; background to help read and interpret financial statements; auditor's role and accounting issues that arise in business planning, in litigation, and in managing financial investments. May not be taken for credit by those who completed more than two undergraduate accounting courses or a graduate course in financial accounting. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7006 Administrative Law Cr. 3-4

Functions and behavior of administrative agencies; constitutional and statutory constraints on agency operation. Government role in formulating and enforcing policy, administering of public benefit programs, and awarding of licenses. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7014 Taxation of Corporations: Acquisitions and Restructuring Cr. 4

Satisfies the professional skills requirement. Explores the tax rules for corporate stock or asset acquisitions and restructurings (including reorgs, spins and loss carryovers), and S corporations or consolidated returns through the lens of a simulated firm tax group working on a series of client projects (using an actor as client). Each student will work on at least two team projects during the semester, preparing written and oral presentations for, and briefing the client on, issues related to the team project topic. Team projects include: prepping a client for and negotiating an acquisition, drafting a private letter ruling request, preparing an internal memorandum outlining the pros and cons of restructuring choices, researching and writing a tax opinion letter, and outlining advantages of various entity choices for future transactions. Offered Yearly.

Prerequisite: LEX 7821 with a minimum grade of D or LEX 7061 with a minimum grade of D

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7015 Advanced Torts Cr. 2

This course will focus on torts not involving physical injury, such as misrepresentation, defamation, invasion of privacy, interference with business relations, and misuse of legal procedure. These causes of action, which provide remedies for economic, reputational, or emotional harm, are not ordinarily covered in the four-hour Torts course required in the first year. They have become burgeoning areas of potential liability due to the emergence of electronic communications. An effort will be made to integrate substantive doctrine and practice implications with legal, economic, political and social theory. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7016 Alternative Dispute Resolution Cr. 2

Forms of non-trial dispute resolution: arbitration, mediation, and negotiation—their various permutations and substantive applications. Factors affecting choice between dispute resolution processes, differences in design and structure, relative costs, quality of participant performance, accountability for results, privacy of proceedings, role of legal norms and lawyers, due process considerations, availability of judicial review; tactics and strategies employed in arbitration, mediation and negotiation. Offered Every Other Year.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7021 American Indian Law Cr. 3

This course explores the foundational principles and doctrines governing the legal and political relationship between the United States and Indian tribes. Major topics in the course include the history of federal Indian law and policy, congressional plenary power, principles of interpretation of laws and treaties regarding Indians, the nature of tribal sovereignty, and jurisdiction in Indian country. In examining these topics, we will discuss laws and policies concerning tribal justice and legal systems, gambling and taxation in Indian country, and the Indian Child Welfare Act. Offered Intermittently.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7023 Animal Law Cr. 3

Animal law encompasses human-animal interactions and evaluation of competing interests within the context of traditional areas of law (e.g., veterinary malpractice, expansion of anti-cruelty statutes to include farm animals, damage for death of / injury to companion animals, disputes over custody of companion animals in divorce or separation, landlord-tenant housing disputes, the inclusion of animals in wills and trusts, and constitutional issues such as standing). It also encompasses the current legal status of animals as living property and explores whether this status is antiquated and needs re-evaluation to reflect societal beliefs and values. Course will consider these traditional areas of law, groundbreaking laws enacted by other countries, as well as theories for the expansion of consideration and rights. Offered Intermittently.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7026 Antitrust Cr. 2-4

Government control of trade practices and industrial market structures which inhibit the competitive process; monopoly, oligopoly, mergers, cartel practices, distribution arrangements, resale price control, franchising patent licensing, foreign commerce and price discrimination under the Sherman, Clayton, Federal Trade Commission, and Robinson-Patman Acts. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7039 Automotive Law Cr. 2

The Automotive Law course will offer an overview of the automobile industry and related law, and cover the basic theories and legal implications of the automotive franchise system, automotive marketing and advertising, automated, autonomous and connected vehicles, automotive products liability, consumer issues including privacy, cybersecurity and automotive safety, and the over-arching role of artificial intelligence. Offered Intermittently.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7051 Bankruptcy and Creditors' Rights Cr. 3

Problems arising when debtors are in financial difficulty, including the principal state remedies of unsecured creditors such as attachment, garnishment, and enforcement of judgments; Chapter 7 bankruptcy liquidations; Chapter 13 wage-earner plans; and Chapter 11 reorganizations. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7058 Bioethics and the Law Cr. 3

Role of law in shaping, analyzing and resolving conflicts that arise in the interplay between medicine, biotechnology, ethics, social history, and cultural evolution. Topics include reproductive rights and genetic technologies, maternal fetal decision making, medical decision making, definitions of death, death and dying decisions, regulation of research on humans, interdisciplinary decision making, and access to health care. Offered Intermittently.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7060 Business Planning Cr. 4

Problems involving common business transactions, including choice of entity to conduct business; organization, financing, and operation of a corporation; restructuring of business enterprises. Corporate, tax, securities law, and financial matters; role of business lawyer in counseling and planning business transactions. Relationship between the corporation and its shareholders. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7070 Child Abuse and Neglect Cr. 2

Introduces students to state and federal laws governing the child protection and child welfare systems. Topics addressed will include: defining abuse and neglect; mandatory reporting; child protection investigations and limitations thereon; emergency removal and less burdensome alternatives; adjudicatory hearings and proof of abuse and neglect; dispositional hearings and powers; permanency planning and long-term placements; termination of parental rights; right to counsel; and the duties of lawyers for children in abuse and neglect cases. Offered Intermittently.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7075 Child, Family, and State Cr. 3

Aspects of children in legal system. Legal relationship between children, their parents, and government (federal, state, local, and tribal); rights of these parties and relationships between them. Education, medical care, children's rights, concept of legal parenthood, parental rights (and termination thereof), adoption, juvenile justice process. Concentration on constitutional and policy analysis as opposed to examination of rules and regulations in the different areas. Students graded on class participation, several short written assignments, and take-home final examination. Offered Intermittently.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7092 Class Actions and Multidistrict Litigations Cr. 3

This course covers the purpose, policies, evolution, and real-world benefits and challenges of class actions and multidistrict litigations. Students will not only learn the rules surrounding class actions, but they will also discuss real cases that have been prosecuted and engage in class certification briefing and oral argument. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7121 Conflict of Laws Cr. 3

Principles, rules and methods thought to underlie the resolution of multi-state problems. Jurisdiction and enforcement of judgments of other states. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7123 Constitutional History in the United States to 1860 Cr. 4

The emergence of distinctively Anglo-American legal cultures in the Atlantic basin and then in North America, from early exploration and settlement until the early stages of Civil War. Special attention is paid to law's ongoing relationship to state making, the shifting terrain of citizenship, the emergence of capitalism, and the construction within society of racial, gendered, and class distinctions. Offered Intermittently.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7126 Constitutional Law II Cr. 4

Individual rights under the Constitution of the United States. Freedom of speech, religious freedom and equal protection. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

Equivalent: LEX 7829

LEX 7127 Constitutional Litigation Cr. 3

This course will track the jurisdictional and constitutional basis and the history of claims by individuals against government officials for constitutional violations. It will explore the limits and constraints on the actions of officials and the policies of governments. How must the plaintiffs plead and prove such cases and how can defendants defend their actions and policies. Since 1961, victims of official misconduct – ordinary private persons – have had the ability and opportunity to enforce the United States Constitution in federal courts. This has for decades provided American lawyers, courts and litigants with important power, the power to directly shape American democracy in unique ways. The study of this system of constitutional enforcement is essential to an understanding of American constitutional jurisprudence. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7128 Consumer Law Cr. 2-3

An introduction to law specially directed at the rights and obligations of consumers. The consumer marketplace is regulated by a series of discrete statutes and regulations, such as the Federal Trade Commission Act (and accompanying regulations), Truth-in-Lending Act, Fair Credit Reporting Act, Equal Credit Opportunity Act, Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, and lemon laws. This course provides an overview of these special rules and their interpretation and enforcement. As such the course provides an introduction to the role of administrative agencies and the interpretation of statutes and regulations. Offered Intermittently.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7131 Consumption Based Tax Cr. 2

The Consumption Based Tax course will examine the foundational principles of a consumption based tax like a sales or value added tax, and will address global consumption tax systems, focusing on value added tax (VAT). The course highlights innovations incorporated in national VATs, including real property, financial, agriculture and the public and non-profit sectors. Students will examine the extent to which a VAT can apply at a national, subnational, and multinational level, and the problems that might be encountered. Offered Intermittently.

Prerequisite: LEX 7816

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7136 Copyright Law Cr. 3

Law of copyright and related doctrines protecting literary, musical and artistic works. Nature of rights and kinds of works protected, doctrine of fair use, pre-emption problems, and problems posed by new technologies. Emphasis on 1976 Copyright Act and its relation to issues such as home videotaping, photocopying and non-profit performance of protected works. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7141 Corporate Finance Cr. 3

Economic and legal problems arising in connection with financing decisions of publicly-held corporations, including valuation of the enterprise and its securities, determination of securities structure and dividend policy, capital structure (including problems relating to debt), and acquisition strategies. Federal securities regulations and selected topics. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7156 Corporations Cr. 2-4

Relationships between owners and directors of a corporate enterprise; different types of stock ownership and the corresponding rights in profits and control; consolidation and merger; distinctive features of the closed corporation. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7161 Criminal Procedure: Investigation Cr. 3

Constitutional requirements for arrests, searches, seizures, electronic surveillance, and interrogations. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7166 Criminal Procedure: Adjudication Cr. 3

Operation of the criminal justice system from the defendant's first appearance in the court through the trial, and to post-conviction remedies, including a study of bail, the preliminary hearing, the grand jury, voir dire, discovery, double jeopardy, joinder, and habeas corpus. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7172 Developing the Commercial Real Estate Project Cr. 3

Real estate development: laws and requirements affecting the development of commercial properties, including the law of contracts; real estate interests, such as mortgages, easements and encumbrances, zoning laws, environmental laws, building codes and requirements and other regulatory laws. Topics include: purchase and sale contracts, title and survey matters, due diligence investigations, closing processes, construction, financing, and leasing. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7185 Disability Law Cr. 3

This is a survey of American law as it relates to people with disabilities, with particular emphasis on the Americans with Disabilities Act ("ADA"), Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act ("Section 504"), and the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act ("IDEA"). The focus of the course is on access to employment, government programs and services, places of public accommodation, housing, healthcare, education, and insurance. Other topics addressed include civil commitment; guardianship, conservatorship, and less restrictive alternatives; and income support programs. Offered Every Other Year.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.

LEX 7190 Domestic Violence and Law Cr. 2

Grounded in the historical and social context of domestic violence, as well as the dynamics of abusive relationships; this course will examine the response of the legal system to complex issues raised by domestic violence. The course will focus on criminal and family law issues and their intersections. Also explored will be current issues in the law as well as cultural contexts of interpersonal and gender-based violence. Offered Every Other Year.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7201 Education Law Cr. 3

Survey of education law with emphasis on public education. Historical development of education law in the U.S. as well as topics of current interest: tenure, academic freedom, school discipline, school financing, home-based schooling, state regulation of private schools, church-state relationships, and desegregation in public education. Offered Intermittently.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7205 Employee Benefits Law Cr. 3

This course is a survey course intended to provide students with a strong grounding in the major laws affecting employment-based benefit plans, including the Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA) and the Internal Revenue Code. The course will address both retirement plans (including traditional defined benefit plans and common types of defined contribution plans such as 401 (k) plans and welfare benefit plans (including health and life insurance and disability plans). Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7216 Employment Discrimination Cr. 2-3

Federal constitutional and statutory guarantees of freedom from invidious discrimination in employment. Thirteenth and Fourteenth Amendments, Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Reconstruction Civil Rights Acts, 42 U.S.C. 1881, et seq., the Equal Pay Act of 1963, and the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7221 Employment Law Cr. 2-3

Legal rights and responsibilities of employees (excluding rights provided by anti-discrimination laws and the NLRA); statutory and common-law limitations on the employer's right to discharge; protection of employee privacy and reputation; laws governing wages and hours, occupational safety, unemployment compensation, workers' compensation, and employee benefits. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7226 Entertainment Law Cr. 2-3

Legal and business issues in the entertainment industries, including those related to sound recordings, music publishing, literary publishing, films, television, the Internet and other new media. Readings and discussions: representing talent, drafting and negotiating contracts, remedies for breaches, and rights of publicity. How the entertainment industries and their economics work. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7231 Environmental Law Cr. 2-3

Environmental law in common-law, statutes, constitutional issues, administrative and international law. Coherent legal analysis of environmental problems and active legal remedies, rather than specialized instruction in pollution controls and the like. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7236 Equitable Remedies Cr. 2-3

Survey of the equitable remedies available for the vindication of substantive rights, which includes injunctive and restitutionary relief as well as the general treatment of equitable relief in contract, tort and criminal actions. Offered Intermittently.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7241 Estate, Gift and Inheritance Taxation Cr. 2

This course designed to introduce you to the gratuitous transfer provisions of the U.S. federal taxation system. Topics that will be covered include: the rationale for and policy behind taxing gratuitous transfers, the mechanics of the estate and gift taxes and the relation between the two, among other things. Offered Intermittently.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7266 Evidence Cr. 2-4

General principles relating to the proof of questions of fact in civil and criminal trials, including competency, relevancy, and materiality of evidence; judicial notice, presumptions; burden of proof; competency of witnesses, rules relating to examination and cross-examination of witnesses; weight and sufficiency of evidence. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7301 Family Law Cr. 2-3

Entry into marriage; legal treatment of couples in marital and non-marital relationships; divorce, including custody, alimony and property distribution, and the role of the attorney; procreation; illegitimacy; rights and responsibilities of children and parents with respect to each other and to the state; child abuse and neglect; and adoption. When offered for two credits, considerably less time is devoted to children's issues. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7306 Federal Courts and the Federal System Cr. 2-3

Interrelationship of state and federal law in our legal system from the point of view of the federal courts and the Congress. Emphasis on the politics, history, and philosophy of federalism, rather than on procedures. Offered Every Other Year.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7311 Taxation of Partnerships Cr. 2-3

This course covers the federal income taxation of partnerships and partners, with significant focus on the governing statutory provisions and regulations and the mechanics of partnership tax accounting. Topics will typically include the transfer of property to a partnership; determination of partners' distributive shares of items of income, gain, loss and deduction; partnership recourse and non-recourse debt; partnership cash or property distributions; and transfers of interests in partnerships. The course will also cover more general policy issues, including such topics as the concepts motivating the aggregate or entity approach, concepts of tax avoidance and the ethical issues arising in connection with the use of partnerships in tax shelter transactions, and the advantages and disadvantages of partnerships compared to alternative forms of business taxation such as C corporations and pass-through S corporations. Offered Yearly.

Prerequisite: LEX 7816 with a minimum grade of D

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7319 Firearms Law and the Second Amendment Cr. 2

This course focuses on legal issues affecting weapons. We will explore the origins, dynamics, and evolution of the Second Amendment, and discuss Heller, McDonald, and the difficult questions that have arisen in their wake. This course also considers other topics, including First Amendment issues, state constitutions, and various state and federal laws that limit who can own weapons, where they can be carried, and how they must be treated. Offered Intermittently.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7321 Food and Drug Law Cr. 2

This course is designed to provide students with a basic working knowledge of domestic laws regulating food, drugs, cosmetics/biologics/ blood, and medical devices. It has an administrative law overtone, providing and understanding of the legislative and regulatory processes through an in-depth look at the relationship between the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), industry, consumer interest groups, and Congress. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.

LEX 7326 Foreign Direct Investment Cr. 3

History of, and policy justifications for, protection of foreign direct investment (FDI); the substantive international law regarding the protection of FDI; the process for resolving disputes between foreign investors and host states through international arbitration; and critiques of the existing legal framework for the protection of FDI. Offered Intermittently.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7331 Franchise Law Cr. 2

Provides a survey of franchise and product distribution law, taking into account federal and state legislation and case law. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7353 Health Care Organizations and Finance Cr. 3

Legal responses to problems of health care costs, access and financing from both public and private perspectives. Registration of insurance and managed care, developments in federal ERISA preemption, changing business structures, and antitrust enforcement. Medicare and Medicaid financing, rules prohibiting self-referrals, and standards policing fraud and abuse. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7354 Health Care Quality, Licensing and Liability Cr. 3

Legal responses to problems of health care quality and medical errors. State licensing of health care professionals and institutions, self-regulation, and tort liability for physicians, hospitals and managed care organizations. Basic introduction to health care institutions, the particulars of malpractice litigation, and proposals for tort reform. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7371 Immigration and Nationality Law Cr. 2-3

Immigration, its history and development; entry into the United States, and alien status and adjustment to status; deportation and relief from deportation; exclusion and relief from exclusion; nationality and citizenship. Offered Every Other Year.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7384 International Commercial Arbitration Cr. 3

Course follows the life cycle of an international commercial arbitration, including: drafting and enforcing arbitration agreements; appointment and challenge of arbitrators; conduct of the proceedings; drafting of awards; review and enforcement of awards by courts at the seat of arbitration and beyond. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7401 International Aspects of US Taxation Cr. 2-3

United States taxation of non-resident aliens and foreign entities, foreign tax credit, determination of source of income, impact of tax treaties, earned income exclusion, tax effect of mode of operation and country of incorporation, and statutory and non-statutory tax devices available for international operations. Offered Every Other Year.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7404 International Business Transactions Cr. 3

This course introduces a wide range of problems and issues that private business entities may encounter in doing business across national borders. Topics include international sales, import and export regulations, cross-border IP protection and technology transfer, foreign direct investment, business ethics, and dispute settlement. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7406 International Finance: Transactions, Regulation, and Policy Cr. 3

Legal problems associated with flow of capital across national borders. Topics include international financial transactions, regulation of international capital markets, regulation of international banking and financial services, emerging market debt crisis, role of International Monetary Fund, reform of international financial system. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7408 International Law Cr. 3

Basic legal concepts applied by international tribunals and courts of the United States to the relations between independent nations. The nature and sources of international law; the use of treaties; international organizations; and practices respecting recognition, territory, nationality and jurisdiction. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7409 International Litigation Cr. 3

Issues arising in civil cases in American courts in which international parties, evidence, and issues are present. Subjects include personal jurisdiction, service of process abroad, conducting discovery abroad, suing foreign sovereigns and governmental officials, forum non conveniens and international arbitration. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7411 International Protection of Human Rights Cr. 2-3

The main international and regional legal instruments and procedures for the protection of human rights. Offered Intermittently.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7413 International Prosecution of State Actors Cr. 3

Legal and political aspects of new processes by which one-time state officials (such as former Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic, former Chilean dictator Augusto Pinochet, and former East German leader Egon Krenz) and their followers have been subjected to prosecution in international and foreign legal systems. Basic elements of transnational criminal law; controversial questions of principle and policy such as United States opposition to the new International Criminal Court; concerns about retroactive punishment; respect for amnesties that have contributed to ending civil conflicts. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7418 International Trade Law Cr. 3

Regulation of international trade relations. Focus on Law of the World Trade Organization (WTO) and its interaction with domestic regulation of international commerce. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7419 Interviewing and Counseling Cr. 2-3

This course introduces students to interviewing and counseling theory, and helps students develop skills needed to effectively and efficiently interview and counsel clients in both litigation and transactional matters. Topics addressed and skills developed include active listening, phrasing and sequencing questions, eliciting timelines, probing for details, clarifying objectives, identifying options and discussing their consequences, and helping clients make final decisions. The course makes extensive use of role-playing exercises. Each student conducts a full-length simulated interview at mid-semester, and a full-length simulated counseling session towards the end of the semester. When offered for three credits, the course will include a forty-hour fieldwork component in which each student will interview and counsel actual clients who are seeking free legal help from one of the Law School's clinics or from a faculty-approved public interest externship field placement. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7422 Islamic Law Cr. 3

This course will survey the universe of Islamic law from the vantage point of a beginner to the field. The readings and class discussions will broadly cover the following: (1) classical Islamic jurisprudential theory, (2) substantive aspects of family and criminal law, (3) the intersection of Islamic law and the American legal system, and (4) the place of American-Muslims in the framework of American constitutionalism. Because law - of any variety - does not operate in a vacuum, discussions will proceed with reflection on prevailing sociopolitical realities such as global terrorism, jihadist movements, Islamophobia, misogyny, and racism. The student will also be asked to draw from the offerings of philosophy, critical race theory, postcolonial studies, security studies, and feminism. The aim is for course participants to develop a more textured understanding of Islamic law and to be better positioned to understand the debates surrounding its relevance and practice. Offered Every Other Year.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.

LEX 7423 Introduction to Civil Rights Laws and Lawyering Cr. 3

This course is designed to introduce students to the history, major statutes, and current/potential future developments/directions in United States civil rights laws and lawyering. This course will introduce students to the wide range of legal areas in which civil rights lawyers work, drawing from civil rights laws written during multiple time periods, including the Reconstruction-era amendments and statutes, the major cases and statutes of the 1950s/60s/70s, newer civil rights statutes, cases, and other materials about civil rights lawyering. Students will also read both historical and future-oriented materials to understand how broader political conflicts and civil rights activism have shaped and continue to shape civil rights law, policy, enforcement and innovation. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Law level students.

LEX 7424 Introduction to the Legal System of the United States Cr. 2-3

General introduction to the institutions and processes involved in lawmaking and legal interpretation in the United States, with a focus on lawmaking at the federal level. Topics include: federal legislative process, precedent and the common-law method, federal administrative rule-making, separation of powers, and judicial review. Sources of law produced by these processes and the development of research strategies with respect to these sources. Course is also designed to provide foreign LL.M students (all of whom write a Master's Essay to complete the LL.M. program) with an overview of the principal forms of legal scholarship in the American academy. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7426 Jurisprudence Cr. 2-3

Analysis of important legal notions such as law, sanction, rule, and sovereignty; relations between law and morals as seen particularly in the development of natural law and legal positivism and in the development of the notion of legal responsibility. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7435 Juvenile Delinquency Cr. 2

Introduction to the juvenile justice system. Topics include: juvenile court jurisdiction over delinquents and status offenders; pretrial criminal procedure in the juvenile justice context; screening and diversion; pretrial detention; waiver of juvenile court jurisdiction; procedural rights at trial; dispositional decisions. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7501 Labor Law Cr. 2-4

Legislative, administrative and judicial regulation of labor relations. The scope of national labor legislation; the protection of the rights of self-organization and the designation of bargaining agents; the negotiation and administration of the collective agreement; the legality of strikes, picketing and boycotts; employer interference with concerted activities; and the relations between unions and their members. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7511 Land Use Cr. 2-3

Allocation of land use in the urban environment by both private agreement and governmental order. Problems involved in the development and effectuation of community planning; goals by means of conservation, clearance, and renewal; zoning, variances and exceptions; housing code enforcement, subdivision control, eminent domain; relocation. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7514 Law, Authority, and Resistance Cr. 3

This course addresses, in both theoretical and practical terms, the relationship between legal and political obligation: When, if ever, do individuals have a moral obligation to obey the law because it is the law? What count as valid justifications of civil disobedience, conscientious refusal, or insurrection? When can governmental authority justifiably depart from "the rule of law"? When can individuals be held criminally accountable for egregious acts committed under unjust prior regimes? The course combines classics of the history of political thought with contemporary theoretical writings and contemporary discussions of topical questions (e.g., jury nullification, emergency measures, transitional justice). Particular attention will be paid to the special obligations of lawyers who are asked to validate immoral practices (e.g., "enhanced interrogation methods" in the Global War on Terrorism). Offered Every Other Year.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.

LEX 7516 Law of Elections and Political Organizations Cr. 3

This course will explore ways in which the law governing the political process in the United States affects and reflects political power relationships. It will examine the way the law and other forces have shaped the structure of American political participation and will consider alternative directions American democracy might take. Topics will include the 2024 presidential election, the individual right to vote, the Voting Rights Act, redistricting, minority vote dilution, political and racial gerrymandering (including majority-minority districts), campaign finance reform, and direct democracy through the initiative process. Offered Intermittently.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7518 Law of Armed Conflict Cr. 3

History and current state of the law governing recourse to force (jus ad bellum) and the law governing the application of force (jus in bello). Contemporary jus ad bellum topics include: prohibition of the use of force in international relations, self-defense, unilateral intervention in internal conflicts and humanitarian crises, as well as collective action relating to security and humanitarian crises. Contemporary jus in bello topics include: legal obligations relating to targeting, selection of weapons, status and treatment of prisoners, and protection of civilians during hostilities and occupation. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7519 Law of Policing Cr. 2

This course is an introduction to the law of policing. In this course, students will study the development of laws and policies related to policing in the United States. In addition to the regular course work, students will be asked to conduct focused research on a particular facet of modern policing. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.

LEX 7520 Advanced Legal Writing: Legal Drafting Cr. 3

Legal Drafting provides students with an opportunity to develop transactional drafting skills. It focuses on writing techniques involved in drafting transactional documents most often assigned to summer interns and first and second year associates. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7536 Appellate Advocacy Cr. 3

Research and analysis of complex legal problems involving legislative history and administrative regulations. Class discussion on advanced research, development of strategy, and organization and writing as an advocate. Students write an appellate brief. May not be taken on pass/no credit basis. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7541 Legislation Cr. 3

The legislative process and its use as an instrument of change; legislative drafting revision, interpretation and implementation. The appropriations process; role of and control of lobbying; operation of the legislative process and its effect on policy formulation; conduct of Congressional investigations, and effects of separation of powers doctrines. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7576 Local Policy Development and Advocacy Cr. 3

The primary goal of this skills course is to teach policy development skills, further develop research skills, and advance the ability of students to understand how to effectively communicate the purpose and substance of their policy and research. Specifically, students will learn substantive law and policy skills, have the opportunity to identify community needs, engage in research and analysis, interact with community institutions and organizations, and draft a policy. In doing so, students will build community engagement skills and local government knowledge. Through their coursework students will develop skills that can be used in a broad range of practice settings, including problem-solving and project management, effective oral and written communication, and the value of teamwork. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7581 Local Government Law Cr. 2

Law as an instrument for governing urban areas. Distribution of decision-making power between private and public persons, between state and local governments and among various local governments. Local finance, decentralization, annexation and municipal incorporation. Exploration of possible reform by means of metropolitan government or federal assistance. The lawyer's role in formulating governmental policy in major urban complexes. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7590 Maastricht Exchange Program Cr. 1-4

Students take courses offered in the Maastricht Exchange Program. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.

Repeatable for 4 Credits

LEX 7595 Law Exchange Program Cr. 1-6

Intended for students participating in approved study abroad programs of study. Offered Every Term.

LEX 7603 Mergers and Acquisitions Cr. 2-3

Mechanics of an acquisition, including: (1) state corporate codes relevant to acquisitions, dissenting shareholder remedies, listing requirements, and federal security law affecting the mechanics (proxy, tender offers, public offerings); (2) successor liability, transfers of assets; (3) acquisition documents (confidentiality agreements, letters of intent, basic agreements, closing); (4) legal duties of board of directors and dominant shareholders (decision to sell or acquire, conflicts of interest, attempts to block takeovers, shareholder value); (5) disclosure requirements of federal and state securities law; (6) accounting and tax issues (definition of tax-free reorganization, accounting for mergers and acquisitions). Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7604 Mock Trial Workshop Cr. 2

Introduces students to basic evidence concepts (e.g. relevance, competency, impeachment, hearsay, authentication) and helps student develop basic trial advocacy skills (e.g. how to develop persuasive case theories and themes, how to deliver opening statements and closing arguments, how to examine and cross-examine witnesses, how to lay a proper evidentiary foundation for testimony, how to introduce and use demonstrative evidence, how to refresh a witness's recollection, how to impeach a witness by using the witness's prior statements, how to make and respond to objections). The course is graded on an Honors-Pass-Low Pass-No Credit basis. Students who have taken Trial Advocacy (LEX 7836) are not eligible to take this course, and vice versa. Offered Every Other Year.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.
Equivalent: LEX 7836

LEX 7606 Movement Lawyering Cr. 2

This course is for students interested in learning how to create social change through collective action. The dual aims of the course are to enrich our understanding of the mechanics of social change and to critically examine the relationship between law, lawyers, and social movements. Together, we will develop a nuanced understanding of law as a complex tool that has the potential to both co-opt social movements and support liberation. We will take a historical and theoretical case-study approach, with emphasis on the Civil Rights and Black Power movements in the United States. We will also draw lessons from contemporary movement-building efforts. During the semester, guest speakers on the front lines of racial and economic justice movements here in Michigan will join us to share their insights and ground our discussion. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7616 Negotiation Cr. 2,3

The 2 credit course is a comprehensive examination of various legal principles that affect negotiations, such as rights assessments, custom and practice, rule of contract construction, concepts of condonation, proper and improper conditions, as well as the effective use of evidence in the negotiation process. The course also explores strategic methods and techniques in which attorneys are frequently involved that affect the outcome of negotiations. Students will participate in mock negotiations. The 3 credit course will cover the material described above and will additionally address (1) the reintroduction of several topics (e.g., contract drafting, collaborative lawyering, use of mediation in negotiation), (2) the expansion of other topics (e.g., multicultural negotiation, the law of settlement), (3) enhanced processing of simulations, and (4) one or more contract drafting exercises. Offered Every Term.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7631 No-Fault Insurance Law Cr. 2

Comprehensive review of Michigan's No-Fault Automobile Insurance Law, which governs all motor vehicle accidents in the State. Topics include: questions of coverage, medical and work loss benefits, coordination of benefits, exclusions, priorities, subrogation, and claims procedures. Negligence claims under the No-Fault Law also reviewed. Offered Every Other Year.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7651 Patent Enforcement Cr. 3

Unique aspects of patent litigation. Policy issues; practice considerations in enforcing patents. Issues in approaching a patent infringement suit (who can file; when and where to file). Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7655 Introduction to Contemporary Patent Law Cr. 2

Students will develop an understanding of the current state of patent law in the United States. Students will develop critical analysis skills in order to evaluate the standards by which inventions can be patented in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO). Offered Intermittently.

Restriction(s): Enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7656 Patent Law Cr. 3

Substantive patent and related trade secret law. Emphasis on nature of patent right; scope of coverage of patent system; issues of validity, infringements, inequitable conduct, patent-antitrust. Special issues relating to software, living organisms, and chemistry. Technical background not required. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7657 Patent Prosecution Cr. 3

The Patent Prosecution course not only teaches students the art of writing patent applications, but also addresses the many aspects of practicing before the PTO. The first part of the course focuses on rules and techniques for investigating what is legally considered the background of the invention ("prior art"). The course introduces students to basic claim drafting concepts, techniques for writing a written description (or specification) of an invention, along with learning how to respond effectively to PTO Office actions according to PTO regulations found in the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure (MPEP). In order to draft patent claims and respond effectively to PTO Office Actions, it is important to understand the MPEP rules as well as the relevant case law. This course will also explore the inter partes post-grant proceedings and derivation proceedings available under the new America Invents Act. In addition, ethics and licensing will be briefly covered. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7658 Peacemaking in State Court Justice Systems Cr. 3

Conflict involving youth, family, communities and institutions inexorably finds its way into state court justice systems. Once there, litigants find that institutional pathways available to them not only attach legal consequences to their actions, but more importantly, have longstanding effects on their lives, as well as the lives of others. This class introduces students to the emergence of one such path in state court justice systems: peacemaking. The introduction begins with the exploration of the roots of peacemaking from indigenous nations within our national border. Students then engage in exploring the practical application of peacemaking in state justice systems in family, probate, civil and criminal proceedings. Students conduct a mock trial in a subject area of their choosing through a traditional adversarial model, and then through a peacemaking approach. Finally, students explore emerging branches from peacemaking in state justice systems inside and outside the U.S. Offered Yearly.

Prerequisite: LEX 7266 with a minimum grade of D

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7659 Political Theory of Public Law Cr. 3

Legal restraints on exercise of public power as conceived in works of early modern theorists (e.g., Machiavelli, Locke, Montesquieu, and Madison), and as applied in constitutional arrangements that have emerged in a range of historical settings. Topics include: role of law in totalitarian political systems; emergency rule; comparative approaches to judicial review. Offered Every Other Year.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

Equivalent: PS 7580

LEX 7660 Practicum in Dispute Resolution Cr. 3

This course was designed to teach students the skills required as third party neutrals (mediators) in the facilitative mediation process. The curriculum includes discussion and lectures on other alternative dispute resolution (ADR) processes, but the main focus of the class will be facilitative mediation. Role play opportunities, observation, and practice experience will be provided as part of the class in order to provide students opportunity to work on practical skills in addition to learning mediation theory. Elements of the subject matter taught include the nature of conflict, how mediation fits within the ADR structure, understanding values and relationships embedded within the dispute resolution process, ethical standards of practice, mediation techniques, role and task of the mediator, and stages of the mediation process. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.

Fees: \$225

Equivalent: DR 7310

LEX 7666 Pretrial Advocacy Cr. 3

Adversary strategy and practice skills in the pretrial stages of litigation. Preparation of pleadings, interrogatories, requests for admission and document production requests. Students negotiate settlement of disputes, draft and argue motions, and take and defend depositions. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7669 Privacy Law Cr. 2

Covers the law of information privacy. Addresses the law and policy applying to the collection, use and disclosure of personal information. Relevant law includes state laws founded in tort and property, federal laws addressing specific privacy issues and constitutional limitations on government. Topics may include use of personal information by the media, government surveillance aimed at combating terrorism, the privacy of health care information, the collection and use of personal information by businesses, privacy in schools and at the workplace and international privacy issues. Offered Intermittently.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7676 Public Finance Law Cr. 2

Legal principles involved in public finance transactions: municipal borrowing and debt; state law considerations: sources of authority for borrowing and repayment; effect of ultra vires borrowing, of procedural defects, municipal debt limitations, and other factors relating to power to incur municipal debt; traditional financing techniques; federal tax and securities law considerations; default and municipal bankruptcy; municipal bond market. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7680 Public Health Law Cr. 3

Legal foundations of American public health system; struggle between individual liberties and governmental interest in providing for collective health and well-being of citizens. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7686 Race and the Law Cr. 3

Impact of law on race relations and vice versa. Topics include: history and legal history, civil rights and equal protection, criminal law, affirmative action, employment, hate speech, education, interracial marriage and adoption, housing discrimination, emergence of Critical Race Theory in contemporary jurisprudence. Contemporary issues and solutions illuminated by historical problems and developments. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7689 Race, the Law and Social Change in Southeast Michigan Cr. 2-3

Detroit is the most segregated metropolitan area in the country. Course examines role and limits of law in addressing issues of race, discrimination and equality in southeastern Michigan. From a legal and anthropological perspective, students study the efforts attorneys have made over the past century to create a region more consistent with American values of inclusiveness. Individual and class action lawsuits and other forms of policy advocacy, all addressing legal problems in southeast Michigan, examining litigation tactics and the role of expert testimony. History and social problems of the region examined from the perspective of the courtroom. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7701 Real Estate Financing Cr. 2-3

Methods of financing the acquisition and improvement of residential and commercial real estate through the use of private sources of funds. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7725 Religious Liberty in the United States Cr. 3

Relationship between church and state in the United States. First Amendment Free Exercise and Establishment Clauses; related state and federal statutes; matters of history, legal doctrine, and public policy. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7751 Advanced Sales and Leases under the UCC Cr. 2-3

Advanced study in sales areas beyond first-year contracts course. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7756 Secured Transactions Cr. 3

Basic study of Article 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code with particular attention to the law governing the creation and perfection of security interests in personal property and the relative priorities of interested parties; also attention to some of the following: goods-oriented remedies in Article 2, financing leases in Article 2a, bulk sales, effects of the Bankruptcy Code on secured transactions, and documents of title Article 7. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7761 Securities Regulation Cr. 2-3

Analysis of current problems in federal and state regulation of transactions in securities. Offered Yearly.

Prerequisite: LEX 7156 with a minimum grade of D

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7766 Sports and the Law Cr. 2-3

Survey of legal issues presented by sports in America. Application of basic principles of antitrust and labor law, constitutional law, administrative law, contract law and tort law to sports. Regulation of professional sports labor markets, regulation of agent representation, sports franchises, leagues and the powers of commissioner's offices, and the regulation of intercollegiate sports. Offered Intermittently.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7771 State and Local Taxation Cr. 2,3

Introduces the constitutional and statutory framework of state and local taxation, with a concentration on the current topical issues involved in the taxation of multinational taxpayers and taxation of remote sellers. Corporate and income, sales and use, gross receipts and other excise taxes will be covered, as well as local income and property taxes. Coverage of investment incentives, legislative matters and policy will also be included. Offered Intermittently.

Prerequisite: LEX 7816 with a minimum grade of D

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7800 State Constitutionalism Cr. 3

This course will address some of the distinguishing features of state constitutions not shared with the parallel federal document. Among these features are elected judiciaries, part-time legislatures of plenary power, non-unitary executive branches, frequently employed amendment and revision procedures, and state powers over political subdivisions. Significant attention will be devoted to state judiciaries as the interpreters of state constitutions, including state courts' inherent powers, advisory powers, and relationships with federal and sister-state courts. State constitutions also protect civil liberties differently from the U.S. Constitution, both in kind and degree; these differences will be reviewed through readings in constitutional litigation. The course is not a survey of fifty different constitutions. Instead, it is designed to illuminate the common areas of inquiry in a theoretical field remarkably distinct from the study of the federal Constitution. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7806 Tax-Exempt Organizations Cr. 2

Examines tax problems arising from activities of non-profit associations of a type usually subject to taxation. Offered Every Other Year.

Prerequisite: LEX 7816 with a minimum grade of D

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7816 Taxation Cr. 1-4

Interrelation between income tax policy and basic governmental and social institutions. Introduction to law of federal income taxation; the taxation of individuals. Basic application of these taxes; problems involved in transactions and situations which confront the lawyer in general practice; analysis and use of materials which permit their solution. Underlying problems of policy which have led to the tax law of today and which may be expected to require change in the tax law of tomorrow. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7821 Taxation of Corporations Cr. 4

A detailed exploration of the federal income tax problems of corporations and their investors; an analysis of the statutory rules governing transactions between corporations and their shareholders, including tax-free incorporations, property and stock distributions, constructive dividend problems, stock redemptions; corporate reorganizations with a focus on corporate recapitalizations, dispositions of the assets of a corporation or of investor's interests in a corporation; liquidation problems; and the impact of judicial doctrines on corporate tax planning. Offered Every Other Year.

Prerequisite: LEX 7816 with a minimum grade of D

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7826 Teaching Law in High School Cr. 3

Students teach 20-25 sessions to a class of high school students, using a widely recognized high school text, Street Law. Students attend a weekly seminar which deals with teaching methods. Students will participate in and present model lessons in the seminar, prepare lesson plans and have field supervision of their teaching in the high school. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7827 Topics in Advanced Legal Research Cr. 2

Covers complex research topics essential to successful legal practice and scholarship and builds upon the basic research skills and techniques learned in the required Legal Research and Writing course (LEX 6400). Its problem-solving approach gives students practical research experience that will enhance their ability to use legal, archival and social science information persuasively and cost-effectively. The scope is primarily limited to researching United States federal and state law. Offered Spring/Summer.

Prerequisite: LEX 6400

LEX 7829 Law of the First Amendment: Freedom of Speech Cr. 2

In-depth coverage of the First Amendment guarantee of freedom of speech, press, association and petition. Emphasis on the "law of the First Amendment" as it has developed through the decisions of the Supreme Court; how the "law of the First Amendment" operates in the context of actual litigation. First Amendment issues likely to arise in the United States today and tomorrow. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

Equivalent: LEX 7126

LEX 7831 Trademarks and Unfair Competition Cr. 2-3

Federal trademark statute, 15 U.S.C. section 1051 et. seq., state statutory and common law unfair competition, and the federal law of unfair competition and false advertising under 15 U.S.C. section 1125 (a). Offered Intermittently.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7836 Trial Advocacy Cr. 3

Basic trial techniques taught through student performances of role-play exercises followed by critique. Mastering major trial skills in isolation: direct and cross examination, introduction of exhibits, impeachment, expert witnesses, opening and closing statements. Application of skills in simulated full criminal or civil jury trial. Offered Yearly.

Prerequisite: LEX 7266 with a minimum grade of D

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

Equivalent: LEX 7604

LEX 7841 Trusts and Decedents' Estates Cr. 4

Intestate succession, wills and trusts, requisite elements of wills and express trusts, and procedural requirements for their creation; administration of decedents' estates and trusts; special rules relating to charitable and spendthrift trusts; trust forms as equitable remedial devices under resulting and constructive trust rules. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7888 United States Foreign Relations Law Cr. 4

Constitutional and statutory doctrines that regulate the conduct of U.S. foreign relations. Topics include: distribution of foreign affairs powers between the three branches of government, status of international law in U.S. courts, scope of the treaty power, validity of executive agreements, preemption of state foreign affairs activities, and the political question and other doctrines regulating judicial review in foreign affairs cases; political influences on and policy effects of legal doctrines in this field. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

Equivalent: PS 6870

LEX 7931 Water Law Cr. 2-3

Categories of water bodies and public and private rights therein under the riparian and the prior appropriation systems. Consumptive and non-consumptive uses, management, and protection of the resource. Intergovernmental relations with respect to water resource allocation and management. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7941 White Collar Crime Cr. 3

Substantive and investigative issues related to federal prosecution of business crimes. Balance between government powers to investigate white collar crime and the rights of corporate and individual investigatory targets in connection with criminal prosecutions of federal economic crimes. Problems related to parallel civil enforcement actions involving the same underlying conduct. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7951 Workers' Compensation Law I Cr. 2

Overview of Michigan statute; discussion of ""arising out of"" and ""in the course of employment,"" including the going to and from work doctrine. Analysis of the occupational disease provisions of the statute as compared to single event personal injury provisions. Study of specific loss. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7990 Directed Study Cr. 1-2

A directed study may involve writing a paper, participating in a regularly-scheduled course for reduced credit, or other work of an academic nature. Subject matter and procedure are to be arranged prior to registration. Directed studies may not be elected on a pass-no credit basis. Offered Every Term.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7995 Law Practicum Research Cr. 1

Students enrolled in the Law Practicum Research participate in an employment experience directly related to their academic studies and concurrently consult with a supervising member of the full-time Law School faculty. An enrolled student must submit written work to the supervising faculty member that relates the employment experience to the student's academic studies and that includes consideration of the roles and responsibilities of practicing attorneys and strategic and ethical issues in the applicable field of law. Offered Every Term.

LEX 7999 Special Topics Cr. 2-4

Areas of current interest in the law. Offered Every Term.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8001 Antitrust and Trade Regulation: Current Issues Seminar Cr. 3

Addresses current topics in antitrust and trade regulation, providing a mix of substantive knowledge and professional skills instruction. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8002 Access to Justice Seminar Cr. 3

History, policies, practices and laws that demonstrate how our legal system addresses access to justice for people with economic needs or other restrictions that prevent them from using the system effectively. Seminar examines issues in both the criminal and civil areas. How lawyers are uniquely suited to improve access to justice. Career options to enhance access to justice, such as: following a public interest career, performing pro bono legal service for the poor, and exercising leadership in government and elsewhere to bring changes that enhance access to justice for all. Lectures, readings, research, site visits, and guest speakers. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8003 Reimagining Development in Detroit: Institutions, Law and Society Cr. 3

Seminar course. Examination of contemporary problems of community development from a perspective of institutional economics; how tools and theories of institutional economics are applied to problems relevant to the City of Detroit. Students write research papers applying these tools to issues such as race and regionalism, role of faith-based organizations in community development, abandoned land and community gardens, structure of local governance, charter schools and the fate of public schools, opportunity-based housing, and state of health-care safety net providers. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8015 Asian Pacific American History and the Law : Perspectives on APA Civil Rights and Civil Wrongs Cr. 3

This seminar explores the Asian Pacific American civil rights movement with an overview of how federal and state laws have affected the Asian Pacific American (APA) experience and presence in the United States, covering a variety of civil rights cases and civil wrongs against APAs. The seminar will cover the APA historical timeline, exclusion laws, alien land laws, World War II internment of Japanese Americans, affirmative action as it applies to APAs, civil rights and racial hate crime violence, APAs in the marriage equality movement, bilingual issues in education and in the workplace, post-9/11 issues, immigration law reform, the Hawaiian sovereignty movement, and the effort to change birthright citizenship and immigration laws, among other topics. Offered Fall.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.

LEX 8039 Contract Drafting Seminar Cr. 3

Knowledge and skills necessary for sound drafting of agreements. Substantive issues of contract law and important drafting issues. Students draft several contracts for review and critique; final grade based on drafting and editing as well as participation in seminar meetings. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8044 Advanced Topics in Criminal Law and Procedure Cr. 3

Focuses on the law governing, practice of, and debate about plea bargaining. Among the questions to be considered: Does plea bargaining serve society well? Is it on firm constitutional footing? What are the constitutional prerequisites for a valid guilty plea? Does plea bargaining work differently in state court and in federal court? In white collar cases and street crime cases? In high-level cases and low-level cases? What legal or extra-legal factors determine the outcome of a plea bargain? And finally, how does pervasive plea bargaining affect the role of the prosecutor, the defense lawyer, and the trial judge? This seminar can be used to complete the upper-level writing requirement. Offered Intermittently.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8051 Detroit Equity Action Lab: A Collaborative Study of Structural Racism Seminar Cr. 3

This Seminar introduces students to notions of structural racism as it impacts the city of Detroit. Students will work collaboratively with members of the Detroit Equity Action Lab (DEAL) addressing racial equity in a wide range of sectors, such as civil rights, transportation, community development, health, education and housing. Students will develop awareness of the role and limits of law in addressing structural racism. In addition to examining the work of individual organizations, students will consider broader issues impacting racial equity and will explore interventions that might change public policy and public awareness as it relates to structural racism. Offered Every Other Year.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8067 Effective Oral Communication for Lawyers Cr. 2

This course is aimed at helping students become more comfortable with, and more skillful at, oral communication (speaking) in all the forms that skill is employed by a lawyer. Topics to be covered will include the physiology of speech and sources of speech pathology (including respiration, phonation, resonance and articulation); aspects of non-verbal communication; techniques designed to deal with nervousness or “stage fright”; developing an understanding of oneself, one’s material and one’s “audience”; establishing rapport; organizing one’s materials; use of humor and anecdotes; making communication interesting; active listening; and impromptu speaking. Offered Intermittently.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8071 Environmental Law: Advanced Topics Cr. 3

This seminar considers current and advanced topics relating to environmental law. The specific focus will vary according to the semester and instructor. Some versions of this seminar may be used to complete the upper-level writing requirement. Offered Intermittently.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8075 Ethics of the Lawyering Experience Seminar Cr. 3

Psychological and ethical dimensions of law and legal practice, explored through engagement with works of fiction and selected legal scholarship. Student writes weekly reaction paper. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8091 Fair Housing Seminar Cr. 3

This seminar explores issues related to fair housing law in the United States. The course is discussion-based, with students expected to take an active participatory role in each class session. The following topics are among those we will discuss: housing discrimination and the federal Fair Housing Act; state and local fair housing issues, including the racialized history of housing development in Detroit; the intersection between fair housing and the emergence of the sharing economy (Airbnb, etc.); constitutional housing issues, including the criminalization of homelessness; and various relevant aspects of landlord-tenant law. Fair housing issues will be examined from a variety of perspectives, including those of tenants, landlords, government regulators, and neighborhood/homeowner associations. Offered Yearly.

Prerequisite: LEX 6500

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.

LEX 8141 International Environmental Law Seminar Cr. 3

Students explore use of bilateral and multilateral treaties and other international mechanisms for dealing with international environmental problems; emphasis on United States - Canada international environmental law. In-class presentations, paper required. Offered Intermittently.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8161 Legal Issues in U.S. - China Economic Relations Cr. 3

This seminar explores contemporary legal issues in U.S.-China economic relations. It introduces China law and policy in their historical, political and economic contexts, and examines how the Chinese and US systems interact in impacting American businesses and consumers. Specific topics include trade, investment, finance, technology, human rights, national security and dispute settlement. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8171 Health Law: Advanced Topics Cr. 3

Examines current legal issues related to health, such as applications of the law within and outside the health care system; contemporary debates on role of government and private sector in health; innovative proposals to use law, ethics and policy to improve health; and the role of law during public health emergencies. Offered Intermittently.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8190 International Women’s Human Rights Seminar Cr. 3

Evolution of women’s rights as human rights. Students will examine women’s human rights in the context of legal instruments such as the UN Convention to Eliminate Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW) and other international treaties, and in the jurisprudence of women’s human rights in international tribunals. This course will also explore the role of global and regional human rights organizations in securing women’s legal rights and analyze the current legal discourse on women’s human rights and explore key issues in the light of specific world regions, cultures and religious traditions. Offered Fall.

LEX 8197 Islamophobia and the Law Cr. 3

This seminar will closely examine the law’s role in endorsing and advancing Islamophobia – the rising form of animus broadly understood as hate or fear of Islam. This seminar will examine a range of doctrinal and policy issues tied to the broader phenomenon of Islamophobia, on a domestic, global, and comparative level. Completion of this seminar satisfies the law school writing requirement. Offered Intermittently.

Prerequisite: LEX 6300 and LEX 6700

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.

LEX 8241 Advanced Topics in Work Law Cr. 3

Examines current and developing issues in labor and employment law. Offered Intermittently.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8248 Law and Literature Seminar Cr. 3

Connection between law and literature. Topics include: role of narrative in legal arguments and legal decision-making; role of narrative and law, respectively, in constructing identity; literary criticisms of the law and legal profession. Focus on stories of adoption, including: shifting definitions of parenthood; nature vs. nurture debate; issues of class, race, gender, and national identity. Novels, short stories, films, memoirs, and legal cases; authors include Charles Dickens, George Eliot, P.D. James, and Louise Erdrich. In-class presentations; paper required. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8256 Law in Cyberspace: Seminar Cr. 3

Topics may include online speech (including regulation of harmful and sexually explicit speech); filtering and intermediary liability; virtual property; online contracts; trademarks and domain names; copyright; the problems that flow from asserting national laws in a medium with no national borders. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8263 Legal Change Seminar Cr. 3

What is the relationship between law and social change? How effective are changes in legal doctrine in changing social practices? Under what conditions can we effectively use the law to promote social change? This course investigates these questions by studying the relationships among social movements, courts, legislatures, and other international and domestic institutions. Students will examine materials from actual legal reform movements, including equality in education and women's rights, and evaluate strategies for legal reform and their impact on statutory and decisional law as well as social practices. Offered Every Other Year.

LEX 8264 Justice and the Law Cr. 3

This seminar studies the question, "What is legal justice?" from recent influential traditions in American legal thought. We will begin with foundational materials regarding classical legal thought, legal formalism, legal realism, legal process theory, and legal liberalism. The course will also amplify marginalized voices, with an examination of critical legal studies, critical race theory, feminist legal theories, and LGBTQ+ legal theories. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.

LEX 8271 National Labor Relations Act: Current Problems Cr. 3

Legal issues pending before the National Labor Relations Board and in the courts. Students act in place of NLRB and render opinions on critical labor law issues; read actual briefs in pending cases, discuss the cases, and vote on disposition and draft majority and dissenting opinions. Each student writes one majority and one concurring or dissenting opinion. Class discussions focus on NLRB decision-making process and judicial review of Board decisions; and on draft opinions of student Board panels. Grade is based on class participation as well as written work; students may elect to write papers based on legal issues discussed in class. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8284 Products Liability Seminar Cr. 3

This seminar covers the doctrine, theory, and policy of American products liability law and product safety regulation. Students will learn principal theories of products liability (e.g., negligence, breach of warranty, strict liability, and misrepresentation), key concepts in products liability litigation (e.g., defect, warnings, consumer misuse, risk/utility), and the basics of federal product-safety regulation (e.g., safety agencies and design/performance requirements, reporting duties, recalls). Offered Intermittently.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8300 Race and the Law: Advanced Topics Cr. 3

This seminar will examine the role of the law in creating as well as maintaining race, racial hierarchies, and racial inequality. Contrary to the traditional view of racial subordination as solely a deviation from the liberal legal ideal, this course recasts the role of law as historically central to and complicit in upholding racial hierarchy as well as other hierarchies of gender, class and sexual orientation. The course will investigate these issues over the span of centuries, from the founding of the Americas to the present day. This course will explore oft-discussed issues at the intersection of race and law such as slavery, colonization, immigration, citizenship, nation building, national security, and affirmative action as well as less examined issues, such as sexual exploitation and unarmed police shootings. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8342 Sexual Violence and the Law Cr. 3

This seminar introduces students to a range of legal areas in which sexual violence victims need legal assistance, with an emphasis on the civil legal issues that experiencing sexual violence creates for victims in areas like education, employment, family, housing, and immigration. The course is discussion-based, with students expected to take an active participatory role in each class session. The following topics are among those we will discuss: intersectionality and sexual violence; criminal rape law and its inadequacies; the Violence Against Women Act; civil protection orders; how to use privacy laws, tort laws, civil rights laws (Titles VII and IX, the Fair Housing Act, etc.) to address sexual violence victims' needs; legal remedies for specific populations of victims (immigration, military, prisons); cyber-harassment; and demand-side sex work/trafficking criminalization. The course provides a general grounding in the legal areas touched by experiencing sexual violence. Offered Intermittently.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8345 Sex, Sexuality and the Law in the Contemporary United States Cr. 3

The ways the law constructs people as sexual beings and regulates that being and her/his sexuality. Seminar course has four main objectives: 1) to deepen understanding of contemporary U.S. laws that address sex and sexuality; 2) to understand the ways in which individuals and groups are impacted by those laws; 3) to learn and apply aspects of critical legal theories in legal analysis; and 4) to strengthen written and oral legal analysis and communication. Workshop format; class contribution makes up a significant portion of the grade. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8351 Sports and Inequality Cr. 3

This seminar will examine the legal and social implications of various forms of discrimination in both the professional and amateur sports contexts. Coverage will include a discussion of legal efforts to address discrimination in sports based on race, gender, disability, and sexual orientation. Topics include racial inequalities on the playing fields and in the front offices of amateur and professional sports, the impact of NCAA eligibility criteria, the effects and future of Title IX, gender segregation and exclusion in professional sports and sexual violence, sexual orientation discrimination in sports, and sports opportunities for people with disabilities. The final paper for this class may be used to satisfy the upper-level writing requirement. Offered Intermittently.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8363 Tax Policy Seminar: Role and Impact of Congressional Oversight on Abusive Tax Strategies Cr. 3

This seminar will examine the international tax rules, the abusive strategies, and the responses by Congress and foreign governments. We will use excerpts from Congressional hearings to explore the role of Congressional oversight in identifying the noncompliance with existing laws, the role of foreign governments in facilitating abuses and illegal behavior, and the need for legislative or administrative action to address some of the abuses. We will consider policy options to reduce the incentives for businesses to pursue these strategies. We will examine professional ethics and the role of lawyers and other professionals in structuring these abusive transactions. Offered Fall.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.

LEX 8386 Seminar in Legal History Cr. 3

Research seminar in legal history. Offered Intermittently.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.

Equivalent: HIS 8050

Repeatable for 6 Credits

LEX 8401 Urban Housing and Community Development: Seminar Cr. 3
Legal, social, and economic aspects of urban housing and community development, including local, state and national programs and policies. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8505 Criminal Justice Externship Practicum Cr. 2

Students perform 150 hours of unpaid work in a criminal prosecutor or defender's office. Students are assigned tasks similar to those performed by entry-level prosecutors and defenders. Students develop advocacy skills, legal drafting skills, law practice management skills, the ability to recognize and resolve strategic and ethical dilemmas, and the ability to learn from experience. Offered Every Term.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.

LEX 8506 Criminal Justice Externship: Colloquium Cr. 2

Roles and responsibilities of criminal prosecutors and defenders, the judicial process in criminal cases, and strategic and ethical issues in criminal prosecution and defense. Substantial class time is devoted to professional skills instruction and to facilitated discussion and analysis of students' fieldwork observations and experiences. Offered Every Term.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.

LEX 8507 Judicial Externship: Practicum Cr. 2

Students perform 150 hours of unpaid work in judicial chambers. Students are assigned tasks similar to those performed by judicial clerks. Students develop research, writing, and analysis skills, legal drafting skills, oral communication skills, law practice management skills, and the ability to learn from experience. Offered Every Term.

Prerequisite: LEX 6800 (may be taken concurrently) with a minimum grade of D

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.

LEX 8508 Judicial Externship: Colloquium Cr. 2

Students learn about the roles and responsibilities of judges and judicial clerks, judicial decision-making, and effective advocacy. Substantial class time is devoted to professional skills instruction and to facilitated discussion and analysis of students' fieldwork observations and experiences. Offered Every Term.

Prerequisite: LEX 6800 (may be taken concurrently) with a minimum grade of D

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.

LEX 8511 Lawyering in the Nation's Capital: Practicum Cr. 9-11

Students perform 480-600 hours of unpaid work at approved placements in Washington D.C. and earn 9, 10, or 11 credits. Students are assigned tasks like those performed by attorneys in their offices. The Practicum is an opportunity for students to develop professional skills, including legal analysis and reasoning, problem solving, communication, teamwork, negotiation, and fact-finding. Students will also learn about important workplace issues such as time management, the professional culture of the office, professionalism, and giving and receiving feedback. Offered Winter.

Prerequisite: LEX 6800 (may be taken concurrently) with a minimum grade of D

Corequisite: LEX 8512

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.

LEX 8512 Lawyering in the Nation's Capital: Colloquium Cr. 3

In this externship course, students will explore the role of the Washington, D.C., lawyer and learn about the various entities, organizations, agencies, and individuals involved in making national public policy. Through a series of guest lectures and readings on the congressional process, advocacy, and agency rulemaking, the seminar will teach the legislative process, the role of oversight and of interest groups, and the inter-relationship among the three branches. Offered Winter.

Prerequisite: LEX 6800 (may be taken concurrently) with a minimum grade of D

Corequisite: LEX 8511

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.

LEX 8515 Corporate Counsel Externship: Practicum Cr. 2

Students perform 150 hours of unpaid work in corporate counsel offices of non-profit and for-profit entities for two credits. Students are assigned tasks similar to those performed by attorneys in corporate counsel or general counsel offices. The Practicum is an opportunity for students to develop professional skills, including legal analysis and reasoning, contract drafting, problem solving, communication, teamwork, negotiation, and fact-finding. Students will also learn about important workplace issues such as time management, corporate culture, professionalism, and giving and receiving feedback. Grading will be on an Honors, Pass, Low Pass, No Credit basis. Offered Every Term.

Prerequisite: LEX 6800 (may be taken concurrently) with a minimum grade of D

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.

LEX 8516 Corporate Counsel Externship: Colloquium Cr. 2

Students will learn about substantive issues encountered in an in-house legal department and the ethical responsibilities of in-house counsel. Substantial class time is devoted to professional skills instruction on topics such as working with outside counsel, conflicts management, contract drafting, and conducting internal investigations. Students will also participate in facilitated discussion and analysis of their fieldwork observations and experiences. Chief legal officers, general counsel, and senior managing attorneys will guest lecture in some classes. Offered Every Term.

Prerequisite: LEX 6800 (may be taken concurrently) with a minimum grade of D

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.

LEX 8517 Holistic Defense Externship: Practicum Cr. 2

Students perform 150 hours of unpaid work at a faculty approved placement site that focuses on holistic defense. Students are assigned tasks similar to those performed by entry-level attorneys at their placement sites. Projects will focus on the wide-ranging impact that contact with the justice system can have on an individual, and will involve collaborative work with various types of professionals, including social workers and attorneys with different legal expertise. The practicum is an opportunity for students to develop professional skills, including legal analysis and reasoning, problem solving, communication, teamwork, negotiation, and fact-finding. Students will also learn about important workplace issues such as time management, office culture, professionalism, and giving and receiving feedback. Offered Yearly.

Prerequisite: LEX 6800 (may be taken concurrently) and LEX 8518 (may be taken concurrently)

Corequisite: SW 6991

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Law level students.

LEX 8518 Holistic Defense Externship: Colloquium Cr. 2

In this course, students will learn the knowledge and skillset necessary to become effective practitioners of holistic defense. Holistic defense is a multifaceted approach to legal representation that recognizes the social and legal challenges that drive many individuals into the criminal justice system, and the collateral or enmeshed consequences that may result from an individual's contact with the system. These potential consequences include effects on a person's immigration status, housing and employment opportunities, access to public benefits, voting rights, and the custody of children. Students will study the core elements of holistic representation, the interrelation between various legal systems, and the substantive law that can result in such consequences. Students will examine how to work collaboratively with other professionals. Substantial class time will be devoted to professional skills instruction, as well as discussion and analysis of students' fieldwork. Offered Yearly.

Prerequisite: LEX 6800 (may be taken concurrently) and LEX 8517 (may be taken concurrently)

Corequisite: SW 6991

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Law level students.

LEX 8595 Advanced Externship Cr. 2

A two-credit, letter-graded course for students who will complete a second externship at a different field placement in the same substantive area or at a different division of the same location of their prior placement. Students will complete 150 hours of work at an approved field placement, submit reflective memoranda as assigned, and meet with the Director of Clinical Education, or other designated Faculty Supervisor, at least three times during the semester. Approval will only be granted in the rare circumstances where a student's learning objectives differ significantly from those for the first externship and these learning objectives cannot be met by existing clinical or experiential learning course opportunities. Application process required. Offered Every Term.

Prerequisites: LEX 8506, LEX 8508, LEX 8516, or LEX 8599

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Law level students.

LEX 8598 Public Service Externship: Practicum Cr. 2

Students perform 150 hours of unpaid work in public service settings. Students are assigned tasks similar to those performed by entry-level public service lawyers. Students develop interviewing and counseling skills, legal drafting skills, oral communication skills, law practice management skills, and the ability to learn from experience. Offered Every Term.

Prerequisite: LEX 6800 (may be taken concurrently) with a minimum grade of D

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.

LEX 8599 Public Service Externship: Colloquium Cr. 2

Students learn about the roles and responsibilities of public service lawyers, strategic, practical, and ethical dimensions of public interest practice, and effective advocacy. Offered Every Term.

Prerequisite: LEX 6800 (may be taken concurrently) with a minimum grade of D

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.

LEX 8601 Appeal and Post-Conviction Advocacy Clinic Cr. 4

Clinical legal writing experience. Students will work with indigent clients who are challenging their felony convictions or sentences in state or federal court, in cooperation with the Michigan State Appellate Defender Office (SADO). Students will meet with the instructor in individual sessions and class sessions to discuss writing, investigation, client communication, research and the appellate and correctional processes. Students have client contact and may participate in an actual circuit court argument. Regardless of the court filing in each case, every student must prepare an appellate document (motion and brief, application for leave to appeal, or a memorandum of law) on behalf of his or her client. Offered Yearly.

Prerequisite: LEX 6800 (may be taken concurrently) with a minimum grade of D

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8604 Asylum and Immigration Law Clinic Cr. 6

Lawyering skills and values needed to effectively represent clients, and the legal skills and knowledge needed to represent clients seeking asylum or other immigration benefits, including an Immigration Court hearing. Asylum case simulation. Professional responsibility issues. In clinical component, students represent clients on a variety of immigration matters. Offered Yearly.

Prerequisite: LEX 7371 with a minimum grade of D and LEX 6800 (may be taken concurrently) with a minimum grade of D

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.

LEX 8606 Asylum and Immigration Law Clinic (Advanced) Cr. 2

Students continue to gain increased experience in different settings and issues, and may also organize and participate in community outreach projects. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8607 Civil Rights and Civil Liberties Clinic Cr. 4

Collaborative venture with American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) of Michigan; opportunity to litigate civil rights and civil liberties impact cases before state and federal courts. Classroom component includes a semester-long simulation of a civil rights case that gives students opportunity to develop professional skills such as interviewing, counseling, drafting pleadings and discovery requests, taking depositions, preparing and arguing motions, and negotiating with opposing counsel. Offered Winter.

Prerequisites: LEX 6800 with a minimum grade of C (may be taken concurrently) and LEX 7266 with a minimum grade of C (may be taken concurrently)

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

Repeatable for 8 Credits

LEX 8608 Community Advocacy Clinic Cr. 3

The Community Advocacy Clinic will provide students with the opportunity to collaborate with a community group, coalition or public interest legal organization to prepare and pursue non-litigation strategies to address pressing legal needs in an identified community. Through this clinic, students will develop community advocacy and engagement skills, while exploring the various ways in which law and public policy can be used to address community needs. Offered Yearly.

Prerequisite: LEX 6800 (may be taken concurrently) with a minimum grade of D

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8615 Patent Procurement Clinic Cr. 4

Students represent clients in patent procurement matters before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Detroit satellite office. Student work includes interviewing and counseling clients, fact investigation, performing legal research, conducting prior art searches, and drafting and prosecuting patent applications. Skills and values necessary to effectively represent clients in patent procurement matters; exploration of substantive areas of patent law that arise in these matters. Professional responsibility issues commonly faced by patent attorneys, such as conflicts, competence, and confidentiality. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8616 Patent Procurement Clinic (Advanced) Cr. 2

Students in this clinic represent clients in patent procurement matters before the United States Patent and Trademark Office's Detroit, Michigan, Satellite Office. There is no classroom component in the Advanced Patent Procurement Clinic. Students will be expected to spend between five to ten hours per week continuing work on ongoing cases that have significant deadlines during the semester, gaining increased experience in different settings and addressing more complex issues. Advanced Clinic students will also work with PPC faculty to provide direction and guidance to those enrolled in the PPC Clinic for the first time, in areas in which Advanced Clinic students have already acquired some expertise. Time spent in the Advanced Clinic will include a one-hour weekly meeting with the Clinic's faculty to discuss the status of client matters. Offered Fall, Winter.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8621 Free Legal Aid Cr. 4

The Free Legal Aid Clinic, Inc. (FLAC) is a student-run, non-profit organization with a board of directors composed entirely of current Wayne Law students. FLAC partners with legal services organizations to provide free legal services to low-income people in Wayne County. FLAC students practice under the supervision of legal aid attorneys and law school faculty pursuant to the Michigan Student Practice Rule. Students, who work an average of 12-14 hours per week, are responsible for all aspects of the cases assigned to them, including interviewing clients, drafting pleadings and other court filings, arguing motions, conducting trials and evidentiary hearings, negotiating with opposing counsel, researching legal issues, and drafting legal documents. Students participate in a twice-weekly seminar class for this letter-graded course. Credits earned meet the experiential learning and clinical education requirements. Offered Every Term.

Prerequisite: LEX 6800 (may be taken concurrently) with a minimum grade of D

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8625 Govt Agency Internship Cr. 1-3

Offered Every Term.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

Repeatable for 3 Credits

LEX 8631 Business and Community Law Clinic Cr. 6

Course component: basic provisions of nonprofit corporate law, tax law, and legal ethics that affect community economic development groups. Clinical component: students assist a community group at or near the stage of incorporating itself and/or applying for tax-exempt status, in services such as drafting and filing articles of incorporation, bylaws, and IRS forms. Students complete term paper on topic of interest to community economic development organizations. Offered Yearly.

Prerequisite: LEX 6800 (may be taken concurrently) with a minimum grade of D and LEX 7156 (may be taken concurrently) with a minimum grade of D

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8633 Business and Community Law Clinic (Advanced) Cr. 2

Participation requires demonstrated commitment to business law, community economic development, or nonprofit law. No classroom component; enrollment limited to two students per semester; students spend between five and ten hours a week continuing their work on ongoing cases and meeting significant deadlines during the semester. Advanced Clinic students also work with BCL faculty to provide direction and guidance to those in the BCL Clinic for the first time, in areas in which Advanced Clinic students have already acquired some expertise; as well as coordinate community outreach and informational programs. Includes one hour per week meeting with BCL faculty to discuss the status of client matters. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8641 Disability Law Clinic Cr. 6

Cooperative venture with Wayne County Legal Services. Hands-on experience while helping individuals with disabilities and their families obtain services and support to avoid out-of-home placement at public expense. Students perform 15-20 hours fieldwork per week. Student responsible for 3 to 5 cases: investigating facts, researching law, counseling client, representing client in administrative or judicial proceedings, drafting and arguing appeals, engaging in settlement negotiations. Intake, case acceptance, individual client representation, community education and law reform efforts. Includes two-hour weekly seminar; graded on honors pass-low pass-no credit basis. Credits count toward 14-credit maximum in applied and skills courses. No credit after LEX 8621. Offered Yearly.

Prerequisite: LEX 6800 (may be taken concurrently) with a minimum grade of D

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8642 Disability Law Clinic (Advanced) Cr. 2

Students continue their work on cases or projects begun in the Disability Law Clinic that could not be completed in a single term, work on new cases or projects that involve more complex issues or give students opportunities to develop additional skills, or serve as teaching assistants for the Clinic. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8643 Fundamentals of Business and Community Law Clinic Cr. 4

The classroom component of this clinic teaches students the skills and values needed to effectively represent entrepreneurs and nonprofit organizations on transactional matters, including client interviewing, counseling and contract drafting and negotiation skills. It will also address areas of law urban entrepreneurs commonly encounter through choice of business entity, commercial real estate leasing, copyright, and trademark, and more. In the clinical component, students represent urban entrepreneurs and nonprofit clients on a variety of transactional matters ranging from entity formation to federal and state tax exemption applications, to counseling on the protection and licensing of intellectual property. Students interview the clients, determine their needs, develop an action plan to address those needs, and provide the appropriate legal services. Offered Intermittently.

Prerequisite: LEX 6800 (may be taken concurrently) with a minimum grade of D and LEX 7156 (may be taken concurrently) with a minimum grade of D

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.

LEX 8645 Immigration Appellate Advocacy Clinic Cr. 3

Students in this clinic will represent indigent or low-income clients before the Board of Immigration Appeals (BIA). Students will develop advanced legal research and writing skills while learning the complexities of immigration and administrative law in the context of practice before the BIA. In addition, students will learn valuable practice skills, including case planning, legal strategy development, and challenges of the client relationship in an appellate context. Students are expected to draft and file an appellate immigration brief with the BIA. Offered Intermittently.

Prerequisite: LEX 6800 (may be taken concurrently) with a minimum grade of D

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8661 Legal Advocacy for People With Cancer (Clinic) Cr. 4-6

Students work with healthcare professionals at the Karmanos Cancer Center to identify and resolve legal issues that present barriers to patient care and wellbeing. Students advise and assist people with cancer in matters pertaining to health insurance, housing, employee rights and benefits, estate and healthcare planning, and public benefits. They develop skills used in a broad range of practice settings: interviewing and counseling, case-management, problem-solving, persuasive fact analysis, legal drafting, negotiation, effective oral communication, and interdisciplinary collaboration. Offered for Law School grading: Honors pass, pass, low pass, no credit. Offered Yearly.

Prerequisite: LEX 6800 (may be taken concurrently) with a minimum grade of D

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.

LEX 8662 Legal Advocacy for People with Cancer Clinic (Advanced) Cr. 2

Continuation of work begun in LEX 8661 which could not be completed in a single term; work on new cases or projects that involve more complex issues or give students opportunities to develop additional skills or serve as teaching assistants for the LAPC Clinic. Students are expected to perform at least 100 hours of clinical work, including regular, frequent meetings with the course instructors. Course does not have a classroom component, but students who serve as teaching assistants are expected to participate in some LAPC classes. Students are required to document their clinical work through detailed, contemporaneous time logs. Offered Fall, Spring/Summer.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8665 Nonprofit Leadership for Lawyers Cr. 2

In this legal professional skills course, students will develop skills that lawyers need to advise and lead a non-profit organization. Through simulations students will gain knowledge about legal drafting of foundational internal documents and legal advocacy related to non-profit organizations. Students will learn what is needed to maintain compliance with laws applicable to non-profit entities while supporting robust organizations that identify and meet community needs. Students will attend a two-hour class each week which will focus on the law of non-profits, communication, and day-to-day operations of non-profits. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8701 Law Review Cr. 1-2

Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

Repeatable for 4 Credits

LEX 8711 Moot Court Cr. 1-2

Members conduct, under general faculty supervision, the program in the preparation of briefs and the hearings on oral arguments. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

Repeatable for 4 Credits

LEX 8714 International Legal Research Cr. 2

Fundamentals of research in public international law. In connection with Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition, students review structure of international legal institutions, nature of the materials they produce, and the unique way these materials are indexed and cataloged. Focus on how these materials can best be used in legal advocacy; emphasis on effective writing and oral argument. Offered Every Term.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

Repeatable for 8 Credits

LEX 8721 Mock Trial Cr. 1-2

Members participate in skills training; intraschool, regional, and national trial advocacy competitions. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

Repeatable for 4 Credits

LEX 8725 Journal of Business Law Cr. 1

The Wayne State Journal of Business Law provides the opportunity for law students the opportunity to edit legal scholarship, to prepare a student note or commentary on a relevant legal topic under the supervision of a Wayne Law professor. Offered Fall, Winter.

Repeatable for 4 Credits

LEX 8731 The Journal of Law in Society Cr. 1

Members contribute to publication of this law journal and the annual symposium. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

Repeatable for 4 Credits

LEX 8741 Transactional Law Competition Cr. 1

Practical skills course focused on improving transactional lawyering skills, including drafting agreements, revising agreements, advising clients, and negotiating with transactional attorneys, while exploring important legal/business issues relevant to mergers and acquisitions. During the fall semester, students will participate in an in-house transactional law competition, and during the winter semester, students will participate in the National Transactional LawMeet Competition. Offered Yearly.

Repeatable for 4 Credits

LEX 8815 Fundamentals of US Legal Research Cr. 1

Introduction to U.S. legal research skills for students from foreign jurisdictions, with a focus on the use of electronic resources for legal research. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to students with a major, minor, or concentration in United States Law; enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8875 Survey of United States Law Cr. 3,4

Concise survey of several substantive fields of United States Law (principally in the area of private law) with focus on several core legal topics integral to understanding the U.S. legal system as a whole, and to working with U.S.-trained lawyers. Material drawn from a variety of areas, such as: law of contracts, property, torts, criminal law, and constitutional law. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to students with a major, minor, or concentration in United States Law; enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8890 US Legal Skills for Foreign Law Students Cr. 2

This course will provide foreign-trained lawyers with a working knowledge of the memo-drafting, transactional, and other skills utilized by U.S. Lawyers. Students will draft a legal memorandum, a client letter, and a contract. Offered Yearly.

Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to students with a major, minor, or concentration in United States Law; enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8999 Master's Essay Direction Cr. 1-2

Offered Every Term.

Restriction(s): Enrollment limited to students with a class of Candidate Masters; enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

Repeatable for 2 Credits