2019 Spring Class Offerings-JD Candidates & Non-Degree Students

LL.M. Program in Agricultural & Food Law

Hybrid Courses (online component with regularly scheduled meeting times:

Federal Regulation of Food Labeling & Safety, LAWW 500v

2 credits – Jan. 15-Apr. 23, Class suspended during condensed courses Tuesdays, 10:30 – 12:10 p.m.

Hybrid distance class

Susan Schneider / Amy White (Food Safety and Health Manager for Labeling Compliance at Walmart)

This study of the federal laws regarding the federal regulation of the labeling and safety of food explores current topics through the lens of consumer interest and from the perspective of industry. Students will research an area of food labeling/safety that they select and present to the class in lieu of an exam.

Urban Agriculture Law & Policy, LAWW 782V

2 credits – 7 weeks (Jan. 17 – Feb. 28, 2019)

Thursday's, 1:00 – 1:50 p.m.

Hybrid distance class with online exercises and scheduled discussion classes Nicole Civita

This course presents a survey of the legal and policy issues raised by the food justice movement. Topics covered include food insecurity and poverty, the economics of healthy eating, food deserts, and food waste.

Agricultural Biotechnology, LAWW 710v

1 credits - 7 weeks (Mar. 7 - Apr. 25, 2019)

Thursday's, 1:00 – 2:40 p.m.

Hybrid distance class with online exercises and scheduled discussion classes Martha Noble

Study of the regulation of agricultural biotechnology, including the approval process for new technologies, the patenting of new products and technologies, and the restrictions associated with their use.

Traditional Course with condensed meeting schedule:

Intellectual Property Issues in Agriculture and Food Law, LAWW 765V

1 credit - 7 weeks (January 17 - Feb. 28, 2019)

Thursdays, 10:30 – 12:10 p.m.

Regular class, condensed into first half of the semester Uche Ewelukwa

This course provides an introduction to Copyright Law, Trademarks Law and Patent Law as applied to agriculture and food. It will include issues from Trademark Law, such as Certification Marks, Geographical Indicators, and Trade Dress, copyright laws on food recipes as well as copyright laws on food labeling.

Legal Issues: Indigenous Food & Agriculture, LAWW 762V

1 credit

Tuesday's, 3:00 – 4:30 p.m. (Feb. 5 – Apr. 9, 2019)

Regular class, condensed into 9 class meetings

Stacy Leeds

This course examines the complex interaction of tribal law, treaties, and federal agricultural and food laws, including property law applicable to tribal lands.

Online Asynchronous Courses:

Agricultural Labor Law, LAWW 778v

1 credit - 7 weeks / (Jan. 14 - Mar. 5)

Online distance class

Amy Lowenthal

Study of the legal, social, and economic issues that arise from the extensive use of migrant labor in U.S. agricultural operations. Topics include agricultural exemptions from labor laws, the Migrant & Seasonal Agricultural Worker Protection Act, and agriculture's reliance on undocumented alien workers.

Agricultural Cooperatives and Local Food Systems, LAWW 7071

1 credit - 7 weeks / (Mar. 6 - Apr. 26)

Online distance class

Lauren Manning

This course provides an introduction to the legal structure of a cooperative and examination of the recent use of the cooperative model in encouraging local and regional food systems.