

Course Title	Professor	Course Description
Administrative Law	B. Brady	This course will introduce the law governing administrative agencies. These agencies engage in lawmaking and legal interpretation affecting almost every aspect of contemporary life, touching everything from the environment to food safety to national security to labor relations. The course will explore the relationship of administrative agencies to Congress and the President, examine agency processes for adjudication and rulemaking, and survey judicial review of agency action.
Advanced Externship Seminar	A. Menendez	The Advanced Externship course is designed for students in a second or subsequent externship experience and builds upon their prior learning through individualized mentorship and self-directed reflection. Instead of in-person seminars, students will participate in one-on-one meetings and complete reflective assignments tailored to their specific field placement challenges and career goals.
Advising Commercial Business Clients	P. Nguyen	This course teaches students to look at a project through the lens of supporting a single client's project from inception through commercialization. Students will combine their existing training related to contract interpretation, drafting, and negotiation with skills developed to better understand business goals, legal risks, and situational context to provide practical and efficient legal advice. These skills include communicating with clients to understand the client's business goals, identifying immediate and long-term risks, providing legal advice that balances identified risks with business goals and market realities, and understanding that identical clauses have different consequences in different contracts.
Antitrust	J. Thorlin	Federal anti-trust laws and their relationship to concentrations of economic power in the contexts of monopoly mergers, price fixing, economic boycotts and discrimination, re-sale price maintenance, dealer franchises, and exclusive dealing. Comparative analysis of free enterprise market and government regulated industries. Recommended for second- and third-year students interested in business practice or government service, as well as social welfare, or students with an interest in the subject.
Arbitration Law	B. Bullock	Arbitration is an increasingly popular method of resolving civil disputes, including employment, securities regulation, construction, and insurance disputes. Although arbitration is the result of an agreement between parties, a developing legal regime governs the use of arbitration and the enforcement of arbitration awards. Federal and state laws such as the Federal Arbitration Act govern what disputes are covered by an arbitration agreement, when arbitration is prohibited, and whether a court can review the award. This course provides an overview of those laws and the court decisions interpreting them so that you can understand an area of law that you are likely to encounter in your career. This course will also serve as an overview of important principles of contract law, conflicts of law, jurisdiction, and other subjects that will appear on the bar exam. This course will not cover international arbitration, and its primary focus will not be on best arbitration practices.
Arkansas Adoption Law	K. Morris	Students will be introduced to adoption law, with the primary emphasis on the adoption code and practice in Arkansas. Topics addressed will include the statutory and case law, court procedure and practice, litigated cases, international adoptions, and juvenile cases. It is anticipated that students will remotely attend a local adoption hearing. Students will be asked to prepare a petition, decree and trial brief, and to deliver a ten {10} minute presentation on an assigned adoption topic.
Arkansas Criminal Appellate Litigation	T. Cullen	This class will examine direct criminal appeals in the Arkansas state court system. Topics of study will include the applicable procedural rules, the appeal record, the appellate briefs, the concept of preservation of error, and a review of judicial decisions in recent criminal appeals. Writing assignments will include appellate brief writing and judicial decision writing exercises.
Artificial Intelligence & Emerging Technology	D. Rice	
Bankruptcy	B. Rucker	Study of insolvency law, with particular emphasis on federal bankruptcy law.
Board of Advocates	A. Hurst	Members of the Board of Advocates may receive ungraded academic credit, to be awarded in the spring semester of the member's third year in law school, upon completion of duties for the fall and spring semesters.
Business Organizations	R. Anderson	Course is constructed around different forms of business organizations, with emphasis on agency and partnership law, and corporation law.

Civil Procedure	H. Brill/B. Bullock	Study of the process of civil litigation from preliminary matters such as court selection and jurisdiction, through joinder of parties and discovery techniques, to disposition of cases and finality of judgments. Some attempt is made to cover the antecedents of modern procedure; where appropriate, suggestions for reform are developed in class discussion. Emphasis is on the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.
Climate Change Law	S. Gosman	This course concerns the law and policy of climate change, the environmental issue that many consider to be the most important—and difficult—facing our generation. How has the legal framework responded to the immense challenge of climate change? What does the future hold? We will begin by reviewing the state of the science. We will also explore public perceptions of the risks of climate change, and seek to understand the ongoing politics surrounding the issue. With this foundation, the course will then turn to international efforts to control climate change through the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change and the Kyoto Protocol. Next, the course will turn to domestic law and policy. We will discuss regulatory efforts at the national, regional, state, and local levels, such as air emission controls, cap-and-trade schemes, carbon taxes, and renewable energy incentives. Finally, the course will consider other types of approaches, including common law suits, disclosure, and consumer action.
Clinic: Adv Community and Rural Enterprise Development	P. Norman	Students in the CRED Clinic represent small businesses, non-profits, cooperatives, and small municipalities throughout Arkansas. Under faculty supervision, students are lead attorneys on their matters, interviewing clients, conducting research, drafting legal documents, and counseling clients on their options. Students approach lawyering from a client-centered perspective, developing a deep understanding of their clients' goals and the context in which they operate, while fostering their clients' autonomy and efficacy. Through client work and the weekly seminar, students learn to break down complex real-world legal issues, engage in self-directed study of new fields of law, manage professional relationships, and reflect critically on the ethical and strategic implications of their lawyering choices. Prerequisite: LAWW 50103 Professional Responsibility and all other qualifications for Rule XV practice (but for the CRED Clinic, Rule XV practice does NOT require students to have taken Criminal Procedure or Evidence).
Clinic: Adv. Civ. Lit. & Adv. Clinic	A. Smith	Students will represent low-income clients seeking to enforce their rights in civil matters. Under close faculty supervision, students will develop and refine their ability to effectively and ethically practice law. Students will handle all aspects of client representation, including interviewing and counseling, fact investigation and discovery, negotiation, and court appearances. Students will also participate in a weekly seminar and may have the opportunity to engage in other forms of advocacy. Prerequisite: Cumulative GPA of 2.00, successful completion of 48 semester hours, including Civil Procedure, Criminal Procedure, Evidence, and Professional Responsibility, and qualifying for Rule XV practice.
Clinic: Adv. Immigration	A. McGowan	Immigration Clinic will provide opportunities for students preparing for a career in immigration law or general practice by developing skills that are critical in legal practice through an experiential learning model. Working under the supervision of a clinical faculty member, students will represent non-citizen clients in immigration matters for graded credit. Professional Responsibility is a prerequisite, as well as the completion of at least forty-eight credit hours prior to enrollment. Prerequisite: LAWW 5013 Professional Responsibility
Clinic: Civil Litigation and Advocacy	A. Smith	Students will represent low-income clients seeking to enforce their rights in civil matters. Under close faculty supervision, students will develop and refine their ability to effectively and ethically practice law. Students will handle all aspects of client representation, including interviewing and counseling, fact investigation and discovery, negotiation, and court appearances. Students will also participate in a weekly seminar and may have the opportunity to engage in other forms of advocacy. Prerequisite: Cumulative GPA of 2.00, successful completion of 48 semester hours, including Civil Procedure, Criminal Procedure, Evidence, and Professional Responsibility, and qualifying for Rule XV practice.

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Construction Industry Contracting and Dispute Resolution Practices		This online course offers law students and students in the Master of Science in Construction Management program the opportunity to collaborate in a virtual learning environment. In the first segment of this interdisciplinary course, students explore contractual aspects of alternative project delivery systems, learn to apply basic contract drafting principles, and engage in drafting exercises and projects. Next, they learn fundamental principles of contract and settlement negotiations and engage in exercises and projects to simulate negotiations involving common circumstances that industry participants encounter in structuring and managing projects. In the final segment, students use exercises and projects to simulate the processes of preparing for and attempting to resolve disputes through settlement negotiations, mediation, arbitration, and litigation. This course approaches all these skills from the perspectives of different industry participants, including project owners, designers, general building contractors, specialty contractors, subcontractors, suppliers, and construction lenders. For law students, the course has been approved for experiential learning credit.
Criminal Law	J. Camacho/ T. Murphy	Deals with the questions of what conduct society punishes through a criminal code and of the appropriate punishment for the forbidden conduct. In this context the course includes an analysis of the theories of punishment, the definitions of various crimes, the defenses available to one charged with criminal conduct, and the limitations placed by the Constitution on governmental power in the criminal law area. Throughout the course, special emphasis is placed on the legislature's role in creating statutes alongside the judiciary's corresponding role in interpreting those statutes.
Criminal Procedure, Investigations	K. Eaton	Concerned with the legal steps through which a criminal proceeding passes, commencing with the initial investigation of a crime and concluding with the release of the defendant. Does not deal exclusively with constitutional problems, although considerable time is spent on them. Recent Supreme Court decisions receive special emphasis. Criminal Procedure does not deal with criminal tactics or with many of the special problems relating to the introduction of evidence at the trial.
Criminal Sentencing	T. Allbery	This course will introduce students to key issues in U.S. sentencing law, theory, and policy. The course will cover the basic elements of the federal sentencing guidelines and their practical application, as well as the statutory sentencing factors that all judges are required to consider. Sentencing strategies and best practices will be addressed, as will the topics of capital cases, sentencing options, the presentence investigation process, aggravating and mitigating sentencing factors, the use of expert witnesses, preserving issues for appeal, and mandatory minimum sentences.

Derivative Litigation	C. Goforth	A 1-credit, 8-week asynchronous online course that does not assume any previous experience with business organizations, although a student could benefit from having taken or taking Business Organizations at the same time. This class will cover how to tell when a case is derivative or direct, and it will then examine a variety of procedural and substantive requirements that must be satisfied in order to bring and successfully maintain a derivative suit. The class focuses on shareholder suits, although the principles will apply to derivative suits involving other kinds of organizations as well. There are mandatory weekly assessments and a cumulative final exam. Students need access to a computer with a camera and microphone, because short video recordings are required at three points during the course.
Employment Discrimination	B. Bullock	This course focuses on the study of the significant cases and statutes that protect employees from discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, and disability, with emphasis on Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, and the Americans with Disabilities Act.
Employee Benefits and Compensation	J. McGuire	Benefits issues affect virtually all employees at some point in their career. This course will introduce you to the complex and dynamic legal framework governing employee benefits, with a focus on ERISA and the Internal Revenue Code. We will discuss both retirement and welfare plans in detail, including the spectrum of plan types and the document and administrative requirements attendant to each. We will also dive into the roles of the plan sponsor and plan fiduciaries and their duties to plan participants and the federal government, including the handling of claims and disputes and reporting and disclosure requirements. Since employee benefit plans are frequently the subject of high-profile legislation and litigation, we will also discuss litigation trends and public policy issues.
Entertainment Law	D. Pieper	Examines the legal principles and relationships of the entertainment industry, with a primary emphasis on the music industry; provides an introduction to the practice of entertainment law and the negotiation of entertainment contracts; highlights a variety of legal and practical issues that arise when representing clients in the entertainment industry.
Environmental Law	S. Gosman	Environmental laws affect many areas of life: from the quality of the air we breathe and the water we drink, to how we dispose of waste and clean up contaminated property. Whether you represent business, government, or environmental organizations, it is important to understand environmental laws and how they are applied. In this course, we will discuss the common-law origins of the field and then review four major environmental statutes: the Clean Water Act, the Clean Air Act, the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, and the "Superfund" Act. We will consider the policy issues as well as the practical implications of the laws.
Essential Legal Research	S. Probst	This course covers research techniques essential to practicing law. Research skills from the first year will be developed and expanded so that students will be confident in their ability to locate all relevant controlling authority governing a given research problem, understanding its history and relation to other authorities and research resources. The course will also introduce search methodology and practice-oriented and non-legal research resources that will enhance students' research skills and prepare them for practice.
Estate and Gift Taxation	R. Hurst	Focus on relationship between income, estate, and gift taxes; the gross estate, including inter vivos transfers included in the gross estate; jointly held property; appointed property; life insurance; valuation; estate tax deductions and credits; taxable gifts, gift tax exclusions. Also will cover post-death planning as well as some aspects of administration of estates of decedents. Covers both a general overview of the tools and skills necessary for planning estates.
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Evidence	D. Bousquet	Study of the rules of evidence under which trials are conducted; the methods by which items of evidence are admitted or excluded; relevancy, real evidence, testimonial proof, and hearsay and its exceptions.

Externship Seminar - Advanced (Required for repeat externs.)	A. Menendez	The Advanced Externship course is designed for students in a second or subsequent externship experience and builds upon their prior learning through individualized mentorship and self-directed reflection. Instead of in-person seminars, students will participate in one-on-one meetings and complete reflective assignments tailored to their specific field placement challenges and career goals.
Externship Seminar (Required for first time externs only.)	A. Menendez	The Externship Seminar is required for all first-time externship students and serves as the academic component of the externship experience. Through a series of in-person class meetings, students will engage in guided discussions, reflective assignments, and collaborative activities to develop professional skills relevant to their field placements. Topics will include professionalism, workplace dynamics, legal ethics, and strategies for success in both externship placements and future legal careers. This course emphasizes self-assessment and professional identity formation to prepare students for the legal profession.
Federal Courts	A. Newbern	Focus is on essential aspects of federal court procedure, the scope and limits of federal judicial power, and the underlying principles of federalism and separation of powers. Topics will include federal court jurisdiction, the power of Congress to limit that jurisdiction, Supreme Court review of state court judgments, and abstention and justiciability doctrines.
Federal Income Tax of the Individual	W. Foster	Fundamentals of the federal income taxation of individuals. Topics covered include constitutional authority and limits on taxing power, tax policy considerations, gross income, deductions, credits, assignment of income, basis, and taxation of property transactions.
Federal Legislative Process	M. Campbell	This course provides an in-depth, practice-oriented examination of the federal legislative process, designed specifically for lawyers who work for Congress and advocacy organizations. Students will study how statutes are conceived, drafted, negotiated, and enacted with particular attention to the institutional roles of congressional staff, committee counsel, and outside advocates. The course emphasizes the realities of lawmaking beyond formal civics models, including committee jurisdiction, budget and reconciliation procedures, parliamentary constraints, leadership influence, and strategic legislative maneuvers. Students will learn how lawyers shape policy outcomes through bill drafting, hearings, committee marks, floor action, conference negotiations, and technical records. Through simulations, drafting exercises, and case studies drawn from recent Congresses, students will develop practical skills essential for legislative practice such as drafting memoranda, statutory text, hearing questions, letters of inquiry, and position papers for advocates. The course is especially suited for students interested in careers as congressional staff attorneys, committee counsel, lobbyists, public interest advocates, or policy advisors.
First Amendment	J. Thorlin	An intensive examination of the legal issues arising under the First Amendment to the United States Constitution, with an emphasis on basic free speech doctrines and the dilemmas posed by interplay between the free exercise and establishment clauses.
Greek and Roman Law	N. Clowney	This course is designed to present an overview of the law and legal institutions of ancient Greece and Rome, which undergird much of our modern legal system. In this course, we will examine the ancient foundations of modern law not only by reading Greek and Roman court speeches and legal texts, but also Classical comedy, tragedy, epic, and other ancient sources of political and social commentary. Topics will include Legal Procedure and Institutions, Criminal Law, Family Law, Commercial Law, Property, and Torts. The course assumes no knowledge of ancient history or language.
Immigration Law	D. Devenport	A study of the immigration, nationality, and naturalization laws of the United States; discussion of policy issues relating to migration, refugees, asylum, deportation, and citizenship issues. The Course will also explore pop culture references to immigration issues and examine the truths and fallacies of what is presented for entertainment purposes.
Independent Legal Research	TBD	Independent legal research conducted under the supervision of faculty members. Ordinarily a student may not accumulate more than two semester hours of credit for Independent Legal Research. This cumulative maximum may be exceeded only by special permission of the dean, who in exceptional circumstances may approve a cumulative maximum credit of three semester hours of credit for Independent Legal Research.

Interschool Competition	A. Hurst	Interschool Competition Team provides an avenue for outstanding student advocates to register their completion of a rigorous interschool competition for purposes of academic credit. Students may register for this credit after satisfying the standards for approval of non-graded credit for Interschool Competition Credit, as outlined in the University of Arkansas School of Law Board of Advocates Bylaws and relevant Bylaw and Academic Standards provisions, as promulgated by the Faculty.
Interviewing, Counseling, and Negotiation	C. Kelley	This course provides instruction and practice in interviewing and counseling clients and in negotiating on behalf of clients in a wide variety of situations. In addition to teaching strategies and techniques, the course will provide extensive practice through the use of simulated exercises. When you complete this course, you should be familiar with the most common interviewing, counseling, and negotiating techniques and strategies, and you should be able to implement those techniques and strategies in many different situations that lawyers face.
Intro to Intellectual Property	U. Ewelukwa	This course involves an introductory survey of topics in intellectual property, including copyright, trademark, patent, and unfair competition issues. If time permits, the course may also cover certain aspects of e-commerce.
Journal of Food Law & Policy		Students receive credit for completion of duties on the Law School's publication of The Journal of Food Law & Policy.
Judicial Ethics	S. Cravens	This seminar will cover matters central to the law of judicial ethics and broader issues related to the role of judges. Such matters will include the rules found in codes of judicial conduct; principles and processes behind the judicial discipline process; methods of judicial selection; issues of tenure and evaluation of performance; and more broadly the role that judges (of all kinds) are called upon to play in the broader legal system.
Jury Trial Strategies	K. Hixson	The goal is to introduce students to the preparation of a jury trial. Begin with a discussion of meeting with clients for the first time, evaluating the case and taking the case to trial. Three vignettes, each will have substantive law issues; discovery issues and ethical issues. Class divided into sections and each section will be assigned one of the three vignettes for the entire week. The first half of the class will include reviewing the assigned text and the second half of the class will be application of the text to the three vignettes.
Juvenile Justice	T. Jones	This course explores the juvenile justice system in this country. Topics covered will include: the philosophical reasons why juveniles are treated differently than adults, the laws and procedures that govern this system, practical insights to practicing in this system, and exploration of constitutional issues that may arise.
Law Review Credit (See Notes)	B. Brady	Law review credit.
Legal Research and Writing	A. Killenbeck/A. Fisher/D. Weatherby/A. Hurst	An introduction to the special problems posed by the legal analysis and the expression of the results of that process. The primary emphasis will be on basic legal analysis techniques, basic legal writing skills, and proper citation form. Students will complete a series of writing assignments.
Major Felonies	S. Phillips	Students explore the specifics of the criminal code and criminal procedure in Arkansas from detention and arrest through prosecution, plea negotiation, trial, and appeal.
Military Law	R. Henry	This seminar explores the nature and function of contemporary military justice, the application of international human rights, and strategies for reform. Topics will include the roles of the commander; unlawful command, presidential-, and congressional-influence; constitutional rights of military personnel; court-martial jurisdiction and offenses; judicial independence; punishment; military commissions; and summary (nonjudicial) proceedings.
Nonprofit Organizations	W. Foster	This course examines issues relating to the organization, operation, governance, and dissolution of nonprofit entities, including charitable corporations. Topics covered include the regulation of charitable contributions and their solicitation, obtaining and protecting tax-exempt status, and political and business activities of nonprofit organizations.
Oil & Gas Law	P. Hickey	Study of the law of oil and gas with emphasis on the interests that may be created in oil and gas, the rights of the landowner, provisions in the oil and gas lease, the rights of assignees, and legislation dealing with production and conservation. Additionally, this course will provide an overview of brine law in Arkansas by providing a survey of brine development and production in Arkansas, including the advent of the nascent lithium industry in Arkansas, and by illustrating how Arkansas' brine legislation and leases differ from those governing the oil and gas industry.

Poverty Law	A. Magana	Considers the implications of statutory and constitutional provisions that relate to several substantive areas of poverty law practice including public benefits, employment, consumer, health and family law.
Professional Responsibility	D. Bousquet	Role of the lawyer as counselor, advocate, and public servant; obligation to society of the individual lawyer and the profession as a whole; ethical problems of the profession; representation of the unpopular cause and the desirable client, lawyers' obligation to law reform; lawyer and the press; the lawyer in public service; the aspects of law office management.
Property	S. Clowney/TBA	This course deals with the creation and transfer of rights over property. The primary emphasis will be on entitlements in land. Subject to variations among professors, topics will include the rights of landowners to exclude and condition the entry of others, estates in land, co-ownership, landlord-tenant law, real estate and personal property transactions, and servitudes.
Remedies	H. Brill	Covers equity (jurisdiction and powers of courts of equity, injunctions, including adequacy of legal remedies, balancing of equities, interests protected, and defenses), damages (compensatory, exemplary, and nominal damages; direct and consequential damages; mitigation; special application in contract and tort actions) and restitution (relief afforded by the judicial process, to prevent unjust retention of benefits).
Securities Regulations	R. Anderson	This course explores the federal regulation of securities, with emphasis on the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Topics examined include: the definition of a securities, public company disclosures, enforcement issues, antifraud rules, and insider trading liability, public offering mechanics, and exempt offerings. Prerequisite: LAWW 42904.
Sport Law	B. Pickett	The major topics covered include significant contract issues, tort liability involving participants, institutions, physicians and equipment manufacturers, criminal liability, drug testing, constitutional and related issues dealing with sports associations and Title 9 and gender equity issues. Other relevant topics may also be covered if possible.

Student Coordinating Attorney (See Notes)	TBD	The School of Law recognizes the educational value of placements under the supervision of licensed, experienced attorneys, and offers students the possibility of public service learning opportunity serving as a student coordinating attorney for 2-3 credits of ungraded credit if approved by the designated Faculty Supervisor. This option shall be available only to a student with a cumulative GPA of at least 2.0 who has successfully completed 30 hours of Law School classes including Professional Responsibility, and who has obtained and submitted at least one recommendation from a faculty member who has had that student in at least one class in the past 12 months. A student coordinating attorney is a pro-bono position involving exposure to real world situations, involving some aspect of public service, where a lawyer's expertise and insights will be called for and can be observed. Placement is restricted to the courses offered in the all of the clinics offered at the law school. This position covers an entire semester (15 weeks during the spring and fall, and 10-12 weeks during the summer). For a two-credit student coordinating attorney position, the average work load must be no less than 8 hours per week in the fall and spring, or 10 hours per week in the summer. For a three-credit student coordinating attorney position, the average work load would be no less than 12 hours per week in the fall and spring, or 15 hours per week in the summer. Application required and must be completed in writing and delivered to the Faculty Supervisor no later than October 15 of the preceding semester for a spring semester student coordinating attorney position, no later than March 15 for a summer or fall semester student coordinating attorney position.
Trial Advocacy	T. Brooks & Staff	An introduction to actual trial work and trial techniques through simulated exercises and the conduct of a mock trial.
ULW: Advanced Contract Drafting	P. Pesek	Advanced Contract Drafting is an upper-level course that teaches basic practical contract skills by having students work "in role" as lawyers undertaking various contract drafting tasks in a series of exercises. The course will be taught by an Adjunct Professor, who is a retired General Counsel with significant experience in drafting, editing, and negotiating thousands of contracts. While the skills taught will be basic, they will also be translatable to more sophisticated contracts. The course will feature lectures and class discussions regarding the various components of a contract, and in-class contract issue-spotting and drafting exercises, with an emphasis on the drafting exercises. Students will learn how to structure and format each type of contract, write to maximize brevity and clarity, and allocate risk between the parties to the agreement. All drafting exercises will receive feedback from the instructor. Grading will be on the basis of the written drafting assignments and class participation.
ULW: Civil Pretrial Docs	E. Esterbrook	Students will draft core pretrial documents, including a complaint, a motion to dismiss, and a motion for summary judgment, while engaging with a complex civil record drawn from actual federal court filings. Course features advanced drafting and editing strategies, personalized writing feedback, and instruction on local and federal rules.
ULW: Federal Appellate Litigation	A. Newbern	This course will address appellate advocacy and procedure in the federal courts of appeals. The primary focus will be on the written aspects of litigation in the United States Courts of Appeals, including party and amicus briefs and judicial opinions. The course will also address litigation in the Supreme Court of the United States.
ULW: Journal Writing Food and Law Policy	S. Schneider/K. Nuckoll	This class assists staff editors on the Journal of Food Law & Policy with researching, writing, and drafting their Notes. It also covers Food Law basics and current issues to help students brainstorm and develop their topics. All staff editors for the Journal should plan on taking this class. This course satisfies the upper level writing requirement.
Venture Capital Funds & Transactions	J. Smith	This upper-level law school course provides an in-depth exploration of the legal, financial, and strategic aspects of venture capital (VC) funds and transactions. Students will examine the structure and operation of VC funds, the regulatory framework governing their formation and management, and the contractual arrangements between venture capitalists and entrepreneurs. The course will cover key topics such as fund formation, limited partnership agreements, securities regulations, investment term sheets, preferred stock financing, corporate governance in VC-backed companies, and exit strategies through mergers, acquisitions, or initial public offerings (IPOs). Students will analyze real-world deal documents and engage in case studies. Through this course, students will develop the legal and strategic skills necessary to advise investors, startups, and fund managers in venture capital financing. The course is designed for students interested in corporate law, mergers and acquisitions, private equity, and entrepreneurship law.

Veterans Law	R. Henry	The class presents the statutory and regulatory provisions pertinent to the issues that commonly arise in pursuing claims for veterans and their family members. We will review relevant cases, discuss practical explanations about how to work through claims, and navigate how to work with the government officials who process veteran's claims.
White Collar Crime	A. Williams	This course covers selected substantive and procedural areas of importance in "white-collar" criminal practice. A portion of the class will be devoted to the study of certain statutes and their applications, including examinations of mail and wire fraud, conspiracy, false statements and money laundering prosecutions. We will also cover subjects of particular concern to prosecutors and defense counsel in "white-collar" or business crime cases, including investigative and grand jury practices, privileges applicable in a corporate setting, immunity, plea bargaining, cooperation agreements, and the interplay between civil and criminal proceedings.
Wills, Trusts, and Estates	S. Clowney	This is the study of the traditional areas of wills and trusts (intestate and testate succession). The trusts area includes both the private trust and the charitable trust. Taxation problems are not covered in depth but are instead reserved for the Federal Estate & Gift Taxation course.