

Summer 2026 Class Descriptions

Course Title	Professor	Course Description
Externship Seminar - Advanced (Required for repeat)	A. Menendez	Intigration of legal doctrine, theory, skills and legal ethics in a realworld professional setting. In the academic component of the course, students will explore how they can learn from experience, specifically experience working with clients, solving problems and developing a sense of who they are and the kind of lawyer they want to be.
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Health Law	C. Geisler	An examination of the role of the law in determining access to and regulation of the quality of services provided by the health care industry.
How to Run a Law Firm	A. Stepps	This course equips students with the fundamental skills and knowledge required to successfully manage a small law firm. Covering key topics such as financial management, client acquisition and retention, operational efficiency, ethics, and leadership. Students will gain a practical understanding of the business side of legal practice. Emphasis will be placed on real-world application through a highly interactive and hands-on learning experience.
International Human Rights Foundations	A. Woods	This course introduces students to the foundations of international human rights and examines the scholarly and policy debates shaping the field. We will explore fundamental questions such as: What are human rights? On what basis do individuals possess them? Why is international recognition of these rights essential? and What role do human rights laws play in contemporary societies? Through engagement with classic texts, modern scholarship, and real-world case studies, students will analyze these questions in the context of current human rights challenges in the United States and around the world.
International Law in an Uncertain World	K. McCall- Smith	
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.
Law Practice Technology	J. Abernathy	This course will examine some emerging and well-established technologies that are used in the practice of law. We will discuss the lawyer's ethical duties that should drive a lawyer's decision-making about technology, the use or non-use of technologies in the practice of law, essentials of cybersecurity for lawyers, the responsible and effective use of emerging technologies, legal-specific uses of office productivity tools, and practice management software.
Mediation & Practice	C. Geisler	This is a skills class and therefore includes a lot of interactive work, including mock mediations. All students are required to actively participate in the mock mediations. While lecture is part of the course, a significant portion is (add: collaborative, dynamic) class discussion and all students are expected to have completed the readings and contribute to the discussion.
Oral Argument Workshop	K. Eaton	This course will focus on building and refining students' oral advocacy and critical thinking skills. Students will have frequent opportunities to act as advocates and judges using pretrial motions and appellate briefs from actual federal court cases.
Professional Responsibility	S. Cravens	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.
Sex Crimes/Domestic Violence	T. Jones	This course will include discussions around the various complexities of crimes involving domestic and sexual violence (including domestic battery, rape, sexual assault, child pornography, etc.). This discussion would include both an analysis of the various laws involved, exploring theories about the people who commit such crimes, and the work it takes to resolve these types of cases.
ULW: Women and the Law	A. Fisher	This course examines the treatment and status of women in the U.S. legal system. Students will consider women's historical treatment as outsiders in the legal system, constitutional issues that affect women, and jurisprudential perspectives relating to women and the law. Students will examine critical perspectives on a variety of issues that may include women in law school, in legal practice, in employment, in the family, in their reproductive role, and as targets of violence.