CHECKLIST FOR ADVOCACY CERTIFICATE

Below is a checklist meant to assist you in meeting the requirements to receive the Advocacy Certificate upon graduation. If you have any questions, please see Dean Hussey.

Name: Graduation Date:

Required Courses

- One of the following:
 - ♦ Trial Methods
 - ♦ ITAP
- Advanced Trial Methods
- One of the following:
 - ♦ Pre-Trial Methods
 - ♦ Pennsylvania Civil Practice
 - ♦ Federal Civil Practice
 - ♦ Legal Methods III Appellate Advocacy
 - ◆ Legal Methods III Specialization
 (in civil, criminal, or admin. litigation)*
 - ♦ Negotiations
 - ♦ Alternative Dispute Resolution
 - ♦ Other as approved by program director
- One of the following:
 - ♦ Criminal Procedure: Adjudication
 - ♦ Advanced Evidence
 - ♦ Pennsylvania Criminal Practice
 - ♦ Federal Criminal Practice
 - ★ Law and Policy of Sentencing and Corrections
 - ♦ Other as approved by program director

Experiential Requirement

- Participation as an attorney in one of the following:
 - Evidentiary hearing through an approved clinical or externship program
 - ♦ Moot Court Honor Society
 - ♦ Trial Advocacy Honor Society

Observation Requirement

 Observe a complete trial in the Court of Common Pleas or Federal District Court and submit a written report to program director

Writing Requirement

- One of the following, which may be satisfied in conjunction with an advocacy course or the experiential requirement:
 - ♦ Trial Brief
 - ♦ Appellate Brief (but not from LM II)
 - ♦ Other as approved by program director

GPA Requirement

- O Final cumulative GPA of 2.8 or greater
- O B- or better in all Certificate courses

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https://commonwealthlaw.widener.edu/academics/parallax-page-3-signature-programs/certificate-programs/advocacy/

Trial Observation Report:

https://commonwealthlaw.widener.edu/files/resources/hbtrialobservationreport.pdf