

## HARRISBURG COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

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### **LAW 530: ADMINISTRATIVE LAW (3 CREDITS)**

This course studies the law governing administrative agencies, including executive departments, in the task of carrying out governmental programs. Topics include interrelations of legislative, executive and judicial agencies in development of public policy; decision-making processes and internal procedures of administrative agencies and legislative, executive and judicial controls on them.

### **LAW 788: ADVANCED TRIAL METHODS (2 CREDITS)**

This course is designed to provide students interested in trial practice with an opportunity to study and participate in the various aspects of a trial. Students will develop a thorough understanding of each aspect of a trial, including jury selection, opening and closing statements, introduction of evidence and examination of witnesses. Case theory, courtroom ethics and professionalism will be discussed.

Pre-requisite: Trial Methods or ITAP

### **LAW 738: BANKRUPTCY (3 CREDITS)**

This course will address state law creditor collection remedies such as garnishment and execution, and state law priorities among competing creditors. After examining state law remedies and priorities, we will focus on the federal Bankruptcy Code. We will discuss elements common to all (business and consumer) bankruptcies, and the principal focus of the course will be Chapter 7 liquidations in the consumer context and Chapter 13 wage-earner payout plans. At the end of the course, we will discuss some issues particular to Chapter 11 business bankruptcies.

### **LAW 631: BUSINESS ORGANIZATIONS (3 CREDITS)**

A.J.D./LL.M survey course that analyzes the conduct of business in each of the principal forms of business organization, and the relative rights and liabilities of the members of such organizations and third persons. The course reviews the uniform partnership statutes, the Model Business Corporation Act, and the Delaware General Corporation Law, and considers the legal principles governing agency and partnership relationships as well as corporations. The course introduces the federal securities laws and the state statutes governing limited liability companies, limited partnerships and limited liability partnerships.

**LAW 925: CENTRAL PA LAW CLINIC (3-6 CREDITS)**

The Pennsylvania Civil Clinic is a one-semester client service clinical program offering an opportunity to study and to undertake actual cases in general civil litigation in the Pennsylvania courts on behalf of clients who are unable to afford legal services from traditional private sources. Clinical participants interview and counsel clients; frame legal issues and prepare for litigation; and participate in negotiations, non-judicial dispute resolution and litigation on behalf of clients before administrative agencies and state and federal trial courts. Students may also assist in appellate cases before state and federal courts. Clients are represented by clinical interns under the supervision of the Clinical Director.

Pre-requisites: Evidence & Professional Responsibility

**LAW 926: CENTRAL PA LAW CLINIC LEADER (2 CREDITS)**

The Pennsylvania Civil Clinic Leader is a one semester client service clinical program offered to selected students who have completed one semester in the Pennsylvania Civil Clinic. Students who are selected as Clinic Leader will continue to participate in the representation of actual clients in the general civil practice of the clinic. In addition, Clinic Leaders assist in the management of the Civil Clinic by ensuring that the materials used by the Clinic comply with applicable rules. The Clinic Leader also assists in supervising students by helping them in their research as well as their preparation for court proceedings. Clinic Leaders may also be asked to continue representation of clients from prior semesters or to work on special projects that may arise in the Civil Clinic from time to time.

Pre-requisites: Evidence, Professional Responsibility, and Pennsylvania Civil Clinic

**LAW 504: CIVIL PROCEDURE II (3 CREDITS)**

A continuation of Civil Procedure I, this course studies civil litigation procedure, with emphasis on modern federal practice. Topics include subject matter jurisdiction, personal jurisdiction, venue, joinder, the Erie doctrine, and related concepts.

**LAW 803: CLINICAL EXTERNSHIPS (2-4 CREDITS)**

This course provides an extern clinical assignment in the practice of law with cooperating agencies such as a district attorney, public defender; legal aid society, etc. A weekly classroom component is also part of the externship program.

Pre-requisite: Evidence

Co-requisite: Professional Responsibility

**LAW 508: CONTRACTS II (3 CREDITS)**

A continuation of Contracts I, this course studies the law governing contracts and contractual relationships. The course introduces the student to contract formation, performance, and non-performance, and explores the role of contract law in a market society.

**LAW 505: CRIMINAL LAW (3 CREDITS)**

This course studies the general principles that underlie statutory criminal liability, including a consideration of their judicial application in the context of selected offenses and defenses.

**LAW 784: CRIMINAL PROCEDURE: ADJUDICATION (ADVANCED) (2 CREDITS)**

This course surveys the criminal justice process from arrest through appeal. Constitutional provisions, statutes, rules of criminal procedure, and practice strategies concerning prosecutorial discretion, initial appearance, pre-trial release or detention, preliminary hearing, grand jury procedure, plea bargaining and selected trial and appellate issues are considered.

Pre-requisites: Criminal Law and Criminal Procedure

**LAW 506: CRIMINAL PROCEDURE: INVESTIGATION (3 CREDITS)**

This course provides In-depth consideration of the Fourth Amendment's protection against unreasonable search and seizure, the Fifth Amendment's right against compulsory self-Incrimination, and the Sixth Amendment's right to counsel, all with particular emphasis on the judicial Interpretation of the application of these constitutional provisions within the context of police Investigation of crime.

**LAW 798/799: DIRECTED RESEARCH (1 OR 2 CREDITS)**

Students may write research papers for credit under the supervision of a full-time member of the faculty. The faculty member must approve the subject.

Pre-requisite: Successful completion of one Seminar

**LAW 833: EMPLOYMENT LAW (2 CREDITS)**

This survey course examines the state and federal law governing non-union employment relationships. Among the topics covered are: employees versus independent contractors, the arbitration of employment disputes, the rise and fall of employment at will, wrongful discharge, employee privacy rights, defamation, non-competition agreements, protection of trade secrets, Title VII, ADA and ADEA employment discrimination, the Family and Medical Leave Act, wage and hour legislation including the Fair Labor Standards Act, unemployment compensation, and liability for workplace injuries.

**LAW 7018X: ENERGY LAW (2 CREDITS)**

This course provides an introduction to U.S. energy law and policy and explores the nation's primary sources of energy: coal, oil, biofuels, natural gas, hydropower, nuclear, wind, and solar energy. Students will gain a foundational understanding of the physical, market, and legal structures within which these resources are extracted, transported, and converted into energy and learn about the ways in which energy law and policy is shaped by common law principles, state and federal regulatory programs, and national/global public policy.

**LAW 831: ENVIRONMENTAL LAW (3 CREDITS)**

This course surveys the federal and state statutes and regulatory programs which attempt to limit water pollution, air pollution, environmental degradation, species extinction, hazardous waste, and chemical regulation problems. The course will examine how and why these statutes and programs are structured the way that they are, how the laws work, and the extent to which our environmental laws achieve their goals.

**LAW 836: EVIDENCE (3 CREDITS)**

This course studies the law governing proof of disputed factual matters in criminal and civil trials, including, but not limited to, issues of relevancy, competency, hearsay and other exclusionary rules, and the privileges of witnesses.

**LAW 636: FAMILY LAW (3 CREDITS)**

This course considers state and constitutional issues relating to the regulation of sexual and family relationships. Among the areas that may be covered are defining what constitutes a family, entry into marriage, divorce, and its economic consequences (alimony, property distribution and child support) and child custody. The course draws on constitutional principles, statutes, and the common law to study the family in the legal system.

**LAW 747: FEDERAL COURTS (3 CREDITS)**

This course explores the role of the federal judiciary in our system of government. First, it examines the tensions inherent in the separation of powers between the political branches of the federal government and the judiciary. Second, the course explores the complicated issues of federalism presented by the existence of two sets of courts – state and federal. This course combines the study of constitutional theory with the reality of politics and jurisdictional practice in the federal courts. Topics that may be covered include standing, mootness, ripeness, the political question doctrine, Congressional power to limit federal court jurisdiction, the Eleventh Amendment, abstention, habeas corpus, § 1983 civil rights actions, and other important jurisdictional doctrines not covered in the basic Civil Procedure courses.

**LAW 610: FEDERAL INCOME TAX (3 CREDITS)**

This course surveys and analyzes the federal system of income taxation. Topics include gross receipts, gross income, exclusions, gain-seeking and personal deductions, CREDITS, rates and tax accounting.

**LAW 810: FIRST AMENDMENT (2 CREDITS)**

This course focuses on constitutional rights involving speech, press, and religion. Rights of political participation, wartime limits on civil liberties, state action, associational freedoms, and constitutional and prudential limits on judicial powers are also potential topics.

Pre-requisite: Constitutional Law

**LAW 690: FUNDAMENTALS OF THE BAR EXAM (2 CREDITS)**

Fundamental of the Bar Exam is a pre-bar review skills-development course that uses bar examination materials to familiarize students with techniques for answering the multiple choice, essay, and performance test questions found on the bar examination. The course focuses on bar exam skills and is not a comprehensive review of the substantive law tested on the bar exam. Students will be required to work collaboratively in class and will have regular homework assignments to complete. This course is not a substitute for a commercial bar preparation course.

**LAW 819: GOVERNMENT CONTRACTING (1 CREDIT)**

This course provides a discussion of the elements, practices and processes of government contracting dealing with applicable statutes, regulations and policies. Topics include authority of government agents to contract, methods of procurement, issues of disputes and claims, socioeconomic programs, contract changes and terminations, debarment and suspension, and procurement ethics.

**LAW 6035: GOVERNMENT LAW COLLOQUIUM (1 CREDIT)**

This seminar will consider the special areas of law that are involved in litigation by or against a state or local agency. It will review such substantive areas of law as mandamus; statutory construction; when the existence of a statutory procedure precludes other forms of litigation, such as a declaratory judgment action; and a constitutional challenge to a state statute on procedural, as opposed to substantive grounds. The seminar will consider real life litigation, such as the pursuit of a zoning board appeal or a workers' compensation claim.

**LAW 511: INTENSIVE LEGAL ANALYSIS (I.L.A.) (2 CREDITS)**

This course provides students with the opportunity to develop and refine their legal reasoning and analysis skills. Topics include: identifying an individual's learning style and problem-solving skills, critical reading of legal authorities, simple and complex rule-based reasoning, and methods of deconstructing legal rules and organizing the analysis of new legal questions. Exam-style essays and "in-basket" projects are used to practice and reinforce analytical skills.

**LAW 752: INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL LAW (2 CREDITS)**

This course will provide an overview of the basic rules of international law. It will focus on selected international environmental treaties, including the Climate Change Convention and the Kyoto Protocol, and will explore the U.S. domestic consequences of international agreements, particularly the need for energy efficiency. For students who elect to do so, the class may be used to satisfy the writing requirement. No pre-requisites.

**LAW 772: INTERSCHOLASTIC COMPETITION (1 CREDIT)**

Students may earn one or two credits for participation in interscholastic moot court, trial advocacy and other competitions sanctioned by the law school as appropriate interscholastic competitions. The list of approved interscholastic competitions includes but is not limited to National Moot Court, Jessup International Moot Court, Douglas Moot Court, Patent Moot Court, Polsky Moot Court, American Trial Lawyers Association Competition, Texas Trial Lawyers Competition, American Bar Association Client Counseling Competition and like events.

**LAW 849: INTERVIEWING AND COUNSELING (2 CREDITS)**

This course develops the practical lawyering skills involved in client interviewing and counseling. Classroom time includes lecture/discussion and role playing/practical exercises. This is a course where you can become actively involved. You are expected to actively participate in the role playing and exercises to develop your skills in the practical application of talking with a potential or engaged client and counseling a potential or engaged client.

**LAW 809: JUDICIAL EXTERNSHIP (2-4 CREDITS)**

Students enrolled in the Judicial Externship Program are assigned to selected state and federal trial and appellate judges for a maximum of two semesters. Externs prepare legal memoranda, conduct legal research and perform duties normally assigned to a law clerk under the supervision of the assigned judge and the judge's graduate law clerk. The program is designed to enhance the student's writing and research skills, familiarize the student with court procedures, permit observation of court proceedings and enable the student to learn the operation of judicial chambers. Students will meet with the faculty supervisor for mid-semester and end-of-semester reviews. Students are required to keep a daily log and retain a copy of all written work produced for the court. Graded Pass/No Pass.

Pre-requisite: Evidence

Co-requisite: Professional Responsibility

**LAW 763: LAW REVIEW STAFF (1 CREDIT)**

Please contact Widener Law Review for more information.

**LAW 770: LAW REVIEW BOARD (1 OR 2 CREDITS)**

Please contact Widener Law Review for more information.

**LAW 510: LEGAL METHODS II (3 CREDITS)**

This course expands on the analysis, writing and research skills introduced in Legal Methods I, and introduces new skills. Students will learn basic techniques of persuasive legal arguments, and will draft persuasive documents such as a trial memorandum and an appellate brief. Students will also learn how to research court rules, and will prepare and deliver an appellate oral argument.

**LAW 512: LEGAL METHODS III – CONTRACT DRAFTING (2 CREDITS)**

This course provides students with the opportunity to learn and practice the basic principles of contract drafting and interpretation. Emphasis will be placed on drafting agreements that effectuate clients' need and anticipate potential legal problems. Students will be required to work collaboratively in class, will have regular homework assignments to complete, and will individually draft several written contracts.

Pre-requisites: Legal Methods I & II

**LAW 512: LEGAL METHODS III—ESTATE PLANNING (2 CREDITS)**

This course will provide an overview of the estate planning and probate process. Students will have numerous opportunities to review, analyze, and draft common estate planning documents, including wills, trusts, powers of attorney, health care directives, special needs trusts, and petitions for granting letters testamentary.

Co-requisite: Wills & Trusts

**LAW 512: LEGAL METHODS III – WRITING FOR THE BAR EXAM (2 CREDITS)**

This course helps jumpstart students' preparation for the essay and performance tests on the bar exam. In this course, students will enhance their legal writing, analytical, and organizational skills through intensive studying and writing practice. Students' legal and factual analytical reasoning skills and writing skills will be developed through multiple practice essay exams and performance tests. This course is designed to help students develop the skills needed to succeed on the bar exam and as newly admitted attorneys. This course is not a substitute for a bar preparation course. Students are encouraged to take this course in the year immediately preceding graduation.

**LAW 645: LEGISLATION (2 CREDITS)**

This course studies the enactment and interpretation of statutes, principally on the national level. As such, the course is one of separation of powers, as we consider the exercise of governmental power by, and the relationship between, the legislative, executive, and judicial branches. Students will learn tools for interpreting statutes and for arguing in favor of one interpretation over another; the course is not designed to teach doctrinal lessons. Students should have a basic familiarity with the legislative process and the separation of powers before beginning the course, which one can learn by reading an introductory text.

**LAW 7012X: MID PENN LEGAL SERVICES PRACTICUM (1 CREDIT)**

Extended Division students will have the opportunity to participate in an externship placement in partnership with MidPenn Legal Services, the legal service provider for low income clients in our region. The practicum will be made up of several opportunities to learn the law in the area of public interest representation, interviewing and counseling experience with client contact, and working with clients in clinical settings both in Dauphin and Perry counties. In addition to this experience, the first group of participating students will be involved in creating a new clinical program that MidPenn wishes to embark upon. Pardon Clinics operate in relatively few areas of the Commonwealth but provide great benefits for the recipients. The process is set forth by the PA Board of Pardons but often is not easily managed by those seeking a pardon. Creating an efficient, accessible process where individuals have guidance is an opportunity for students to build a program that can be put into place in 2019. MidPenn will be the umbrella organization but WLC students will be able to be active “practitioners” in the program as part of their externship experience. Students will participate in the practicum as part of the current Clinical Externship program and will be required to comply with the requirements of that course

**LAWH 7006: MILITARY LAW (2 CREDITS)**

This course surveys the military justice system of the United States. The course briefly covers the history of American military justice and introduces the Uniform Code of Military Justice. The course also examines the roles of commanders, lawyers, and judges in the system; substantive crimes; trial process and procedure; the appellate process; and current topics of interest.

**LAW 902: MOOT COURT INTERSCHOLASTIC COMPETITION (1 CREDIT)**

Please contact Moot Court Honor Society for more information.

**LAW 741: PA CIVIL PRACTICE (2 CREDITS)**

This course provides a general survey of civil practice and procedure in Pennsylvania state trial courts, based primarily on the Pennsylvania Rules of Civil Procedure and the Judicial Code. This is a skills class. The emphasis will be on a practical application of the relevant procedures, their interpretations through developing case law, and their function and importance in the litigation process. Trial strategies will also be a focus. Students will draft pleadings, motions, and trial documents. Time keeping and billing exercises will also be included. Students may have the opportunity to observe an arbitration or jury trial in the Court of Common Pleas Dauphin County.



**LAWH 7031X: POST CONVICTION LITIGATION (2 CREDITS)**

Course Description: This course provides an introduction to post-conviction litigation in state and federal courts. Using textbook(s) and sample case materials, the course provides an overview of the developments in post-conviction law, and gives students a sample case from which to develop a litigation strategy and draft a post-conviction petition, culminating in a mock argument at the end of the semester. The weekly classes will include group discussion of the assigned readings and the development of a litigation strategy for the example case. Writing assignments will consist of developing a case memo which will become a final pleading. Students' assignments will be discussed in class in an anonymized format.

Prerequisites: Criminal Procedure

**LAW 7008X: PRO BONO PRACTICE (2 CREDITS)**

This class will cover basic law and skills that an attorney needs to handle pro bono referrals from Legal Services or Legal Aid. Students will study protection from abuse orders, child custody, child support, divorce proceedings, unemployment compensation hearings, landlord/tenant disputes, and expungements. Students will draft complaints and answers, conduct mock client interviews, and make oral arguments.

**LAW 702: PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (3 CREDITS)**

This course examines the duties of lawyers toward clients, courts, and society. Ethical problems which confront the lawyer are raised and discussed in terms of the Model Rules of Professional Conduct, the Model Code of Professional Responsibility and case law. The areas covered include confidentiality, conflicts of interest, competence and unauthorized practice.

**LAW 516: PROPERTY II (2 CREDITS)**

A continuation of Property I, this course studies the basic elements of the law of real and personal property. Topics in personal property may include ownership and possession, finders' rights, bailment, bona fide purchasers, gifts, bank accounts, and accession. Topics involving real property include adverse possession, estates and future interests, marital interests, concurrent ownership, and landlord-tenant law. The course may also include other topics which are covered in more detail in upper level electives: nuisance law, zoning, constitutional limitations on public land use regulations, eminent domain, private land use restrictions (easements, licenses, servitudes), and real estate conveyancing and recording.

**LAW 655: REMEDIES (3 CREDITS)**

This course examines the various forms of relief available to prevailing parties in civil actions, primarily actions based in contract or tort. Thus, it covers damages, restitution, and equitable relief (specific performance and injunctions). The course also treats the use of the contempt power to enforce court orders.

**LAW 646: SALES AND LEASES (3 CREDITS)**

This course covers Articles 2 and 2A of the Uniform Commercial Code. Coverage generally includes all the stages of contracts for the sale and lease of goods from formation to breach and remedies. Documents of title (Article 7) and payment by means of letters of credit (Article 5) may also be covered. The course may also include comparisons and contrasts with the Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods.

**LAW 600: SECURED TRANSACTIONS (3 CREDITS)**

This course provides an introduction to the law governing contractually created interests in personal property used to secure payment or performance of obligations. The course involves a study of the creation, perfection, priority and enforcement of security interests in personal property under Article 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code. The course also includes an examination of relevant provisions of the Bankruptcy Code and some other state and federal statutes that affect security interests.

Prerequisite: Property I

**LAW 629: SECURITIES REGULATION (1 CREDIT)**

A three-credit survey course which examines the federal securities issues implicated by the public distribution of securities under the Securities Act of 1933, including analysis of the definitions of "security" and "exempted securities", private, limited offering and intrastate exemptions, and offerings by underwriters and dealers. The course also examines select issues in the trading of securities as governed by the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, including examination of the obligations of underwriters, brokers and dealers in the securities markets, the rights and obligations of parties to a tender offer of public securities, the implication of a private right of action under the federal securities laws, and the duties and obligations of persons who trade in securities on the basis of non-public information.

Pre-requisite: Business Organizations

**LAW 699: SEMINAR: ADVANCED LEGAL ETHICS (LAWYERS BEHAVING BADLY) (2 CREDITS)**

This seminar will explore the professional misconduct of lawyers beyond the ethics rules. The course will focus on the varied interpretations of conduct that results in discipline, the decision-making that leads to unethical conduct, and the professional and public policies that govern the imposition of discipline. Readings in the course will include court opinions and articles from and about attorney disciplinary proceedings and articles addressing attorneys' choices that lead to unethical conduct. Using class discussion, course readings, and their own research, students will produce written work analyzing the impact of lawyer misconduct on the profession and society. This two-credit course will fulfill the upper level writing requirement.

Pre-requisite: Professional Responsibility

**LAW 7035: SEM: CRITICAL RACE THEORY (2 CREDITS)**

CRT is more than a look at race in America. In this class, students explore the complexities of race and the need to have a deep analytical approach to racial justice and policies that can lead to equity and equality. Race and the law are explored historically and to present day as a social construct and in ways that impact the writing and application of the law.

**LAW 950: SEM: TAX POLICY (2 CREDITS)**

This seminar will provide instruction in federal income tax research materials and methods and will explore the tax legislative process and tax policy analysis that drives the development of tax law. Students will be required to prepare answers to research interrogatories and, with individualized supervision, a major tax research paper.

**LAW 881: SPORTS & ENTERTAINMENT LAW (2 CREDITS)**

This course will combine legal and practical lessons to enable students to identify issues that arise in representing clients in the sports and entertainment fields. Each class session will have an entertainment portion and a sports portion. The entertainment law portion of this course will identify and explore key legal principles and contractual relationships within the television and film industries. By using the text, cases, guest speakers, and video clips, students will gain a legal and practical understanding of key subjects in the industry, including idea protection, defamation, privacy, the right of publicity, trademark and copyright. In addition, students will be taught how to negotiate manager and personal representation agreements as well as other critical film and television agreements, including literary option/purchase agreements, shopping agreements, life rights agreements, and talent employment agreements while at the same time gaining practical knowledge as to how the industry functions. The course will also explore independent film finance and distribution deals. The sports law portion of this course will provide students with a comprehensive understanding of the role of a sports agent/attorney for a professional athlete or a college athlete looking to market and commercialize their name, image and likeness. This includes the issues an agent/attorney faces when helping a college athlete pursue a professional career and the agent's fiduciary duty to the client. Other critical aspects of the representation industry, including the application of intellectual property law, labor law and contract law, will be discussed with practical examples such as negotiating player contracts and endorsement and marketing agreements.

**LAW 800: STATE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW (2 CREDITS)**

This course examines the practice of administrative law in the states with particular emphasis on Pennsylvania. Building on the foundation of the first-year federal administrative law course, State Administrative Law has two objectives. One goal is to help students develop a pragmatic orientation in preparation for the practice of state administrative law. The second objective of the course is to examine differences between state and federal administrative law. First, state procedural due process and separation of powers law are different, and frequently litigated. Second, the text of the Pennsylvania constitution itself is unique, which has led to variations from federal administrative law.

Third, Pennsylvania has its own statutory administrative code, which is different from the federal Administrative Procedure Act. Fourth, some areas of administrative law are more pervasive in the states. For example, licensing application, renewal, suspension and revocation practice and procedure are major parts of state law. The course will examine all of these areas at length.

Pre-requisite: Administrative Law

**LAW 519: TORTS I (2 CREDITS)**

This course examines and analyzes the general theories of tort liability for injuries to persons or property: intentional misconduct, negligence, and strict liability. The course may also introduce principles and theories of products liability. Defenses to all theories of liability are also covered.

**LAW 520: TORTS II (3 CREDITS)**

A continuation of Torts I, this course examines and analyzes the general theories of tort liability for injuries to persons or property: intentional misconduct, negligence, and strict liability. The course may also introduce principles and theories of products liability. Defenses to all theories of liability are also covered.

**LAW 7003: VITA (1 CREDIT)**

This course offers students the opportunity to provide federal and state tax preparation to clients. Students get training and certification by the IRS after satisfactorily completing an open book exam. Depending on their level of certification, they are taught to correctly identify filing status, and to prepare returns with wages, tips, interest, dividends, unearned income, social security and retirement income, and self-employed income for Schedule C-EZ. While VITA volunteers are not required to train to fill out Schedules C, D, and E, certain sites may be able to help with such returns. Students start by talking to the client and finding out what his or her particular situation is. This helps the student develop interview skills while providing the taxpayer with the appropriate services for his or her needs.

**LAW 834: WILLS & TRUSTS (4 CREDITS)**

The course covers in testate succession; testamentary capacity; execution, revocation and component parts of wills; interpretation of wills; constructive trusts; will substitutes; creation and interpretation of inter vivo and testamentary trusts; future interests; the Rule Against Perpetuities; and ethical and practical considerations in drafting wills and trusts. The course may cover charitable trusts; powers of appointment; fiduciary responsibility; administration of trusts and estates; introduction to estate and gift tax law.