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MANDATORY ADVISING

Below you will find a list of the requirements for the Juris Doctor program at SCU Law. A complete version of these rules can be found in the Law School Bulletin. Direct questions regarding degree audits or graduation requirements to the Student Services Office, lawstudentservices@scu.edu.

IMPORTANT DISCLAIMER: The law school assumes no responsibility for a student’s failure to complete the graduation requirements as outlined. Students should check their progress regularly by running a degree audit accessible via eCampus.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

1. Petition to Graduate
   Students entering their final year of law school must complete the petition to graduate by the first Monday in October. The form is available on the Current Students web page.

2. Number of Units Required
   Students must successfully complete 86 units of study while maintaining academic good standing to earn the J.D. degree and graduate. Students must successfully complete at least 56 of these units in courses offered by the School of Law. To check your units, use the Degree Audit on eCampus.

3. Period of Study and Distribution of Units
   Students pursuing the J.D. degree must complete the course of study within 48 months of matriculation. The Senior Assistant Dean for Student Services may extend this period not to exceed 12 months for good cause. Students pursuing the joint JD/MBA or JD/MSIS degree must complete the course of study within 60 months of matriculation.

   Unless granted a leave of absence, students must enroll in no fewer than 8 and no more than 17 units in both the fall and spring semesters of each academic year. Students enrolling in no fewer than 8 and no more than 11 units during a semester are part-time students. Students enrolling in no fewer than 12 and no more than 17 units are full-time students. After completing the first year of law study as either a full- or a part-time student, a student may enroll either full-or part-time in any succeeding term. Whether you are full-time or part-time can affect your financial aid award so please plan accordingly.

4. Academic Good Standing
   Students must be in academic good standing to be eligible for graduation. This requires a cumulative grade point average of 2.33 or above at the end of each academic year. To check your GPA, use the Degree Audit on eCampus.

5. Courses Required For Graduation
   A. First-Year Program
   Coursework totaling 28 units is prescribed for day students. Students in the evening program take 21 units (deferring Civil Procedure and Critical Lawyering Skills to the second year). All part-time students, including those who transfer to full-time status after the first year must take their remaining first-year classes at night. Law Student Services will enroll students in Law 114A: Civil Procedure 1 and Law 465: Critical Lawyering Skills in Fall and LAW 114B: Civil Procedure 2 in Spring.
B. Advanced Curriculum
After the first year, all courses are elective, with the exception of Advocacy, Constitutional Law I, Constitutional Law II, Evidence and Professional Responsibility. Advocacy, Constitutional Law I and Constitutional Law II must be completed by the end of the second year.

**Advocacy** is offered in summer and fall only. If you don’t take it in summer, you must take it in the fall of your second year.

**Constitutional Law I** is offered during the day and evening in fall only. The class must be taken in the Fall semester of your second year.

**Constitutional Law II** is offered in the day and evening in spring only. The class must be taken in the Spring semester of your second year.

6. Experiential Course Requirement
As a condition to graduation, each student must successfully complete one or more experiential course(s) totaling at least six credit hours. An experiential course is a simulation course, a law clinic, or a field placement that focuses on professional skills needed for competent and ethical participation as a member of the legal profession. Courses that satisfy this requirement will say “Experiential Course” in the notes field on the course schedule.

7. Regular Classroom Instruction Requirement
The law school's accrediting agency requires that students complete at least 64 credit hours in regularly scheduled class sessions at the law school. Course units awarded for all field placements, Juvenile Justice courses, the Panetta Fellowship Program, individual research, course work completed in another department, and co-curricular activities such as journals, moot court, and trial competitions will not meet this requirement. Check your transcript on eCampus, you can't have more than 22 units in the types of classes listed above.

8. Upper Division Proficiency (UP) Points

1. The UP system will not apply to first-year students. The system focuses exclusively on the upper division.

2. Upper division courses eligible for proficiency points:
   - 200. Constitutional Law I (Required Course). **Constitutional Law I is eligible for proficiency points only for students who began in the fall of 2017 or thereafter.**
   - 201. Constitutional Law II (Required Course)
   - 248. Business Organizations
   - 281. Wills & Trusts
   - 290. Community Property
   - 302. Professional Responsibility (Required Course)
   - 310. Criminal Procedure: Investigation
   - 311. Criminal Procedure: Adjudication
   - 320. Evidence (Required Course)
   - 324. Remedies
3. The minimum grade necessary to earn a point: Students must receive a C+ or better in an UP-eligible course to earn one UP point.

4. Expected number of UP points: Except as provided in paragraph 6, students are expected to earn at least 4 points in UP-eligible courses.

5. Monitoring Student Progress Toward Completion of the UP Requirement:
   a. All upper division students are required to enroll in four or more UP-eligible classes prior to the completion of 54 units.
   b. Students must take all UP-eligible courses for a grade until after they have successfully earned four UP points.
   c. For students who have completed 54 units or more, the Law Student Services Office will compute the number of UP points that each student has earned in upper division courses as of the first day of each new semester. Any student who has earned fewer than three points in upper division courses will be required to enroll in at least two UP-eligible classes during that semester.
   d. All students who fail to earn at least three UP points in upper division courses by the time they have completed 54 units will be required to complete 373b, Advanced Legal Writing: Bar Exam in their final semester before they graduate from law school, and receive individual counseling from a faculty member from the Office of Academic and Bar Success.

6. Students who fail to earn at least four (for students who began in Fall 2017 or thereafter) or three (for students who began in Fall 2015 or Fall 2016) points in UP-eligible courses by the time they have completed 68 units will be required:
   a. Concurrent with their enrollment in Advanced Legal Writing: Bar Exam (in their final semester), enroll in and successfully complete Law 702, an additional 0-unit supplemental course to 373b devoted to enhanced bar exam preparation; and
   b. Continue to enroll in a sufficient number of UP-eligible courses to satisfy the 4-point requirement (and take those courses for a grade)—provided, no student shall be required to enroll in more than 2 UP-eligible courses in one semester.

Transfer students may receive UP credit for course work completed at their home school as long as they have taken an UP-eligible class and received a C+ or higher as an upper-division student. Students may not receive UP credit for a course, even if it is categorized as UP-eligible, if it was taken as part of the first-year curriculum at the school from which they transferred.

9. Ethical Good Standing

Students must be in ethical good standing at the time of graduation. Graduation may be denied or delayed based on charges or findings of academic dishonesty or moral turpitude. Note: all students will have to also pass a Moral Character Determination by the State Bar Association prior to being sworn in as an attorney. If you have questions about your moral character application or your good standing, make a confidential appointment with the Senior Assistant Dean for Student Services.

Make an appointment with Law Student Services staff

Use this link on the Current Students Page to set up an appointment with the Senior Assistant Dean for Student Services.
10. Graduation with Honors

Students must have received letter grades in graded courses totaling at least 65 units (50 units for transfer students and for students spending one year visiting at another law school) to graduate with honors.

The categories are as follows:
- Top 2 percent = *summa cum laude*
- Next 3 percent = *magna cum laude*
- Next 5 percent = *cum laude*

Order of the Coif: The School of Law is a member of the Order of the Coif, a nationally recognized legal honor society. Students receiving honors at graduation will be inducted into the Order.

11. Directed Study

*For students who began in the Fall of 2017 or thereafter*

For students with a GPA of 2.33-3.0 after their first year

Students finishing the first year of law study with an unrounded cumulative GPA of 2.33-3.0, and students readmitted to the Law School following successful completion of the California First-Year Law Students’ Examination after first year disqualification, are subject to the Directed Study policy. Students subject to the Directed Study policy remain subject to the policy until graduation regardless of improvements in their GPA.

Students subject to the Directed Study policy must, like all students, successfully complete all required courses and other graduation requirements and in addition, must:

a. Successfully complete Legal Analysis (373a) by the end of their second year in law school

b. Meet with a faculty member from the Office of Academic and Bar Success as soon as feasible after being identified as subject to the policy, to discuss (a) the reasons for their being subjected to the policy, (b) the purpose of the policy, and (c) class scheduling for their ensuing years in law school.
MORE RULES

- Minimum of 8 units per semester
- Maximum of 17 units
- Full time/Law Day = 12 - 17 units
- Part time/Law Evening = 8 - 11 units
- Limit on cumulative field units
- 65 graded units for honors
- Recommended limits on employment

Check your degree audit on eCampus before and after you register each semester.

DEGREE AUDIT

- eCampus
- Requirement Not Satisfied
- Always check the effective date and always compare it with the J.D. Graduation Self Review
- J.D. Graduation Self Review

Check all the rules at: http://law.scu.edu/bulletin/
Degree Audit
You are responsible for knowing all the academic regulations affecting your program of study and for completing all degree requirements as set forth by the School of Law. Failure to understand these regulations and requirements does not relieve you of this responsibility.

What is the Degree Audit Report?
The degree audit is an unofficial advising report/tool designed to assist you in tracking your degree progress. It lists requirements that you must complete under your current program of study. Requirements are based upon the bulletin in effect when you entered SCU.

If you have been given a requirement exception, substitution or waiver that does not appear on your degree audit report or if you believe there are errors in your degree audit report, please contact the Student Services Office (LawStudentServices@scu.edu).

Where can I find my Degree Audit Report? How do I see the requirements that are unsatisfied?
You can find your degree audit report in your eCampus account. Click on the Academics tile:

The second tab on the menu should say “New Degree Audit”: 
When you click on this tab, your most updated report will appear. On first view, only the requirements that are unsatisfied will be expanded. Requirements that are collapsed are satisfied.

A. Date of last report

B. Collapse and Expand all of the Requirements

C. View Report as PDF (see below for more explanation)

D. **Unsatisfied** requirement

E. **Satisfied** requirement (to see more details, such as how this requirement was fulfilled, click the arrow to expand)
There is also a printable version of the degree audit report. Click the “View Report as PDF” on the right hand side at the top of degree audit report. This will open a new tab with a PDF version of your degree audit. This is the only version that is easily printable.

A. Academic program

B. **Satisfied** requirement

C. **Unsatisfied** requirement and details of requirement

If you scroll to the bottom of the report, you will see your full course history:
# J.D. GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS WORKSHEET

Please use this form, along with your degree audit report and transcript, to check your degree progress. If meeting with a member of the Student Services staff to discuss your degree progress, please bring this completed form.

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<td>1. Cumulative GPA</td>
<td>Students must be in academic good standing to be eligible for graduation. This requires a cumulative grade point average of 2.33. Final determination of meeting this requirement will be made when all grades have been officially submitted. Notes:</td>
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<td>2. Externship Units</td>
<td>LIMIT ON UNITS: In completing the 86 units to graduate, students may only count 12 units of field work toward the 86 units from any combination of fieldwork from the following: All externships (including summer abroad); The Panetta Fellowship Program; Credit for approved classes taken in the interdisciplinary program with the School of Education, Counseling Psychology; Juvenile Justice courses. However, a student who does both a summer abroad externship and a semester-long international externship may count up to 16 units of such fieldwork toward the 86 units required to graduate. Any additional field work units may be reflected on a student’s transcript, but will not count toward graduation. Students are limited to a maximum of 3 externship placements.</td>
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<td>3. Limitation on Moot Court Units</td>
<td>Students may earn no more than 8 units of academic credit in all appellate moot court activity (external competitions, the HMC Internal Competition, Internal Moot Court Board or External Moot Court Board). All units are graded CR/NC.</td>
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<td>4. Pass/No Pass</td>
<td>Students may take no more than two elective courses on a P/NP basis in any one semester and no more than 12 units on a P/NP basis during the entire program of study. Units Completed as of today:</td>
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<td>5. Transfer Units</td>
<td>Transfer students must complete a minimum of 56 units at SCU Law. (Transfer students from CBA-approved schools must complete 58 units at SCU Law). Units taken elsewhere are by permission only. A maximum of 4 units at non-SCU summer law programs may be transferred if permission is granted.</td>
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<td>6. Total Number of Units</td>
<td>Students must have completed 86 units of course work. Notes: Units Completed: _____ Units this Semester: _____ Units Transferred in: _____ Other Units: _____ Units Still Required, assuming all current units passed:</td>
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<td>7. Required Courses</td>
<td>LARAW 1 and 2, Contracts 1 and 2, Property, Professional Responsibility (formerly Legal Profession), Criminal Law, Torts, Civil Procedure 1 and 2, Evidence, Constitutional Law I and II, Advocacy, *Critical Lawyering Skills *For students who began in Fall 2017 or thereafter.</td>
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<td>8. Upper Division Proficiency Points</td>
<td>Earn at least 4 upper division proficiency points.</td>
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<td>All holds must be cleared before the end of your final semester. Holds as of today:</td>
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<td>10. Honors</td>
<td>In order to be awarded honors on your diploma and be inducted into the Order of the Coif, you must be in the top 10% of the combined graduating class and must have 65 graded units. 50 graded units for transfer students. Graded Units to date:</td>
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<td>12. Incomplete, missing and NR grades</td>
<td>J.D. degrees cannot be posted if any grades remain incomplete (I), not reported (NR) or missing. <strong>A grade of I or NR may not be awarded to students in their final semester of law school.</strong> All grades must be cleared. Grades that must be cleared:</td>
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<td>13. Repeating Courses</td>
<td>Students who are required to repeat a course must refer to the Law Bulletin for all the rules governing repeated courses before registering. Students who repeat a course will not receive double credit for the course. The units for the course are counted only once.</td>
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<td>14. Petition to Graduate</td>
<td>Students must complete and submit a Petition to Graduate online. Petitions are due the first Monday in October.</td>
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Refer to the Law School Bulletin for requirements if you started law studies prior to Fall 2016.

Name of class and semester: |
| 16. Directed Study Students ONLY | Directed Study students are those that were placed on the Program of Directed Study after their first year or student readmitted to the Law School following successful completion of the California First-Year Law Students’ Examination after first year disqualification. Students with a GPA of 2.33-3.0 after their first year must, like all students, successfully complete all required courses and all other graduation requirements and in addition must successfully complete LAW 373a Legal Analysis by the end of their second year in law school. |
| 17. Commencement Book | Student information will be included in the commencement book based on the Petition to Graduate. If you wish an advanced degree to be listed, you must provide Law Student Services with a copy of the transcript showing the degree. **Note:** to be included in the first version of the commencement book, transcripts must be submitted by December 15th. |

NOTES:
Relevant Rules and Information

For complete information, please consult the Law School Bulletin. Inquiries regarding registration and class changes should be directed to the Law Student Services Office, lawstudentservices@scu.edu.

Important: No student will receive academic credit for any course unless he/she is officially registered in the course. Every student who registers for academic credit in a course and who does not formally withdraw – officially through the Law Student Services Office - before the last day of the semester or summer session in which the course was taken shall receive a grade in the course and will be liable for tuition. Students who do not officially drop and do not sit for the final exam will be graded accordingly. As used here the word “course” is meant in its most inclusive sense and refers to a class, seminar, clinical research project, or any other undertaking whatsoever in which a student is registered for academic credit.

After you finish adding and dropping, be sure to check eCampus and make sure that you are registered for what you think you are.

Course Load

First-year students may not take less than the full schedule of courses prescribed by the faculty. Second- and third-year students must enroll in not fewer than 8 and not more than 17 units in both the fall and spring semesters of each academic year. Students enrolling in not fewer than 8 and not more than 11 units during a semester are part-time students during that semester. Students enrolling in not fewer than 12 and not more than 17 units are full-time students during that semester. Beyond the first year, students are free to take classes in either the day or evening. However, all part-time students, including those who transfer to full-time status after the first year must take their remaining first-year classes at night. Law Student Services will enroll students in Law 114A: Civil Procedure 1 and Law 465: Critical Lawyering Skills in Fall and LAW 114B: Civil Procedure 2 in Spring.

Whether you are full-time or part-time affects your financial aid award so please plan accordingly.

Course Time Conflicts

Students may not register for regular courses if meeting times overlap in whole or in part. Not even a five-minute overlap will be allowed. Students should not seek professor approval for registration in overlapping courses.

Adding Classes

Students may add classes through the last day of the add/drop period, and drop classes through the last day of the fourth week of a semester.

1. No student will receive academic credit for any course unless he/she is officially registered in the course. Academic credit will be given for courses only during regular academic terms.

2. Some classes may require instructor or dean approval to enroll. Some classes will have special enrollment procedures. These classes are noted as such on the registration materials.

3. The School of Law has established wait list procedures for adding closed classes. Students must follow these procedures and should not seek instructor approval for adding a class.

4. Late adds should use the Late Registration form available from the Law Student Services Office. Students will be required to pre-pay for units added after the add/drop period.
Dropping Classes

1. Students may drop any upper-division course without professor approval through the fourth week of the semester. It is the student’s responsibility to know the tuition and fee refund provisions.

2. After the fourth week of the semester, classes may be dropped only with the professor’s signature and the approval of the Senior Assistant Dean for Student Services.

3. After the 10th week of the semester, classes may be dropped for good cause shown and only with the permission of the Senior Assistant Dean for Student Services.

4. During the last week of classes, the Senior Assistant Dean will give permission to drop a course only upon a student’s written petition documenting reasons why taking the scheduled examination or requesting a delayed examination would impose an undue and unforeseen hardship on the student.

5. After the last class day of the semester, but before and up to the date of the regularly scheduled final examination, all requests to drop a course will be referred to the dean or his/her delegate. Permission to drop a class after classes have ended, but before the scheduled examination, will be granted by the dean only after further consultation with the instructor and only under extraordinary circumstances.

6. No class may be dropped after the regularly scheduled final examination is administered. In the case of courses requiring a paper or other non-examination requirement, no class may be dropped after the last day of classes.

7. First-year students may not drop classes except in extraordinary circumstances.

8. Students who stop attending a class and do not complete the formal drop process are subject to receiving an “F” grade and are liable for tuition.

9. Students who do not take a final examination or complete required work may receive an “F” grade.

10. Check the section titled, Tuition Refund Policy and Processes at http://law.scu.edu/bulletin/financial-information/. To ensure a full tuition refund, students must drop the first week of classes.

Tuition Liability

The initial due date for summer tuition is always May 21st. The initial tuition due date for fall is always July 21st. The initial tuition due date for spring is always December 21st. Students must arrange payment by these dates in order to avoid a late payment fee, regardless of whether or not the student receives notification from the university. Students who drop a course during the first week of the semester will be eligible for a 100 percent tuition refund for that course. Students who drop a course after the first week and before the end of the fourth week may be eligible for a partial tuition refund. Set an auto-reminder each month to check your account for oneCampus. If you owe any money, be sure to make your payment by the due date and keep your account clear of holds and late fees.

Wait Lists

Wait lists are formed after a particular class is closed; wait lists determine the priority for enrollment as seats become available. During the initial registration period, students confronted with a closed class should add their names to the wait list immediately. Once on a wait list, students should register for an alternate class. If a seat becomes available, an email will be sent to eligible students’ SCU e-mail account informing them of their eligibility and the expiration date of their eligibility status. After 11:59 pm on the eligibility date indicated, the permission will expire and the available seat will be offered to the next student on the list.

The final wait list is run on the last Thursday of the add/drop period. The next day, Friday, any classes with seats still open will be made available to students on a first-come, first-served basis through eCampus.
**Individual Research**

A student may receive academic credit for research under the supervision of a faculty member. The student must select and contact a faculty member and reach agreement with the faculty member on the topic, unit value, time of completion, and other expectations for the project prior to beginning work on the project.

Students may take no more than 3 units of Individual Research (298) with any particular faculty member in any particular semester or summer session. Work will be graded Credit/No Credit only. Individual Research may be added up to the end of the second week of classes if the student has satisfied the provisions relating to prior consultation with the instructor to define the project and there appears to be no positive reason for denying the request.

To register, students must submit an Individual Research Agreement form to the Student Services Office signed by the professor. If the professor is a Lecturer in Law, students must also obtain the approval signature of the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs.

**Academic Holds**

Students with holds on their records or accounts will not be able to register. It is the student's responsibility to clear holds with the appropriate office in order to register. Students who miss registration priority due to holds will not be given special consideration. Possible holds are:

- Registration holds due to an unpaid balance on the student's account.
- Financial Aid holds due to missing information or paperwork.
- Cowell Health Center holds due to missing insurance information or waiver forms.
- Law Student Services holds due to missing transcripts, MOU or other required paperwork.
- Law Student Services holds due to a leave of absence or visiting away status.
- Law Student Services holds for failure to complete mandatory training.
- Campus Safety Services holds due to on-campus parking tickets.
- Office of Academic and Bar Success holds due to failure to attend mandatory meetings.
- Law Library holds due to unpaid fines or unreturned books.

To check if you have a hold, go to eCampus. The first screen will tell you if there is a hold and who placed it and how to contact that office.

**Status Change**

Upon satisfactory completion of the first year of study, students may transfer between full-time and part-time status. Part-time students who transfer to full-time status after the first year must take their remaining first-year classes at night. Law Student Services will enroll students in Law 114A: Civil Procedure 1 and Law 465: Critical Lawyering Skills in Fall and LAW 114B: Civil Procedure 2 in Spring. We strongly recommend that any student, who is enrolled as a full-time student, limit their work to 20 hours per week or fewer.

**Exam Reschedules**

Exams are always rescheduled for a date after the regularly scheduled exam and never before the scheduled exam. A rescheduled exam will be placed in the next available exam slot that does not create a conflict. An exam may be rescheduled for one of the following reasons only:

**Administrative Conflict**

1. Any exam scheduled to start less than 24 hours of another in-class exam.
   An example of a valid administrative conflict: 1:30PM exam on Monday followed by a 9:00AM exam on Tuesday.
An example of an invalid administrative conflict: 9:00AM exam on Monday followed by a 9:00AM exam on Tuesday.

2. Three exams scheduled over 2 or more days in the exam period.
   For example, 9:00AM exams for 3 consecutive days.
   It is at the discretion of the Office of Assessment which exam is rescheduled.

**IMPORTANT:** For the fall and spring semesters students must request an administrative reschedule within the first eight weeks of the start of the semester. Summer students must request a reschedule within the first four weeks of the start of the session. Requests must be submitted through the Exam Reschedule Request form. Late requests may not be approved.

**Personal Conflict**

3. The student’s serious illness or other medical emergency

4. Extraordinary and compelling reasons beyond the student’s control

The student must submit a request for rescheduling of the exam to the Office of Assessment as soon as possible, but prior to the start of scheduled exam. The director of assessment determines if the exam will be rescheduled. All final exams must be completed within 30 days of the original exam date.

Note: Students who are ill at the time of their exam should consult the head proctor prior to opening their exam packet. Once students see the exam, it is not possible to reschedule.
How to Read the On-Line Schedule

1. # is the number you will enter into eCampus when you register.
2. Cat. Is the catalog number. Use this when looking up course descriptions.
3. Title is the official name of the course. Click on the title to see the course description. The professor is listed right after the course title.
4. Units is the unit value for the course. If you see a variable unit amount (3-4 units) be sure to indicate the number of units you wish when registering.
5. Room is the room (if applicable) or Online. Note: If no room # or online is listed, check the notes section.
6. Day(s) lists the meeting day/days. If days aren’t listed, check the notes section.
7. Time is the meeting time for the class. If time is listed, check the notes section.
8. Exam is the day and time of the final exam or the date range for floating format exams. If there is no date/time or date range listed, check the notes section for more information on final projects or papers or alternate exam formats.
9. Notes includes a lot of important information. It lists Certificates, Experiential status, prerequisites, reading assignments, special meeting notes, special course topics, class limitations. Notes will also tell you if attendance is mandatory on day one. Please read the notes.
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<td>► Check the Summer Schedule on the Law Student Services web page. Finalize your schedule choices. Have a few back-up schedules prepared. 6 units is considered full time in summer. <strong>8 units is the limit.</strong> You need 3 units in order to qualify for summer financial aid. ► Read through the Pink Book for advice and information on course selection. ► Make sure you can access eCampus. You will need your Campus login and password. Your login is the capital letter &quot;W&quot; and the last seven digits of your student ID number. If you can't remember your password, click on the &quot;Forgot my Password&quot; link on the eCampus main page. ► Check eCampus to ensure that you don't have any holds on your records. The system will not let you register if you have holds. ► Log on to eCampus and find your appointment day and time. You can also start putting classes into your shopping cart. ► Students on directed study should contact the Office of Academic and Bar Success for course enrollment advice.</td>
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<td>4/5 – 4/9</td>
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<td>► Log on to eCampus on your appointment day and time and register for classes. The system will not let you register until your appointment time. ► Register for Classes. A few notes: 1. Refer to the eCampus Student Center Information Guide for information, tips, and guides may be helpful in navigating the new version of eCampus. Make sure you verify your schedule once you are finished registering. <strong>Make sure you registered for the classes you think you did!</strong> It is very important to &quot;View your Schedule&quot; each time you add or change your schedule to confirm that your registration transaction was completed accurately. 3. <strong>Please do not use the Swap Class feature.</strong> 4. Wait List: When you determine that a class is full, click on the &quot;Wait List&quot; option and follow the prompts. 5. Problems: If you have difficulty using the registration application or need help obtaining a full schedule, contact Law Student Services at <a href="mailto:lawstudentservices@scu.edu">lawstudentservices@scu.edu</a>.</td>
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<td>FALL</td>
<td>► Check the Fall Schedule on the Law Student Services web page. Finalize your schedule choices. Have a few back-up schedules prepared. ► Read through the Pink Book for advice and information on course selection. ► Make sure you can access eCampus. You will need your Campus login and password. Your login is the capital letter &quot;W&quot; and the last seven digits of your student ID number. If you can't remember your password, click on the &quot;Forgot my Password&quot; link on the eCampus main page. ► Check eCampus to ensure that you don't have any holds on your records. The system will not let you register if you have holds. ► Log on to eCampus and find your appointment day and time. You will have 2 appointments; the first will only allow you to register for 6 units. You may register for the remaining units during the second appointment. You can also start putting classes into your shopping cart. ► Students on directed study should contact the Office of Academic and Bar Success for course enrollment advice.</td>
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<td>► Log on to eCampus on your appointment day and time and register for classes. The system will not let you register until your appointment time. Refer to the eCampus Student Center Information Guide for information, tips, and guides may be helpful in navigating the new version of eCampus. ► Problems: If you are having difficulty using the registration application or need help obtaining a full schedule, contact Law Student Services at <a href="mailto:lawstudentservices@scu.edu">lawstudentservices@scu.edu</a>. ► Full time students must be registered for 12 - 17 units. Part time students must be registered for 8 - 11 units.</td>
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<td>► To avoid a $100 late payment fee, your <strong>payment must be made</strong> on or before this date. Information about payment options is available at: <a href="https://www.scu.edu/bursar/paymentoptions/">https://www.scu.edu/bursar/paymentoptions/</a>. After this date, <strong>a hold will be placed</strong> on your records which will prevent the release of diplomas and prevent registration and may prevent other services. You will not be able to register for classes from the wait list and will lose your seat to the next person.</td>
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<td>6/1 – 6/7</td>
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<td>► If you are on a wait list, you will receive an e-mail informing you of your eligibility and deadline to enroll. Students who do not add by the deadline will be dropped from the list and the next group of students will become eligible. To register from the wait list, students must add the class on eCampus by 11:59 p.m. on the eligibility date indicated.</td>
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<td>6/21</td>
<td>FALL</td>
<td>► School starts. Add/Drops allowed through Monday, June 7. To add and drop classes, use the eCampus system. Registration from the wait list continues through Friday, May 28. Follow the directions above. <strong>NOTE:</strong> Saturday classes begin on May 29.</td>
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<td>If you are on a wait list, you will receive an e-mail informing you of your eligibility and deadline to enroll. <strong>Students who do not add by the deadline will be dropped from the list</strong> and the next group of students will become eligible. To register from the wait list, students must add the class on eCampus by 11:59 p.m. on the eligibility date indicated.</td>
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<td>8/16</td>
<td>FALL</td>
<td>School starts. Registration from the wait list continues through Thursday, 8/19. Follow the directions above. Add/Drops allowed through Friday, 8/20. To add and drop classes, use the eCampus system. <strong>NOTE:</strong> Saturday classes begin on August 14.</td>
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<td>8/20</td>
<td>FALL</td>
<td>The wait list no longer applies after this date. Any seats remaining in wait listed classes will be available on a first-come, first-served basis through eCampus. Students will receive an e-mail once open seats are available on eCampus.</td>
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INFORMATION ABOUT FINANCIAL AID

Santa Clara University School of Law offers a variety of financial assistance to help with a law education. Financial aid may include scholarships, fellowships, Veterans benefits, federal loans and/or private student loans.

FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA)

Law students are recommended to complete the 2021-2022 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at www.studentaid.gov by April 15, 2021.

Santa Clara University School of Law School Code is 001326.

SANTA CLARA UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarship recipients should refer to their scholarship letter for renewal terms and conditions.

Santa Clara University School of Law offers a limited number of endowed scholarships that may require a separate application, and are subject to the availability of funds. Announcements will be sent when applications become available.

FEDERAL STUDENT LOANS

Santa Clara University School of Law participates in the William D. Ford Direct Loan program, where the U.S. Department of Education provides loans to eligible law students. Law students are automatically considered for a Direct Loan after submitting their FAFSA. Most law students will be eligible for an unsubsidized Federal Direct Loan amount of $20,500 per academic, and may apply for the Federal Direct PLUS Loan up to their remaining cost of attendance.

If you have questions, please contact the Santa Clara University Admissions and Law Financial Aid Office at lawfinancialaid@scu.edu or (408) 554-5048.
THE BAR
Admissions Requirements

Individuals must be licensed in order to practice law in the United States. Every state has its own requirements for licensure; almost all require an applicant to pass the state’s general bar exam, pass the Multistate Professional Responsibility Examination (MPRE), and establish his or her moral character and fitness for practice in that state.

California Bar Admission: The following information applies to those intending to seek California Bar admission. Students should review the summary and detailed requirements for California Bar admission at http://www.calbar.ca.gov/Admissions.

- During the first year: Each student must register as a law student in California. All law students must register with the State Bar within 90 days of beginning law study in California. Registration is completed through the State Bar website at http://www.calbar.ca.gov/Admissions. Not sure if you did this? Call the State Bar’s Admissions Office at 415-538-2300.

- During the second year:
  - Students transferring to SCU must register as law students with the State Bar within 90 days after beginning law study at Santa Clara. Students transferring to SCU from another California law school must inform the State Bar of this change. Registration is completed through the State Bar website at http://www.calbar.ca.gov/Admissions.
  - Students should plan to take the Multistate Professional Responsibility Examination (MPRE) which is given every March, August, and October. It is recommended that students take this exam after completion of the Professional Responsibility course in their second or third year. Applications are available on the National Conference of Bar Examiners website at http://www.ncbex.org/exams/mpre/.

- During the third year:
  - Students should apply for the Moral Character review. The Moral Character investigation process and form is available on the State Bar website at http://www.calbar.ca.gov/Admissions. The Moral Character investigation is totally separate from the Bar Exam application (separate forms, fees, and deadlines). Plan on turning in your application before the beginning of the third year. If you believe that you may have issues with your Moral Character review, you are encouraged to seek early advice from the Office of Academic & Bar Success or Law Student Services.
  - Students should apply to take the Bar Exam, which is administered over a two-day period during the last week of July and February. Applications are due approximately four months before each test date, and are available on the State Bar website at http://www.calbar.ca.gov/Admissions. Students who take any state’s Bar Exam prior to graduation from the School of Law will not be awarded a JD from SCU.

Questions concerning admission to the California Bar not answered on the State Bar of California Web site, http://www.calbar.ca.gov/Admissions, should be directed to the Committee of Bar Examiners at 415-538-2300.

Uniform Bar Exam (UBE): Students planning to practice in states other than California should consult the individual admissions requirements of those states. A list of state admissions offices is available at http://www.ncbex.org/. Thirty-six jurisdictions in the US, not including California, administer the Uniform Bar Exam. Earning a score in one jurisdiction means that the score may be transferred to another UBE jurisdiction subject to local rules. This mobility means added opportunities for employment after graduation and in the future. Bar admission in a UBE jurisdiction is often sufficient for many legal careers in California where making court appearances isn’t a job requirement.
The Office of Academic & Bar Success provides extensive support to students preparing for the Bar Exam. The Office maintains many resources to assist in Bar Exam preparation and in the selection of a Bar Exam preparation course. Visit the ASP Resource Room in Charney 216 or http://emery.scu.edu/students/success. Faculty advisors are available to work with students on their individual preparation for the Bar Exam.

The Office sponsors Advanced Legal Writing: Bar Exam, a 2-unit course focused on multiple-choice (“MBE”) strategy and practice, and essay exam writing. All students are strongly encouraged to enroll in ALW during their final semester of law school.

The Office also sponsors a number of no-cost Bar-readiness programs and workshops throughout the academic year and summer as a part of BRICS (Bar Resources, Instruction, Coaching, and Support.) BRICS programming includes lectures by subject-matter experts on the doctrinal law that is tested on the Bar Exam.

**BAR-TESTED CLASSES**

In addition to the required upper division courses, eight additional Bar-tested courses are also UP POINT ELIGIBLE. (Students need 4 UP points to graduate, see page 4 for more information.)

The core Bar Exam courses listed on the left are regularly tested on the California Bar Exam. You are strongly encouraged to take them all as they appear on the California Bar Exam regularly and can be a significant part of your Bar Exam score. Each of these courses is subject to the mandatory grade curve.

Other courses also covering topics tested on the bar include Real Estate Conveyancing, California Civil Procedure and Criminal Procedure: Adjudication. Sales is also tested on the California Bar Exam and is taught as part of the first-year Contracts course. The testing of Civil Procedure, Evidence, and Professional Responsibility includes coverage of both federal/ABA rules and California rules.

Students planning to take the Bar Exam in another state should consult the Bar Examiners of that state for information about coverage of the exam.
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<td>Plan when you are going to take Professional Responsibility and the MPRE.</td>
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<td>Submit the Moral Character Application. (Note: if you have moral character “issues”, you should apply in your second year as it may take longer. If you are unsure, seek advice from Law Student Services or the Office of Academic &amp; Bar Success.)</td>
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Santa Clara Law offers its students a broad spectrum of academic and experiential opportunities for exploring the fields of international and comparative law.

Academic Opportunities: Throughout the academic year, we offer many courses on diverse topics related to international and comparative law. We offer summer abroad classes in nine countries across Asia, Europe, Central America and Australia where we teach a range of topics of international study. We have semester exchange agreements with several law schools in Central and South America, Europe and Asia, enabling students to take up to twelve units studying overseas at one of our partner institutions. During the school year, the Center for Global Law and Policy hosts several speakers and conferences that enrich the intellectual environment of the law school.

Experiential Opportunities: Those who seek experiential learning opportunities can pursue summer externships in over thirty locations across Europe, Asia, Australia, Africa, Central and South America and the Caribbean, or seek semester-long externships working for international organizations and law firms during the fall or spring semesters.

Summer Study Abroad

The Center for Global Law and Policy offers summer abroad classes in nine countries across Asia, Europe, Australia and Central America. Our classes are taught by excellent overseas faculty at some of the leading institutions abroad. Through our summer programs we offer summer externship placements in over thirty locations at international organizations, top local firms, corporate legal departments, government organizations and NGOs, providing students an opportunity to gain meaningful experience working in a foreign legal environment. A student can earn up to 8 units of credit in the summer through our study abroad programs. For more details, see http://law.scu.edu/international/summer-abroad

Semester Abroad Exchange Program

The Center for Global Law & Policy has semester exchange agreements with numerous law schools in Europe, Central and South America and Asia. Under these agreements, students from Santa Clara can study for a semester at our partner institute overseas, earning up to twelve units. Some of these programs could lead to a foreign degree at a reduced rate and for a shorter period. See http://law.scu.edu/international/semester-abroad.

Semester Externship Program

Students who might wish to spend a semester working overseas should contact CGLP to discuss the possibility of earning up to twelve units in an externship placement overseas. Information about overseas externships is available at http://law.scu.edu/international/international-externships or under the “Legal Skills ... Externships” section of this book.

International Human Rights Clinic

Students have the opportunity to gain practical, hands-on experience in international human rights lawyering by participating in the International Human Rights Clinic. The clinic focuses primarily on human rights in the Americas. To learn more about the clinic, please see http://law.scu.edu/ihrc/.

International Certificate programs

Students who wish to specialize in international law can earn a certificate in International Law with one of three areas of specialization. To satisfy the International Certificate requirements, students must choose at least one of the following two specializations: Public International Law or International Business Law. A student earns the International Law Certificate “with honors” if the student satisfies all of the applicable requirements and has an overall grade point average of B+ (3.67) or better in units counted towards the certificate. Detailed information is available at http://law.scu.edu/international/international-law-certificate/
International Moot Court Competitions

Santa Clara Law school students compete every year in at least one international moot court competition. Possible competitions include: the Philip C. Jessup International Moot Court Competition, the Jean Pictet International Humanitarian Law Moot Court Competition, and the Clara Barton International Humanitarian Law Competition. These competitions provide a tremendous opportunity for students to explore in depth a particular area of international law. They also enable students to cultivate their skills in written and oral advocacy. See http://law.scu.edu/mootcourt/moot-court-external/ for more information on this year’s competitions.

International Law Faculty & Curriculum

Santa Clara Law brings international and comparative law expertise through its excellent faculty, teaching a diverse curriculum to meet the needs of the new generation of global lawyers. Information about our law faculty can be accessed at http://law.scu.edu/international/international-law-faculty and our course offerings can be viewed at http://law.scu.edu/international/international-law-curriculum.

Programming & Events

The Center hosts visiting international scholars, numerous speakers and sponsors several conferences throughout the academic year to promote informed discussion and enhance awareness about current issues related to international law and U.S. foreign policy. Center events are open to all SCU students, faculty, staff, and alumni, as well as to the community at large. For information about recent and upcoming events please visit http://law.scu.edu/international/international-law-events/.

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CGLP Opportunities for Law Students:

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<td>Consider studying or externing abroad the summer after 1L year. Applications are due spring semester of 1L year for the following summer: <a href="http://law.scu.edu/International/summer-abroad">http://law.scu.edu/International/summer-abroad</a></td>
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<td>Consider doing a semester exchange where you can take up to 12 units of courses at one of our partner institutions in Europe or Asia or do a summer study abroad or externship: <a href="http://law.scu.edu/international/semester-abroad">http://law.scu.edu/international/semester-abroad</a> <a href="http://law.scu.edu/international/summer-abroad">http://law.scu.edu/international/summer-abroad</a></td>
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<td>Apply for an international law certificate (applications due Nov. 15 for December grads and Feb. 15 for May grads): <a href="http://law.scu.edu/international/international-law-certificate">http://law.scu.edu/international/international-law-certificate</a></td>
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HIGH TECH AND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW

The High Tech Law Institute helps coordinate Santa Clara Law’s many programs, initiatives, and events that foster strong ties among our faculty, students, alumni, and the thriving high tech and IP community in our backyard.

Certificates and Degrees

**High Tech Law Certificate**
This certificate recognizes JD students who have pursued a high tech law curriculum. Students must take 15 units of high tech law courses and meet minimum grade requirements. By satisfying additional requirements, students can earn a High Tech Law Certificate with an Intellectual Property Specialization, an International Specialization, or a Corporate Specialization.

**Privacy Law Certificate**
This certificate trains JD students to become privacy specialists. To earn this certificate, students must take 5 privacy related courses, meet minimum grade requirements, publish a paper on a privacy-related topic, obtain certification from the IAPP, and complete an externship (or other work experience) related to privacy issues. View a detailed list of certificate requirements [here](#).

**LL.M. in Intellectual Property**
Launched in 2001, the LL.M. helps attorneys with JDs from U.S. law schools deepen their understanding of IP law. Through its Center for Global Law & Policy, Santa Clara Law also offers foreign lawyers a LL.M. in U.S. law with a specialization in IP law.

**JD/MSIS**
This joint degree enables students to earn a joint JD and Masters of Science in Information Science with the Leavey School of Business in 3½ - 4 years. The joint degree may be a good choice for students who plan to practice in information security law, e-Discovery, technology litigation, or in-house with an information technology company.

**Academics**
Our fifteen full-time faculty and over two dozen adjunct faculty offer over 40 doctrinal courses, seminars, and skills-based workshops on the full range of high tech law, including IP law, corporate law, international law, computer/Internet/communications law, and life sciences. With so many specialized courses to choose from, you may find this [guide to selecting courses](#) helpful:

**Events**
Santa Clara Law offers a broad selection of programs addressing high tech and IP law topics. Each year, the High Tech Law Institute and associated organizations collectively sponsor numerous academic conferences, lectures, and CLE programs, and many student-oriented events, including the popular “High Tech Tuesdays.”

**Student Programs**

**Artificial Intelligence Student Association**
The Artificial Intelligence Student Association is designed to bring law, engineering, and business students together to discuss and learn about AI in a variety of fields and settings.

**Blockchain & Compliance Legal Society**
The Blockchain and Compliance Legal Society (BCLS) focuses on the intersection of Blockchain and legal compliance, with an aim to increase student awareness and involvement in the emerging Blockchain-related legal field.
**ChIPs (Chiefs in IP)**
Santa Clara Law was chosen to host the first law school student chapter of the national organization dedicated to advancing women at the confluence of law, technology, and regulatory policy.

**Civil, High Tech and Social Justice Externship Program**
Through this semester-long program, students gain supervised field experience for academic credit at a governmental agency, non-profit organization, law firm, or high tech company. Nearly 200 organizations have sponsored interns through this program.

**High Technology Law Journal**
The student-run journal, founded in 1984, focuses on all aspects of IP and high tech law. It publishes 4 issues a year and hosts an annual symposium. The journal regularly appears as one of the five most-frequently cited IP and technology journals in the Washington & Lee Law School citation database.

**High Tech Law Moot Court**
The school participates in several IP-related competitions, such as IP Law Meets, and the Saul Lefkowitz (Trademark) Moot Court Competition.

**Internet Law Student Organization (ILSO)**
The Internet Law Student Organization brings awareness to Cyber Law, Internet Law, and Privacy Law.

**Law and Business Society**
The Law and Business Society is for students who are interested in the intersection of law and business.

**Privacy Law Student Organization**
The Privacy Law Student Organization is dedicated to the study of modern issues in Privacy Law.

**Sports and Entertainment Society**
The Sports and Entertainment Society provides students with access to practitioners and other individuals in the sports and entertainment law fields, and allows students to explore opportunities and interests in many areas of sports and entertainment law. The group’s activities include an annual symposium and lunchtime speaker events.

**Society for Interactive Entertainment and Gaming law**
SIEGL educates students and enables crucial discussions about hot topics in Interactive Entertainment and Gaming Law, including intellectual property, privacy, contracts, licensing, employment and data management matters.

**Student Intellectual Property Law Association**
Founded in 1989, the SIPLA is a student-operated organization focusing on IP and technology law. The group sponsors programs throughout the year.

**Follow the High Tech Law Institute:**
All students interested in high tech and IP law should subscribe to our email announcement list. It’s the best way to learn about upcoming events, new externships and job postings, and important information about our curriculum. If you don’t sign up, you might miss out on important news! Sign up at [http://eepurl.com/C8QcX](http://eepurl.com/C8QcX).

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Group: High Tech Law Institute, Santa Clara Law

If you have questions about the program, please contact Dorice Kunis, Program Manager of the High Tech Law Institute, at [dkunis@scu.edu](mailto:dkunis@scu.edu) or 408-551-1868 or [visit our homepage](http://law.scu.edu/hightech/).
PRIVACY LAW INITIATIVE at Santa Clara Law

The Privacy Law Initiative helps coordinate Santa Clara Law’s programs, initiatives, and events that foster strong ties among our faculty, students, alumni, and the privacy law community.

Certificates and Degrees

Privacy Law Certificate
This certificate trains JD students to become privacy specialists. To earn this certificate, students must take 5 privacy-related courses, meet minimum grade requirements, publish a paper on a privacy-related topic, obtain certification from the IAPP, and complete an externship (or other work experience) related to privacy issues. View a detailed list of certificate requirements here.

Tech Edge JD
The Tech Edge J.D. certificate candidates are not eligible to earn a Privacy Law Certificate. However, students may choose to become privacy specialists while satisfying the Tech Edge J.D. requirements. Tech Edge J.D. students should consult with their advisors and mentors about this process.

LL.M. in Intellectual Property
The LL.M. helps attorneys with JDs from U.S. law schools deepen their understanding of IP law. A LL.M. student can earn a Privacy Law Certificate. View a detailed list of certificate requirements here.

JD/MSIS
This joint degree enables students to earn a joint JD and Masters of Science in Information Science with the Leavey School of Business in 3½ -4 years. The joint degree may be a good choice for students who plan to practice in information security law, cybersecurity law, or in-house with an information technology company.

International Association of Privacy Professionals (IAPP) Certifications and Memberships
Santa Clara Law students can receive discounts on IAPP memberships and exam certifications. Please contact Dorice McDonnell (dkunis@scu.edu) for more information.

Academics
Our full-time faculty and adjunct faculty offer over a dozen doctrinal courses, seminars, and skills-based workshops on the full range of privacy-related topics such as privacy law, comparative privacy law, cybersecurity law, internet law and health care regulation.

Events
Santa Clara Law offers a selection of programs addressing privacy law topics. The Privacy Law Initiative, High Tech Law Institute and associated organizations collectively sponsor numerous conferences, lectures, and CLE programs, and many student-oriented events.

Publication Opportunities
Santa Clara Law students interested in writing and publishing articles related to privacy law have the opportunity to work with the California Lawyer’s Association Business Law Section (Internet and Privacy Law subcommittee) and Privacy Law Section. Contact Joy Peacock, Managing Director of the Privacy Law Initiative (jbpeacock@scu.edu), for more information.

Student Programs

Privacy Law Student Organization
The Privacy Law Student Organization is dedicated to the study of modern issues in Privacy Law.

High Technology Law Journal
The student-run journal, founded in 1984, focuses on all aspects of IP and high tech law, including privacy law. It publishes 4 issues a year and hosts an annual symposium.

Internet Law Student Organization (ILSO)
The Internet Law Student Organization brings awareness to Cyber Law, Internet Law, and Privacy Law.
Follow Privacy Law at Santa Clara Law:

All students interested in privacy law should subscribe to our social media outlets. It’s the best way to learn about upcoming events, new externships and job postings, and important information about our curriculum.

Website: https://law.scu.edu/privacy-law/#privacy-at-scu
Facebook: SCU Privacy Page: https://www.facebook.com/PrivacySCU
Twitter: twitter.com/SCUPrivacy (@SCUPrivacy)
LinkedIn: https://www.linkedin.com/groups/8507398/ (the SCU Privacy Certificate Alum and Current Students group)

If you have questions about the program, please contact Joy Peacock, Managing Director of the Privacy Law Initiative at jbpeacock@scu.edu or visit our homepage.
Tech Edge J.D. Certificate Program

The Tech Edge J.D. Certificate Program (TEJD) is a program that prepares students for a practice at the intersection of law, business, and technology. The certificate program consists of a number of components outlined here.

The TEJD is designed to be a program that begins prior to the start of the 1L year, and continues through graduation. However, if you are an SCU Law student who is not in the TEJD but are interested in preparing for a career in law and technology, then you may want to take some of the following classes and/or complete similar TEJD milestones to strengthen your resume.

Requirements:
1. Acceptance into the TEJD Program (upon admission to SCU Law)
2. Attend TEJD Orientation
3. Complete an Individualized Career Plan
4. Meet regularly with assigned mentors and advisor
5. Take the Entrepreneurs’ Law Clinic
6. Complete two (2) externships for 3 credits (or internships if approved by director)
7. Completion of milestones
   a. Negotiate and draft a transaction
   b. Participate in a cross-disciplinary team
   c. Present a set of options, with a recommendation, to a business decision-maker
   d. Learning about modeling cash flow projections and analyzing financial statements
   e. Learn about Silicon Valley business norms, including start-ups, financings, M&A, licensing, employment practices, cash and stock compensation, Silicon Valley lingo, Silicon valley culture
   f. Become familiar with basic technology concepts and ways new technologies are developed, commercialized and distributed

Courses that may satisfy milestones: TEJD students are encouraged to talk with their advisor when planning courses if they have questions about which courses might satisfy their milestones. However, the following courses may satisfy milestones. Students who are unsure whether the milestone will be completed as part of the course are advised to contact the particular professor ahead of time to verify.
   ● Corporate Finance: this course satisfies the milestone “Learning about modeling cash flow projections and analyzing financial statements”
   ● Law Practice Management: this course may provide an opportunity for students to “Learn about modeling cash flow projections and analyzing financial statements”
   ● Entrepreneurs’ Law Clinic: it is not only a requirement of TEJD, but also typically offers students the opportunity to “Present a set of options, with a recommendation, to a business decision-maker”
   ● Negotiating: provided the course has students engage in both a negotiation and some drafting of the resulting agreement, then it will satisfy “Negotiate and draft a transaction”
   ● Technology Licensing: provided the course has students engage in both a negotiation and some drafting of the resulting license agreement, then it will satisfy “Negotiate and draft a transaction”
   ● Entertainment Transactions: provided the course has students engage in both a negotiation and some drafting of the resulting agreement, then it will satisfy “Negotiate and draft a transaction”
   ● International Business Transactions: provided the course has students engage in both a negotiation and some drafting of the resulting agreement, then it will satisfy “Negotiate and draft a transaction”
   ● How Businesspeople, Engineers, and Lawyers Communicate With Each Other: this course satisfies the “Participate in a cross-disciplinary team” milestone
   ● Law and Technology of Silicon Valley: this satisfies the “Become familiar with basic technology concepts and ways new technologies are developed, commercialized and distributed” milestone
Serve Community Needs for Social Justice While Studying Law

The Center provides students with a legal education that instills a commitment to social justice, public interest, and public service. While not all attorneys specialize in this area, the opportunity to serve others is an important experience in your legal education. The Center builds a community for students, faculty, lawyers, and others who share a commitment to marginalized, subordinated, or underrepresented clients and causes.

PUBLIC INTEREST & SOCIAL JUSTICE LAW CERTIFICATE
Students may graduate with a Certificate in Public Interest and Social Justice Law. To earn the certificate, students must complete requirements in three categories: academic work; supervised practicum work; and volunteer public service. Students may earn a general certificate or may elect a special emphasis in criminal justice, immigration law, or other areas. For certificate requirements visit law.scu.edu/socialjustice/certificate-and-curriculum.

FACULTY: SCHOLARSHIP, TEACHING, AND SERVICE
The members of Santa Clara’s law faculty share a commitment to social justice and public interest in both their research and public service work, and teach cutting-edge social justice-oriented classes. With its wealth of experience, our faculty helps students bridge the gap between legal theory and law practice.

SOCIAL JUSTICE AND THE LAW SCHOOL CLINICS
Santa Clara Laws long tradition of leadership in producing lawyers dedicated to serving the public interest is reflected in the law school’s clinics. Students can practice social justice and public interest law through a wide array of clinical and other programs, including:

- The Northern California Innocence Project – Part of the Innocence Network that works to exonerate California prisoners who have been wrongfully convicted.
- The Katharine and George Alexander Community Law Center – Provides pro bono advice and representation to low-income clients in consumer, immigration, and worker’s rights law.
- International Human Rights Clinic – Provides unique, practical, and supervised real-life experiences in international human rights litigation and advocacy.
- The Ninth Circuit Immigration Appellate Practice Clinic – under appointment from the Ninth Circuit, students and the clinical professor write briefs and argue immigration cases before the Court.

HERMAN AND EDITH WILDMAN SOCIAL JUSTICE LAW WRITING AWARD
The Herman Wildman Social Justice Law Writing Award annually honors the best student essay on a public interest and social justice law topic. Students submit papers written for a class, law review, or other forum. For additional information please visit http://law.scu.edu/socialjustice/wildman-writing-award/

PRO BONO RECOGNITION PROGRAM
The Pro Bono Recognition Program recognizes the volunteer work done by our Santa Clara Law students through annual awards, with the goal of encouraging students to become life-long volunteers, recognizing pro bono work as an integral part of a balanced lifestyle and fulfilling legal career. See http://law.scu.edu/socialjustice/pro-bono-recognition-program/.

SOCIAL JUSTICE SUMMER GRANTS
Through funding from generous donors, the Center provides financial support to students for summer social justice and public interest work through the following programs: Richard P. & Made S. Berg Social Justice Public Interest Summer Grant, Stevens Fellowship, Gluck Fellowship, LGBT Legal Issues Summer Grant, Supriya Bhat Public Defender Summer Grant, and the Public Interest Social Justice Law Board Summer Grants. For specific grant guidelines and applications, see http://law.scu.edu/socialjustice/public-interest-summer-grants-general-information/

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Mapping Your Coursework to Your Career Plan- OCM Information

Do you know what you want to do with your law degree? Whether you do or you don’t (and it is absolutely fine if you don’t), work with OCM to develop your career plan.

If you know (or think you know) what type of legal career you want to pursue when you graduate from Santa Clara Law, you should work with the Office of Career Management (OCM) to begin developing specific steps for executing your career plan. If you are unsure of what you want to do with your law degree and would like to explore that question with us, you should DEFINITELY work with OCM. We can help you through the process of identifying and aligning your skills, values, and interests, as well as explore different career paths, and help you to develop a plan for moving into the future.

It Starts Now!

No matter what, the key to having a plan when you graduate is to begin preparing yourself as early as possible. You don’t need to decide on your specific career path as a 1L, or even by 3L year. However, you do need to identify areas of interest, build the skills any legal employer would want and need, and begin to test out potential areas of interest through your course work, experiential opportunities, and more.

Step 1: Identify areas of interest:

- Are there classes you’ve taken in law school that you particularly like? Have you spoken with or observed a lawyer who you thought to yourself that you’d like to do what s/he does?

- Identify at least one (two or three is also fine) area of law/type of job that you want to learn more about.

Step 2: Determine what courses, experiential opportunities, or extracurricular opportunities (like student organizations, journal, moot court, etc.) are available and relate to your areas of interest.

- Make a list of the opportunities you want to participate in that are relevant to the areas of interest you have. Note any prerequisites or issues related to timing that you need to take into consideration.

- Treat your career development like a class and do a little bit every week. Consistency over intensity is the key. Try to include at least one opportunity per semester (including summers) in areas that interest you to determine if you want to continue to learn more about that area.

Step 3: Market yourself and your interests.

- You may have multiple versions of your resume with each one highlighting a different area of interest. For example, if you like criminal law and intellectual property law, you can have two different versions of your resume that highlight your different interests. The OCM can help you tailor your resume towards your particular interests.

Step 4: Keep at it!

- It is important to continue to reality test your ideas. Keep taking classes, talk to people to learn more about different practice areas, attend employer information panels and networking events, check out our clinics and centers, volunteer, and try different summer experiences. You will find something that interests you. The OCM can you help you sort out your areas of interest.
LEGAL SKILLS

ENTREPRENEURS' LAW CLINIC

Interested in exploring ways to help the Silicon Valley entrepreneur community with legal issues? Looking for opportunities to put what you’ve learned so far into practice? This clinic could be a perfect fit for you. Students in the Entrepreneurs’ Law Clinic provide legal services to entrepreneurs and start-up companies. Students enjoy substantial and meaningful contact with their clients, which is a different experience than working as an intern or extern in a law firm setting.

ELC students engage in projects such as entity formation, business transactions, compliance, and IP counseling. However, students meet with their clients in the first few weeks of class and propose their own projects based on their interests and the client’s priorities. Like all clinics, this clinic is a “safe space” whereby students can learn valuable on-the-job skills, but under the supervision of a faculty member instead of a hiring attorney. The ELC focuses on the competencies of creative problem solving, initiative, and interpersonal skills, which may be a refreshing change from more traditional law school coursework.

Students in the ELC are introduced to mentors who are experienced practicing attorneys in Silicon Valley. Networking with mentors has been instrumental in helping students obtain connections, internships, and jobs.

Now that you’re interested, how do you sign up? The ELC is a 3-credit course you must register for like all other courses in law school. In addition, there is an application procedure. Please submit all required materials here: https://law.scu.edu/elc/elc-student-application/. Priority is given to applications that are received no later than ONE WEEK BEFORE registration week starts. We will continue to accept applications after this date, however. This course typically ends up with a waitlist, so plan accordingly. Once you have been selected for the course, you will receive a permission number. ELC B is for advanced students who have already taken ELC and have received permission from the Director to continue to work on client projects in a follow-on semester. ELC B is not necessarily offered every semester, and cannot be taken concurrently with the ELC.

The ELC is offered 3 semesters a year. We intend to give everyone a chance to take the clinic during their studies at SCU. If you aren’t accepted the first time you apply, it may be because priority was given to graduating 3L’s. Do not be discouraged; please apply again if not accepted the first time.

Broncos Entrepreneurs Advisory Clinic Hours (BEACH)
The BEACH offers volunteer opportunities for all SCU Law students - no experience necessary! Through this volunteer opportunity, you will gain valuable client-facing experience, as well as have an opportunity to build a relationship with the many attorney mentors in the program. This is an experiential learning opportunity, which will help you gain real-world experience. It is not for credit, nor is it paid.

Key objectives:
- Help provide pro bono legal consulting services to entrepreneurs and small business owners, targeting underserved communities.
- Learn to conduct informational intake interviews, legal research, and delivering legal opinions from skilled business attorneys.
- Gain experience through interacting with real clients seeking legal advice on real issues facing startups and small businesses.

This is a great experience to add to your resume. To volunteer register here, https://law.scu.edu/elc/elac/
KATHARINE & GEORGE ALEXANDER COMMUNITY LAW CENTER

The Katharine & George Alexander Community Law Center (KGACLC) is the Law School’s oldest and largest civil clinical program, and provides opportunities for students to develop and strengthen their lawyering skills, while directly serving the community in one of the three areas of specialization listed below. As a community-based center, the KGACLC is located about two miles from campus, near downtown San Jose, and serves clients from throughout the Santa Clara County region.

Courses
Two types of courses are offered: (1) introductory and advanced skills classes focusing on litigation skills and the representation of clients, and (2) interviewing and counseling clinics focusing on one area of practice. Students enrolled in the Litigation Skills I course can handle cases earning 3 to 6 units of credit (approximately 50 hours of case work required for each unit of credit), while students enrolled in one of the interviewing and counseling courses can earn 1 or 2 units of credit, depending on the clinic. Students who have completed the basic Skills I class may return to the Community Law Center for advanced training and case work in the Litigation Skills II class.

Practice Areas
Students focus on one of the following practice areas:

- **Consumer Law**: Students enrolled in a Skills class handle cases and matters involving auto fraud, unfair credit and debt collection practices, door-to-door, telemarketing sales abuses, foreclosure prevention, and other unfair business practices. Returning students generally have a caseload which includes both individual cases and one or more class action cases. At interviewing and counseling clinics (1 credit), students counsel clients in all aspects of consumer law and debtors’ rights.
- **Workers’ Rights**: Students enrolled in a Skills class typically assist low-wage workers seeking relief related to unpaid overtime and minimum wages, unemployment benefits, violations of labor provisions covered by the Private Attorney General Act, and other work-related remedies in administrative hearings. At interviewing and counseling clinics, students counsel clients on all areas of employment law, and students receive additional weekly training in employment law. The interviewing and counseling clinical class in workers’ rights is offered for 2 credits.
- **Immigration**: Students enrolled in a Skills class represent low-income clients in applications for U visas (as victims of crimes), T visas (as victims of human trafficking), political asylum, as well as in deportation proceedings. Students assist immigrant victims of domestic violence with self-petitions for lawful residency and assist abandoned immigrant children in obtaining residency. At interviewing and counseling clinics (1 credit), students counsel individuals in all aspects of immigration law.

Credit
All KGACLC classes fulfill the professional skills requirement and are Public Interest and Social Justice Law Certificate courses. Clinical units are not categorized as Externship units, so participation in any of the classes offered at KGACLC will not count against SCU’s limits on credits that can be earned through Externships.

**Litigation Skills Grading**: The first 3 units of credit in the Litigation Skills I course are on a letter-grade basis; any additional units are graded on a Credit/No Credit basis only. While not required, it is strongly suggested that during the student’s first semester at KGACLC, the students register for four or more units. For the Litigation Skills II class, the first 2 units are letter-graded, and the remaining units are subject to Credit/No Credit.

**Interviewing and Counseling Grading**: The Workers’ Rights interviewing and counseling class is letter-graded; the Immigration and Consumer classes are graded on a Credit/No Credit basis.

Required Orientation and Training
All students enrolled in either the 3-6 unit KGACLC Litigation Skills I course or an interviewing and counseling course must attend an intensive all-day skills training program, usually held on the Saturday of the first week of classes for the semester.

Registering for KGACLC Courses
Students register for the courses through eCampus. Students should also complete a brief KGACLC information form. Forms are available in the Law Student Services Office and at: http://emery.scu.edu/students/student-services/forms/alexander-law-center-application/. Submit completed forms to Dianne Blakely, the Administrative Director of the Community Law Center at dblakely@scu.edu. These courses have limited enrollment; early registration is encouraged. The Litigation Skills I class is offered every semester (fall, spring and summer); during the summer session the practice areas are limited.
1. **Why take this class?**
   - In the words of our students: "The IHRC will be the highlight of your law school career!" Seriously.

2. **What do students do in this course?**
   - Learn to practice law.
   - Develop practical and transferable professional skills.
   - Litigate and advocate locally and internationally.
   - Research. Write. Investigate. Figure things out. Talk to actual people. Submit briefs. You know, do what lawyers do!

3. **“Human rights.” That’s like, the U.N., right?**
   - Yes, but it’s also the Flint water crisis, the Black Lives Matter movement, environmental racism throughout the U.S., the wage gap in Santa Clara county, homelessness in Mountain View, torture, Guantánamo, the death penalty, freedom of speech, and any other social justice issue you care about right here at home.

4. **What if I don’t want to practice international law?**
   - Nobody’s perfect. But even corporate law firms require you to have legal experience and professional skills such as client communication, fact-finding, legal research and writing, oral communication, professionalism, project management, and teamwork. Here’s where you can get those skills! And you can put all that on your résumé!

5. **Do students get to travel?**
   - Typically, yes. IHRC students frequently travel to meet our clients, investigate situations of human rights abuse, and participate in various international forums, including the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights in Washington, D.C., and the United Nations. Oh yeah, we’ve also gone to Jamaica, Dominican Republic, Puerto Rico, Geneva, Peru, Nicaragua, Mexico, Colombia, and… Sacramento! But all travel has been suspended until further notice due to the pandemic.

6. **Is the course available for 2Ls, 3Ls, part-time, and LLM students?**
   - Yes.

7. **Are there any prerequisites?**
   - No.

8. **When is the course offered?**
   - Typically, only in the Fall and Spring. (You should really study abroad in summer - e.g. Costa Rica!). But we will offer the clinic ONLINE over the 2021 summer during the pandemic.

9. **Does this course meet the skills requirement? The public international law certificate? The social justice certificate?**
   - Yes. Yes. And Yes!

10. **What is the student / faculty ratio?**
    - Typically, 8:1 for the classroom component, and between 1-4:1 for cases and projects. (Can you say “personalized letter of recommendation”?)

11. **Will this course help me get a job?**
    - Yes! (Tip: Any clinical experience will help you get a job.)

12. **Awesome! Where do I sign up?**
    - Submit an online application and receive a permission number.
    - Visit [http://law.scu.edu/ihrc/](http://law.scu.edu/ihrc/) or talk to IHRC Director Francisco Rivera: FJRivera@scu.edu. 408-554-4770.
**IMMIGRATION APPELLATE PRACTICE CLINIC**

In the Immigration Appellate Practice Clinic, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit appoints Santa Clara Law to represent pro se petitioners for review in immigration cases. Clinic students establish a relationship with their clients, review the administrative record, write an appellate brief, and present oral argument before the Ninth Circuit.

Students find their experiences in the Immigration Appellate Clinic to be highly rewarding. The issues we address are fascinating, if extremely challenging, and we provide a very real service to individuals and to the Court. Our clients would otherwise not have representation, and they often have compelling cases that have not been adequately explained or supported before the administrative bodies. Both students and professor are strongly affected and moved by the work we are privileged to do in this clinic. In addition, the Court has issued a number of precedent decisions in our cases, thus affecting future cases as well.

As past clinic students express it: "The course was one of the most valuable courses that I've taken in law school. I learned so much about the appellate process and how to be a more effective writer." "This clinic is an amazing opportunity to do real and challenging work. It is immensely intense and rewarding. I highly recommend it."

For more information, please send an e-mail to Prof. Abriel (eabriel@scu.edu).
Description

The Northern California Innocence Project (NCIP) is a law school clinical program that provides a unique educational opportunity for law students to investigate and help litigate possible wrongful convictions, and to promote legal reforms to address and remedy systemic problems within our criminal justice system. Supervised by experienced attorneys, NCIP clinic students evaluate innocence claims by reviewing case histories, appellate briefs, transcripts, and other records. They participate in the investigation process by interviewing incarcerated people, witnesses, crime lab personnel, law enforcement, defense attorneys, and prosecutors. As part of their case work, NCIP students draft legal documents including motions, declarations, briefs, legal memoranda, and letters to attorneys, clients, and case rounds memos. Students also attend and participate in court proceedings.

Credit

NCIP is a year-long, two semester program (Fall and Spring semesters), available to 2L and 3L students. Students enroll for at least three units of academic credit per semester. For each unit of credit, a student is responsible for 50 hours of participation, including case work and class attendance. In order to enroll in the NCIP clinic, students must submit an application by 5pm, April 2, 2021 and be accepted into the program. Applications are available on the NCIP website (www.ncip.org/educate) beginning March 1, 2021. Applicants may be interviewed and/or asked to complete a short writing exercise. Once you are accepted into the Clinic you will be given instructions as to how to enroll.

Because NCIP is a year-long course, no grade will be awarded until the end of the second semester. NCIP meets the Professional Skills Requirement and is a Public Interest and Social Justice Law Certificate course. Students can take a maximum of 6 units of graded credit from any combination of NCIP course participation. Any additional units will be graded on a Credit/No Credit basis only.

Training and Education

All NCIP students are required to attend an intensive two-day training session known as “NCIP Boot Camp” near the beginning of the fall semester. Students will be assigned to work closely with one or more lead attorneys on designated cases. Students will be expected to be in the NCIP office, working on cases, at least ten hours per week on a schedule to be agreed upon in advance with the supervising attorneys. NCIP students will participate in meetings and seminars to discuss readings and presentations on post-conviction law and issues relevant to wrongful conviction and to the racial inequality that pervades our criminal justice system. Class topics include federal and state habeas corpus procedures, post-conviction DNA testing, investigation techniques, witness interview strategies, the science of DNA testing, and the causes and possible remedies for wrongful convictions. Each topic will center discussion and include readings on the ways that racial inequality is perpetuated by the existing system and alternatives. The NCIP experience is one of intensive casework and training. NCIP clinic students are considered junior staff on current cases and are expected to work with the same commitment and level of professionalism that they would in a law firm or government office.

Advanced Practice Clinic

Students who have completed the one-year NCIP course are encouraged to enroll in Advanced NCIP which provides the opportunity for them to continue to advance their individual cases and to research and discuss in-depth the specific issues relevant to promising cases. Advanced NCIP is available every semester, including summer. Participation requires faculty approval.
1) Become part of the new civil rights movement to reform our criminal legal system.

Since 1989, more than 2,700 wrongfully convicted people have been freed from prisons in the United States through the work of law students, journalists, public defenders, and others. Of those exonerated, at least 170 had been on death row. No one knows how many innocent people have already been executed. By enrolling in the Northern California Innocence Project (NCIP) you become directly involved in working to free the innocent and become part of a nationwide effort to address racial inequality and reform the injustices within our system.

2) Gain experience you cannot get at other law schools.

NCIP is one of only three innocence projects in California. No other law school in Northern California, and few other law schools in the country, can offer you the experience of working directly with attorneys and forensic experts to free wrongfully convicted prisoners. This could be a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to participate in the process by which an innocent person is freed.

3) Put your legal knowledge to direct practical use.

Working at NCIP offers an opportunity to enhance the skills and knowledge you have learned in your other classes. You will discover that the rules of evidence and the complexities of criminal procedure become infinitely more accessible when applied to actual cases. And you will find that your legal research and writing skills improve as you draft motions and write letters regarding real issues in real cases for actual clients.

4) Gain new insights into criminal law, criminal procedure, and the post-conviction process.

Much of NCIP’s work involves identifying cases with viable claims of innocence and legal avenues for relief, such as post-conviction DNA testing. Advancing these cases provides an opportunity to develop an in-depth knowledge of evidence, criminal law, criminal procedure, and post-conviction relief, in ways taught in no other class.

5) Work directly with clients, attorneys, witnesses, and experts.

Our clients are real people in complex, nightmarish situations. Through your interactions with criminalists, forensic experts, defense attorneys, prosecutors, and witnesses, you will learn about the criminal justice system and how to remedy existing inequities. And you will have the opportunity to enrich your life with the experience of working with such a diverse group of people. If you wish to enroll, you must apply by 5 p.m., April 2, 2021. If accepted, you may obtain a permission number from Clinical Professor of Law, Linda Starr at lstarr@scu.edu and use it to enroll during your scheduled registration period. For more information, please see our website at www.ncip.org.
Advanced Legal Research Courses

Why should you take an advanced legal research course?
- It satisfies credits required for a skills course for graduation.
- New associates typically spend about 31% of their work time engaged in legal research. [1]
- Nearly 56% of first-year associates report their firm expected strong research skills but did not provide formal legal research training. [2]
- Recent studies indicate that failing to acquire legal research skills in print may be detrimental to a research project. [3]
- Over 84% of law firms report that cost effective research skills are the most important research task, regardless of format. [4]

Advanced Legal Research is designed to teach "real-world" legal research skills to prepare students for the challenges and expectations they will encounter in legal practice and/or clerkships. The course will review who publishes legal authority, how it is organized, and how to access it efficiently and with particular attention on cost-effective research. Utilizing current, and emerging, legal research tools and technologies, the course develops research skills with assignments, lectures, and mock legal research exercises which emulate assignments typically given to attorneys new to practice. The pedagogical goals of this course include: 1) teaching students how to effectively evaluate research sources and use these materials with attention to cost, 2) proficiency working with primary and secondary legal materials (including practice materials such as forms, model documents, and guidelines/checklists), 3) expose students to SEC filings and transactional materials, 4) cover state and federal regulatory materials and current awareness tools. This 2 credit course is usually offered in the fall semester.

Advanced Legal Research for Intellectual Property is a hands-on course for students planning on specializing in intellectual property practice. The class focuses on researching patents and trademark. The class seeks to provide the student a cost/performance contrast between what is offered through proprietary databases versus free government and NGO websites. While the class emphasizes searching online formats, books are incorporated in class to familiarize students with the leading treatises in the field. This is a one credit course eligible as a High Tech Law Certificate course and approved IP LLM course. This course is usually offered during the summer session.

[2] Id. at 2.
The Externship Program (ExPro)
https://law.scu.edu/externship/

What is an Externship?
An externship is a paid or unpaid legal position for which students receive academic credit. Students may work with law firms, in-house companies, government agencies, court or public interest organizations, for example. An externship provides an opportunity to learn and enhance your legal skills through practical experience in the field while earning law school credit and experiential units. All externships have a mandatory class that must be taken in conjunction with the externship.

Why enroll in the Externship Program?
Learning from experience is critical for your lifelong professional development. An externship provides practical experience and, along with the mandatory class, provides an opportunity to learn and practice the lawyering skills you will need throughout your career.

Taking an externship during law school makes sense. When to take an externship and what type of externship to choose depends on your goals. An externship allows you to:
- Begin to translate what you know to what you can do
- Develop legal skills
- Gain practical legal experience
- Experience work in a legal setting
- Explore a practice area

How do I Find an Externship?
Securing and externship is similar to finding an internship and/or employment. There are a variety of guides and resources to help you locate, apply for, and secure an externship.

Please visit the ExPro website at https://law.scu.edu/externship/ for more specific information. You’re also welcome to make an appointment with or visit ExPro. Come talk to us, we’re happy to help!

How do I Enroll in the Externship Program?
Please visit the ExPro website at https://law.scu.edu/externship/ for more information, including:
- student requirements
- registering for an externship
- sponsor and supervisor requirements
- externship types, or externship practice areas

The Panetta Fellows Program
This externship is with the Leon and Sylvia Panetta Institute for Public Policy in Monterey, California. The Panetta Fellows Program provides a unique educational opportunity for law students interested in law and government, politics, and public policy. Students work with the attorneys and professional staff at the Panetta Institute on matters within the public mission and service of the Institute.

The main components of the Panetta Fellows Program include:
- 140 hours of field work completed at the Panetta Institute in Monterey, California (a travel stipend is included) over the course of the fall or spring semesters;
- 2 mandatory days at the Panetta Institute, Fridays and 1 other day which the student selects;
- Mandatory attendance at all Friday classes conducted at the Institute (no exceptions, no conflicts permitted; thus students cannot apply for moot court teams, etc., where Friday conflicts may arise)
- Enroll and successfully complete Law 706, the Externship Workshop.
Travel time may not be included in the determination of whether the student has met the 140 hour minimum. There is a stipend available to each student to help reimburse the cost of travel to Monterey in connection with the Fellowship. Students receive three units and the class is graded Credit/No Credit. Students are not paid for their work at the Institute.

To apply for the Panetta Fellows Program or for more information regarding the application process and deadlines, please visit the Expro website at https://law.scu.edu/externship/

**Additional Type of Experiential Learning**

**Overseas Placements**

All students interested in a semester internship/externship abroad must contact the Center for Global Law and Policy.

Students learn about the functioning of lawyers in an international legal environment through practical experience over the summer or for a semester in international courts or tribunals (international judicial externships), or law offices, government entities, NGOs, and commercial entities (international non-judicial externships) outside of the United States. Students work a minimum of 50 hours per unit, up to a maximum of 8 units over the summer or 12 units for full semester externships.

Details for the summer study abroad internships are provided at http://law.scu.edu/international/summer-abroad/. Details about semester-long international externships are available at http://law.scu.edu/international/international-externships/.

**LIMIT ON CUMULATIVE UNITS**

In calculating the 86 units required to graduate, a student may count no more than 12 units from any combination of fieldwork (i.e., not including the seminar units earned in conjunction with the field work) from the following:

– All Externships, including summer abroad externships
– The Panetta Fellowship Program
– Credit for classes taken in the interdisciplinary program with the School of Education and Counseling Psychology
– Juvenile Justice courses

However, a student who does both a summer abroad externship and a semester-long international externship may count up to 16 units of such fieldwork toward the 86 units required to graduate:

Students are limited to a maximum of 3 externship placements.

Any additional field work units may be reflected on a student’s transcript, but will not count toward graduation.

**ADDITIONAL POLICIES**

– Students are limited to a maximum of 3 externship placements
– All externships run concurrently to the academic calendar. Thus, students are expected to present to their field placement for 14 weeks in fall and spring semesters and 7.5 weeks for the summer semester. No front-loading or back-loading of hours is allowed.
– Students may not register for less than 3 units of fieldwork per semester, which is roughly equivalent to 11 hours of fieldwork per week (fall and spring). An exception is made for part-time students who are working full-time and graduating 3L’s, who may register for no less than 2 units of fieldwork per semester, or roughly 7 hours of fieldwork per week (fall and spring). It is understood that the unit requirement is SCU’s minimum policy; however, this does not take into account the sponsor’s expectation regarding the number of hours presented per week, which may be higher than SCU policy. Students participating in a summer semester externship may apply for 2 units of fieldwork.

**International Students**

Any type of work, paid or unpaid, done for an off-campus company or organization requires Curricular Practical
Training (CPT) authorization. If you have any assignment or project like this in one of your classes or you wish to undertake this commitment, please visit International Student Services (ISS) in the Global Engagement Office BEFORE engaging in the activity.

The university is now required to terminate the SEVIS record of any student found to be engaged in unauthorized employment. If you have any doubt about what constitutes employment, please come see ISS BEFORE engaging in any type of productive activity, paid or unpaid, for an off-campus company or organization. It is better to be safe than sorry.

CPT Courses: Off-campus externships still require CPT. Please see the course descriptions from your school for more details.

Beginning in the Spring 2017 term: The zero unit internship course offered is Law 567A. The Director of the Externship Program will sign your CPT form as your faculty advisor. You must secure that form and perform all requirements, however, through the Global Engagement Office.

CPT Requests: As before, CPT authorization is provided by appointment only. In addition, the forms to request CPT have been updated to meet the federal requirements and only the updated forms will be accepted. Please find the updated form and instructions at: https://www.scu.edu/globalengagement/international-students/working-academic-internships/off-campus-academic-internships-for-f-1-cpt/.

CPT appointments can be made in person at the Global Engagement Office or by calling, 408.551.3019.
HONORS MOOT COURT PROGRAMS

All students are required to take Advocacy immediately following completion of their first year of law school. Beyond that required course, Santa Clara’s Honors Moot Court (HMC) program provides JD candidates with the opportunity to put their legal writing and advocacy skills into practice by participating in simulated arguments before an appellate court or in another mock practice setting. The HMC program has 3 major components, each discussed below: Galloway, Honors Moot Court Internal (HMCI), and Honors Moot Court External (HMCE). First-year students compete in Galloway in a closed universe of law against other SCU 1Ls, represent only one party in the appeal, and earn cash prizes. In the HMCI competition, upper-division students compete against other SCU students in an open universe of law, present oral argument for both parties to the appeal, and earn cash prizes. In the various HMCE Competitions, upper-division students compete against law students from other law schools throughout the United States and the world, represent various parties in an appellate argument, negotiation, or arbitration, or compete in client counseling simulations, and can earn cash prizes in some competitions.

Students may earn no more than 8 units of academic credit in all moot court activity. All units are graded Credit/No Credit.

For details, see http://law.scu.edu/mootcourt/.

1. Galloway Criminal Law Moot Court

First-year students have the opportunity, early in the spring semester, to participate in this internal criminal law moot court competition. Students do not need any background in appellate law or oral advocacy. The law is limited to a closed universe of cases, and students represent one party to the appeal. Students do not receive credit for participating in the Galloway Moot Court; however, awards and cash prizes are given to the first- and second-place teams and to the best oral advocate. The competition is organized by the Galloway Moot Court Board. Students reaching at least the quarterfinals of the competition are eligible to serve on the Galloway Moot Court Board to manage the Galloway Competition the following year. For more information, please see: http://law.scu.edu/mootcourt/galloway/.

2. Galloway Moot Court Board

The Galloway Moot Court Board is a student organization responsible for all aspects of organizing the Galloway competition: drafting the problem, evaluating the briefs, serving as practice judges, recruiting volunteer judges, publicizing the competition, organizing information sessions, and other tasks.

Students may choose to earn credit or a stipend for their work on the Galloway Moot Court Board. Students choosing to earn credit may earn up to 2 units. Credit is awarded based on the number of hours devoted to academic (as opposed to administrative) activity. Membership on the board is determined by the outgoing board and faculty advisor at the end of the spring semester. Students reaching at least the quarterfinals of the competition are eligible to apply.

3. Honors Moot Court – Internal Competition (HMCI)

Each year the School of Law conducts an in-house appellate moot court competition. Enrollment is limited. Students are selected to participate by the student-run Internal Moot Court Board based on a written application combined with evaluation of the applicant’s performance in the oral and written components of the Advocacy course. Students must complete the application by the deadline established by the internal moot court board.

Selected students are permitted to register for Honors Moot Court – Internal Competition in the spring semester. Students who register must attend all classes, participate in all moots for which they qualify, and complete all required assignments, or they will receive a “no-credit” grade on their transcripts. Students earn 2 units of non-graded credit for full participation in the competition.
HMCI has a mandatory class component where students discuss the logistics of the competition and techniques for advanced persuasive writing and oral advocacy skills.

Students compete in teams of two. In the first phase of the HMCI Competition, they research and write a brief based on a problem prepared by the Internal Moot Court Board. Faculty or practitioner graders read and critique the first submission. After students revise their work based on this feedback, members of the Internal Moot Court Board read and score the final brief submissions.

In the second phase of the competition, students present oral arguments. To help competitors prepare for this phase, the Internal Moot Court Board holds practice rounds and provides feedback. Then each team argues at least twice (once on each side of the case) before panels of SCU faculty, local attorneys, and judges. Based on the scores in the preliminary rounds and the scores on the brief, teams are selected to participate in advanced single elimination rounds that culminate in a final round in late spring.

Awards and cash prizes are given for, among other things, the best brief and best oral advocates. All participants in the HMC Internal Competition are eligible to become members of the Internal Moot Court Board the following year.

For more information, please see: http://law.scu.edu/mootcourt/internal-competition/

Students may earn no more than 8 units of academic credit in all appellate moot court activity (external competitions, the HMC Internal Competition, Galloway Moot Court Board, Internal Moot Court Board, or External Moot Court Board). All units are graded Credit/No Credit.

4. Honors Moot Court Internal Board

The Honors Moot Court Internal Board is a student organization whose primary responsibility is the administration of the Honors Moot Court Internal Competition. Student board members learn valuable practical legal skills by drafting the problem and bench brief, organizing the competition, teaching the HMCI course, evaluating the final briefs, serving as practice judges, communicating with attorneys and judges, and managing a large organization.

Students earn from 1 to 4 units for work as members of the Internal Moot Court Board. Credit is awarded based on the number of hours devoted to academic (as opposed to administrative) activity. Membership on the board is determined by the outgoing board and faculty advisor at the end of the spring semester. All participants in the Honors Moot Court Internal competition are eligible to apply.

Students may earn no more than 8 units of academic credit in all appellate moot court activity (external competitions, HMC Internal Competition, Galloway Moot Court Board, Internal Moot Court Board, or External Moot Court Board). All units are graded Credit/No Credit.

5. Honors Moot Court-External Competitions (HMCE)

Honors External Moot Court competitions offer the opportunity for law students to develop and refine practical professional lawyering skills. These include: independent and collaborative legal research and persuasive writing, producing professional-quality written work, negotiation or client counseling skills, oral advocacy, teamwork, and project management. Students participating as competitors also will have the unique experience of competing against teams from other law schools, working closely with a faculty or attorney coach in preparing for competitions, and building their professional networks with attorneys and judges who will be evaluating their arguments.

Each year, the law school enters student teams in a number of inter-school, or external, moot court and other skills competitions hosted by law schools and other organizations around the country and internationally. The 2020-2021 competitions entered are listed below, though this selection may vary from year to year:

- ABA Law Student Division, Client Counseling
- ABA Law Student Division, Negotiation
- ABA Law Student Division, Representation in Mediation
- California Bar Environmental Law Negotiation
HMCE manages SCU’s participation in these types of external competitions. Students are advised to have completed the law school course in the underlying or related subject matter before, or in the semester during which, they compete in a given competition. Tryouts for positions on teams are held on a rolling basis during the academic year, depending on the timing of the competition. Most external competitions are held in the late fall or the spring semester, however, and thus most team selections are held in the preceding fall semester.

To receive academic credit for external team participation, each team must have been selected by the HMCE Board, and each team member must be authorized by the HMCE advisor to enroll. Eligibility to participate and receive credit is limited and is based on application and demonstration of ability. Team selection is supervised by the HMCE faculty advisor, and positions on teams are subject to the HMCE advisor’s and the team coach’s approval.

Students may opt to earn 2 units of non-graded credit (1 unit for competitions without a writing requirement) for their full, good-faith participation in the competition, awarded at the discretion of the team coach or HMCE Advisor. Students are also highly encouraged to limit their participation to 1 external competition per academic year, and to limit their other extra-curricular and outside activities during the competition periods.

Students may earn no more than 8 units of academic credit in all appellate moot court activity (HMCE external competitions, the HMC Internal Competition, Internal Moot Court Board or External Moot Court Board). All units are graded Credit/No Credit.

For more information, please see: http://law.scu.edu/mootcourt/moot-court-external/.

6. Honors Moot Court External Board

Honors Moot Court External Board service offers students the opportunity to develop and refine professional lawyering skills such as leadership, collaborative project management and team-building, evaluating written and oral legal arguments, oral and written communication, budget management, problem-solving, and interviewing skills. Students also have potential of networking with professors and attorneys serving as coaches, moot judges and competition organizers.

The External Moot Court Board is a student organization whose primary responsibility is the administration of Honors Moot Court External (HMCE) competitions. The HMCE board works with the faculty advisor and team coaches to select the competitors for each team, which requires designing and implementing a selection process which may incorporate evaluation of candidates’ performance in the Advocacy course or in other courses. Board members also assist with drafting try-out problems as needed, ranking the applications and writing samples, evaluating oral argument try-outs, and considering other relevant criteria to select competitors and assign teams to particular competitions. Additionally, with each competing team, board members assist the coach as needed with organizing and participating in the team’s practice sessions, arranging for mooting sessions, videotaping, and inviting practice judges. Board members also assist the competing teams and the faculty advisor with planning the teams’ travel.

Students may earn from 1 to 4 units for work as members of the External Moot Court Board. Credit is awarded based on the student’s position on the Board and the number of hours devoted to academic (as distinguished from administrative) activity. Membership on the board is determined at the end of each spring semester by the outgoing board and the faculty advisor at the end of the spring semester. Experience in prior external honors moot court competitions is required to apply for a position on the External Moot Court Board.

Students may earn no more than 8 units of academic credit in all appellate moot court activity (HMCE external competitions, the HMC Internal Competition, Internal Moot Court Board or External Moot Court Board). All units are graded Credit/No Credit.
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<td>LARAW class – Do your best and pay close attention! - Honors Moot Court seeks the best legal writers and oral advocates!</td>
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<td>January 1L</td>
<td>Try out for Galloway! Watch for info in the late fall and early spring semesters. Grab a partner and write the brief. Teams who write the top 16 briefs are invited to oral arguments.</td>
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<td>1L After Competing</td>
<td>Apply to be on the Galloway Moot Court Board! You’ll help other students have a great experience, and you’ll continue to develop your own skills in legal analysis, research, and writing; oral advocacy; networking; and leadership too!</td>
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<td>Spring 1L</td>
<td>Attend Honors Moot Court Info Sessions and visit the HMC table during Academic Advising Week!</td>
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<td>April 1L</td>
<td>Honors Moot Court External Plan your courses – concurrent enrollment or coursework in substantive topics is helpful for many competitions (e.g., international law, IP law, evidence, etc.)</td>
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<td>Summer or Fall 2L</td>
<td>Advocacy class – Do your best and pay close attention! - Honors Moot Court seeks the best legal writers and oral advocates! Top Advocacy students may earn a place in Honors Moot Court Internal! Watch for notices of Honors Moot Court Internal application deadlines.</td>
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<td>Summer or Fall 2L</td>
<td>Take Advocacy &amp; other skills courses! Applications for some external competitions require you to have completed or be concurrently enrolled in Advocacy, Negotiation, or Interviewing &amp; Counseling, or similar courses.</td>
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<td>August to October 2L &amp; 3L</td>
<td>Honors Moot Court External - Watch for notices of tryouts for external fall competition teams! Plan your courses – concurrent enrollment or coursework in substantive topics is helpful for many competitions (e.g., international law, IP law, evidence, etc.)</td>
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<td>2L or 3L While Competing</td>
<td>Use this experience to network! You’ll meet students, profs and practitioners in a setting that lets you demonstrate your skills and gives you time to add to your network.</td>
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<td>2L or 3L After Competing</td>
<td>Apply to be on one of the Moot Court Boards! You’ll help other students experience what you did, and develop practical leadership skills too!</td>
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<td>Anytime you interview ever after</td>
<td>You’ll have an “honors” line item on your resume and a practical skills experience to talk about in interviews! Employers often seek those with moot court experience!</td>
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JOURNALS

Santa Clara Law Review

Description
The Santa Clara Law Review is a legal periodical edited and published by Santa Clara University law students. Law Review membership is a rewarding educational experience that helps students refine their legal research, writing, and analytical skills, and affords a unique opportunity to work with legal professionals and faculty members. The primary objective of the Santa Clara Law Review is to provide a practical research tool for practicing attorneys, members of the judiciary, scholars, and law students. The Law Review informs its subscribers of emerging legal trends and developments and presents new approaches to the analysis of current legal problems. Each issue contains articles contributed by legal professionals, law professors, and student editors. By providing a quality resource to the legal community, the Santa Clara Law Review brings prestige to both the School of Law and its graduates.

Requirements
Law Review membership is open to upper-division students who achieve a 3.0 GPA and successfully complete a candidacy program. Each board of student editors serves a one-year term and publishes three issues of the Law Review. For more information on candidacy requirements, go to https://digitalcommons.law.scu.edu/lawreview/prospective.html.

LAW REVIEW

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<td>Spring 1L</td>
<td>Attend Law Review info session at 12:00PM or 5:00PM on Wednesday, April 21st; ZOOM</td>
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<td>Summer 1L</td>
<td>Successfully complete the Summer Write-on and become an associate, or</td>
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<td>Fall 2L</td>
<td>Successfully complete the Fall Write-on and become an associate. Attend associate training and begin Law Review cite checking assignments. Select note topic and begin writing your note.</td>
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<td>Spring 2L</td>
<td>Successfully complete the note requirement in order to become an Editor on the Law Review.</td>
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<td>Summer 2L</td>
<td>As an Editor, begin work on your volume of the Law Review.</td>
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Santa Clara High Technology Law Journal

Description
The Santa Clara High Technology Law Journal is consistently ranked as one of the top publications nationally for excellence in intellectual property and high technology legal scholarship. Cited frequently by the Federal Circuit Court of Appeals, the Journal provides a practical and legal resource for scholars and practitioners in high technology law, the high technology industry and the corresponding legal community. Topics covered include: intellectual property (patent, trademark, copyright, and trade secret); technology licensing; contract and tort liability for technological failures; employer/employee relations; unfair competition; computer crime and privacy; telecommunications and information technology (Internet, wireless, and satellite); securities regulations; artificial intelligence; and biotechnology.

The Journal serves students, scholars, practitioners, and members of the judiciary through traditional and electronic publications as well as annual symposia covering emerging topics in intellectual property and high technology law. Membership on the Journal provides useful skills in legal writing in addition to excellent networking and social opportunities.

Requirements
All upper-division law students are eligible to participate in the publication of the Journal upon successful completion of the Write-On Application which will be released by the journal. A scientific or technical background is not required. After becoming an Associate, students must dedicate at least fifty (50) hours to the Journal over the course of one year, and to be eligible for specific positions on the Board of Editors, students must submit a comment of publishable quality (these positions are discussed with Associates after joining the Journal).
Associates meeting all editorship requirements with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00 at the end of their first or second semesters as an associate are eligible to interview for editorial positions. For more information about becoming an Associate or an Editor, please visit www.htlj.org.

**Santa Clara High Technology Law Journal Full-Time and Part-Time Candidacy Requirements**

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<th>Spring 1L</th>
<th>Attend the Journal information session.</th>
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<td>Summer 1L</td>
<td>Submit application. Complete 1-2 associate Journal assignments.</td>
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| Fall 2L or Fall Part-time students | Submit application if you have not already done so.  
Begin working on comment and complete remaining Journal assignments. Attend Fall Symposium and other networking events. |
| 2L Winter Break | Prepare a comment of publishable quality. Deadline to be communicated by the board. |
| Spring 2L      | Finish Journal assignments and attend Spring symposium. Interview for editor positions. Pending a GPA and requirements check, start as an Editor! |

**Santa Clara Journal of International Law**

**Description**
The Santa Clara Journal of International Law, established in 2002, is a student run academic journal based at the Santa Clara University School of Law. The Journal semi-annually publishes scholarly international law articles by leading academics, practitioners and law students from around the world. The Journal also hosts an annual Symposium and enriching JIL Speaker’s Series events throughout the year.

**Requirements**
Journal candidates must have a cumulative GPA of 2.67 at the time of application for the role of Associate. Candidates must complete and pass a Bluebook application packet. Selected Associates then must complete 55 hours of production work and write a 22-25 page comment, all of which is completed over the course of the 2L academic year.

After satisfactory completion of the Associate requirements, Journal members may apply for Board membership at the end of their 2L (or 3LE) year. Senior Board positions require a minimum GPA or 3.0 or better. Associates who choose to not be on the Board, may stay on the Journal as Senior Associates during their 3L (or 4LE) year.

For more information on the Journal of International Law, please visit our website, [https://digitalcommons.law.scu.edu/scujil/](https://digitalcommons.law.scu.edu/scujil/)

**JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL LAW CHECKLIST**

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<th>Spring 1L</th>
<th>Attend Journal information sessions.</th>
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<td>Early Summer after 1L</td>
<td>First chance to apply to Journal as an Associate.</td>
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<td>Late Summer after 1L</td>
<td>Begin-checking assignments.</td>
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<td>Fall 2L</td>
<td>Second chance to apply to Journal as an Associate. Continue cite-checking assignments. Begin work on student written comment.</td>
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Journal Credit

Currently, students may earn no more than a total of 4 units of academic credit from journal work. All units are graded CR/NC.
COMBINED DEGREE PROGRAMS

The Law School and the Leavey School of Business offer two joint degree programs that enable students to pursue concurrent work in Law and Business:

- **JD/MBA** - offers students the opportunity to earn a law degree and a Masters in Business Administration. This nationally ranked program offers flexible scheduling and equips graduates as business leaders in any chosen industry.

- **JD/MSIS** - offers students the opportunity to obtain both the JD degree and the MS in Information Systems degree. This combined degree allows students to develop a deep technological understanding of the legal issues in the Information Technology industry and to learn how to use technology effectively in a law practice.

Students must apply to the Leavey School of Business during their first year of law school. It is recommended that students complete applications after the fall exam period.

Law students who have pursued the joint degree program have cited the professional flexibility provided by substantive knowledge of two distinct fields, as well as the intrinsic intellectual interest of studying very different subjects from different academic approaches and emphases.

**Students interested in the JD/MBA or JD/MSIS program should plan to attend the JD/MBA or JD/MSIS information session in late fall of their first year. In spring of first year, students should meet with the Senior Assistant Dean for Student Services as early in the semester as possible. More information can be found on the graduate business web page.**

**J.D./LL.M. Program in Intellectual Property Law**

The J.D./LL.M. joint degree program is designed to primarily be a 3.5 year full-time program available only to SCU School of Law students who have been accepted for participation in both programs.

1. While enrolled in the program, students must:
   a) Maintain a satisfactory grade point average in each degree program
   b) Satisfy the academic requirements of each degree program
   c) Complete all courses identified as required for both degrees
   d) Work out a specific, individualized academic program with a member of the Law Student Services staff

2. With the approval of any such individualized academic program, permission may be granted to count 12 units of specified courses for credit toward both degrees.
   a) Under a typical schedule, full-time students complete the program and receive both degrees in 3.5 years. Students must declare their intent to participate in the program no later than 12 months before graduation and complete the requirements for both degrees prior to graduation.
   b) The joint J.D/LL.M. in Intellectual Property Law requires the completion of 98 units, of which (a) 24 units must satisfy the prevailing LL.M. in Intellectual Property Law requirements, including the writing requirement; and (b) 21 units must be IP/High Tech designated classes. (The remaining 3 units necessary for the LL.M. degree are LL.M. elective units.)
TO DO NOW: START PLANNING YOUR REGISTRATION

1. As graduate students, you no longer have assigned faculty advisors.
2. Read this entire book, attend the info sessions all week, and consult with professors in the areas of law that interest you or stop by Law Student Services for advice.
3. Once you have some idea of what you might be doing, use the “Total Game Plan” on page 52 to start planning (in pencil).

A. Fill in your required courses and the semesters that you plan to take them, see page 53 for a list of these courses.
B. Fill in the bar courses and the semesters that you plan to take them.
C. Fill in the UP-eligible courses and the semesters that you plan to take them.
D. Fill in the foundation or basic certificate courses that you plan to take.
E. Add the experiential and certificate classes that interest you.
F. Check the list of electives, below, and mark those you might be interested in.

4. Questions? Email lawstudentservices@scu.edu

Note: the scheduling of classes at specific times, or in particular semesters, is subject to change. It is advisable to plan, but there are no guarantees, especially beyond our required and bar-tested, UP eligible courses.
Important Disclaimer: Following is a list of electives that we have offered over the last 3 years. This is meant only to give you an idea of the types of electives you might see in your next few semesters. This list is absolutely not implying that these electives will be offered. As always, it all depends on our curricular needs and the availability of the professors. You can highlight the classes that you might be interested in taking and then watch for them on the schedule of classes.

Administrative Law
Advanced International Human Rights Clinic
Advanced Legal Research
Advanced Legal Research IP
Advanced Legal Writing: Bar Exam
Advanced Negotiating Skills & Strategies
Advanced Immigration Law
Advanced Torts
Advanced Trial Techniques
Alternative Dispute Resolution for Youth
Antitrust
Arbitration Law and Practice
Assisted Reproduction and Genetic Engineering
Biotechnology Law
Broadband Regulatory Clinic
Business Immigration Law
Business Organizations
California Civil Procedure
Capital Markets & Financial Misconduct
Civil Practice, High Tech and Social Justice Externship
Climate Change Law
Commercial Transactions
Community Property
Comparative Privacy Law
Conflict of Laws
Contemporary Legal Theory Seminar
Copyright Law
Corporate Finance
Corporate Taxation
Criminal Justice Externship
Criminal Justice Externship: Criminal Defense
Criminal Justice Externship: Expungement
Criminal Justice Externship: Public Defender's Office
Criminal Procedure: Adjudication
Criminal Procedure: Investigation
Criminal Law and Policy Seminar
Critical Race Theory
Cybersecurity Law
Debtors' and Creditors' Rights
Domestic Violence Mini Course
Drug Policy Practicum: Cannabis Law
e-Discovery
Employment Discrimination
Employment Law
Energy Resources Law
Energy Transactions
Entertainment Transactions
Entrepreneurs’ Law Clinic
Environmental Law in a Practice Setting
Environmental Protection Law
Family Law
Family Wealth Management
Federal Income Tax
Forensic Science and the Law
Gender and Law
Globalization and the Rule of Law
Health Law Seminar
Honors Moot Court - External
Honors Moot Court - Internal
Housing Discrimination
How Engineers, Business People and Lawyers Communicate
Immigration Appellate Practice before the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
Immigration Law
Insurance Law
Intellectual Property Survey
International Commercial Arbitration
International Human Rights Clinic
International Business Transactions
International Externship
International Human Rights
International IP Law
International Law
Internet Law
Interviewing and Counseling
International Business Negotiation
International Environmental Law
IP Litigation
Judicial Externship Full Time
Judicial Externship Part Time
Juvenile Justice: Leadership
Juvenile Justice: Practical
KGACLC Courthouse Clinic
KGACLC Immigration Interviewing and Advising
KGACLC Litigation Skills
KGACLC Workers' Rights Interviewing and Advising
Labor Law
Labor Law: The Public Sector
Land Use
Law and Education
Law and Popular Culture
Law and Social Justice Seminar
Law of Nonprofit Organizations
Law Practice Management
Law and Technology in Silicon Valley
Leadership for Lawyers
Legal Aspects of War
Legal Issues of Start Up Business
Legislation
Mass Communication I
Mass Communication II: Phone and Broadband
Mediation Theory and Practice
Mergers & Acquisitions
Northern California Innocence Project
Northern California Innocence Project Advanced Practice Clinic
Negotiating
Online Dispute Resolution
Panetta Fellows Externship
Patent Prosecution
Patents
Pre-Trial Litigation Techniques
Privacy and Technology
Privacy Law
Race and the Law
Real Estate Conveyancing
Remedies
Rights of Publicity
Secured Transactions
Securities Regulation
Selected Topics in Anti-Discrimination Law
Sexuality and the Law
Social Justice Workshop
Sports Law
Statutory Analysis
Supreme Court Seminar
Technology and Innovation in the Practice of Law
Technology Licensing
The Business, Law, Technology, and Policy of Artificial Intelligence
Trade Secrets
Trademarks and Unfair Competition
Transitional Justice
Trial Techniques
Venture Capital Law
Water Law
Wills & Trusts
THE TOTAL GAME PLAN!

Using a Pencil fill in the following requirements and recommendations in the grid below. Then, fill in your certificate or wish list classes! Not sure where to put everything? Ask a member of the Law Student Services staff or Office of Academic and Bar Success faculty.

**REQUIRED BY END OF 2L:**
- Part Time Students: Civil Procedure, 6 units, Critical Lawyering Skills, 1 unit
- Everyone: Con Law I, 3 units (UP); Con Law II, 3 units (UP) and Advocacy, 2 units

**OTHER REQUIRED CLASSES:**
- Evidence, 4 units (UP)
- Professional Responsibility, 3 units (UP)
- Earn at least 4 UP points*
- Experiential Learning*

**RECOMMENDED BAR COURSES:**
- Business Organizations, 3 units (UP)
- Will & Trusts, 3 units (UP)
- Criminal Procedure: Investigation, 3 units (UP)
- Community Property, 2 units (UP)
- Remedies, 3 units (UP)

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

THE LAW SCHOOL’S COMPETENCY MODEL

LEGAL KNOWLEDGE

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<td>Knowledge of Law and Legal Systems</td>
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<td>- Acquires a foundation of law knowledge needed for practice areas</td>
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Lawyers must know the law and law school is the first, and, in many respects, the most important opportunity for them to learn the law. The occasions to learn the law begin in law school but continue throughout a lawyer's career and lawyers who are “life-long learners” are much more successful than those who have more limited horizons.

There are several difficulties with acquiring legal knowledge, including the complexity of the doctrines, rules and processes created and used by lawyers; the breadth and reach of law, legal rules and procedure; and the fact that American law is often made in the fact-specific setting of cases in which variations of the facts may dictate a different outcome. The complexity and extensive scope of law, laws and legal knowledge have accelerated the trend of specialization in law practice and, increasingly, lawyers tend to focus their career goals and aspirations in more narrow practice settings.

During law school, students will be exposed to a broad and demanding reach of areas of law, procedure, and practice and they will be expected to acquire both the principles of these areas of law as well as an ability to continue to learn the law throughout their careers. Most state bar examinations test significantly on acquired legal knowledge and legal employers will expect a significant foundation of legal knowledge in their new lawyers.

WRITING

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<td>- Drafts documents common for specific practice areas</td>
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<td>- Knows the rules and industry norms governing those documents</td>
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<td>- Writes appropriately for the intended audiences</td>
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Effectively communicating through writing is the lawyer’s most fundamental, and perhaps most utilized, skill. Virtually every job in the legal field requires some form of writing. Litigation attorneys spend significant time drafting subpoenas, interrogatories, complaints, declarations, motions, briefs, and orders. Transactional attorneys will spend their time drafting deal points, contracts, wills, trusts, and charters. Judicial clerks and judges spend their time drafting bench memoranda, orders, and opinions. In addition, all types of attorneys will draft research memoranda, as well as letters and emails to clients and opposing counsel. In short, good lawyers must be good writers.

Even landing a first legal job will require competency in writing and much of your education is designed to improve your proficiency in writing. SCU students must take several writing classes to graduate. In addition to taking LARAW and Advocacy (both of which require significant writing), students must satisfy the Supervised Analytic Writing Requirement prior to earning their degree. In addition, the certificate programs and journals may also require an in-depth writing assignment to earn the certificate or join the journal. Your competency in writing is tested on the California Bar Exam.
where students must write several essays over the course of two full examination days. And nearly every employer - and
certainly every law firm, district attorney office, public defender office, or state or federal government agency – will request
a writing sample prior to considering an application for employment. As such, strong legal writing proficiency is a skill that
must be learned, honed, and showcased throughout law school.

There is often a disconnect between an idea or argument as crafted in one’s mind, and the ability to persuasively
and clearly put that thought into writing. Accordingly, the key to becoming a good writer is to practice, practice, and then
practice some more. In addition to the required classes mentioned above, several other clinical classes and upper-division
seminars will offer the possibility to engage in extensive writing and feedback. Students should also attempt to take
advantage of any opportunities to practice writing answers to in-class hypotheticals and practice exams offered in their
exam classes. Only through repeated attempts at synthesizing cases, presenting analogical arguments, drafting
contractual provisions, etc., will students be able to close the gap between thought and written word. In selecting classes,
professors, internship, and externship opportunities, students should consider outlets that will provide opportunities for
drafting the widest variety of legal documents.

Critically, students should specifically seek writing opportunities that will generate feedback from professors and
supervising attorneys. Such instances necessarily involve critique and judgment, which can be (but does not have to be)
an intimidating process. In the law school or internship environment, however, that critique will be delivered constructively,
with the goal of preparing students for a legal career.

At the same time, law students should also be honing their own editing and critiquing skills. The ability to read and
edit another’s work reinforces writing skills and is dynamically related to improving one’s own written product. Through self-
critique and peer-critique development, students will learn that writing is an iterative process that may require several
rounds of drafting, feedback, and reformulation. In addition, by developing peer-to-peer constructive criticism skills and
providing feedback on another’s writing and organization, students will better recognize those same vulnerabilities in their
own writing.

Repeated practice in drafting and in constructive critique should help the law student develop strength in the
following areas:

- Organization and logical flow so that a reader easily follows the relationship between sub-arguments and major
  themes
- Efficiency in structure and verbiage so that ideas are expressed as concisely as possible
- Command of citation requirements, formatting, spelling, and grammar so that the writer is able to convey their
  authority over the material and their attention to detail
- Persuasive narrative structure
- Ability to serve as a constructive critic for colleagues or supervisees seeking to improve their own writing

**LEGAL ANALYSIS**

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<td>- Identifies legal and factual issues in fact patterns</td>
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<td>- Distinguishes between major, minor and irrelevant issues</td>
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<td>- Analogizes and distinguishes facts and precedents appropriately</td>
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<td>- Understands math concepts necessary for lawyers</td>
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Legal analysis is one of the core competencies needed by lawyers and taught in law school. The competency
includes three essential abilities—issue identification, analysis of the issue(s), and formulation of legal arguments that
address and resolve the issue(s). The ability to perform this type of analysis, which is essentially a deductive reasoning
process, is tested on the LSAT and forms the most significant aspect of the first year learning experience. Most first year
courses include a core focus on introducing and enhancing students’ ability to reason through or analyze legal issues and
problems.

The first ability—issue identification—involves the student’s ability to identify key legal and factual issues arising in
various factual situations. Once identified, students must then be able to distinguish those issues that are relatively important from those that are relatively unimportant in resolving the client’s legal problem.

Having identified and prioritized the issues, students are then required to perform legal analysis of the key issues that they have identified. This second stage of the analytic process requires proficiency at:

- examining legal authorities (e.g., case law, statutes, etc.) and applying them to a factual situation (real or hypothetical);
- analogizing and distinguishing facts and precedents appropriately (i.e., understanding and being able to explain why the legal rule or policy applied in one factual situation should, or should not be, applied in another, similar situation);
- invoking appropriate policy considerations and understanding how policy considerations affect resolution of particular factual situations;
- understanding the broader legal and social context of legal principles and policies and how they might affect the resolution of issues at hand and, importantly, how to use social or legal context to advocate for a client or desired outcome;
- drawing on other disciplines (such as economics, philosophy, mathematics) to resolve legal and policy issues.

The third stage of the development of analytic skills is the ability to formulate legal arguments. Simply put, this is how lawyers deliver value—often great value—to their clients. This skill includes the ability to make arguments based on precedent, analogy, fact distinctions, policy and legislative history. All lawyers, whatever their practice areas (transactions, litigation, client advising, or group representation), must be able to formulate, and persuade others of the appropriateness of, their arguments based on analysis and reasoning.

It is important to remember that legal analysis skills and abilities are not innate; rather, these are skills and abilities that can be learned and be taught. Students have an opportunity to develop these skills in most first year courses and then refine and enhance them in doctrinal, skills, and experiential learning courses during the rest of their law school experience.

### RESEARCH

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<td>Factual Investigation</td>
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<td>- Identifies sources of relevant factual information</td>
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<td>- Develops coherent research design and appropriate investigative techniques</td>
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<td>- Documents and preserves factual information</td>
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The ability to conduct research – both legal research and factual investigation – is an essential and core competency required for the practice of law. Almost every aspect of lawyering, from ascertaining the facts of your client’s situation, to locating favorable legal authority, to preparing for interviews with potential witnesses, experts, and contacts involves doing research. If 99% of genius is perspiration, much of that should properly be allocated to “doing your homework” which, in the current era of increasing amounts of digital information, requires as well as locating and sifting through information, or in other words, research. Below are some examples of how research skills, in addition to helping you complete the legal research aspects of the curricula, can enhance your academic and professional careers.

One advantage of SCU law is its Silicon Valley location and location on the Santa Clara campus. But to make connections with those in the community who have interests that are similar to you and can you help you advance your interests requires doing some background research.

Many job connections are made through informal connections and work of mouth. Plumbing the SCU alumni network and doing informational interviews with those within the community can help you build your network and position you to take job opportunities. Preparing for these interviews and the ones with prospective employers as well is very important, reflecting initiative, intelligence, and perceptiveness.

Professors are often interested in cultivating connections with and hiring as RAs students that have interests aligned with theirs. Research the professionals with whom you have an affinity to surface opportunities to connect or find out more about their knowledge of certain employers, topics, or opportunities.
Becoming an expert on a particular area is a very good way to distinguish yourself from others. This requires researching and following a particular topic closely and faithfully, and trying to understand it closely and from different perspectives.

**PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY**

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<td>- Demonstrates professional courtesy</td>
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The rules of professional responsibility govern the work of all lawyers and violating them can result in losing one’s license to practice law. They are centrally important in all realms of practice and lawyers will confront professional responsibility issues almost weekly. Because of their pervasiveness in practice and the stakes involved in violating them, students should develop as strong a grasp as they can of the rules and how they apply while they are in law school.

All students must take our Professional Responsibility (formerly Legal Profession) course. But one course cannot cover all the ground: different kinds of practices raise different professional responsibility issues and the more you see professional responsibility issues in the contexts in which they arise, the better prepared you will be to enter practice with the tools you need. It is often the case that early recognition of these issues (such as potential conflicts of interest) permit you to avoid larger problems later.

Beyond the basic Professional Responsibility (formerly Legal Profession) course, many courses at Santa Clara introduce, reinforce, or permit you to understand and practice the skills you will need to practice ethically. Teachers vary in their coverage of these issues within substantive courses and you should consider this when you are choosing courses. A list of courses and the extent to which they introduce, reinforce, or practice the skills involved is available at [list of courses](#).

Clinical experiences and externships, where you will be exposed to actual clients, are the best way to “practice” identifying professional responsibility issues and learn how to resolve or manage them. Our various “advocacy” courses and many legal writing courses will expose you to these issues and require you to resolve them as well.

The Professional Responsibility (formerly Legal Profession) course is the primary source for a comprehensive overview of rules governing the profession. Courses that “introduce” or “reinforce” these skills will identify the primary rules that are in play in their contexts and can supplement the substantive learning you acquire from the Professional Responsibility (formerly Legal Profession) course.

Smooth transitioning into the profession requires more than simple familiarity with the formal rules; it also requires some understanding of the business of the legal industry. While we like to think of law as a “profession” (which it is), it is also a business that generates income for lawyers. Students ought to have a reasonably well-formed idea of how that business works and the limitations professional responsibility rules place on that business. Thus, it is important for those entering the profession to be familiar with:

- the different ways lawyers contract for services with clients (and the legal requirements for so doing),
- the limitations on engaging clients whose interests conflict with other clients (and strategies in managing potential and actual conflicts),
- the special rules governing what lawyers may and may not do for clients, and some of the methods lawyers use to protect client confidences.

These issues will come up in different courses (depending on the professor) and are important in building sophistication and easing the transition from law school to practice.

Good lawyers identify the services clients need and provide them efficiently. Succeeding in law school requires students to efficiently organize work; these are skills that are equally important in practice as clients are entitled to the best services they can get without undue expense. Efficient work habits extend to the lawyer's work of:

- interviewing clients and witnesses,
- understanding the client’s goals, and
- creating strategies to meet them without undue complexity and expense.
One must also develop efficient work habits to in creating successful settlement strategies and in negotiating effectively on behalf of the client. Clinical offerings, externships, and simulation courses that put students into the lawyer’s role are excellent vehicles for developing an understanding how to make your work as a lawyer as effective as it can be.

Developing competency as a legal professional will require you to develop good relationships within the legal profession. One’s law school classmates form one’s “network” while in law school and many will remain professional colleagues on entering practice. Students begin building their reputation for honesty and ethical behavior in law school and continue building it in practice. To do so, one needs to acquire the norms of appropriate behavior when appearing before tribunals, negotiating with adversaries, or working collaboratively with other lawyers on transactions. Working with other lawyers in bar associations and doing one’s share of pro bono work exposes new lawyers to more experienced lawyers and offers opportunities to build a strong reputation. Because lawyers are sought after in various civic groups (school boards, advisory boards, boards of directors, etc.), opportunities abound to demonstrate one’s legal and personal skills to lawyers and non-lawyers alike. Law school offers entry-level opportunities in many of these areas (student memberships in bar associations, volunteer and pro bono work, etc.) and taking advantage of them will build your competencies in this area.

Competency in professional responsibility also requires individual lawyers to work to maintain and enhance the reputation of the profession to which they belong. As members of a learned profession whose work is central to the functioning of modern society, lawyers occupy a privileged role which exposes the profession to regular critical scrutiny. It is each lawyer’s responsibility to think beyond her own reputation to the reputation of the profession as a whole and to work at enhancing that reputation. Volunteer and pro bono work should become part of one’s work, both as a law student and later as a lawyer. Volunteering one’s skills in civic and pro bono work builds lawyering skills, can effect positive good for those who otherwise cannot afford a lawyer and enhances the reputation of lawyers more generally.

Learning to treat other lawyers with professional courtesy is also part of developing one’s competency in professional responsibility. Different areas of practice have different “norms” that informally regulate how lawyers relate to one another. In some places, for example, granting an opponent an extension of time when needed is an expected “courtesy.” Discovery and negotiation are examples of other areas where local norms of behavior may be in place. Successful lawyers learn and understand local norms of professional courtesy. Much of this is learned in actual practice following law school, but one can begin the process while law school by working on actual legal matters, either in clinical courses or in externships.

### INTERPERSONAL SKILLS

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Good interpersonal skills are central to the functioning of a competent lawyer and it is important that students work to improve their competency in this essential set of skills. Strong self-awareness, the ability to work well with others, and excellent communication skills are all components of this essential competency.

Legal employers cite self-awareness as one of the most critical skills for young attorneys. Including this skill within the competency model has the goal of emphasizing its importance to students. In addition, it conveys to them that their legal education, both doctrinal and experiential, provides them an invaluable opportunity to explore and understand their values, weaknesses, and strengths, and to develop strategies for improvement.

Working well with others very often involves the ability to communicate effectively. Communication with clients often challenges interpersonal skills because both legal service providers and clients have filters through which they interpret verbal and nonverbal communication. These filters come from what one has learned and what expectations one is raised with and self-awareness is essential to understanding one’s own filters.
Cross-cultural communication is not just limited to ethnic and national perceptions, but also socio-economic, gender, age and environmental factors. To understand cross-cultural communication, one needs to recognize and understand the filters through which clients see and interpret the world. Lawyers need to recognize and interpret non-verbal signals, and understand how clients recognize and interpret non-verbal signals. Learning cross-cultural communication requires exploring and understanding gender and cultural norms.

Clients are people with many different personalities, past experiences, and needs. Some are needy and/or distressed and one needs to explore strategies for working with clients who are needy and/or distressed. Appropriate office policies and procedures can form a basis for supporting requests to clients. Setting expectations and boundaries early avoids miscommunication and misunderstandings with clients, and preserves the ability of the legal services provider to competently represent his/her clients.

Similarly, clients who are survivors of trauma present many interpersonal challenges to attorneys. In order competently represent survivors of trauma, it is important for attorneys to understand the impact of trauma on client recall and their linear recollection of events. Memory has an impact on ability to testify, and has a physiological basis deriving from the trauma experience. In addition, it is essential that a lawyer communicate with such clients in a way that avoids re-traumatization of their clients. Training clients in self-care techniques allows law students and attorneys to provide access to justice for trauma survivors over a longer period of time.

Communication with clients may require the use of an interpreter – spoken or sign language and working with an interpreter also requires interpersonal skills. It requires that students understand the importance of verbal as well as non-verbal language, the use of first-person references, and the pace of interpreting in order not to miss important information.

Finally, effective communication with clients requires lawyers to understand the importance of documenting communications in written form, both to memorialize and to demonstrate work done.

Competency in interpersonal skills also underlies effective communication with colleagues and supervisors, including those who work as a team on clients’ cases. Those skills might involve clear and timely updates, resolution of professional disagreements on strategy and approach, and common messaging to clients.

Competency in interpersonal skills also lies behind effective presentation skills, for example presenting a case for acceptance by a firm for representation, or information sharing during case rounds. The ability to present a case concisely to colleagues and supervisors also translates to the courtroom when judges ask for a summary of the key points/issues of the case.

Learning to receive and respond to constructive criticism is also an important aspect of one’s competency with interpersonal skills.

Somewhat different interpersonal skills are involved in communicating with opposing parties and, in particular, in negotiation skills. Knowing when and how to reach an agreement with opposing parties while zealously advocating for one’s client is critical to the practice of law. One learns in this context that maintaining a focus on the facts and law of a case is a more successful strategy than being drawn into opposing counsel’s personal attacks. Professional communication also sets the tone for future dealings with opposing counsel. Competency in this arena also involves understanding the importance of documenting conversations.

The interpersonal skills involved in communicating effectively with judges and fact-finders center on development of oral presentation skills. These skills include the ability to listen to and answer the questions posed by judges, as well as the ability to summarize salient points of the case.

In addition to the technical aspects of written communication, learning the intricacies of tone in letters and oral communications, especially when dealing with bureaucracies, is an aspect of developing strong interpersonal skills in this arena.

Communicating with partner individuals and organizations challenge one’s interpersonal skills. Within the context of inter-disciplinary work with (for example) attorneys and law enforcement, psychologists, physicians, and social workers lie the interpersonal skills of role definition, collaboration, clear communication and persuasion.

Sound interpersonal skills also enable one to develop strategies for dealing with difficult clients, opposing counsel, fact-finders. This includes effective and sensitive communication of one’s conclusions that the law offers little to help the client. Sound preparation, maintaining a focus on the facts and the law in the case, and retaining a professional tone, again with a focus on the case at hand, is a skill that can be practiced by law students.
INITIATIVE

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<td>- Establishes credibility and integrity</td>
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It is essential for students and lawyers to develop the competency to take initiative. Initiative can mean the difference between getting an A or B in a law school class, or more importantly passing or not passing the bar exam. Behaviors that show initiative can lead to superior employment opportunities, better case outcomes, faster promotion, and financial rewards.

Initiative in law school leads to efficient time management in law school and better enjoyment of life beyond law school. Students who master this competency are able to maintain a work-life balance by setting a schedule that allows for adequate time for work and play, and can avoid cramming for finals because reading, reviewing, and outlining is far more effective if done throughout the semester. This leads to better mental and physical health, which leads to higher quality work product. In addition, the students with greater initiative win the respect of professors and superiors by being prepared and engaged in class.

One can also develop initiative in effectively engaging with others and building relationships. A student’s initiative aids in forming and participating in study groups, thereby enhancing understanding of the subject matter engaging classmates in working through the material together. Showing initiative also leads to one’s credibility with professors and classmates, some of whom will be important to one’s professional network in the future.

Initiative lies behind setting expectations with professors or classmates, and gaining a reputation for meeting or exceeding those expectations.

Initiative in the workplace (internships, externships, clinical work, and working as a lawyer) allows individuals to distinguish themselves because they will be innovative and entrepreneurial in nature. For example, when working with a client, one learns to take time to understand client objectives, and evaluate all options to achieve the objectives. One then can define and consider the universe of solutions to a client’s problems, and suggest multiple alternative courses of action and the pros/cons of each.

In addition, developing initiative leads to the ability to take personal responsibility, which is an essential skill for employees of all types. Lawyers and law students are more valuable if they eagerly look for opportunities to volunteer for additional projects, tasks, or assignments when appropriate, and are able to say “no” when it is not realistic to take on another assignment. Well-balanced initiative helps set expectations to ensure one gains a reputation for meeting or exceeding those expectations.

Those who are strong in initiative will be viewed as a leaders because they are able to think strategically. This leads to better understanding in how to engage with particular clients in meaningful and efficient ways and to better understand a client’s goals and expectations.

Initiative leads to sound evaluation of the short- and long-term effects resulting from legal work product, thereby improving its quality. The goal is to become adept at finding holistic solutions to problems, and approaching one’s legal advocacy or negotiation style in a manner that works for the particular situation and personalities involved.

Initiative is also important in success on the Bar Exam. Studying for the bar requires focus, determination, time management, and leadership. As one improves one’s competency in initiative, one advances the prospects of a successful bar preparation. Successful bar takers show initiative by taking advantage of all reasonable tools to assist with bar preparation, dedicating ample time to studying, but maintaining a work-life balance by setting a schedule that allows for adequate time for work and play and avoids cramming. One can reduce stress relating to bar prep by taking the initiative to engage with other students to enhance understanding of the subject matter.

Initiative is also essential to one’s own professional development which includes finding new opportunities, finding new clients, building a personal brand, and networking. Lawyers exhibiting initiative stand out as trusted and respected leaders, because they have committed themselves to intellectual curiosity and lifelong learning. They seek opportunities
to learn new skills, e.g. through volunteering, continuing legal education (CLE), or helping colleagues on a different case or project. Mastering the skills and behaviors of this competency will reap lasting benefits.

**CONSCIENCE AND COMPASSION**

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Another group of essential lawyering competencies includes conscience and compassion. These attributes and abilities are derived from important contributions of sociologists working in the area of “emotional intelligence.” They have found that men and women who have high levels of emotional intelligence are more effective leaders, managers, and professionals. They have higher levels of ability to persuade others to follow them and support their vision for the organization or the case.

An aspect of this competency is the duty of lawyers to advance the legal profession as a “public calling” and to use law and legal process to the betterment of our society and our communities. The development of personal attributes such as integrity, honesty, and service for others is essential to one’s personal success and to the long-term health and reputation of the legal profession.

Some of the key attributes and abilities of emotional intelligence and public and professional service important for lawyers are:

- Is he or she empathic? Does she have the ability to understand and respond to other people’s (whether opposing counsel or a client) challenges, unhappiness, or conflicting emotions?
- Does he or she appreciate the importance of law and legal process in addressing clients’ problems and is committed to using law to solve collective, societal and individual clients’ problems?
- Does he or she understand and advance the role of lawyers as community servants and the role of law in advancing societal goals and betterment?

These attributes and abilities are often shaped before a student arrives at law school, through their families, church or religious affiliation, and early educational experiences. However, law school, through the modeling of professors and staff, clinical experiences with clients, and the use of hypothetical learning experiences, enhances and reinforces their attributes and abilities and permits students to understand their great importance in lawyers’ work in client representation, public and community service, and other roles that lawyers play in our society.

**CREATIVE PROBLEM SOLVING**

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<td>-Evaluates the efficacy of the attempted solution</td>
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Creative problem solving is essential to effective lawyering. Lawyers must be forward thinking, flexible, able to apply and interpret law, proactive and reactive. The American Bar Association created the Lawyer as Problem Solver Award to recognize individuals and organizations that use their problem-solving skills to forge creative solutions. To prepare students for the rigor of law practice, Santa Clara Law identified creative problem solving as a core competency that should be introduced, practiced, or reinforced in each course.

Santa Clara Law’s rich curriculum allows many opportunities for students to practice creative problem solving. Traditional law school courses provide the substantive knowledge that informs creativity – the classroom provides the perfect space to analyze situations; translate positions into interests; generate and assess both conventional and novel options to address the problem; and to build consensus around an option. Clinical and skills courses, along with externships, where students engage with real-life clients and legal matters are perhaps the best way for students to “practice” diagnosing problems, evaluating options, and executing an action plan.

Competency in creative problem solving requires, first, problem diagnosis. This requires learning how to analyze the situation and identify and sort the legal and non-legal problems implicated by the facts. One then learns how to identify who (courts, legislatures, other parties, etc.) can help resolve the problems, the range of possible causes behind the problems, and the roles, interests, and objectives of key stakeholders. Who has an interest in, or is affected by the problem, and how strong are their interests in the resolutions that might be considered?

Having identified the problems, their sources and causes, and those affected by the problem, one then begins the process of considering and evaluating the potential options for resolution. In this step, one learns to develop a comprehensive list of different options which are then to be evaluated. What are the costs and benefits of each option and how do those costs and benefits affect the different stakeholders?

Since the options for resolution must eventually be chosen by the client, the lawyer’s job then becomes creating an intelligent and accessible explanation of the options so the client may choose from among them. Lawyers learn to add value by prioritizing the options and, perhaps, recommending which, in the lawyer’s judgment, will best serve the client’s expressed interests remembering that, always, that the choice of which to pursue is the client’s decision, not the lawyer’s.

Having created an accessible range of options and consulted with the client about which best serve the client’s interests, one then learns to formulate an action plan for implementing a resolution to the problem. This too requires close collaboration with the client and, before a plan is implemented, the client must consider the efficacy of the chosen option, its costs (relative to other possible plans), how the plan will affect other stakeholders, and the risks of pursuing the chosen option. When the client understands the costs, benefits, and risks of the plan and chooses that plan, the lawyer then sets out to implement it efficiently and without unnecessary expense.

Opportunities to develop or strengthen competency in creative problem solving are present in even the most traditional law school courses. How could a party on the losing end of a classroom case avoid the problem in the future? How might a transaction have been restructured to avoid or minimize a negative outcome that is before the class?

Clinical offerings and externships perhaps offer the best opportunities to develop creative problem solving ability. Real clients with real problems challenge students to pursue solutions that often implicate many areas of law. With the guidance of a mentor or clinical professor, these settings allow the student to uncover the relevant facts and develop a structured approach to legal problem solving. In this real-life setting, students learn directly to uncover all the options, make appropriate evaluations and recommendations, effectively communicate the range of solutions to the client, and collaborate with the client in implementing the chosen action plan.

Developing competency in creative problem solving is a lifelong learning process and one’s competency improves as one encounters more clients and their problems. But the process begins in law school and attention to this essential competency while in law school will pay strong dividends once one enters practice.
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LL.M. Program in United States Law

Graduation Requirements

All participants seeking the LL.M. degree must do the following:

Successfully complete 24 semester hours of class credit

– Successfully complete Introduction to US Law (LAW 700). This course is designed to give participants an intensive overview of the basic elements of the United States substantive and structural law.

– Writing Requirement. Students must complete a written research paper either in conjunction with a 2 – 3 unit class or as an independent research paper (LAW 298) under the supervision of a faculty member.

– Be in residence for a minimum of two regular semesters (not including summer sessions).

– Enroll in a minimum of 8 units per semester and complete the degree requirements within a maximum of two academic years from the date of matriculation.

Completion of the course, Legal Research, Analysis, and Writing for U.S. Law LL.M.s (LAW 376) is highly recommended, but not required. The purpose of this course is to enhance the students’ skills in the area of legal research and writing.

While students are not required to declare a specialization, Santa Clara Law does provide a variety of coursework that would allow for the student to enhance and develop his or her understanding of a specific area of law.

U.S. Law Specializations

In addition to the General Studies LL.M., the School of Law offers three specializations in areas of its internationally recognized strengths. To complete a specialization, the participant must enroll in 12 credit hours of courses within the specific curriculum of the selected specialization. The specialization offerings include:

Intellectual Property

The 12 credit hours of specialized study must include Intellectual Property Survey and International IP Law. The remaining units must be taken from the Intellectual Property/High Tech Law curriculum.

Human Rights

Within the 12 credit hours of specialized study, participants must select courses from any of the three broad categories of social justice classes listed under the general certificate requirements. Note: LL.M. students are not eligible to apply for certificates.

International and Comparative Law

The 12 credit hours of specialized study must be taken from the International Law Curriculum.

Grades and Grade Requirements

Current Policies:

Students in the Exchange-to-LL.M. program in U.S. Law are graded on a Standard Letter Grade basis.

Students in the LL.M. program in U.S. Law are graded on a Pass/No Pass basis in all courses.

Students in the LL.M. program in U.S. Law for whom English is a second language in which they have not reached academic competence may request additional time, up to time and a half, for exams. These students may also request the use of a translating dictionary. Absent an approved request for language accommodations, students are required to follow standard exam rules.

Exchange-to-LL.M. program in U.S. Law students are not eligible to petition for language accommodations.

Grade Option Petition:

Students in the LL.M. program in U.S. Law may petition to be graded with regular letter grades (A, B, etc.) instead of Pass/No Pass. To do so:
1. Secure all necessary approval signatures on the LL.M. in US Law Grade Option Petition form

2. Submit the form to the Law Student Services Office by the end of the 4th week of classes during the fall and spring semester and by the end of the 2nd week of classes in the summer term

3. Students can rescind this request until the end of the 10th week of classes during the semester and by the end of the 3rd week of classes in the summer term. After this time, students may not elect or rescind a grade option change.

4. Summer term deadlines will apply to off-cycle and short-term courses

Some classes are only offered on a Credit/No Credit or Pass/No Pass basis and the option cannot be changed. These are designated as Credit/No Credit or Pass/No Pass on the schedule of classes.
LL.M. Program in Intellectual Property Law

Graduation Requirements

Total Units Required
Successfully complete 24 semester units.

The program assumes as a minimum one academic year in residence. Students must be enrolled in a minimum of 8 units per semester and the requirements for the degree must be completed within two academic years from matriculation.

Core Courses (required)
– IP Survey (LAW 388)
– International IP Law (LAW 439)

One or more of these courses may be waived for candidates who have previously taken the course and received at least a B minus grade. A course waiver does not decrease the number of units that must be completed within this program.

Writing Requirement
Students must complete a written research paper either in conjunction with a 2-3 unit class in a high-tech topic or as an independent research paper (LAW 298) under the supervision of a faculty member.

Electives – 18 units (minimum)
– 15 of the 18 units must be taken from any of the approved IP electives in the intellectual property or high tech law curriculum.
– Courses are taught during the day and evening. Some courses are available on Saturdays.
– Courses taught in SCU Law summer abroad programs may be applied to the graduation unit requirement.

Grades and Grade Requirements
Candidates must receive a grade of C or better in the course to receive credit toward the degree requirement. Course examinations are graded anonymously and are non-curved. A letter grade is awarded each student.

Additional or “Overload” Courses
While 24 semester units are required for the degree, candidates may take additional classes in any area of the law by paying the per unit tuition for the course.
LL.M. Program in International and Comparative Law

Graduation Requirements

Total Units Required

Successfully complete 24 semester units.

The program assumes as a minimum, one academic year plus one summer in residence. Students must be enrolled in a minimum of 8 units per semester and the requirements for the degree must be completed within two academic years from matriculation.

Course Requirements

1. Successful completion of the academic portion of at least one Santa Clara University School of Law summer study abroad program; OR enrollment as a full-time law student for one semester at a law school with which the School of Law has a cooperative agreement. These classes will satisfy part of the 24 units required for the degree, and satisfy one or more of the area of study requirements outlined in II below.

2. To achieve a well-balanced background in international and comparative law, students should take at least one course from each of the following categories of classes: (i) public international law; (ii) private international law; and (iii) comparative law. Please refer to the complete list of approved International and Comparative Law courses.

Writing Requirement

Students must complete a written research paper in conjunction with a 2 – 3 unit class in an international law topic or as independent research paper (LAW 298) under the supervision of a faculty member.

Electives

Most upper-division courses are open to enrollment by LL.M. candidates.

Grades and Grade Requirements

Course examinations are graded anonymously and are non-curved. A letter grade is awarded each student.

Additional or “Overload” Courses

While 24 semester units are required for the degree, candidates are free to take additional classes in any area of the law by paying per unit tuition for the course.

Contact Information

For information regarding LL.M. admissions, please contact lawadmissions@scu.edu.

For information regarding LL.M. graduation requirements, please contact LawStudentServices@scu.edu.
### Santa Clara Law | LL.M. Program in United States Law
### Graduation Requirements Worksheet

The information that follows is an abbreviated version of the graduation requirements for the Law School. Please consult the Law School Bulletin for complete rules. Students are encouraged to complete this form to audit progress toward the LL.M. degree in United States Law. It is the student’s responsibility to ensure that all graduation requirements have been met.

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