



# Winter 2019 Course Schedule

## Registration Procedures and Course Listings

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## WINTER 2019 ACADEMIC CALENDAR

<b>Last Day to Add or Drop a Course</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>January 4, 2019 by 5:00pm</b>
First Day of Classes	Monday	January 7
Last Day to Elect Pass/Fail	Tuesday	January 8
Last Day of Classes	Saturday	January 12

## WINTER 2018 PRIORITY REGISTRATION

Monday	3L	November 5	(56 or more earned hours by fall 2018)
Tuesday	2L	November 6	(31-55 earned hours by fall 2018)
Wednesday	1L	November 7	(20-30 earned hours by fall 2018)

Due to the law school's [credit hour policy](#) and ABA standards governing the calculation of a credit hour, you may not register for more than one credit hour in a winter session. All classes for the winter term are limited enrollment. Registration for these classes will be prioritized by each student's earned credits, not by the date and time the registration form is submitted.

Priority registration forms for winter term may be submitted to Student Services beginning on **Monday, November 5. No registration through Howdy will be available for winter term classes.** You may register for winter term classes either by submitting an electronic registration form through the law school website Student Services page (click [here](#) for a link) or by submitting a paper hard copy to Student Services.

Do not submit electronic or paper registration forms before November 5. Student Services will not accept early requests and will not be responsible for forms dropped off early.

**On Thursday, November 8, Student Services will begin enrolling students in winter term courses by priority based on each student's anticipated earned hours at the end of the fall 2018 semester. Registration notifications will ONLY be sent to your @email.tamu.edu address, so please check it frequently.**

*Registration for the winter term will continue through 5:00 p.m. on Friday, January 4, 2019.*

### Limited Enrollment Classes & Waitlists

Waitlisting for these classes will be prioritized by each student's earned credits. Student Services will notify by e-mail all students who have requested registration in these classes to let them know whether they are registered or waitlisted. If you do not see your registration on [Howdy](#), check your @email.tamu.edu e-mail account for messages or contact Student Services to inquire about your waitlist status.

***Important message about waitlists:***

If you are waitlisted for a winter term class, you must submit a course drop form to be removed from that waitlist. If a seat becomes available at any time and you have not submitted a course drop form, you will be registered for that class accordingly. If a seat becomes available and we cannot register you for any reason, and we cannot reach you, we will move to the next person on the waitlist. Please monitor your e-mail frequently if you are on a waitlist.

**Adding and Dropping Courses**

Students may add or drop classes at Student Services from Monday, November 5 until 5:00 p.m. on Friday, January 4, 2019. After January 4, registration forms will no longer be accepted or processed.

**Enrollment Limits**

**Students may enroll in only one class for the winter term.**

**Attendance Policy**

Due to the collaborative and condensed nature of Winter Term classes, class attendance is mandatory. **Any absence for any reason will result in administrative withdrawal from the course.**

**Cancellation of Classes**

Classes may be cancelled for low enrollment. This decision is made by the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs.

**Pass/Fail Election**

To elect a course pass/fail, you must make that designation on a paper pass/fail request form. Such designations must be turned in to Student Services by the end of the day of the second class meeting. To preserve anonymity, students must not communicate a pass/fail election to the professor. Doing so is a violation of the code of conduct.

Student Services must first verify your eligibility for pass/fail credit. Please review section 8.5 of the law school's Academic Standards found in the [Student Handbook](#) for rules and limitations on pass/fail credits.

## **CREDIT HOUR POLICY**

*A complete copy of the law school's [credit hour policy](#) is available on the law school's website. The following excerpt summarizes the relevant provisions of the credit hour policy for this term.*

The Law School adheres to the federal<sup>1</sup> and ABA<sup>2</sup> definitions of a credit hour. ABA Standard 310(b) provides:

A "credit hour" is an amount of work that reasonably approximates:

- (1) not less than one hour of classroom or direct faculty instruction<sup>3</sup> and two hours of out-of-class student work<sup>4</sup> per week for fifteen weeks, or the equivalent amount of work over a different amount of time; or
- (2) at least an equivalent amount of work as required in subparagraph (1) of this definition for other academic activities as established by the institution, including simulation, field placement, clinical, co-curricular, and other academic work leading to the award of credit hours.<sup>5</sup>

The academic calendar at the Law School includes two fifteen-week semesters, the fall and spring terms, each of which includes a one week reading period/break from classes, and a two-week examination period. The summer term includes one seven-week class session and a one-week examination period. The winter session is a one-week term with an examination, paper or project.

### **Credit for Classroom Instruction**

Students are required to complete 90 credit hours to graduate. Each hour of classroom credit is based on at least 50 minutes of direct faculty instruction. For each credit hour of classroom instruction, students shall spend, on average, a minimum of 2 hours (based on a 60-minute hour) on out-of-class work during the semester.

### **Winter Session**

A one-credit course will ordinarily meet for 750 minutes during the week. Students are expected to spend, on average, a minimum of 30 hours on out-of-class work during the week or an equivalent number of hours over a longer period of time if a paper or project is due on a date after completion of the winter session class.

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<sup>1</sup> 34 C.F.R. § 600.2 (2015), Regulations of the Offices of the Department of Education.

<sup>2</sup> ABA Standards and Rules of Procedure for Approval of Law Schools (2018-2019), Standard 310(b).

<sup>3</sup> "...fifty minutes suffices for one hour of classroom or direct faculty instruction." Interpretation 310-1, ABA Standards and Rules of Procedure for Approval of Law Schools (2018-2019).

<sup>4</sup> "An 'hour' for out-of-class student work is sixty minutes." Interpretation 310-1, ABA Standards and Rules of Procedure for Approval of Law Schools (2018-2019).

<sup>5</sup> ABA Standards and Rules of Procedure for Approval of Law Schools (2018-2019), Standard 310(b).

## JURIS DOCTOR REQUIREMENTS

### Lockstep Classes

**The lockstep courses for students who began law school in fall 2016 are:** Civil Procedure; Constitutional Law; Contracts; Criminal Law; LARW I & II; Legislation & Regulation; Professional Identity; Property; and Torts. Please see the [Student Handbook](#) for a more detailed explanation of the sequence of the lockstep curriculum.

**The lockstep courses for students who began law school in or after fall 2017 are:** ADR Survey; Civil Procedure; Contracts; Criminal Law; LARW I & II; Legislation & Regulation; Professional Identity; Property; and Torts. Please see the [Student Handbook](#) for a more detailed explanation of the sequence of the lockstep curriculum.

### Upper Level Requirements for Graduation

**Students who began law school in or before fall 2016 must successfully complete these upper-level courses before graduation:**

- Business Associations I
- Criminal Procedure
- Evidence
- LARW III
- Professional Responsibility
- Wills & Estates

**Students who began law school in or after fall 2017 must successfully complete LARW III before graduation and also must successfully complete these upper-level courses during either semester of their second year:**

- Constitutional Law
- Professional Responsibility

### Important Note on Upper Level Required Courses:

#### 2018-2019 Academic Year

For course rotations and to assist in your academic planning, please review "[Planning Your Course of Study](#)," available on the law school website. (Please note that this document is updated in the spring of each year.) The document includes a listing of when advanced required and core courses will generally be offered by semester and division.

## **Oral Skills Requirement**

Students who began law school in or before fall 2015 must also successfully complete a minimum of three hours of oral skills coursework.

The following winter classes count toward the oral skills requirement:

- Deposition Skills Workshop (1)
- Labor Negotiations Workshop (1)
- Moot Court Appellate Advocacy (1)

## **Experiential Requirement**

Students who began law school in fall 2016 must successfully complete a minimum of six hours of experiential coursework.

Students who began law school in or after fall 2017 must successfully complete a minimum of six hours of experiential coursework. As part of the six credit hours, students must successfully complete an approved externship or clinic that involves advising or representing one or more actual clients or serving as a third-party neutral.

The following winter classes count toward the overall experiential requirement:

- Deposition Skills Workshop (1)
- Labor Negotiations Workshop (1)
- Moot Court Appellate Advocacy (1)

## WINTER COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

### ADR Survey (Special Topics)

LAW-7900-623                      CRN-35904

This is a required lockstep class for students who began law school in fall 2018; not available for open registration.

This course will serve as an introduction to the main three tools of Alternative Dispute Resolution: negotiation, mediation, and arbitration. (Negotiation is when two or more parties work together to achieve a voluntary, mutually acceptable agreement. Mediation is when a neutral third party (the mediator) assists the parties in communicating and negotiating in order to achieve a voluntary, mutually acceptable agreement. Arbitration is when parties choose a neutral third party (the arbitrator or a tribunal of arbitrators) to decide the outcome of a dispute in an informal setting and with the parties typically expecting that the arbitrator's decision will be the final resolution.) Through the use of lecture, simulations, and exercises, students will learn both theoretical and practical aspects of all three tools.

A final exam will be administered at the law school at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, January 12.

*No absences are allowed.*

**Instructor:**     Alkon, Garcia, Pauli, Reilly, and Welsh

### Advanced Legal Research Bootcamp (Special Topics)

LAW-7900-624                      CRN- 35905

This is designed to provide students with the skills to approach practical legal research problems in efficient and cost-effective ways. Emphasis will be placed on research strategy, accompanied by a solid understanding of the appropriate types of research resources critical in the exploration of legal issues. While both print and electronic sources will be used, the most efficient sources will be highlighted for each type of research problem explored. The fundamental goal of this course is the development of strategies and skill sets required to prepare students to perform exceptional research in a professional and academic environment.

*No absences are allowed.*

**Instructor:**     Rowlett

**Prerequisite:**   LARW I and LARW II

### **Business Organizations and the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (Special Topics)**

**LAW-7900-625**

**CRN- 35907**

The Foreign Corrupt Practices Act is a top legal concern for business organizations competing in the global marketplace. This course will introduce students to the FCPA and has the following learning objectives: (i) understanding the events and policy reasons that motivated Congress to enact the FCPA; (ii) appreciating the root causes of why companies often become the subject of FCPA; and (iii) gaining a comprehensive understanding of the FCPA's anti-bribery provisions and books and records and internal controls provisions including the ability to identify legal risk through issue-spotting videos.

**Final exam on Jan. 25 from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. at the law school.**

*No absences are allowed.*

**Instructor:** Koehler

**Prerequisite:** One year of law school in the full-time or part-time program.

### **Case Evaluation and Client Relationships (Special Topics)**

**LAW-7900-626**

**CRN- 35908**

This is a practical, real life workshop course that will teach the student how to evaluate a case and then maintain the client relationship. The term "case" means any new legal matter, whether transactional or litigation. We will touch on getting the new case, evaluating the new case and then maintaining the client relationship throughout the case. As important, we will teach the student when to reject a new case and why.

*No absences are allowed.*

**Instructor:** Zadeh

**Prerequisite:** One year of law school in the full-time or part-time program.

### **Courthouse Perspectives**

**LAW-7890-601**

**CRN- 35911**

This course will provide students with a practical, hands-on study of various courts in the Tarrant County area, including the Court of Appeals, District Courts (civil, criminal, and family), County Courts (civil, criminal, and probate), and Justice of the Peace courts. Students will learn about the function, jurisdiction, and personnel of each court. Each day will begin with a lecture at the Court of Appeals by Justice McCoy, which will be followed by visits to the various courts. During the various visits, students will be introduced to judges, court coordinators, and court reporters. If possible, students will be allowed to observe proceedings in each court they visit. This course will also stress proper courtroom etiquette and nuts-and-bolts procedural training on topics such as how to actually file a document with a court.

An initial lecture each day will take place at the Second Court of Appeals in Fort Worth; however, the exact schedule of court visits will not be available until the week before classes start, due to the unpredictability of court dockets.

**A final exam will be administered at the law school at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, January 11.**

*No absences are allowed.*

**Instructor:** Justice McCoy

**Prerequisite:** One year of law school in the full-time or part-time program.

**Deposition Skills Workshop**

**LAW-7887S-601            CRN- 35912**

*This course counts toward the oral skills or the experiential requirement.*

This course gives students the opportunity to learn the art of deposition practice and the strategy behind taking depositions. Students will learn and practice fundamental depositions skills; rules pertaining to depositions in federal and state court; how to properly notice a deposition; and how to depose parties, fact witnesses, and experts. The course will conclude with a final deposition performance class in which each student will be provided the opportunity to take and defend a deposition.

*No absences are allowed. Grading for this course will be on a Pass/Fail basis.*

**Instructor:** Dennie

**Prerequisite:** One year of law school in the full-time or part-time program, including Civil Procedure.

**Electronic Evidence Workshop (Special Topics)**

**LAW-7900-627            CRN- 35913**

This course provides a hands-on experience in introducing and excluding electronic evidence in civil trials. Students will work with a fact pattern and evidentiary documents and will practice, in a courtroom setting, introducing and excluding electronic evidence.

*No absences are allowed.*

**Instructor:** Janicek

**Prerequisite:** (1) One year of law school in the full-time or part-time program; (2) Evidence.

**Government, Ethics, & the Public Sector Externship**

**LAW-7267-601**

**CRN- 35914**

This is a required prep course for students in the spring 2019 Residency Externship Program in Washington, D.C. or Austin, TX. The course provides a review of federal and state governance, explores the extern's role in the policymaking process, introduces students to ethical issues within government, and allows students to research a topic related to their Residency Externship Program placement.

*No absences are allowed. Grading for this course will be on a Pass/Fail basis.*

**Instructor:** Rich

**Prerequisite:** Admission to Residency Externship: Washington, D.C. or Residency Externship: Austin, TX. Only students in Residency Externship: Washington, D.C. or Residency Externship: Austin, TX may enroll in this course.

**Introductory Survey of National Security Law and Policy (Special Topics) CANCELLED**

**LAW-7900-628**

**CRN- 35915**

~~This course provides an introductory survey of select domestic national security laws and policies and their impact on civil rights and civil liberties. Each day is structured for students to discuss the legal underpinnings of certain policies and practices, the strengths and weaknesses of such policies and practices, related legislative proposals, and responses by rights advocacy and community groups.~~

~~Topics include, but are not limited to, material support to terrorism, detention of suspected terrorists, anti-terrorism investigations, terrorist watch lists, national security letters, and countering violent extremism programs. Students analyze case law, executive branch policies, statutory law, and proposed legislation to obtain a comprehensive understanding of the various viewpoints relevant to these hotly debated topics. While time will be devoted developing a foundational understanding of the relevant laws and theories, the readings and class discussions will focus on the practical policy and political implications of the post 9/11 national security regime and how it has impacted individual rights in America. Students are graded based on class participation and a paper due two weeks after the winter term; there is no final exam.~~

~~**Instructor:** Aziz~~

~~**Prerequisite:** One year of law school in the full-time or part-time program.~~

**Labor Negotiations Workshop**

**LAW-7390S-601      CRN- 35916**

*This course counts toward the oral skills or the experiential requirement.*

Students will learn the process of contract negotiations in the labor setting in both the private and public sectors. Topics covered will include who has the right to bargain contracts, what can be bargained, bargaining in good faith and legal remedies. Bargaining techniques including data-driven proposals will be discussed. On the final day of the course, students will be involved in a labor bargaining simulation. Class grades are based on class participation and the final simulation exercise.

*No absences are allowed.*

**Instructor:**      Zartman

**Prerequisite:**    One year of law school in the full-time or part-time program, including Contracts.

**Moot Court Appellate Advocacy (Special Topics)**

**LAW-7900-629      CRN- 35917**

*This course counts toward the oral skills or the experiential requirement.*

This is a simulation course that offers students a substantial experience of engaging in tasks that that will help the students develop skills that, as attorneys, they will utilize as advisors and advocates in litigation and appellate matters. More specifically, this course is designed to provide students with basic oral and writing skills required to effectively participate in a moot court competition.

This course will:

- Provide students with skills training in brief writing and oral advocacy;
- Improve the performance of our students in external moot court competitions;
- Help students self-assess areas of strengths and weaknesses; and
- Foster greater collaboration among members of the Moot Court Team.

*No absences are allowed. Grading for this course will be on a Pass/Fail basis.*

**Instructor:**      Spence

**Prerequisite:**    One year of law school in the full-time or part-time program.

## COURSE LIST

COURSE NAME	COURSE # CRN	HRS	DAYS	START TIME	END TIME	START DATE	END DATE	FACULTY NAME
<b>ADR Survey (Special Topics)</b>	<b>LAW-7900-623 CRN - 35904</b> Prerequisite:	1	M-F	1:00PM	3:40PM	1/7/19	1/11/19	Alkon, Garcia, Pauli, Reilly, Welsh
								This is a required lockstep course for students who began law school in fall 2018; not available for open registration. <b>Final exam on Jan. 12 at 1:00 p.m. at the law school.</b> No absences allowed.
<b>Advanced Legal Research Bootcamp (Special Topics)</b>	<b>LAW-7900-624 CRN - 35905</b> Prerequisite:	1	M-F	1:00PM	3:40PM	1/7/19	1/11/19	Rowlett
								LARW I and LARW II No absences allowed. <u>Paper</u> or <u>Electronic</u> registration only. No Howdy registration.
<b>Business Organizations and the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (Special Topics)</b>	<b>LAW-7900-625 CRN - 35907</b> Prerequisite:	1	M-T	9:00AM	4:30PM	1/7/19	1/8/19	Koehler
								One year of law school in the full-time or part-time program. No absences allowed. <b>Final exam on Jan. 25 from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. at the law school.</b> <u>Paper</u> or <u>Electronic</u> registration only. No Howdy registration.
<b>Case Evaluation and Client Relationships (Special Topics)</b>	<b>LAW-7900-626 CRN - 35908</b> Prerequisite:	1	M-R	6:00PM	9:30PM	1/7/19	1/10/19	Zadeh
								One year of law school in the full-time or part-time program. No absences allowed. <u>Paper</u> or <u>Electronic</u> registration only. No Howdy registration.
<b>Courthouse Perspectives</b>	<b>LAW-7890-601 CRN - 35911</b> Prerequisite:	1	M-F	9:00AM	12:00PM	1/7/19	1/11/19	McCoy
								One year of law school in the full-time or part-time program. <b>Final exam on Jan. 11 at 11:00 a.m. at the law school.</b> No absences allowed. <u>Paper</u> or <u>Electronic</u> registration only. No Howdy registration.
<b>Deposition Skills Workshop</b>	<b>LAW-7887S-601 CRN - 35912</b> Prerequisite:	1	T-F S	12:00PM 9:30AM	2:00PM 2:00PM	1/8/19 1/12/19	1/11/19	Dennie
								One year of law school in the full-time or part-time program, including Civil Procedure. No absences allowed. Pass/Fail course. Counts toward the oral skills or the experiential requirement. <u>Paper</u> or <u>Electronic</u> registration only. No Howdy registration.
<b>Electronic Evidence Workshop (Special Topics)</b>	<b>LAW-7900-627 CRN - 35913</b> Prerequisite:	1	M/W/R	5:00PM	9:15PM	1/7/19	1/10/19	Janicek Hall
								(1) One year of law school in the full-time or part-time program; (2) Evidence No absences allowed. <u>Paper</u> or <u>Electronic</u> registration only. No Howdy registration.



## COURSE GRID

<b>MONDAY</b> <b>Jan. 7</b>	<b>TUESDAY</b> <b>Jan. 8</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY</b> <b>Jan. 9</b>	<b>THURSDAY</b> <b>Jan. 10</b>	<b>FRIDAY</b> <b>Jan. 11</b>	<b>SATURDAY</b> <b>Jan. 12</b>
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**IN-CLASS FINAL EXAM SCHEUDLE**

**Business Organizations and the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act**

January 25, 2019 1:00-4:00 pm

**Courthouse Perspectives**

January 11, 2019 11:00 am-12:00 pm