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## Graduation Requirements

### I. Total Credit Hours

Students must complete at least 90 credit hours with either a grade of “D” or better or an “S”. Notwithstanding the foregoing, students must earn a grade of “C” or better in Professional Responsibility or Problems in Professional Responsibility. Students must also earn a grade of “C,” or “S” if taken pass/fail, in a course that satisfies the writing requirement and a course that satisfies the experiential requirement.

### II. Residency Requirement

Students must register for a minimum of 12 credit hours per semester of law school work (including non-law school courses accepted for law school credit) to satisfy the residency requirement. To graduate, students must complete 6 semesters of law school residence, 4 of which must be completed at the University of South Carolina School of Law. Note that merely satisfying the 12 credit-hour residency requirement in each semester of a student's second and third years will not satisfy the 90 total credit hours required for graduation. Note further that by attending two summer sessions and registering for a minimum of 6 credit hours each session, a student can obtain one semester of residency. Although credit hours earned during Maymester can be included in determining the minimum 6 credit hours per summer session requirement, a student must complete at least one course during both regular 7-week summer sessions to receive residency credit.

### III. Required Upper-Level Courses

Students must successfully complete the following upper-level courses:

- **Problems in Professional Responsibility** (3 credit hours) with a grade of “C” or better
- **A Perspective Course**
- **A Writing Requirement course** with a grade of “C” or better, or “S” if taken pass/fail
- **Six credit hours of Experiential Courses** with a grade of “C” or better, or “S” if taken pass/fail

### IV. Perspective Requirement

During the academic year, the Law School will offer the following Perspective Courses:

#### Fall 2023 Semester

- American Legal History
- Bioethics Seminar
- Children and the Courts
- Climate Change Seminar
- Coastal Law
- Comparative Law
- Data Privacy
- Disability Law
- International Intellectual Property
- Law and Political Economy
- Liberty Seminar
- Reproductive Rights and Justice Seminar
- Russian Law and Legal System
- The Constitution and National Security
- Tax Policy Seminar
- Transnational Law
- Transportation Law

#### Spring 2024 Semester (Tentative)

- English Legal History
- Federal Indian Law
- Free Speech and Democratic Theory Seminar
- International Trade Law
- Juvenile Justice Seminar
- Law and Economics
- Parents Children and the State
- Poverty Law and Policy
- Race, American Society, and the Law
- Seminar on Comparative Inequality
- Seminar on Restorative and Transformative Justice
- Wrongful Convictions Seminar

## V. The Writing Requirement

To satisfy the writing requirement, a student must complete a substantial legal research project that meets the criteria in subparagraph (A) or satisfies the requirements of a proposal approved by the Curriculum Committee under subparagraph (B).

(A) To satisfy the writing requirement a paper must:

- (1) Be in the form of a law review article, brief, or memorandum of law.
- (2) Be prepared under the supervision of a member of the faculty. The supervision requirement must be satisfied by:
  - a) taking a course with not more than 20 students in which students are required to author a paper complying with the writing requirement (identified in the registration materials as a “Writing Seminar”; or
  - b) through independent research supervised by a faculty member. No faculty member shall supervise more than five such papers in any given semester.
- (3) Be submitted in final written form of 30 to 50 pages in length, after the submission of an outline and draft, that have been critiqued by the professor.
- (4) If written for a letter grade, receive a grade of at least a “C”. If written under a pass/fail election, receive a grade of “S”. Note that under a pass/fail election, a student must earn a grade of “C” or higher to receive an “S”.

(B) The Curriculum Committee is authorized to approve on a case-by-case basis other Faculty proposals for satisfying the writing requirement, such as a series of shorter memoranda, problems, or drafting exercises. The Committee will approve only those proposals involving as much legal writing, in an appropriate form, as the traditional 30–50-page paper.

Deadline for completion of the writing requirement. Unless the paper is written in a Writing Seminar that a student takes in his/her final semester, May graduates must submit their papers in final form by January 15, and December graduates must submit their papers in final form by September 1. Graduates may not satisfy the writing requirement with Supervised Legal Research in their last semester.

The following Writing Seminars and courses approved for satisfaction of the writing requirement will be offered in the academic year. Courses marked with an asterisk (\*) may satisfy the writing

requirement with the permission of the instructor.

### **Fall 2023 Semester**

- Advanced Legal Writing (**either writing requirement or experiential, but not both**)
- Bioethics Seminar (**3-hour option**) \*
- Climate Change Seminar (**3-hour option**) \*
- Disability Law (**3-hour option**) \*
- Environmental Law of SC
- International Commercial & Investment Arbitration (**3-hour option**) \*
- Law and Political Economy (**3-hour option**)
- Legal Research, Analysis, and Writing III (**either writing requirement or experiential, but not both**)
- Legal Writing for Courts (**either writing requirement or experiential, but not both**)
- Reproductive Rights and Justice Seminar (**3-hour option**) \*
- Russian Law and Legal System
- Tax Policy Seminar (**3-hour option**) \*

### **Spring 2024 Semester (Tentative)**

- Advanced Family Law (**3-hour-option**) \*
- Advanced Legal Writing (**either writing requirement or experiential, but not both**)
- Beach Law Seminar (3-hour-option) \*
- Free Speech and Democratic Theory Seminar (3-hour option)
- International Trade Law (**3-hour option**)
- Juvenile Justice Seminar (**3-hour-option**) \*
- Technology Law: Law of the Newly Possible (**3-hour option**) \*
- The Future of the Legal Profession
- Wrongful Convictions Seminar (**3-hour option**) \*

**Note** that even if a student earns a grade of “C” or better in a Writing Seminar or a course approved by the Curriculum Committee, the professor may refuse to certify that the student’s paper has satisfied the Writing Requirement if the paper is deficient.

**Note** that a student may satisfy the Writing Requirement by submitting a brief prepared for a moot court competition only if the student’s individual work product is at least 30 pages in length and a supervising professor has reviewed a preliminary and a final draft.

## The Experiential Courses Requirement

Each law student must successfully complete at least six credit hours of Experiential Courses with a grade of “C” or better or a grade of “S” in a pass/fail course to graduate. The faculty have designated the following courses as the only courses that can be taken to satisfy the Experiential graduation requirement.

### Fall 2023 Semester

- Advanced Legal Writing (**either writing requirement or experiential, but not both**)
- Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Appellate Advocacy
- Corporate In-House Counsel Fundamentals
- Criminal Trial Practice
- Domestic Violence Clinic
- Education Rights Clinic
- Estate Planning
- In-House Counsel Externship
- Interviewing, Counseling & Negotiation
- Judicial Externship
- Legal Research, Analysis, and Writing III (**either writing requirement or experiential, but not both**)
- Legal Writing for Courts (**either writing requirement or experiential, but not both**)
- Public Interest Externship
- South Carolina Law and Criminal Procedure
- Trial Advocacy
- Youth Defender Clinic

### Spring 2024 Semester (Tentative)

- Administrative Law Externship
- Advanced Legal Analysis
- Advanced Legal Writing (**either writing requirement or experiential, but not both**)
- Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Appellate Advocacy
- Carolina Health Advocacy Medicolegal Partnership Clinic
- Children’s Law Externship
- Civil Litigation Capstone
- Criminal Law Externship
- Criminal Practice Clinic
- Electronic Discovery
- Estate Planning
- Family and Small Business Externship
- Federal Criminal Practice Capstone
- Interviewing, Counseling, & Negotiation
- Judicial Externship
- Motions Practice
- Nonprofit Organizations Clinic
- Real Estate Transactions Capstone
- Real Estate Transactions II
- Small Business Organization Capstone
- South Carolina Law and Criminal Procedure
- Trial Advocacy
- Veterans Legal Clinic

## The Registration Process

### I. Dates and Times for SSC Registration

Except for the Client-Contact Clinics, Externships courses listed with permission of instructor notation, Supervised Legal Research, Mock Trial and Moot Court Competitions, Capstone Courses, and Editorial Board Positions, registration will be via Self Service Carolina (SSC). See Section IV for the procedures to register for Client-Contact Clinics. See Section VII for the procedures for registering for Supervised Legal Research, Moot Court and Mock Trial Competitions, and Editorial Positions.

**Rising third-year students will register on Monday, March 27, at 12:40 p.m. Rising second-year students will register on Wednesday, March 29, 2023, at 12:20pm.** To register using SSC, you will need your VIP identification number and password and the course reference numbers (CRN) which will be available on Self Service Carolina for the courses in which you wish to register.

### II. Progression-Entry Courses and Block Pre-Registration

There is one required upper-level course, which must be completed prior to graduation: Problems in Professional Responsibility. There are five other courses that are designated as Progression-Entry Courses. These courses are Business Associations, Criminal Procedure, Evidence, Income Tax, and Wills, Trusts & Estates. Each of these courses is a prerequisite for other courses in their subject areas and must be taken in the second year if you wish to take certain other courses in the subject progression during your third year. **Problems in Professional Responsibility is the only Progression-Entry Course required for graduation.**

For all these courses, rising 2L students will be given registration priority over rising 3Ls. Rising 3Ls will not be permitted to register for these courses until **1:00 p.m. on March 29**, subject to space being available in the course.

#### Block Pre-registration

Block pre-registration is being used in the 2023-2024 academic year for Problems in Professional Responsibility, Business Associations, Criminal Procedure, Evidence, and Wills, Trusts & Estates. Block pre-registration is designed to ensure that every rising 2L student has an opportunity to take Problems in Professional Responsibility and the progression-entry courses. Under the block pre-registration system, the rising 2L class has been divided into three blocked sections for the full academic year. Students in each blocked section will be pre-registered for specified sections of Problems in Professional Responsibility, Business Associations, Criminal Procedure, Evidence, and Wills, Trusts & Estates. A student may elect to drop one or more of the pre-registered courses for which the student was assigned before registration. Students may also drop and/or enroll in another section if space is available at their scheduled registration time. Students who elect not to take the required course at the blocked time should keep in mind that they will be permitted to register for the course as a 3L only if space permits after 2L registration.

#### Progression-Entry Course

Problems in Professional Responsibility, Business Associations, Criminal Procedure, Evidence, and Wills, Trusts & Estates subject to block registration. Rising 2Ls do retain registration priority. Rising 3Ls may not register for these courses until **1:00 p.m. on March 29**, after rising 2L students have had an opportunity to register.

### III. Third-Year Students: Registration for Progression-Entry or Block Registration Courses Prohibited Until After Second-Year Registration

A rising third-year student may not register for Block Registration courses prior to open admission at **1:00 p.m. on March 29.**

### IV. Registration for Client-Contact Clinics: Lottery

Registration for Carolina Health Advocacy Medicolegal Partnership Clinic (CHAMPS), Criminal Practice Clinic, Domestic Violence Clinic, Education Rights Clinic, Nonprofit Organization Clinic, Veterans Legal Clinic, and Youth Defender Clinic will be conducted through the lottery for Client-Contact Clinics.

Note that the March 2023 Lottery is for both Fall 2023 and Spring 2024 courses. If you wish to take a client-contact clinic in either the Fall 2023 or Spring 2024 semester, you must submit your preferences via the link on the Law Registrar's website or the link sent by email. The deadline to submit your preferences is by 1:00 p.m., Monday, March 20. Results of the Lottery will be emailed by the close of business day, Wednesday, March 22.

Students who were not enrolled in a clinic will receive an email with a link to an online waitlist form for all clinics. Students will be able to add themselves to any clinic's waitlist. The waitlist link will be open the day after the registration closes and will be first come/first serve; however, 3Ls will receive priority over 2Ls. The waitlist link will be shared with students who participated in the lottery before it is distributed to the general student population. Students who are selected for a clinic from the waitlist will be notified via email and will have **24 hours** to accept their spot. If the clinic does not hear from the student within 24 hours, the spot will be offered to the next student on the waitlist. Students who are offered enrollment from the waitlist and decline or are non-responsive will be removed from that clinic's waitlist. Please think carefully about which clinics you wish to sign up for and be prepared to accept enrolment if offered.

Note the following Limitations and Requirements for Clinical Course Enrollment

- A. Enrollment is limited to third-year students and second-year students in their second semester who have met the eligibility requirements. December graduates are eligible in the spring semester of their second year. To take a client-contact clinic, a student must be in good academic standing at the beginning of the semester in which the clinic is offered and have completed a professional responsibility course.
- B. A student may not enroll in more than one Client-Contact Clinic for the entire academic year.
- C. A student selected for a Client-Contact Clinic may not enroll in Interviewing, Counseling, and Negotiation in the same semester or future semesters, an externship during that same semester, or a Capstone Course during the same semester. Students who were enrolled in a clinic in the fall semester may enroll in a Capstone with special permission from the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs. Students who have taken Interviewing, Counseling, and Negotiations may enroll in a Client Contact Clinic provided they are not in the same semester.
- D. A mandatory class meeting for all Fall 2023 client-contact clinic students will be held during the first week of classes.

- E. Once you have been assigned to a clinic, you must notify the clinic professor if you choose to drop it. If you are considering dropping a clinic, we highly encourage you to contact the clinical professor as soon as possible. This will allow for faster movement of the waitlist and help with general clinic administration.
- F. \* CHAMPS Clinic - An enrolled student must start participating in the security clearances in October of each year or they will be removed from this Clinic.
- G. The prerequisites must be met before a student may enroll in a clinical course. The courses and respective prerequisites are listed below:
  - **Carolina Health Advocacy Medicolegal Partnership (CHAMPS):** Evidence and PPR
  - **Criminal Practice Clinic:** Evidence, Criminal Procedure, and PPR
  - **Domestic Violence Clinic:** Evidence and PPR
  - **Education Rights Clinic:** Evidence and PPR
  - **Nonprofit Organizations Clinic:** PPR
  - **Veterans Legal Clinic:** Evidence and PPR
  - **Youth Defender Clinic:** Evidence, Criminal Procedure, and PPR

#### **V. Registration for Capstone Courses: Lottery**

Registration for Civil Litigation Capstone, Federal Criminal Practice Capstone, Real Estate Transactions Capstone, and Small Business Organization Capstone is subject to the Capstone Lottery. The lottery will take place after the results of the clinic lottery have been emailed.

If you wish to enroll in a Capstone course for the Spring 2024 semester, you must submit your preferences via the link on the law registrar's website or the link sent by email. The deadline to submit your preferences is by 2 pm, Friday, March 26. Results of the Capstone lottery will be emailed by the close of business day, Monday, March 27.

Note the following Limitations and requirements for Capstone Enrollment:

- A. There will be no waiting lists for the Capstone Lottery courses. However, if there are seats available on the Capstone courses, students who participated in the lottery will have priority. A student who is enrolled in a client-contact clinic will not be eligible to participate in the capstone lottery.
- B. A student may not enroll in more than one Capstone Course.
- C. A student selected for a Capstone Course may not enroll in Interviewing, Counseling, and Negotiation during that same semester, an externship during that same semester, or a Client-Contact Clinic in the same semester. Students who were enrolled in a clinic in the fall semester may enroll in a Capstone with special permission from the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs if there are seats available
- D. Enrollment is limited to third-year students. December graduates are eligible in the spring semester of their second year.



- E. All prerequisites must be met before a student may enroll in a capstone. The courses and respective prerequisites are listed below:
- **Civil Litigation Capstone (5 credit hours):** Evidence and PPR/PR. PPR can be taken as a co-requisite
  - **Federal Criminal Practice Capstone (4 credit hours):** Criminal Procedure, Evidence, and PPR/PR
  - **Real Estate Transactions Capstone (5 credit hours):** Real Estate Transactions I
  - **Small Business Organization Capstone (5 credit hours):** Business Associations

## VI. Reading Groups

Reading Groups are intended to facilitate an intellectually rich academic experience through informal, in-depth discussions between faculty and students. Each Reading Group will be convened to explore a legal topic or theme through the study of appropriate readings, films, and other materials. Reading groups are intended to foster deeper conversations about legal issues than traditional classes permit, especially including conversations regarding sensitive or controversial legal issues between diverse groups of students.

Reading groups are one-credit-hour courses that must meet no less than 13 hours over the course of the fall and spring semesters. After successful completion of the course at the end of the spring semester, students will have earned one credit hour total, which will be applied to the fall semester, the semester the student enrolled. An additional credit hour is not earned in the spring semester. Reading Groups must meet for at least 4 hours and may not meet for more than 9 hours in any one semester.

Class meetings will be scheduled by the convening faculty member and may be located at the law school or another professionally appropriate venue. Reading Groups are graded on a pass/fail basis. Students will be assessed based on their attendance, participation, and completion of written work that totals a minimum of five pages. The Attendance Policy applies to Reading Group meetings. Students are only allowed to participate in one reading group per academic year.

Enrollment is limited to 8 students (4 rising 3Ls and 4 rising 2Ls) and no hardship petitions will be granted.

Reading Groups for 2023-2024

- Critical Legal History: On Race, Class, and Power in America (Professor Toussaint)
- In-House Counsel Practice (Professor Charles Durant)
- Insider Knowledge Carceral Institutions from Behind Bars (Professor Madalyn Wasilczuk)
- Personal Finance Literacy for Young Lawyers (Professor Dan Brackmann)

## VII. Application Only Courses

An application is required to be considered for enrollment in Coastal Law Field Lab and externships.

**Coastal Law Field Lab:**

More information will be provided in October 2023.

**Externships:**

Students participating in the externships will be placed with lawyers/judges outside of the Law School and should be able to spend 8-10 hours per week at the location of their placement. Participating students must also attend a regular classroom component of the program. **Students are limited to 2 externships.** Contact Director Stephanie Nye for information. There are additional externships offered in the spring semester, please check the tentative spring schedule.

**Note** that only rising 3Ls may participate in fall 2023 externships.

**VIII. Hardship Petitions**

Students who are not able to register for a course because it is closed may petition after **3:00 pm on Wednesday, March 29**, for admission to the course because of hardship. Students seeking hardship admission must submit a written petition to the Law Registrar's office to be reviewed by the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs. The petition must show a reason the student would like to be admitted to the course in the Fall 2023 semester. Forms for the submission of hardship petitions are available in the office of the Law School Registrar and online at the Law School Registrar's website, under [forms](#).

Factors considered when evaluating hardship petitions include:

- (a) Whether a second-year student seeks to register for a section of a Second Year-Progression Course other than the section for which the student has been preregistered;
- (b) Whether the student could take the course in a future semester; and
- (c) Whether the student seeks to take the same course but with a different professor.

Hardship petitions will usually be denied if the course has limited enrollment for pedagogical reasons or because of classroom seating limits.

Students are encouraged to submit hardship petitions by **April 3<sup>rd</sup>** for consideration. The Associate Dean will aim to respond to hardships **before final exams**. Notice of the Associate Dean's decision will be e-mailed to the student. Students will have 72 hours (about 3 days) to adjust their schedule if needed to be enrolled in the approved course. Failure to comply within 72 hours (about 3 days) will result in the loss of opportunity. Note: No hardship petitions will be reviewed during the final examination period.

**IX. Drop/Add**

Students may drop/add courses by SSC any time after the registration period until Wednesday, August 23 (subject to the course meeting the entire semester). After that date, students may change their schedules only with permission of the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs.

**X. Non-course Work: Supervised Legal Research, Moot Court and Mock Trials, and Editorial Positions**

**A. Supervised Legal Research**

Supervised Legal Research is awarded one or two credit hours, depending upon the extent of the writing project.

**To register for Supervised Legal Research students must:**

- 1) Obtain a supervised legal research form from the Law Registrar's Office, Suite 128
- 2) Contact a faculty member in your area of interest, agree on a topic, and have the faculty member sign the form.
- 3) Leave the form with the Law Registrar's Office, which will forward it to the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs for approval. If approved, the Law Registrar's office will register you for this course. **You cannot register for the course on SSC.**

**B. Moot Court & Mock Trial Competitions**

Moot Court and Mock Trial Competitions are awarded two or three credit hours, depending upon the hours worked and submitted in CLIO. For two credit hours, a student must have worked a minimum of 85 hours. For three credit hours, a student must have worked a minimum of 127.5 hours. Students may receive credit for moot court or mock trial work only if their work is reflected in a written product and meets the criteria set out by each organization.

**To register for credit as a participant on one of the Law School's Moot Court or Mock Trial competition teams, students must:**

- 1) Obtain a form for supervised extracurricular competition from the Law Registrar's Office, suite 128.
- 2) Return the form to the Law Registrar's Office. The Law Registrar's Office will register you for the course.
- 3) The Law Registrar's Office will contact the Chief Justice and faculty advisor to verify the hours have been met to receive credit.

**Note:** Credit for Editorial Positions is normally awarded in the second semester of a student's third year.

**C. Editorial Positions**

Editorial Board Position Members may be awarded two or three credit hours, depending upon the hours worked and submitted in CLIO. For two credit hours, a student must have worked a minimum of 85 hours. For three credit hours, a student must have worked a minimum of 127.5 hours. Students may receive credit for editorial board

positions only if their work is reflected in a written product and meets the criteria set out by each organization.

**To register for credit as a participant on one of the Law School's Journal Editorial Boards, students must:**

- 1) Obtain a form for the Editorial Board from the Law Registrar's Office, suite 128.
- 2) Return the form to the Law Registrar's Office. The Law Registrar's Office will register you for the course.
- 3) The Law Registrar's Office will contact the Editor in Chief and faculty advisor to verify the hours have been met to receive credit.

**Note:** Credit for Editorial Positions is normally awarded in the second semester of a student's third year.

#### **XI. Examination Date Conflicts; Overlapping Course Times**

Courses that meet at the same time are given the same examination date to prevent examination conflicts. Because the number of scheduling blocks exceeds the number of examination dates, it is possible that you may want to register for two courses that have the same examination date. Inform the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs at the beginning of the semester if you have such a conflict. We will arrange for an alternative examination date for one of the courses. **However, Law School Rules preclude the Associate Dean from postponing an examination on the grounds that a student has several examinations in sequence.** See [Law Student Handbook](#).

A student may not enroll in courses that overlap in meeting times. It is your responsibility to ensure that meeting times do not overlap. A student who registers for courses violating this rule may be dropped from one or both courses.

#### **XII. Audits, Pass/Fail Credit, Non-Law Courses**

A student wishing to audit a course may only do so with the approval of the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, if there is room in the course after all students taking the course for credit have enrolled and are subject to the following conditions. The course does not count toward the graduation or semester residency requirement and the student must pay additional tuition if the total credit hours taken in the semester, including the audited course, exceeds 16 hours; the student may not later take the course for credit. The deadline to register for a course as an audit is the end of drop/add.

In addition to Introduction to the Legal Profession, a student may take a maximum of six credit hours during the upper-level years of their law school career on a pass/fail basis. However, pass/fail credit is available only in those courses offered exclusively on a pass/fail basis or, with the instructor's consent, in Supervised Legal Research. A paper cannot be changed from pass/fail to a letter grade, or vice versa, after the end of the University period for changing a pass/fail election, which is usually 3 weeks after the end of drop/add.

During their law school career, second and third-year students may take a maximum of two courses offered in other departments of the University for up to six hours of law school credit, with the prior

permission of the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs. Only graduate (500-level and above) courses are acceptable. If a student enrolls in a course offered by another department, not for law school credit, the hours earned will not count towards the 12 credit hours required for residency.

NOTE: See the [Law Registrar's Website](#) for course descriptions and advisement materials on the upper-level curriculum.

### **XIII. Variable Credit Courses**

Some courses are designed as variable credit courses. Typically, a student may elect to take the course for 2 credit hours or complete a more substantial writing assignment for 3 credit hours. It is the responsibility of students to make certain that they have registered properly for the desired number of hours before the deadline for doing so. The number of credit hours will not be changed up or down after the end of the drop/add period.

University of South Carolina School of Law 2023-2024 Academic Calendar

<b>Fall Term 2023</b>		
First-Year Orientation	Wed-Fri & Mon	August 9-11 & 14, 2023
First Day of Class ( <b>Monday class schedule</b> )	Wednesday	August 16, 2023
Last Day of Drop-Add	Wednesday	August 23, 2023
Labor Day Holiday ( <b>No classes</b> )	Monday	September 4, 2023
Fall Break	Thursday - Sunday	October 19-22, 2023
Last day for Regular Class Schedule	Friday	November 17, 2023
Make-up Day for Classes	Monday	November 20, 2023
Reading Day	Tuesday	November 21, 2023
Thanksgiving Recess ( <b>No classes</b> )	Wednesday - Sunday	November 22-26, 2023
Final Examinations	Monday - Friday	Nov 27 – Dec 8, 2023
Law School Hooding	Saturday	December 9, 2023
Make-up Exam Day	Monday	December 11, 2023
University Commencement	Monday	December 18, 2023

<b>Spring Term 2024</b>		
First Day of Class	Monday	January 8, 2024
Last Day of Drop-Add	Tuesday	January 16, 2024
Martin Luther King, Jr., Holiday ( <b>No classes</b> )	Monday	January 15, 2024
Spring Break ( <b>No classes</b> )	Saturday - Sunday	March 2 - 10, 2024
Last Day for Regular Class Schedule	Monday	April 15, 2024
Reading Day	Tuesday	April 16, 2024
Final Examinations	Wednesday-Tuesday	April 17–30, 2024
Make-up Exam Day	Wednesday	May 1, 2024
Law School Hooding and Commencement	Friday	May 3, 2024

<b>May and Summer Terms 2024</b>		
London Maymester Begins	Sunday	May 5, 2024
May Term Begins	Monday	May 6, 2024
May Term (including London) Ends	Thursday	May 23, 2024
Memorial Day ( <b>No classes</b> )	Monday	May 27, 2024
First Day of Summer Term	Tuesday	May 28-, 2024
Last day of Drop-Add	TBD	TBD
Independence Day ( <b>No classes</b> )	Thursday	July 4, 2024
Last day of Classes	TBD	TBD
Final Examinations	TBD	TBD

## I. Advisement Information

### *Subject Areas of the Upper-Level Curriculum and Subject Area Advisors*

In planning course selection, students may want to consider the possibility of concentrating on certain areas of the curriculum. The following is a list of areas of the curriculum with a suggested list of courses in each area. Not all courses are offered each year. Faculty advisers are listed for each area for students who would like further information:

#### ***Business Law***

<b>Advisor</b>	<b>Office Number</b>	<b>Email Address</b>
Professor Martin McWilliams	336	mcwilliams@sc.edu
Professor Ben Means	314	meansb@law.sc.edu
Professor Etienne Toussaint	239	ectoussaint@sc.edu
Professor Emily Winston	229	winstone@mailbox.sc.edu

- Banking Law
- Business Associations
- Business Torts
- Corporate Finance
- Corporate Tax
- Financing the Start Up
- Income Tax
- International Business Transactions
- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Nonprofit Organizations
- Partnership & LLC Taxation
- Regulation of the Financial Sector and Money
- Sales
- Securities Regulation
- Small Business Capstone Course
- Social Impact of Business Activity

Other recommended courses:

- Drafting Business Agreements
- Intellectual Property
- International Intellectual Property
- International Trade Law
- Nonprofit Organizations Clinic
- Trademark Law

**Note:** There are several other courses that would be useful to students who wish to practice Business Law, such as Administrative Law. In addition, an attorney who

practices business law would profit from exposure to other business-related fields, such as commercial law, labor law, and intellectual property law.

***Children’s Law***

<b>Advisor</b>	<b>Office Number</b>	<b>Email Address</b>
Professor Derek Black	230	blackdw@mailbox.sc.edu
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- Advanced Family Law
- Children and the Courts
- Children’s Law Externship
- Constitutional Issues in Public Education
- Education Law & Policy
- Education Law and Policy: Student Safety and Wellbeing
- Education Rights Clinic
- Family Law
- Juvenile Justice
- Parents, Children & the Law
- Poverty Law & Policy
- Special Education Law
- Youth Defender Clinic

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- Bankruptcy
- Consumer Law
- Sales
- Secured Transactions

***Constitutional Rights***

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- Eight Amendment Law and Litigation
- Employment Discrimination
- Free Speech & Democracy Theory Seminar
- Reproductive Justice Seminar
- The Constitution & National Security
- Women and the Law

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- Criminal Adjudication
- Criminal Law Externship
- Criminal Procedure
- Criminal Trial Practice
- Criminal Practice Clinic
- Domestic Violence Clinic
- Eighth Amendment Law and Litigation
- Police Law & Policy
- Regulation of Vice
- South Carolina Law and Criminal Procedure
- Trial Advocacy
- Youth Defender Clinic

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- Administrative Law
- Climate Change Seminar
- Coastal Law
- Coastal Law Field Lab
- Energy Law
- Environmental Law of Natural Resources
- Environmental Law and Policy
- International Environmental Law

- Land Use Planning
- Water Law

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- Advanced Family Law
- Caretaking, the Family, and the Law
- Carolina Health Advocacy Medicolegal Partnership Clinic
- Children & The Courts
- Children’s Law Externship
- Domestic Violence Clinic
- Education Rights Clinic
- Family Law
- Juvenile Justice
- Youth Defender Clinic
- Parents, Children, and the Law

Other recommended courses:

- Income Tax

**Health Law**

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- Administrative Law
- Bioethics Seminar
- Food & Drug Law
- Food Law and Policy
- Health Law: Finance and Organization
- Health Law & Policy
- Insurance
- Intersection of Health Law and Technology
- Public Health Law
- Topics in Insurance

### ***Intellectual Property***

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- Copyright Law
- Intellectual Property
- International Intellectual Property
- Patent Law
- Trademark Law

### ***International and Comparative Law***

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- Comparative Law
- International Business Transactions
- International Human Rights Skills Course
- International Environmental Law
- International Trade Law
- Rule of Law Seminar
- Russian Law and Legal System
- Transnational Law

### ***Labor & Employment Law***

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- Employment Discrimination
- Individual Employment Law
- Principles of Labor Law
- South Carolina Workers Compensation

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- Alternative Dispute Resolution
- ADR In Employment Workshop
- Administrative Law
- Advanced Civil Procedure
- Appellate Advocacy
- Civil Litigation Capstone
- Conflict of Laws
- Criminal Trial Practice
- Criminal Practice Clinic
- Discovery Drafting
- Domestic Violence Clinic
- Electronic Discovery
- Evidence
- Federal Courts
- Interviewing, Counseling, and Negotiation
- Problems in Professional Responsibility
- Topics in Insurance Law
- Trial Advocacy
- Youth Defender Clinic

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- Estate Planning
- Fiduciary Administration
- Income Tax
- Wills, Trusts, and Estates

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- Environmental Law Clinic

- Environmental Law and Policy
- Estate Planning
- Land Use Planning
- Real Estate Transactions I
- Real Estate Transactions II
- Real Estate Transaction Capstone

15. **Taxation**

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- Income Tax
- Corporate Tax
- Partnership & LLC Taxation
- State and Local Tax
- Tax Policy Seminar
- Tax Practicum
- Taxation of Property Transactions

Other recommended course:

- Nonprofit Organizations

16. **Technology Law**

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- Climate Change Seminar
- Copyright Law
- Electronic Discovery
- Energy Law
- Environmental Law and Policy
- Intellectual Property
- International Intellectual Property
- Patent Law
- Products Liability
- Technology and the Practice of Law
- Technology Law: Law of the Newly Possible
- The Future of the Legal Profession
- Trademark
- Transportation Law