All Juris Doctor Courses

5002 – Professional Writing for Litigators **Experiential**

Course has prerequisites

(2 hours). Prerequisite: Satisfactory completion of Legal Research & Writing I, Intro to Brief Writing, and Oral Advocacy. This course is designed to provide students with the tools necessary to evaluate, modify, and design litigation documents (excluding substantive motions and briefs). The focus of this course is on learning the processes necessary for effective written communication with clients and other professionals and for production of litigation-related documents. Students will apply these processes in creating and modifying client and opposing counsel communications, discovery requests and responses, administrative motions, supporting evidence, and jury instructions.

5103 – Civil Procedure I **First-Year Required Courses**

(3 hours). Civil procedure in state and federal courts; introductory survey of procedures by which questions of substantive law commonly are raised and determined; procedural and remedial background; law governing controversies in federal courts; details of procedure in a lawsuit, including forum selection, pleading, joinder of claims and parties, discovery, the pretrial conference, disposition without trial, trial before a judge or jury, post-trial motions and appeals; issue and claim preclusion. (F)

5114 – Contracts **First-Year Required Courses**

(4 hours). This first year survey course will explore the nature and enforceability of promises. Subjects include contract formation, performance, termination of contracts, material breach, remedies for breach of contract, mistake and excuse for nonperformance, statute of frauds, interpretation of contract language, conditions, assignment and delegation, and third-party beneficiaries.

5134 – Constitutional Law **First-Year Required Courses**

(4 hours). Selected issues, including judicial review; the judicial process in construing and applying the United States Constitution; federal and state powers, federalism and separation of powers; an introduction to the concepts of equal protection and due process.

5144 – Torts **First-Year Required Courses**

(4 hours). Introduction to basic principles of civil liability, with study of selected issues, which may include intentional wrongs, negligence, strict liability, vicarious liability, defenses and immunities, comparative fault, assessment of damages, nuisance, products liability, misrepresentation, injuries to reputation, and alternative compensation systems.

5201 – Introduction to Brief Writing **First-Year Required Courses**

Course has prerequisites

(1 hour). Prerequisite: Satisfactory completion of Legal Writing and Analysis. Introduction to the principles and practice of written advocacy. Students complete a trial-level motion brief and appellate brief. While building on the analytical, writing, and research skills learned in LRW I, this course focuses on the lawyer's need to become self-directed and reflective while engaging in increasingly complex research, legal analysis, writing, and editing for persuasion.

5203 – Civil Procedure II **First-Year Required Courses**

(3 hours). Civil procedure in state and federal courts; introductory survey of procedures by which questions of substantive law commonly are raised and determined; procedural and remedial background; law governing controversies in federal courts; details of procedure in a lawsuit, including forum selection, pleading, joinder or claims and parties, discovery, the pretrial conference, disposition without trial, trial before a judge or jury, post-trial motions and appeals; issue and claim preclusion. (F)

5223 – Criminal Law **First-Year Required Courses**

(3 hours). This course examines the core doctrines of the criminal law, including its "general part" consisting of the justifications of punishment, the criminal act, mens rea, justification and excuse, attempt, complicity, and conspiracy; and a small portion of the criminal law's "special part" consisting of criminal homicide and, as time allows, burglary, theft, and other crimes.

5234 – Property **First-Year Required Courses**

(4 hours). Introduction to basic property concepts, including adverse possession; estates in land; landlord and tenant; concurrent estates; nonpossessory interests (including easements, licenses, covenants and equitable servitudes); and real estate transactions.

5301 – Oral Advocacy **First-Year Required Courses**

Course has prerequisites

(1 hour). Prerequisite: Satisfactory completion of Legal Writing and Analysis and Intro to Brief Writing. Using appellate briefs written in Introduction to Brief Writing, students will study principles of oral advocacy and learn to effectively organize and make affirmative oral arguments and respond to questions and concerns in a simulated courtroom setting. The course culminates in three mock appellate-level oral arguments before panels of student judges, professors, practitioners, and judges.

5303 – Criminal Procedure: Investigation **Menu**

(3 hours). This course examines the constitutional criminal procedure of police investigations, including the Fourth Amendment's protection against unreasonable search and seizure, the Fifth Amendment's guarantee of due process and privilege against compulsory self-incrimination, and the Sixth Amendment's right to counsel.

5314 – Evidence **Upper Division Required Courses**

(4 hours). Presentation of evidence; judicial control and legal reasoning in the determination of issues of fact; the admissibility of evidence, including relevancy; testimonial and real evidence; and the exclusion of evidence, including hearsay and privileged communications.

5323 – Professional Responsibility **Upper Division Required Courses**

(3 hours). The nature of law as a profession; problems facing the profession and the individual lawyer. Fundamentals of legal ethics and responsibilities, with emphasis on the Model Rules of Professional Conduct of the American Bar Association.

5410 – Bankruptcy **Menu**

(3 hours). Rights and remedies of debtors and creditors; bankruptcy including liquidation, reorganization, and wage earner plans; attachment; judgment execution; garnishment; fraudulent conveyances; bulk sales and collection remedies including compositions and assignments.

5433 – Corporations **Menu**

(3 hours). This course provides an introduction to corporate law. Brief coverage is given to factors bearing on the choice of organization, the process of corporate formation, and corporate capital structure. Close examination is given to the governance structure of the corporation and the fiduciary obligations of directors and officers. The course also addresses forces that serve to discipline directors and officers, such as voting rights and the market for corporate control.

5443 – Family Law **Menu**

(3 hours). The rights, obligations, and liabilities arising from marital and nonmarital relations; divorce; marital property, alimony; and child support.

5450 – The First Amendment **Menu**

Course has prerequisites

(3 hours). Prerequisite: Constitutional Law. Individual rights of expression, assembly, association and religion; permissible government restrictions and regulations in relation to activities protected by the First Amendment. 1. This is a “menu” course. 2. This is a “bar” course. Approximately half of the MBE questions on constitutional law focus on “individual rights,” including the First Amendment topics below. • Freedom of religion and separation of church and state a. Free exercise b. Establishment • Freedom of expression a. Content-based regulation of protected expression b. Content-neutral regulation of protected expression c. Regulation of unprotected expression d. Regulation of commercial speech e. Regulation of, or impositions upon, public school

students, public employment, licenses, or benefits based upon exercise of expressive or associational rights f. Regulation of expressive conduct g. Prior restraint, vagueness, and overbreadth • Freedom of the press • Freedom of association 3. Format of class – Primarily lecture; no student calls to rostrums.

5470 – Wills and Trusts **Menu**

(3 hours). Intestate succession; execution, interpretation, amendment, revocation and contest of wills; rights of decedent's family; will substitutes and the avoidance of probate; creation, validity, funding, amendment and termination of trusts and the fiduciary obligation.

5543 – Federal Courts **Menu**

(3 hours). Examines concepts of case or controversy; federal subject-matter jurisdiction; supplemental jurisdiction; venue; removal; substantive law applied in federal courts; the relationship of Congress and the federal courts; and the relationship of the state and federal courts.

5602 – Comparative Indigenous Peoples' Law **Seminar**
Seminar

(2 hours). The seminar will examine the differences and similarities between Canadian, United States, Australian and New Zealand laws affecting native peoples. Participants in the seminar will include students from the University of Ottawa Law School, University of Saskatchewan, Aukland University, Victoria University, and Monash University attending via television. Professors from these schools will co-moderate. Paper required. Federal Indian Law is not a prerequisite, but recommended.

5633 – Native American Natural Resources **Elective Courses**

(3 hours). After an overview of the history of U.S. native policy and the basic doctrines of Indian law, this course covers a variety of issues relating to tribal interests in and jurisdiction over environmental resources. Course coverage includes tribal rights to land; land use and environmental protection in Indian country; economic and natural resource development issues (including grazing, minerals, timber and taxation); water rights; hunting and fishing rights; as well as international perspectives on indigenous resources. Throughout the course, students will consider the roles of the tribal, federal, and state governments in resource regulation and use.

5642 – Indigenous Peacemaking **Elective Courses**

(2 hours). Students will study the history of Native American traditional justice practices to compare with the contemporary system of justice in the United States today. The class will learn the elements of Peacemaking and how to be a Peacemaker as a judge, a lawyer, a community leader, a teacher and an advocate for healing communities. The class will create a Peacemaking model to address prosecution, incarceration, recidivism, sentencing, mental health, victim protection orders, domestic violence and

family law orders. The class will look at Peacemaking for the perpetrators and the victims, for adults and juveniles. The class will also study the Tribal Law and Order Act, Violence Against Women Act and how Courts might use Peacemaking in reducing incarceration in these areas.

5703 – Antitrust Law **Elective Courses**

(3 hours). This course covers the fundamentals of federal antitrust law, which sets the nationwide ground rules for competition and cooperation in the marketplace. Topics include cartels, monopolies, price fixing, price discrimination, supplier restrictions on retailers, unfair trade practices, mergers, and federal merger review. Laws explored include the Sherman Act, Clayton Act, Robinson-Patman Act, and the FTC Act. No economics background is required. The first portion of the course will cover the relevant economic theory under the assumption that students have no economics background at all.

5733 – Unincorporated Business Entities **Menu**

(3 hours). Deals with the legal principles concerning association in business by agency, partnership, and other unincorporated forms. The agency relationship and its consequences are covered in detail. Unincorporated business organizations such as the general partnership, LP, and LLC are covered, focusing on topics such as formation, liability, fiduciary obligations, and dissolution. If time permits LLP and closely-held corporations will be included. (F, Sp)

5753 – Federal Securities Regulation **Elective Courses**

(3 hours). This course provides an introduction to the regulation of the issuance and trading of securities. Topics include requirements regarding the registration of securities, exemptions from registration, and civil liabilities under the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, with special attention to liability for fraud and insider trading.

5763 – Mergers and Acquisitions **Elective Courses**

Course has prerequisites

(3 hours). Prerequisites: Prior or concurrent enrollment in Corporations or Business Associations is recommended, although not mandatory. The course provides an understanding of the issues arising in business acquisition (and divestiture) transactions. Coverage is given to theories underlying acquisitions, alternative acquisition techniques and planning considerations that bear on the choice among those techniques.

5830 – Criminal Procedure: Adjudication **Menu**

Course has prerequisites

(3 hours). Prerequisites: Criminal Law. This course examines the adjudicatory phase of our criminal procedure, beginning after arrest and continuing through to post-conviction

matters. We consider federal constitutional provisions and rules of procedure, the policies underlying those requirements, and their impact on the roles of prosecution and defense counsel. By studying pretrial release, case screening (including prosecutorial discretion), pretrial motions (including the disclosure of exculpatory material), the role of counsel, plea bargaining, the trial process (including the jury and confrontation rights), sentencing, double jeopardy, and post-conviction appeals, we ask the ultimate question of whether we have a legitimate system of criminal justice, meaning a system that is accurate and fair, that respects notions of limited government, and that is reasonably efficient.

6100 – Legends in the Law **Elective Courses**

(1 hour). Legends in the Law explores the lives, legacies, and jurisprudential contributions of some of the most influential figures in legal history. Through a series of biographical studies, case analyses, and guest lectures, students will examine how these legal legends such as judges, advocates, scholars, and reformers have shaped the practice of law and the broader course of justice in the United States and beyond. This course focuses on legal legends by analyzing landmark decisions, writings, or advocacy efforts, while also considering the historical and social context in which they operated. The course emphasizes critical thinking about the evolution of legal thought, professional ethics, and the enduring impact of leadership in the legal profession.

6100 – Art & Cultural Heritage Law **Elective Courses**

(3 hours). This course will explore the legal issues relevant to art and cultural property, with a special emphasis on American Indian issues. Specific areas of coverage will include the legal definitions of “art” and “craft”; the legal rules that govern art galleries, auctions and museums; international rules relating to the movement of art during war; international preservation and appropriation of cultural property; and statutes enacted to protect the art and culture of American Indians, such as the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act; and the Indian Arts and Crafts Act. No prerequisites.

6100 – Mental Health Law **Elective Courses**

(3 hours). This course will examine a variety of civil and regulatory issues pertaining to mental health care access, quality, liability, and finance. Particular attention will be given to: (1) federal and state mental health parity laws; (2) federal and state mandated mental health and substance use disorder benefit laws; (3) federal and state laws protecting the confidentiality of mental health and substance use disorder records; (4) federal and state regulation of interventions such as restraint, seclusion, and electroconvulsive therapy; (5) mental health care fraud and abuse, including prohibitions against kickbacks, false claims, and physician self-referrals; (6) civil liability and/or professional discipline for negligent failure to diagnose, negligent misdiagnosis, negligent treatment, negligent referral, injuries to patients by other patients with mental health conditions, patient injury following elopement, and patient suicide; (7) state law scope of practice issues for mental health professionals, including psychiatrists,

psychologists, social workers, marriage and family therapists, advance psychiatric nurse practitioners, and licensed independent counselors; (8) state regulation of voluntary and involuntary inpatient and outpatient treatment and/or commitment; (9) legal issues implicated by special mental health conditions, such as opioid use disorder, gambling disorder, and disorders of consciousness; and (10) current issues in mental health law, including President Trump's SUPPORT for Patients and Communities Act of 2018 and the landmark March 2019 settlement between the State of Oklahoma and Purdue Pharma relating to the opioid crisis. Students who successfully complete this course will have the information and skills necessary to counsel and represent patients with mental health conditions in a variety of civil and administrative matters and to counsel and defend individual and institutional providers of mental health care as well as health insurers that provide mental health insurance benefits.

6100 – Oil and Gas Practice **Elective Courses**

(2 hours). This course is an examination of, and practical skills approach into, oil and gas practice in Oklahoma. This course will examine how oil and gas wells are drilled in Oklahoma and the important rules, regulations and statutes that govern many facets of oil and gas exploration and conservation. From the filing of the Intent to Drill; to settling surface damages; permitting wells through the Oklahoma Corporation Commission (OCC); the jurisdiction of the OCC; the OCC Rules of Practice; and additional developmental drilling; pipelines; horizontal drilling; negotiated agreements; unitization; underground storage; environmental issues and water law will all be covered along with an examination of the relevant case law.

6100 – Representing the Professional Athlete **Experiential**

(3 hours). In this course lectures and in-class groups will feature a significant amount of class discussion. Students will select a current professional athlete and prepare representation agreements, negotiate on behalf of their athlete, and prepare endorsement pitches. Topics covered will be 1. How to recognize and avoid conflicts of interest in athlete representation; 2. The rules & regulations governing recruiting and agent conduct; 3. The purposes and boundaries of agent-client agreements; 4. Collective bargaining and arbitration processes; 5. Negotiations with and for the athlete; 6. Salary caps and taxes; 7. Licensing and merchandising related to representation; 8. Protecting the athlete from exposure to tort claims; and 9. Advising the injured athlete.

6100 – Statutory Interpretation **Elective Courses**

(3 hours). This course focuses on developing a critical skill for all lawyers—statutory interpretation. Regardless of practice area in which you specialize, the skill of closely examining statutes is essential. This course covers a range of topics related to legislation, legislative process, statutory interpretation, as well as the administrative state and federal agencies. Traditional tools and methods of statutory interpretation will be examined, including but not limited to, the application of textual and substantive canons, usage of legislative history, common law principles of interpretive methods, and

underlying political and philosophical theories of legislative process and interpretation. Although this course focuses on statutory interpretation, it does not simply explain the tools of interpretation used by judges in analyzing statutory provisions. Instead, the interpretative tools are situated within the context of the legislative process. This course will necessarily emphasize the federal legislative process, but the principles examined are likely transferrable in the context of state legislative process and statutory interpretation.

6100 – Technology in Law Practice **Elective Courses**
(2 hours). Technology continues to influence the legal profession. Law students must develop the skills and acquire the knowledge that will make them the next generation of technologically competent lawyers. Using a hands-on, practice-oriented approach, students will be educated and trained on using technology in all aspects of law practice, including current front and back office applications and exploring emerging technology.

6100 – Practical Lawyering & MPTs **Experiential**
(2 hours). This course is designed to give you critical exposure to practical drafting—lawyering skills that will help you to pass the bar and transition effectively to practicing attorney. During this class, you will use simulated client facts and provided law to hone your writing skills in drafting the following: analytical sections of memos and motion briefs, client letters, written closing arguments, contract revisions, and other documents.

6100 – Entertainment Law **Experiential**
(3 hours). This course provides an introduction to the roles, responsibilities, and practice considerations of legal counsel in the entertainment industry, focusing on key industry sectors--motion pictures, television, theater, and music. The course focuses on business practices and industry customs for the "business of entertainment" which is accomplished through the analysis and application of relevant cases and statutes, industry trade paper articles, and representative entertainment contracts. Students will engage on practice exercises, mock client interviews, mock contract negotiations and contract drafting, business analyses using real world numbers from current entertainment products, and analyses of hypothetical problems drawn from real world case studies and issues.

6100 – Disability Law **Elective Courses**
(3 hours). This course surveys the evolution of federal law as it relates to people with disabilities. It covers disability discrimination in the areas of employment, education, government services, public accommodations run by private entities, health care, and housing. In exploring these areas, it examines relevant case law and statutes (i.e., the ADA and its amendments, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the IDEA, the Affordable Care Act, and the Fair Housing Act) and their implementing regulations and guidance. It also covers international/comparative legal protections for people with disabilities. In addition

to studying legal authorities, students in the course engage in practical classroom exercises.

6100 – Health Data Confidentiality & Security **Elective Courses**
(3 hours). This course focuses on federal and state statutes and regulations that govern the confidentiality and security of health-related data. Particular attention will be given to the health information confidentiality, security, and breach notification rules that promulgate the Administrative Simplification provisions of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), signed into law by President Clinton on August 21, 1996, as amended by the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health (HITECH) Act within the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA), signed into law by President Obama on February 17, 2009. Codified at 45 C.F.R. Parts 160-164, these Rules are called the HIPAA Privacy, Security, and Breach Notification Rules. Attention also will be given to the protection of health data under state law, the European Union General Data Protection Regulation (EU GDPR), and recently introduced federal and state health data protection legislation.

6100 – Animal Law **Elective Courses**
(1 hour). This course will consist of a high-level survey of the law as it relates to animals across legal subject areas including criminal law, torts, contract law, constitutional law, federal administrative laws, and several others. The course will further examine legal issues as it relates to animals in a variety of contexts including companion animals, farmed animals, wildlife, and captive animals. The course will encourage critical thought, the appreciation and understanding of novel legal theories, and the application of these themes to current events.

6100 – AI & the Practice of Law **Elective Courses**
(2 hours). This course will explore the history, ethics, and potential use of artificial intelligence in law practice, including exploring how this technology will affect law practice in the next decade. This course's main objectives are three-fold: (1) provide an understanding of AI technology, including how it works and how it could be applied in the practice of law; (2) investigate the ethical, practical, and regulatory aspects of AI in the practice of law; and (3) explore the future trajectory of legal services in the context of AI and emerging technologies.

6100 – Legal Issues in the Sports Industry **Elective Courses**
(2 hours). This course examines various areas of law and their application to recreational, collegiate, and professional sports. We will emphasize the legal problems and issues faced by professionals in the sport and recreation industry today. Students will utilize critical and analytical thinking to develop a basic understanding of areas of law that affect these industries.

6100 – Foundations of Performance Testing **Experiential**

(1 hour). This course provides an introduction to bar exam performance testing with emphasis placed on the skills of critical reading and analysis of cases, statutes, regulations, and other legal resources located in the “Library” portion of the Multistate Performance Test (MPT) and Performance Task (PT) of the UBE and NextGen bar exams. Students will learn methods for critically reading performance test resources, including context and overview strategies, focused reading, and comprehension and recall techniques needed to successfully analyze legal problems and authority for purposes of formulating performance test answers under time constraints. This course is recommended for 2L and 3L students who want to improve foundational skills related to MPT/PT testing. MPT/PT problems and exercises used in this course will not overlap with other bar-related courses offered at the College of Law.

6100 – Legal Technology Competency **Elective Courses**

(2 hours). The Legal Technology Competency course is designed to provide law students with the necessary and basic competencies and skills to understand how critical technology tools affect and enhance legal practice, ranging from fundamental office software to cutting-edge legal and emerging technologies. This course will provide an emphasis on equipping students with the knowledge and skills that lead to better ethical and professional outcomes in the practice of law, effective client interactions, and overall improved efficiency in daily legal workflows. Gaining a basic competency of these technologies will provide students with a competitive edge in the legal job market and instill confidence in their ability to adapt to various professional environments.

6100 – Fashion Law **Elective Courses**

(3 hours). This course is designed to provide students with a comprehensive understanding of the legal issues and business considerations unique to the fashion and sneaker industries. Using Sneaker Law V2 as a core text, the course will explore the intersection of intellectual property, contracts, licensing, branding, and emerging issues such as resale markets, NFTs, and cultural appropriation within the fashion ecosystem.

6100 – Law Across Borders **Elective Courses**

Course has prerequisites

(1 hour). Prerequisite: Acceptance into the 2027 Puebla Study Abroad Program for Spring Break 2027. This one-week study abroad course explores how Mexico has shaped the development of U.S. immigration policy. Through classroom discussions and learning experiences in Puebla and Mexico City, students will examine pivotal historical periods in the U.S.–Mexico relationship and their lasting influence on immigration law and policy.

6100 – Mediation **Experiential**

(3 hours). Over the last ten (10) years the use of mediation to settle conflicts has increased drastically across the US and around the world. Many Judges require that

parties involved in court related disputes attempt mediation prior to a trial; thus, creating an increased need for more mediators to handle the demand. This course is designed to give participants the skills necessary to mediate civil disputes using the facilitative model outlined in the Dispute Resolution Act, 12 O.S. Supp. 1991, sections 1801 et seq. The course focus will revolve around three major areas: 1. Theory & Application of Mediation: Facilitative 5-Stage Model 2. Assigned reading "The Dynamics of Conflict" & "Getting to Yes" with a required summary journal. 3. Demonstration of skills through role-plays/fishbowl mock mediations/actual mediation Throughout these discussions we will also be exploring the broader topic of the role of a mediator in a dispute.

6100 – E-Discovery **Elective Courses**

(3 hours). "E-Discovery is pervasive. It's like understanding civil procedure. You're not going to be a civil litigator without understanding the rules of civil procedure. Similarly, you're no longer going to be able to conduct litigation of any complexity without understanding E-Discovery." —Judge James C. Francis (S.D.N.Y., ret.) Increasingly, attorneys are becoming "general contractors" when it comes to certain highly technical areas of the law. This is certainly true of the practice of eDiscovery. Throughout your career, you will most likely be charged with assembling – and then managing – the right team of attorney specialists, technologists, and allied professionals who will conduct the eDiscovery components of cases on your behalf and under your direction. Any attorney serving in such a capacity will need to know enough about the law and technical aspects of eDiscovery to assemble the right team, keep costs under control, and ensure that legal and ethical obligations to clients, the court, and opponents are met and discharged. Using a real-to-life mock case file — together with the latest advancements in AI — this course endeavors to impart such "general contractor" knowledge and expertise.

6100 – The Compressed Brief: Legal Writing Under a Deadline **Experiential**

(1 hour). This course immerses students in a simulated litigation setting that mirrors the pressures of real-world practice. Over the span of a compressed schedule, students will research, draft, and finalize a Response to a Motion to Dismiss. The course emphasizes not only the mechanics of drafting a substantive brief, but also the judgement and project management skills required to write effectively in a compressed timeframe.

6311 – American Indian Law Review **Co-Curriculars**

Course has prerequisites

(1 hour). Prerequisite: American Indian Law Review membership. Production of a written note or comment for the Review or other approved activities associated with production of the Review S/U graded.

6313 – Child Abuse Clinic **Elective Courses**

Course has prerequisites

(3 hours). Prerequisite: prior completion of, or concurrent enrollment in Family Law and Family Law II. Each student enrolls for an entire academic year for three hours each semester. Designed to provide advanced academic training in child abuse and neglect. The educational goals of the Interdisciplinary Training Program in Child Abuse and Neglect are to develop leaders in the treatment and prevention of child abuse and neglect: •Who are rigorously trained and understand the value of the prevention of child maltreatment; •Who are committed learners in all aspects; and •Who will, through professional advocacy, education, policy development, research, and service, contribute substantially to the knowledge base for the prevention of child maltreatment at the state, national, and international levels.

6320 – Directed Legal Research **Co-Curriculars**

(1 or 2 hours). Legal research, with or without a specific written component, under the supervision of a University of Oklahoma College of Law tenured, tenure-track, or contract professor. With the supervisor's and the Associate Dean's permission, a student may enroll, no later than the first week of the semester for which the credit will be earned, in one-or-two-credit hours of Directed Legal Research. If this course is being used to satisfy the Graduation Writing Requirement, those guidelines also apply. If a paper is generated as a result of the Directed Legal Research, it may be assigned a letter grade or be graded Satisfactory-Unsatisfactory (S-U). If a paper is not produced as a result of Directed Legal Research, the work will be graded Satisfactory-Unsatisfactory.

6321 – Competitions **Co-Curriculars**

(1 hour). Students who participate on a trial or appellate advocacy competition team sponsored by the College of Law and directly supervised by the Competition Director may enroll in this course. S/U graded.

6323 – Criminal Defense Clinic **Experiential**

Course has prerequisites

(3 hours). Prerequisites: Civil Procedure I and II, Evidence, and Professional Responsibility; or concurrent enrollment in Evidence and Professional Responsibility. Corequisite: Litigation Skills (first semester in Clinic). Clinical experience providing students opportunity to represent indigent defendants charged with municipal, misdemeanor and felony offenses in Cleveland and McClain Counties. Students handle every aspect of the defense of a criminal case, including interviewing, investigating, negotiating, litigating motions and conducting the trial.

6331 – Oil & Gas, Natural Resources, and Energy Journal **Co-Curriculars**

Course has prerequisites

(1 hour). Prerequisite: ONE J membership. Production of case summaries of recently released court decisions on matters relating to oil and gas, natural resources, and

energy; student notes and comments on topics relating to oil and gas, natural resources, and energy; editorial work on submitted articles relating to oil and gas, natural resources, and energy; or other approved activities associated with production of the Review. S/U graded.

6363 – Civil Clinic **Experiential**

Course has prerequisites

(3 hours). Prerequisites: Civil Procedure I and II, Evidence, and Professional Responsibility; or concurrent enrollment in Evidence and Professional Responsibility. Corequisite: Litigation Skills (first semester in Clinic). Student interns, working from an office located in the Law Center, participate in the actual representation of low-income clients in civil matters. Experience is acquired through court appearances, jury and non-jury trials, interviewing, discovery, drafting of pleadings and appeals under the supervision of the clinical legal education staff. Students are required to maintain an active caseload and office hours.

6391 – Oklahoma Law Review **Co-Curriculars**

Course has prerequisites

(1 hour). Prerequisite: Oklahoma Law Review membership. Production of a written note or comment for the Review or other approved activities associated with production of the Review. S/U graded.

6392 – Advanced Legal Research **Elective Courses**

Course has prerequisites

(2 hours). Prerequisites: Legal Writing and Analysis, Intro to Brief Writing, and Oral Advocacy. The ability to "find the law" is an important practical skill for attorneys. This course builds on the research skills introduced during the first year legal research and writing course. The goal of the course is to further develop a students ability to find solutions to legal issues by formulating efficient and effective legal research strategies. This course will address both online and print resources, and it will emphasize advanced online search techniques. This course will also discuss how technology is impacting the delivery of legal information. Finally, it will examine resources which are of general applicability to most areas of legal practice.

6400 – Litigation Skills **Experiential**

(3 hours). This skills course utilizes simulations and observations exposing students to aspects of criminal and civil representation of clients. Students will perform exercises including interviewing, negotiation, counseling, court hearings and other exercises.

6400 – Issues in Professionalism **Elective Courses**

(2 hours). This course will involve discussions drawn from contemporary readings about issues presented in the practice of law; ethical dilemmas; and the judicial system.

A final paper will be required. This course is a required co-requisite for a student's first externship placement. S/U graded.

6400 – Extern Placement **Experiential**

(3 hours). Corequisite: Issues in Professionalism (first semester in Externship). This course allows students the opportunity to observe and assist in various legal settings. Placement opportunities will include courts and governmental agencies. Mediation training and placements also offered. Students will be required to spend at least 10 hours a week at their placement; submit weekly journal entries; bi-monthly meetings with the clinical director; and submit a final paper. S/U graded.

6410 – Trial Techniques **Experiential**

Course has prerequisites

(3 hours). Prerequisite: Evidence. An introduction to basic trial techniques under simulated trial situations.

6412 – Representing the Criminally Accused **Experiential**

(2 hours). Not an official prerequisite but recommended to take Evidence first. Representing the Criminally Accused is a skills course focusing on the practical aspects of criminal defense, from the business end of private practice to practical considerations such as whether to plead, litigate, and how to negotiate better deals. Students select a fact pattern then do client intakes, draft and argue bond hearings, conduct a preliminary hearing and argue pre-trial motions. There is no textbook; students will be given relevant handouts, caselaw, and conduct their own research as the class progresses. This class is taught by a practicing criminal defense attorney with 21 years experience in criminal law, both in the public and private sectors.

6422 – Bar Exam Preparation I: Strategies and Tactics for Success **Elective Courses**

(2 hours). For 3Ls only, unless permission granted by professor for an exception. Bar Exam Preparation is designed to help students get an early jump on preparations to pass the bar, but it IS NOT a substitute for commercial bar exam preparation courses. Students will review substantive law in at least three areas heavily tested on the bar exam as they learn and practice skills necessary to maximize scores on both the multiple choice and essay portions of the exam. S/U graded.

6543 – Copyright **Elective Courses**

(3 hours). This course provides an in-depth survey of U.S. copyright law, theory, and policy. Topics will include the basic requirements for copyright protection, the nature and scope of the rights granted by the Copyright Act, and the normative foundations of copyright law. Note: You do not need a scientific/technical background to take this class or to work in this area.

6560 – Title Examination and Assurance **Elective Courses**
(2 hours). Conveyances, with emphasis on the examination of abstracts of title to real property.

6570 – Real Estate Transactions **Menu**
(3 hours). The first two-thirds of the course studies the terms and legal issues involved in drafting, executing, and enforcing residential real estate contracts, including obtaining and evaluating title evidence prior to closing and recovery for breach of title guarantees. The last third of the course introduces certain basic commercial real estate transactions, including processes and issues involved in housing subdivisions, condominiums, shopping centers, and commercial leases.

6580 – Water Law **Elective Courses**
(3 hours). The system of water rights; riparian, appropriation, and prescriptive rights; stream, surface, and ground water; transfer and termination of rights; injuries caused by water; development of water supplies; federal-state, interstate, and intrastate conflicts; water pollution control; federal and Indian rights; and federal water resource problems.

6662 – Employment Law Seminar **Seminar**
(2 hours). The law of employment, including personnel practices, employment contracts, employee rights and federal-state regulation of employer-employee relationships.

6692 – Environmental Law Seminar **Elective Courses**
(2 hours). This seminar will explore some of the most controversial and heavily debated issues affecting human health and the environment. Illustrative topics may include: climate change, hydraulic fracturing, water rights and shortages, endangered species protections, pecticide and toxic chemical impacts, farmworker safety, and sustainability.

6700 – Criminal Responsibility Seminar **Seminar**
(2 hours). This is a two-credit, one-semester research seminar that fulfills the Graduation Writing Requirement. In this class, we will survey basic issues, theories, and problems of the law and philosophy of punishment. Topics we will cover include the conceptual definitions of punishment, justifications of punishment, the problem of punishment of the innocent, the proportionality of punishment, the degree of punishment, punishment under plea bargains, and carceral confinement as punishment. We will explore questions such as: Why do we punish? Whom do we punish? And how much punishment is appropriate? Writing requirement may be satisfied through an academic research paper or through drafting a significant policy proposal.

6700 – NCAA Compliance Seminar **Elective Courses**
(2 hours). This seminar provides an overview of the NCAA Major Infractions process. In addition to case studies, the seminar will analyze current events in athletics

compliance, examine the role and responsibility of an Athletics Compliance Department, and feature several guest speakers.

6700 – Legal Perspectives on Finance and Capitalism Seminar **Seminar**

(2 hours). The format for the seminar will be reading, discussion and group presentation of selected books related to commercial law and finance (e.g., "Ponzi's Scheme", "The Smartest Guy in the Room"). In addition, there will be five movies we will watch related to the books and class discussion (e.g., "The Big Short). The books will be divided among five groups of three students, and each group will prepare a presentation (for instance, Power Point slides) of its book. Those students not presenting will write a two-page paper on the book presented. In addition, there will be a final, five-page paper.* The final grade for the course will be based on a composite of the book presentation, two-page papers and final five-page paper. *Please note that the short writing assignments (the four two-page papers and five-page paper) will not satisfy the Graduate Writing Requirement. However, accommodations will be made for those students who wish to use the seminar to satisfy the GWR.

6700 – Role of In-House Counsel Seminar **Seminar**

(2 hours). This seminar is mainly but not solely an ethics seminar. Topics explored include managing outside counsel, managing risk, working with insurers, working with HR, providing both legal and practical advice to CEO's and Boards, especially when that advice is uncomfortable, and working as part of an executive leadership team. Guests will include in-house counsel from corporations and non-profits.

6742 – The International Criminal Court Seminar **Seminar**

(2 hours). This course focuses on the International Criminal Court, the first permanent institution to prosecute atrocity crimes (war crimes, crimes against humanity and genocide). Starting with the creation of the ICC, the course will address the ICC's jurisdiction, substantive crimes, trial, appeal and punishment, among other topics, while exploring various situations and cases before the ICC. Discussions will also include the future of the court, its emerging jurisprudence and the United States' evolving perspective and involvement.

6820 – Business Tax **Elective Courses**

Course has prerequisites

(3 hours). Prerequisite: Concurrent enrollment in or previous completion of Individual Income Tax. This course surveys the federal income tax laws on organizing and running businesses as corporations, partnerships, S corporations, and LLCs. Also, the course looks at the taxation of oil and gas operations including exploration, development, production, and abandonment.