

CARDOZO LAW

LL.M. CURRICULUM and REGISTRATION GUIDE

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PART I: LL.M. CURRICULUM GUIDE

UNDERSTANDING THE CARDOZO CURRICULUM

CARDOZO CURRICULUM

LL.M. students choose courses from the Cardozo J.D. curriculum, which includes:

- **Core doctrinal courses** (known as “first year” or 1L courses because they are required in the first year of JD study).
 - ◇ Civil Procedure
 - ◇ Constitutional Law
 - ◇ Contracts
 - ◇ Criminal Law
 - ◇ Property
 - ◇ Torts
- **Upper-level courses** which provide variety and depth to allow for specializing in specific areas of law.

LL.M. students are free to choose courses from both the 1L and upper-level curricula, provided that course prerequisites have been met. There are a few courses that are specifically only permitted for J.D. students but the majority of courses are open to LL.M. students. In the case of a prerequisite, a professor may agree to waive that requirement if the LL.M. student can demonstrate sufficient background from prior law studies

CLINICS AND EXTERNSHIPS

Experiential education is an important component to the Cardozo curriculum. Many students do an in-house clinic, field clinic, or externship during their law studies. Not all clinics are open to LL.M. students—especially the year-long clinics—but we do have some semester clinics that LL.M. students participate in, usually the second semester of their program.

Some examples of these clinics are:

- Divorce Mediation In-House Clinic
- Department of Financial Services Clinic
- Appropriate Dispute Resolution Field Clinic
- Housing Justice Field Clinic
- Human Rights & Atrocity Prevention Clinic
- Federal Criminal Prosecution Field Clinic
- Visual & Performing Arts law Field Clinic
- Health Care Reform Field Clinic

COURSE CREDIT REQUIREMENTS

PART-TIME VS. FULL-TIME ENROLLMENT

LL.M. students on F-1 or J-2 visas must be full-time students. LL.M. students who do not have visa restrictions may choose to enroll as part-time or full-time students.

Part-time students should enroll in **no more than 8 credits** per semester, and have 24 months to complete the LL.M. degree.

- ◇ Part-time students are advised to register for no more than **6 credits** per semester.

Full-time students should enroll in **9—15 credits** per semester, and have one academic year to complete the LL.M. degree.

- ◇ Full-time students are advised to register for no more than **14 credits** per semester, especially for their first semester.

Full-time students are not allowed to enroll in more than 15 credits maximum per semester.

One credit is equal to one 50-minute in-class instruction per week for the semester.

All LL.M. degree candidates must complete a minimum of 24 credits. Some LL.M. degree programs require more credits to satisfy the Bar requirements (see program worksheets).

- ◇ Full-time students who take more than 24 credits are not charged additional tuition.
- ◇ At least 18 credits must be in-class credits.

NY Bar limitations on credits that can apply towards the 24-credit program requirement:

- ◇ A maximum of 4 credits for clinic/externship work may count towards the 24 credit requirement.
- ◇ A maximum of 4 credit taken during Summer Session may count towards the 24 credit requirement.
- ◇ Students are not charged tuition for intensive Winter Session courses but none of these credits may count towards the 24 credit requirement.
- ◇ An LL.M. thesis does not count towards the 24 credit requirement.
- ◇ Independent study may not count towards the 24 credit requirement.

INTERNATIONAL LL.M STUDENT REQUIREMENTS

The following courses are required for all **international** LL.M. students:

Introduction to U.S. Law

This course introduces students to the basics of the U.S legal system, including the structure of the Federal system and the use of precedent, and methods of reading and analyzing case law. Required for the first semester.

Advanced Workshop in Legal Research and Writing I (listed as Advanced LLW-LLM I)

This course focuses on case reading and analysis, basic language structure and writing skills, manual and computer-assisted legal research skills, integration of legal research, analysis and writing, and forms of legal writing, including letter and memorandum writing. Required for the first semester.

Advanced Workshop in Legal Research and Writing II (listed as Advanced LLW-LLM II)

This course focuses on advocacy writing and related skills through litigation drafting and appellate brief writing. Required for the second semester. This may not be taken concurrently with the Advanced LLW-LLM I.

LL.M PROGRAM OPTIONS

LL.M. DEGREE PROGRAMS

- Comparative Legal Thought
- Dispute Resolution and Advocacy
- Intellectual Property
- General Studies
 - ◇ Students are not required to have a concentration but may choose up to two concentrations with the General Studies LL.M. degree.

OPTIONAL CONCENTRATIONS

- Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Corporate, Commercial, and Securities Law
- International and Comparative Law
- Fashion, Art, Media, and Entertainment Law (FAME)
- Real Estate Law
- Data Law and Privacy

See Program and Concentration Worksheets (further in this guide) for list of course requirements and elective course options for each program.

Note: the worksheets are to be used as guides only. They list courses that have been taught at Cardozo and are likely to be offered, but there are always more classes being added to the curriculum so these are not exhaustive lists. Additionally, not all of these courses are offered every semester; some may only be offered in the Fall or Spring semester. For the most accurate listing of courses for the current semester, students should refer to the Course List on the Registration website at <https://cardozo.yu.edu/students/office-registrar/course-registration-information-and-policies>.

NEW YORK BAR EXAM

ELIGIBILITY FOR FOREIGN-EDUCATED ATTORNEYS

Section 520.6 of the Rules of the Court of Appeals for the Admission of Attorneys and Counselors at Law [NYCRR 520.6] contains the eligibility requirements for applicants who wish to qualify for the NY State Bar Exam based on the study of law in a foreign country. These requirements are available at NY Board of Law Examiners [BOLE] here:

<https://www.nybarexam.org/Foreign/ForeignLegalEducation.htm>

ALL QUESTIONS REGARDING YOUR SPECIFIC ELIGIBILITY FOR THE NY BAR MUST BE DIRECTED TO BOLE FOR DETERMINATION. CARDOZO ADMINISTRATORS CANNOT SPEAK ON YOUR BEHALF TO BOLE.

The eligibility rules distinguish between those law graduates trained in the common law in a traditional university leading to the LL.B. and those who are not.

- Graduates of the traditional common law education (with 3 years or more of law study) from countries such as U.K., Ireland, Australia, Canada, New Zealand, and Israel are usually eligible based on that legal education. These students usually are not required to complete an LL.M. in the U.S. to establish eligibility, however, students must receive determination directly from BOLE.
- Graduates of civil law education systems, non-traditional or mixed legal system may qualify for the NY Bar Exam after receiving a U.S. LL.M. degree, but these students must meet deadlines for submitting the **Evaluation of Foreign Credentials** to BOLE. See: <https://www.nybarevaluation.org/Intro.aspx>

Applicants must submit all documentation for BOLE's review by **May 1 for the February exam** and **October 1 for the July exam**. This includes documents that must be sent directly from your foreign law schools, therefore it is important to request these **well in advance of the deadline**.

NEW YORK BAR EXAM (continued)

EVALUATION OF FOREIGN CREDENTIALS

As part of submitting the online evaluation request, you will be asked to set up a BOLE account, which will generate you a unique **BOLE ID #**. This BOLE ID # should be noted on all documentation that is sent to BOLE on your behalf, and used for all communication you have with BOLE.

Required documentation for the evaluation are:

- Official transcripts (stamped, signed, and sealed) sent directly by universities from all law studies you completed.
- Degree Certificate, if the official transcript does not clearly state the degree awarded.
- Proof of admission to practice law in your home country, or proof that you have fulfilled all educational requirements to practice law in your home country even if you have not received certificate of admission to practice yet.
- Proof that accrediting agency or government of home country recognizes your law school as qualified and approved. In some cases, BOLE may already recognize your law school and will not need this additional documentation—they will inform you if it is necessary.
- LL.M. degree certificate and official transcript sent by Cardozo to BOLE on your behalf, once all final grades have been submitted in your last semester of study and the Registrar can confirm your degree completion.
- All foreign transcripts, certificates, and attestations must either be in English or accompanied by an official English translation (with a sworn and certified attestation by the translator that it is an accurate translation).

<https://www.nybarexam.org/Foreign/ForeignLegalEducation.htm>

NY BAR EXAM (continued)

If you must establish eligibility for the NY Bar Exam based on the U.S. L.L.M. degree, these are the Cardozo courses that would be required to satisfy BOLE's requirements:

RULE 520.6 (3)(vi)(a) *Minimum 2 credits in the history, goals, instruction, value, rules and responsibilities of the United States legal profession and its members.*

- ◇ Professional Responsibility for LL.M.s (2 credits) or Professional Responsibility (3 credits)

RULE 520.6 (3)(vi)(b) *Minimum of 2 credits in legal research, writing and analysis.*

- ◇ Advanced Workshop in Legal Research & Writing I and II (Adv LLW—LLM I and II.) (1 credit each, 2 credits total)

RULE 520.6 (3)(vi)(c) *Minimum of 2 credits in American legal studies/legal system*

- ◇ Introduction to U.S. Law (2/3 credits)
- ◇ [Civ Pro, Con Law I /II, Fundamentals of NY Law, and NY Practice also meet this criteria, but Intro to U.S. Law is a required course for all international LL.M. students]

RULE 520.6 (3)(vi)(d) *Minimum of 6 credits in NY Bar subjects. Bold are the subjects most often tested.*

Alternative Business Entities (2 credits)

Civil Procedure (5 credits)

Commercial Law (4 credits)

Conflict of Laws (3 credits)

Constitutional Law I/II (3 credits)

Contracts I/II (5 credits— 2 in fall, 3 in spring)

Corporations (4 credits)

Criminal Law (3 credits)

Criminal Procedure I/II (3 credits)

Evidence (4 credits)

Family Law (3 credits)

Federal Courts (3 credits)

First Amendment (3 credits)

Fundamentals of NY Law (2 credits)

NY Practice (2 or 3 credits)

Property (5 credits)

Remedies for LLM (2 credits)

Real Estate Transactions (3 credits)

Torts (4 credits)

Trusts and Estates (3 credits)

Additional limits of credits to fulfill NY Bar eligibility. Students may exceed these limits but they must be above and beyond the 24 credits towards the degree requirements.

Maximum of 4 clinical/externship credits

Maximum of 4 Summer Session credits

The following courses may not count towards the 24 credits requirement:

LL.M. Thesis

Independent Study

Winter Session Courses

Study Abroad

FIVE PATHWAYS FOR SKILLS COMPETENCY

Additionally, as of December 2015, the Court of Appeals now requires applicants seeking admission to the NY Bar to establish that they have acquired skills and professional values necessary to competently practice law. To satisfy this requirement, applicants have **Five pathways to choose from**. See <https://www.nybarexam.org/Skills/skills.htm>. Below is the language from the court.

How do I satisfy the skills competency and professional values requirement for admission?

An applicant for admission may satisfy the skills competency requirement by completing one of five pathways contained in Rule 520.18.

Pathway 1 allows an applicant to satisfy the skills competency and professional values requirement by submitting a certification from the applicant's law school confirming that (1) the law school has developed a plan identifying and incorporating into its curriculum the skills and professional values that, in the school's judgment, are required for its graduates' basic competence and ethical participation in the legal profession, and has made this plan publicly available on the law school's website; and (2) the applicant has acquired sufficient competency in those skills and sufficient familiarity with those values.

Pathway 2 permits an applicant to satisfy the skills competency and professional values requirement by submitting proof that the applicant completed 15 credits of practice-based experiential coursework designed to foster professional competency training. Up to 6 of these 15 credits can be earned in law school certified non-credit-bearing summer employment programs, provided those employment opportunities are certified by the law school and satisfy certain other criteria.

Pathway 3 provides that any applicant who has successfully completed the Pro Bono Scholars Program, pursuant to section 520.17 of the Court's Rules for the Admission of Attorneys and Counselors at Law (see 22 NYCRR 520.17), will be deemed to have satisfied the skills competency and professional values requirement.

Pathway 4 allows an applicant to satisfy the skills competency and professional values requirement upon completion of a post-graduate, six-month apprenticeship in a law office in the United States, in a commonwealth or territory of the United States, or in a foreign country, under the supervision of an attorney authorized to practice in the jurisdiction where the work is performed. The apprenticeship can be paid or unpaid. The supervising attorney is responsible for certifying that the apprenticeship satisfied certain criteria.

Pathway 5 provides that an applicant who has been authorized to practice law in another state, or in a U.S. territory or commonwealth or a country outside the United States, and has practiced in that jurisdiction full-time for one year, or part-time for two years, will meet the skills competency and professional values requirement.

While the New York Court of Appeals has not clarified what courses LLMs would need in order to meet the Skills Requirements during their LLM studies, below is a set of courses that could qualify towards your skills credits. **This Pathway 1 is optional**. You do not have to meet this requirement during the LLM. As the Court has indicated in the above description, Bar candidates can meet the skills **before or after their LLM degree**.

For students wishing to complete Pathway 1, the following Cardozo courses could qualify:

[Intro to U.S. Law \(2/3\)](#) , [Advanced Legal Research and Writing I/II \(2\)](#), [Professional Responsibility \(2/3\)](#)

Plus six credits out of this list:

[Contracts Drafting, Int'l Transactions \(2\)](#)
[Intensive Trial Advocacy Program \(3\)](#)

[Clinic/Externship \(3\)](#)
[Intensive Transactional Lawyering Program\(3\)](#)

[Representation in Mediation \(2\)](#)
[Remedies \(2\)](#)

PRO BONO REQUIREMENT

On September 19, 2012, the NY Court of Appeals issued a new requirement for 50 hours of pro bono service for those applicants seeking admission to the NYS Bar after January 1, 2015. This requirement pertains to any student who passes the New York State Bar Examination on or after July 2014. *The court has determined that the 50 hours of qualifying work may take place in another state or country.*

See <http://ww2.nycourts.gov/attorneys/probono/baradmissionreqs.shtml> for FAQ on the Pro Bono rule and requirements.

LL.M candidates may complete their 50 hours of pro bono work **any time from one year before to during or after their LL.M. program of study**. Candidates may elect to determine if they have passed the NY Bar Exam before engaging in qualifying pro bono work, but must complete the requirements before applying for admission, which takes place once they receive notice that they have passed the bar.

The rules define qualifying pro bono work as law- related work done on behalf of low-income persons, nonprofits, or government agencies. The student's work must be supervised by an attorney or faculty. The student can satisfy the requirement through certain accredited academic programs, such as clinics/ externships, or by doing pro bono work as a summer associate at a law firm. Other pro bono projects, if supervised by an attorney or faculty, may also satisfy the requirement.

Please see the FAQs in the appendix of this publication for further information. The Center for Public Service Law (CPSL) at Cardozo is always available to meet with students about pro bono projects and assist them in meeting these requirements. See:

[https:// cardozo.yu.edu/careers/center-public-service-law](https://cardozo.yu.edu/careers/center-public-service-law) to learn more.

Examples of Cardozo Programs which may count towards the Pro Bono requirement:

Cardozo Clinical Programs

Divorce Mediation Clinic

Family Court Clinic

Guardianship Clinic

Holocaust Claims Restitution Practicum

Human Rights and Genocide Clinic

Indie Film Clinic

Labor and Employment Law Clinic

Mediation Clinic

PRO BONO REQUIREMENT (continued)

Examples of Cardozo Programs which may count towards the Pro Bono requirement:

Field Clinics

Art Law Field Clinic (ipublic sector)	Immigration Law Field Clinic
City of Newark Field Clinic	NYC Law Department Appeals Division Field Clinic
Consumer Rights Field Clinic	Special Education Law and Advocacy Field Clinic
Federal Criminal Litigation Field Clinic	Strategic Policy Advocacy Field Clinic Public Sector Externship Program and NYC Law Department (Trial Divisions)
Health Care Reform Field Clinic	

Externships

Students work in a government agency, not-for-profit organization, or judicial chambers during a semester or summer and receive academic credit for their work. HOWEVER, please note that the non- classroom credits of these programs DO NOT COUNT toward the 24- credit requirement for NYS Bar exam eligibility.

Student-Run Pro Bono Projects

Student-run pro bono projects provide access to justice for many who would otherwise proceed in hearings without the benefit of a trained advocate advocating on their behalf. To qualify, the work must be supervised by an attorney, as defined in the requirement. Current student-run pro bono projects at Cardozo that should fulfill the requirement include:

Cardozo Disaster Relief Network	Courtroom Advocates Project
Cardozo FIRE	Uncontested Divorce Project
Cardozo Incarcerated Mothers Law Project	Veterans' Rights League

City-Wide Pro Bono Opportunities

Court Sponsored Volunteer Lawyer for a Day on Consumer Debt Cases. See http://www.nycourts.gov/attorneys/volunteer/vap/program_descriptions.html

City Bar Justice Center (Bankruptcy and Foreclosure cases). See <http://www2.nybar.org/citybarjusticecenter/index.php>

Pro Bono Clearinghouse—connects law students to projects. See: www.probono.net.

LL.M. PROGRAMS AND CONCENTRATION WORKSHEETS

1. **COMPARATIVE LEGAL THOUGHT**
2. **INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY**
3. **DISPUTE RESOLUTION AND ADVOCACY**
4. **GENERAL STUDIES**

CONCENTRATION OPTIONS WITH THE GENERAL STUDIES PROGRAM

- a. **ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION**
- b. **CORPORATE, COMMERCIAL AND SECURITIES LAW**
- c. **INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY**
- d. **INTERNATIONAL AND COMPARATIVE LAW**
- e. **FASHION, ART, MEDIA, ENTERTAINMENT (FAME)**
- f. **REAL ESTATE**
- g. **DATA LAW AND PRIVACY**

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COMPARATIVE LEGAL THOUGHT LL.M.

REQUIRED CREDIT

- 27 credits total
- 12 credits minimum in Comparative Legal Thought coursework
- 3 credit thesis under faculty supervision in second semester of study (does not count towards Bar requirement).

NY BAR REQUIREMENT FOR FOREIGN-EDUCATED LAWYERS

Intro to U.S. Law (2/3)

Professional Responsibility (2/3)

Advanced Workshop Legal Research and Writing I/II (2)

Minimum of 6 credits in NY Bar Subjects

SAMPLE OF ELECTIVE COURSES ([refer to current course list on Registrar's page of website for up-to-date list](#))

Advanced Criminal Law (3)

From Socrates to Dr. Spock: Treason, Sedition and

Adv Human Rights & Genocide Clinic (4)

Protected Speech (2)

Advanced Jewish Law (2) +

History of Western Law(3)

Authority & Liberty (2)

Human Rights and Genocide Clinic (4)

Citizenship, Equality, Intl Human Rights (2)

Human Rights in law, History, and Philosophy (2)

Comparative Constitutionalism (3) +

International Dispute Resolution (2)

Comparative Corporate Governance (2)

International Law (4)

Comparative First Amendment (1)

Intro to Jewish Law (3) +

Comparative Law (3)

Jurisprudence (3)

Comparative Remedies (1)

Law and Film (2)

Concepts of Justice (2)

Law and Literature (2/3) +

Constitutional & Statutory Interpret (3)

Law and Psychology (2)

Constitutional Interpretation (2)

Law and Justice: Liberalism and Its Critics (2)

Constitutional Law I (3)

Law & Religion (2) +

Constitutional Law II (3)

Law of War and Contemporary Conflict (3)

Contemporary Conflicts & the Law (3)

Law, Ethics and Psychoanalysis (2)

European Union Law (2)

Liberal Jurisprudence and Its Challenges (2)

Family Law (3)

Multiculturalism and Human Rights of Women (1)

First Amendment (3)

Neuroscience and the Law (2)

Forensic Psychiatry & Psychology (2)

Political Philosophy and Jewish Law (2) +

Sexual Orientation, Gender, and the Law (2)

Legal and Social Status of Jews in the Classical Era

Theories of Punishment (2)

and the Shaping of Jewish Identity (1)

Transitional Justice and Accountability (2)

Courses with "+" fulfill Jewish Law concentration

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LL.M.

REQUIRED CREDIT

- 24 credits - but 26 credits for foreign-educated LL.M. students to meet NY Bar requirements.
- 14 credits minimum in IP coursework

REQUIRED COURSES

- At least 2/3 of these IP Courses: Copyright (3), Trademark (3), or Patents (3)
- Students should take at least one of these courses in the first semester.

NY BAR REQUIREMENT FOR FOREIGN-EDUCATED LAWYERS

Intro to U.S. Law (2/3)

Professional Responsibility (2/3)

Advanced Workshop Legal Research and Writing I/II (2)

Minimum of 6 credits in NY Bar Subjects

SAMPLE OF ELECTIVE COURSES (refer to current course list on Registrar's page of website for up-to-date list)

Advanced Topics in Copyright (1)

Governing in the Electronic Age (2)

Advanced Filmmakers Legal Clinic (2)

Holocaust Claims Restitution Practicum (1)

Advanced Tech Startup Clinic (2)

Independent Research (1/2)

Advertising Law (3)

Information Governance Law (2)

Antitrust (2/3)

IP and Info Law Colloquium (2/3)

Antitrust and IP (2)

IP Enforcement (2)

Art Law (2)

IP Externship and Seminar (3)

Art Law Field Clinic (4)

International Law (3)

Collective Bargaining & Negotiation, Sports and

Internet Law I/II (3)

Entertainment (2)

International Trade (2)

Communications Law (3)

IP Business and Transactional Law (2)

Creativity, Innovation, and IP (2)

Law of Surveillance (2)

Cultural Heritage (2)

Media Law (2)

Design Law (2)

Music Law (2)

Electronic Commerce (2)

Patent Law Practice (2)

Tech Startup Clinic (4)

Entertainment Law (2)

Advanced Patent Law (2)

Technology Licensing
Agreements (2)

Fashion Law (3)

Privacy Law (3)

Fashion Law Drafting/IP Licensing & Drafting (2)

Startup Law (2)

Technology Policy
Seminar (2)

Fashion Law Practicum (2)

Sports Law (2)

Filmmakers Legal Clinic (5)

Social Media Law (2)

LLM Thesis (3)

First Amendment (3)

Taxation of IP (2)

Patent Practicum (2)

DISPUTE RESOLUTION AND ADVOCACY LL.M.

REQUIRED CREDIT

- 24 credits
- 14 credits minimum in ADR coursework
- Completion of a scholarly paper earning a “B” or higher that focuses on an ADR topic
 - Minimum of 20 pp
 - Substantive memoranda, draft opinions, or briefs for a course, clinic or externship
 - Students must obtain faculty approval and confirmation in advance that this writing requirement has been satisfied.
- Participation in an externship, internship, clinic or practical program related to ADR

NY BAR REQUIREMENT FOR FOREIGN-EDUCATED LAWYERS

Intro to U.S. Law (2/3)

Professional Responsibility (2/3)

Advanced Workshop Legal Research and Writing I/II (2)

Minimum of 6 credits in NY Bar Subjects

SAMPLE OF ELECTIVE COURSES (refer to current course list on Registrar’s page of website for up-to-date list)

ADR in the Workplace (3)

Interviewing and Counseling (1)

Evidence (4)

ADR Writing Seminar (2)+

Intro to Mediation (2)

E-Discovery (2)

Advanced Trial Advocacy (2)

Pretrial Practice (3)

The Justice Gap (2)+

Anatomy of an Appeal (1)

Intro to Trial Advocacy (2)

Federal Courts (3)

Arbitration Law : Theory and Practice (2)

Professional Responsibility (2/3)

NY Practice (2/3)

Collaborative Family Law (1)

NY Evidence in Theory and Practice (2)

Negotiaton (2/3)+

Dispute Resolution Processes (2)

Youth Justice Theory and Practice (2)

Advanced Trial

Divorce Mediation (2/3)

Representation in Arbitration (1)

Advocacy (2)

Ethics in Criminal Advocacy (3) +

Representation in Mediation (2)

Ethics in Litigation (2)

International Commercial Arbitration (2)

+ fulfills writing req.

EXPERIENTIAL REQUIREMENT OPTIONS

Advanced Mediation Practicum (2)

ADR Field Clinic (4)

Heyman-ACCA Externship(3)

Divorce Mediation Clinic (3)

Special Ed Law and Advocacy Clinic (4)

Human Rights Clinic (3)

Tax Law Field Clinic (4)

Art Law Field Clinic (4)

Mediation Clinic (3)

A minimum of 60 hrs of pro bono work, certified by a supervisor or project leader can also fulfill experiential requirement.

Tech Startup Clinic (4)

Consumer Rights Field Clinic (4)

Intensive Trail Advocacy (ITAP) (3)

Dept of Financial Services Clinic (4)

NYC Law Dept Appeals Division Clinic (4)

Health Care Reform Clinic (4)

NYC Law Dept Labor and Employment Clinic (4)

Immigration Law Clinic (4)

GENERAL STUDIES LL.M.

REQUIRED CREDITS

- 24 credits

NY BAR REQUIREMENT FOR FOREIGN-EDUCATED LAWYERS

Intro to U.S. Law (2/3)

Advanced Workshop Legal Research and Writing I/II (2)

Professional Responsibility (2/3)

Minimum of 6 credits in NY Bar Subjects

REQUIRED COURSES

Students who choose a General Studies LLM program may take any of the JD curriculum courses to satisfy the 24 credit requirement. This program of study offers you the flexibility to take the breadth of courses from a wide area of law subjects and legal practice without getting too deep into any one area.

[\(refer to current course list on Registrar's page of website for up-to-date list\)](#)

OPTIONAL CONCENTRATIONS

Students in the General Studies LLM program may, *but are not required to*, select **up to** two concentrations from the list below. Each concentration requires a minimum of 10 credits.

- **Alternative Dispute Resolution**
- **Corporate Commercial and Securities Law**
- **Intellectual Property Law**
- **International and Comparative Law**
- **Fashion, Arts, Media, and Entertainment Law (FAME)**
- **Real Estate Law**
- **Data Law and Privacy**

GENERAL STUDIES LL.M., CONCENTRATION IN ADR

Minimum of 10 credits from list below

ADR in the Workplace (3)	Trial Advocacy, Advanced (2)
ADR Writing Seminar (2)	Youth Justice Theory and Practice (2)
Anatomy of an Appeal (1)	ADR Writing Seminar (2)
Arbitration Law: Theory & Practice (2)	Adv. Mediation Practicum (2)
Collaborative Family Law (1)	Divorce Mediation Clinic (3)
Conflict of Laws (3)	Human Rights Clinic (6)
Dispute Resolution Processes (2)	Mediation Clinic (3)
Divorce Mediation (2 or 3)	Tech Startup Clinic (4)
E-Discovery (2)	Intensive Trial Advocacy (ITAP) (3)
Ethics in Criminal Advocacy (3)	Representation in Mediation (2)
Ethics in Litigation (2)	Mainzer Family Defense Clinic (5)
Evidence (4)	NYC Law Dept: Labor & Employment Field (4)
Federal Courts (3)	Clinic Sp Education Law & Advocacy Field (4)
International Commercial Arbitration (2)	Clinic Tax Law Field Clinic (4)
Interviewing & Counseling (1)	ADR Field Clinic (4)
Intro to Mediation (2)	Art Law Field Clinic (4)
Negotiation (2 or 3)	Consumer Rights Field Clinic (4)
New York Evidence in Theory & Practice (2)	Dept of Financial Services Field Clinic (4)
New York Practice (2 or 3)	Health Care Reform Field Clinic (4)
NYS AG Field Clinic/Seminar	Immigration Law Field Clinic (4)
Pretrial Practice (3)	NYC Law Dept: Appeals Division Field Clinic (4)
Professional Responsibility (2 or 3)	Heyman-ACCA In-House Counsel Externship (3)
Representation in Arbitration (1)	Intellectual Property (3)
Representation in Mediation (2)	Public Sector Externship (3)
The Justice Gap (2)	Private Sector Externship (3)
Trial Advocacy, Intro (2)	Real Estate Externship (3)

GENERAL STUDIES LL.M.

CONCENTRATION IN CORPORATE COMMERCIAL & SECURITIES

Minimum of 10 credits from list below

REQUIRED COURSES

Corporations (4) and Corporate Finance (3)

ELECTIVE COURSES

Advising Boards of Directors, Corporate

Governance in Practice (2)

Alternative Business Entities:

LLC's, Partnerships & Antitrust (1)

Bankruptcy (3)

Bankruptcy Law: Debtors & Collectors Rights (3)

Business Reorganizations (2)

Business Torts (2)

Business Trusts (3)

Charity Governance (2)

Commercial Law (4)

Comparative Corporate Governance (2)

Compliance in Financial Institutions (3)

Consumer Bankruptcy (3)

Consumer Rights FC/Seminar (4)

Corporate Criminal Liability & the FCPA (2)

Corporate Fraud/Whistleblower Statutes (2)

Corporate Governance, Distressed Companies (2)

Corporate Internal Investigations (2)

Corporate Taxation (3)

Distressed Investing (2)

Drafting & Analyzing Corporate Agreements (2)

DFS Field Clinic/Seminar (4)

Electronic Commerce (2)

Environmental Concerns in Corp Trans (2)

Essential Business Concepts for Lawyers

Ethics for the Business Attorney (2)

Federal Income Tax (4)

Global Corporate Compliance (2 or 3)

Hedge Fund Law (2)

International Business Transactions (2)

International Commercial Arbitration (2)

International Tax (2)

International Trade (2)

Law of Non-Profit Organizations (2)

Mergers & Acquisitions (3)

New Insolvency Frontiers (2)

Private Equity (2)

Private Equity Transactions (2)

Securities Litigation & Enforcement (2)

Securities Regulation (3)

Taxation of Partnerships (3)

Tech Startup Clinic (4)

Venture Capital (2)

White Collar Crime (2)

GENERAL STUDIES LL.M.

CONCENTRATION IN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Minimum of 10 credits from list below

REQUIRED COURSES

**At least two of these IP courses: Copyright (3),
Patent Law (3), or Trademark (3)**

ELECTIVE COURSES

Advanced Tech Startup Clinic (2)	Intellectual Property Externship (2)
Advanced Topics in Copyright (1)	International Intellectual Property (2)
Advanced Filmmakers Legal Clinic (2)	Internet Law I (3)
Advertising Law (3)	Internet Law II (2)
Antitrust (2 or 3)	Intellectual Property Enforcement (2)
Antitrust & IP (2)	International Trade (2)
Art Law (2)	IP Business & Transactional Law (2)
Art Law FC/Seminar (3)	Law of Surveillance (2)
Collective Bargaining & Negotiation in Sports & Entertainment (2)	Patent Law Practice (2)
Communications Law (3)	Advanced Patent Law (2)
Creativity, Innovation & IP (2)	Patent Practicum (2)
Cultural Heritage (2)	Patent Law Summer Intensive (1 or 2)
Design Law (2)	Privacy Law (3)
Electronic Commerce (2)	Privacy Law Seminar (2)
Entertainment & Media Law (2)	Social Media Law (2)
Fashion Law (3)	Sports Law (2)
Fashion Law Drafting/IP Licensing & Drafting (2)	Entertainment Law (2)
Fashion Law Practicum (2)	First Amendment, Press & the Democratic Order (3)
Film Makers Legal Clinic (5)	Media Law (2)
First Amendment (3)	Music Law (2)
Governing in the Electronic Age (2)	Privacy Law (3)
Holocaust Claims Restitution Practicum (1)	Startup Law (2)
Information Governance Law (2)	Sports Law (2)
IP & Information Law Colloquium (2 or 3)	Tech Startup Clinic (4)
	Taxation of Intellectual Property (2)
	Technology Licensing Agreements (2)
	Technology Policy Seminar (2)
	Transactions Involving Patent Rights (2)

GENERAL STUDIES LL.M.

CONCENTRATION IN INTERNATIONAL AND COMPARATIVE LAW

Minimum of 10 credits from list below

REQUIRED COURSES

Comparative Law (2/3) and International Law (4)

ELECTIVE COURSES

Advanced Jewish Law (2)
Advanced Human Rights Clinic (2)
Advanced Immigration Law (2)
Arab-Israeli Conflict (2)
Business Immigration, Workforce & Compliance (2)
Citizenship, Equality, Int'l Human Rights (2)
Combatting Terrorism (2)
Comparative Constitutionalism (3)
Comparative Corporate Governance (2)
Comparative First Amendment (1)
Comparative Remedies (1)
Contemporary Conflicts & the Law (3)
Conflicts of Laws (3)
Cultural Heritage (2)
European Legal Institutions & the Holocaust (2)
European Union Law (3)
Human Rights & Genocide Clinic (5)
Immigration Law (2)
Immigration Law FC/Sem (4)
International Business Transactions (2)
International Commercial Arbitration (2)
International Commercial Arbitration Practicum (1)
International IP: Selected Topics (2)
International Tax (2)
International Trade (2)
International & Comparative Tax Law (3)
International Criminal Law (2)
International Trade Regulation (2)
Israeli Constitutional Law (2)
Jewish Law (1)
Jewish Law & American Legal Theory (2)
Law of War & Contemporary Conflicts (3)
Law & Practice at the UN (2)
Transitional Justice & Accountability (2)

GENERAL STUDIES LL.M.

CONCENTRATION IN FASHION, ARTS, MEDIA, ENTERTAINMENT

Minimum of 10 credits from list below

REQUIRED COURSES

One IP Course: Trademark (3) or Copyright (3)

Plus Two Core Courses from this list:

- Advertising Law, Art Law (2)
- Art Law FC/Seminar (3)
- Entertainment Law (2)
- Entertainment & Media Law (2)
- Fashion Law (3)
- Music Law (2)
- Social Media Law (2)
- Sports Law (2)
- Startup Law (2)

ELECTIVE COURSES

- Advanced Patent Law (2)
- Advanced Topics in Copyright (1)
- Antitrust (2 or 3)
- Antitrust & IP (2)
- Design Law (2)
- Electronic Commerce (2)
- Entertainment & Media Law (2)
- Fashion Law Drafting/IP Licensing & Drafting (2)
- Fashion Law Practicum (2)
- Filmmakers Legal Clinic (5)
- First Amendment (3)
- First Amendment, Press & the Democratic Order (3)
- Information Governance Law (2)
- IP & Information Law Colloquium (2 or 3)
- Intellectual Property Externship (2)
- Internet Law I (3)
- International Trade (2)
- IP Business & Transactional Law (2)
- Patent Law Practice (2)
- Patent Practicum (2)
- Patent Law Summer Intensive (1 or 2)
- Privacy Law Seminar (2)
- Privacy Law (3)
- Taxation of Intellectual Property (2)
- Tech Startup Clinic (4)
- Technology Licensing Agreements (2)
- Technology Policy Seminar (2)
- Transactions Involving Patent Rights (2)

GENERAL STUDIES LL.M.

CONCENTRATION IN REAL ESTATE LAW

Minimum of 10 credits from list below

REQUIRED COURSES

Property (5)

ELECTIVE COURSES

Commercial Law (4)

Construction Law (2)

Contracts (5)

Contract Drafting (3)

Cooperatives & Condominiums (2)

Distressed Real Estate (2)

Land Use Regulation (3)

Negotiation Theories & Skills (2)

Real Estate Externship Field Placement (2)

Real Estate Externship Seminar (1)

Real Estate Reporter (2)

Real Estate Transactions (2)

Special Topics: Real Estate Workouts Sales & Payments (3)

GENERAL STUDIES LL.M.

CONCENTRATION IN DATA LAW AND PRIVACY

Minimum of 10 credits from list below

REQUIRED COURSES

At least two: Privacy Law (3), Corporations (4) or Cybersecurity (3)

ELECTIVE COURSES

- Antitrust IP and the High Tech Economy (3)
- Commercial Law (4)
- Corporate Fraud (2)
- Corporate Internal Investigations (2)
- E-discovery (2)
- Externship (in the field of Data Law & Privacy) (3)
- First Amendment (3)
- Global Corporate Compliance (3)
- Healthcare Reform Field Clinic/Seminar (2/2)
- Internet Law (3)
- IP Policymaking (2)
- IP and Information Law Colloquium (2 or 3)
- International Commercial Arbitration (2)
- International Law (4)
- International Trade (2)
- Media Law (2)
- Social Media Law (2)
- Startup Law (2)
- Technology Transactions (2)
- Whistleblower Status and Corporate Fraud (2)

LL.M. DEGREE REQUIREMENTS CHECKLIST

LL.M. PROGRAM: _____ (24 CREDIT MINIMUM)

CONCENTRATION: _____ (10 CREDIT MINIMUM)

REQUIRED COURSEWORK FOR FOREIGN-TRAINED LAWYERS

COURSE TITLE	SEMESTER	CREDITS	STATUS
Intro to U.S. Law			
Legal Research & Writing I			
Legal Research & Writing II			

REQUIRED COURSEWORK/CREDITS FOR PROGRAM

COURSE TITLE	SEMESTER	CREDITS	STATUS
TOTAL CREDITS COMPLETED			
TOTAL CREDITS REMAINING TO GRADUATE			

NY BAR EXAM REQUIREMENTS

COURSE TITLE	SEMESTER	CREDITS	STATUS
Professional Responsibility (a)		2	
Legal Writing & Research I & II (b)		2	
American Legal Studies (c)		2	
BAR Subject Courses (d)		6	

NOTE ON ALLOWABLE CREDITS: Maximum of 4 clinical and 4 Summer course credits towards 24-credit LL.M requirement. LL.M Thesis, Winter Term, Independent Study & Study Abroad may not be counted towards the 24 credits.

FAQS REGARDING PRO BONO NYS BAR “50 HOUR RULE”

These FAQs are intended to answer questions specific to foreign-trained LL.M. students who will be seeking admission to the New York State Bar. For a more extensive FAQ on the pro bono rule, please view materials prepared by the NYS Unified Court system: <http://www.nycourts.gov/attorneys/probono/> **FAQsBarAdmission.pdf**. In this LL.M. FAQ sheet we refer to the materials on that site as “NYCts FAQ” and then the corresponding number.

What is the 50 hour rule?

In short, the "50 Hour Rule" requires that all candidates who have passed the New York State Bar Examination who are seeking admission to the New York State Bar after January 1, 2015 must complete fifty (50) hours of qualifying pro bono legal service before they are eligible to be admitted to the bar.

The full text of the rule states:

520.16 Pro Bono Requirement for Bar Admission

Fifty-hour pro bono requirement. Every applicant admitted to the New York State bar on or after January 1, 2015, other than applicants for admission without examination pursuant to section 520.10 of this Part, shall complete at least 50 hours of qualifying pro bono service prior to filing an application for admission with the appropriate Appellate Division department of the Supreme Court.

Pro bono service defined. For purposes of this section, pro bono service is supervised pre-admission law-related work that assists in the provision of legal services without charge for

persons of limited means;

not-for-profit organizations; or

individuals, groups, or organizations seeking to secure or promote access to justice, including, but not limited to, the protection of civil rights, civil liberties, or public rights.

assists in the provision of legal assistance in public service for a judicial, legislative, executive, or other government entity; or

provides legal services pursuant to subdivisions two and three of section 484 of the Judiciary

Law, or pursuant to equivalent legal authority in the jurisdiction where the services are performed.

Supervision required. All qualifying pre-admission pro bono work must be performed under the supervision of:

a member of the law school faculty or an instructor employed by a law school;

an attorney admitted to practice in good standing in the jurisdiction where the work is performed; or

in the case of a clerkship or externship in a court system, by a judge or attorney employed by the court system.

Location of pro bono service. The 50 hours of pro bono service, or any portion thereof, may be completed in any state or territory of the United States, the District of Columbia, or any foreign country.

Timing of pro bono service. The 50 hours of pro bono service may be performed at any time after the commencement of the applicant's legal studies and prior to filing an application for admission to the New York State bar.

Proof required. Every applicant for admission shall file with the appropriate Appellate Division department an Affidavit of Compliance with the Pro Bono Requirement, describing the nature and dates of pro bono service and the number of hours completed. The Affidavit of Compliance shall include a certification by the supervising attorney or judge confirming the applicant's pro bono activities. For each portion used to satisfy the 50-hour requirement, the applicant shall file a separate Affidavit of Compliance.

Prohibition on political activities. An applicant may not satisfy any part of the 50-hour requirement by participating in partisan political activities.

FAQS REGARDING PRO BONO NYS BAR “50 HOUR RULE”

What is qualifying pro bono work?

What kinds of tasks are covered?

Qualifying work must be law related; it must use legal skills or be law-related activities that are appropriate for lawyers-in-training. See NY CTs FAQ 10. The FAQ provides some examples, which include: “...helping a low-income person complete court forms; assisting an attorney with trial preparation; helping litigants prepare for court appearances; engaging in witness interviewing and investigation; participating in a community legal education project; drafting court or transactional documents; or engaging in legal research. You may also perform law-related assignments or make court appearances that are authorized under student practice orders issued by the Appellate Division of the New York Supreme Court for the specific program in which you are performing pro bono work.” Examples of projects that meet the requirement are described in NY CTs FAQ 11.

Does legal translation count? Currently, translation alone does not count. If translation is part of a more in-depth law-related project, and you are engaged in other aspects of the project, that project may count towards your pro bono hours requirement.

Do student/campus activities count? Law school activities that are supervised by a full-time faculty member (e.g., Clinics) or a licensed attorney count. Student-run projects with no attorney supervision do not meet the supervision criteria and would not count. See NY CTs FAQ 16, 21, and 22.

Who must supervise the work?

The work must be performed under the supervision of a licensed attorney, judge, or law school faculty. See NY CTs FAQ 10 and 11.

Whom may I work with?

This rule was put into place to expand and enhance the provision of legal resources to low income and disadvantaged people who would otherwise not be able to afford legal assistance or access to legal representation. However, the rule enacted is much broader and allows you to perform qualifying work with the government sector including the judiciary, legislative branches, or the executive (agencies.)

Where geographically may I perform my pro bono service?

You may perform your pro bono work in any state within the United States or abroad. If the work is performed, in whole or in part, outside of the US, you will be required to explain in detail the nature and circumstances of your work. See NY CTs 9 and 12.

Must I perform all 50 hours on the same project or with the same supervising attorney?

No. While the drafters of the rule recommend that you perform all your hours in one program, you may perform work for separate entities and projects. See NY CTs 23. Each supervising attorney must complete the Affidavit of Compliance. See NY CTs 27.

If I received any money (stipend or salary) while performing the work, will it still qualify as pro bono for the 50 hour rule?

For the purposes of this bar admission requirement, it is permissible to get a stipend or salary during for your pro bono service, provided the client or beneficiary of the pro bono work is not paying for the service. See NY CTs 14 and 19.

LL.M. students only study at U.S. Law Schools for one year – is there an exemption to this rule for LL.M. students?

No. All applicants for admission to the New York State Bar must complete the full fifty hours of pro bono service, regardless of length of time in the U.S. course of study. The pro bono work may be performed at any time before application is made for bar admission—see NY Cts FAQ 5

Does volunteer experience in my home country count towards the rule?

Yes, if it is completed within one year before, during, or after commencement of your U.S. Legal Studies and provided the work meets the standards for supervision and legal work. You will be required to explain the nature of the work.

FAQS REGARDING PRO BONO NYS BAR “50 HOUR RULE”

When should I/can I complete my required pro bono service?

Foreign-educated candidates planning to acquire an LL.M. degree from an ABA-approved law school in the U.S. for the purposes of qualifying to take the NY Bar Exam may engage in their 50 hours of qualifying pro bono service one year before the commencement of the LL.M. course of study. Of course, such LL.M. candidates may perform some or all their 50 hours of qualifying work in the United States either before or after an LL.M. course of study. Some LL.M. candidates may elect to wait until after they pass the exam before pursuing the 50 hours of pro bono service. There is generally a several month gap between receiving notice of bar passage and admission to the NYS bar as all candidates must submit a detailed application, affidavits from employers, affidavits of individuals attesting to moral character, and have an interview with a member of the Character and Fitness Committee of the appropriate Appellate Division of the Court.

What paperwork do I need to complete?

Your supervising attorney will need to certify the hours that you spent on pro bono work by completing a Form Affidavit of Compliance with the Pro Bono Requirement. The form can be found at <http://www.nycourts.gov/attorneys/probono/baradmissionreqs.html> The affidavit must include the dates of service, number of hours completed, category of entity with whom you performed the service, and description of the nature of the pro bono work completed.

When shall I obtain the Affidavit of Compliance? It is recommended that you request the supervising attorney to complete and sign the form affidavit immediately after you have completed the pro bono service as it may be difficult to locate an attorney at a later time.

What should I do with the Affidavit? Please keep the affidavit in a safe place. You will submit the affidavit as part of your application for admission after you have passed the bar exam.

Does Cardozo keep track of my pro bono? No; it is your responsibility to collect and track your own certification from each pro bono project that you complete.

How can I find out about pro bono opportunities? Resources to identify such opportunities include:

Your law school's career advising or public interest offices.

PSJD.org

ProBono.net

Bar associations (country-wide, statewide, national)

For those of you who have accepted a post-LL.M. position with a law firm in the U.S., or in an international office of a U.S.-based law firm, you should speak to the recruiting or pro bono administrators at the firm, as they may have pro bono projects you can join as their associate.

I'm on an F-1 visa, as I still allowed to do pro bono?

Yes! Unpaid work that is considered purely voluntary and which is not replacing a paid employee is acceptable under F-1 visa regulations. For students who choose to complete pro bono service after graduating from an LL.M. program, Optional Practical Training (OPT) status does allow for unpaid volunteer legal work (as well as paid work). Please confirm with the Office of International Student Services before accepting any off-campus work for pay or pro bono to make sure you are in compliance with F-1 visa regulations.

FAQS REGARDING PRO BONO NYS BAR “50 HOUR RULE”

Which Cardozo programs are likely to count?

Cardozo Clinical Programs:

Divorce Mediation Clinic; Family Court Clinic; Guardianship Clinic; Holocaust Claims Restitution Practicum; Human Rights and Genocide Clinic; Indie Film Clinic; Labor and Employment Law Clinic; Mediation Clinic.

Field Clinics:

Art Law Field Clinic (those in the public sector); City of Newark Field Clinic; Consumer Rights Field Clinic; Federal Criminal Litigation Field Clinic; Healthcare Reform Field Clinic; Immigration Law Field Clinic; NYC Law Department Appeals Division Field Clinic; Special Education Law and Advocacy Field Clinic; Strategic Policy Advocacy Field Clinic.

Public Sector Externship Program and NYC Law Department (Trial Divisions) Externship Program:

Students work in a government agency, not-for-profit organization, or judicial chambers during a semester or summer and receive academic credit for their work. HOWEVER, please note that these credits DO NOT COUNT towards the 24-credit requirement for the NYC Bar eligibility.

Student-Run Pro Bono Projects:

Student run pro bono projects provide access to justice for many who would otherwise proceed in hearings without the benefit of a trained advocate advocating on their behalf. To qualify, the work must be supervised by an attorney as defined in the requirements at Cardozo. Cardozo Disaster Relief Network; Cardozo FIRE; Cardozo Incarcerated Mother's Law Project; Courtroom Advocate Project; Uncontested Divorce Project; Veterans' Rights League.

City-Wide Pro Bono Opportunities for Students:

Court Sponsored Volunteer Lawyer-for-a Day on Consumer Debt Cases, http://www.nycourts.gov/attorneys/volunteer/vap/program_descriptions.shtml

City Bar Justice Center: Pro Bono projects assisting volunteer attorneys on Bankruptcy and Foreclosure matters. <http://www2.nycbar.org/citybarjusticecenter/index.php>

Probono.net: The clearinghouse to connect law students to pro bono projects. www.probono.net.

Adapted from the NALP International & Advanced Degree Advising & Recruiting and Public Service Sections, November 2013

CARDOZO LAW

PART II: LL.M. COURSE REGISTRATION GUIDE

STEPS BEFORE REGISTRATION

1. READ THE LL.M. CURRICULUM GUIDE TO MAKE SURE YOU UNDERSTAND THE LL.M. PROGRAM AND NY BAR REQUIREMENTS THAT APPLY YOU
2. ATTEND AN LL.M. CURRICULUM AND REGISTRATION WORKSHOP OR INDIVIDUAL ADVISING MEETING
3. MAKE SURE YOU DO NOT HAVE ANY HOLDS ON YOUR ACCOUNT THAT WILL PREVENT REGISTRATION.
 - ◇ If you have a financial hold, contact clfinaid@yu.edu
4. GATHER ALL MATERIALS YOU WILL NEED
 - ◇ Semester course list and block schedules
 - ◇ Course descriptions
 - ◇ Final exam schedule—make sure the courses you choose do not have exams on the same day
5. PLAN OUT YOUR SCHEDULE
 - ◇ Make sure courses do not overlap in time
6. PRIORITIZE YOUR COURSE CHOICES
 - ◇ Write down the “CRN #”
 - ◇ Check for which courses have fewer seats and will be harder to get into
7. PAY ATTENTION TO THE TIMING/DEADLINE FOR LL.M. REGISTRATION PERIOD
 - ◇ After this registration period closes, you will still be able to Add/Drop classes during the Add/Drop period but some top choices may be closed.
8. MAKE SURE YOU HAVE ACCESS TO BANNER AND THE STUDENT DASHBOARD WITH LINKS TO THE COURSE SELECTION WORKSHEET
9. MAKE SURE YOUR COMPUTER IS SET TO ENGLISH LANGUAGE SETTINGS OR ELSE THE BANNER LINKS MAY NOT WORK
10. FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS TO COMPLETE THE ONLINE CSL COURSE SELECTION WORK

GATHER THE MATERIALS YOU WILL NEED

Look at the correct semester's Course List on the Registrar's web page. See <https://cardozo.yu.edu/students/office-registrar/course-registration-information-and-policies>

Course Registration Information and Policies

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Spring 2023 JD Course Selection & Lottery Registration Guide

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Spring 2023 JD & LLM Course List (updated 11/8/22)

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Spring 2023 UL Block Schedule

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Spring 2023 Special Topics Course Descriptions (updated 11.7.22)

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On this page, you can also open Special Topics Course Descriptions, the 1L and UL Block Schedules to see weekly view of when classes meet, and the Tentative Final Exam Schedule to make sure that you don't choose courses with final exams on the same day.

When choosing courses from this list, make sure to note the CRN #, the day/times they meet, the # of credits, and if there are any restrictions or prerequisites listed in the Comments column.

Note: some classes meet at split days/times of the week. See "Family Law" example in image. You must attend every meeting time listed for the section you choose.

CARDOZO SCHOOL OF LAW SPRING 2023 JD & LLM COURSES

Key:

Perm = Permission of the Instructor Required

Cap = Maximum enrollment. Enrollment caps are provided as a general guide. They are subject to change.

M=Monday; T=Tuesday; W=Wednesday; R=Thursday; F=Friday

Primary Project: E = Exam; THE = Take-Home Exam; P = Paper; O = Other

WC = May be eligible for J.D. writing credit; PR - Satisfies Professional Responsibility Requirement

Grading Scale: P = Pass / Fail; + = Letter Grade; H= High Pass, Pass, Low Pass, & Fail

TBD = To Be Determined; *Classes in italics are planned but not definite.*

See individual course descriptions for corequisites, prerequisites, and other essential information.

* Limitations on distance learning:

The New York Court of Appeals limits the number of credits that students who wish to be admitted to practice in NY can take via "distance education." Any Cardozo course that is offered in an all-remote format counts as a "distance education" course. JD Students can take no more than 15 credits in courses offered solely in a remote format. Students are responsible for keeping track of how many such credits they earn abiding by the 15-credit limitation if they wish to take the New York bar exam. Please note that other states' requirements may differ and students should make sure to abide by any limitations imposed by states in which they may seek admission to practice.

Note: "R" stands for Thursday

Course	Course#	Section	CRN#	Professor	# of Credits	Year-Long	Permission Required	Cap	Meeting Day	Meeting Times	Room	Bar Component	Core Course Requirement	Credits Applicable to the Skills Requirement **See the JD Guide to Course Selection for limitations on the use of externship/field clinic credits.**	Primary Project	WC	PR	Race	Comments
Special Topics: Environmental Justice	8500	B	10506	Christine Appah	2			30	M	04:00PM-05:54PM	303				TBD				Fulfills DRA concentration LLM's
Ethics in Litigation	7759	A	10433	Michael Ross	2			75	M	06:00PM-07:54PM	424	MPRE			E		X		Fulfills DRA concentration LLM's. Satisfies rule D (LLM's)
Evidence	7330	A	10434	Jessica Roth	4			125	MTWR	01:30PM-02:24PM	206	UBE	X		E				Fulfills CLT concentration LLM's. Satisfies rule D (LLM's)
Family Law	7711	A	10435	Edward Stein	3			125	T	10:00AM-10:54AM	204	UBE	X		E				

PLAN OUT YOUR SCHEDULE

Use this sample schedule to plan your weekly course schedule.

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:00-8:54					
9:00-9:54					
10:00-10:54					
11:00-11:54					
12:00-1:21 (12:00-12:54 on Friday)	MAKE-UP HOUR		MAKE-UP HOUR		
1:30-2:24 (1:00-1:54 on Friday)					
2:30-3:51					
4:00-6:05					
6:10-8:15					

List the courses you wish to register for, with CRN # and credits.

Priority	Course Name	CRN #	Credits
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			
6			
7			

PRIORITIZE YOUR COURSES

The registration process is a computerized system where your request will be processed in order of the **priority ranking** that you list. So your first choice gets the highest priority followed by the second, and so on.

The computerized system will select your Alternate Choice for each of the priority rankings if it cannot place you in your selected course. Therefore, we recommend that you *zigzag* your course choices, where each alternate course is the next course in your priority listing.

EXAMPLE

- | | |
|-----------------|---------------------------|
| 1. Trademark | Alternate 1: Corporations |
| 2. Corporations | Alternate 2: Contracts |
| 3. Contracts | Alternate 3: Media Law |
| 4. Media Law | Alternate 4: and so on... |

Registration Request Strategies

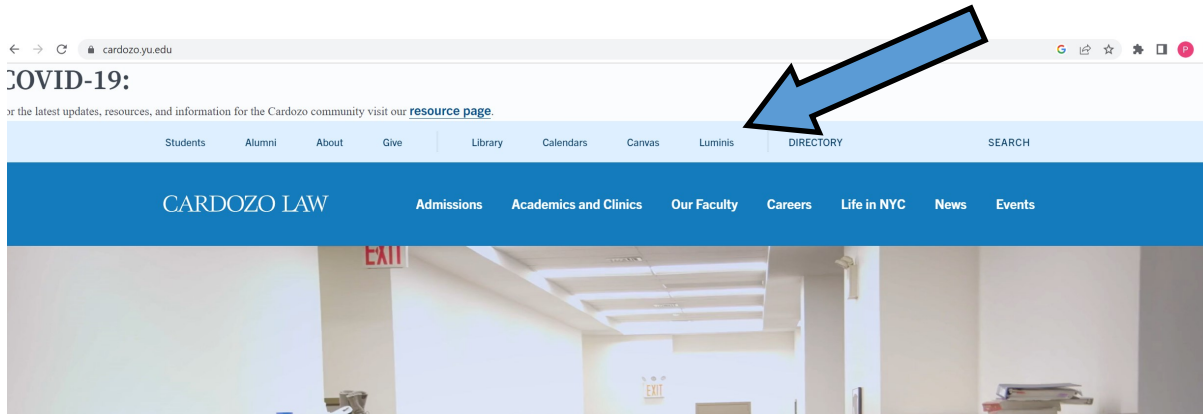
	Primary Course Name	Number of Credits	Alternate Course Name	Number of Credits
1				
2				
3				
4				
5				
6				
7				

Total Credits:

- List courses in preference order. Use higher priority spaces (1, 2 and 3) for the courses you want most or those that are most likely to close.
- Place the hardest-to-get courses at the beginning.
- Look at course limit numbers to get a sense of the harder courses to get.
- Put your first course in Primary Choice #1 position.
- Place your second choice in Alternative #1 position **AND** the Primary Choice #2 position.
- List one or two extra courses just in case you cannot get into all the courses you want.

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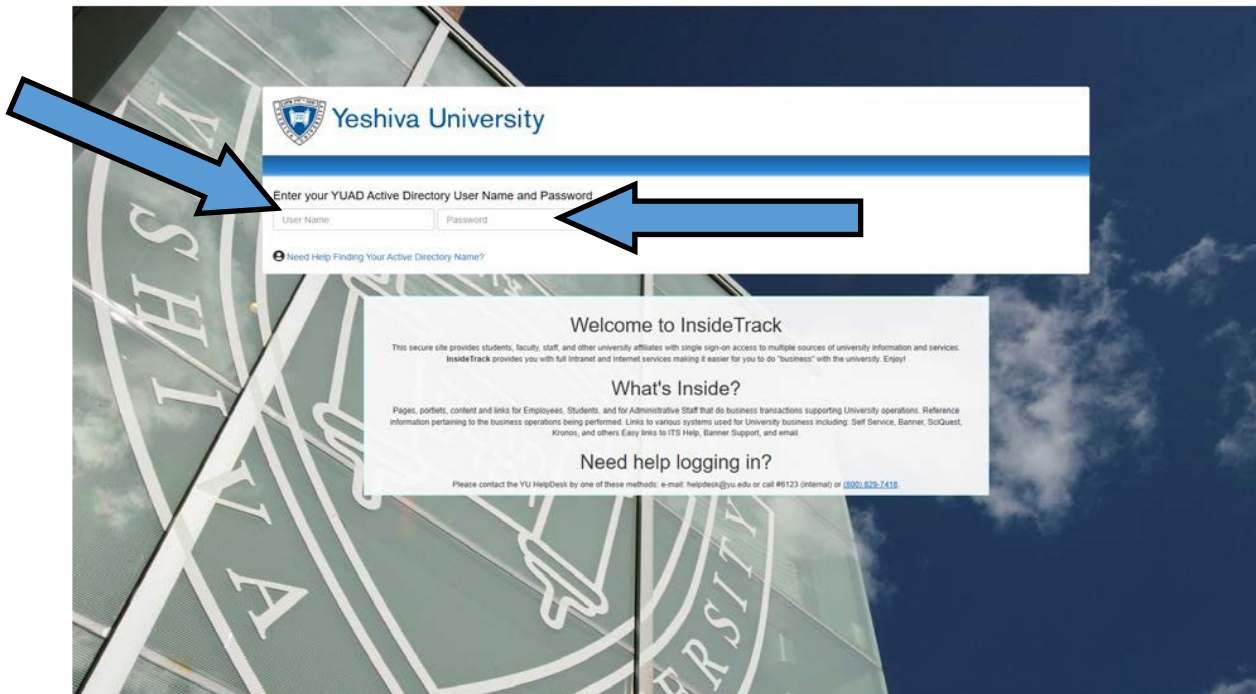
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You will use your YU Active Directory username and password to access Banner.

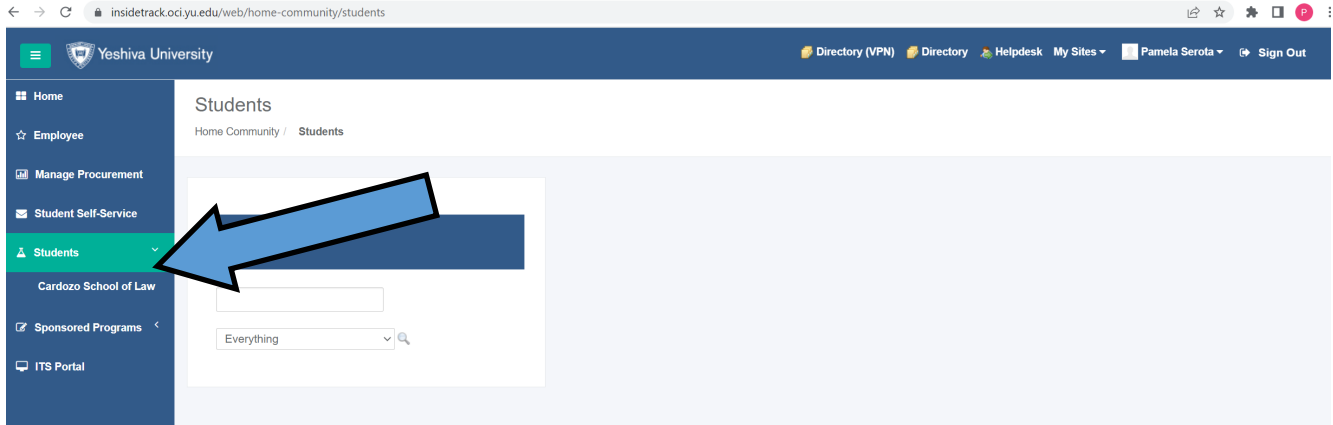
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By default, your password should be the first letter of your last name and the last 4 digits of your Banner ID #. (example: s1234)

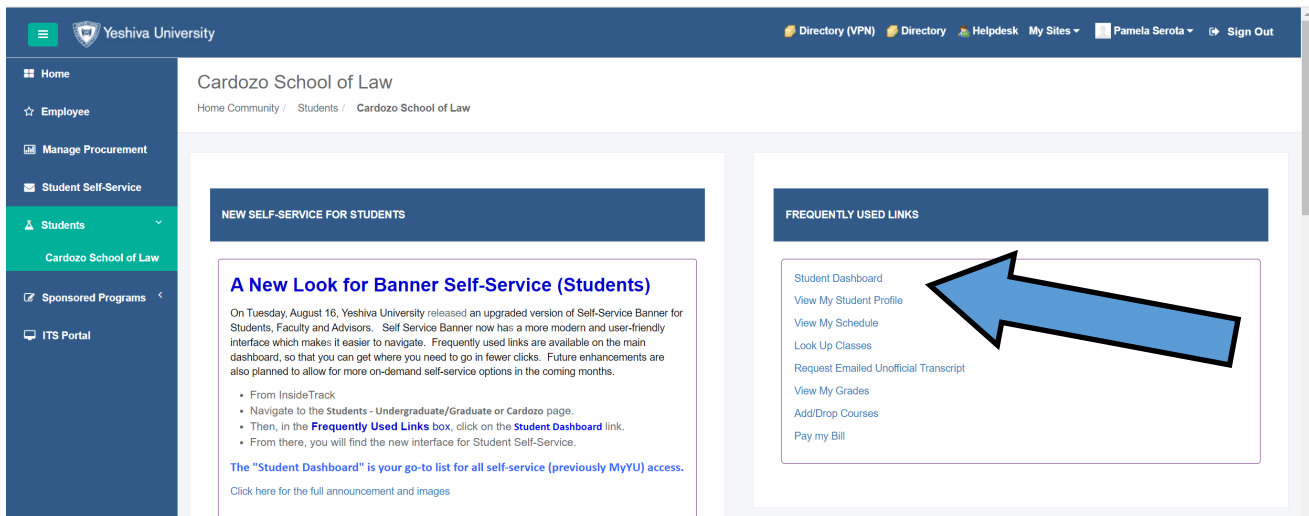


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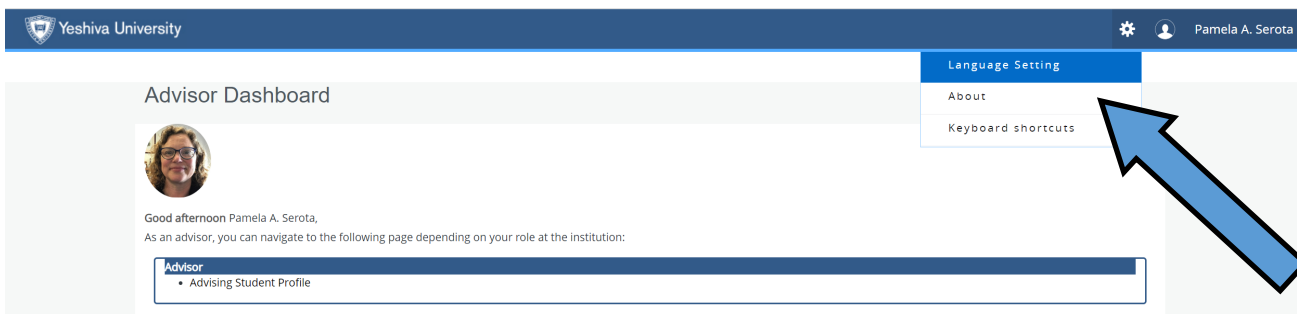
Once you are in Banner, you will click on “Student” and “Cardozo Law School” on the left side in the dark blue bar. This will take you to the Student Banner Self Service page.



From this page you will click on “Student Dashboard” under “Frequently Used Links.”



If the Student Dashboard is empty or has text without links, it may be a problem with the language setting on your computer. To fix this, choose the setting icon at the top right of the page, and then “Language Setting” and “U.S. English.” Sign out and then sign in again.



COURSE SELECTION WORKSHEET

Once you are in the Student Dashboard and can see the links, choose the “CSL Course Selection Worksheet” link. This will take you to an online fillable registration form.

NOTE: Do not select the Add/Drop Courses link. This is for Add/Drop period only.

When selecting the Term, it is important to make sure you choose the **regular Fall or Spring** term, **not “Fall or Spring Zman.”**

When completing the worksheet, you should enter the course CRN# and it will populate the rest of the course information.

Make sure you list courses in order of priority, including an alternate course for each choice.

NOTE: IF THIS PAGE DOES NOT LOAD CORRECTLY, PRESS THE SUBMIT BUTTON AT THE BOTTOM OF THE PAGE. THIS WILL REBUILD THE PAGE FOR YOU

Add Course/Alternates below.
You may select up to 10 courses/alternates. Enter your choices in **PREFERENCE ORDER**.

To add a course selection, choose a course from the *Find a class* drop down box. The Course Reference Number (CRN) will populate once you have made your selection. The cursor should move to the alternate box. If you do not wish to make an alternate selection for this choice, use your mouse to click in the next CHOICE box.

You can also move around the form using the TAB key on your keyboard.

Once you have made your selections of courses/alternates, click on the **SUBMIT** button at the bottom of the form. Your course selections will then appear on this page.

If you have previously submitted courses, they will appear below. To delete previously submitted courses, select **DELETE** from the *ACTION* drop down box, and then press SUBMIT at the bottom of the page.

To RE-ORDER your previously submitted selections, choose the new preference number from the drop down box in the “#” column, next to the action box. Press Submit at the bottom of the page.

To completely substitute a choice, choose the new course/alternate from the add course section, for the appropriate preference number. Press Submit at the bottom of the page.
For example, if you want to change your 3rd choice, enter the new choice in the CRN box for “choice3”.

If you experience any difficulties with this form, please contact the Office of the Registrar at 646-592-6280 or by email at cardozoregistrar@yu.edu, or click on the “Need Help” link at the top of the page.

ARE YOU GRADUATING AFTER COMPLETING THE Fall 2021 TERM?

**** YOU HAVE NOT SUBMITTED ANY COURSE SELECTIONS ****

Add Course/Alternate:

	CRN	COURSE
CHOICE 1	<input type="text" value="15174"/>	<input type="text" value="Alternative Business Entities LAW 7039 SECTION: A T 4:00pm-5:54pm"/>
ALTERNATE 1	<input type="text" value="15204"/>	<input type="text" value="Child Abuse/Gender Based Viol LAW 7715 SECTION: A R 6:00pm-7:54pm"/>
	<input type="text" value="Find a class:"/>	<input type="button" value="v"/>
CHOICE 2	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
ALTERNATE 2	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	<input type="text" value="Find a class:"/>	<input type="button" value="v"/>
CHOICE 3	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
ALTERNATE 3	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Select a primary and alternate choice by entering the CRN in the boxes under the “CRN” column or by selecting a course from the “find a class” drop down menu.

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Make sure to add an extra 1—2 courses in case you do not get into all the courses you want. It is much easier to drop a course later than to add a course later that might get filled.

Click on the Submit button when you are finished adding courses to your worksheet.

CHOICE 6	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
ALTERNATE 6	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	<i>Find a class:</i>	<input type="text"/>
CHOICE 7	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
ALTERNATE 7	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	<i>Find a class:</i>	<input type="text"/>
CHOICE 8	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
ALTERNATE 8	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	<i>Find a class:</i>	<input type="text"/>
CHOICE 9	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
ALTERNATE 9	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	<i>Find a class:</i>	<input type="text"/>
CHOICE 10	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
ALTERNATE 10	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	<i>Find a class:</i>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="button" value="Submit"/>	<input type="button" value="RESET"/>	

When you submit your worksheet, it will take you to a new page with the summary of courses you requested and a question: “Are you graduating after completing this semester?” Choose YES or NO.

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The list of courses you chose will now appear with an action button. Until the end of the LLM registration period, you may edit this list by deleting a course and replacing it with another course.

To change one of your selections, you have to first select “delete” from the drop-down menu under the “action” column and click “submit” at the bottom of the worksheet. This will delete both the choice and the alternate. You can then go back to the worksheet and add a choice and alternate course.

In the example below, choice 1/alternate 1 is being deleted. You would then go back to the worksheet and select another choice 1 and alternate 1 and click “submit”. Even if you are only changing one of the courses (i.e. you want to change choice 1 but not alternate 1), you need to delete the entire row, select a new course for choice 1, and then re-select the same course for alternate 1. Always remember to click “submit”.

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Your current course selections:

ACTION	#	CHOICE	ALTERNATE
DELETE	1	15174 Alternative Business Entities LAW 7039 SECTION: A T 4:00pm-5:54pm Lauris Rall	15204 Child Abuse/Gender Based Viol LAW 7715 SECTION: A R 6:00pm-7:54pm Shannon G. Lucey
-no action-	2	15204 Child Abuse/Gender Based Viol LAW 7715 SECTION: A R 6:00pm-7:54pm Shannon G. Lucey	15175 Business Immigration Law LAW 7419 SECTION: A W 4:00pm-5:54pm Michael J. Wildes
-no action-	3	15195 Advanced Legal Research LAW 7790 SECTION: D M 8:30am-9:51am Hunter D. Whaley	15294 Advanced Legal Research LAW 7790 SECTION: B W 6:00pm-7:21pm Ingrid A. Mattson

Add Course/Alternate:

	CRN	COURSE
CHOICE 1	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
ALTERNATE 1	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	Find a class: <input type="text"/>	
CHOICE 2	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
ALTERNATE 2	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	Find a class: <input type="text"/>	

It is recommended that you print a copy of your registration submission for your records.

At the end of the registration period for LL.M students, you will be able to log back into Banner and look at your course schedule. There you will see which courses you got into and can make a plan for whether you wish to add or drop any courses once the Add/Drop period begins.

NOTE FOR EXCHANGE STUDENTS

Exchange students have a different registration time period than the LL.M. students. Rather than completing the Course Selection Worksheet online, you will be emailed a Registration Add/Drop Form, which you should complete and return to Pamela Serota (pamela.serota@yu.edu). This form will be forwarded to the Registrar's office and you will be manually registered.

If You Require Assistance...

If you require assistance with course planning, you should contact the Office of Graduate and International Programs by e-mailing pamela.serota@yu.edu.

If you encounter any problems with registering via the **Banner website**, you should contact the Office of the Registrar by emailing cardozoregistrar@yu.edu.

If your question concerns a **Financial hold**, you should contact the Office of Student Finance by emailing clfinaid@yu.edu.