

# 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. and exchange students choose courses from the Cardozo J.D. curriculum, which includes:

**1. 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

**2. Upper-level courses** which provide variety and depth to allow for specializing in specific areas of law.

LL.M. and exchange 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 student can demonstrate sufficient background from prior law studies.

## INTERNATIONAL STUDENT REQUIREMENTS

### Introduction to U.S. Law

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)

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.**

# COURSE CREDIT REQUIREMENTS

## PART-TIME VS. FULL-TIME ENROLLMENT

Students on F-1 or J-1 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 54-minute in-class instruction per week for the semester. Students should typically expect to spend at least 130 minutes of out-of-class work for every hour of class time unless otherwise guided by the instructor.

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**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

# UNDERSTANDING THE CARDOZO CURRICULUM

## 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. International LL.M. students typically have access to experiential learning opportunities in their second semester; domestic LL.M. students and those with a prior J.D. degree typically have access to experiential learning opportunities starting their first semester.

**Below is the list of clinics/externships that are open to LL.M students:**

- ADR Clinic
- Advanced Human Rights and Atrocity Prevention Clinic
- Bronx Defenders/Mainzer Family Defense Clinic
- Consumer Rights Clinic
- Department of Financial Services
- Divorce Mediation In-House Clinic
- Filmmakers Legal Clinic
- Forensic Science Clinic
- Healthcare Reform Clinic
- Heyman ACCA In-House Counsel
- Housing Justice Clinic
- Human Rights and Atrocity Prevention Clinic
- IP Externship
- Mediation Clinic
- New York City Law Dept Appeals Division Clinic
- New York Labor and Employment Division Clinic
- Private Sector Externship
- Public Sector Externship
- REEP Externship
- State Criminal Prosecution Queens DA Clinic
- Tax Law Clinic
- Tech Start Up Clinic
- Visual and Performing Arts Law Clinic

# 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. Please note that a second concentration usually requires an additional semester because students cannot double count the same courses for both concentrations.

## 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](#)

# 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>

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**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.**

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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.

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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 CURRICULUM ESSENTIALS

If you must establish eligibility for the NY Bar Exam based on the U.S. LL.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)**

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**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)**

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**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.**

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**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)

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**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

As of December 2015, the Court of Appeals now requires applicants (who completed their law degree after August 2018) 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**. Students may complete this requirement after the LL.M. program and after sitting for the Bar exam. 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.

Due to the lack of clarity by the NY Court of Appeals as to which courses LL.Ms would need in order to meet the Skills Requirements during their LL.M studies, **we caution LL.M. students to not pursue Pathway 1 in their LL.M program**. Domestic, Canadian, and some students from Common Law countries may be an exception and should discuss this option with Dean Myteberi if they would like to pursue Pathway 1.

# 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**

- ♦ ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION
- ♦ CORPORATE, COMMERCIAL AND SECURITIES LAW
- ♦ INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY
- ♦ INTERNATIONAL AND COMPARATIVE LAW
- ♦ FASHION, ART, MEDIA, ENTERTAINMENT (FAME)
- ♦ REAL ESTATE
- ♦ DATA LAW AND PRIVACY

## **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](#).

# COMPARATIVE LEGAL THOUGHT LL.M.

## REQUIRED CREDIT

27 credits total (24 credits total if not taking NY Bar Exam)

- 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)

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

Professional Responsibility (2/3)

Minimum of 6 credits in NY Bar Subjects

## SAMPLE OF ELECTIVE COURSES

Administrative Law

Advanced Human Rights Clinic (4)

Cardozo/Columbia Colloquium: Sovereignty, Rule of Law, and Fundamental Rights in Era of National and International Turmoil (2)

Comparative Constitutionalism (3) +

Constitutional Law I (3)

Constitutional Law II (3)

Criminal Justice and Society

Critical Perspectives on Procedure (2)

Critical Race Theory

Family Law (3)

First Amendment (3)

Forensic Psychiatry & Psychology (2)

Gender and the Law (2)

How Judges Decide (2)

Human Rights and Atrocity Prevention Clinic (3)

Human Rights and Atrocity Prevention Seminar (1)

Indigenous Rights in the Americas (2)

International Criminal Law

International Human Rights Law

International Law (4)

Israeli Constitutional Law in Comparative Perspectives (2)

Journal of Law and Literature

Jurisprudence (3)

Law and Literature (3)

LL.M. Thesis (3)

Multiculturalism & Human Rights of Women (1)

Race and the Law (3)

Religious Freedom and Gender Equality

Rule of Law in Context (2)

Sexual Orientation and the Law (2)

State and Local Government Law

Transgender & Reproductive Justice (2)

# INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LL.M.

## REQUIRED CREDIT

24 credits total (26 credits for foreign-educated LL.M. students who seek to meet the NY Bar requirements)

- 14 credits minimum in IP coursework

## REQUIRED COURSES

- At least two out of these three 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

Advanced Filmmakers Legal Clinic (2)

Advanced Patent Law (2)

Advanced Tech Startup Clinic (2)

Advertising Law (3)

Antitrust (2/3)

Antitrust and IP (2)

Antitrust and Class Action Litigation

Art Law (2)

Art Law Field Clinic (4)

Collective Bargaining & Negotiation, Sports, Enter.

Creativity, Innovation, and IP (2)

Design Law (2)

Electronic Commerce (2)

Entertainment Law(2)

Fashion Law (3)

Fashion Law Drafting/IP Licensing & Drafting (2)

Fashion Law Practicum (2)

Filmmakers Legal Clinic (5)

First Amendment (3)

Information Governance Law (2)

International Law (3)

International Trade (2)

Internet Law I (2)

IP Business and Transactional Law (2)

IP and Info Law Colloquium (2/3)

IP Externship and Seminar(3)

IP Licensing and Drafting

IP Policymaking

Law Business and Technology

Legal Technology and the Business of Law

Media Law (2)

Music Law (2)

Patent Basics

Patent Law

Patent Law Practice

Social Media Law (2)

Sports Law (2)

Startup Law (2)

Taxation of IP (2)

Tech Startup Clinic (4)

Technology Transactions

Trademark Law

Transactions Patent Rights

Private or Public Sector Internship—as long as it is in IP practice area

Visual & Perf Arts Law Field Clinic & Seminar (4)



# DISPUTE RESOLUTION AND ADVOCACY LL.M.

## REQUIRED CREDIT

24 credits total

- 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 in advance and confirmation 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

ADR in the Workplace (3)

ADR Processes

ADR Writing Seminar (2)

Advanced Trial Advocacy (2)

Advocacy (2)

Anatomy of an Appeal (1)

Arbitration : Theory and Practice (2)

Collaborative Family Law (1)

Conflict of Laws (3)

Divorce Mediation (2/3)

Divorce Mediation Intensive

Divorce Process

E-Discovery (2)

Ethics in Litigation (2)

Evidence (4)

Federal Courts (3)

Inhouse Counsel Seminar

Innovations in Justice

Int’l Commercial Arbitration (2)

International Peacemaking

Interviewing and Counseling (1)

Intro to ADR for LL.Ms

Intro to Mediation

Intro to Mediation Intensive

Intro to Trial Advocacy (2)

Journal of Conflict Resolution

Law of Settlement

Negotiation Theory and Skills (2)

NY Evidence

NY Matrimonial Law Drafting/  
Processes

NY Practice

NY Evidence in Theory & Practice (2)

Professional Responsibility (2/3)

Representation in Mediation (2)

Representation in Arbitration (1)

Pretrial Practice (3)

Trail Advocacy

### EXPERIENTIAL REQ. OPTIONS\*

Advanced Securities Arbitration Clinic

Advanced Mediation Practicum (2)

ADR Field Clinic and Seminar (4)

Art Law Field Clinic & Seminar (4)

Consumer Rights Field Clinic & Sem (4)

Dept of Financial Services Clinic & Sem

Divorce Mediation Clinic & Seminar (3)

Health Care Reform Clinic & Sem (4)

Heyman-ACCA Externship (3)

Human Rights Clinic & Seminar (3)

Immigration Justice Clinic & Sem (4)

Intensive Trial Advocacy (ITAP) (3)

Labor & Employment Law Clinic & Sem

Mainzer Family Defense Clinic & Sem

Mediation Clinic (3)

NY Attorney Gen Field Clinic & Sem (4)

NY Law Dept Appeals Div Clinic & Sem

Private Sector Externship & Seminar

Public Sector Externship & Seminar

Securities Arbitration Clinic

Special Ed Law & Advocacy Clinic &  
Seminar (4)

Tax Law Field Clinic and Seminar (4)

Tech Startup Clinic (4)

**\* Or 60 hours of pro bono work,  
certified by a supervisor or project  
leader.**

# GENERAL STUDIES LL.M.

## REQUIRED CREDITS

24 credits total

## 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

## REQUIRED COURSES

Students who choose a General Studies LL.M 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.

## OPTIONAL CONCENTRATIONS

Students in the General Studies LL.M program may, *but are not required to*, select **up to** two concentrations from the list below. Please note that a second concentration usually requires an additional semester because students cannot double count the same courses for both concentrations. 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)	Representation in Mediation (2)
ADR Processes	Representation in Arbitration (1)
ADR Writing Seminar (2)	Pretrial Practice (3)
Advanced Trial Advocacy (2)	Trail Advocacy
Advocacy (2)	Advanced Securities Arbitration Clinic
Anatomy of an Appeal (1)	Advanced Mediation Practicum (2)
Arbitration : Theory and Practice (2)	ADR Field Clinic and Seminar (4)
Children and the Law (2)	Art Law Field Clinic & Seminar (4)
Collaborative Family Law (1)	Consumer Rights Field Clinic & Sem (4)
Conflict of Laws (3)	Dept of Financial Services Clinic & Sem
Divorce Mediation (2/3)	Divorce Mediation Clinic & Seminar (3)
Divorce Mediation Intensive	Health Care Reform Clinic & Sem (4)
Divorce Process	Heyman-ACCA Externship (3)
E-Discovery (2)	Human Rights Clinic & Seminar (3)
Ethics in Litigation (2)	Immigration Justice Clinic & Sem (4)
Evidence (4)	Intensive Trail Advocacy (ITAP) (3)
Federal Courts (3)	Labor & Employment Law Clinic & Sem
Inhouse Counsel Seminar	Mainzer Family Defense Clinic & Sem
Innovations in Justice	Mediation Clinic (3)
Int'l Commercial Arbitration (2)	NY Attorney Gen Field Clinic & Sem (4)
Interviewing and Counseling (1)	NY Law Dept Appeals Div Clinic & Sem
Intro to ADR in NYC for LL.Ms	Private Sector Externship & Seminar
Intro to Mediation	Public Sector Externship & Seminar
Intro to Mediation Intensive	Securities Arbitration Clinic
Intro to Trial Advocacy (2)	Special Ed Law & Advocacy Clinic & Seminar (4)
Journal of Conflict Resolution	Tax Law Field Clinic and Seminar (4)
Negotiation Theory and Skills	Tech Startup Clinic (4)
NY Evidence	
NY Matrimonial Law Drafting/Processes	
NY Practice	
NY Evidence in Theory & Practice (2)	
Professional Responsibility (2/3)	



# GENERAL STUDIES LL.M.

## CONCENTRATION IN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Minimum of 10 credits from list below

### REQUIRED COURSES

- At least two of these three courses: Copyright (3), Trademark (3), or Patents (3)
- Students should take at least one of these courses in the first semester

### ELECTIVE COURSES

Advanced Filmmakers Legal Clinic (2)  
Advanced Patent Law (2)  
Advanced Tech Startup Clinic (2)  
Advertising Law (3)  
Antitrust (2/3)  
Antitrust and IP (2)  
Antitrust and Class Action Litigation  
Art Law (2)  
Art Law Field Clinic (4)  
Collective Bargaining & Negotiation, Sports, Enter.  
Creativity, Innovation, and IP (2)  
Design Law (2)  
Electronic Commerce (2)  
Entertainment Law(2)  
Fashion Law (3)  
Fashion Law Drafting/IP Licensing & Drafting (2)  
Fashion Law Practicum (2)  
Filmmakers Legal Clinic (5)  
First Amendment (3)  
Information Governance Law (2)  
International Law (3)  
International Trade (2)  
Internet Law I (2)  
IP Business and Transactional Law (2)

IP and Info Law Colloquium (2/3)  
IP Externship and Seminar(3)  
IP Licensing and Drafting  
IP Policymaking  
Law Business and Technology  
Legal Technology and the Business of Law  
Media Law (2)  
Music Law (2)  
Patent Basics  
Patent Law  
Patent Law Practice  
Social Media Law (2)  
Sports Law (2)  
Startup Law (2)  
Taxation of IP (2)  
Tech Startup Clinic (4)  
Technology Transactions  
Trademark Law  
Transactions Patent Rights  
Private or Public Sector Internship—as long as it is in IP  
practice area

# 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

Advanced Security Arbitration Clinic  
Governance in Practice (2)  
Alternative Business Entities:  
LLC's, Partnerships & Antitrust (1)  
Bankruptcy Law (3)  
Business Reorganizations (2)  
Business Trusts (3)  
Cannabis Law  
Capital Markets Regulation  
Charity Governance (2)  
Commercial Law (4)  
Compliance in Financial Institutions (3)  
Congressional Investigations  
Consumer Bankruptcy (3)  
Consumer Rights FC/Seminar (4)  
Contract Drafting (3)  
Corporate Counsel  
Corporate Criminal Liability & FCPA (2)  
Corporate Fraud  
Corporate Fraud/Whistleblower  
Statutes (2)  
Corporate Internal Investigations (2)  
Corporate Taxation (3)

Cryptocurrency & Digital Asset  
Regulation: Law, Policy and the Future  
of Finance  
Drafting & Analyzing Corp Agree-  
ments (2)  
DFS Field Clinic/Seminar (4)  
Electronic Commerce (2)  
Energy Law  
Environmental Law  
Environmental Justice  
Ethics for the Business Attorney (2)  
Federal Income Tax (4)  
Global Corporate Compliance (2 or 3)  
Heyman In-House Counsel Externship  
& Seminar  
Heyman Business Law Colloq.  
International Business Transactions (2)  
Int'l Commercial Arbitration (2)  
International Tax (2)  
International Trade (2)  
International Transactional Lawyer  
Program  
Intro to Financial Statements  
Insurance Law  
Law, Business and Technology  
Law of Non-Profit Organizations (2)

Legal Technology and Business Law  
Mergers & Acquisitions (3)  
Parties and Private Corp Litigation  
Partnership Tax  
Pensions and Profit Sharing  
Private Sector Externship & Seminar  
Public Sector Externship & Seminar  
Regulation of Capital Markets  
Regulation of Digital Assets  
Sales and Payments  
Secured Transactions  
Securities Arbitration Clinic (4)  
Securities Litigation & Enforcement (2)  
Securities Regulation (3)  
Tax of Business Entities  
Taxation of Partnerships (3)  
Tax Law Field Clinic & Seminar  
Tax Policy Seminar  
Tech Transactions  
Tech Startup Clinic (4)  
Trusts and Estates  
Venture Capital (2)  
White Collar Crime (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 Human Rights Clinic (2)	International Human Rights Law
Business Immigration, Workforce & Compliance (2)	International Law
Cardozo/Columbia Colloq.: Sovereignty, Rule of Law, and Fundamental Rights in an Era of National and International Turmoil (2)	International Tax (2)
Comparative Constitutionalism (3)	International Trade (2)
Congressional Investigations	International & Comparative Tax Law (3)
Contemporary Conflicts & the Law (3)	International Criminal Law (2)
Conflicts of Law (3)	International Trade Regulation (2)
Criminal Justice & Society Colloquium	Israeli Constitutional Law in Comparative Perspectives (2)
European Legal Institutions & the Holocaust (2)	Jewish Law and Justice
Gender and the Law	Law & Practice at the UN (2)
Human Rights & Atrocity Prevention Clinic & Seminar (5)	Race and the Law (3)
Immigration Law (2)	Race, the Constitution, and the American Empire (2)
Immigration Justice Clinic & Seminar (4)	Rule of Law in Context (2)
Indigenous Rights in the Americas (2)	Sexual Orientation and the Law (2)
Int'l & Comparative Law Review	Transgender and Reproductive Justice (2)
International Business Transactions (2)	
International Commercial Arbitration (2)	
International Commercial Arbitration Practicum (1)	
International Criminal Law	

# GENERAL STUDIES LL.M.

## CONCENTRATION IN FASHION, ARTS, MEDIA, ENTERTAINMENT

Minimum of 10 credits from list below

### REQUIRED COURSES

One of these two courses: Trademark (3) or Copyright (3)

Plus Two Core Courses from this list:

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

### ELECTIVE COURSES

Advanced Filmmakers Clinic	Patent Law (3)
Advanced Tech Startup Clinic	Patent Law Practice (2)
Antitrust (2 or 3)	Patent Practicum
Creativity, Innovation, and IP	Patent Law Summer Intensive (1 or 2)
Design Law (2)	Privacy Law Seminar (2)
Electronic Commerce (2)	Privacy Law (3)
Fashion Law Drafting/IP Licensing & Drafting (2)	Taxation of Intellectual Property (2)
Fashion Law Practicum (2)	Tech Startup Clinic (4)
Filmmakers Legal Clinic (5)	Technology Transactions (2)
First Amendment (3)	Visual and Performing Arts Clinic & Seminar (4)
Information Governance Law (2)	
IP & Information Law Colloquium (2 or 3)	
Intellectual Property Externship & Seminar (2)	
International IP	
International Trade (2)	
Internet Law I (3)	
IP and Antitrust	
IP Business & Transactional Law (2)	
IP Licensing	

**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)

Cooperatives & Condominiums (2)

Distressed Real Estate (2)

Land Use Regulation (3)

Negotiation Theories & Skills (2)

Real Estate Externship Field Placement & Seminar(2)

Real Estate Externship Seminar (1)

Real Estate Finance (2)

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)

Cryptocurrency & Digital Asset Regulation: Law, Policy, and the Future of Finance (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 (4)

International Commercial Arbitration (2)

International Law (4)

International Trade (2)

Internet Law (3)

IP Policymaking (2)

IP and Information Law Colloquium (2 or 3) Media Law (2)

Social Media Law (2)

Startup Law (2)

Technology Transactions (2)

Whistleblower Status and Corporate Fraud (2)

# CARDOZO LAW

## **PART II: LL.M. COURSE REGISTRATION GUIDE**

# REGISTRATION STEPS

## PREPARATION

1. Read the LL.M. CURRICULUM GUIDE to make sure that you understand the LL.M. program and the NY Bar Requirements that apply to you
  2. Attend an LL.M. CURRICULUM AND REGISTRATION WORKSHOP
  3. Make sure that you do not have any HOLDS on your account that will prevent you from registering
    - ♦ If you have a financial hold, contact [cardozostudentaccounts@yu.edu](mailto:cardozostudentaccounts@yu.edu)
  4. Make sure you have access to Banner and the student dashboard with links to course selection worksheet
  5. Make sure your computer is set to English Language settings or else Banner links may not work
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## REGISTRATION

1. Gather all MATERIALS that you will need from the Registrar's Website.
    - Semester course list and block schedules
    - Course Descriptions
    - Final exam schedule
  2. Plan out your SCHEDULE
    - Make sure courses you have chosen do not overlap in time
    - Write down the CRN number for the courses you want
  3. Prioritize your COURSE CHOICES
    - Check which courses have fewer seats and will be harder to get into
    - Check which courses are requirements for your program
  4. Pay attention to TIMING/DEADLINES for the Registration period
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## ADD/DROP CHANGES

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.



# GATHER THE MATERIALS YOU WILL NEED

Look at the correct semester's Course List on the [Registrar's web page](#).

## Fall 2023 Registration Materials

Fall 2023 Registration Dates & FAQs (Updated 6.7.23)

[DOWNLOAD](#) 

Fall 2023 JD & LLM Course List (updated 6/8/23)

[DOWNLOAD](#) 

UL Block Schedule

[DOWNLOAD](#) 

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.**

### 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 may take in 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: 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.

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)
									MW	11:00AM-11:54AM									
Family Law	7711	A	10435	Edward Stein	3			125	T	10:00AM-10:54AM	204	UBE	X		E				Fulfills CLT concentration LLM's. Satisfies rule D (LLM's)

# 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

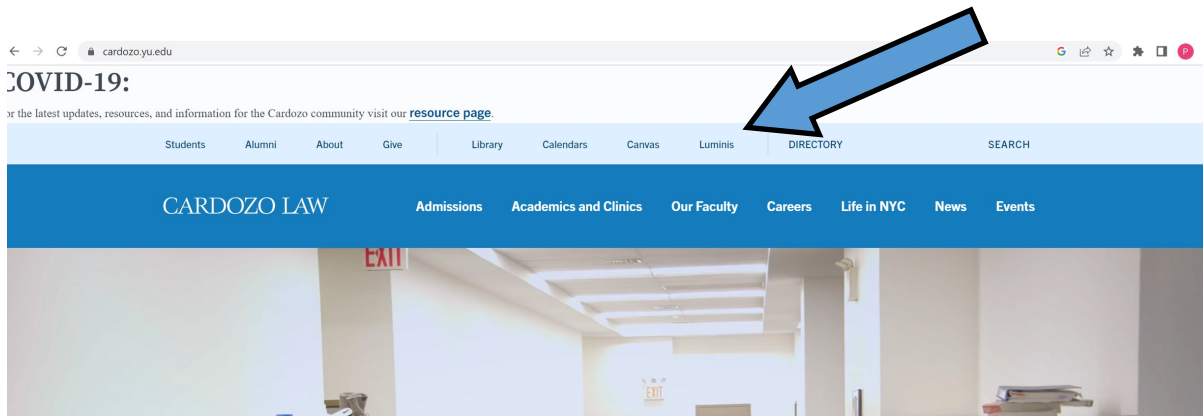
	Primary Course Name	Number of Credits	Alternate Course Name	Number of Credits
1	TRADEMARK		CORPORATIONS	
2	CORPORATIONS		CONTRACTS	
3	CONTRACTS		MEDIA LAW	
4	MEDIA LAW		INTRO TO U.S. LAW	
5				
6				
7				

**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.

# LOGGING INTO BANNER

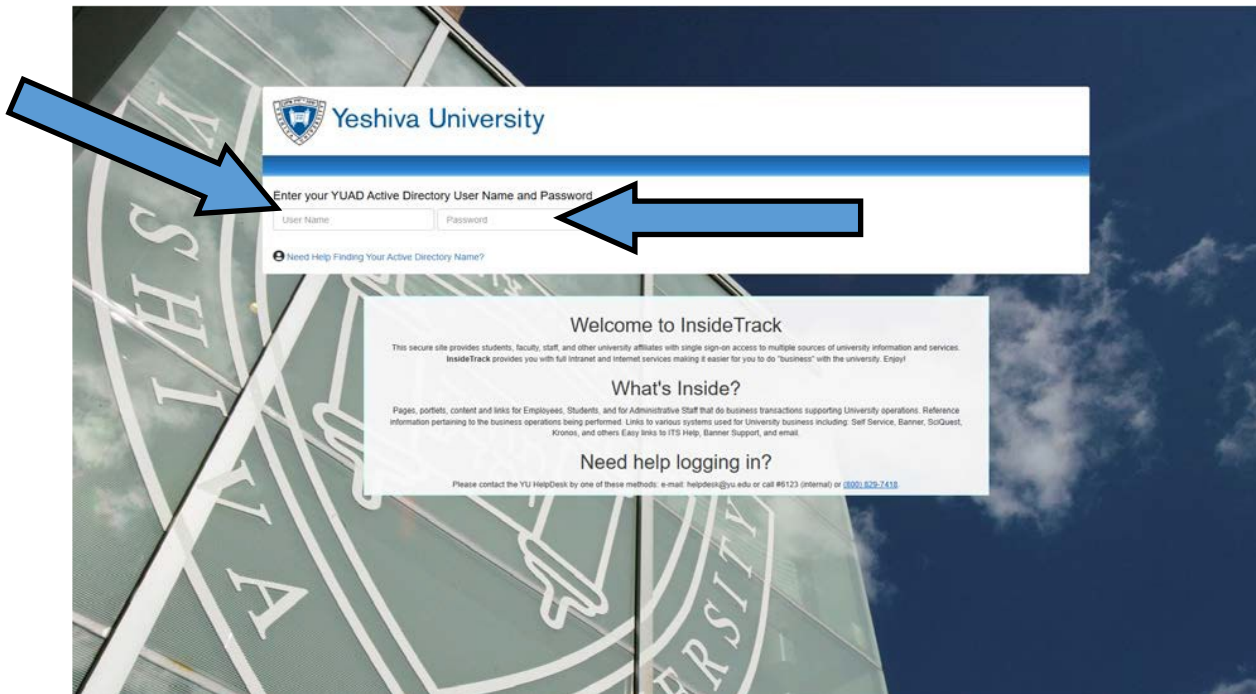
Go the Cardozo website and then click on “Luminis” at the top of the homepage.



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

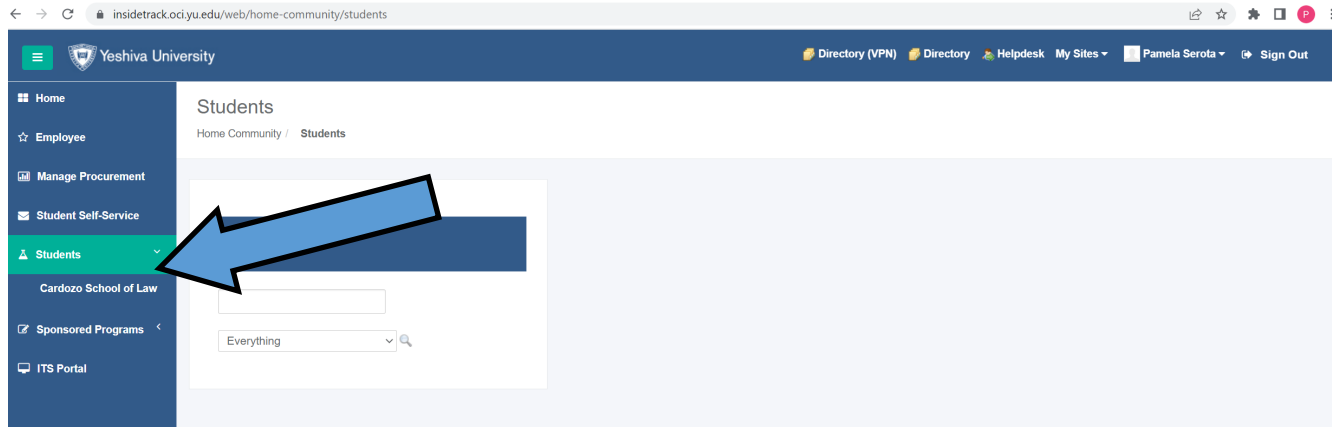
By default, your user name should be the prefix of your Cardozo email, before the “@law.cardozo.yu.edu” (example jsmith).

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

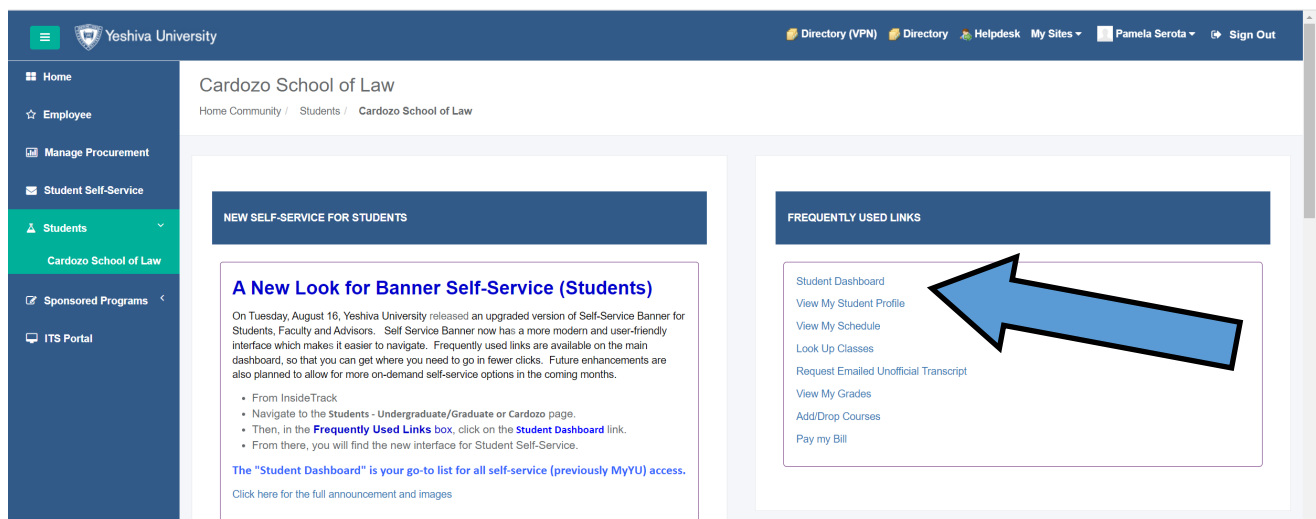


# LOGGING INTO BANNER

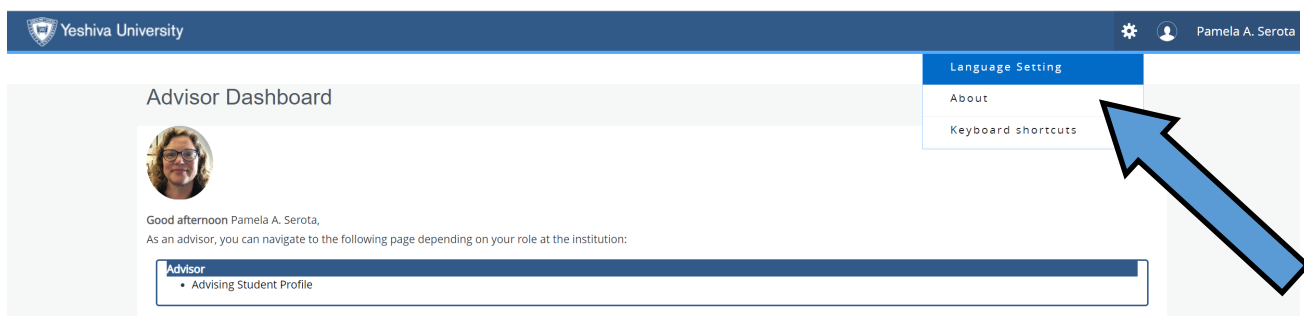
Once you are in Banner, you will click on “Student” and “Cardozo Law School” on the left side in the dark blue bar. This will take you to the Student Services Dashboard.



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.



# CHOOSING YOUR COURSES

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

**IMPORTANT NOTE: Do not select the Add/Drop Courses link. This is for a later process.**

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.

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

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.

# CHOOSING YOUR COURSES

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"/>
	Find a class: <input type="text"/>	
CHOICE 7	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
ALTERNATE 7	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	Find a class: <input type="text"/>	
CHOICE 8	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
ALTERNATE 8	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	Find a class: <input type="text"/>	
CHOICE 9	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
ALTERNATE 9	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	Find a class: <input type="text"/>	
CHOICE 10	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
ALTERNATE 10	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	Find a class: <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.

# CHOOSING YOUR COURSES

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”.

ARE YOU GRADUATING AFTER COMPLETING THE Fall 2021 TERM?

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



## 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.

## **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 **cardozostudentaccounts@yu.edu**.