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.**
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.
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.

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.
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
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)

**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)

**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.

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

- LL.M. Thesis
- Independent Study
- Winter Session Courses
- Study Abroad
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](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

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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)  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

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)

Israelí 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 lease one of these courses in the first semester

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
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

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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

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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)
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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 Agreements (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)
Business Immigration, Workforce & Compliance (2)
Cardozo/Columbia Colloq.: Sovereignty, Rule of Law, and Fundamental Rights in an Era of National and International Turmoil (2)
Comparative Constitutionalism (3)
Congressional Investigations
Contemporary Conflicts & the Law (3)
Conflicts of Law (3)
Criminal Justice & Society Colloquium
European Legal Institutions & the Holocaust (2)
Gender and the Law
Human Rights & Atrocity Prevention Clinic & Seminar (5)
Immigration Law (2)
Immigration Justice Clinic & Seminar (4)
Indigenous Rights in the Americas (2)
Int’l & Comparative Law Review
International Business Transactions (2)
International Commercial Arbitration (2)
International Commercial Arbitration Practicum (1)
International Criminal Law
International Human Rights Law
International Law
International Tax (2)
International Trade (2)
International & Comparative Tax Law (3)
International Criminal Law (2)
International Trade Regulation (2)
Israeli Constitutional Law in Comparative Perspectives (2)
Jewish Law and Justice
Law & Practice at the UN (2)
Race and the Law (3)
Race, the Constitution, and the American Empire (2)
Rule of Law in Context (2)
Sexual Orientation and the Law (2)
Transgender and Reproductive Justice (2)
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
- Art Law (2)
- Art Law FC/Seminar (3)
- Entertainment Law (2)
- Fashion Law (3)
- Media Law
- Music Law

ELECTIVE COURSES

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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)
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
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

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

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.

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.
# PLAN OUT YOUR SCHEDULE

Use this sample schedule to plan your weekly course schedule.

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

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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**

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**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 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.

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.

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”.

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

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## Required Coursework/Credits for Program

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## NY Bar Exam Requirements

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**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.