Elder Law: Financial Aspects & Planning (JD 169)

Prerequisites: This course has prerequisites of Lawyering Skill I and II, Contract I and II, Criminal Law, Civil Pro. I, and Con. Law I, Property and Torts.

This course has prerequisites of Lawyering Skill I and II, Contract I and II, Criminal Law, Civil Pro. I, and Con. Law I, Property and Torts. This class will highlight planning opportunities for attorneys practicing in elder law to offer to their elderly clients. Topics include aging trends in America, the delivery and choices of health care benefits, the use of health care proxies and powers of attorney, issues for grandparents, estate planning and Medicaid planning, sources of income during retirement (such as Social Security and employer-provided retirement benefits), and reverse mortgages, viaticals and other financial instruments.

International Business Transactions (JD 190/IBT 716)

Prerequisites: This course has prerequisites of Lawyering Skills I and II, Contract I and II, Criminal Law, Civil Pro. I and Con. Law I, Property and Torts.

Business lawyers must increasingly deal with issues that transcend national boundaries. This course addresses issues of private business enterprises investing, producing, and marketing their goods and services in the international marketplace; national and supernational regulation of the activities of such businesses; expropriation and political risks; and policy issues relating to the existence of multinational corporations.

Consumer Law (JD 209)

Prerequisites: This course has prerequisite of Lawyering Skills I and II, Contracts I and II, Torts, Property, Criminal Law, Civil Procedure I, and Constitutional Law I.

This course has prerequisite of Lawyering Skills I and II, Contracts I and II, Torts, Property, Criminal Law, Civil Procedure I, and Constitutional Law I. An examination of concerns particular to consumer transactions in formation, substance, and remedies. Topics will include advertising, consumer sales practices and contracts, consumer credit practices, fraud, warranties, and product standards and safety. Regulatory, statutory, and common-law obligations and remedies (both state and federal) will be addressed, with an emphasis on federal consumer protection statutes.

Entertainment Law (JD 215/IP 419)

Prerequisites: This course has prerequisite of Lawyering Skills I and II, Contracts I and II, Torts, Property, Criminal Law, Civil Procedure I, and Constitutional Law I.

This course has prerequisite of Lawyering Skills I and II, Contracts I and II, Torts, Property, Criminal Law, Civil Procedure I, and Constitutional Law I. Legal considerations that affect the publishing, music, recording, live theater, motion picture, and television industries; special emphasis on laws regarding defamation, right of privacy and publicity, copyright, and unfair competition as they affect the various entertainment industries.
**Video Game Law (JD 221)**

*Prerequisites: This course has prerequisites of Lawyering Skill I and II, Contracts I and II, Criminal Law, Civil Pro. I, and Con. Law I, Property and Torts.*

This course has prerequisites of Lawyering Skill I and II, Contracts I and II, Criminal Law, Civil Pro. I, and Con. Law I, Property and Torts. Prior coursework in intellectual property is strongly recommended. The seminar will begin with a brief history of the video game industry. Much of the seminar will then focus on intellectual property issues, including patent, copyright, trademarks, and the right of publicity. The emphasis will be on issues where the fact that games are involved affects the legal analysis, such as the patentability or copyrightability of game mechanics and the treatment of games as merchandise for purposes of the right of publicity. The seminar will also cover the effects of video game violence on players and First Amendment protections for video games.

**Elder Law: Introduction (JD 242)**

*Prerequisites: This course has prerequisites of Lawyering Skill I and II, Contracts I and II, Criminal Law, Civil Pro. I, and Con. Law I, Property and Torts.*

This course has prerequisites of Lawyering Skill I and II, Contracts I and II, Criminal Law, Civil Pro. I, and Con. Law I, Property and Torts. This class will highlight, at a very basic level, the role an attorney can play in all aspects of an elderly individual's life. All of the specific niche areas of elder law, taught collectively in all of the other elder law classes, will be discussed. This class will hopefully allow a student to determine if he or she should enroll in additional elder law classes to learn and appreciate, in greater depth, the regulatory framework within which elder law attorneys practice.

**Real Estate Transactions (JD 243)**

*Prerequisites: This course has prerequisite of Lawyering Skills I and II, Contracts I and II, Torts, Property, Criminal Law, Civil Procedure I, and Constitutional Law I.*

This course has prerequisite of Lawyering Skills I and II, Contracts I and II, Torts, Property, Criminal Law, Civil Procedure I, and Constitutional Law I. This course introduces the basic residential real estate transaction including the relationship of brokers to seller and to buyer, broker listing agreement, the real estate sales contract, typical real estate financing devices, land surveys, marketable title, title insurance, the Recording Acts, implied warranties in residential sales, seller disclosure requirements, and ethical responsibilities of the attorney in representing the various parties to the transaction.

**Constitutional & Military Law (JD 287CM)**

*Prerequisites: This course has prerequisites of Lawyering Skills I and II, Contracts I and II, Criminal Law, Torts, Property, Constitutional Law I and Civil Procedure I.*

This course has prerequisites of Lawyering Skills I and II, Contracts I and II, Criminal Law, Torts, Property, Constitutional Law I and Civil Procedure I. This course studies the United States Constitution and its relationship to the United States military justice system. Students will acquire information and skills in order to recognize and resolve constitutional and legal issues prevalent in the Armed Forces of the United States. The course provides analytical models for dealing with problems regarding societal and military order. It seeks to enable the student to make an intelligent commitment to the values and preferences embodied in the Constitution and our separate systems of military and civilian law. Significant Supreme Court decisions are explored to support the course goals. Specific substantive areas include: separation of powers, individual rights, Due Process, civilian and military criminal procedure, and military criminal law.
Intellectual Property

**Substantive Patent Law I (IP 400)**
The course explores the modern law of patentability and patent validity fundamentals, including: the Patent Act of 1952, Supreme Court and federal court cases, statutory patent categories, novelty, utility, non-obviousness, disclosure requirements, and claiming requirements.

**Substantive Patent Law II (IP 401)**
*Recommended: Patent & Trade Secret Law or Substantive Patent Law I.*
The course examines the scope and construction of patents, patent infringement, contributory infringement, inducement to infringe, unenforceability defenses, jurisdiction in patent infringement cases and related actions, and remedies available in patent infringement actions.

**Patent Office Practice (JD 197/IP 402)**
*Prerequisites: This course has prerequisites of one of the following: IP Survey (JD-113), Patent & Trade Secret Law (JD-117), Patent Planning & Practice (JD-290), Substantive Patent Law I or II (IP-400 or IP-401).*
The course covers all aspects of proceedings before the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office, including: the formal requirements of the patent application, communications from the examiner, requirements for restriction, rejection of applications and claims, examiner interviews, appeals from patent office decisions, certificates of correction, and reissue practice.

**Trademark Law & Practice (IP 403)**
The course explores the historical development of trademark law, creation and maintenance of trademark rights, trademark registration and administrative proceedings, loss of trademark rights, infringement of trademark rights, proof of infringement, special defenses and limitations, unfair competition law, and jurisdiction and remedies.

**Copyright Law & Practice (IP 406)**
The course explores the statutes and case law defining the scope of United States copyright law, including: the 1909 Copyright Act; the 1976 Copyright Act; and the 1988 Berne Convention Implementation Act as it affects both domestic and foreign copyrights in the United States.

**Law of Patents (IP 415)**
Not open to students who have taken Substantive Patent Law I or II. The course surveys United States patent law. The course is designed for the degree candidate who has no intention of prosecuting patent applications before the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office. Emphasis is placed on the distinctions between patents and other forms of intellectual property.

**Right of Publicity & Protection of Personality (IP 423)**
This course examines the origin, creation and protection of publicity and privacy rights in the context of intellectual property issues. Course readings and class discussions are supplemented with guest speakers who have experience in these issues.
IP in Internet Transactions (IP 429IN)
This course examines intellectual property (IP) interests and problems associated with Internet transactions. As Internet usage has increased in both frequency and commercial importance, IP interests have been used and abused in new ways in Internet transactions. In addition, Internet technology has been implemented through new types of IP, particularly Internet domain names, with new types of characteristics and problems. This course will evaluate the legal impacts of new practices on the Internet involving older types of IP, as well as the legal features and commercial significance of new forms of IP that are specific to the Internet.

IP in Computer Software & Databases (IP 429CS)
This course examines the distinctive types of intellectual property (IP) present in computer software and databases, as well as the legal issues and processes governing such property. The course will focus on three major topics. First, the course will examine the creative features of computer software that differ from earlier forms of non-functional written products and the implications of these differences for IP protection of software. Second, the course will analyze the proper scope of IP protections for computer-implemented devices and practices. Third, the course will examine the unusual issues raised by IP protections for computer databases.

Trade Secrets Law (IP 440)
The course provides an advanced look at trade secrets law, including: defining trade secrets, the circumstances under which a duty of non-disclosure arises, appropriation of trade secrets, improper means of discovery, employer-employee relationships, limitations of trade secrets law, and remedies.

Intellectual Property in Business Organizations (IP 470)
This course will focus on the legal problems of businesses that develop and utilize intellectual property as the businesses are founded, financed, expanded, transferred to others, or terminated. The course will address the distinctive roles played by intellectual property at three stages of business development: the startup phase (where intellectual property often plays key roles in business formation and venture capital financing), the mid-stage phase (where intellectual property is often an important factor in going public or selling a business through a merger into a larger concern), and the mature company phase (where successful firms must deal with problems such as preventing abuses of dominant intellectual property positions—as was at issue in the Microsoft case—and remaining competitive in complex high tech markets despite being innovators in only small components of those markets). Students will prepare and present a research paper on a topic related to the business roles and impacts of intellectual property interests.
**Intellectual Property Management (JD 475/IP 475)**
This course will address legal standards and management techniques for acquiring and using intellectual property (IP). The focus will be on transactional methods that corporations, universities, and other organizations use to identify valuable IP. The course will also consider the additional steps that organizations should take to ensure that valuable IP qualifies for legal protections and is used to commercial advantage. Portions of the course will examine transactional techniques for originating, developing, and disseminating valuable IP in social service projects (often by distributing new IP embedded in products such as drugs needed in developing countries or equipment for ensuring clean water). The course will consider systematic methods aiding companies and other organizations in avoiding misuse of IP of others, thereby preventing large liabilities for IP infringement and potential disruption of future organizational activities due to injunctions enforcing IP rights. Students in the course will examine a series of case studies illustrating the development, use and misuse of IP, with emphasis on the management techniques that were used or that could have been used to produce better results. In addition to weekly assessments of assigned case studies, students will prepare a research paper describing and evaluating an IP management case study of their own choosing.

**Intellectual Property in International Business Organizations (JD 485/IP 485)**
This course examines the legal problems US businesses face as they develop and use intellectual property in foreign settings. Students will analyze problems encountered as businesses transfer intellectual property (IP) to and from other countries. The development and use of IP in China will be emphasized in evaluating these types of IP problems and their potential solutions. Grading will be based on a research paper written on a topic related to the business roles and impacts of international IP transfers and impacts.

**Intellectual Property in Start-Up Companies (JD 495/IP 495)**
This course examines the legal development of start-up companies with an emphasis on opportunities and problems related to intellectual property. The course emphasizes how intellectual property influences the business law issues that are distinctive to new companies trying to develop new technologies or produce other creative works. This type of company often encounters special problems in creating a new firm, gathering together initial shareholders, raising additional funding, creating and utilizing intellectual property interests, hiring new employees without abusing the trade secrets and other assets of competitors, seeking subsequent large-scale funding from sources like venture capitalists and public stock offerings, dealing with potential or actual bankruptcies, and, if all goes well, completing a successful buyout by another concern often through a merger into a larger company. Each of these types of transactions raises a special group of legal problems that will be addressed in this course.
Employee Benefits

Employee Benefits Law (JD 216/EB 360)
This course will survey the labor, employment, and tax rules affecting employee pension and profit sharing plans. By providing an overview of the framework of rules governing such plans, students will learn the basic tax, legal, business and other issues that specifically affect retirement plans and participants' rights under such plans. Larger public policy issues to be discussed include the struggles of Social Security to remain solvent, the problems of aging and health care, retirement security and women, and changing retirement patterns. Other types of employee benefit plans, such as health and welfare plans and executive compensation plans will also be discussed.

Fundamentals I of Retirement Plan Issues (EB 361)
Prerequisites: This course has a prerequisite of Employee Benefits Law.
This course and Fundamentals II (EB 362) provide an in-depth examination of the rules governing retirement plans “qualified” under Section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code. Intended for the practitioner who wishes to specialize in this area, the course covers the design, qualification, funding and the administration of employee retirement plans, with emphasis on compliance with the requirements of ERISA and the Internal Revenue Code. Where applicable, lectures will be supplemented with necessary plan and trust documents.

Fundamentals II of Retirement Plan Issues (EB 362)
Prerequisites: This course has a prerequisite of Employee Benefits Law.
This course is a continuation of Fundamentals I (EB 361). Intended for the practitioner who wishes to specialize in this area, the course covers the design, qualification, funding and administration of employee benefit plans, with emphasis on compliance with the requirements of ERISA and the Internal Revenue Code. Where applicable, lectures will be supplemented with necessary plan and trust documents.

Tax and Employee Benefits Research (EB 333/TX 333)
This course acquaints students with the large amount of research materials available in the tax and employee benefits areas and develops their skills in researching issues through the effective use of these materials. Primary and secondary sources will be examined in-depth. Emphasis will be placed on researching judicial decisions, legislative histories, and administrative rulings. The course will also develop skills in using computerized research skills.

Cash or Deferred Arrangements (EB 354)
Prerequisites: This course has prerequisites of Fundamentals I & II of Retirement Plan Issues.
This course examines the design and administration of cash and deferred plans (also known as 401(k) plans), SIMPLE/IRA plans, SIMPLE/401(k) plans, SEPs, 403(b) plans and 457 plans. In determining whether to implement a cash and deferred arrangement, all of the various arrangements will be discussed. Once in place, the ongoing administration of such plans, including annual testing, use of plan loans, investment of plan assets, fiduciary issues, QDRO procedures and reporting and disclosure requirements will be highlighted. Unique uses of cash and deferred arrangements and in executive compensation contexts will also be analyzed.
ESOPs (EB 355)

Prerequisites: This course has a prerequisite of Fundamentals I & II of Retirement Plan Issues.

This course focuses on the use of employee stock ownership plans (ESOPs) as employee benefit plans, tools of corporate finance, and ownership succession strategies. The course will address tax consequences of establishing and maintaining such plans, as well as securities, accounting and fiduciary issues. Use of ESOPs in leveraged transactions, by Subchapter S corporations, and in conjunction with cash and deferred arrangements (KSOPs) will be examined.

ERISA Fiduciary Law (EB 356)

Prerequisites: This course has a prerequisite of Fundamentals I or II of Retirement Plan Issues.

This course is designed to be a practical study of the fundamental structure of fiduciary responsibility under ERISA: the requisites for fiduciary status, the statutory bases of specific duties and prohibitions, and issues surrounding the management of plan assets. Timely topics, such as participant-directed investments and the evolving duty of disclosure, will also be discussed.

Employee Benefits Litigation (EB 358)

This course examines the litigation aspects of controversies and claims involving pension and retirement plans, health and medical plans, and other employee fringe benefit plans. The course covers all aspects of claims, defenses, pleadings, discovery, motions, trial and settlement approaches used in employee benefits litigation and dispute resolution. It is designed for attorneys handling litigation involving employee benefit plans, but it does not presume a working knowledge of ERISA and the qualification requirements for various employee benefits plans under the internal Revenue Code.

Survey of Welfare Plan Issues (EB 363)

Prerequisites: This course has a prerequisite of Federal Income Tax.

This basic survey course is intended to provide fundamental familiarity with welfare benefit plans. The course provides an overview of employee compensation with life insurance and death benefit coverage, cafeteria plans, funded welfare plans, employee fringe benefits, employer-provided education benefits, and dependent care plans. It also covers employer-provided health insurance and other accident and health plans, with particular focus on the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act. Topics such as flexible spending accounts and health savings accounts, which provide tax-shelters for such welfare benefits, will also be discussed.

Survey of Executive Compensation Plans (EB 365)

Prerequisites: This course has a prerequisite of Federal Income Tax.

This survey course is intended to provide an overview of the framework of rules governing nonqualified executive compensation, with primary focus on the tax, legal, financial, and accounting issues that specifically impact such arrangements. Funding vehicles such as “rabbi” and secular trusts are discussed. Advanced coverage of executive compensation plans will be addressed in EB 369 (Executive Compensation Benefits: Advanced).
**Contemporary Benefit Issues (EB 367)**

*Prerequisites: This course has a prerequisite of Fundamentals I of Retirement Plan Issues.*

This course is intended for the practitioner who is well-versed in employee benefits law and wishes to keep abreast of timely issues that affect employee benefit plans. Current topics may include IRS/DOL compliance and audit programs, estate planning distributions, fiduciary litigation, and the impact of other federal laws on employee benefit plans (e.g. HIPPA, COBRA, FMLA, and PPACA).

**Employee Benefits Public Policy (EB 378)**

*Prerequisites: This course has a prerequisite of Fundamentals I of Retirement Plan Issues.*

This course introduces students to policy analysis used to develop legislation and regulations in the field of employee benefits and the courts’ implementation of such rules. Uncertainty is inevitable in the law itself, conflict between laws and provisions within the same law. To resolve such uncertainty, the public policy behind the law becomes important in a variety of contexts: in litigation (as to the meaning of a given provision); in legislation (as to changing or clarifying existing legislation); in regulations (interpreting the legislative provision); in negotiating with an agency (in the context of a settlement); or in a tax matter (defending a plan’s qualification status). While the course is about theory, its application is totally practical to the practice of employee benefits law. This is a paper course in which students will prepare a policy paper on an existing issue in retirement or health policy to be presented to the class at large.

### Estate Planning

**Survey of Estates & Trusts (EPL 405)**

This course introduces the basic principles that govern estates and trusts. Topics to be discussed include distinguishing probate from non-probate assets, different distribution methods, intestacy, and wills, as well as the impact of, inter alia, survivorship, adoption, and disclaimers have on these matters. Detailed attention will be given to executing, revoking, and interpreting wills. Establishing, interpreting, and terminating trusts will be reviewed, as will the rights of trust beneficiaries and duties of trustees. This course is designed for students who either have not taken an introductory course in Estates and Trusts, lack a working knowledge of the subject, or require refresher training in it.

**Survey of Federal Income Tax (EPL 406)**

This course is designed to introduce students to the federal income tax system. It will focus primarily on tax rules as they impact individual taxpayers, but many of the concepts are applicable to other taxable entities, as well. Students will learn the roles played by the Internal Revenue Code, regulations, administrative rulings and cases in federal tax matters. Items to be addressed include 1) the concept of gross income with attention specific on specifically included and excluded items as well as the tax consequences attendant the sale or disposition of property; 2) computing taxable income with a focus on allowable deductions; 3) characterizing gain as either ordinary or capital; and 4) determining the proper taxable period for any given transaction.
Estate Planning I (EPL 411/TX 371)
Prerequisites: This course has a prerequisite of Estates and Trusts.
This course introduces the estate planning process beginning with the initial client interview and concluding with the drafting of basic estate documents. Topics to be discussed include handling the initial interview, gathering client information, framing the scope of engagement and drafting the engagement letter, ethical issues during representation and the probate process. The focus then will shift to drafting documents commonly used in estate plans, such as advance directives, simple wills, “pour-over” wills, and trusts.

Estate Planning II (EPL 412)
Prerequisites: This course has prerequisites of Estate Planning I and Wealth Transfer Taxation I.
This course will focus on developing estate plans for clients who have significant tax consequences to consider. Specific attention will be given to marital deduction planning. Additional matters that will be addressed include estate liquidity issues, using life insurance to meet estate needs, and the use of inter vivos gifts as part of the planning process. How to integrate all of the client’s assets into a cohesive estate plan will be reviewed in detail.

Wealth Transfer Taxation I (EPL 414/TX 370)
Prerequisites: This course has a prerequisite of Estates and Trusts.
This course will review the federal Estate and Gift Taxes (Internal Revenue Code Chapters 11 and 12, respectively). The course will begin with a review of the role these taxes play in the federal transfer tax regime along with a detailed discussion of how the taxes are calculated. The gift tax will then be analyzed in depth with specific attention to what constitutes a taxable transfer, the available gift tax exclusions and deductions, and the role gift-giving plays in an overall estate plan. The remainder of the course will analyze the estate tax and investigate the tax treatment accorded to various property interests under the different estate tax provisions. Specific attention will also be given to available estate tax deductions and credits.

Wealth Transfer Taxation II (EPL 415)
Prerequisites: This course has a prerequisite of Wealth Transfer Taxation I.
This course will review the Generation-Skipping Transfer Tax (GST) and Special Valuation Rules (Internal Revenue Code Chapters 13 and 14, respectively) and their role in the federal transfer tax regime. The GST will be discussed in detail and include when it applies, what constitutes a “skip,” who are deemed to be “skip persons,” and how to compute the tax. The Special Valuation Rules will be analyzed with an eye toward understanding what they provide and how they impact taxable transfers. Specific attention will be given to understand how to avoid situations where the rules provide unwanted tax results as well as ways in which the rules can be used to a client’s advantage.

Estates & Trusts Admin & Post-Mortem Planning (EPL 417/TX 374)
Prerequisites: This course has prerequisites of Estate Planning I and Wealth Transfer Taxation I.
This course covers federal tax issues and state probate law and trust law issues that occur in the settlement of a decedent’s estate or administering a trust. Topics covered will include the use of disclaimers and/or the QTIP election to obtain the optimum marital deduction bequest; post death accounting issues facing owners of pass-through entities; income tax consequences of property distributions in satisfaction of bequests; valuation issues and estate tax deferral considerations; and apportioning the tax burdens.
Income Taxation of Estates & Trusts (EPL 418/TX 372)

*Prerequisites: This course has a prerequisite of Wealth Transfer Taxation I.*

A thorough review of the income taxation of personal trusts and estates. The course will also cover the rights, powers, and duties of a fiduciary, principles of trust accounting, virtual representation, total return trusts, planning opportunities and drafting issues.

Fiduciary Duties (EPL 420)

*Prerequisites: This course has a prerequisite of Estates and Trusts Administration and Post-Mortem Planning.*

In estate planning third parties often are called upon to handle personal or financial affairs for clients. These people can be agents of health care or property powers of attorney; guardians of minor, elderly or disabled individuals; personal representatives of estates; or trustees. When serving in any of these roles the law considers these people to be fiduciaries and imposes strict duties upon them. This course will explore fiduciary duties with an eye on what they are, what limits they have, who can enforce them, what defenses are available for the fiduciary and the penalties that flow from a breach.

Ethical Issues in Estate Planning (EPL 424)

*Prerequisites: This course has a prerequisite of Wealth Transfer Taxation I.*

As lawyers, estate planners are subject to the ethical obligations imposed by the profession. An estate planning practice can bring special ethical concerns with it. These include matters such as identifying the client when representing a family or a client whose business is made an integral part of the engagement. Additionally, estate planners have to be sensitive to ethical problems that can arise when representing clients in their dealings with the Internal Revenue Service. This course is designed to sensitize students to these matters and explore appropriate responses when dealing with them.

Estate Planning With Retirement Plans (EPL 438)

*Prerequisites: This course has prerequisites of Estate Planning I and II and Wealth Transfer Taxation I.*

Most clients will have retirement plan assets that will be transferred to their beneficiaries at death. These plans can be either creatures of federal statute (e.g., an IRA, 401(k), 403(b) or qualified pension plan) or unrestricted agreements between employers and employees usually found in closely held business settings. Different types of retirement plans have their own distribution rules and their beneficiaries can be subject to different tax treatment depending upon their rights under the plan and how they exercise them. This course will discuss the tax treatment accorded the different distribution options and focus on how to effectively integrate retirement assets into the overall estate plan.

Estate Planning for Elderly or Disabled (EPL 451)

*Prerequisites: This course has prerequisites of Estate Planning I and II and Asset Protection Planning. Personal Financial Planning is recommended, but not required.*

This course will investigate the special estate planning issues confronting elderly and disabled clients. Of particular import will be ensuring adequate personal and medical care for these individuals. Specific attention will be paid to the rules for federal public assistance plans and the different forms of property ownership that will best serve the individual's needs. The role of advance directives, designated agents, and guardianships will be discussed in detail.
Estate Planning for Young, Married Couples (EPL 452)
Prerequisites: This course has prerequisites of Estate Planning I and Estates and Trusts Administration and Post-Mortem Planning.

This course will examine the specific needs usually encountered by young, married couples. Particular attention will be given on the use of wills and will substitutes to effectuate the most efficient and cost effective way of transferring property to the surviving spouse and other intended beneficiaries. There also will be a focus on identifying the different ways to provide for minor children in the event of one or both of their parents.

Real Estate

Leasing, Ownership & Management (JD 605/RE 605)
An in-depth study of the legal and business issues involved in the leasing, ownership and management of various types of commercial real estate properties. Particular emphasis will be placed upon negotiation and drafting of commercial lease. Skills exercises in negotiations, drafting and review of documents reflect the transactional perspective of the course.

Real Estate Finance (JD 607/RE 607)
This course covers the various financing devices used today to acquire, construct and permanently finance commercial real estate. Students will examine the instruments used to document various kinds of commercial real estate loan transactions, as well as consider the rights, remedies and duties imposed upon the parties and the problems and claims that arise when a loan goes into default. This class will also consider workouts, modifications and forbearance agreements, as well as enforcement strategies and priority issues under the Bankruptcy Code and Article 9 of the UCC.

Information Technology & Privacy

Substantive Law Overview (ITP 800)
Prerequisite: Master students must be registered concurrently for both Substantive Law Overview (ITP 800) and Introduction to Legal Analysis (ITP 805).

This course is taught in a combined format with Introduction to Legal Analysis (ITP 805). These courses introduce non-legally trained students to the workings of the legal system, legal methods (including research and legal writing techniques) and the process of legal education. In addition, they will familiarize students with the basic substantive areas of law. These courses are designed to give MS students the tools to effectively participate in other classes within the IT and Privacy Law degree programs.

Technology and the Law (ITP 803)
This seminar examines how technology has influenced law, policy and practice. Students have an opportunity to examine various disciplines in the law from the perspective of contemporary technology-oriented problems. Subjects include an introduction to emerging technologies, computer systems, hardware and software; legal aspects of sale or lease of technology goods and services; issues of contract and tort liability relative to the marketing and use of technology; special problems in commercial, intellectual property and information law arising from the development and use of technologies.
Course credit is subject to your school's approval. Some courses may require prerequisites and be available only during specific times.

For more information, please contact Assistant Dean of Academic Services Jodie Needham at 312.427.2737 ext. 775.

Introduction to Legal Analysis (ITP 805)
Prerequisite: Master students must be registered concurrently for both Substantive Law Overview (ITP 800) and Introduction to Legal Analysis (ITP 805).

Introduction to Legal Analysis is taught in a combined format with IT 800 Substantive Law Overview. These classes introduces non-legally trained students to the workings of the legal system, legal methods (including research and legal writing techniques) and the process of legal education. In addition, they will familiarize students with the basic substantive areas of law. These courses are designed to give MS students the tools to effectively participate in other classes within the IT and Privacy Law degree programs.

Health Information Privacy Seminar (ITP 821)
This course provides an overview of health information privacy law and policy with special emphasis on emerging issues such as the privacy implications of electronic health records, medical identity theft, pandemics, medical research and genetic information. Students will examine technology advancements in health care and where and how those can be leveraged to deliver reasonable expectations of privacy of health information.

Regulation of Health Information Privacy (ITP 822)
This course examines the privacy and related security provisions of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) and implementing rules, as well as the supplemental legislation in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (?ARRA?), specifically the provisions in the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act (?HITECH Act?). Applicable federal and state laws as well as other regulatory mechanisms affecting health information privacy will be addressed. Students will explore compliance issues and gain practice in drafting applicable documents such as privacy policies.

Global Privacy Law (ITP 855)
This seminar explores the global implications of the flow of information across jurisdictional lines and the conflicts of laws and culture regarding the protection of information and information privacy especially in the context of content or expression in communications. Students will examine and compare international laws and other mechanisms that regulate privacy and information exchange across national boundaries. Special attention is given to European Union, Asia/Pacific and Canadian privacy directives and their impact on global commerce.
International E-Discovery (ITP 881)
The Current Topics seminar focuses on a specific area of information technology or privacy law. Topics vary from semester to semester and are based on emerging problems, current controversies, technological developments and other emerging issues affecting law, policy and business. Topics offered include but limited to: - IT 881 ** Current Topics in Information Technology Law: Computer Security - What Lawyers and Policy Makers Need to Know (2). This seminar considers the technology and psychology behind information security systems and how these elements drive and affect our national policies and business practices. Beginning with a survey of computer security fundamentals, students will learn the foundation elements necessary for all information security systems. Next, the class will discuss risk assessment and management and the core rational behind some of our national policies. With this framework, students will evaluate the current and past US information security policies for effectiveness and cost, and develop best practices for lawyers and policy makers to follow (such as prior US cryptology export controls and the current FFIEC guidelines for authentication). Time permitting, the class will evaluate additional security policies and their effects for example the newly promulgated Payment Card Industry (PCI) standards and discuss whether government or the private sector should regulate such transactions. - IT 881 ** Current Topics in IT Law: Workplace Privacy (2). This seminar considers the historical foundation, regulatory mechanisms and current status of privacy rights in the workplace. We will examine a variety of issues concerning the gathering, use, dissemination and protection of information about employees and employers. Topics include: the use of personal information in hiring, promoting and firing employees; the use of personal information in awarding employee benefits; employee and applicant investigations and testing; employee monitoring and surveillance; confidentiality and access to personnel records; and much more.

International Business & Trade Law

Homeland Security (IBT 717)
This course will examine how the defense against terrorism impacts the private sector. The course will explore the organization of the Department of Homeland Security including relevant statutes and related state laws. It will also expose students to a wide variety of issues including immigration, trade and transportation, privacy and environmental issues.

Foreign Investment Law (IBT 740)
This course focuses upon federal and state efforts to monitor and regulate foreign investment in United States corporations, industries, and real property, and on foreign national regulations of, and limitations on, overseas foreign investment by United States entities.

International & Comparative Sports Law (IBT 799XA)
This course explores legal and practical issues relating to the resolution of transnational business disputes through litigation or arbitration. Topics addressed include jurisdiction to prescribe law, jurisdiction of courts, international commercial arbitration, investment treaty arbitration, enforcement of foreign judgments and arbitral awards and the immunity of foreign states in United States courts. Students will also participate in a simulated, international commercial arbitration exercise.