

**AMERICAN UNIVERSITY
WASHINGTON COLLEGE OF LAW**

**CURRICULUM
IN LAW AND BUSINESS**

BUSINESS ENTITIES, SECURITIES, AND FINANCE

- Law-611 Business Associations (4 hrs.)
- Law-612 Securities Regulation (3 hrs.)
- Law-711 Mergers and Acquisitions (3 hrs.)
- Law-856 Corporate Finance (3 hrs.)**
- Law-795 Ethical Issues in Finance and Economic Development (2 hrs.)
- Law-613 Advanced Corporate Law (2 hrs.)** Topics vary. Recent offerings include corporate governance, shareholder proposals, mergers, leveraged buyouts, and current issues.
- Law-823 Problems in Advanced Securities Law (2 hrs.)** Topics vary. Recent offerings include broker-dealers, market regulation, enforcement (civil, criminal, and administrative), and hot topics.
- Law-743 Regulation of Derivatives (2-3 hrs.)
- Law-833 International Regulation of Securities Markets (2 hrs.)
- Law-922 International Private Equity (3 hrs.)
- Law-874 The Law of Venture Capital (3 hrs.)**
- Law-639 Federal Corporate Income Tax (3 hrs.)**
- Law-644 Partnership Tax (3 hrs.)**
- Law-852 Law of Nonprofit Organizations (2 hrs.)
- Law-704 Business Planning (3 hrs.)**
- Law-784 Securities Field Component (2-3 hrs.)
- Law-785 Commodity Futures Trading Field Component (2-3 hrs.)
- Law-768 Community and Economic Development Law Clinic (14 hrs./yr.)

COMMERCIAL LAW AND BANKRUPTCY

- Law-504 Contracts (4 hrs.)*
- Law-839 Sales (2 hrs.)
- Law-616 Negotiable Instruments (3 hrs.)
- Law-840 Secured Transactions (3 hrs.)
- Law-986 Comparative Secured Transactions (2 hrs.)

- Law-627 Creditors' Rights and Bankruptcy (3 hrs.)
- Law-625 Corporate Bankruptcy (2 hrs.)**
- Law-795 Research Seminar in Bankruptcy (2-3 hrs.)
- Law-752 General Practice Clinic (6-7 hrs.)

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- Law-647 Federal Personal Income Tax (4 hrs.)
- Law-639 Federal Corporate Income Tax (3 hrs.)**
- Law-644 Partnership Tax (3 hrs.)**
- Law-624 U.S. Taxation of International Business (3 hrs.)
- Law-745 Pension and Employee Benefit Law (3 hrs.)
- Law-746 Advanced Tax Policy and Problems (2-3 hrs.) Topics vary. Recent offerings include Comparative Tax as well as Tax Policy and Distributive Justice.
- Law-852 Law of Nonprofit Organizations (2 hrs.)
- Law-645 Federal Estate and Gift Tax (3 hrs.)**
- Law-768 Community and Economic Development Law Clinic (14 hrs./yr.)
- Law-762 Janet R. Spragens Federal Tax Clinic (6 hrs.)

GENERAL BUSINESS LAW

- Law-928 Analytical Methods for Business Law (3 hrs.)
- Law-672 Law and Accounting (2 hrs.)
- Law-632 Law and Economics (2-3 hrs.)*
- Law-651 Lawyer Bargaining (3 hrs.)
- Law-849 Legal Drafting: Commercial (3 hrs.)**

ANTITRUST AND GENERAL REGULATION OF BUSINESS

- Law-692 Antitrust Law (3-4 hrs.)
- Law-693 Advanced Antitrust (2-3 hrs.)**
- Law-971 Antitrust, Innovation, and Intellectual Property (2 hrs.)**

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Law-699 International and Comparative Antitrust (3 hrs.)
Law-689 Unfair Trade Practices and Consumer Protection (2-3 hrs.)
Law-805 Law of Information Privacy (2-3 hrs.)
Law-601 Administrative Law (3-4 hrs.)
Law-788 Federal Regulatory Process (3 hrs.)
Law-872 Regulatory Law and Policy (2 hrs.)

BANKING AND FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

Law-857 Banking Law and Regulation (3 hrs.)[†]
Law-724 Domestic Banking (2 hrs.)[†]
Law-658 Insurance Law (3 hrs.)
Law-726 International Financial Institutions (2 hrs.)
Law-727 International Banking (2 hrs.)

EMPLOYMENT AND LABOR RELATIONS

Law-664 Employment and Labor Law: The Employment Relationship (3 hrs.)
Law-665 Employment and Labor Law: Workers and the Law (3 hrs.)
Law-745 Pension and Employee Benefit Law (3 hrs.)
Law-666 Employment Rights Law (2 hrs.)
Law-668 Employment Discrimination (3 hrs.)
Law-691 Sex-Based Discrimination (3 hrs.)
Law-923 Employment Discrimination: A Case Model Approach (3 hrs.)**
Law-655 Immigration and Naturalization Law (3 hrs.)
Law-976 Business Immigration Law (2 hrs.)
Law-923 Immigrants in the Workplace (2 hrs.)**
Law-843 Advanced Issues in Immigration Law: Policy, Enforcement, and Review (3 hrs.)[†]
Law-967 Immigration Issues: Employment and Family (2 hrs.)
Law-889 Labor and Employment: Work, Family, and Equity (2 hrs.)

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Law-670 Introduction to Intellectual Property (2 hrs.)*
Law-925 Intellectual Property Management (3 hrs.)
Law-795 IP Protection and Enforcement (2 hrs.)
Law-623 Copyright (3 hrs.)
Law-924 Advanced Copyright Law and Policy (2-3 hrs.)**

Law-698 International and Comparative Copyright (3 hrs.)**
Law-688 Patent Law and Regulations (3 hrs.)
Law-855 Patent Prosecution (2 hrs.)**
Law-926 Patent Acquisition and Exploitation (3 hrs.)
Law-604 Patent & Trademark Appeals in the Federal Circuit (2 hrs.)
Law-963 International and Comparative Patent Law (3 hrs.)**
Law-609 U.S. Trademark Law (3 hrs.)
Law-646 International and Comparative Trademark Law (3 hrs.)**
Law-667A IP and Cyberspace (3 hrs.)
Law-846 E-Commerce Law & Drafting (2 hrs.)
Law-795 Licensing and Legal Entrepreneurship (3 hrs.)
Law-845 Cultural Property Law (2 hrs.)
Law-896 Law and the Visual Arts (3 hrs.)
Law-719 Intersection of Intellectual Property and Health Care (1 hr.)
Law-758 Glushko-Samuelsan Intellectual Property Clinic (14 hrs./yr.)
See also the Program in Information Justice and Intellectual Property

REAL ESTATE

Law-518 Property (4 hrs.)*
Law-671 Land Transfer and Development (3 hrs.)
Law-730 Land Use Planning and Practices (3-4 hrs.)
Law-731 Real Estate Planning (3 hrs.)
Law-957 Real Estate Development Law and Practice (1-2 hrs.)**
Law-985 Housing Law (2 hrs.)
Law-710 Environmental Issues in Business Transactions (2 hrs.)**
Law-768 Community and Economic Development Law Clinic (14 hrs./yr.)

REGULATED INDUSTRIES

➤ *Communications, Media, and Electronic Commerce*
Law-810 Communications Law (2 hrs.)
Law-888 Telecommunications Law and Regulation (2 hrs.)
Law-875 International Telecommunications (2 hrs.)
Law-683 Media Law (3 hrs.)
Law-966 Media and the First Amendment (2-3 hrs.)
Law-642 Entertainment Law (3 hrs.)
Law-667A IP and Cyberspace (3 hrs.)
Law-846 E-Commerce Law and Drafting (2 hrs.)

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- Law-667 Law and the Internet (2 hrs.)
Law-836 Computer Crime (2 hrs.)
➤ *Energy*
Law-630 Regulation of Energy (2 hrs.)
Law-685 Oil and Gas Law (2 hrs.)
Law-824 Natural Resources, Energy, and the Environment (2 hrs.)
➤ *Health Care*
Law-640 Health Law (3-4 hrs.)
Law-719 Selected Topics in Health Law (1-3 hrs.) Topics vary. Recent offerings include:
 - Introduction to Medicine for Lawyers
 - Introduction to Health Care and Life Sciences
 - Introduction to Law and Genetics
 - Current Trends in U.S. Health Law
 - Health, Information Technology, and Life Sciences
 - Health Law: Managed Care
 - Health Law, Regulation, and the Legislative Process
 - Intersection of Intellectual Property and Health Care
 - Legal Issues in Health Care Fraud and Abuse
 - Medical Liability and Public HealthLaw-648 Food and Drug Law (2 hrs.)
Law-920 Biotechnology and the Law (3 hrs.)
➤ *Other Regulated Industries*
Law-674 Law of Professional Sports (2 hrs.)
Law-858 Aviation Law: Domestic and International Aspects (2 hrs.)
Law-828 Space Law and Satellite Communications (3 hrs.)

COMMERCIAL LITIGATION AND ARBITRATION

- Law-501 Civil Procedure (4hrs.)
Law-706 Advanced Civil Procedure – Complex Litigation (2 hrs.)
Law-673 Remedies (3 hrs.)
Law-633 Evidence (4 hrs.)
Law-717 Advanced Evidence (3 hrs.)**
Law-695 Civil Trial Advocacy (3 hrs.)**
Law-649 Pretrial Civil Litigation (3 hrs.)
Law-968 Trial Advocacy: Evidentiary Foundations and Objections (3 hrs.)**
Law-913 Trial Advocacy: Litigating in the High-Tech Courtroom (2 hrs.)**

- Law-602 Corporate Crime (3 hrs.)
Law-749 White Collar Crime (2 hrs.)
Law-847 Appellate Courts and Advocacy (2-3 hrs.)
Law-614 Alternative Dispute Resolution (3 hrs.)
Law-651 Lawyer Bargaining (3 hrs.)
Law-752 General Practice Clinic (6-7 hrs.)
See also International Commercial Litigation and Arbitration, below

INTERNATIONAL AND COMPARATIVE BUSINESS LAW

- *General Courses*
Law-619 Comparative Law (3 hrs.)
Law-660 International Law (3 hrs.)
Law-621 Conflict of Laws (3 hrs.)
Law-956 Selected Issues in International Business Law (2 hrs.)
Law-795 Global Corruption and Rule of Law (2 hrs.)
➤ *International Trade Regulation*
Law-657 International Trade Law I (3 hrs.)
Law-969 International Trade Law II (2-3 hrs.)
Law-809 The United States Trade Regime (3 hrs.)
Law-817 Advanced Issues in International Trade Policy (2-3 hrs.) (e.g., Trade and Development)
Law-950 NAFTA and Other Regional Trade Agreements (3 hrs.)
Law-952 Regulation of Trade in Goods and Services under Regional Trade Agreements (2 hrs.)
Law-953 Investment under Regional Trade Agreements (2 hrs.)
Law-954 Dispute Settlement Processes under Regional Trade Agreements (2 hrs.)
Law-829 Trade and the Environment (3 hrs.)
Law-734 Investment, Trade, and Human Rights (3 hrs.)
➤ *International Transactions*
Law-661 International Business Transactions (3 hrs.)
Law-890 Advanced Issues in International Business Transactions: Transnational Reach of Economic Regulation (2-3 hrs.)
Law-736 International Contract Law (3 hrs.)
Law-973 International Sales (3 hrs.)
Law-986 Comparative Secured Transactions (2 hrs.)
Law-922 International Private Equity (3 hrs.)

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Law-634 Legal Aspects of Foreign Direct Investment (3 hrs.)
Law-653 International Finance Law and Development Finance (3 hrs.)
Law-679 State Responsibility for the Protection of Foreign Investment (3 hrs.)
Law-841 International Project Finance (2 hrs.)
Law-958 Managing Political Risk in Project Financings (2 hrs.)
Law-959 Business Transactions in Latin America (2 hrs.)
➤ *International Banking and Finance*
Law-726 International Financial Institutions (2 hrs.)
Law-727 International Banking (2 hrs.)
Law-653 International Finance Law and Development Finance (3 hrs.)
➤ *International Intellectual Property*
Law-845 Cultural Property Law (2 hrs.)
Law-963 International and Comparative Patent Law (3 hrs.)**
Law-646 International and Comparative Trademark Law (3 hrs.)**
Law-698 International and Comparative Copyright (3 hrs.)**
See also Program in Information Justice and Intellectual Property
➤ *Other International Regulation of Business*
Law-699 International and Comparative Antitrust (3 hrs.)
Law-833 International Regulation of Securities Markets (2 hrs.)
Law-624 U.S. Taxation of International Business (3 hrs.)
Law-746 Comparative Tax (3 hrs.)**
Law-669 Worker Rights in the Global Economy (2 hrs.)
Law-795 International Labor Law and the ILO (3 hrs.)
Law-699 International and Comparative Antitrust (3 hrs.)
Law-808 International Business and Human Rights (2 hrs.)
Law-875 International Telecommunications (2 hrs.)
➤ *International Commercial Litigation and Arbitration*
Law-677 International Litigation and Arbitration (3 hrs.)
Law-789 International Commercial Arbitration (3hrs.)
Law-738 International Courts (3 hrs.)
Law-675 Judicial Assistance in Transnational Litigation (3 hrs.)**

Law-954 Dispute Settlement Processes under Regional Trade Agreements (2 hrs.)
Law-972 Bilateral Investment Treaty Arbitration
Law-795 International Dispute Resolution Involving Sovereigns (2 hrs.)
See also the Center on International Commercial Arbitration and Dispute Settlement

FIELD COMPONENTS/ LAW CLINICS/RESEARCH

Law-784 Securities Field Component (2-3 hrs.)
Law-785 Commodity Futures Trading Field Component (2-3 hrs.)
Law-957 Real Estate Development Law and Practice (1-2 hrs.)
Law-752 General Practice Clinic (6-7 hrs.)
Law-758 Glushko-Samuelsan Intellectual Property Clinic (14 hrs./yr.)
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Law-768 Community and Economic Development Law Clinic (14 hrs./yr.)
Law-795 Research Seminars (2-3 hrs.)
Law-799 Independent Study Program (1-12 hrs.)

** Check for prerequisite or recommended courses. Typical prerequisites for business courses are Business Associations or Securities Regulation. Federal Personal Income Tax is a prerequisite for many advanced tax courses. Advanced courses in particular areas often require or recommend the basic course first. Details appear in the catalog and course listings.

† Students may not take both Law-724 and Law-857.

† Immigration work is also available in the International Human Rights Law Clinic.

* For first-year students.