

## **PUBLIC POLICY CERTIFICATE**

The certificate program requires students to take courses from six (6) different groupings for a total of fifteen (15) to twenty (20) hours in public law courses. These groups are as follows:

- I. Core Courses (6 hours): one course from each group
  - A. The Administrative/Regulatory Setting

The following courses enable students to become familiar with the administrative process or regulatory justifications and methods.

- 1. Administrative Law
- 2. Regulated Industries\*
- 3. Environmental Law\*\*

- B. Other Core Sources of Public Law

These courses enable students to become familiar with international or domestic organic sources of public law and the techniques for interpreting them.

- 1. International Law
- 2. European Law
- 3. Legislation
- 4. Federal Indian Law
- 5. Tribal Government

- II. Economic and Resource Access Regulation (2 to 3 hours)

These courses enable students to understand a variety of regulatory concepts, including Market Failure Theory, Resources Economics, Cost/Benefit Analysis, or Service Quality Regulation.

- A. Antitrust law
- B. Banking Law
- C. Energy Policy: Development and Regulation of Energy Resources
- D. Federal Securities Regulation - Litigation
- E. Federal Securities Regulation - Transactional
- F. International Business Transactions
- G. International Energy and Natural Resources Law
- H. Land Use Controls
- I. Regulated Industries\*
- J. Natural Resources: Public Lands
- K. Trademark Law and Unfair Trade Practices
- L. Water Law
- M. Social Security Disability Law
- N. Health Care Organization, Finance and the Law

- O. Native American Natural Resources Law
- P. State Administrative Law
- Q. Seminars in the above fields, upon approval of the Director. \*\*\*

III. Social Justice (3 hours)

These courses enable students to consider one or more tradeoffs affluent democracies must make to remain reasonable just and prosperous societies: Group Rights/Individual Rights; Individual Freedom/Public Safety; Equal Opportunity/Maximum Wealth Creation.

- A. Constitutional Law II
- B. Criminal Procedure: Police Practices
- C. Employment Discrimination
- D. Protection of Minority and Indigenous Cultures
- E. Gender and the Law
- F. Labor Law
- G. Mental Health Disability Law
- H. Employment Law
- I. Sex Crimes \*\*\*\*
- J. Seminar: Law, Medicine and Ethics: Comparative and Transcultural Perspective \*\*\*\*\*
- K. Seminar: Race, Racism and American Law

IV. Protecting the Public's Health and Safety (2 to 4 hours)

These courses enable students to encounter one or more of the issues encountered by societies with limited resources that attempt to protect its citizens as much as possible from exposure to unreasonable risks of harm: Competitive Risk Analysis; Deterrence/Rehabilitation Theories; Ethical Dilemmas caused by Tragic Choices

- A. Bioethics and the Law
- B. Criminal Procedure: Adjudication
- C. Environmental Law \*\*
- D. Sex Crimes \*\*\*\*
- E. International Environmental Law (course or seminar)
- F. Juvenile Law
- G. Workers Compensation
- H. Seminar Law, Medicine and Ethics: Comparative and Transcultural Perspectives \*\*\*\*\*
- I. Elder Law
- J. Comparative Bioethics & Law

V. Writing Credit (2 or 3 hours)

This requirement is designed to help students gain the internalized knowledge that comes only from struggling with a subject matter in the preparation of scholarly written work.

Writing Requirement (2 to 3 hours): The student will write a paper on a public policy topic, approved by the Director of the Certificate Program that

1. qualifies him or her to receive a certificate from the Tulsa Law Journal, the Energy Law Journal, or the Tulsa Journal of Comparative and International Law;
2. is published in the Tulsa Law Journal, the Energy Law Journal, or the Tulsa Journal of Comparative and International Law;
3. fulfills his or her seminar requirement; or
4. fulfills an independent study of 2 hours.

## VI. Pro Bono Service Requirement

Applies only to students who first enter the College of Law during or after the summer or fall of 2007.

This requirement is designed to instill in students the obligation of lawyers to contribute professional services without compensation to persons in need or nonprofit organizations that provide community services. To complete this requirement, the student must provide 20 hours of volunteer work for a nonprofit organization prior to graduation.

### Avoiding Undue Overlap with the Other Certificate Programs

Students who are attempting to secure a REEL Certificate may take only one energy, environmental law, or natural resources law course among the courses listed in Groups II and IV. Students who are attempting to secure an International and Comparative Law Certificate may take only one Health Law course among the courses listed in Groups II and IV. Students who are attempting to secure a NALC Certificate may take only one Native American law course among the courses listed in Groups I, II, and III. These requirements will insure that students will have to take at least three (3) additional courses to secure both the Public Policy Certificate and another Certificate.

- \* Regulated Industries is not offered on a regular rotation. When and if it is offered, it may satisfy the requirements of either I.A or II. At the election of the student, but not both.
- \*\* Environmental Law may satisfy the requirements of either I. A or IV., at the election of the student, but not both.
- \*\*\* A seminar approved for Block II may satisfy the requirements of either II. or V., at the election of the student, but not both.
- \*\*\*\* Sex Crimes may satisfy the requirements of either III. or IV., at the election of the student, but not both.

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In individual cases, the Director of this Certificate Program and the Associate Dean are authorized to modify the requirements of the Program if, in their collective judgement, such a modification is warranted.