Banking and Financial Institutions:
The world of financial services is rapidly diversifying and globalizing. The development of new financial products has broken down barriers between commercial and investment banking, so that banks and other financial institutions now compete in new and surprising ways. Banking regulations in one country directly impact the activities of banks (and other financial institutions) in other countries. As a result, banking law and regulation has become one of the fastest growing areas of legal practice.

Core Courses:
Administrative Law
Securities Regulation

Advanced and Related Courses:
Business Acquisitions
International Investment Law Seminar
International Organizations
Intellectual Property and Business Formation Legal Clinic

Civil Litigation Practice and Procedure:
These courses are designed to provide the concepts and skills needed by lawyers who practice as civil litigators. Beyond the challenge of mastering specific procedural issues, courses in this area seek to provide students with specific advocacy skills. In addition, the litigation curriculum includes a number of more specialized courses dealing with emerging areas of civil practice.

Core Courses:
Evidence
Trial Practice and Procedure
Pretrial Practice and Procedure

Advanced and Related Courses:
Advanced Legal Research
Advanced Trial Advocacy
Alternative Dispute Resolution
Antitrust
Appellate Brief Writing Seminar
Civil Justice Clinic
Civil Rights and Community Justice Clinic
Civil Rights Litigation
Complex Civil Litigation
Conflict of Laws
Empirical Inquiries into Civil Litigation
Federal Jurisdiction
International Courts and Tribunal Practice and Procedure
Legal Profession
Litigation: Policy, Rules, Strategies and Related Issues
Judicial Clerkship Clinic
Jury Instruction Drafting
Media Litigation
Negotiation Theory and Practice
Practical Ethics for Civil Litigation
Products Liability
Remedies
Securities Litigation Planning and Drafting
Transnational Litigation
Trial Advocacy

**Commercial Transactions and Bankruptcy:**
These fields of law regulate the operation of the marketplace, including transactions between businesses and between a consumer and a business. These courses offer both ends of a spectrum: how to regulate the relationship and how to handle the relationship when something goes wrong.

**Core Courses:**
Bankruptcy
Commercial Law

**Advanced and Related Courses:**
Antitrust
Products Liability
U.C.C. Article II
Reorganizations Seminar
International Investment Law Seminar

**Communications and Information Technology:**
Huge social and economic changes are being driven by the revolution in telecommunications and computerization. Should television and radio be regulated as they have been in the past when the broadcast spectrum was narrower than it is now, or when broadcasting was the only medium available? In the new communications environment, are national boundaries significant for legal and constitutional purposes? How do we regulate the distribution of information through the new media? How do we protect privacy and intellectual property? All these questions are provoked by the evolution of the “information superhighway.”

**Core Courses:**
Copyright and Related Rights
Internet Law
Trademark and Unfair Competition

**Advanced and Related Courses:**
Advanced Intellectual Property Litigation
Administrative Law
Antitrust
Contracts and Intellectual Property
Entertainment Law Planning and Drafting
Information Privacy Law
Intellectual Property and Business Formation Legal Clinic
Intellectual Property Licensing
Intellectual Property Litigation
International Intellectual Property
Management and Evaluation of Intellectual Property Assets
Media Litigation

**Constitutional Law and Civil Rights:**
These courses explore the tensions inherent in a “free society” and are relevant to a number of professional pursuits, including federal clerkships, and practice in the public service sector.

**Core Courses:**
Civil Rights
Race Relations Law
Individual Rights and the Constitution (formerly Constitutional Law II)
Speech, Press and the Constitution (formerly Constitutional Law III)

**Advanced and Related Courses:**
Criminal Justice Administration I
Civil Justice Clinic
Civil Rights and Community Justice Clinic
Civil Rights Litigation
Children and the Law
Conflict of Laws
Congressional and Administrative Law Clinic (D.C. Clinic)
Constitution Law of Incarceration
Constitutional Interpretation and Jurisprudence
Criminal Justice Clinic
Critical Jurisprudence
Disability Rights Law
Empirical Inquiries into Civil Litigation Seminar
Ethics of Lawyering in Government
Family Law
Federal Jurisdiction
Feminist Legal Theory Seminar
Immigrants’ Rights Seminar
Information Privacy Law
International Human Rights
International Legal Process
Judicial Clerkship Clinic
Law and Politics
Corporate Law and Securities Regulation:
This practice area concentrates on the legal rules governing the formation, organization, financing and operation of most modern businesses. Related fields of study cover the dissolution of the business.
Core Courses:
Corporations
Securities Regulation

Advanced and Related Courses:
Administrative Law
Antitrust
Bankruptcy
Business Acquisitions
Business Planning and Drafting
Contracts and Intellectual Property
Corporate and White Collar Crime
Corporate Finance Planning and Drafting
Corporate Finance
Corporate Fraud Seminar
Corporate Taxation
Financial Accounting for Lawyers
Intellectual Property and Business Formation Legal Clinic
International Organizations
Pass-through Business Taxation
Reorganization Seminar
Theory of the Firm and Corporate Control Seminar
Securities Litigation Planning and Drafting
Securities Regulation

Criminal Law Practice and Procedure:
Courses in this area cover selected areas of society’s effort to control crime through criminal prosecutions. Students should be prepared to examine general procedures used in criminal courts as well as have a general understanding of Constitutional Law.
Core Courses:
Evidence
Trial Practice & Procedure
Criminal Justice Administration I

**Advanced and Related Courses:**
Advanced Evidence
Advanced Practical Criminal Procedure
Advanced Trial Advocacy
Constitutional Law and Incarceration
Corporate and White Collar Crime
Criminal Justice Administration II
Criminal Justice Clinic
International Criminal Law
International Legal Process
Jury Instructions
National Security Law
Racial Profiling: Policy, Practice and the Law
Race Relations
Secrecy and Whistle-blowing
War Crimes

**Employment Law:**
This field of law, covering labor/management relations, labor unions, collective bargaining, and the regulation of employment is a dynamic legal speciality. The American system is a complex amalgam of common law rules and statutory regulation. The nature of this field is constantly in flux as technology, international competition and other factors affect particular industries and as social attitudes and public policies evolve.

**Core Courses:**
Employment Discrimination
Employment Law
Labor Law

**Advanced and Related Courses:**
Administrative Law
Alternative Dispute Resolution
Civil Rights and Community Justice Clinic
Disability Rights Law Seminar
Individual Rights and the Constitution (formerly Constitutional Law II)
Information Privacy Law
Entertainment Law Planning & Drafting
Media Litigation
Negotiation-Theory and Practice
Pensions & Tax-Favored Savings
Pre-Trial Practice and Procedure
Privacy Law Seminar
Secrecy and Whistle-blowing

**Environmental Law:**
This field deals with the efforts of societal and governmental units at all levels to manage risks to public health or the environment. This field also deals with the efforts to manage the use and conservation of our resources.

**Core Courses:**
Administrative Law
Environmental Law

**Advanced and Related Courses:**
American Indian Law
American Indian Societies, Cultures and Values
Bioethics and the Law
Biomedical Research Law and Policy Seminar
Environmental and Land Use Litigation Seminar
Environmental Moot Court
Genetics and Law
Interdisciplinary Environmental Clinic
Land Use Law
Legislation
State and Local Government
Regulating Drugs and Other Medical Technology

**Estate Planning and Probate:**
This field of practice involves the inheritance of wealth, the probate of wills and the tax consequences of all of the above.

**Core Courses:**
Trusts and Estates

**Advanced and Related Courses:**
Conflict of Laws
Estate Planning and Drafting
Estate and Gift Tax
Federal Income Tax
Financial Accounting for Lawyers

**Family and Juvenile Law:**
This is a field of study that covers matters pertaining to marriage/divorce, the parent-child relationship, as well as nontraditional families.

**Core Courses:**
Family Law
Children and the Law
Individual Rights and the Constitution (formerly Constitutional Law II)

**Advanced and Related Courses:**
- Civil Justice Clinic
- Civil Rights and Community Justice Clinic
- Criminal Justice Clinic
- Education Law Seminar
- Estate Planning and Drafting
- Feminist Legal Theory Seminar
- Financial Accounting for Lawyers
- Law and Social Work
- Reproductive and Parental Rights: Autonomy, Adoption and ARTs
- Trusts and Estates

**Governmental Relations and Administrative Practice:**
There are many legal careers that involve some phase of administrative law, a subject with both substantive and procedural aspects. This is a field of general interest because it features lawmaking by public agencies as well as state and federal legislatures. Administrative Law is essential, with other choices depending largely on the student’s particular field of interest.

**Core Courses:**
- Administrative Law

**Advanced and Related Courses:**
- American Indian Law
- Antitrust
- Bankruptcy
- Congressional and Administrative Law Clinic
- Employment Discrimination
- Employment Law
- Environmental and Land Use Litigation Seminar
- Environmental Law
- Environmental Moot Court
- Ethics of Lawyering in Government
- European Union Law
- Federal Income Tax
- Governmental Lawyering
- Immigration Law
- Insurance Law
- Labor Law
- Land Use Law
- Law and Politics
- Law and Social Work
- Legislation
Health Care Law:
The health care industry has been growing exponentially over the last several years, and all signs point to its continued growth. By taking a broad grounding in diverse subjects a student can be ready for this challenging practice.

Core Courses:
Antitrust
Bioethics and Law
Biomedical Research Law and Policy Seminar
Comparative Professional Ethics: Law & Medicine
Disability Rights Law Seminar
Genetics and Law Seminar Insurance Law
Law and Social Work
Regulating Drugs and Other Medical Technology
Reproductive and Parental Rights: Autonomy, Adoption and ARTs

Injury Compensation and Deterrence Systems (Torts):
The common law method of compensating for injuries centers on the regime of tort law. Torts remains at the core of the 1st year curriculum, however a more in-depth study of the subject-matter covers a wide array of both procedural and substantive courses.

Core Courses:
Products Liability
Pretrial Practice and Procedure: Personal Injury Litigation

Advanced and Related Courses:
Complex Civil Litigation
Conflict of Laws
Disability Rights Law
Empirical Inquiries into Civil Litigation Seminar
Financial Accounting for Lawyers
Insurance
International Courts and Tribunals Practice and Procedure

Legislation
Litigation: Policy, Rules, Strategies and Related Issues Seminar
Practical Ethics in Civil Litigation
Remedies
Transnational Litigation

Intellectual Property:
This growing practice area concerns the development and protection of intangible ideas and property.

**Core Courses:**
Copyright and Related Rights
Trademark and Unfair Competition

**Advanced and Related Courses:**
Administrative Law
Advanced Intellectual Property Litigation
Antitrust
Contracts and Intellectual Property Seminar
Entertainment Law Planning and Drafting
Information and Privacy Law
Intellectual Property and Business Formation Legal Clinic
Intellectual Property Licensing
Intellectual Property Litigation
Intellectual Property Moot Court
Internet Law
International Intellectual Property
International Investment Law Seminar
International Law
Management and Evaluation of Intellectual Property Assets
Media Litigation
Patent Drafting
Theory of Property Rights
Trademark Practice

**Interdisciplinary Offerings:**
The study of law draws upon, and in turn enriches studies from many other disciplines. This field of study allows students to examine the interplay of law and one or another discipline. The offerings are varied and encourage the student to view the law in a larger context.

**Courses Offered:**
American Indian Law
American Indian Societies, Cultures and Values
American Legal History
Bioethics and Law
Biomedical Research Law
Business Acquisitions
Civil Justice Clinic
Comparative Legal Ethics
Constitutional Courts
Empirical Inquiries into Civil Litigation
Feminist Legal Theory Seminar
Financial Accounting for Lawyers
Genetics and Law Seminar
Interdisciplinary Environmental Clinic
Intellectual Property and Business Formation Legal Clinic
Law and Politics
Law and Social Work
Reproductive and Parental Rights: Autonomy, Adoption and ARTs
Socialist Law
Social-Scientific Research for Lawyers
Theory of the Firm
Theory of Property Rights

**International, Comparative and Foreign Law:**
These courses explore the international and domestic laws that regulate or influence international activity among countries, international institutions, businesses and individuals.

**Core Courses:**
International Law
International Organizations
International Legal Process

**Advanced and Related Courses:**
Comparative Law
Constitutional Courts
European Union Law
Immigrants’ Rights Seminar
Immigration Law
International Courts and Tribunals Practice and Procedure
International Criminal Law
International Human Rights
International Intellectual Property Law
International Investment Law
Jessup International Moot Court
National Security Law
Socialist Law Seminar
Transnational Litigation
War Crimes

**Lawyering Skills - Theory and Practice:**
The courses in this section help to develop fundamental lawyering skills through simulation or clinical pedagogies, unlike the theoretical approach of a typical law school class. These are courses that put students in the role of lawyers and emphasize learning in context.

**Core Courses:**
Alternative Dispute Resolution  
Pretrial Practice and Procedure  
Trial Practice and Procedure

**Advanced and Related Courses:**

Advanced Legal Research  
Advanced Practical Criminal Procedure  
Advanced Trial Practice  
Advocacy Skills Competitions  
Appellate Advocacy Competitions  
Appellate Brief Writing Seminar  
Appellate Clinic  
Business Acquisitions  
Business Planning and Drafting  
Civil Justice Clinic  
Civil Rights and Community Justice Clinic  
Civil Rights Litigation Planning and Drafting  
Construction Law Drafting  
Congressional/Administrative Law Clinic (D.C. Clinic)  
Corporate Finance Planning and Drafting  
Criminal Justice Clinic  
Entertainment Law Planning and Drafting  
Estate Planning and Drafting  
Evidence  
Intellectual Property and Business Formation Legal Clinic  
Intellectual Property Licensing  
Intellectual Property Litigation  
Interdisciplinary Environmental Clinic  
International Practice  
Judicial Clerkship Clinic  
Management of Intellectual Property Assets  
Media Litigation  
Negotiation Theory and Practice  
Patent Drafting  
Practical Ethics for Civil Litigation  
Securities Litigation  
Trademark Practice

**Legal History:**

Despite the rapidly changing features of the modern legal system, most of its institutions and practices have deep historical roots. Students may want to know more about why a particular law or legal principle is the way it is and where it came from. Even the legal reformer has to understand how and why the legal system grew in order to be able to propose how and why it should be changed.
Core Courses:
American Legal History

Advanced and Related Courses:
American Indian Law
American Indian Societies, Cultures and Values
European Union Law
Law and Politics
Law and Social Movements
Secrecy and Whistle-blowing
Socialist Law

Legal Theory:
This field of study looks at many legal perspectives and how they are informed by the methods of political and moral philosophy, social and political theory, critical studies and literary theory. These studies can be general in nature or focus on specific methodologies.

Core Courses:
Critical Jurisprudence
Jurisprudence

Advanced and Related Courses:
American Indian Law
American Indian Societies, Cultures and Values
Bioethics and Law
Comparative Law
Conflict of Laws
Constitutional Interpretation and Jurisprudence
Empirical Inquiries into Civil Litigation
Feminist Legal Theory Seminar
Individual Rights and the Constitution (formerly Constitutional Law II)
Law and Politics
Law and Religion
Law and Social Movements
Law and Social Work
Lawyers and Justice
Race Relations
Speech, Press and the Constitution (formerly Constitutional Law III)
Social Scientific Research for Lawyers
Supreme Court
Theory of Property Rights
Theory of the Firm
**Professional Values:**
This field of study concerns the role of lawyers in administrative, legislative and litigation processes and in American society. Students are confronted with both age-old ethical issues as well as some recent permutations that concern our modern grapple with technology and growth.

**Core Courses:**
Legal Profession

**Advanced and Related Courses:**
Bioethics and Law
Civil Justice Clinic
Civil Rights and Community Justice Clinic
Comparative Legal Ethics
Criminal Justice Clinic
Ethics of Lawyering in Government
Secrecy and Whistle blowing
Government Lawyering Clinic
Lawyers and Justice
Legal Ethics Seminar
Legal Profession
Practical Ethics for Civil Litigation

**Property, Land Development and Real Estate:**
Building on the required course of Property, this practice area concerns the process of developing, selling or leasing real estate for residential and commercial use and related issues of ownership and use of property by individuals and society.

**Core Courses:**
Commercial Real Estate Planning and Drafting
Land Use Law

**Advanced and Related Courses:**
Construction Law Drafting
Environmental and Land Use Litigation
Environmental Law
Interdisciplinary Environmental Clinic
State and Local Government
Trusts and Estates

**Public Interest Practice:**
This field of study encompasses a myriad of different courses that are important to a student intent on forging a public interest career. These offerings cover both the theoretical underpinnings and the practical applications needed for a career in the public sector.

**Core Courses:**
Administrative Law
American Indian Law
American Indian Societies, Cultures and Values
Civil Justice Clinic
Civil Rights Litigation Planning and Drafting
Civil Rights and Community Justice Clinic
Public Interest Lawyering (Readings Course)

**Advanced and Related Courses:**
Alternative Dispute Resolution
Children and the Law
CJA II
Congressional and Administrative Law Clinic
Criminal Justice Clinic
Disability Rights Law
Environmental and Land Use Litigation
Judicial Clerkship Clinic
Ethics of Lawyering in Government
Feminist Legal Theory Seminar
Immigrants’ Rights Seminar
Information Privacy Law
International Human Rights Law
Labor Law
Land Use Law
Law and Politics Seminar
Law and Social Movements
Law and Social Work
Lawyers and Justice
National Security Law
Negotiation: Theory and Practice
Race Relations
Racial Profiling
Reproductive and Parental Rights: Autonomy, Adoption and ARTs
State and Local Government

**Solo/Small Firm Practice:**
This field of practice covers a large area both substantively and as a practical matter. A sole practitioner will not only have to have a working knowledge of a diverse body of substantive law, but will also be expected to have a certain degree of lawyering skills so that he/she can present themselves in a professional manner.

**Core Courses:**
Alternative Dispute Resolution
Financial Accounting for Lawyers
Negotiation: Theory and Practice
Pretrial Practice and Procedure
Trial Practice and Procedure

**Advanced and Related Courses:**
Administrative Law
Appellate Brief Writing
Bankruptcy
Business Planning and Drafting
Children and the Law
Civil Justice Clinic
Civil Rights and Community Justice Clinic
Criminal Justice Clinic
Commercial Law
Corporations
Criminal Justice Clinic
Employment Discrimination
Estate Planning and Drafting
Evidence
Family Law
Federal Income Tax
Immigrants’ Rights
Insurance Law
Judicial Clerkship Clinic
Labor Law
Legal Profession
Practical Ethics for Civil Litigation
Products Liability
Trusts & Estates
U.C.C. Article II

**Taxation:**
This field of study examines the rules governing the taxation of individuals as well as exploring the taxation of other entities, such as corporations and partnerships. This field of study also explores the taxation of wealth transfers and the tax rules applicable to particular transactions or industries.

**Core Courses:**
Federal Income Tax
Corporate Taxation

**Advanced and Related Courses:**
Administrative Law
Business Planning and Drafting

Estate and Gift Tax
Intellectual Property and Business Formation Legal Clinic
Legislation
Pass-Through Business Taxation
Pensions and Tax-Favored Savings