

CIVIL LITIGATION AND ADVOCACY

Students in the Concentration will have exposure to the law and skills necessary to train as an advocate in a civil litigation setting. An important component is the Civil Litigation Practice, a two-semester course allowing students to participate in the planning and execution of pre-trial litigation through a simulated client representation.

CORPORATE

The Concentration provides the foundational coursework needed for corporate transactional practice. The capstone course, Business Planning, allows students to learn to guide an entrepreneurial “client” through a series of simulated deals introducing the legal, ethical, and business issues at stake.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Students will have a unique opportunity to learn the law and skills necessary to train as an advocate in a criminal prosecution or defense setting. Experiential opportunities include the Byrne Trial Advocacy Team, externships with the Los Angeles County Public Defender’s Office or Los Angeles County District Attorney’s Office, and the Loyola Project for the Innocent (LPI).

CYBERSECURITY & DATA PRIVACY LAW

The Concentration offers students a slate of classes and practical-skills offerings to prepare them for the evolving legal demands presented by emerging technology. It includes courses such as Cyber & IP Crimes, IP in the Digital Age, Technology & Privacy, Incident Response & Investigation and Cybersecurity & Regulatory Compliance.

ENTERTAINMENT & MEDIA LAW

This Concentration is divided into two sub-Concentrations: Transactional or Advocacy. A key component of both is the Entertainment Law Practicum which combines hands-on work experience through a private field placement or internship with a class component offering a forum to share work-related experiences and learn the practical aspects of an entertainment law practice. The course also includes guest speakers and assignments of reviewing and drafting legal documents commonly assigned to interns.

ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Students interested in using their law degree to pursue a career in business have the opportunity to take two MBA courses at Loyola Marymount University’s College of Business Administration. In addition, students must complete foundational coursework in corporate law.

IMMIGRANT ADVOCACY

This Concentration builds upon a strong foundation in civil litigation skills combined with a substantive background in immigration law. Students can provide direct legal services to immigrants in East Los Angeles in the Loyola Immigrant Justice Clinic (LIJC).

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW

The Concentration builds upon a core curriculum of patent, trademark, copyright, and antitrust law courses. Students gain experience in an externship or an IP-related moot court, colloquium, or skills course.

INTERNATIONAL AND COMPARATIVE LAW

This Concentration offers specializations in three areas: International Business Law, International Criminal and Human Rights Law, and International and Comparative Law. Students complete a practical-skills component through participation in the International Arbitration Moot Court Team, the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, Vis Moot Court Team or the International Human Rights Practicum.

PUBLIC INTEREST LAW

This Concentration exposes students to a multitude of legal careers in the public interest sector, including those advocating for children, immigrants, minority groups, nonprofit organizations, civil rights and more. An externship in one of Loyola’s clinics or in a public interest practice will satisfy the experiential component.

TAX LAW

Students receive a thorough grounding in substantive tax law and practical tax-lawyering skills in this Concentration. Students may specialize in topics ranging from business taxation and estate planning to taxation of intellectual property.

COURSES OF STUDY

- ENVIRONMENTAL LAW
- FAMILY LAW
- HEALTH CARE LAW
- LAW AND THE POLITICAL PROCESS

Courses of Study are more informal than the Concentrations - there are no requirements and they will not be designated as such on LLS transcripts. They provide a means for students to organize class selection, find faculty members with expertise and become informed about experiential opportunities.

Details about the programs and their respective advisors are at lls.edu/concentrations.