

Course Scheduling Considerations Corporate Law Concentration

Summary of Corporate Law Concentration Requirements

1. Complete Core Courses:
 - a) Business Associations
 - b) Securities Regulation
 - c) Mergers & Acquisitions
 - d) Business Planning: Financing the Start-Up Business and Venture Capital Financing

2. Complete Four Units of Advanced Electives: Visit [here](http://www.lls.edu) (www.lls.edu > Academics > Concentrations > JD Concentrations > Corporate Law > Concentration Requirements) for approved electives.

Some Guiding Principles to Keep in Mind

- Take Business Associations as soon as possible. For day students, aim for 2L fall, if possible. For evening students, aim for your 2E spring or 3E fall. Taking Business Associations is the first step to completing the concentration. Business Associations is the prerequisite for both Mergers & Acquisitions and Business Planning.
- Business Associations may be taken concurrently with Securities Regulation, but it is preferable to take Business Associations first.
- Historically, the “core” courses for the concentration are available in fall and spring semesters. However, be sure to check the annual course offering schedule to confirm.
- Avoid taking Mergers & Acquisitions, Securities Regulation and Business Planning together in one semester. Taking two out of three of these courses together in a semester is considered manageable. Business Planning does not have a final exam but does entail three time-intensive graded assignments during the semester.
- In choosing among the long list of advanced electives, you may wish to consider deepening your knowledge of a particular area or using this as an opportunity to dabble in a new area. Many of the approved offerings offer greater focus on areas such as intellectual property, entertainment/media law, real estate transactions, corporate governance and securities transactions.
- The Transactional Negotiation Team is not required for the concentration. However, if you want to participate in the Team, you do need to complete Business Planning in advance. Because the Team is offered in Spring semester only, only 3Ls, 4Es and 3.5Es (graduating in December) are eligible to participate. Many students find it helpful to also take Mergers & Acquisitions prior to TNT.
- To enroll in the concentration, you need to register [here](#) (visit the Corporate Law Concentration page and go to “Registration Information”). This ensures we know you are working towards the concentration and, when the time comes, we can certify your completion of the concentration. If you register and later decide not to complete the concentration, there is no harm or impact to your transcript.

Sample Scheduling Grids

Included on the next page are sample course scheduling grids for students seeking to complete the Corporate Law Concentration. These are samples only and do not represent the only paths for completing the concentration.

Each student is responsible for ensuring the concentration requirements are satisfied in a timely manner. Visit the [“Concentration Requirements”](#) page under Corporate Law concentration for the full list of requirements, including approved electives.

SAMPLE COURSE SCHEDULING GRIDS (Day Students; for Evening Students, push these semesters forward by 1-2 semesters depending on when you take Business Associations)

Sample 1 – Take Business Associations in 2L Fall Semester

2L Fall (Units)	2L Spring (Units)
Business Associations (4)	Securities Regulation (3)
Evidence (4)	Constitutional Law (4)
Ethical Lawyering (3)	Other/Advanced Elective
Other ^[1]	Other
3L Fall	3L Spring
Mergers & Acquisitions (3)	[Transactional Negotiation Team] (2)
Business Planning (3)	Remedies (4)
Advanced Elective	Bar Course/Criminal Procedure/Other
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Sample 2 – Take Business Associations in 2L Spring Semester

2L Fall	2L Spring
Advanced Elective	Business Associations
Evidence (4)	Constitutional Law
Ethical Lawyering (3)	Advanced Elective
Other (see above)	Bar Course/Criminal Procedure/Other
3L Fall	3L Spring
Business Planning (3)	Securities Regulation (3)
Mergers & Acquisitions (3)	[Transactional Negotiation Team (2)]
Bar Course/Specialty Course or Seminar	Remedies (4)
Other	Other/Bar Course/Specialty Course or Seminar

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[1] Other options include participation on a law review, an externship or clinic. You could also fill these units with an Advanced Elective.