

Effective For JD Students

Who entered as first year students in August 2016 and later, and those who entered with advanced standing from August 2017 and later.

First Year Required Courses

Day Division

Civil Procedure 5 Units
Contracts 5 Units
Criminal Law 4 Units
Legal Research and Writing 4 Units
Property 5 Units
Torts 5 Units
First Year Electives 3 Units

Evening Division

Contracts 5 Units Legal Research and Writing 4 Units Property 5 Units Torts 5 Units

Second Year Required Courses

Day Division

Constitutional Law 4 Units Ethical Lawyering 3 Units Evidence 4 Units

Evening Division

Civil Procedure 5 Units Constitutional Law 4 Units Criminal Law 4 Units

Third Year Required Courses

Evening Division

Ethical Lawyering 3 Units Evidence 4 Units

<u>Year Long Required Courses.</u> Unit values for Year Long courses are variable for the fall and spring semesters. Students should reference the course offerings in the semester desired to determine the unit value for Year Long courses being offered.

Satisfactory Completion of the Required Units. A minimum of eighty-seven (87) units must be completed with a passing grade. At least fifty-eight (58) units must be completed at Loyola, keeping within the maximum number of units permitted for pass/fail elections, externships, and directed research.

Passing Grade Required Courses. Any student who has a cumulative grade point average of 2.43 or lower at the conclusion of an academic year must repeat any required course for which a C (or lower) was earned during that year as well as in a subsequent year. A student required to retake a course must do so no later than the succeeding academic year. The student must retake the course until he/she receives a grade of at least a C+.

Academic Good Standing. In order to be in academic good standing and eligible for graduation, a student must have a weighted cumulative grade point average of 2.33 or above.

Academic Success Program (ASP). Any student who has a grade point average of 2.75 or below after the first semester of their first year (day students) or conclusion of first year (evening students) will be enrolled in Law and Process as their elective during their second semester (day) or first semester of second year (evening). Any student who has a grade point average of 2.75 or below at the conclusion of their first year (day students) or first semester of their second year (evening students) will have to take and pass at least six Bar Elective courses, courses that meet the Upper Division Writing and Experiential course requirements (see below), and take and pass Fundamentals of Bar Examination Writing.

Experiential Course Requirement. Students must successfully complete one or more experiential course(s) totaling at least six units. This requirement may be satisfied through a simulation course, a law clinic, a Loyola Law School approved field placement, or some combination of these. Only a course with the designation "E" in the course offerings can be used to satisfy this requirement. Students will be able to search the course offerings to find courses with the "E" designations. Note: Courses used to satisfy the Experiential Course Requirement may not be used to also satisfy the Upper Division Writing Requirement (Rule 1.1.3.2).

<u>Upper Division Writing Requirement.</u> This requirement may be fulfilled at any time after the completion of the first year day or evening. To fulfill the requirement, the student must complete a two-unit research paper or papers, as specifically set forth in the Student Handbooks. Students will be able to search the course offerings to find courses with the "U" designations. **Note**: Courses used to satisfy the Upper Division Writing Requirement may **not** be used to also satisfy the Experiential Course Requirement (Rule 1.1.3.4).

<u>Pro Bono Requirement.</u> Students may not commence satisfying the pro bono requirement until the first year of studies is completed. All upper division students must complete the requirement prior to the last semester before graduation. Legal services performed to complete the requirement cannot be work for which a student receives compensation. For more detailed information on the pro bono graduation requirement, reference should be made to http://intranet.lls.edu/publicinterestlaw.