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GW LAW



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# SELECTING 2L CLASSES REQUIREMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS Tuesday, August 16, 2022

# Agenda

- Review GW Law's JDGraduation Requirements
- Course Selection Strategy
- Mechanics of Course Registration





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# Topic 1

**Graduation Requirements** 

# Requirements for Graduation

- 84 Total Credits
- Six Enrollment Units
- 45 Graded Credits
- Up to 8 Total UngradedCredits Permitted



# Three Additional Upper-Level Requirements Letter Grade (Unless Not Available)

- 6 Experiential Learning
   Credits
- PRE course (2 credits)
- Legal WritingRequirement



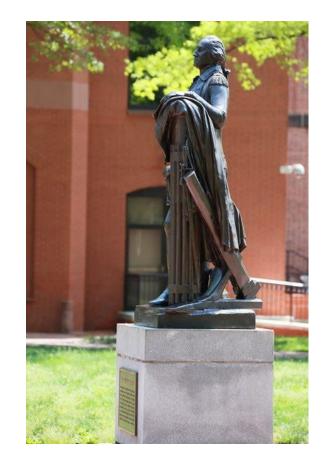
# **Completing The Requirements**

#### **DO YOUR DILIGENCE**

•Be sure requirement will be satisfied by a particular course and instructor.

#### **NO DOUBLE-DIPPING**

•Classes used to satisfy one requirement cannot be used to satisfy a second requirement.

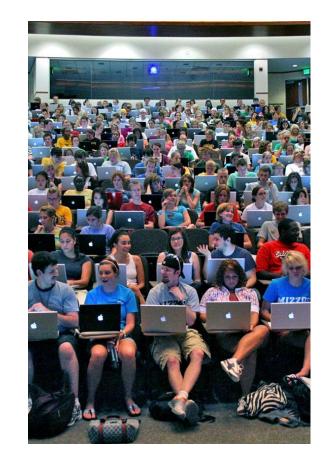


# **Online Credits (Distance Education)**

JD students are permitted to take 15 online credits which will go toward the 84 required for graduation.

No more than 6 online credits in the course of a particular semester.

There are special situations and other considerations—review the <a href="Information to Supplement the Bulletin">Information to Supplement the Bulletin</a>.



# The Full-Time / Six Semester Approach

	1L Year	2L Year	3L Year
Fall	15	13	13
	Credits;	Credits;	Credits;
	1 EU	1 EU	1 EU
Spring	16	14	13
	Credits;	Credits;	Credits;
	1 EU	1 EU	1 EU

84 Credits
&
6 EUs

# The Full-Time & Part-Time Approach

Paying for credits in the summer provides EUs in the summer, which can be used to your future advantage

#### **EXAMPLE:**

- Paying for 4 Summer Credits = 0.3 EUs
- Allows Taking Just 10 CR in a Final Semester = 0.7 EUs
- Part-Time Student Status Allows Student Full-Time Work That Semester

A change in status could trigger financial aid and scholarship implications.

# Use DegreeMAP to Track Your Progress

#### **How to Log into DegreeMAP:**

- 1. Log into the GWeb
- 2. Click the Student Records and Registration Tab
- 3. Click the Student Records Information Menu
- 4. Click on the DegreeMAP link
- 5. Click the "Launch DegreeMAP" button





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# Topic 2

Course Selection Strategy

## **Course Selection Strategy**

Create a Master Plan for Remaining Semesters

Consult the Bulletin: Foundational & Advanced Courses in Interest Area(s)

Chip Away at Graduation Requirements

Seek Mix of Grading Methodologies

Exam Schedule is NOT Negotiable

Bar Preparation and "What Everyone Should Take" Courses – Reasonable Minds Differ

Easier to Change the Plan than to Have No Plan



## **Summer Credit Options**

- Field Placement and Co-Requisite Courses Many Offered On "Distance Learning" Basis (US & Int'l)
- Summer Courses at GW
  - In Evening [6-8 pm or 6-9 pm ]; Most Two Days/Week; some weekend
  - Many "core" courses offered—in <u>Summer 2022</u> there will be Evidence (weekend compressed course), PRE, Administrative Law (3 CR), International Law (4 CR), and Corporations (4 CR) among others
- Summer Courses at Another Law School
- •FP's Co-Req Courses and Summer Courses at GW Are All GRADED Credits

# **Full Semester Options Outside DC**

- GWinNY
- GW-University of Groningen (Netherlands)
- GW-Universita Bocconi (Milan, Italy)
- North American Consortium for Legal Education



# **CR/NC Course Options**

- Dean's Fellow/Writing Fellow (4/8 CR Max Each)
- •Journal (4 CR; Four Semester Commitment)
- •Field Placement (1-4 CR/Semester; 8 CR Max; 2-CR Co-Req Course Required [Graded]: e.g., Gov't Lawyering, Craft of Judging)
- -Advocacy Competitions (1 CR/Comp; 1 Comp/Sem; 3 CR Max)
- Clinics (4-6 CR/Semester; Most Clinics Are Graded)
- •GW Graduate Courses 6,000-level or higher (6 CR Max; must show Legal Nexus; B- or Better)
- Summer Law Courses at Other Schools (6 CR Max)
- "Conversion" of Elective Courses (One/Semester; 6 CR Max)
- •Joint Degree Programs (Registered as Such; Up to 12 CR)
- Miscellaneous (e.g., Reading Groups, Upper-Level Writing, some skills offerings) (1-2 CR)

### **Courses Relevant to the Bar**

The Uniform Bar Exam (currently in 40 jurisdictions) has three components:

- Multistate Performance Test: Two 90-Minute Questions Requiring Completion of Lawyering Task (Client Letter or Memorandum, e.g.).
- Multistate Bar Exam: 200 Multiple Choice Questions on: Civ Pro, Con Law I, Contracts, Crim Law, Property, Torts, Con Law II, Crim Pro and Evidence
- Multistate Essay Exam: Six 30-Minute Essay Questions on topics among: Civ Pro, Con Law I, Contracts, Crim Law, Property, Torts, Con Law II, Crim Pro, Evidence, Corporations, Unincorporated Biz Assn's & Agency Law, Conflict of Laws, Family Law, Trusts & Estates, and Secured Transactions

National Conference of Bar Examiners (ncbex.org) has more info.

# Almost 150 Classes/Semester to Choose From! Consider One or Two Transcript "Themes"

- Administrative Law and Government Regulation
- Advanced Torts
- Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Business and Finance
- Commercial Law
- Constitutional Law & Civil Rights
- Criminal Law and Procedure
- Environmental and Energy Law

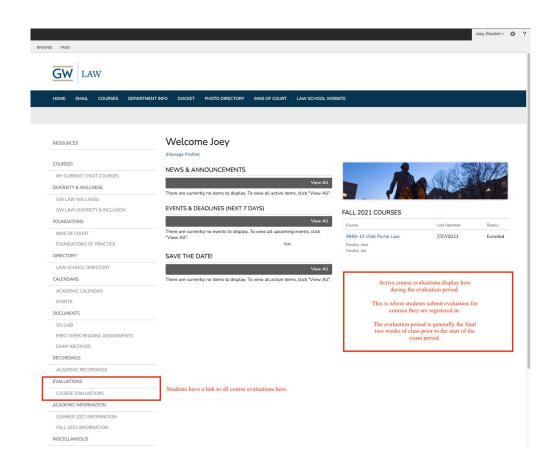
- Family Law & Estate Planning
- Government Procurement Law
- Health Law
- Intellectual Property Law
- International & Comparative Law
- **Labor and Employment**
- Litigation and the Judicial Process
- National Security and U.S. Foreign Relations Law
- Property and Land Development
- Taxation

### Concentrations

Business & Finance Law, Professor Dalia Tsuk Mitchell Energy Law, <u>Director</u>, <u>Donna Attanasio</u> Environmental Law, <u>Assistant Dean Randy Abate</u> Family Law, Associate Dean Laurie Kohn Government Procurement Law, <u>Assistant Dean Jessica Tillipman</u> Health Law, <u>Professor Sonia Suter</u> Intellectual Property Law, <u>Associate Dean John Whealan</u> International and Comparative Law, Associate Dean Rosa Celorio International Business Law, <u>Associate Dean Rosa Celorio</u> & <u>Professor Dalia Tsuk Mitchell</u> National Security and Cybersecurity Law, <u>Associate Dean Lisa Schenck</u> National Security and U.S. Foreign Relations Law, <u>Associate Dean Lisa Schenck</u>

# **Accessing Faculty Reviews**

Students have access to reviews of faculty members written by other students. This information is on the MyLaw Portal (left side).



### **Advanced Waitlist Courses**

Certain courses have such high demand that registration is completed outside of the normal process.

The list of the courses is found on the second page of the Records Office's Spring 2023 Registration Information document.

Rising 2Ls are not eligible to enroll in these select courses. But as a rising 3L, you can enter a lottery to be enrolled in them.



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# Topic 3

Mechanics of Course Registration

### **Three Different Numbers**

**Course Registration** Number (CRN)

Course Number Section Number

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60759	6202	12	Contracts	4.0	MWR	0225 - 0340pm	Swaine
60760	6202	13	Contracts	4.0	MTR	0955 - 1110am	Fairfax
60761	6202	14	Contracts	4.0	MF	0830 - 1030am	Maggs
61046	6202	15	Contracts	4.0	MTW	0350 - 0505pm	Schooner

#### **First Steps:**

- 1. Clear Any Holds on Your Registration (e.g., Library, Health, Immunization) via GWeb.
- 2. Read the <u>Fall 2022 Registration</u> <u>Information</u> published by the Records Office. Key provisions:
  - 1L (Rising 2L) Registration Via GWeb [Where Grades Posted]: 9 a.m. March 25 to 11:59 p.m. on March 28
  - Registration Is By Lottery; Not First Come, First Served
  - Do Not Contact Professors to Seek Enrollment



#### **Next Steps:**

- 3. Consult the <u>Bulletin</u> for areas of interest and review course descriptions (and prereqs). Also available at <a href="https://www.law.gwu.edu/courses">www.law.gwu.edu/courses</a>.
- Consult the <u>Course Schedule</u> and <u>Course List</u>, and utilize the filters.
- 5. Consult the Spring 2023 preliminary documents for two-semester planning. (Records Office webpage)



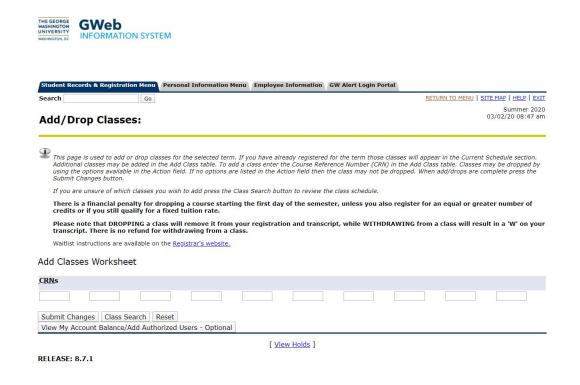
#### **More Steps:**

- 6. Consult the <u>Fall 2022 Information to Supplement the Bulletin</u> document to see pertinent changes or notices.
  - Changes to the Supplement is a separate document you will want to consult at the conclusion of this summer.
- 7. Consult the Exam Schedule document to confirm no conflicts and manageable exam schedule that allows time between exams and paper deadlines.



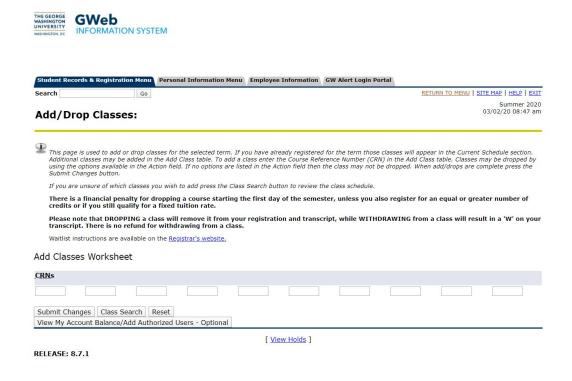
#### **Almost There:**

- 8. Consult the **Closed Class List** document on the Records Office website.
- 9. Determine *what* your priority should be. (*more on next slide*)
- 10. Once you have identified the slate of courses for which you intend to register, collect their CRNs from the Records Office webpage.



#### **Final Steps:**

- 11. Actually register:
  - Go to <u>GWeb</u> during your designated timeframe and input CRNs.
  - A <u>step-by-step guide</u> is published by GWU Registrar and available on Records Office webpage.
  - Submit your priority through the link on the Records office webpage.
- 12. Review the registration results.



# The Priority Form

One Priority Selection per student each semester

Submit during registration period via Records Office website (*not GWeb*); select Fall 2022 semester

Use Priority Choice on the class you want or need most to implement your master plan; you must also register for the course on GWeb

Check the closed class list after rising 3L registration ends (March 22) before submitting Priority Form; otherwise, you may waste it



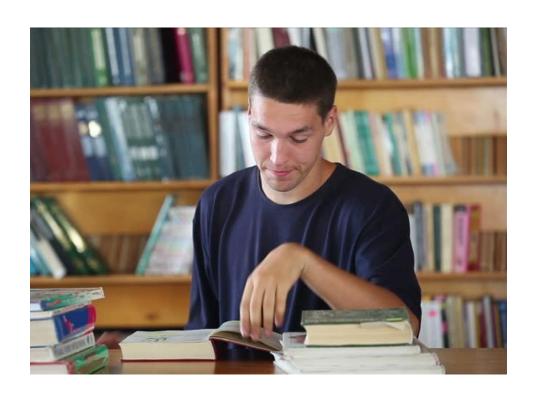
# Request to Register for a Restricted Class

Some classes require completion of an additional <u>form</u>.

If necessary, complete and submit to the Records Office.



# **Drop-In Advising**



Dean of Students staff members will offer open advising at designated times to answer your questions.

See the schedule on the Registration Memo and Portal Announcement.

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## **Important Sources of Information**

- 1. Law School Bulletin
- 2. Records Office Website:
  - Registration Memo
  - Course Schedule with CRNs
  - Exam Schedule
  - Information to Supplement the Bulletin
  - Closed Class List
- 3. <u>DOS "Academic and Course Advising" Website</u>
  - Experiential Course List
- 4. <u>DegreeMAP</u>



# THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!

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