

APPENDIX J-3

C. ACADEMIC STANDARDS AND POLICIES

1. EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

a. JURIS DOCTOR CURRICULUM [NOTE: This section a. is applicable only to students entering in August 2008 and later, but before May 2011.]

(1) HOURS REQUIRED

Every student must earn credit for at least 90 semester hours of law school work. Credit for at least 70 of those hours must be earned in courses with regularly scheduled class sessions. [ABA Standard 304(b)].

(2) COURSE LOAD REQUIRED

During any regular semester, every student must enroll in courses totaling at least twelve, but not more than eighteen, credit hours. [ABA Standard 304(e).]

(3) CONCENTRATIONS

Students may, but need not, select a curricular concentration.

Curricular concentrations are:

- (a) Advocacy and Dispute Resolution
- (b) Personal and Transactional Law
- (c) Intellectual Property, Cyberlaw and Creativity

(4) REQUIRED COURSES

(a) ALL STUDENTS:

In order to graduate, all students must receive credit for:

Civil Practice and Procedure	4 credits
Constitutional Law	3 credits
Contracts I & II	5 credits
Criminal Law	3 credits
Evidence	
Either Evidence for the Litigator and	3 credits
Civil or Criminal Trial Evidence Lab	2 credits
Or Fundamentals of Evidence	3 credits
Externship	4 credits
Legal Profession I & II	6 credits
Legislation	3 credits
Orientation to Legal Studies and Professionalism	1 credit
Professional Responsibility	2 credits
Real Property I & II	6 credits
Synthesis Requirement	

Either Law Clinic Intern	4 credits
Or a Capstone course	4 credits
Torts I & II	5 credits

(b) ADVOCACY AND DISPUTE RESOLUTION CONCENTRATION

In addition to the general requirements set forth in (a) above, students completing the Advocacy and Dispute Resolution Concentration must receive credit for:

Administrative Law	3 credits
Advanced Procedure	
Either Advanced Civil Procedure	3 credits
Or Advanced Criminal Law	3 credits
ADR for the Litigator	3 credits
Appellant Practice and Procedure	2 credits

(c) PERSONAL AND TRANSACTIONAL CONCENTRATION

In addition to the general requirements set forth in (a) above, students completing the Personal and Transactional Law Concentration must receive credit for:

Family Law	3 credits
Individual Income Taxation	3 credits
Interviewing, Counseling, and Negotiation	3 credits
Law Practice Management	2 credits

(d) INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY, CYBERLAW AND CREATIVITY CONCENTRATION

In addition to the general requirements set forth in (a) above, students completing the Intellectual Property, Cyberlaw and Creativity Concentration must receive credit for:

Advanced Intellectual Property	
Either Copyright Law	2 credits
Or Patent Law	2 credits
Antitrust Law	3 credits
Conflict management & ADR	3 credits
Intellectual Property	3 credits
Licensing Intellectual Property	2 credits

(e) ELECTIVES

In addition to the requirements set forth in (a) through (d) above, students must receive credit for elective courses so that the number of credits earned equals or exceeds 90.

(f) EXCEPTIONS AND WAIVERS

Students are expected to follow the curriculum approved by the faculty both as to courses taken and as to the sequencing of such courses. In extraordinary cases, re-sequencing of courses may be approved by the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs for good cause shown.

(5) PERIOD OF ATTENDANCE

All courses for the Juris Doctor must be taken over a period of not fewer than 24 calendar

months and not more than 84 calendar months. Thus, a student who begins his or her legal studies on August 21, 2005, must complete his or her degree not earlier than August 20, 2007 and not later than August 20, 2012.