

UPPER LEVEL CURRICULUM COUNSELING

October 24, 2013

12:30 – Courtroom

Associate Dean Maria Crist, Ms. Shannon Penn, Registrar,

THE BASICS

- 90 Credits required for graduation.
- 12-18 Credits per semester.
- Less than 12 credits permitted in final semester, but you **must** check with your financial aid rules first.

KEY DATES

- **Jan 8 – May 2** – Spring term (including exam period).
- **October 30, 8:00 am** – Online registration begins for students graduating in 2014.
- **November 6, 8:00 am** – Online registration begins for students graduating in 2015.

REQUIREMENTS

- Legislation (must be taken in 3rd semester)
- Evidence (offered Fall and Spring)
- Upper-Level Writing Requirement (Appellate Practice & Procedure [Fall] OR Transactional Drafting [Spring])
- ADR (Choose from ADR for the Litigator, Conflict Management, **or** Interviewing, Counseling & Negotiation. Please Note: ADR for the Litigator and Conflict Management are duplicative (you can't take both).)
- Required coursework **after** the second year: Externship/Clinic; Professional Responsibility¹; and Capstone

FILLING OUT THE SCHEDULE: ELECTIVES

- Courses covering subject areas tested on the bar [see handout]
- Prerequisites for courses you may want to take later (i.e., Intellectual Property, Evidence, Business Organization, Income Tax)
- Courses that interest you. Where do you see yourself going?
- Review what courses are tentatively offered for the Spring term.
- Advisory Curricular Concentrations available on the UDSL website at:
http://www.udayton.edu/law/registrar/advisory_curricular_concentrations.php

¹ A proposal is going before the faculty to permit Professional Responsibility to be taken any time after the first year. If you are a 2L and need to take Professional Responsibility before this summer because of state externship/internship requirements, please make an appointment to talk with Dean Crist.

TRADITIONAL MAY GRADUATION					
Spring 2014	Summer 2014	Fall 2014	Spring 2015		
18 credits	5 Credits	18 credits	18 credits		
<i>ADR/Evidence/Trans Drafting</i>	<i>Externship/PR</i>	<i>Externship/Clinic/PR/ Appellate/Capstone</i>	<i>Capstone Externship/Clinic/PR</i>		
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Please note the following:

Students are not guaranteed their first choice of capstone course. While students may take an additional capstone as an elective, please note that the registrar's office reserves the right to make changes in capstone enrollment under the following conditions: (1) the only open capstones remaining all have prerequisites; and (2) a student has been closed out of all other capstones and does not meet the prerequisites for those capstones that are still available.

Under the Policy Manual Section C-1-a(1), "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)].**" (emphasis added). This provision means that students are subject to a 20-credit limit of courses that don't meet in regularly scheduled class sessions. As interpreted by the ABA, the following courses would come under this prohibition: Appellate Advocacy TA; Independent Study; Directed Reading; Law Review; Moot Court Interschool Competition; Moot Court National Competition; Externship; and "coursework completed in another department, school, or college of the university with which the law school is affiliated or at another institution of higher learning. . ." (ABA Interpretation 304-3). If you have any questions about this limitation, please check with the registrar.