

Notes on Schedule for Winter, 2014-15

1. The “Memorandum for Students Registering for the Fourth or Later Term in Law School” is required reading for those registering for the fourth or a later quarter.
2. **Limited Enrollment Courses**

The following are limited enrollment courses. Unless otherwise indicated below, students are enrolled on the basis of the number of hours and quarters completed. In the event of a tie, a random drawing is made. **Students failing to register on time will not be considered in the selection process. If you are enrolling in a limited enrollment course, you should think about what course(s) you will register for in the event that you do not get into the course(s) for which you initially register.**

Law 333, Advanced Legal Research – Enrollment is limited to 40 students. Enrollment in the class is based on the number of hours a student has completed in law school.

Law 263, Advanced Trial Preparation - Enrollment is limited to 16 students who will be simultaneously taking PCIII. Selection of students will be made by the Practice Court instructors on the basis of grades of Practice Court skills exercises and the judgment of the instructors, with additional preference given to students whose Practice Court teammate is also seeking enrollment in the class (in order that Advanced Trial Prep projects may be undertaken on a team basis). The PC Big Trial case will be the subject of the projects, and the projects will include development of your framing strategy for trial, use of focus groups for trial, development of your visual strategy for trial (with trial presentation software provided), and conducting of videotaped depositions (with court reporter). The class will conclude prior to trial of your big case.

Law 247, Alternative Dispute Resolution - Enrollment is limited to 36 students. Preference is given to students who have signed and submitted the Intent to Pursue Area of Concentration form indicating the student is completing the General Civil Litigation or the Business Litigation area of concentration. Also considered for enrollment is the number of hours a student has completed toward the area of concentration and/or the number of hours the student has completed in law school. **Attendance is mandatory at all class sessions.**

Law 227, Client Counseling - Enrollment is limited to 24 students. Preference is given to students who have signed an Intent to Pursue Area of Concentration indicating the student is completing the Business Planning or Estate Planning area of concentration. Also, consideration will be given to the number of hours the student has completed toward the area of concentration and/or the number of hours the student has completed in law school.

Law 257, Healthcare Litigation – Healthcare Litigation will be limited to 27 students. Preference is given to students who have signed and submitted the Intent to Graduate with Area of Concentration indicating the student is completing the General Civil Litigation area of concentration. Also considered for enrollment is the number of hours a student has completed toward the area of concentration and/or the number of hours the student has completed in law school.

All Externships and Capstone Courses - Because of the limited number of externship and capstone spaces available each quarter, students need to plan ahead by discussing externships and capstones with the appropriate supervising faculty member as early in law school as possible.
3. **Law 206, Leadership Development (2 quarter hours) (pass/fail)**

While leadership training is part of the fabric of Baylor Law School, specific emphasis and training is important and helpful to adequately equip our graduates with the leadership skills they will need in an increasingly-complex and ever-changing professional environment. Topics will include leadership styles and strategies, personality assessments, public service and professional responsibilities, and leadership opportunities for lawyers. Using case studies, students will discuss leadership lessons learned by experienced leaders through challenging circumstances.
4. **Law 363, Antitrust (3 quarter hours)**

The Antitrust class requires preparation of four to six short memos spaced throughout the quarter. Each memo is graded and reviewed before the next memo is due. The memos are based solely upon course materials and do not call for any outside research. There may be a one hour final exam at the end of the quarter based upon questions announced in advance, depending on the size of the class.
5. **Advocacy Teams**

Students who participate on advocacy teams receive academic credit for participation. Students earn two hours of credit for each team on which they are a member, but are limited to earning a total of eight hours of credit for teams. Students receive a

letter grade for each team and must pay tuition for these credit hours. Team members should consult with the coach of their team for details about practice times. Students needing to register for an advocacy team should consult with the Registrar.

6. **Practice Court Students taking Electives**

Practice Court III may be taken with electives, however, students in this class must have approval to register for classes at 2:15 p.m. or after. Students interested in obtaining permission to do so must submit a request form (available on registration page of the website) to the Registrar.

7. **Law 281, Legal Services Externship**

A limited number of students can enroll in the Legal Services externship. Students taking part in this externship will be required to work at least 90 hours (8-10 hours per week) at the local Legal Aid office assisting attorneys representing indigent clients. Upon satisfactory completion of the quarter's work, two hours of pass-fail credit will be given. Preference is given to third year law students although second year students are accepted when space is available. See Professor Swenson for information about this externship.

8. **Law 280, Judicial Externship**

A limited number of students can enroll in a judicial externship. Students participating in this externship will be required to work at least 90 hours (8-10 hours per week) as clerks in the United States District Court for the Western District of Texas (Waco Division) or in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of Texas (Austin and Waco Divisions). Upon satisfactory completion of the quarter's work, two hours of pass-fail credit will be given. See Assistant Dean Cruseturner if interested.

9. **Law 253, Prosecutorial Externship**

A limited number of students can be enrolled in the Prosecutorial Externship. Students participating in this externship will be required to work at least 90 hours (8-10 hours per week) as clerks in the offices of the McLennan County District Attorney or the Assistant U.S. Attorney for the Western District of Texas in Waco. Upon satisfactory completion of the quarter's work, two hours of pass-fail credit will be given. See Professor Serr before registering for this externship.

10. **Law 270, Attorney General, Child Support Division Externship**

A limited number of students can enroll in this externship. Students need to have completed Family Law to be eligible to participate in the Attorney General Externship. Students taking this course will be required to work for the Waco Office of the Attorney General of Texas in the Child Support Division. See Assistant Dean Cruseturner before registering for this externship.

11. **Law 228, 233, 234, 236, Environmental Agency Externships**

A one quarter externship experience is available in one of the following environmental agencies for a limited number of students: State Office of Administrative Hearings, Environmental Protection Agency, Texas Parks & Wildlife Department, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality or the Texas Railroad Commission. Upon completion two hours of pass-fail credit will be given. See Professors Beal or Shelton if interested.

12. **Law 209, Veterans' Affairs Regional Counsel Externship**

A limited number of students can enroll in this externship. Students participating in this externship are required to work at least 90 hours (8-10 hours per week) in the office of the VA Regional Counsel. Interested students should see Assistant Dean Cruseturner.

13. **Law Review**

Law Review hours may be taken by eligible students. If in doubt regarding your eligibility or the circumstances under which it may be taken, consult with the Business Editor of the Law Review or Professor Bates or Ryan.

14. **Law 199, or 299, Independent Studies in Law**

Students planning on enrolling in Independent Studies should read the "Memorandum to Students Planning on Enrolling in Independent Studies" for an explanation of the requirements of the course. A student is limited to 2 hours of independent study unless prior approval is given by Associate Dean Jackson.

15. **Capstone Courses**

Students intending to register for a capstone course at some time during law school need to notify the supervising faculty member as early as possible. Students taking capstone courses under the supervision of Professors Featherston or Miller must contact the professor within the first two days of the quarter in which they are taking a capstone course, or they will not be allowed to take the capstone course during that quarter. A Capstone Course Faculty Supervision Form must be signed by the

supervising faculty member and submitted to the Dean's Office. The Capstone Course Faculty Supervision Form is available on the Registrar's page of the website under Helpful Forms.

16. **Advanced Tax Courses**

Those who wish to take advanced tax courses in the School of Business should begin planning in their first year. See the Law School Catalog on the Law School's website and consult with the Law School Registrar and/or Associate Dean Jackson if necessary. School of Business tax courses will be given pass-fail credit for law school academic purposes.

17. **Joint Degrees - JD/MBA, JD/MTax and JD/MPPA**

Students interested in either the Joint JD/MBA or JD/MTax program should see Associate Dean Jackson as early as possible during their law school career. Student interested in the JD/MPPA program should see Professor Beal as early as possible during their law school career.

18. **Areas of Concentration**

Students who wish to graduate with an area of concentration should obtain an Intent to Pursue with Area of Concentration form from the Office of the Dean. For further information regarding Areas of Concentration, see the Memorandum for Students Registering for the Fourth or Later Term (available on the Registrar's page of the website under Helpful Forms).