LEX 5000 Law in Social Context Cr. 3
Covers several substantive areas, with a particular focus on property in both its traditional common-law form (like owning a house) and in its newer statutory contexts (like intellectual property – for example, owning a patent). What does it mean to own something? What makes someone a legal owner of something? What kinds of things can be owned, what things cannot, and why? Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate level students.

LEX 5010 Law and Harm Cr. 3
Presents the basic concepts of law and the fundamentals of legal analysis, giving in-depth attention to the fields of tort and criminal law and using them to examine how law conceives of, regulates, and adjudicates questions of harm. When can you sue a person or a group for harming you? On the street or in a business, what makes something a crime, and why do we prosecute and punish crimes the way we do? Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate level students.

LEX 5020 Legal Procedure Cr. 3
Examines the lifecycle of a case in court. Discusses how a lawsuit begins with the filing of a complaint and how it ends in a judicial order, and it covers everything else that happens along the way—with special attention paid to things like negotiation and settlement. Introduces legal concepts like “due process of law,” and explores the procedural similarities and differences between civil cases, criminal cases, and administrative proceedings. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate level students.

LEX 6100 Civil Procedure A Cr. 3
Structure of the judicial system in the United States and the process of civil litigation from the commencement of an action through appeal. Subjects considered include jurisdiction, the relationship between state and federal courts, pleading, discovery and other pre-trial devices, trial and appellate review. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 6101 Civil Procedure B Cr. 3
Structure of the judicial system in the United States and the process of civil litigation from the commencement of an action through appeal. Continuation of LEX 6100. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 6200 Contracts A Cr. 3
General principles of the law of contracts; definitions of contract; illegality, mistake, frustration, the parol evidence rule; performance and breach; rescission; repudiation and discharge. Remedies, including damages, specific performance, injunction and restitution. All topics considered from viewpoints of both common law and statute. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 6201 Contracts B Cr. 3
General principles of the law of contracts; definitions of contract; illegality, mistake, frustration, the parol evidence rule; performance and breach; rescission; repudiation and discharge. Remedies, including damages, specific performance, injunction and restitution. All topics considered from viewpoints of both common law and statute. Continuation of LEX 6200. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 6300 Criminal Law Cr. 3
General doctrines of criminal liability as they relate to the moral and social problems of crime; definitions of principal crimes and defenses to criminal prosecution, both common law and statutory; limitations on the use of criminal sanctions. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 6400 Legal Research and Writing Cr. 2
Analysis of legal problems and the use of legal materials, through discussion, written assignments, and personal conferences. Preparation of an appellate brief and oral argument on a selected civil or criminal case before a court composed of faculty or members of the local bench and Bar. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 6500 Property Cr. 4
Presents the basic concepts of law and the fundamentals of legal analysis, giving in-depth attention to the fields of tort and criminal law and using them to examine how law conceives of, regulates, and adjudicates questions of harm. When can you sue a person or a group for harming you? On the street or in a business, what makes something a crime, and why do we prosecute and punish crimes the way we do? Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate level students.

LEX 6600 Torts Cr. 4
Legal principles underlying wrongs not based on contract, arising from intentional or negligent conduct and including strict liability; the nature of particular wrongs, including injuries to the person, to reputation, to real or personal property, and to interference with business or family relations. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 6700 Constitutional Law I Cr. 3
Problems arising under the Constitution of the United States, with particular attention to the nature of judicial review in constitutional cases and to the role of the judiciary in umpiring the federal system. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 6800 Professional Responsibility and the Legal Profession Cr. 2
Conflicts of interest; the attorney’s standard of care, fiduciary duty, the organization of bar associations, the attorney’s duty to the court and the community; the attorney’s responsibilities in trial, and in unilateral actions and negotiations. The duty of disclosure of adverse data, the development of group legal services, and of legal services to the poor, and the responsibility of the Bar in these areas. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 6900 The Regulatory State Cr. 3
Introduction to statutes and agency decisions and the central role they play in modern government. Nature of statutes and agency regulations, how they are generated, and how they are interpreted and applied. Justifications for modern regulation, the modern administrative state, the incentives that influence the behavior of the various actors, and the legal rules that help structure the relationships among legislatures, agencies and courts. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7001 Accounting for Lawyers Cr. 2
Basic concepts of bookkeeping and generally-accepted accounting principles; background to help read and interpret financial statements; auditor’s role and accounting issues that arise in business planning, in litigation, and in managing financial investments. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7006 Administrative Law Cr. 3-4
Functions and behavior of administrative agencies; constitutional and statutory constraints on agency operation. Government formulating and enforcing policy, administering of public benefit programs, and awarding of licenses. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7009 Advanced Bankruptcy Cr. 3
Students will become familiar with the chapter 11 business reorganization process. By reviewing mock bankruptcy schedules, and cash collateral, relief from stay, and chapter 11 plan and disclosure statement proceedings, the students will develop the necessary substantive knowledge and hone their negotiation and trial advocacy skills. A problem-oriented approach will be used, with students and instructors participating in resolving situations commonly encountered in a business bankruptcy. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7011 Agency and Partnership Cr. 2-3
The relationship of principal and agent; the rights, duties, powers, and fiduciary responsibilities associated with acting for the benefit of others. The legal principles associated with conducting business in the partnership form under the Uniform Partnership Act. When offered in a three-credit version, class will also include extensive treatment of Limited Liability Companies and Limited Liability Partnerships and other alternative forms of unincorporated business associations. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7014 Taxation of Corporations: Acquisitions and Restructuring Cr. 4
Satisfies the professional skills requirement. Explores the tax rules for corporate stock or asset acquisitions and restructurings (including reorgs, spins and loss carryovers), and S corporations or consolidated returns through the lens of a simulated firm tax group working on a series of client projects (using an actor as client). Each student will work on at least two team projects during the semester, preparing written and oral presentations for, and briefing the client on, issues related to the team project topic. Team projects include: prepping a client for and negotiating an acquisition, drafting a private letter ruling request, preparing an internal memorandum outlining the pros and cons of restructuring choices, researching and writing a tax opinion letter, and outlining advantages of various entity choices for future transactions. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7015 Advanced Torts Cr. 2
Focus on torts not involving physical injury, such as misrepresentation, defamation, invasion of privacy, interference with business relations, and misuse of legal procedure. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7016 Alternative Dispute Resolution Cr. 2
Forms of non-trial dispute resolution: arbitration, mediation, and negotiation—their various permutations and substantive applications. Factors affecting choice between dispute resolution processes, differences in design and structure, relative costs, quality of participant performance, accountability for results, privacy of proceedings, role of legal norms and lawyers, due process considerations, availability of judicial review; tactics and strategies employed in arbitration, mediation and negotiation. Offered Every Other Year.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7021 American Indian Law Cr. 3
Unique status of native Americans and tribes in the American legal system. Relationship between tribes and federal and state governments as outlined by the U.S. Constitution; federal treaties and statutes, and federal common law, as well as the unique rights and obligations of individual native Americans under federal law. Offered Intermittently.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7023 Animal Law Cr. 3
Animal law encompasses human-animal interactions and evaluation of competing interests within the context of traditional areas of law (e.g., veterinary malpractice, expansion of anti-cruelty statutes to include farm animals, damage for death of / injury to companion animals, disputes over custody of companion animals in divorce or separation, landlord-tenant housing disputes, the inclusion of animals in wills and trusts, and constitutional issues such as standing). It also encompasses the current legal status of animals as living property and explores whether this status is antiquated and needs re-evaluation to reflect societal beliefs and values. Course will consider these traditional areas of law, groundbreaking laws enacted by other countries, as well as theories for the expansion of consideration and rights.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7026 Antitrust Cr. 2-4
Government control of trade practices and industrial market structures which inhibit the competitive process; monopoly, oligopoly, mergers, cartel practices, distribution arrangements, resale price control, franchising patent licensing, foreign commerce and price discrimination under the Sherman, Clayton, Federal Trade Commission, and Robinson-Patman Acts. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7045 Banking Law Cr. 2
Legal environment of the banking industry. Topics include: history and scope of banking in the United States, statutory requirements for chartering and operating banks, regulatory oversight at the Federal and State level, commercial and consumer lending, deposit insurance, lender liability, bank failures, and recent developments in banking regulation and legislation. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7051 Bankruptcy and Creditors' Rights Cr. 3
Problems arising when debtors are in financial difficulty, including the principal state remedies of unsecured creditors such as attachment, garnishment, and enforcement of judgments; Chapter 7 bankruptcy liquidations; Chapter 13 wage-earner plans; and Chapter 11 reorganizations. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7058 Bioethics and the Law Cr. 3
Role of law in shaping, analyzing and resolving conflicts that arise in the interplay between medicine, biotechnology, ethics, social history, and cultural evolution. Topics include reproductive rights and genetic technologies, maternal fetal decision making, medical decision making, definitions of death, death and dying decisions, regulation of research on humans, interdisciplinary decision making, and access to health care. Offered Intermittently.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7060 Business Planning Cr. 4
Problems involving common business transactions, including choice of entity to conduct business; organization, financing, and operation of a corporation; restructuring of business enterprises. Corporate, tax, securities law, and financial matters; role of business lawyer in counseling and planning business transactions. Relationship between the corporation and its shareholders. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7061 Business Planning: A Transactional Approach Cr. 4-8
Organizational problems for the closely-held and the public corporation; operational problems such as stock distributions, issuance of new securities, constructive dividend problems, and stock redemptions; corporate acquisitions, other reorganizations, contested take-overs, and liquidation and termination problems. Credit only on completion of two terms. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7070 Child Abuse and Neglect Cr. 2
Introduces students to state and federal laws governing the child protection and child welfare systems. Topics addressed will include: defining abuse and neglect; mandatory reporting; child protection investigations and limitations thereon; emergency removal and less burdensome alternatives; adjudicatory hearings and proof of abuse and neglect; dispositional hearings and powers; permanency planning and long-term placements; termination of parental rights; right to counsel; and the duties of lawyers for children in abuse and neglect cases. Offered Intermittently.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7075 Child, Family, and State Cr. 3
Aspects of children in legal system. Legal relationship between children, their parents, and government (federal, state, local, and tribal); rights of these parties and relationships between them. Education, medical care, children's rights, concept of legal parenthood, parental rights (and termination thereof), adoption, juvenile justice process. Concentration on constitutional and policy analysis as opposed to examination of rules and principles of the process; the practical application of those rules and principles. Students participate in mock court arguments, client meetings, and witness interviews, and draft the documents that would be filed in a criminal case. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7121 Conflict of Laws Cr. 3
Principles, rules and methods thought to underlie the resolution of multi-state problems. Jurisdiction and enforcement of judgments of other states. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7126 Constitutional Law II Cr. 4
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
Equivalent: LEX 7829

LEX 7127 Constitutional Litigation Cr. 3
Jurisdictional and constitutional basis and history of claims by individuals against government officials for constitutional violations. Limits and constraints on actions of officials and policies of governments. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7128 Consumer Law Cr. 2-3
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7136 Copyright Law Cr. 3
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7141 Corporate Finance Cr. 3
Economic and legal problems arising in connection with financing decisions of publicly-held corporations, including valuation of the enterprise and its securities, determination of securities structure and dividend policy, capital structure (including problems relating to debt), and acquisition strategies. Federal securities regulations and selected topics. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7145 Corporations Cr. 2-4
Relationships between owners and directors of a corporate enterprise; different types of stock ownership and the corresponding rights in profits and control; consolidation and merger; distinctive features of the closed corporation. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7160 Criminal Pretrial Advocacy Cr. 3
The court rules, statutes and Constitutional principles implicated in pre-trial criminal advocacy. Topics include arraignment, discovery, pre-preliminary examination, preliminary examination, motion practice, and pleas. Structural rules and principles of the process; the practical application of those rules and principles. Students participate in mock arguments, client meetings, and witness interviews, and draft the documents that would be filed in a criminal case. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7161 Criminal Procedure: Investigation Cr. 3
Constitutional requirements for arrests, searches, seizures, electronic surveillance, and interrogations. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7166 Criminal Procedure: Adjudication Cr. 3
Operation of the criminal justice system from the defendant's first appearance in the court through the trial, and to post-conviction remedies, including a study of bail, the preliminary hearing, the grand jury, voir dire, discovery, double jeopardy, joinder, and habeas corpus. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7172 Developing the Commercial Real Estate Project Cr. 3
Real estate development: laws and requirements affecting the development of commercial properties, including the law of contracts; real estate interests, such as mortgages, easements and encumbrances, zoning laws, environmental laws, building codes and requirements and other regulatory laws. Topics include: purchase and sale contracts, title and survey matters, due diligence investigations, closing processes, construction, financing, and leasing. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7201 Education Law Cr. 3
Survey of education law with emphasis on public education. Historical development of education law in the U.S. as well as topics of current interest: tenure, academic freedom, school discipline, school financing, home-based schooling, state regulation of private schools, church-state relationships, and desegregation in public education. Offered Intermittently.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7205 Employee Benefits Law Cr. 3
Survey course provides students with a strong grounding in the major laws affecting employment-based benefits plans, including the Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA) and the Internal Revenue Code. Retirement plans (including traditional defined benefit plans and common types of defined contribution plans such as 401(k) plans), and welfare benefit plans (including health and life insurances and disability plans). Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7216 Employment Discrimination Cr. 2-3
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7221 Employment Law Cr. 2-3
Legal rights and responsibilities of employees (excluding rights provided by anti-discrimination laws and the NLRA); statutory and common-law limitations on the employer's right to discharge; protection of employee privacy and reputation; laws governing wages and hours, occupational safety, unemployment compensation, workers' compensation, and employee benefits. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7226 Entertainment Law Cr. 2-3
Legal and business issues in the entertainment industries, including those related to sound recordings, music publishing, literary publishing, films, television, the Internet and other new media. Readings and discussions: representing talent, drafting and negotiating contracts, remedies for breaches, and rights of publicity. How the entertainment industries and their economics work. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7228 Energy Law Cr. 3
Introduction to energy law and regulation in the United States. Principles of rate regulation of public utilities and the division of jurisdiction between federal and state governments. Emerging trends such as promotion of energy efficiency and renewable energy. (This course does not cover traditional oil and gas law.) Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7231 Environmental Law Cr. 2-3
Environmental law in common-law, statutes, constitutional issues, administrative and international law. Coherent legal analysis of environmental problems and active legal remedies, rather than specialized instruction in pollution controls and the like. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7236 Equitable Remedies Cr. 2-3
Survey of the equitable remedies available for the vindication of substantive rights, which includes injunctive and restitutorialy relief as well as the general treatment of equitable relief in contract, tort and criminal actions. Offered Intermittently.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7241 Estate, Gift and Inheritance Taxation Cr. 2
Federal and state transfer taxes and income taxation of fiduciaries and beneficiaries. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7266 Evidence Cr. 2-4
General principles relating to the proof of questions of fact in civil and criminal trials, including competency, relevancy, and materiality of evidence; judicial notice, presumptions; burden of proof; competency of witnesses, rules relating to examination and cross-examination of witnesses; weight and sufficiency of evidence. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7301 Family Law Cr. 2-3
Entry into marriage; legal treatment of couples in marital and non-marital relationships; divorce, including custody, alimony and property distribution, and the role of the attorney; procreation; illegitimacy; rights and responsibilities of children and parents with respect to each other and to the state; child abuse and neglect; and adoption. When offered for two credits, considerably less time is devoted to children's issues. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7306 Federal Courts and the Federal System Cr. 2-3
Interrelationship of state and federal law in our legal system from the point of view of the federal courts and the Congress. Emphasis on the politics, history, and philosophy of federalism, rather than on procedures. Offered Every Other Year.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7311 Taxation of Partnerships Cr. 2-3
Tax treatment of partnerships, including multiple-member LLCs. Topics include: transfer of property to partnerships, operation of a partnership, distributions of property, transactions between partners and partnerships, transfers of interests in partnerships, termination of partnerships; some coverage of taxation of Subchapter S corporations, partnership agreement provisions, related topics. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7326 Foreign Direct Investment Cr. 3
History of, and policy justifications for, protection of foreign direct investment (FDI); the substantive international law regarding the protection of FDI; the process for resolving disputes between foreign investors and host states through international arbitration; and critiques of the existing legal framework for the protection of FDI. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7353 Health Care Organizations and Finance Cr. 3
Legal responses to problems of health care costs, access and financing from both public and private perspectives. Registration of insurance and managed care, developments in federal ERISA preemption, changing business structures, and antitrust enforcement. Medicare and Medicaid financing, rules prohibiting self-referrals, and standards policing fraud and abuse. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7354 Health Care Quality, Licensing and Liability Cr. 3
Legal responses to problems of health care quality and medical errors. State licensing of health care professionals and institutions, self-regulation, and tort liability for physicians, hospitals and managed care organizations. Basic introduction to health care institutions, the particulars of malpractice litigation, and proposals for tort reform. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7358 Health Policy: The Firm, the Market and the Law Cr. 3
Exploration of problems of health law and policy from perspective of modern institutional economics, including Coase's theory of the firm and Ken Arrow's work on uncertainty and the welfare economics of health care. Trends towards prepayment, vertical integration and development of managed care networks. Legal questions include constructing a competition policy, defining physician rights and responsibilities within an integrated firm structure, significance of social norms, and patient protection in a world of managed care. For students interested in law and economics and contemporary policy analysis, as well as students interested in the health care industry. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7371 Immigration and Nationality Law Cr. 2-3
Immigration, its history and development; entry into the United States, and alien status and adjustment to status; deportation and relief from deportation; exclusion and relief from exclusion; nationality and citizenship. Offered Every Other Year.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7381 Insurance Law Cr. 2
General principles, including indemnity, subrogation, reinsurance, insurable interest and classification of risks such as personal business and legal liability. Michigan insurance law and "no fault" legislation examined; contractual rights and liabilities of the insurer, insured, and third party beneficiaries. Offered Intermittently.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7384 International Commercial Arbitration Cr. 3
Course follows the life cycle of an international commercial arbitration, including: drafting and enforcing arbitration agreements; appointment and challenge of arbitrators; conduct of the proceedings; drafting of awards; review and enforcement of awards by courts at the seat of arbitration and beyond. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7401 International Aspects of US Taxation Cr. 2-3
United States taxation of non-resident aliens and foreign entities, foreign tax credit, determination of source of income, impact of tax treaties, earned income exclusion, tax effect of mode of operation and country of incorporation, and statutory and non-statutory tax devices available for international operations. Offered Every Other Year.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7404 International Business Transactions Cr. 3
Practical legal problems connected with doing business abroad; counselling on foreign law. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7406 International Finance: Transactions, Regulation, and Policy Cr. 3
Legal problems associated with flow of capital across national borders. Topics include international financial transactions, regulation of international capital markets, regulation of international banking and financial services, emerging market debt crisis, role of International Monetary Fund, reform of international financial system. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7407 International Intellectual Property Law Cr. 3
Addresses the legal issues surrounding the protection of intellectual property rights in a globalized commercial environment. The course centers on the study of the principal multilateral treaties that protect intellectual property rights: the Berne Convention on copyrights, the Paris Convention on trademarks and patents, and the Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights ("TRIPS"). The course also looks at the intellectual property component of the North American Free Trade Agreement, and a variety of legislative materials from the European Union. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7408 International Law Cr. 3
Basic legal concepts applied by international tribunals and courts of the United States to the relations between independent nations. The nature and sources of international law; the use of treaties; international organizations; and practices respecting recognition, territory, nationality and jurisdiction. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7409 International Litigation Cr. 3
Issues arising in civil cases in American courts in which international parties, evidence, and issues are present. Subjects include personal jurisdiction, service of process abroad, conducting discovery abroad, suing foreign sovereigns and governmental officials, forum non conveniens and international arbitration. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7410 International Organizations and Public Health Cr. 3
Course has two objectives: first, to give students a working understanding of the structure, function, and mission of the international organizations that increasingly impact modern life: the WTO, EHO, World Bank, IMF, and UN; second, to explore the effects of globalization on public health. Topics include: WHO control of infectious diseases such as SARS, impact of the WTO on pharmaceutical pricing of AIDS drugs and genetically-modified foods, international conventions for tobacco control, and influence of World Bank and IMF privatization requirements on health sector reform in developing countries. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate, Law or Medical level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School or School of Medicine.

LEX 7411 International Protection of Human Rights Cr. 2-3
The main international and regional legal instruments and procedures for the protection of human rights. Offered Intermittently.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7413 International Prosecution of State Actors Cr. 3
Legal and political aspects of new processes by which one-time state officials (such as former Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic, former Chilean dictator Augusto Pinochet, and former East German leader Egon Krenz) and their followers have been subjected to prosecution in international and foreign legal systems. Basic elements of transnational criminal law; controversial questions of principle and policy such as United States opposition to the new International Criminal Court; concerns about retroactive punishment; respect for amnesties that have contributed to ending civil conflicts. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7414 International Legal Research Cr. 1
Fundamentals of research in public international law. In connection with Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition, students review structure of international legal institutions, nature of the materials they produce, and the unique way these materials are indexed and cataloged. Focus on how these materials can best be used in legal advocacy; emphasis on effective writing and oral argument. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

Repeatable for 4 Credits

LEX 7418 International Trade Law Cr. 3
Regulation of international trade relations. Focus on Law of the World Trade Organization (WTO) and its interaction with domestic regulation of international commerce. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7419 Interviewing and Counseling Cr. 2-3
This course introduces students to interviewing and counseling theory, and helps students develop skills needed to effectively and efficiently interview and counsel clients in both litigation and transactional matters. Topics addressed and skills developed include active listening, phrasing and sequencing questions, eliciting timelines, probing for details, clarifying objectives, identifying options and discussing their consequences, and helping clients make final decisions. The course makes extensive use of role-playing exercises. Each student conducts a full-length simulated interview at mid-semester, and a full-length simulated counseling session towards the end of the semester. When offered for three credits, the course will include a forty-hour fieldwork component in which each student will interview and counsel actual clients who are seeking free legal help from one of the Law School's clinics or from a faculty-approved public interest externship field placement. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7422 Islamic Law Cr. 3
This course will survey the universe of Islamic law from the vantage point of a beginner to the field. The readings and class discussions will broaden the students' general understanding of Islamic law, particularly (1) classical Islamic jurisprudential theory, (2) substantive aspects of family and criminal law, (3) the intersection of Islamic law and the American legal system, and (4) the place of American-Muslims in the framework of American constitutionalism. Because law - of any variety - does not operate in a vacuum, discussions will proceed with reflection on prevailing sociopolitical realities such as global terrorism, jihadist movements, Islamophobia, misogyny, and racism. The student will also be asked to draw from the offerings of philosophy, critical race theory, postcolonial studies, security studies, and feminism. The aim is for course participants to develop a more textured understanding of Islamic law and to be better positioned to understand the debates surrounding its relevance and practice. Offered Every Other Year.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.

LEX 7424 Introduction to the Legal System of the United States Cr. 2-3
General introduction to the institutions and processes involved in lawmaking and legal interpretation in the United States, with a focus on lawmaking at the federal level. Topics include: federal legislative process, precedent and the common-law method, federal administrative rule-making, separation of powers, and judicial review. Sources of law produced by these processes and the development of research strategies with respect to these sources. Course is also designed to provide foreign LL.M students (all of whom write a Master's Essay to complete the LL.M. program) with an overview of the principal forms of legal scholarship in the American academy. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7426 Jurisprudence Cr. 2-3
Analysis of important legal notions such as law, sanction, rule, and sovereignty; relations between law and morals as seen particularly in the development of natural law and legal positivism and in the development of the notion of legal responsibility. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7435 Juvenile Delinquency Cr. 2
Introduction to the juvenile justice system. Topics include: juvenile court jurisdiction over delinquents and status offenders; pretrial criminal procedure in the juvenile justice context; screening and diversion; pretrial detention; waiver of juvenile court jurisdiction; procedural rights at trial; dispositional decisions. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7495 Labor Arbitration Cr. 2
Arbitration is the primary form of adjudication outside the court system; this course emphasizes labor arbitration: disputes between employers and unions under collective bargaining agreements; but it also treats other forms of arbitration including employment, commercial and securities arbitration. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7501 Labor Law Cr. 2-4
Legislative, administrative and judicial regulation of labor relations. The scope of national labor legislation; the protection of the rights of self-organization and the designation of bargaining agents; the negotiation and administration of the collective agreement; the legality of strikes, picketing and boycotts; employer interference with concerted activities; and the relations between unions and their members. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7506 Labor Law in the Public Sector Cr. 2
State (and some federal) regulation of labor relations in the public sector. Establishment of representative status, negotiation and administration of the collective agreement, strikes and impasse resolutions. Offered Every Other Year.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7511 Land Use Cr. 2-3
Allocation of land use in the urban environment by both private agreement and governmental order. Problems involved in the development and effectuation of community planning; goals by means of conservation, clearance, and renewal; zoning, variances and exceptions; housing code enforcement, subdivision control, eminent domain; relocation. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7514 Law, Authority, and Resistance Cr. 3
This course addresses, in both theoretical and practical terms, the relationship between legal and political obligation: When, if ever, do individuals have a moral obligation to obey the law because it is the law? What count as valid justifications of civil disobedience, conscientious refusal, or insurrection? When can governmental authority justifiably depart from "the rule of law"? When can individuals be held criminally accountable for egregious acts committed under unjust prior regimes? The course combines classics of the history of political thought with contemporary theoretical writings and contemporary discussions of topical questions (e.g., jury nullification, emergency measures, transitional justice). Particular attention will be paid to the special obligations of lawyers who are asked to validate immoral practices (e.g., "enhanced interrogation methods" in the Global War on Terrorism). Offered Every Other Year.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.

LEX 7516 Law of Elections and Political Organizations Cr. 2-3
Ways in which law governing the political process in the United States affects and reflects power relationships. How law and other forces shape the structure of American political participation; alternative directions for American democracy. Class discussions, short assignments, final examination. Offered Every Other Year.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7517 Law, Policy and International Development Cr. 3
Explores various law-based strategies for achieving economic and political development in poor countries. One influential school of thought claims that capitalism will not flourish in developing nations until there is a long-term, national commitment to reform property laws. Other scholars and development specialists insist that instituting the rule of law is the linchpin to attaining international development. Yet others insist that all law reform efforts are pointless unless access-to-justice issues are first addressed. This course is designed to investigate these claims and allow each student to come to her or his own conclusions about how law is most effectively used as a strategy for promoting political and economic development. Offered Intermittently.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.

LEX 7518 Law of Armed Conflict Cr. 3
History and current state of the law governing recourse to force (jus ad bellum) and the law governing the application of force (jus in bello). Contemporary jus ad bellum topics include: prohibition of the use of force in international relations, self-defense, unilateral intervention in international conflicts and humanitarian crises, as well as collective action relating to security and humanitarian crises. Contemporary jus in bello topics include: legal obligations relating to targeting, selection of weapons, status and treatment of prisoners, and protection of civilians during hostilities and occupation. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7520 Advanced Legal Writing: Legal Drafting Cr. 3
Development of transactional drafting skills; focus on writing techniques most often assigned to summer interns and first and second year associates. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7536 Appellate Advocacy Cr. 3
Research and analysis of complex legal problems. Class discussion on advanced research, development of strategy, and organization and writing as an advocate. Students learn appellate procedure and write an appellate brief. May not be taken on pass/no credit basis. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7541 Legislation Cr. 3
The legislative process and its use as an instrument of change; legislative drafting revision, interpretation and implementation. The appropriations process; role of and control of lobbying; operation of the legislative process and its effect on policy formulation; conduct of Congressional investigations and effects of separation of powers doctrines. The lawyer and the development and implementation of legislation. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7581 Local Government Law Cr. 2
Law as an instrument for governing urban areas. Distribution of decision-making power between private and public persons, between state and local governments and among various local governments. Local finance, decentralization, annexation and municipal incorporation. Exploration of possible reform by means of metropolitan government or federal assistance. The lawyer's role in formulating governmental policy in major urban complexes. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7590 Maastricht Exchange Program Cr. 1-4
Students take courses offered in the Maastricht Exchange Program. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.
Repeatable for 4 Credits
LEX 7595 Law Exchange Program Cr. 1-6
Intended for students participating in approved study abroad programs of study. Offered Every Term.

LEX 7603 Mergers and Acquisitions Cr. 2-3
Mechanics of an acquisition, including: (1) state corporate codes relevant to acquisitions, dissenting shareholder remedies, listing requirements, and federal security law affecting the mechanics (proxy, tender offers, public offerings); (2) successor liability, transfers of assets; (3) acquisition documents (confidentiality agreements, letters of intent, basic agreements, closing); (4) legal duties of board of directors and dominant shareholders (decision to sell or acquire, conflicts of interest, attempts to block takeovers, shareholder value); (5) disclosure requirements of federal and state securities law; (6) accounting and tax issues (definition of tax-free reorganization, accounting for mergers and acquisitions). Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7604 Mock Trial Workshop Cr. 2
Introduces students to basic evidence concepts (e.g. relevance, competency, impeachment, hearsay, authentication) and helps student develop basic trial advocacy skills (e.g. how to develop persuasive case theories and themes, how to deliver opening statements and closing arguments, how to examine and cross-examine witnesses, how to lay a proper evidentiary foundation for testimony, how to introduce and use demonstrative evidence, how to refresh a witness’s recollection, how to impeach a witness by using the witness’s prior statements, how to make and respond to objections). The course is graded on an Honors-Pass-Low Pass-No Credit basis. Students who have taken Trial Advocacy (LEX 7836) are not eligible to take this course, and vice versa. Offered Every Other Year.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.
Equivalent: LEX 7836

LEX 7605 Multistate Taxation in the Digital Age Cr. 3
Sale and use taxes and corporate and personal income taxes imposed by state and other sub-national governments, including Indian tribes.
Constitutional limits on cross-border taxation under the Due Process Clause and the Commerce Clause. Methods for apportioning income among jurisdictions, from theoretical and practical perspectives. Special income tax and sales tax issues arising from electronic commerce. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7616 Negotiation Cr. 2,3
Comprehensive examination of various legal principles that affect negotiation, such as rights assessment, custom and practice, rules of contract construction, concepts of condonation, proper and improper conditions, effective use of evidence in the negotiation process and legal strategies that affect outcome of negotiations. Taken for three credits this course also addresses contract drafting, collaborative lawyering, use of mediation in negotiation, multicultural negotiation, the law of settlement, enhanced processing of simulations, and contract drafting exercises. Offered Every Term.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7631 No-Fault Insurance Law Cr. 2
Comprehensive review of Michigan’s No-Fault Automobile Insurance Law, which governs all motor vehicle accidents in the State. Topics include: questions of coverage, medical and work loss benefits, coordination of benefits, exclusions, priorities, subrogation, and claims procedures. Negligence claims under the No-Fault Law also reviewed. Offered Every Other Year.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7646 Patent Application Preparation Cr. 2-3
The mechanical steps of preparing a patent application, as related to recent decisions of the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit (CAFC) regarding claims interpretation. Lessons learned from case law in preparing an application. Jeffersonian ideals for the patent system and the latest Supreme Court patentability decisions. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7651 Patent Enforcement Cr. 3
Unique aspects of patent litigation. Policy issues; practice considerations in enforcing patents. Issues in approaching a patent infringement suit (who can file; when and where to file). Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7656 Patent Law Cr. 3
Substantive patent and related trade secret law. Emphasis on nature of patent right; scope of coverage of patent system; issues of validity, infringements, inequitable conduct, patent-antitrust. Special issues relating to software, living organisms, and chemistry. Technical background not required. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7657 Patent Prosecution Cr. 2-3
Art of writing patent applications; aspects of practicing before the Patent and Trademark Office (PTO). Rules and techniques for investigating what is legally considered the background of the invention (prior art). Introduction to basic claim drafting concepts, techniques for writing a written description (or specification) of an invention. Effective response to PTO actions as defined by the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure (MPEP) and by the relevant case law. Inter partes post-grant proceedings and derivation proceedings available under the new America Invents Act. Ethics and licensing will be briefly covered. Course provides a good foundation for students who wish to take and pass the patent bar exam to become registered to practice before the PTO. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7659 Political Theory of Public Law Cr. 3
Legal restraints on exercise of public power as conceived in works of early modern theorists (e.g., Machiavelli, Locke, Montesquieu, and Madison), and as applied in constitutional arrangements that have emerged in a range of historical settings. Topics include: role of law in totalitarian political systems; emergency rule; comparative approaches to judicial review. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7660 Practicum in Dispute Resolution Cr. 3
Training in facilitative mediation with opportunity to practice skills in a variety of settings. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.
Course Material Fees: $225
Equivalent: DR 7310

LEX 7661 Commercial Systems Cr. 2
Capstone course for contracts/commercial curriculum; creation, transfer and enforcement of obligations, mostly in payment, transport and storage settings. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7666 Pretrial Advocacy Cr. 3
Adversary strategy and practice skills in the pretrial stages of litigation. Preparation of pleadings, interrogatories, requests for admission and document production requests. Students negotiate settlement of disputes, draft and argue motions, and take and defend depositions. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7669 Privacy Law Cr. 2-3
Covers the law of information privacy. Addresses the law and policy applying to the collection, use and disclosure of personal information. Relevant law includes state laws founded in tort and property, federal laws addressing specific privacy issues and constitutional limitations on government. Topics may include use of personal information by the media, government surveillance aimed at combating terrorism, the privacy of health care information, the collection and use of personal information by businesses, privacy in schools and at the workplace and international privacy issues. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7676 Public Finance Law Cr. 2
Legal principles involved in public finance transactions: municipal borrowing and debt; state law considerations: sources of authority for borrowing and repayment; effect of ultra vires borrowing, of procedural defects, municipal debt limitations, and other factors relating to power to incur municipal debt; traditional financing techniques; federal tax and securities law considerations; default and municipal bankruptcy; municipal bond market. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7680 Public Health Law Cr. 3
Legal foundations of American public health system; struggle between individual liberties and governmental interest in providing for collective health and well-being of citizens. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7686 Race and the Law Cr. 3
Impact of law on race relations and vice versa. Topics include: history and legal history, civil rights and equal protection, criminal law, affirmative action, employment, hate speech, education, interracial marriage and adoption, housing discrimination, emergence of Critical Race Theory in contemporary jurisprudence. Contemporary issues and solutions illuminated by historical problems and developments. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7689 Race, the Law and Social Change in Southeast Michigan Cr. 2-3
Detroit is the most segregated metropolitan area in the country. Course examines role and limits of law in addressing issues of race, discrimination and equality in southeastern Michigan. From a legal and anthropological perspective, students study the efforts attorneys have made over the past century to create a region more consistent with American values of inclusiveness. Individual and class action lawsuits and other forms of policy advocacy, all addressing legal problems in southeast Michigan, examining litigation tactics and the role of expert testimony. History and social problems of the region examined from the perspective of the courtroom. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7701 Real Estate Financing Cr. 2-3
Methods of financing the acquisition and improvement of residential and commercial real estate through the use of private sources of funds. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7725 Religious Liberty in the United States Cr. 3
Relationship between church and state in the United States. First Amendment Free Exercise and Establishment Clauses; related state and federal statutes; matters of history, legal doctrine, and public policy. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7751 Advanced Sales and Leases under the UCC Cr. 2-3
Advanced study in sales areas beyond first-year contracts course. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7756 Secured Transactions Cr. 3
Basic study of Article 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code with particular attention to the law governing the creation and perfection of security interests in personal property and the relative priorities of interested parties; also attention to some of the following: goods-oriented remedies in Article 2, financing leases in Article 2a, bulk sales, effects of the Bankruptcy Code on secured transactions, and documents of title Article 7. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7761 Securities Regulation Cr. 2-3
Analysis of current problems in federal and state regulation of transactions in securities. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7766 Sports and the Law Cr. 2-3
Survey of legal issues presented by sports in America. Application of basic principles of antitrust and labor law, constitutional law, administrative law, contract law and tort law to sports. Regulation of professional sports labor markets, regulation of agent representation, sports franchises, leagues and the powers of commissioner's offices, and the regulation of intercollegiate sports. Offered Intermittently.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7771 State and Local Taxation Cr. 3
Survey of state and local taxation law. The regulation of intercollegiate sports. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7777 State Constitutionalism Cr. 3
Dissimilarities of some state constitutions which are not shared with the parallel federal government. State judiciaries as interpreters of state constitutions. Differences in protection of civil liberties reviewed through readings in constitutional litigation. Common areas of inquiry in a theoretical field remarkably distinct from the study of the federal Constitution. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7806 Tax-Exempt Organizations Cr. 2
Examines tax problems arising from activities of non-profit associations of a type usually subject to taxation. Offered Every Other Year.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7816 Taxation Cr. 1-4
Interrelation between income tax policy and basic governmental and social institutions. Introduction to law of federal income taxation; the taxation of individuals. Basic application of these taxes; problems involved in transactions and situations which confront the lawyer in general practice; analysis and use of materials which permit their solution. Underlying problems of policy which have led to the tax law of today and which may be expected to require change in the tax law of tomorrow. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7821 Taxation of Corporations Cr. 4
Federal income taxation of corporations and their shareholders; problems relating to the formation, operation, reorganization, and liquidation of the corporation. Problems between shareholders and their closely-held corporation. Analysis and resolution of corporate tax issues. Offered Every Other Year.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7825 Teaching Law in High School Cr. 3
Students teach 20 sessions to high school students and attend seminar on teaching methods. Preparation of model lessons, lesson plans. Field supervision. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7827 Topics in Advanced Legal Research Cr. 2
Covers complex research topics essential to successful legal practice and builds upon the basic research skills and techniques learned in the required Legal Research and Writing course (LEX 6400). Its problem-solving approach gives students practical research experience that will enhance their ability to use legal, archival and social science information persuasively and cost-effectively. The scope is primarily limited to researching United States federal and state law. Offered Spring/Summer.
Prerequisite: LEX 6400
LEX 7828 Law of Electronic Commerce Cr. 3
New legal and policy issues that arise when businesses and consumers use the Internet to conduct their commercial transactions. Broad range of subject matters, such as history and technology of the Internet, regulatory paradigms, trademarks, copyright, jurisdiction over online disputes, spam and other online intrusions, clickwrap and browsewrap contracting, liability of online intermediaries, privacy, taxation of Internet commerce, and consumer protection. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7829 Law of the First Amendment: Freedom of Speech Cr. 2
In-depth coverage of the First Amendment guarantee of freedom of speech, press, association and petition. Emphasis on the "law of the First Amendment" as it has developed through the decisions of the Supreme Court; how the "law of the First Amendment" operates in the context of actual litigation. First Amendment issues likely to arise in the United States today and tomorrow. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
Equivalent: LEX 7126
LEX 7831 Trademarks and Unfair Competition Cr. 2-3
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7836 Trial Advocacy Cr. 3
Basic trial techniques taught through student performances of role-play exercises followed by critique. Mastering major trial skills in isolation: direct and cross examination, introduction of exhibits, impeachment, expert witnesses, opening and closing statements. Application of skills in simulated full criminal or civil jury trial. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7841 Trusts and Decedents’ Estates Cr. 4
Intestate succession, wills and trusts, requisite elements of wills and express trusts, and procedural requirements for their creation; administration of decedents’ estates and trusts; special rules relating to charitable and spendthrift trusts; trust forms as equitable remedial devices under resulting and constructive trust rules. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7888 United States Foreign Relations Law Cr. 4
Constitutional and statutory doctrines that regulate the conduct of U.S. foreign relations. Topics include: distribution of foreign affairs powers between the three branches of government, status of international law in U.S. courts, scope of the treaty power, validity of executive agreements, preemption of state foreign affairs activities, and the political question and other doctrines regulating judicial review in foreign affairs cases; political influences on and policy effects of legal doctrines in this field. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7901 Workers’ Compensation Law I Cr. 2
Overview of Michigan statute; discussion of “arising out of” and “in the course of employment,” including the going to and from work doctrine. Analysis of the occupational disease provisions of the statute as compared to single event personal injury provisions. Study of specific loss. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7925 Water Law Cr. 2-3
Categories of water bodies and public and private rights therein under the riparian and the prior appropriation systems. Consumptive and non-consumptive uses, management, and protection of the resource. Intergovernmental relations with respect to water resource allocation and management. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7941 White Collar Crime Cr. 3
Substantive and investigative issues related to federal prosecution of business crimes. Balance between government powers to investigate white collar crime and the rights of corporate and individual investigatory targets in connection with criminal prosecutions of federal economic crimes. Problems related to parallel civil enforcement actions involving the same underlying conduct. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7951 Workers’ Compensation Law II Cr. 2
Overview of Michigan statute; discussion of “arising out of” and “in the course of employment,” including the going to and from work doctrine. Analysis of the occupational disease provisions of the statute as compared to single event personal injury provisions. Study of specific loss. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 7990 Directed Study Cr. 1-2
A directed study may involve writing a paper, participating in a regularly-scheduled course for reduced credit, or other work of an academic nature. Subject matter and procedure are to be arranged prior to registration. Directed studies may not be elected on a pass-no credit basis. Offered Every Term.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 7995 Law Practicum Research Cr. 1
Students enrolled in the Law Practicum Research participate in an employment experience directly related to their academic studies and concurrently consult with a supervising member of the full-time Law School faculty. An enrolled student must submit written work to the supervising faculty member that relates the employment experience to the student’s academic studies and that includes consideration of the roles and responsibilities of practicing attorneys and strategic and ethical issues in the applicable field of law. Offered Every Term.

LEX 7999 Special Topics Cr. 2-4
Areas of current interest in the law. Offered Every Term.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8001 Antitrust and Trade Regulation: Current Issues Seminar Cr. 3
Addresses current topics in antitrust and trade regulation, providing a mix of substantive knowledge and professional skills instruction. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8002 Access to Justice Seminar Cr. 3
History, policies, practices and laws that demonstrate how our legal system addresses access to justice for people with economic needs or other restrictions that prevent them from using the system effectively. Seminar examines issues in both the criminal and civil areas. How lawyers are uniquely suited to improve access to justice. Career options to enhance access to justice, such as: following a public interest career, performing pro bono legal service for the poor, and exercising leadership in government and elsewhere to bring changes that enhance access to justice for all. Lectures, readings, research, site visits, and guest speakers. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8003 Reimagining Development in Detroit: Institutions, Law and Society Cr. 3
Seminar course. Examination of contemporary problems of community development from a perspective of institutional economics; how tools and theories of institutional economics are applied to problems relevant to the City of Detroit. Students write research papers applying these tools to issues such as race and regionalism, role of faith-based organizations in community development, abandoned land and community gardens, structure of local governance, charter schools and the fate of public schools, opportunity-based housing, and state of health-care safety net providers. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8004 Advanced Topics in Criminal Law and Procedure Cr. 3
Focuses on the law governing, practice of, and debate about plea bargaining. Among the questions to be considered: Does plea bargaining serve society well? Is it on firm constitutional footing? What are the constitutional prerequisites for a valid guilty plea? Does plea bargaining work differently in state court and in federal court? In white collar cases and street crime cases? In high-level cases and low-level cases? What legal or extra-legal factors determine the outcome of a plea bargain? And finally, how does pervasive plea bargaining affect the role of the prosecutor, the defense lawyer, and the trial judge? This seminar can be used to complete the upper-level writing requirement. Offered intermittently.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8010 Ancient Greek and Roman Law Cr. 3
Legal systems of ancient Greece and Rome. The law of Athens during its classical period in fifth and fourth centuries B.C.E.; development of Roman law during Republican period and the Empire, as transmitted through the compilations of Justinian in the sixth century C.E. Students write a paper on a subject related to the course material (this paper will satisfy the Law School writing requirement). Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8015 Asian Pacific American History and the Law: Perspectives on APA Civil Rights and Civil Wrongs Cr. 3
This seminar explores the Asian Pacific American civil rights movement with an overview of how federal and state laws have affected the Asian Pacific American (APA) experience and presence in the United States, covering a variety of civil rights cases and civil wrongs against APAs. The seminar will cover the APA historical timeline, exclusion laws, alien land laws, World War II internment of Japanese Americans, affirmative action as it applies to APAs, civil rights and racial hate crime violence, APAs in the marriage equality movement, bilingual issues in education and in the workplace, post-9/11 issues, immigration law reform, the Hawaiian sovereignty movement, and the effort to change birthright citizenship and immigration laws, among other topics. Offered Fall.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.

LEX 8029 Citizenship Seminar Cr. 3
Legal understanding of citizenship. How has the concept of citizenship evolved over time? How do we (or should we) decide who is and is not a citizen in the U.S. and in other nations? If one is a citizen, what rights flow from that status? Completion of this seminar satisfies the Law School writing requirement. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.

LEX 8031 Commercial Law Seminar Cr. 3
Advanced study of an area of commercial law; assigned readings. Final grade based on paper and seminar discussion leadership, on topic selected by student from instructor’s list. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8037 Consumerism & Democracy Cr. 3
Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8039 Contract Drafting Seminar Cr. 3
Knowledge and skills necessary for sound drafting of agreements. Substantive issues of contract law and important drafting issues. Students draft several contracts for review and critique; final grade based on drafting and editing as well as participation in seminar meetings. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8044 Advanced Topics in Criminal Law and Procedure Cr. 3
Focuses on the law governing, practice of, and debate about plea bargaining. Among the questions to be considered: Does plea bargaining serve society well? Is it on firm constitutional footing? What are the constitutional prerequisites for a valid guilty plea? Does plea bargaining work differently in state court and in federal court? In white collar cases and street crime cases? In high-level cases and low-level cases? What legal or extra-legal factors determine the outcome of a plea bargain? And finally, how does pervasive plea bargaining affect the role of the prosecutor, the defense lawyer, and the trial judge? This seminar can be used to complete the upper-level writing requirement. Offered intermittently.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8048 Current Topics in International Law Cr. 3
Focus on new and controversial issues; topics change with each offering. Readings, class discussions, and paper. How international institutions function, justification for the norms they seek to enforce, and coherence of those norms with respect to theories of international society. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 8049 Civil Rights Trip Seminar Cr. 2
Introduction to the Civil Rights Movement of the 1950s and 1960s, as well as how lawyers at preeminent civil rights organizations continue the work today. Enrolled students travel to Atlanta, Selma, Montgomery, and Birmingham over spring break; meet with prominent civil rights attorneys; visit the legal, spiritual, and political landmarks of the Civil Rights Movement; meet survivors and activists from the movement, who provide them with first-hand accounts of the Selma to Montgomery March, the maneuverings of segregationist and progressive political figures in Montgomery, and daily life during the Jim Crow and civil rights eras. Offered Every Other Year. Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8051 Detroit Equity Action Lab: A Collaborative Study of Structural Racism Seminar Cr. 3
This Seminar introduces students to notions of structural racism as it impacts the city of Detroit. Students will work collaboratively with members of the Detroit Equity Action Lab (DEAL) addressing racial equity in a wide range of sectors, such as civil rights, transportation, community development, health, education and housing. Students will develop awareness of the role and limits of law in addressing structural racism. In addition to examining the work of individual organizations, students will consider broader issues impacting racial equity and will explore interventions that might change public policy and public awareness as it relates to structural racism. Offered Every Other Year. Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8067 Effective Oral Communication for Lawyers Cr. 3
Exercise-based seminar to help students become more familiar with, and more skillful at, oral communication in the various settings familiar to a lawyer. Topics include: physiology of speech and sources of speech pathology; aspects of non-verbal communication; use of humor; stage fright; making communication interesting. Offered Every Other Year. Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8068 Energy Law: Current Topics Cr. 3
In-depth exploration of a particular topic regarding regulation of energy production or consumption. Topics may include: regulation of fuel sources and emissions in the U.S. transportation sector; incentives and regulations in financing clean energy investments, and the impact of regulation on adoption of electric vehicles. Students are responsible for a research paper and presentation to the class. Offered Yearly. Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8075 Ethics of the Lawyering Experience Seminar Cr. 3
Psychological and ethical dimensions of law and legal practice, explored through engagement with works of fiction and selected legal scholarship. Student writes weekly reaction paper. Offered Yearly. Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8081 Evidence Law: Advanced Topics Cr. 3
Seminar course; students write papers and give presentations on current topics of evidence law. Offered Yearly. Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8101 Family Violence: Seminar Cr. 3
Analysis of the utilization of the legal system to address issues of abuse within the family. Topics include: the response of the criminal justice system to various forms of family violence, such as marital rape, spouse abuse, and child abuse; use of tort and injunctive remedies; examination of new and proposed legislation relevant to these issues. Offered Every Other Year. Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8141 International Environmental Law Seminar Cr. 3
Students explore use of bilateral and multilateral treaties and other international mechanisms for dealing with international environmental problems; emphasis on United States - Canada international environmental law. In-class presentations, paper required. Offered Intermittently. Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8161 International and Comparative Business Law: Doing Business in China Seminar Cr. 3
Preparation of papers and presentations on various aspects of business in China. Offered Yearly. Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8171 Health Law: Advanced Topics Cr. 3
Examines current legal issues related to health, such as applications of the law within and outside the health care system; contemporary debates on role of government and private sector in health; innovative proposals to use law, ethics and policy to improve health; and the role of law during public health emergencies. Offered Intermittently. Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8190 International Women's Human Rights Seminar Cr. 3
Evolution of women's rights as human rights. Students will examine women's human rights in the context of legal instruments such as the UN Convention to Eliminate Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW) and other international treaties, and in the jurisprudence of women's human rights in international tribunals. This course will also explore the role of global and regional human rights organizations in securing women's legal rights and analyze the current legal discourse on women's human rights and explore key issues in the light of specific world regions, cultures and religious traditions. Offered Fall. Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8241 Advanced Topics in Work Law Cr. 3
Examines current and developing issues in labor and employment law. Offered Intermittently. Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8248 Law and Literature Seminar Cr. 3
Connection between law and literature. Topics include: role of narrative in legal arguments and legal decision-making; role of narrative and law, respectively, in constructing identity; literary criticisms of the law and legal profession. Focus on stories of adoption, including: shifting definitions of parenthood; nature vs. nurture debate; issues of class, race, gender, and national identity. Novels, short stories, films, memoirs, and legal cases; authors include Charles Dickens, George Eliot, P.D. James, and Louise Erdrich. In-class presentations; paper required. Offered Yearly. Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 8256 Law in Cyberspace: Seminar Cr. 3
Application of current law to the Internet and proposals for new or revised laws to regulate development of global information infrastructures. Topics include: defamation, copyright, wire fraud, criminal threats to Internet activities, and problems asserting national laws in medium without national boundaries. Students will use the Law Library's computer system and not need their own computers. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8260 Law of the City: Detroit: Seminar Cr. 3
Exploration of legal, economic, and policy issues regarding the contemporary American city, using Detroit as the case study. Themes covered include race, class, positive rights, community organization and identity, economics, public education, environmental justice and legal pluralism. Students read in constitutional and statutory provisions, case law, administrative determinations, academic writing, and current popular media. Discussion of a different aspect of urban law each week; students explore a broad array of legal issues and opportunities in the urban environment around them; current law and policy reforms; research paper and presentation. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.

LEX 8263 Legal Change Seminar Cr. 3
What is the relationship between law and social change? How effective are changes in legal doctrine in changing social practices? Under what conditions can we effectively use the law to promote social change? This course investigates these questions by studying the relationships among social movements, courts, legislatures, and other international and domestic institutions. Students will examine materials from actual legal reform movements, including equality in education and women's rights, and evaluate strategies for legal reform and their impact on statutory and decisional law as well as social practices. Offered Every Other Year.

LEX 8271 National Labor Relations Act: Current Problems Cr. 3
Legal issues pending before the National Labor Relations Board and in the courts. Students act in place of NLRB and render opinions on critical labor law issues; read actual briefs in pending cases, discuss the cases, and vote on disposition and draft majority and dissenting opinions. Each student writes one majority and one concurring or dissenting opinion. Class discussions focus on NLRB decision-making process and judicial review of Board decisions; and on draft opinions of student Board panels. Grade is based on class participation as well as written work; students may elect to write papers based on legal issues discussed in class. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8280 National Security Law Seminar Cr. 3
National security as area of specialization within government law practice, private law practice, and academia. Aspects of international law, constitutional law, criminal law, administrative law, and other fields as they apply to issues such as: Who formulates and implements the national security policies of the United States? When do the nation's security interests trump competing values (civil liberties, transparency, fulfillment of the nation's international legal obligations? In what respects is America's approach to these issues similar to or different from that of other countries? Readings include statutes, treaties, regulations, case law, and extensive secondary literature, which serve as a basis for a substantial research paper or law journal note. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8300 Race and the Law: Advanced Topics Cr. 3
In-depth examination of particular issues; topics may include: emerging issues in education, voting rights and criminal justice; intersection of race and sports law; or race and the media. Focus may be related to Michigan or the metropolitan Detroit area. In-class presentations, research paper. Completion of this course will satisfy Law School writing requirement. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8335 Regulation of Vice Cr. 3
Seminar exploring legal, economic, and policy issues regarding federal, state, and local regulation of vice, including: alcohol nicotine, drugs, gambling, and commercial sex. The current legal landscape; potential policy reforms. Students prepare a research paper on a mutually agreed upon topic, which may include a specific regulation or vice law, proposed policy reform, comparative analysis from another jurisdiction, and state/local issues. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8345 Sex, Sexuality and the Law in the Contemporary United States Cr. 3
The ways the law constructs people as sexual beings and regulates that being and her/his sexuality. Seminar course has four main objectives: 1) to deepen understanding of contemporary U.S. laws that address sex and sexuality; 2) to understand the ways in which individuals and groups are impacted by those laws; 3) to learn and apply aspects of critical legal theories in legal analysis; and 4) to strengthen written and oral legal analysis and communication. Workshop format; class contribution makes up a significant portion of the grade. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8351 Sports and Inequality Cr. 3
This seminar will examine the legal and social implications of various forms of discrimination in both the professional and amateur sports contexts. Coverage will include a discussion of legal efforts to address discrimination in sports based on race, gender, disability, and sexual orientation. Topics include racial inequalities on the playing fields and in the front offices of amateur and professional sports, the impact of NCAA eligibility criteria, the effects and future of Title IX, gender segregation and exclusion in professional sports and sexual violence, sexual orientation discrimination in sports, and sports opportunities for people with disabilities. The final paper for this class may be used to satisfy the upper-level writing requirement. Offered Intermittently.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8361 Tax Plicy: Crt Issus Cr. 3
Offered Every Other Year.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8363 Tax Policy Seminar: Role and Impact of Congressional Oversight on Abusive Tax Strategies Cr. 3
This seminar will examine the international tax rules, the abusive strategies, and the responses by Congress and foreign governments. We will use excerpts from Congressional hearings to explore the role of Congressional oversight in identifying the noncompliance with existing laws, the role of foreign governments in facilitating abuses and illegal behavior, and the need for legislative or administrative action to address some of the abuses. We will consider policy options to reduce the incentives for businesses to pursue these strategies. We will examine professional ethics and the role of lawyers and other professionals in structuring these abusive transactions. Offered Fall.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.
LEX 8401 Urban Housing and Community Development: Seminar Cr. 3
Legal, social, and economic aspects of urban housing and community development, including local, state and national programs and policies. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8505 Criminal Justice Externship Practicum Cr. 2
Students perform 150 hours of unpaid work in a criminal prosecutor or defender’s office. Students are assigned tasks similar to those performed by entry-level prosecutors and defenders. Students develop advocacy skills, legal drafting skills, law practice management skills, the ability to recognize and resolve strategic and ethical dilemmas, and the ability to learn from experience. Offered Every Term.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.

LEX 8506 Criminal Justice Externship: Colloquium Cr. 2
Roles and responsibilities of criminal prosecutors and defenders, the judicial process in criminal cases, and strategic and ethical issues in criminal prosecution and defense. Substantial class time is devoted to professional skills instruction and to facilitated discussion and analysis of students’ fieldwork observations and experiences. Offered Every Term.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.

LEX 8507 Judicial Externship: Practicum Cr. 2
Students perform 150 hours of unpaid work in judicial chambers. Students are assigned tasks similar to those performed by judicial clerks. Students develop research, writing, and analysis skills, legal drafting skills, oral communication skills, law practice management skills, and the ability to learn from experience. Offered Every Term.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.

LEX 8508 Judicial Externship: Colloquium Cr. 2
Students learn about the roles and responsibilities of judges and judicial clerks, judicial decision-making, and effective advocacy. Substantial class time is devoted to professional skills instruction and to facilitated discussion and analysis of students’ fieldwork observations and experiences. Offered Every Term.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.

LEX 8515 Corporate Counsel Externship: Practicum Cr. 2
Students perform 150 hours of unpaid work in corporate counsel offices of non-profit and for-profit entities for two credits. Students are assigned tasks similar to those performed by attorneys in corporate counsel or general counsel offices. The Practicum is an opportunity for students to develop professional skills, including legal analysis and reasoning, contract drafting, problem solving, communication, teamwork, negotiation, and fact-finding. Students will also learn about important workplace issues such as time management, corporate culture, professionalism, and giving and receiving feedback. Grading will be on an Honors, Pass, Low Pass, No Credit basis. Offered Every Term.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.

LEX 8516 Corporate Counsel Externship: Colloquium Cr. 2
Students will learn about substantive issues encountered in an in-house legal department and the ethical responsibilities of in-house counsel. Substantial class time is devoted to professional skills instruction on topics such as working with outside counsel, conflicts management, contract drafting, and conducting internal investigations. Students will also participate in facilitated discussion and analysis of their fieldwork observations and experiences. Offered Every Term.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.

LEX 8595 Advanced Externship Cr. 2
A two-credit, letter-graded course for students who will complete a second externship at a different field placement in the same substantive area or at a different division of the same location of their prior placement. Students will complete 150 hours of work at an approved field placement, submit reflective memoranda as assigned, and meet with the Director of Clinical Education, or other designated Faculty Supervisor, at least three times during the semester. Approval will only be granted in the rare circumstances where a student’s learning objectives differ significantly from those for the first externship and these learning objectives cannot be met by existing clinical or experiential learning course opportunities. Application process required. Offered Every Term.
Prerequisites: LEX 8506 or LEX 8508 or LEX 8516 or LEX 8599
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Law level students.

LEX 8598 Public Interest Externship: Practicum Cr. 2
Students perform 150 hours of unpaid work in public interest settings. Students are assigned tasks similar to those performed by entry-level public interest lawyers. Students develop interviewing and counseling skills, legal drafting skills, oral communication skills, law practice management skills, and the ability to learn from experience. Offered Every Term.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.

LEX 8599 Public Interest Externship: Colloquium Cr. 2
Students learn about the roles and responsibilities of public interest lawyers, strategic, practical, and ethical dimensions of public interest practice, and effective advocacy. Offered Every Term.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.

LEX 8601 Criminal Appellate Practice Clinic Cr. 4
Clinical legal writing experience. Students prepare briefs and other pleadings for indigent clients with pending felony appeals in cooperation with the Michigan State Appellate Defender Office. Students meet with instructor in individual and class sessions to discuss writing, research, and the appellate and correctional processes. Students have client contact and participate in simulated court environment. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8604 Asylum and Immigration Law Clinic Cr. 6
Lawyering skills and values needed to effectively represent clients, and the legal skills and knowledge needed to represent clients seeking asylum or other immigration benefits, including an Immigration Court hearing. Asylum case simulation. Professional responsibility issues. In clinical component, students represent clients on a variety of immigration matters. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.

LEX 8606 Asylum and Immigration Law Clinic (Advanced) Cr. 2
Students continue to gain increased experience in different settings and issues, and may also organize and participate in community outreach projects. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 8607 Civil Rights and Civil Liberties Clinic Cr. 4
Collaborative venture with American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) of Michigan; opportunity to litigate civil rights and civil liberties impact cases before state and federal courts. Classroom component includes a semester-long simulation of a civil rights case that gives students opportunity to develop professional skills such as interviewing, counseling, drafting pleadings and discovery requests, taking depositions, preparing and arguing motions, and negotiating with opposing counsel. Offered Winter.
Prerequisites: May be taken concurrently: LEX 6800 with a minimum grade of C and May be taken concurrently: LEX 7266 with a minimum grade of C
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
Repeatable for 8 Credits

LEX 8610 Transnational Environmental Law Clinic (Advanced) Cr. 2
Students continue their work with the Environmental Law Clinic, gaining increased experience in different settings an issues; students work with Great Lakes Environmental Law Center and may be involved in formally representing other community organizations and public interest groups. Offered Yearly
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8611 Transnational Environmental Law Clinic Cr. 6
Skills and strategies needed to affect environmental policy in the three branches of state and federal government. Classroom sessions include current environmental policy challenges and opportunities; guest speakers. Clinical component includes preparation of policy papers and formal legislative testimony, commenting on rulemaking and permit decisions, and engaging in judicial review and enforcement litigation; students work with Great Lakes Environmental Law Center. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8615 Patent Procurement Clinic Cr. 4
Students represent clients in patent procurement matters before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Detroit satellite office. Student work includes interviewing and counseling clients; fact investigation, performing legal research, conducting prior art searches, and drafting and prosecuting patent applications. Skills and values necessary to effectively represent clients in patent procurement matters; exploration of substantive areas of patent law that arise in these matters. Professional responsibility issues commonly faced by patent attorneys, such as conflicts, competence, and confidentiality. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8616 Patent Procurement Clinic (Advanced) Cr. 2
Students in this clinic represent clients in patent procurement matters before the United States Patent and Trademark Office's Detroit, Michigan, Satellite Office. There is no classroom component in the Advanced Patent Procurement Clinic. Students will be expected to spend between five to ten hours per week continuing work on ongoing cases that have significant deadlines during the semester, gaining increased experience in different settings and addressing more complex issues. Advanced Clinic students will also work with PPC faculty to provide direction and guidance to those enrolled in the PPC Clinic for the first time, in areas in which Advanced Clinic students have already acquired some expertise. Time spent in the Advanced Clinic will include a one-hour weekly meeting with the Clinic's faculty to discuss the status of client matters. Offered Fall, Winter.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8621 Free Legal Aid Clinic Cr. 4
The Free Legal Aid Clinic, Inc. (FLAC) is a student-run, non-profit organization with a board of directors composed entirely of current Wayne Law students. FLAC partners with legal services organizations to provide free legal services to low-income people in Wayne County. FLAC students practice under the supervision of legal aid attorneys and law school faculty pursuant to the Michigan Student Practice Rule. Students, who work an average of 12-14 hours per week, are responsible for all aspects of the cases assigned to them, including interviewing clients, drafting pleadings and other court filings, arguing motions, conducting trials and evidentiary hearings, negotiating with opposing counsel, researching legal issues, and drafting legal documents. Students participate in a twice-weekly seminar class for this letter-graded course. Credits earned meet the experiential learning and clinical education requirements. Offered Every Term.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8622 Free Legal Aid: Advanced Cr. 2
Students continue to work 12-14 hours per week at FLAC, taking on more complex cases and leadership roles within the organization. Students will meet with faculty on a weekly basis to discuss topics such as law practice management and non-profit management, as well as advanced substantive law topics and skills training. Students may also mentor new students and act as teaching assistants for the basic Free Legal Aid course. Limited enrollment, prior faculty approval required. Offered Every Term.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Law level students.

LEX 8625 Govt Agency Internship Cr. 1-3
Offered Every Term.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
Repeatable for 3 Credits

LEX 8627 In-House Counsel Internship Cr. 1-3
Offered Every Term.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
Repeatable for 3 Credits

LEX 8631 Business and Community Law Clinic Cr. 6
Course component: basic provisions of nonprofit corporate law, tax law, and legal ethics that affect community economic development groups. Clinical component: students assist a community group at or near the stage of incorporating itself and/or applying for tax-exempt status, in services such as drafting and filing articles of incorporation, bylaws, and IRS forms. Students complete term paper on topic of interest to community economic development organizations. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8633 Business and Community Law Clinic (Advanced) Cr. 2
Participation requires demonstrated commitment to business law, community economic development, or nonprofit law. No classroom component; enrollment limited to two students per semester; students spend between five and ten hours a week continuing their work on ongoing cases and meeting significant deadlines during the semester. Advanced Clinic students also work with BCL faculty to provide direction and guidance to those in the BCL Clinic for the first time, in areas in which Advanced Clinic students have already acquired some expertise; as well as coordinate community outreach and informational programs. Includes one hour per week meeting with BCL faculty to discuss the status of client matters. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
LEX 8642 Disability Law Clinic (Advanced) Cr. 2
Students continue their work on cases or projects begun in the Disability Law Clinic that could not be completed in a single term, work on new cases or projects that involve more complex issues or give students opportunities to develop additional skills, or serve as teaching assistants for the Clinic. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8661 Legal Advocacy for People With Cancer (Clinic) Cr. 4-6
Students work with healthcare professionals at the Karmanos Cancer Center to identify and resolve legal issues that present barriers to patient care and wellbeing. Students advise and assist people with cancer in matters pertaining to health insurance, housing, employee rights and benefits, estate and healthcare planning, and public benefits. They develop skills used in a broad range of practice settings: interviewing and counseling, case-management, problem-solving, persuasive fact analysis, legal drafting, negotiation, effective oral communication, and interdisciplinary collaboration. Offered for Law School grading: Honors pass, pass, low pass, no credit. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.

LEX 8662 Legal Advocacy for People With Cancer Clinic (Advanced) Cr. 2
Continuation of work begun in LEX 8661 which could not be completed in a single term; work on new cases or projects that involve more complex issues or give students opportunities to develop additional skills or serve as teaching assistants for the LACP Clinic. Students are expected to perform at least 100 hours of clinical work, including regular, frequent meetings with the course instructors. Course does not have a classroom component, but students who serve as teaching assistants are expected to participate in some LACP classes. Students are required to document their clinical work through detailed, contemporaneous time logs. Offered Fall, Spring/Summer.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students.

LEX 8701 Law Review Cr. 1-2
Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
Repeatable for 4 Credits

LEX 8711 Moot Court Cr. 1-2
Members conduct, under general faculty supervision, the program in the preparation of briefs and the hearings on oral arguments. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
Repeatable for 4 Credits

LEX 8721 Mock Trial Cr. 1-2
Members participate in skills training; intraschool, regional, and national trial advocacy competitions. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
Repeatable for 4 Credits

LEX 8725 Journal of Business Law Cr. 1
The Wayne State Journal of Business Law provides the opportunity for law students the opportunity to edit legal scholarship, to prepare a student note or commentary on a relevant legal topic under the supervision of a Wayne Law professor. Offered Fall, Winter.
Repeatable for 4 Credits

LEX 8731 The Journal of Law in Society Cr. 1
Members contribute to publication of this law journal and the annual symposium. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.

LEX 8815 Fundamentals of US Legal Research Cr. 1
Introduction to U.S. legal research skills for students from foreign jurisdictions, with a focus on the use of electronic resources for legal research. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School; enrollment is limited to students with a major, minor, or concentration in United States Law.

LEX 8821 Seminar in United States Law Cr. 1
Concise survey of several substantive fields of United States Law (principally in the area of private law) with focus on several core legal topics integral to understanding the U.S. legal system as a whole, and to working with U.S.-trained lawyers. Material drawn from a variety of areas, such as: law of contracts, property, torts, criminal law, and constitutional law. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School; enrollment is limited to students with a major, minor, or concentration in United States Law.

LEX 8830 US Legal Skills for Foreign Law Students Cr. 2
This course will provide foreign-trained lawyers with a working knowledge of the memo-drafting, transactional, and other skills utilized by U.S. Lawyers. Students will draft a legal memorandum, a client letter, and a contract. Offered Yearly.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students in the Law School; enrollment is limited to students with a major, minor, or concentration in United States Law.

LEX 8999 Master's Essay Direction Cr. 1-2
Offered Every Term.
Restriction(s): Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Law level students; enrollment limited to students with a class of Candidate Masters; enrollment limited to students in the Law School.
Repeatable for 2 Credits