



Summer 2023

Summer 2023 Course Catalog

Summer Semester 2023, May 8th - July 20th

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Looking for the summer clinics?

Students must apply to take clinics through the clinical education department. Dean Maren Christensen will release the summer 2023 clinical course catalog and clinical course application by email during the summer 2023 registration period. Students who are interested in applying for the summer 2023 clinics should review the clinical course catalog and complete the application. Students who are accepted into the clinics will be automatically registered for those clinics. Students who apply for clinics should check their Populi pages regularly for updates.



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Course Title	Campus	Course Type	Units	Cohort Year	Class Cap	Course Description
Advanced Applied Mediation Techniques	MCL	Elective	2	Open	N/A	In this course students will learn best practices for applying real-world knowledge when mediating non-violent conflict of any kind. The purpose of this course is to: (1) prepare students to perform the duties of a mediator in structured settings such as court directed mediation or other potential venues, and (2) to implement a consistent, patient, neutral, empathetic, and structured approach to conducting mediation. The course will consist of a combination of instruction, demonstrations, simulations, seminars, and skills practice designed to enable the students to assemble the knowledge necessary for mediation into a structured mediation practice. Students will receive individual feedback, practical tips, and practice designed to equip students with the mediator's mindset and the tools to enhance their mediation skills. Prerequisite: Core Mediation Training
Advanced Civil Discovery And Preparing A Case For Trial	Online	Elective	2	2L+	18	This course is designed to enhance the student's knowledge of the California Code of Civil Procedure and its application to issues arising in actual complex civil litigation, including an understanding of discovery tools, strategic considerations in preparing for a trial or a hearing through the use of discovery plans, discovery motions, planning for the use of and introduction of evidence at trial, and filing pre-trial evidentiary motions. Class discussion is strongly encouraged. Prerequisites: Civil Procedure, Evidence.
Animal Law	Online	Elective	2	Open	18	Animals and the legal effects of their unique nature are present throughout the law. Animal Law is the body of law relating to animals and the unique interaction between people and animals. As such, this course explores the aspects of animal law on a horizontal plane: moving through each of the legal field's classic practice areas, identifying and discussing key animal law concepts in each, surveying the historical and current profile of this rapidly developing specialty. In brief, animal law encompasses all areas of the law in which the nature -- legal, social, biological -- of nonhumans is an important factor. In this manner, students will be provided with a comprehensive survey of animal law as a field within the United States' legal community, methods of integrating animal law into other areas of legal practice and analysis, and establishing a broad foundation upon which to build animal law study, should they so choose. It is an objective overview of a challenging area -- one with a growing number of cases and laws, increasing public and practical interest, and significantly different historical, legal and philosophical foundations than most other courses.
Appellate Writing	Online, SLO, KCCL	Required	2	2L	Varies	Students will gain experience in litigation, motion writing, and appeals. Our primary purpose is to further refine your skills in legal writing by exposing you to complex law and motion and appellate writing. Prerequisite: Legal Writing I, Legal Writing II
Artificial Intelligence and the Law	Online	Elective	2	Open	18	Artificial intelligence (AI) comprises a set of computationally intensive info technologies intended to substitute for human intelligence in the performance of cognitive tasks. These technologies are being used in connection with an ever-increasing range of performance-enhancing and labor-saving commercial, industrial and research applications, and regulatory, law enforcement and military. Accompanying these developments are emerging concerns about the transformation of labor, incl. the practices of legal services and institutions; the rights, duties and liabilities attaching to the designs and activities of robotic and transactional AI agents; and the privacy, security, social and ethical impacts of AI and automation. Tech advancements in AI, and responses to them in law, are ongoing, quick moving, and unpredictable. This class will prepare students to be critical and informed observers of, and participants in, the legal developments, disputes and discourses surrounding AI technologies that will continue to emerge. We will look at a broad range of cases, statutes, regulations, commentaries and other materials related to AI and the law through a variety of discussions and writing.
Bankruptcy Law	Online	Elective	1	Open	18	Bankruptcy is a summer-elective, five-session, one-unit, survey course. Its purpose is to acquaint you with individual and business entity liquidation or reorganization. It will examine the economic and social policies that influenced the development of the modern bankruptcy code. The course will focus on the three main types of bankruptcy relief that you will likely encounter in practice: Chapter 7 (liquidation); Chapter 13 (individual debt adjustment); and Chapter 11 (reorganization). Relief under Chapter 9 (municipalities), Chapter 12 (family farm reorganization), and Chapter 15 (cross-border insolvency) will not be discussed in detail.
Core Mediation Training	Online	Required	2	Open	18	This intensive 10-week, 32-hour Mediation Certification Training will teach you how to help others work through their conflicts. This training meets the requirements of the California Dispute Resolution Programs Act for mediators. The communication and problem-solving skills taught in this course are applicable in a wide range of situations including work, personal and community life. The course has been adapted to a virtual format.
Employment Law	Online	Elective	2	Open	18	This class examines the Federal and California laws governing employment relationships. Students will learn the complex interrelationship between California state statutes, regulations, and case law and requirements set forth by Federal sources. Students will gain an understanding of the principles involved in discrimination, harassment, wrongful termination, wage and hour, and other issues that arise in the employment context. Students will learn through a combination of theory and real world case examples, enabling students to issue-spot and analyze frequently experienced disputes arising in the workplace.
Family Law	Online	Elective	2	2L+	18	The student will learn the fundamentals of a California family law practice, including familiarity with the various proceedings under the California Family Code, jurisdiction, practice and procedure, and strategies for ethical and effective representation of parties in Family Law proceedings. Prerequisite: Real Property
Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Law	Online	Elective	2	Open	18	This course will introduce students to the overlapping, but rich and complex fields of food, agricultural, and environmental law, Congress' purpose in enacting the major statutes in each field, their basic framework, and how each has evolved through regulation and judicial interpretation.

Gibson Appellate Advocacy	Online	Fulfills writing requirement for Joint JD/MLS Degree	2	3L	N/A	The course will be devoted to writing an appellate brief using the same fictional closed universe case used in moot court. Students will be evaluated on legal writing skill, including the correct use of legal terminology. The highest-quality briefs will be well-organized, concise and persuasive. Citations must be consistent with the California Style Manual citation format. The format of the brief must also conform to the Rules of the United States District Court of Appeal for the 9th Circuit. This course satisfies the writing requirement for the joint MLS/JD program. Prerequisite: Appellate Writing (Legal Writing III). This class is for students in the joint JD/MLS program. The class should be taken concurrently with Moot Court.
Immigration Law	Online	Elective	2	Open	18	This course will cover the fundamentals of US Immigration and Nationality Law. This course will provide a broad overview of the various visa categories, pathways to permanent residence, processes for naturalization and issues of removability from and inadmissibility to the United States. Topics to be covered include non-immigrant visas, immigrant visas; employment-based immigration, family-based immigration; asylum, refugee, and other humanitarian based relief; criminal issues; and other causes of inadmissibility and removability.
Intellectual Property	Online	Elective	2	Open	18	This course provides an introduction and overview of the four primary types of intellectual property protection: patents, copyrights, trademarks, and trade secrets. You will leave this class with an understanding of the protections provided by each of these types of intellectual property and an ability to spot issues relating to them. We will also touch on other areas of intellectual property-type protections.
International Criminal Law	Online	Elective	1	Open	18	An introductory course aimed at reviewing and analyzing international criminal law. Topics covered will include: The shifting contours of criminality and international crimes • The tension between individual and collective responsibility • The challenges of domestic, international, hybrid and regional justice institutions • The foundations of justice procedures • Approaches towards punishment and reparation.
International Telecommunications Law	Online	Elective	2	Open	18	This course will provide a brief review of the history of telecommunications law, the technologies and services it applies to and some of its key regulatory frameworks such as 1. Licensing; 2. Spectrum management, 3. Access and interconnection; 4. Universal Service and 5. Consumer Protection as part of sessions 1 through 5. Sessions 5 through 10 will examine and compare the telecommunications regulatory regimes of the European Union and United States, including how they have influenced regulatory frameworks in developing markets.
International Women's Human Rights	MCL	Elective	2	Open	N/A	This course is designed to introduce the conceptual and legal framework on International Women's Human Right Law. The fundamentals of the conceptual and framework of women's human rights such as equality and non-discrimination as well as stereotypical attitudes towards gender will be focused. The jurisprudence and the parameters of the UN Convention on the Elimination of all forms of Discrimination against Women will be discussed as the key legal framework on global women's human rights law.
International Business (International Commercial Transactions)	Online	Elective	2	Open	18	This course covers all legal and practical aspects of transacting business across borders. Topics will include types of transactions, contracts, financing, foreign registrations, contingency planning, and use of international agreements and treaties. The course will be hands-on with each student developing and managing their own hypothetical transaction from inception to conclusion, with emphasis on effective advocacy and advice for the client.
Introduction to Business Law	KCCL	Elective	2	2L+	N/A	This course will help students to prepare for the fall and spring 3L business law class. Students will learn the fundamental principles of business law, including legal rights and remedies, business torts and crimes, contracts, agency, employment, intellectual property, business structure, and negotiable instruments. Students will gain critical knowledge in drafting common business law documents such as partnership agreements, corporate by-laws, employment contracts, and intellectual property licenses. Prerequisite: Contracts, Civil Procedure.
Introduction to Legal Issues for Tech Companies	Online	Elective	2	Open	18	This course is designed to introduce incoming first-year law students learn legal commercial issues surrounding a technology company in Silicon Valley. Topics discussed will include the following: Software-as-a-Service (SaaS) subscriptions, warranties and service level agreements (SLA's), data security and privacy, indemnities, limitations of liability, and much more. Through a combination of class discussion, lectures, and written exercises, this course will provide an opportunity for students to understand the role of a commercial attorney and how to consider, evaluate and adapt to emerging changes in commercial/technology law practice with a thoughtful and critical mindset.
Introduction to venture capital & private fund formation	Online	Elective	2	Open	18	Private investment funds, including venture capital and private equity funds, involve the allocation and investment of billions of dollars worldwide. While in recent years private investment funds have become subject to greater scrutiny by regulators, they remain less regulated and understood than publicly traded investment funds. This class provides an opportunity for students to be introduced to private investment funds, learn about the structuring and regulatory issues related to such funds and become familiar with the legal documentation and current issues of the private investment fund industry.
Judicial Process: Administration and Politics of Judicial Decisions	SLO	Elective	1	Open	N/A	This course introduces students to the formation of the courts in the federal and California systems, focusing on the interaction between the administration and politics of judicial decision making. The course will examine the authority of state and federal judicial officers, including the concept of stare decisis, in light of changing social norms. The students will be given an introduction to judicial ethics, including the selection of judicial officers, their retention and removal from office. The politics of judicial process, including judicial activism, restraint, procedural intervention, and "political will" will be addressed. The presence of racism, and other bias/prejudice within the legal system will be explored. Responses by legislative and executive branches of government to judicial failures to remedy racial and/or social inequities is a key component. This course combines theory and practice to help prepare students for the practical challenges when facing the judicial decision process.
Law of Armed Combat & Cyberwar	Online	Elective	1	Open	18	This course provides a broad overview and insight into the Law of Armed Conflict (LOAC) and International Humanitarian Law (IHL). Extensive use will be made of material from international sources such as the International Committee of the Red Cross (www.icrc.org). The course will discuss the historical basis of the LOAC and IHL to include the treaties such as Geneva Conventions as well as customary law. We will look at new aspects of war such as targeted killing via drones and the future of the Law of Armed Conflict as it would apply to Artificial Intelligence. The course will lead the students through the law and will employ historical and fictional scenarios to help cement the learning.

Legal Fundamentals for 1Ls	Online	Elective	2	1L only	Limited. Students must apply.	Legal Fundamentals is a two-unit, credit/no credit course focused on helping students improve their proficiency in their exam-taking and study skills. The course will discuss concepts such as notetaking, time-management, outlining, legal analysis, essay-writing, MBE strategies, and exam-taking skills. The course will use concepts from Contracts, Criminal Law and Procedure, and Torts to provide students with multiple opportunities to learn and practice their skills. Because students will receive individual feedback on their writing throughout the semester, the class size is <u>limited</u> . Enrollment will be based on the responses to the application, which is accessible via the link below. THIS COURSE IS ONLY AVAILABLE TO FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS (1LS). Students may not self register for this class. Students must apply and be accepted into this class. https://montereylaw.populiweb.com/router/forms/respond/g6930284b63421ddcd0ea8a3e37f463c2e20713df919e082129450ea43495ea8b035735722caf31af9c77f22fc993105859ab32be5e5e97d4741b9a7ea30b6e24833611807abb8db80a682093dab255e78b62f90c765cc497396aead2f0b44f
Legal Research	All	Required	2	1L	Varies	A class to familiarize students with the basic foundations of legal research. Assignments include researching problems in the law library and researching and writing office memoranda, opinion letters and other documents. Computer assisted legal research is included. Prerequisite: Legal Writing I
Legal Synthesis (Early Bar Prep for 3Ls)	Online	Elective	2	3L+	N/A	Students will begin to prepare for the California Bar Exam. Students will review subject matter summaries, create subject matter outlines, learn essay approaches, respond to essay prompts, take MBE quizzes, and complete performance tests. This class follows an independent study model. Prerequisites: Contracts, Torts, Criminal Law, Civil Procedure, Real Property, Evidence, Con Law
Master of Legal Studies Thesis	Online	Fulfills writing requirement for MLS Degree	2	MLS students only	N/A	In order to earn a Master of Legal Studies Degree (MLS), students are required to take this Capstone Thesis course. By petition, students also pursuing the JD degree, may opt to take this course in lieu of Appellate Advocacy. The MLS Director will teach this individualized writing and research course. This course is for students in the MLS program who are in the last two semesters of their degree.
MBE Review Course	Online	Elective	2	2L+	18	This is a skills-based course and class sessions are designed to increase students' exposure to and facilitate the practice of MBE questions. In-class lectures will be primarily taught in the Socratic method. Students will be chosen randomly to discuss specific MBE examples, including the applicable legal principles and legal reasoning of both correct and incorrect answers. In addition, role-playing, collaborative learning exercises and practice exam questions will be employed. Prerequisites: Real property, civil procedure, evidence, contracts, torts, crimes.
Moot Court	All	Required	2	3L	Varies	Moot Court aims to help students discover and develop their advocacy skills in the context of advanced Constitutional Law hypotheticals. The course will emphasize oral advocacy exercises, culminating in multiple rounds of moot court argument. Prerequisites: Constitutional Law & Appellate Writing
Neighbor Law	Online	Elective	2	Open	18	Exposure to the areas and application of laws which help make (and keep) good neighbors. Students will learn the breadth of what constitutes "neighbor law" – including land boundaries, noise, dogs, trees....Keeping with the need to include out-of-class assignments above assigned reading, each session will include student research and examination of how neighbor law impacts their own local cities and counties. Out-of-class assignments will include case scenarios requiring research and application of specific laws in the students' specific location (i.e. – "researching your client's desire to trim "landmark" trees on their property that are blocking their view – can you trim them? If not – why and if so, what permits, plans, review do you need?). The intent is to have students think as an attorney representing clients in these situations. Underlying all sessions will be enforcement of communication between the parties to keep confrontation, lawsuits and physical violence is avoided.
Professional Responsibility	All	Required	2	1L	18	Students will learn the principles, rules and policies underlying the ethical obligations of attorneys in the practice of law, including an introduction to legal writing and analysis. Students will also be provided with materials to prepare for the Multiple State Professional Responsibility Examination (MPRE), required for admission to the State Bar of California.
Real Estate Transactions	MCL	Elective	2	2L	N/A	This course introduces students to the fundamentals of residential real estate transactions, such as acquisition, financing, due diligence, property ownership and rights, and the role of attorneys and brokers and their ethical duties. Prerequisite: Real Property
Reproductive Rights and Genetic Self-Determination: The Outer Limits of Technology and the Law	Online	Elective	1	3L+	18	With the advent of new reproductive technologies, such as in vitro fertilization (IVF) and surrogacy, reproductive rights have expanded to include the right to use these technologies to conceive and carry a child to term. We will examine the uses of current and future technologies, including uterus transplantation, artificial wombs, and human cloning. We will explore some emerging abuses, such as the gamete and embryo trade, focusing on the legal landscape as it is today and how it could evolve. The course will culminate in a debate between two teams, one advancing legal arguments for a right to human cloning and the other arguing against such a right. The topics impact many areas of the law, including family law, personal injury, insurance, criminal law, probate and estate planning, and government. This course is most appropriate for third and fourth-year students. Prerequisite: Community Property
Social Media Law	Online	Elective	2	2L+	18	This course will examine how social media platforms like LinkedIn, YouTube, Facebook, etc. impact criminal and civil law. This course takes an expansive look at how social media platforms are employed in everything from criminal and privacy law matters to corporate compliance, employment, and defamation. In addition to analyzing discoverability and evidentiary issues involving social media content, the course will look at how jurors and legal ethics are impacted by such new technology.
Trial Advocacy	KCCL	Elective	2	2L+	N/A	This course is a one-semester course covering trial advocacy with an overall goal of training students to competently try a case to jury. Subjects covered include jury selection, in limine motions, opening statements, direct and cross examination, admitting exhibits, voir dire of experts, impeaching witnesses, and closing argument.



2022-2023 ACADEMIC CALENDAR - ALL CAMPUSES

2022 FALL SEMESTER

Week of July 18 -July 31	Registration for Fall 2022-Spring 2023-Summer 2023 (Continuing students - All Campuses)
July 25 - August 4	First Year Institute (All Campuses) Mandatory for All First Year Students.
August 15	Classes Begin (All Campuses)
August 22 –September 2	Add/Drop Fall 2022 Classes (no fees)
September 5	Labor Day (Classes may be rescheduled)
November 24	Thanksgiving (Classes may be rescheduled)
November 24	Last Day of Instruction
November 28 – December 2	Study Week
December 5 - December 8	Fall Semester Midterm and Final Exams
December 9 – January 1	Semester Break (No classes)
December 12 – January 1	Winter Break – Administrative Offices Closed

2023 SPRING SEMESTER

January 2	Classes Begin
January 3 - January 13	Add/Drop Spring 2023 Classes (no fees)
January 16	Martin Luther King Day (Classes may be rescheduled)
February 6	Spring Start Begins
February 20	Presidents Day (Classes may be rescheduled)
March 20 - April 7	Selection for Summer 2023 Electives
April 13	Last Day of Instruction (<i>Continuing and Spring Start students</i>)
April 17 - April 21	Study Week
April 24- April 27	Spring Semester Final Exams (<i>Continuing and Spring Start students</i>)
April 28 - May 7	Semester Break (No classes)

2023 SUMMER SEMESTER

May 8	Classes Begin
May 10 - May 19	Add/Drop Summer 2023 Classes (no fees)
tba	Graduation (KCCL Students)
tba	Graduation (MCL Students)
May 29	Memorial Day (Classes to be rescheduled)
tba	Graduation (SLO Students)
June 19	Juneteenth (Classes to be rescheduled)
July 4	Independence Day
July 13	Last Day of Instruction
July 17 – July 20	Summer Semester Final Exams
July 17– July 29	Registration Fall 2023–Spring 2024-Summer 2024 Academic Year (Continuing students - All Campuses)
July 21 – August 13	Semester Break (No classes)
July 24 - August 3 (tentative)	First Year Institute (All Campuses) Mandatory for All First Year Students.
August 14	Fall 2023 Classes Begin

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	Sample Graduation Checklist			
1L Required Classes	Course Grade	MBE & Assessment Scores	Essay Scores	Notes
Contracts				Aim for an overall MBE average of 70% in each subject. 50% of your overall Bar Exam score will come from your MBE work. Use this worksheet to note which MBE subtopics you struggle with and devote extra time and attention to those areas during law school and bar prep.
Torts				
Crim. Law & Pro.				Use the practice questions in your Barbri and Kaplan accounts (app and website) to improve your performance. Take practice MBE questions before each quiz and study the applicable black letter law.
Legal Writing I				
Skills (fall only)				
Legal Research				
Professional Resp.				
2L Required Classes				
Evidence				Aim for an overall MBE average of 70% in each subject.
Civ Pro				
Real Property				
Legal Writing II				
Legal writing III				
Small Claims (MCL ONLY)				
3L Required Classes				
Con Law				Aim for an overall MBE average of 75-80% in each subject.
Business Law				
Community Prop.				
Moot Court				
4L Required Classes				
Remedies				Take remedies in the spring semester of your 3rd year if you want to graduate in 3.5 years.
Wills/Trusts				
Other Required Classes	May be taken 1L- 4L			
Core Mediation 2 clinical units				Beginning in 2L, students earn clinical units by taking clinics offered at the school and internships (AKA an externship). To complete an internship- complete and send the clinical studies paperwork available on the school’s website to Dean Maren Christensen. You must register for the approved number of units <i>after</i> your application is approved. <i>Please note- you must wait until after you receive approval to begin working.</i> Any workshops (or internship units) you take (<i>beyond the two required units</i>) will count towards your electives.
Electives	MCL- 15 units of electives	KCCL, SLO, Empire & Hybrid- 16 units of electives		

Overall GPA

Maintain a GPA of 70.00 and above to be in good academic standing.

Aim for a GPA of 75 or above to be bar prep ready.

If you want to earn the joint MLS/JD degrees- take Gibson Appellate Writing in the summer of your 3rd year (when you take moot court). Gibson will count as elective units AND satisfy the writing requirement for the joint degree program.

Review Your Degree Audit on Populi

- 1. Log into your student Populi account.
- 2.The Degree Audit is found on My Profile > Student. Select the ‘Degree Audit’ tab. The degree audit compares your academic history with the JD degree requirements.

Students may use the Populi degree audit feature to monitor their academic progress. However, the registrar maintains all student records and will determine official degree eligibility for each student.

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Degree

JD - Juris Doctorate

Catalog Year

2021-2022

Specialization

None

Anticipated Completion Date

2/20/2024

General Degree Requirements

Not satisfied

Cumulative GPA

0.00 / 70.00

Overall GPA

0.00 / 70.00

Cumulative Credits

3.00 / 90.00

Resident Credits

3.00 / 43.00

In Progress Credits

2.00

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- San Luis Obispo
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- MLS - SLOCL - Master of Legal Studies (SLOCL)
- Other
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3. Click the degree pulldown menu and select JD-Juris Doctorate.

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Degree JD - Juris Doctorate

Catalog Year 2021-2022

Specialization None

Anticipated Completion Date 2/20/2024

General Degree Requirements Not satisfied

Cumulative GPA	0.00 / 70.00
Overall GPA	0.00 / 70.00
Cumulative Credits	3.00 / 90.00
Resident Credits	3.00 / 43.00
In Progress Credits	2.00

4. Select Catalog Year pulldown: Years 2021-2022

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General Degree Requirements **Satisfied**

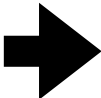
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✓ Overall GPA	80.04 / 70.00
✓ Cumulative Credits	90.00 / 90.00
✓ Resident Credits	90.00 / 43.00
In Progress Credits	0.00

Degree Course Requirements **Not satisfied**

1L			
✓ 25.00 credits earned / 25.00 required			
✓ 81.45 group GPA / 2.00 required			
Minimum course grade points: 2.00			
Show All Completed Not completed			
Course	Name	Grade Status	Applied
115A	Torts I	85 0 credits completed	✓
115B	Torts II	84 6 credits completed	✓
120A	Contracts I	80 0 credits completed	✓
120B	Contracts II	80 6 credits completed	✓
128A	Criminal Law & Procedure I	73 0 credits completed	✓
128B	Criminal Law And Procedure II	76 6 credits completed	✓
130A	Legal Writing I	P 1 credit completed	✓
130B	Legal Writing I	P 1 credit completed	✓
415	Professional Responsibility	83 2 credits completed	✓
830	Legal Research/CALR	93 2 credits completed	✓
9250A	Skills	P 1 credit completed	✓
2L			
✓ 22.00 credits earned / 22.00 required			
✓ 75.33 group GPA / 2.00 required			
Minimum course grade points: 2.00			
Show All Completed Not completed			
Course	Name	Grade Status	Applied
210A	Real Property I	77 0 credits completed	✓
210B	Real Property II	77 6 credits completed	✓
215A	Civil Procedure I	76 0 credits completed	✓
215B	Civil Procedure II	76 6 credits completed	✓
230A	Evidence I	74 0 credits completed	✓
230B	Evidence II	73 6 credits completed	✓
468A	Advanced Legal Writing II	P 1 credit completed	✓
468B	Advanced Legal Writing II	P 1 credit completed	✓
750	Appellate/Legal Writing I I I	P 2 credits completed	✓

5. Scroll down to review the list of courses *Completed* and *In Progress* by year.

Quick Reminders

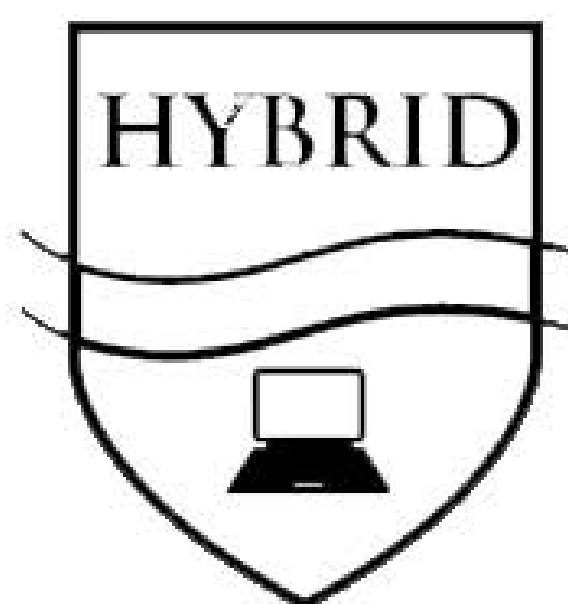
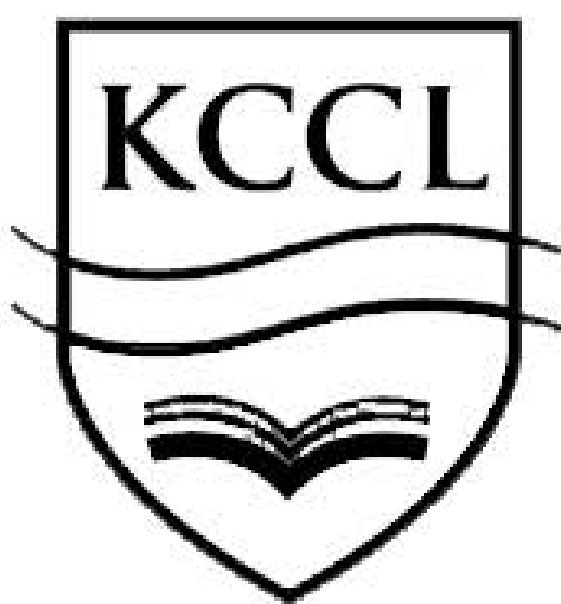
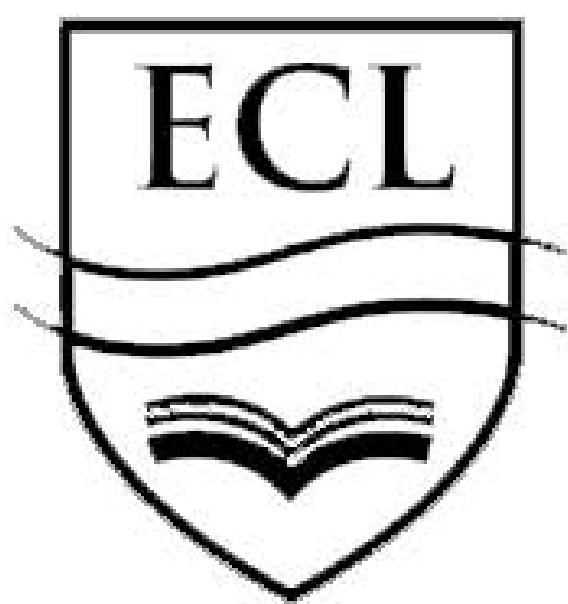
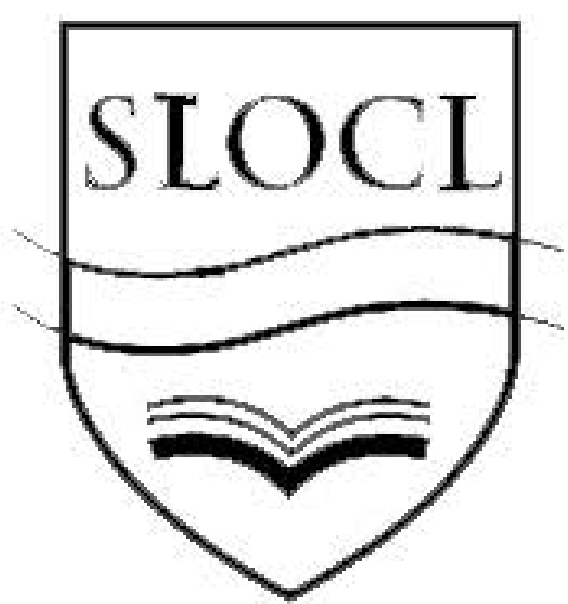


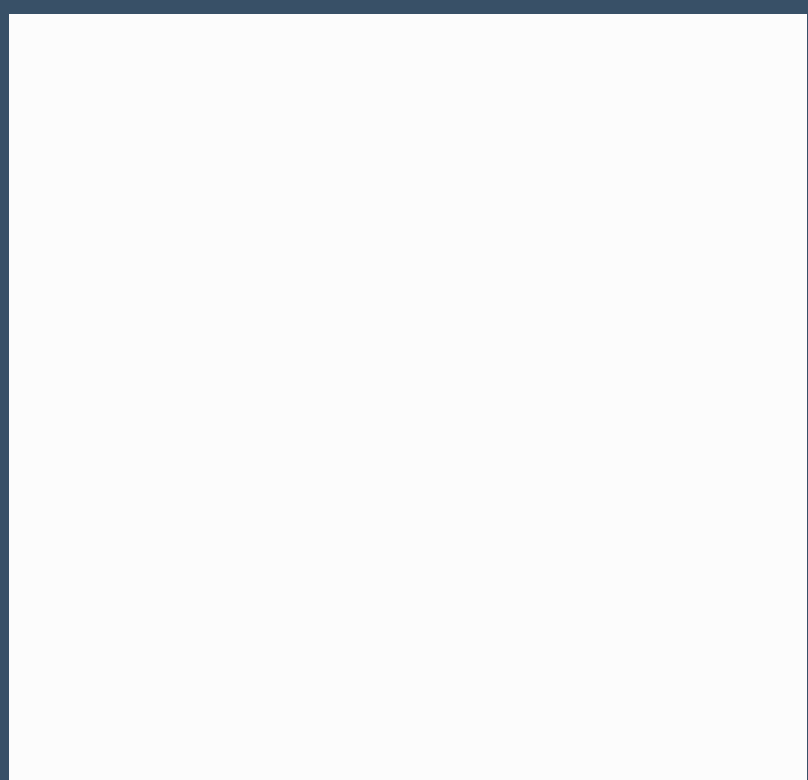
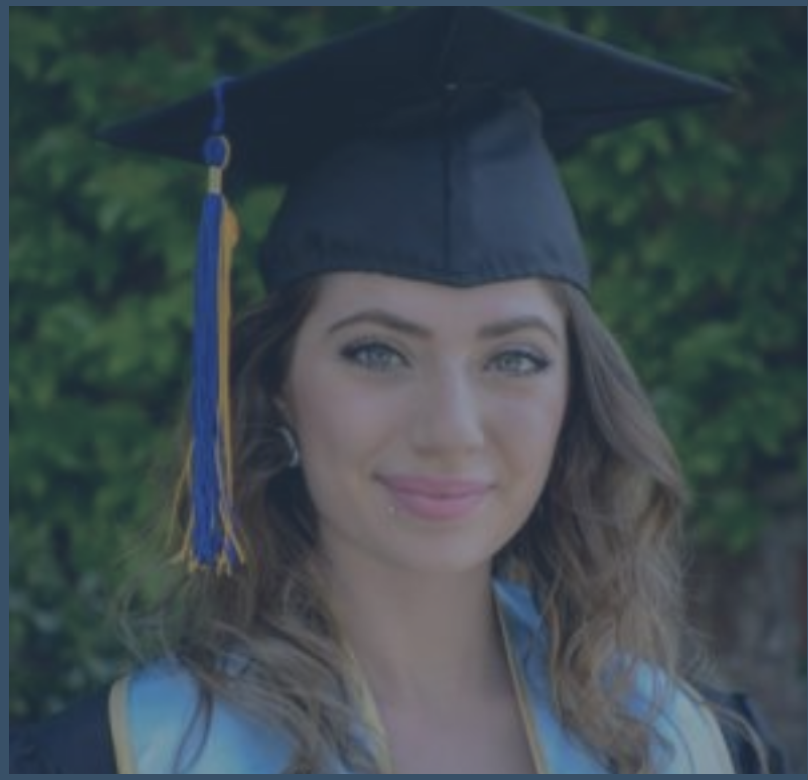
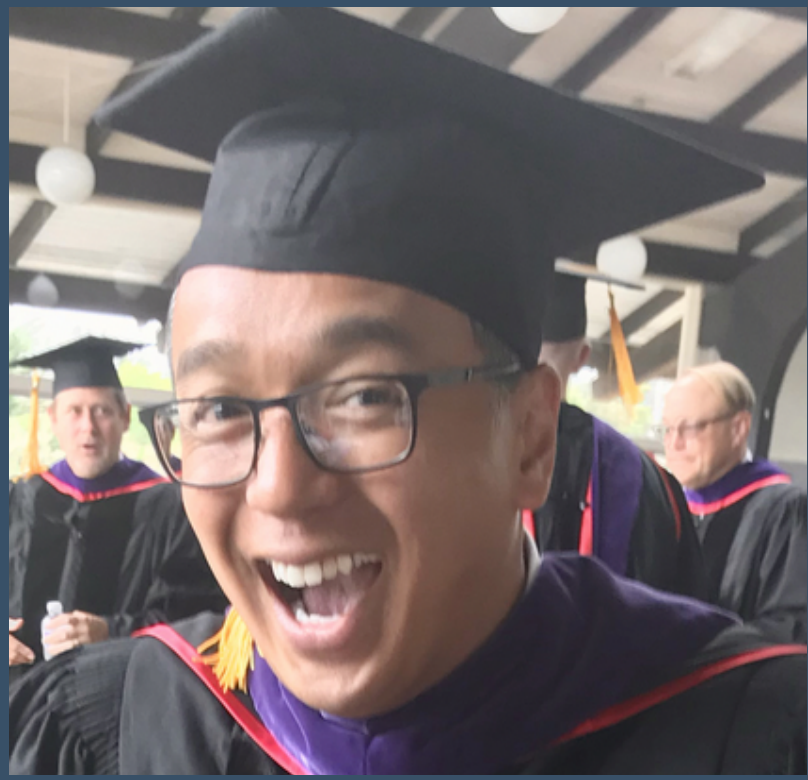
MCL students must complete 15 elective units, small claims, core mediation, and two clinical units.

KCCL, SLO, and Hybrid JD students must complete 16 elective units, core mediation, and two clinical units.

Electives				
✓ 20.00 credits earned / 20.00 required				
0.00 group GPA / 2.00 required				
Minimum course grade points: 2.00				
Show All Completed Not completed				
Course	Name	Grade Status		Applied
1015	Carmel Foundation Community Workshop	P	1 credit completed	✓
1185	Restorative Justice	P	1 credit completed	✓
1230 HYB	MBE Review Course	P	2 credits completed	✓
512A	Small Claims Advisory Clinic	P	1 credit completed	✓
800	Jurisprudence	P	2 credits completed	✓
9225	Core Mediation Training	P	2 credits completed	✓
9246	Unlawful Detainer Workshop	P	1 credit completed	✓
9255	Collections Workshop	P	1 credit completed	✓
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9255	Collections Workshop	P	1 credit completed	✓
9530	Restraining Order Workshop	P	1 credit completed	✓
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9945	Fundamentals of Law	P	1 credit completed	✓
9960	Immigration Law Advisory Clinic	P	1 credit completed	✓
9975	Gibson Appellate Advocacy	P	2 credits completed	✓
9985	International Mediation	P	1 credit completed	✓
Unused Courses				
Show All Finalized Not finalized				
Course	Name	Grade Status		

Brand new electives may appear in the unused courses section. They will move to the electives box after the Populi course catalog refreshes.





Students at Monterey College of Law, San Luis Obispo College of Law, and Kern College of Law must complete 90 units to earn the Juris Doctorate Degree.

The majority of law school courses emphasize substantive law using the traditional casebook method. Advocacy, writing, and clinical courses emphasize practical skills. The Clinical Studies Program encourages students to participate in internships under the supervision of practicing lawyers and judges.

Because the Law Schools’ curriculum is designed as a part-time program, the courses follow a prescribed sequence that anticipates completion in four years.

In order to graduate, students must attain a 70.0 cumulative grade point average (GPA) with a minimum of 90 credits of study, and be in good financial standing.

Students must complete both required and elective units to satisfy the graduation requirements.



First Year

Required 1L Courses

Year-Long Course	Must Complete Fall and Spring Semesters	6 unit Course
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1 Contracts

This class covers enforceable agreements including requirements for the formation of a contract; problems of interpretation, consideration and its equivalent; damages for breach; the statute of frauds; illegality, and rights and liabilities of third parties arising from the contract itself or from assignment of contractual rights or delegation of duties.

Year-Long Course	Must Complete Fall and Spring Semesters	6 unit Course
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2 Criminal Law & Procedure

Topics include substantive criminal law and elements of criminal responsibility; law of crimes against persons; property; and habitation; the theory of criminal responsibility, parties and defenses to crimes. Also covered are the procedures for indictments, arrest, bail, trial sentencing, and appeals.

Year-Long Course	Must Complete Fall and Spring Semesters	6 unit Course
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3 Torts

The historical development and nature of non-contractual civil law, which allocates the economic burden of various injuries. A study of the principles of liability for harm.



First Year

Required 1L Courses cont.

Year-Long Course	Must Complete Fall and Spring Semesters	2 unit Course
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4 Legal Writing I

An introductory course designed to improve analytical and written communication skills. Students work on simple legal problems and how to identify and analyze legal issues and express their legal reasoning. Assignments include exercises in case briefing, exam writing, and drafting legal memoranda. This course meets five times in the fall and five times in the spring.

One Semester Course	Offered in Fall	1 unit Course
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5 Legal Skills

This class addresses key skills needed for law school, the bar exam, and the practice of law. Students review keys facts, rule synthesis, analogies and comparisons, analysis and essay writing. This course meets five times in the fall.

One Semester Course	Offered in Summer	2 unit Course
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6 Professional Responsibility

An examination of the lawyer’s obligation to the client and the public. The class examines the professional rules contained in the American Bar Association Model Code and the California Rules of Professional Conduct.



First Year

Required 1L Courses cont.

One Semester Course	Offered in Summer	2 unit Course
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7 Legal Research

A class to familiarize students with the basic foundations of legal research. Assignments include researching problems in the law library and researching and writing office memoranda, opinion letters and other documents. A survey of CALR tools including on-line resources for legal and public records research is included.



Second Year

Required 2L Courses

Year-Long Course	Must Complete Fall and Spring Semesters	6 unit Course
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1 Civil Procedure

This course covers the rules of preparing and bringing a civil case to trial. The concepts of formation of a claim (pleadings), pretrial preparation (discovery) and the law and cases governing personal and subject matter jurisdiction and venue are introduced along with summary judgment, interpleader and res judicata.

Year-Long Course	Must Complete Fall and Spring Semesters	6 unit Course
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Prerequisite- Contracts

2 Real Property

The historical development and current application of real property law, including the nature of estates, landlord/tenant rights and obligations, life estates, rules against perpetuities, vesting, restraints on alienation, easements, servitudes, nuisances, lateral support, regulation of land use, transfer of interest in land, and financing of real estate.

Year-Long Course	Must Complete Fall and Spring Semesters	6 unit Course
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Prerequisite- Criminal Law & Procedure

3 Evidence

Both the Federal Rules of Evidence and California Statutes are used to explore the concepts of relevance, hearsay, witness competency, privileges, presumptions, burdens of proof and judicial notice.



Second Year

Required 2L Courses cont.

Year-Long Course	Must Complete Fall and Spring Semesters	2 unit Course
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Prerequisite- Legal Writing I

4 Advanced Legal Writing (LWII)

Students develop their persuasive writing skills through writing assignments involving motions, points and authorities, and declarations. This advanced class enables students to demonstrate their legal analysis and ability to advocate a position.

One Semester Course	Offered in Summer	2 unit Course
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Prerequisites- Legal Writing I, Legal Writing II

5 Appellate Writing (LWIII)

Students develop advanced writing skills for use in law and motion and appellate practice.

One Semester Course	Offered in Fall, Spring, and Summer	1 unit Course
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6 Small Claims Clinic

Students learn the process of preparing and presenting a case in Small Claims court. The course emphasizes practical skills by assisting members of the public with preparing their cases for small claims court.



Third Year

Required 3L Courses

Year-Long Course	Must Complete Fall and Spring Semesters	6 unit Course
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Prerequisites-Crim Law & Procedure, Evidence

1 Constitutional Law

A study of the United States Constitution with an emphasis on the theory and practice of judicial interpretation and review. Topics include the separation of federal powers, the relation of the federal government to the states and specific government powers (tax, treaty, war, and commercial). The course also covers limitations placed on the exercise of governmental power, emphasizing the Bill of Rights, due process and equal protection clauses.

Year-Long Course	Must Complete Fall and Spring Semesters	6 unit Course
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2 Business Law

The law related to the formation and operation of California corporations. Detailed consideration is given to exemption provisions of the Securities Act of 1933, the proxy, anti-fraud and insider trading provisions of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and pertinent SEC regulations. Included is an in-depth examination of the practical skills and application of the law.

One Semester Course	Offered in Fall	3 unit Course
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Prerequisite- Real Property

3 Community Property

The nature of property interests of married California residents including identifying and tracing community and separate property, management and control of marital property, liability for debts, of dissolution of marriage, annulment or legal separation are viewed and property rights of non-marital partners are covered.



Third Year

Required 3L Courses Cont.

One Semester Course	Offered in Summer	2 unit course
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Prerequisite-Constitutional Law

4 Moot Court

Moot Court Competition gives students an opportunity to study advanced constitutional issues. The semester culminates in a series of hearings, where local judges hear the students’ oral arguments on each side of a current civil liberties issue. The public is invited to witness the final round of arguments by four students in front of an appellate judges.



Fourth Year

Required 4L Courses

One Semester Course	Offered in Fall	3 unit Course
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Prerequisites-Real Property, Community Property

1 Wills & Trusts

A study of California law regarding the succession of property, wills, and trusts.

One Semester Course	Offered in Spring	3 unit Course
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Prerequisites-Contracts, Torts

2 Remedies

A general survey of equity including the adequacy of legal remedies, injunctions, specific performance, declaratory relief and the jurisdiction and powers of courts of equity. The course also covers the measure of damages in contracts, torts and property, and enforcement of money judgments.



Electives

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Mandatory Elective units

- Core Mediation (Two unit course)
- Two clinical studies units

The clinical studies requirement may be met through participation in one of the law schools' sponsored advisory clinics, or may be completed through legal and judicial internships available to second, third, and fourth-year students upon approval by the Dean of Clinical Studies.

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General Elective units

- MCL Students must complete 15 units of electives.
- SLO, Kern, Empire, & Hybrid JD Students must complete 16 units of electives.

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Joint JD/MLS Degree

Students must successfully complete Gibson Appellate Writing in addition to the JD degree requirements to earn the Joint JD/MLS Degree.



Elective courses are offered in the summer semester. 2L & 3L students typically take 6-8 elective units in the summer semester.

