



# ALBANY LAW SCHOOL

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## **Business Law Concentration**

### **Requirements:**

**18 credits from the following courses and additional experiential credits:**

### **Required:**

- Business Basics for Lawyers (3 credits)
- Business Organizations (4 credits)
- Introduction to Taxation (3 credits)
- Commercial Law Survey (3 credits) OR Sales (2 credits) Plus Secured Transactions (2 credits)

### **Recommended Electives:**

*In addition to these required courses, the Business Law Faculty strongly advise students to take the courses listed below.*

- Bankruptcy (3 credits)
- Business Law Survey (2 credits)
- Corporate Transactions (2 credits)
- Criminal Process Applied to Corporations and other Entities (2 credits)
- Federal Taxation/Corporations (3 credits)
- Federal Taxations/ Partnerships (3 credits)
- Fundamental Analysis of Financial Instruments (3 credits)
- Hot Topics in Financial Market Regulation (3 credits)
- International Business Transactions (3 credits)
- Securities Regulation (3 credits)

### **Other Useful Electives (General):**

- Administrative Law (3 credits)
- Antitrust: Trade Practices (3 credits)
- Business Torts (2 credits)
- Insurance Law (2 credits)
- Negotiating for Lawyers (3 credits)
- SIE Exam Prep Module
- State and Local Taxation (3 credits)

### **Other Electives for focus on Licensing/ IP Transactional Practice/ Technology:**

- Copyright Law (3 credits)
- Cyberspace Law (3 credits)
- Intellectual Property in Business Organizations (2 credits)
- Patents & Trade Secrets (3 credits)
- Trademark Law (3 credits)

### **Other Electives for focus on Human Resources:**

- Employment Discrimination (3 credits)
- Employment Regulation (3 credits)
- Labor Law (3 credits)
- Public Health Law (3 credits)
- Repeal Replace and Repent (3 credits)

**Other Electives for focus on Health Care & OPEB:**

- Malpractice in Health Care (2 credits)
- Public Health Policy: Law, Finance and Ethics (3 credits)
- Repeal, Replace and Repent (3 credits)

**Experiential Requirement:**

Participation in at least one experiential program:

Related Clinic, Field Placement or Summer/Semester in Practice (approval by concentration advisor).

These include, but are not limited to:

- Field Placement at Department of Financial Services or Department of Tax & Finance SEC Honors Program; FINRA; other comparable placement at agency or SRO (Semester in Practice); comparable private sector placement (if eligible for academic credit)
- Business Law Practicum
- Entrepreneurship Law and Emerging Technologies (IP/ tech transfer/tech entrepreneurship focus)

**Writing Requirement:**

Students are required to complete one significant piece of writing in the concentration area. The writing requirement does not require that students earn any credits beyond the required and credits described above. The topic and the arrangement for fulfilling the writing requirement, however, must be approved in advance by the Concentration Advisor. The paper could be written to fulfill the requirements of a course, an independent study, or a law journal note and comment. It may also be possible to fulfill this requirement by completing a substantial piece of writing in conjunction with an experiential course, clinic, or Field Placement, such as a brief, a series of Motions, or a significant legal memorandum. It could also be fulfilled by writing a paper independently, such as a submission to a writing competition or an article for publication. In all of these arrangements, the prior approval of the Concentration Advisor is required.

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