Family Law Concentration

Requirements:

15 credits from the following courses and additional experiential credits:

Required

Family Law (3 credits)

Electives: At least 3 credits from the following courses

- Bioethics Seminar (2 credits)
- Children and the Law (3 credits)
- Children, Juveniles and the Law (2 credits)
- Client interviewing and Counseling (3 credits)
- Domestic Violence Seminar (3 credits)
- Elder Law (3 credits)
- Gender and the Law (3 credits)
- Guardianship Practice (2 credits)
- Human Reproduction: Legal and Moral Issues (3 credits)
- International Child Rights (3 credits)
- Matrimonial Law and Practice (3 credits)
- Negotiating for Lawyers (3 credits)
- Repeal, Replace and Repent (3 credits)
- Surrogate's Court Procedure (3 credits)
- Survey of Long Term Care, Financial and Special Needs Planning (2 credits)
- Trusts and Estates (3 credits)

One of the Following Options:

- New York Practice I (3 credits) and New York Practice II (3 credits)
- OR
- New York Practice Survey (4 credits)

Experiential Requirement:

Participation in at least one of the following experiential programs:

- Clinic, Field Placement or SIP related to Family Law (approval by faculty advisor)

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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