



CERTIFICATE OF SPECIALIZATION

International Law

Juris Doctor students who have demonstrated a specialized proficiency in international law may receive a Certificate in International Law in addition to their Juris Doctor degree.

To qualify for the certificate, students must complete the following requirements:

1. Students must meet all general requirements for a J.D. degree.

2. Students must complete a total of 17 semester credit hours that must include: **International Law (3)** and **14 credit hours of elective study chosen from the following International Law courses** (not all of which are offered each year):

- Environment and Human Rights
- European Union Law
- Externship placement approved by Externship Director and Academic Dean
- Foreign Relations Law
- Immigration Law
- Immigration Skills Lab
- International Bankruptcy
- International Business Transactions
- International Criminal Law
- International Environmental Law
- International Environ Practicum
- International Human Rights
- International Laws of War
- International Law Colloquium
- International Law Writing
- International Practice
- International Trade
- Jurisprudence
- Law and War
- Law courses offered in a foreign language (e.g., Spanish for Lawyers)
- Lawyering Skills
- Mediation/Advanced Negotiation
- Medieval English Legal History
- Middle East Law
- Perspectives on Counter-Terrorism
- The Rights of Refugees & Aliens
- Seminars with a focus on International Law
- International Foreign Investment, Global Justice, Corporate Citizenship & Human Rights
- Terrorism Simulation Design

Due to the evolving nature of the law school curriculum, new courses or seminars may count toward the certificate course requirements; inquiries about whether a particular course qualifies should be directed to the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, who will consult with the relevant faculty members as necessary. The Associate Dean for Academic Affairs also has the authority to remove courses from the above list of electives if they are no longer offered.

Non-law school courses may be taken to fulfill the elective credit requirement with prior approval by the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs. Such courses will be approved by the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs in consultation with the relevant faculty members.

3. Students must complete all certificate requirements with at least a B overall average and no grade lower than a B- in courses taken to satisfy the certificate.

4. Students must write a paper that satisfies the Seminar Paper Requirement dealing with international law.

5. Students may apply a maximum of 3 credit hours earned while participating in an international law externship placement and a maximum of 2 credits earned for participating in the Jessup International Law moot court team toward the 17 credit hour requirement. The 3 credit limit for externship hours does not include hours taken in a required course associated with the externship.

6. A student may not exercise a CR/NC option in a course that counts toward the certificate.

