

LAW AND SOCIETY

Minor or Integrative Studies Concentration only

The Law and Society minor/concentration is a program of study that is intended for the understanding of law in its historical and social contexts. Through study of the evolution of law from ancient societies to our contemporary day, students are encouraged to see law as a dynamic institution shaped by historical forces and social values. Substantively, emphasis is given to the study of such contemporary legal issues as human freedoms and civil rights, social responsibility and the treatment of criminals, constitutional interpretation and the enunciation of citizen rights.

The Law and Society field takes up studies of the legal environment of various institutional sectors in our society. The health care, the family, and mental health systems all have detailed legal environments setting standards for professional conduct, responsibilities of various participants and enabling legislation of various kinds. Other fields, such as communications media, business enterprises, and the military also have fully elaborated legal environments.

Minor or Integrative Studies Concentration Requirements

The Law and Society Minor/Concentration is structured as follows:

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Two Prerequisites		
PHIL 240	Ethics	3
Select one course from:		3
PHIL 233	Critical Thinking	
PHIL 234	Symbolic Logic	
or PHIL 350 Symbolic Logic		
Core Course		
SOC/CRJ 453	Sociology of Law	3
Four Track Courses		
Select two from Group A and two from Group B:		12
Group A: Legal environments of industries and professions (CABL):		
JASS 302	Media Law and Ethics	
JASS/STS 403	Making Film History	
ENST/POL 445	Environmental Law	
PHIL/HHS/ LIBS 442	Medical Ethics	
POL/HHS 364	Health Pol and Administration	
SOC 454	Mental Health and the Law	
SOC/HHS 456	Health Care and the Law	
SOC 457	Family, Aging and the Law	
PDED 425	Educator and the Law	
ACC 360	Federal Income Taxation	
HRM 408	Legal Issues in Human Resource	
LE 452	The Legal Environment of Bus	
LE 453	Business Law: Advanced Topics	
Group B: Structure and process of legal institutions (CABS):		

CRJ 471	Int'l Criminal Justice Systems
ECON/ AAAS 325/ WGST 326	Economics of Pov and Discrm
ECON 385	Public Choice
ECON 433	Antitrust and Regulation
ECON 4021	Economics of the Labor Sector
ECON 4085	Public Finance
PHIL/CRJ 335	Philosophy of Law
PHIL/CRJ 445	Contemporary Ethical Issues
POL 304	American Political Thought
POL 312	Legislative Process
POL 315	The American Presidency
POL/CRJ 316	The American Judicial Process
POL/CRJ/ WGST 362	Women, Politics, and the Law
POL 363	Cr Just Policy and Admin
POL 413	American Constitutional Law
POL 414	Civil Rights and Liberties
POL 415	Problems in Constitutional Law
POL 4165/ CRJ 416	Criminal Law
Total Credit Hours	21

For more information, students and faculty should contact the CASL College-Wide Programs office, 2040 CB, 313-593-4925 or visit the Law and Society (<https://umdearborn.edu/casl/undergraduate-programs/areas-study/law-society/>) webpage.

- A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required for the minor/concentration. The GPA is based on all coursework required within the minor (excluding prerequisites).
- A minimum of 9 credits must be completed at UM-Dearborn for a 12 credit minor/concentration.
- A minimum of 12 credits must be completed at UM-Dearborn for a 15 or more credit minor/concentration.
- Courses within a minor/concentration cannot be taken as Pass/Fail (P/F)
- Only 3 credit hours of independent study or internship may be used to fulfill the requirements for a 12 credit hour minor/concentration. Only 6 credit hours of such credit may be used in a 15 or more credit hour minor/concentration.
- Minors requiring 12 credits may share one course with a major. Minors requiring 15 credits or more may share two courses with a major. This does not apply to concentrations for the Integrative Studies major.