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## Proposal to the Senate Educational Policy Committee

### PROPOSAL TITLE:

- 1) Establish (3) three additional optional Graduate Concentrations for the Master of Laws (LL.M.) Degree at the College of Law.
- 2) Merge the Commercial Law and Trade Concentration with the Corporate and Finance Law Concentration to make a Corporate Law, Commercial Law, and Trade Concentration.
- 3) Change the title and some requirements of the Environmental Law, Sustainability, and Compliance Concentration.
- 4) Change some requirements of the Justice, Democracy, and Legal Rights Concentration.

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### BRIEF DESCRIPTION:

This proposal seeks the approval of (3) three additional optional Graduate Concentrations for the LL.M. Degree at the College of Law, a merger of two current concentrations, and a title plus course requirement changes of the Environmental Law, Sustainability, and Compliance Concentration. (see traditional LL.M. degree requirements in Appendix A and current Concentrations in Appendix C). The proposed optional Concentrations all require students to complete a minimum of fourteen credit hours in topics integral to each Concentration topic (requirements detailed in Appendix B). These courses have been selected from existing Illinois Law courses, and so require no new course proposals.

These additional and modified Concentrations (see Appendix B) are open to students in the LL.M. degree program at the College of Law and are fully compatible with the traditional LL.M. degree requirements (see Appendix A). The Concentrations are optional. Students are expected to have graduate standing at the College of Law and a minimum 3.0 GPA to receive the Concentration (in excess of the LL.M. minimum 2.75 GPA).

In some instances, a Dual Concentration (i.e., in Intellectual Property and Justice, Democracy and Legal Rights) is available to eligible students. Eligible students must apply to pursue the Dual

Concentration and may stay in residence an additional semester so that the 14-credit requirements of the second Concentration can be independently met. In the case of the Dual Concentration, credits used to satisfy one Concentration cannot be used to satisfy the requirements for a second Concentration. Students interested in remaining in residence for a third semester to complete their program of study must apply by the listed deadline at the start of the second semester of the LL.M. degree.

### **JUSTIFICATION:**

The Illinois LL.M. program is designed to introduce international students to the U.S. legal system while also providing them with the opportunity to deepen their knowledge and skills in particular areas of professional and academic interests.

The additional and modified Concentrations offer a directed, optional program of study for the students in increasingly important fields of global legal practice. Each Concentration will enable the College to better serve students in the following ways:

- 1) Each Concentration provides specialized training in a designated field;
- 2) Provides guidance to students in developing a program of study with the available courses deemed most useful and relevant to their chosen Concentration;
- 3) Enables students to identify Illinois as a law school that has unique strengths in the international and domestic practice of law in each Concentration area;
- 4) Provides students with a Concentration designation on their transcripts that will better allow them to market their expertise in U.S. law. Such students will have a competitive advantage in the legal employment market;
- 5) Enables students to add a Concentration and complete a Dual Concentration with the option of one additional semester.

In addition to the benefits for our students, the Concentrations will also be beneficial to the College of Law. Several peer law schools, many with weaker reputations in the subfields of the Concentrations, offer these in their LL.M. degrees. The Concentrations will permit Illinois to better communicate the breadth of our curricular offerings to student applicants as well as to their potential employers.

### **BUDGETARY AND STAFF IMPLICATIONS:**

#### 1) Resources

- a. How does the unit intend to financially support this proposal?

Current staff in the Graduate and International Programs Office has the capacity to serve as advisors, maintain the records and process admissions. Additional teaching will not be necessary as students can be easily integrated into existing course offerings.

- b. How will the unit create capacity or surplus to appropriately resource this program? If applicable, what functions or programs will the unit no longer support to create capacity?

We expect that each of the courses may see an increase of 5-10 students per year (including possible Dual Concentration students); however, the courses required have not reached capacity.

- c. Will the unit need to seek campus or other external resources? If so, please provide a summary of the sources and an indication of the approved support.

No additional or external resources will be necessary as the current staff at the College of Law can absorb any additional duties.

- d. Please provide a letter of acknowledgment from the college that outlines the financial arrangements for the proposed program.

## 2) Resource Implications

- a. Please address the impact on faculty resources including the changes in numbers of faculty, class size, teaching loads, student-faculty ratios, etc.

Additional teaching will not be necessary as students can be easily integrated into existing course offerings. We expect that each of the courses may see an increase of a few students per year; however, the courses required have not reached capacity.

- b. Please address the impact on course enrollment in other units and provide an explanation of discussions with representatives of those units.

There will be no impact on course enrollments in other units as all required courses will be taught at the College of Law.

- c. Please address the impact on the University Library.

A slight increase in graduate student population is expected since those pursuing Dual Concentrations may require a third semester in their LL.M. program. The attached letter from the University Library indicates their awareness and readiness for this slight increase.

- d. Please address the impact on technology and space (e.g. computer use, laboratory use, equipment, etc.)

The vast majority of students admitted to the Concentrations will be current University of Illinois Graduate students; therefore the impact on overall enrollment will be limited. While the existence of the Concentrations and the potential for a Dual Concentration may attract additional students, we are confident that we can limit the overall impact on resources through enrollment management. We do not anticipate the overall population of graduate students to exceed the unit's recent historical highs.

For new degree programs only: **NOT NEEDED**

- 3) Briefly describe how this program will support the University's mission, focus, and/or current priorities. Include specific objectives and measurable outcomes that demonstrate the program's consistency with and centrality to that mission.

- 4) Please provide an analysis of the market demand for this degree program. What market indicators are driving this proposal? What type of employment outlook should these graduates expect? What resources will be provided to assist students with job placement?
- 5) If this is a proposed graduate program, please discuss the programs intended use of waivers. If the program is dependent on waivers, how will the unit compensate for lost tuition revenue?

**DESIRED EFFECTIVE DATE:** Fall 2017

**STATEMENT FOR PROGRAMS OF STUDY CATALOG:**

## Graduate Concentrations

Each Concentration offers a directed, optional program of study for LL.M. students in an increasingly important field of global legal practice. Each Concentration provides (1) specialized training in the Concentration field of law, (2) guidance to students in developing a program of study with the courses deemed most useful and relevant to the Concentration, and (3) a Concentration designation on their transcripts that will better allow them to market their expertise, thus gaining a competitive advantage in the legal employment market.

In some instances, a Dual Concentration (i.e., in Intellectual Property and Justice, Democracy and Legal Rights) is available to eligible students. Eligible students must apply to pursue the Dual Concentration and may stay in residence an additional semester so that the 14-credit requirements of the second Concentration can be independently met. In the case of the Dual Concentration, credits used to satisfy one Concentration cannot be used to satisfy the requirements for a second Concentration. Students interested in remaining in residence for a third semester to complete their program of study must apply by the listed deadline at the start of the second semester of the LL.M. degree.

The Concentrations require students to complete a minimum of fourteen credit hours in topics integral to each Concentration. Courses taken toward a Concentration will count toward the student’s LL.M. degree, and must be selected in consultation with the Program advisor.

### Criminal Law:

<b><u>LAW 604 Criminal Law</u></b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Select at least ten hours of course work from the courses below:</b>	<b>10</b>
<b><u>LAW 605 Criminal Proc: Investigation</u></b>	
<b><u>LAW 606 Constitutional Law I</u></b>	
<b><u>LAW 679 Criminal Proc: Adjudication</u></b>	
<b><u>LAW 682 Evidence</u></b>	
<b><u>LAW 792 Current Legal Problems</u></b>	

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LAW 793 Adv Topics in Litigation

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LAW 795 Adv Topics in Criminal Law

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LAW 796 Comparative Law Topics

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LAW 798 Seminars

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In addition to the concentration requirements, students must also complete the requirements of the LL.M. degree.

## Intellectual Property & Technology Law:

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LAW 797 Advanced Topics in Intellectual Property

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Select at least ten hours of course work from the courses below:

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LAW 602 Property

LAW 643 Trademark and Unfair Competition

LAW 644 Copyright Law

LAW 645 Patent Law

LAW 692 Intellectual Property Clinic

LAW 792 Current Legal Problems

LAW 797 Advanced Topics in Intellectual Property

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## International and Comparative Law:

Select one course from:

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LAW 606 Constitutional Law I

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LAW 656 International Law

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Select at least ten hours of course work from the courses below:

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LAW 653 International Business Transactions

LAW 654 International Trade Policy

LAW 657 International Human Rights Law

LAW 792 Current Legal Problems

LAW 794 Adv Topics in Business Law

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LAW 795 Advanced Topics in Criminal Law

LAW 796 Comparative Law Topics

LAW 797 Advanced Topics in Intellectual Property

LAW 798 Seminars

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## Corporate Law, Commercial Law, and Trade:

LAW 633 Business Associations I

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Select at least ten hours of course work from the courses below:

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LAW 601 Contracts

LAW 624 Real Estate Finance

LAW 629 Bankruptcy

LAW 631 Secured Transactions

LAW 634 Securities Regulation

LAW 642 Antitrust Law

LAW 647 Income Taxation

LAW 653 International Business Trans

LAW 654 International Trade Policy

LAW 792 Current Legal Problems

LAW 794 Adv Topics in Business Law

LAW 796 Comparative Law Topics

LAW 798 Seminars

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## Justice, Democracy, and Legal Rights:

LAW 606 Constitutional Law I

4

Select at least ten hours of course work from the courses below:

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LAW 605 Criminal Proc: Investigation

<u>LAW 616 Environmental Law and Pol I</u>
<u>LAW 620 Health Law Policy</u>
<u>LAW 657 International Human Rights Law</u>
<u>LAW 660 Individual Employee Rights</u>
<u>LAW 662 Labor Law</u>
<u>LAW 664 Employment Discrimination</u>
<u>LAW 667 Family Law</u>
<u>LAW 670 Elder Law</u>
<u>LAW 685 Dispute Resolution</u>
<u>LAW 686 Remedies</u>
<u>LAW 792 Current Legal Problems</u>
<u>LAW 795 Adv Topics in Criminal Law</u>
<u>LAW 796 Comparative Law Topics</u>
<u>LAW 798 Seminars</u>

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**Regulation, Sustainability, and Compliance:**

<u>LAW 615 Administrative Law</u>	4
<b>Select at least ten hours of course work from the courses below:</b>	<b>10</b>
<u>LAW 602 Property</u>	
<u>LAW 616 Environmental Law</u>	
<u>LAW 618 Natural Resources</u>	
<u>LAW 620 Health Law and Policy</u>	
<u>LAW 622 Land Use Planning</u>	
<u>LAW 633 Business Associations I</u>	
<u>LAW 625 State and Local Government</u>	
<u>LAW 647 Income Taxation</u>	
<u>LAW 792 Current Legal Problems</u>	
<u>LAW 794 Adv Topics in Business Law</u>	
<u>LAW 796 Comparative Law Topics</u>	

**In addition to the concentration requirements, students must also complete the requirements of the LL.M. degree.**

## U.S. Legal Practice Skills

This concentration requires students to complete a minimum of 12 credit hours in topics integral to U.S. Legal Practice Skills in a third semester. The 12 credit hours for the concentration may not count towards the LL.M. degree or other concentration credit hours and must be completed in addition to the LL.M. or other concentration credit hours.

This concentration will be open to students in the LL.M. degree program at the College of Law. Students are expected to be in good standing and have a minimum overall GPA of 3.0 to be eligible for the concentration. This concentration is only available as a third-semester concentration. Interested students must apply by the listed deadline at the start of the second semester of the LL.M. degree.

Code	Title	Hours
<a href="#">LAW 692</a>	Field Placements	1 to 4
<a href="#">LAW 692</a>	Field Placements (Classroom Instruction, taken concurrently with Field Placement)	1 to 4
Select at least five hours of coursework from the courses below:		5
<a href="#">LAW 603</a>	Torts	
<a href="#">LAW 607</a>	Civil Procedure	
<a href="#">LAW 682</a>	Evidence	
<a href="#">LAW 685</a>	Dispute Resolution	
<a href="#">LAW 695</a>	Fundamentals of Trial Practice	
<a href="#">LAW 793</a>	Advanced Litigation Topics	
<b>Total hours</b>		<b>12</b>

Course List

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## Appendix A: (Traditional Master of Laws Degree Requirements)

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### Master of Laws

The Master of Laws (LL.M.) degree is designed to prepare students with or without any prior legal training to enhance their professional development by adding familiarity with U.S law. Applicants must hold a bachelor's degree (or equivalent degree) from an approved school listed on the International Association of Universities List of Higher education Institutions. Full consideration for admission to the LL.M. program will be given to applicants holding a bachelor's degree in law or a bachelor's degree in a subject outside law.

The LL.M. degree requires the completion of at least 32 graduate hours of credit and is normally completed in one academic year. All candidates are required to pass Professional Responsibility ([LAW 501](#)), a four hour graduate course and LL.M. Legal Research and Writing ([LAW 500](#)) a two hour graduate course. The remaining graduate hours are selected from any College of Law course.

<a href="#">LAW 500</a>	LLM Legal Writing and Research	2
<a href="#">LAW 501</a>	Professional Responsibility	3 or 4
Total Hours		32

#### Other Requirements<sup>1</sup>

Other requirements may overlap

Minimum 500-level (or higher) Hours Required Overall: 12

One academic year in residence

Minimum GPA: 2.75

<sup>1</sup> For additional details and requirements refer to the College of Law's [graduate degree requirements](#) and the [Graduate College Handbook](#).

## Appendix B: (Proposed Concentration Courses and Requirements)

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### Graduate Concentrations

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In some instances, a Dual Concentration (i.e., in Intellectual Property and Justice, Democracy and Legal Rights) is available to eligible students. Eligible students must apply to pursue the Dual Concentration and may stay in residence an additional semester so that the 14-credit requirements of the second Concentration can be independently met. In the case of the Dual Concentration, credits used to satisfy one Concentration cannot be used to satisfy the requirements for a second Concentration. Students interested in remaining in residence for a third semester to complete their program of study must apply by the listed deadline at the start of the second semester of the LL.M. degree.

The Concentrations require students to complete a minimum of fourteen credit hours in topics integral to each Concentration. Courses taken toward a Concentration (with the exception of the concentration in US Legal Practice Skills) will count toward the student's LL.M. degree. All courses ~~and~~ must be selected in consultation with the Program advisor.

### Criminal Law:

<u>LAW 604 Criminal Law</u>	<b>4</b>
<b>Select at least ten hours of course work from the courses below:</b>	<b>10</b>
<u>LAW 605 Criminal Proc: Investigation</u>	
<u>LAW 606 Constitutional Law I</u>	
<u>LAW 679 Criminal Proc: Adjudication</u>	
<u>LAW 682 Evidence</u>	
<u>LAW 792 Current Legal Problems</u>	
<u>LAW 793 Adv Topics in Litigation</u>	
<u>LAW 795 Adv Topics in Criminal Law</u>	
<u>LAW 796 Comparative Law Topics</u>	
<u>LAW 798 Seminars</u>	

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## Intellectual Property & Technology Law:

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LAW 797	Advanced Topics in Intellectual Property	4
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Select at least ten hours of course work from the courses below:	10
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LAW 602	Property
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LAW 643	Trademark and Unfair Competition
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LAW 644	Copyright Law
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LAW 645	Patent Law
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LAW 692	Intellectual Property Clinic
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<u>LAW 792</u>	<u>Current Legal Problems</u>
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LAW 797	Advanced Topics in Intellectual Property
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## International and Comparative Law:

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<u>LAW 606</u>	<u>Constitutional Law I</u>
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<u>LAW 656</u>	<u>International Law</u>
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Select at least ten hours of course work from the courses below:	10
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LAW 653	International Business Transactions
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LAW 654	International Trade Policy
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<u>LAW 657</u>	<u>International Human Rights Law</u>
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<u>LAW 792</u>	<u>Current Legal Problems</u>
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<u>LAW 794</u>	<u>Adv Topics in Business Law</u>
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LAW 795	Advanced Topics in Criminal Law
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<u>LAW 796</u>	<u>Comparative Law Topics</u>
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LAW 797	Advanced Topics in Intellectual Property
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<u>LAW 798</u>	<u>Seminars</u>
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## Corporate Law, Commercial Law, and Trade:

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<u>LAW 633 Business Associations I</u>	4
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Select at least ten hours of course work from the courses below:	10
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<u>LAW 601 Contracts</u>	
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<u>LAW 624 Real Estate Finance</u>	
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<u>LAW 629 Bankruptcy</u>	
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<u>LAW 631 Secured Transactions</u>	
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<u>LAW 634 Securities Regulation</u>	
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<u>LAW 642 Antitrust Law</u>	
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<u>LAW 647 Income Taxation</u>	
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<u>LAW 653 International Business Trans</u>	
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<u>LAW 654 International Trade Policy</u>	
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<u>LAW 792 Current Legal Problems</u>	
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<u>LAW 794 Adv Topics in Business Law</u>	
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<u>LAW 796 Comparative Law Topics</u>	
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<u>LAW 798 Seminars</u>	
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## Justice, Democracy, and Legal Rights:

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<u>LAW 606 Constitutional Law I</u>	4
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Select at least ten hours of course work from the courses below:	10
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<u>LAW 605 Criminal Proc: Investigation</u>	
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<u>LAW 616 Environmental Law and Pol I</u>	
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<u>LAW 620 Health Law Policy</u>	
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<u>LAW 657 International Human Rights Law</u>	
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<u>LAW 660 Individual Employee Rights</u>	
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<u>LAW 662 Labor Law</u>	
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<u>LAW 664</u> Employment Discrimination
<u>LAW 667</u> Family Law
<u>LAW 670</u> Elder Law
<u>LAW 685</u> Dispute Resolution
<u>LAW 686</u> Remedies
<u>LAW 792</u> Current Legal Problems
<u>LAW 795</u> Adv Topics in Criminal Law
<u>LAW 796</u> Comparative Law Topics
<u>LAW 798</u> Seminars

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### Regulation, Sustainability, and Compliance:

<u>LAW 615</u> Administrative Law	4
Select at least ten hours of course work from the courses below:	10
<u>LAW 602</u> Property	
<u>LAW 616</u> Environmental Law	
<u>LAW 618</u> Natural Resources	
<u>LAW 620</u> Health Law and Policy	
<u>LAW 622</u> Land Use Planning	
<u>LAW 633</u> Business Associations I	
<u>LAW 625</u> State and Local Government	
<u>LAW 647</u> Income Taxation	
<u>LAW 792</u> Current Legal Problems	
<u>LAW 794</u> Adv Topics in Business Law	
<u>LAW 796</u> Comparative Law Topics	
<u>LAW 798</u> Seminars	

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## U.S. Legal Practice Skills

This concentration requires students to complete a minimum of 12 credit hours in topics integral to U.S. Legal Practice Skills in a third semester. The 12 credit hours for the concentration may not count towards the LL.M. degree or other concentration credit hours and must be completed in addition to the LL.M. or other concentration credit hours.

This concentration will be open to students in the LL.M. degree program at the College of Law. Students are expected to be in good standing and have a minimum overall GPA of 3.0 to be eligible for the concentration. This concentration is only available as a third-semester concentration. Interested students must apply by the listed deadline at the start of the second semester of the LL.M. degree.

Code	Title	Hours
<a href="#">LAW 692</a>	Field Placements	1 to 4
<a href="#">LAW 692</a>	Field Placements (Classroom Instruction, taken concurrently with Field Placement)	1 to 4
Select at least five hours of coursework from the courses below:		5
<a href="#">LAW 603</a>	Torts	
<a href="#">LAW 607</a>	Civil Procedure	
<a href="#">LAW 682</a>	Evidence	
<a href="#">LAW 685</a>	Dispute Resolution	
<a href="#">LAW 695</a>	Fundamentals of Trial Practice	
<a href="#">LAW 793</a>	Advanced Litigation Topics	
<b>Total hours</b>		<b>12</b>

Course List

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### Appendix C: (Current Concentration Courses and Requirements)

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## Commercial Law and Trade:

LAW 629	Bankruptcy	4
Select at least ten hours of course work from the courses below:		10
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<u>LAW 601</u> Contracts		
<u>LAW 624</u> Real Estate Finance		
<u>LAW 631</u> Secured Transactions		
<u>LAW 633</u> Business Associations I		
<u>LAW 647</u> Income Taxation		
<u>LAW 653</u> International Business Trans		
<u>LAW 792</u> Current Legal Problems		
<u>LAW 794</u> Adv Topics in Business Law		
<u>LAW 796</u> Comparative Law Topics		
<u>LAW 798</u> Seminars		

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## Justice, Democracy, and Legal Rights:

LAW 606	Constitutional Law I	4
Select at least ten hours of course work from the courses below:		10
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<u>LAW 605</u> Criminal Proc: Investigation		
<u>LAW 614</u> Constitutional Law III		
<u>LAW 616</u> Environmental Law and Pol I		
<u>LAW 620</u> Health Law Policy		
<u>LAW 625</u> State and Local Government		
<u>LAW 657</u> International Human Rights Law		
<u>LAW 660</u> Individual Employee Rights		
<u>LAW 664</u> Employment Discrimination		

<u>LAW 667 Family Law</u>
<u>LAW 670 Elder Law</u>
<u>LAW 685 Dispute Resolution</u>
<u>LAW 686 Remedies</u>
<u>LAW 792 Current Legal Problems</u>
<u>LAW 794 Adv Topics in Business Law</u>
<u>LAW 795 Adv Topics in Criminal Law</u>
<u>LAW 796 Comparative Law Topics</u>
<u>LAW 798 Seminars</u>

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LAW 633 Business Associations I	4
Select at least ten hours of course work from the courses below:	10
<u>LAW 601 Contracts</u>	
<u>LAW 624 Real Estate Finance</u>	
<u>LAW 629 Bankruptcy</u>	
<u>LAW 631 Secured Transactions</u>	
<u>LAW 634 Securities Regulation</u>	
<u>LAW 638 White Collar Crime</u>	
<u>LAW 639 Corporate Finance</u>	
<u>LAW 642 Antitrust Law</u>	
<u>LAW 653 International Business Trans</u>	
<u>LAW 654 International Trade Policy</u>	
<u>LAW 794 Adv Topics in Business Law</u>	

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<u>LAW 616 Environmental Law and Pol I</u>	<b>4</b>
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<u>LAW 615 Administrative Law</u>	
<u>LAW 618 Natural Resources</u>	
<u>LAW 619 Wildlife Law</u>	
<u>LAW 622 Land Use Planning</u>	
<u>LAW 633 Business Associations I</u>	
<u>LAW 625 State and Local Government</u>	
<u>LAW 792 Current Legal Problems</u>	
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<u>LAW 796 Comparative Law Topics</u>	
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<b>Code</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Hours</b>
<a href="#"><u>LAW 692</u></a>	Field Placements	1 to 4
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Select at least five hours of coursework from the courses below:		5
<a href="#"><u>LAW 603</u></a>	Torts	
<a href="#"><u>LAW 607</u></a>	Civil Procedure	
<a href="#"><u>LAW 682</u></a>	Evidence	
<a href="#"><u>LAW 685</u></a>	Dispute Resolution	

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<a href="#"><u>LAW 793</u></a>	Advanced Litigation Topics	
<b>Total hours</b>		<b>12</b>

Course List

In addition to the concentration requirements, students must also complete the requirements of the LL.M. degree.

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October 17, 2016

Educational Policy Committee  
Faculty Senate  
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Dear Members of the Senate Educational Policy Committee:

The College of Law fully supports the creation of the Graduate Concentrations in Criminal Law, Intellectual Property & Technology Law, and International and Comparative Law, in addition to the merger of the Corporate and Commercial Law concentrations, the change in title and requirements of the Environmental Law, Sustainability, and Compliance concentration, and the change in requirements of the Justice, Democracy, and Legal Rights concentration. The core courses required to satisfy these concentrations are courses that are already taught at the College and for which maximum enrollment has not been reached. In addition, we may be adding additional course options as needed. Accordingly, we do not anticipate that any financial arrangements will be needed for the proposed program. However, should enrollment exceed course capacity, we will hire a TA or make other arrangements as necessary.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jamelle C. Sharpe', written over a horizontal line.

Jamelle C. Sharpe  
Professor of Law and  
Senior Associate Dean for Academic Affairs

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Albert E. Jenner, Jr. Memorial Law Library

College of Law  
142 Law Building  
504 East Pennsylvania Avenue  
Champaign, IL 61820



October 18, 2016

Educational Policy Committee  
Faculty Senate  
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

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Dear Members of the Senate Educational Policy Committee:

The Albert E. Jenner Jr., Memorial Law Library fully supports the creation of the three (3) additional College of Law Graduate Concentrations for the Master of Laws (LL.M.) Degree. The core library materials required to support research and teaching in the concentrations already exist in the Law Library collection. In addition, the College of Law provides sufficient financial support to allow for the purchase of further resources as needed.

Sincerely,

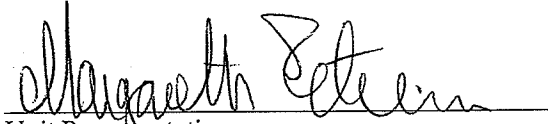
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Faye E. Jones  
Director and Clinical Professor  
College of Law  
Albert E. Jenner Jr., Memorial Law Library

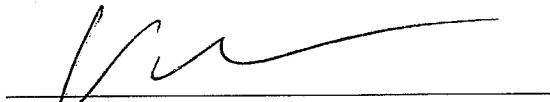
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**CLEARANCES:** (Clearances should include signatures and dates of approval. These signatures must appear on a separate sheet. If multiple departments or colleges are sponsoring the proposal, please add the appropriate signature lines below.)

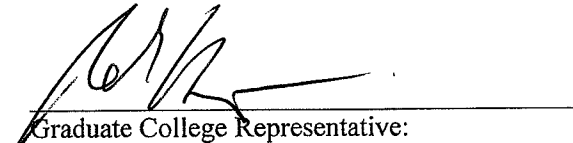
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Unit Representative:

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College Representative:

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Date:

  
Graduate College Representative:

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Council on Teacher Education Representative:

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Date:

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November 29, 2016

Bettina Francis, Chair  
Senate Committee on Educational Policy  
Office of the Senate  
228 English Building, MC-461

Dear Professor Francis:

Enclosed is a copy of a proposal from the College of Law to:

- Establish four graduate concentrations for the Master of Laws degree in:
  - 1) Criminal Law
  - 2) Corporate Law, Commercial Law, and Trade
  - 3) Intellectual Property and Technology Law
  - 4) International and Comparative Law;
- Eliminate the graduate concentrations for the Master of Laws degree in:
  - 1) Commercial Law and Trade
  - 2) Corporate and Finance Law;
- Rename and revise the Environmental Law, Sustainability, and Compliance concentration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Kathryn A. Martensen'.

Kathryn A. Martensen  
Assistant Provost

Enclosures

c: V. Amar  
M. Etienne  
A. McKinney  
J. Hart  
A. Edwards

**From:** [McKinney, Allison Ann](#)  
**To:** [Martensen, Kathy](#)  
**Cc:** [Salefski, Kelly J](#)  
**Subject:** Proposal from the College of Law  
**Date:** Monday, November 28, 2016 3:33:06 PM  
**Attachments:** [College of Law Conc Proposal 2016.pdf](#)

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Dear Kathy,

Please see attached for a proposal from the College of Law. The proposal was received on October 21, 2016 and reviewed at the Graduate College Executive Committee meeting on November 15, 2016. The committee approved the proposal pending clarification of the proposed program of study.

The revisions and points of clarifications have been received and we find that this proposal meets the standards of Graduate Education at Illinois. We now forward for your review.

Thank you,

Allison McKinney  
Director  
Academic Programs, Policy and Academic Services  
Graduate College