

# Environmental Law Certificate of Concentration

## Objective

This concentration will help prepare those students planning for a career in environmental law by ensuring that they take courses particularly applicable to environmental law and receive mentoring from members of the faculty with experience and interest in environmental law. The certificate of concentration recognizes students who have demonstrated a high degree of ethics and competence in the study of environmental law.

## Eligibility

Any Stetson law student in good standing who has completed not less than 30 credits and not more than 45 credits may apply for acceptance into the Environmental Law Concentration Program. The Director of the Institute for Biodiversity Law and Policy will make final determinations on all applications for acceptance into this program based upon consideration of the student's demonstrated commitment to the program and the likelihood that the student will be able to successfully complete the requirements of the program.

## Requirements

In order to receive the certificate of concentration in environmental law at graduation, a student must make a timely application (<http://www.stetson.edu/law/offices/registrar/media/concentration-program-application-form-pdf.pdf>) for inclusion in the program, be accepted into the program, and carry out the following:

- Complete at least 21 hours in the Approved Curriculum, including successful completion of the Mandatory Curriculum requirements, with an average G.P.A. of at least 3.0 among all of those courses taken from the Approved Curriculum. Further, the student shall not have received a grade of less than 2.25 (or "S" in any course not graded on the 4.0 scale) in any of those courses taken in the Approved Curriculum;
- Participate in an approved experiential learning opportunity related to environmental law (e.g., a skills course or externship);
- Complete additional mentoring, pro-bono service, and administrative requirements; and
- Write a paper in the area of environmental law that would fulfill the upper-level writing requirement.

## Required Mentoring

Upon being selected into the Environmental Law Concentration Program, a student will be assigned a mentor who is a member of the College of Law faculty. It is anticipated that no member of the faculty will be assigned more than five such students at any one time. The student will be expected to meet regularly with such mentor, no less than one time each semester, for the purpose of discussing advancement toward completion of the requirements for receipt of the certificate in concentration. Further, as a prerequisite for registration for each upcoming semester, such students will be required to obtain the approval of their mentor regarding their course selection. It is the goal

of this required mentoring that the participating members of the faculty will pass along to the students the benefit of their own experience and/or expertise in the field of environmental law.

## Pro Bono

To receive the Environmental Law Certificate of Concentration, a student must perform at least 30 hours of pro bono work related to environmental protection or environmental law. These hours may overlap with the 60 hours required of all Stetson students.

## Administrative Hours

To receive the Environmental Law Certificate of Concentration, a student must perform at least 10 hours assisting with the Stetson International Environmental Moot Court Competition, International Wildlife Law Conference, or other Biodiversity Institute activities.

## Approved Mandatory Curriculum

Code	Title	Credits
LAW 3040	ADMINISTRATIVE LAW	3 credits
or LAW 3490	FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE LAW	
LAW 3340	ENVIRONMENTAL LAW	3 credits
<b>Select one of the following:</b>		
LAW 3511	FOOD LAW AND POLICY SEMINAR	2 to 3 credits
LAW 3759	NATURAL RESOURCES LAW SEMINAR	2 to 3 credits
LAW 3945	WETLANDS SEMINAR	2 to 3 credits
LAW 3132	ANIMAL LAW SEMINAR	2 to 3 credits

## Elective Curriculum

Code	Title	Credits
LAW 3053	ADMIRALTY	2 to 3 credits
LAW 3171	CLIMATE JUSTICE: U.S. AND INTERNATIONAL PERSPECTIVE	1 to 2 credits
LAW 3355	ENVIRONMENTAL ADVOCACY	2 credits
LAW 3339	ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS ASSOCIATED WITH REAL PROPERTY	2 to 3 credits

LAW 3342	ENVIRONMENTAL LAW EXTERNSHIP	1 to 4 credits	LAW 3947	WHITE COLLAR CRIME	2 to 3 credits
LAW 3349	ENVIRONMENTAL PRACTICE	2 to 3 credits	LAW 4533	JACOBS LAW CLINIC FOR DEMOCRACY AND THE ENVIRONMENT	1 to 5 credits
LAW 3451	FEDERAL INDIAN LAW	3 credits	STETSON SUMMER-ABROAD COURSES (AS LONG AS IT'S AN ENVIRONMENTAL LAW FOCUS)		
LAW 3370	ENVIRONMENTAL REGULAT OF WATER	2 to 3 credits	DIRECTED RESEARCH PROJECT (THE PAPER MUST HAVE ENVIRONMENTAL FOCUS)		
LAW 3504	FLORIDA REAL ESTATE LAW	2 to 3 credits	INDIVIDUAL RESEARCH PROJECT (THE PAPER MUST HAVE ENVIRONMENTAL FOCUS)		
LAW 3511	FOOD LAW AND POLICY SEMINAR	2 to 3 credits	DISPUTE RESOLUTION BOARD (IF COMPETITION HAS ENVIRONMENTAL FOCUS)		
LAW 3567	INTERNATIONAL ENERGY LAW	3 credits	MOOT COURT BOARD (IF COMPETITION HAS ENVIRONMENTAL FOCUS)		
LAW 3577	INT'L ENVIRONMENTAL LAW	2 to 3 credits	CLINIC (IF CLINIC HAS ENVIRONMENTAL FOCUS; REQUIRES APPROVAL OF FACULTY MENTOR)		
LAW 3597	JOURNAL-INTL WILDLIFE LW & POL (maximum of 4 credits)	1 credit	EXTERNSHIP (OTHER THAN ENVIRONMENTAL LAW EXTERNSHIP AND HAS ENVIRONMENTAL FOCUS; REQUIRES APPROVAL OF FACULTY MENTOR)		
LAW 3633	LAND USE LAW	3 credits			
LAW 3693	LAW REVIEW WRITING CREDIT (if paper has environmental focus)	1 to 2 credits			
LAW 3699	LEGISLATION	3 credits			
LAW 3759	NATURAL RESOURCES LAW SEMINAR (if not taken to satisfy Mandatory Curriculum)	2 to 3 credits			
LAW 3763	OCEAN & COASTAL LAW & POLICY	3 credits			
LAW 3782	PUBLIC MARITIME LAW	2 credits			
LAW 3810	REMEDIES	3 credits			
LAW 3909	TOPICS IN BIODIVERSITY LAW	1 to 2 credits			
LAW 3945	WETLANDS SEMINAR (if not taken to satisfy Mandatory Curriculum)	2 to 3 credits			