



Further Required Curriculum

- A. This program pertains to all full-time and part-time J.D. students who,
1. at the end of any semester in which they have attempted at least 10 cumulative credit hours and no more than 48 credit hours, are ranked in the bottom 10% of their class and/or have a cumulative grade point average at or below 2.4; or
 2. who are referred into the program by the Director of Academic Success at any time before they have attempted less than 49 credit hours; or
 3. have been notified of their eligibility for exclusion but, after a meeting with the Academic Standards Committee, are permitted to remain at the College of Law.
- B. A student who is on academic probation may also be subject to the requirements of the Further Required Curriculum program. If any terms of this policy conflict with the terms of the Academic Probation policy, the Academic Probation policy will control.
- C. The Registrar will notify students that they are subject to the Further Required Curriculum in writing after grades for the appropriate session or semester have been posted.
- D. In addition to participating in the Further Required Curriculum, the Academic Standards Committee retains the right to place additional requirements on students who are eligible for exclusion but are permitted to remain. In addition, the Academic Standards Committee may, for good cause shown, grant a petition from a student to be exempted or released from the Further Required Curriculum program.
- E. In addition to the courses required of all students for graduation, students in the Further Required Curriculum must, before graduation, take a for-credit bar preparation course offered by the College of Law. Ideally, students will take this course during their last semester of enrollment. In addition, students must take five of the following courses:
1. Criminal Procedure - Investigation *or* Florida Criminal Procedure;
 2. Corporations, Business Entities *or* Family Law;
 3. Commercial Transactions *or* Sales, Leases and Licenses;
 4. Remedies;
 5. Florida Practice *or* Florida Constitutional Law for students who intend to take the Florida bar examination, *or* The First Amendment (formerly Constitutional Law II) for students who intend to take a bar examination other than Florida; and
 6. Trusts and Estates *or* Survey of Florida Probate Law.

The student will work with the Associate Dean for Academics and/or the Director of Academic Success to determine which courses he or she will take in any given semester.

A student who does not intend to sit for the bar examination in Florida may provide evidence to the Associate Dean for Academics that he or she is registered for or intends to sit for the bar examination in another state. In this case, the Associate Dean for Academics may consider the topics tested on that jurisdiction's examination and may make limited substitutions to the list above.

A student who indicates that he or she does not intend to sit for any bar examination will still be held to the requirements of the Further Required Curriculum and should discuss with the Associate Dean for Academics and/or the Director of Academic Success which state the student is most likely to live or work following graduation.

- F. In addition, students in the Further Required Curriculum must complete all of the following steps:
1. Within two weeks of receiving notice from the Registrar that they are subject to the Further Required Curriculum, meet with the Director of Academic Success.
 2. Within two weeks of that initial meeting, develop an Academic Plan that is approved by the Director of Academic Success. In extraordinary circumstances, as determined by the Director of Academic Success, the Director may extend by up to two weeks the time within which the student may gain approval of his or her Academic Plan. The Academic Plan must contain all of the information for Academic Plans outlined in the Academic Probation policy. The restrictions on work, co-curricular activities, extra-curricular activities, and study-abroad programs outlined in the Academic Probation policy also apply to students in the Further Requires Curriculum program. A student who is on academic probation and in the Further Required Curriculum must complete only one Academic Plan, unless directed otherwise by the Director of Academic Success.
 3. Before the student completes 60 credit hours, meet with the Director of Bar Preparation Services to develop a Bar Examination Plan that is approved by the Director of Bar Preparation Services;
 - a. This plan must be completed by the end of a full-time student's fourth full semester and by the end of a part-time student's eighth full semester.
 - b. The plan must address at least the following:
 - The jurisdiction in which the student intends to sit for the bar examination;
 - A list of courses required for applicants who intend to sit for that jurisdiction's bar examination;
 - The bar preparation course(s) the student intends to take;

- The student's plan to work between graduation and the bar examination; and
 - A plan to meet with the Director of Bar Preparation Services Development during the student's third year.
- c. Attend at least the SuperBar Session during the student's final semester. This requirement may be modified by the Associate Dean for Academics if, for good cause shown, the student is not able to attend the live session.
- G. A student who is subject to the Further Required Curriculum but does not complete the terms and conditions above may be referred to the Academic Standards Committee for possible exclusion from the College of Law, or may be denied a diploma or dean's certificate until the conditions are met. For students who are referred to the Academic Standards Committee for possible exclusion from the College of Law, the procedures outlined in the Academic Exclusion and Readmission Policy will apply.

Explanations and interpretations:

Transfer students may be subject to the Further Required Curriculum program. The credits considered will be only those earned at Stetson University College of Law.

Although the letter notifying a student that he or she is subject to the Further Required Curriculum will be placed in the student's permanent file in the Registrar's office, his or her transcript will not contain a notation regarding the program.

Originally approved by the faculty on March 3, 2004; amended by the faculty on October 15, 2008, April 14, 2010 (for-credit bar preparation course), and September 14, 2011. This policy is effective with students matriculating at the College of Law in the Fall 2009. Amended January 2015.