

Certificate Programs

Certificate Programs permit upper-level students to focus their studies within the elective curriculum and earn a Certificate of Concentration along with the Juris Doctor degree. To receive a Certificate, the student must apply, be admitted to, and successfully complete the requirements of a specific Certificate Program. Each Certificate Program requires the student to complete a set of core courses and to take additional approved courses in that field, for a minimum total of 21 credit hours. In addition, each candidate for a Certificate of Concentration must fulfill his or her upper-level writing requirement by writing on a topic within the area as approved by the Director and must participate in an experiential learning opportunity related to the area (e.g., a skills course or internship) approved by the appropriate Center Director. Each candidate must also complete additional administrative, pro-bono service, and mentoring requirements established by the appropriate Center Director. Finally, the candidate must earn a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.0 in courses taken within the Certificate area.

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