

FAMILY LAW CERTIFICATE, LAW (JD)

To earn a Certificate in Family Law, a student must complete the 86 semester hours required for the Juris Doctor degree and satisfy all JD requirements. Within the elective course work required for the JD degree, a student must complete 15 credit hours from the courses listed below, including two required courses and at least three elective courses.

An applicant must achieve a minimum 3.0 GPA in certificate courses. If a student takes more than 15 hours of courses from the approved list, all grades earned in those courses will be factored into the minimum 3.0 GPA requirement for the Certificate.

Previously taught courses, courses offered in other DePaul Colleges, and new courses and seminars that may be added to the curriculum may qualify for the Certificate with approval.

Students may apply for only one Certificate.

Required Courses

Course	Title	Semester Hours
LAW 509	FAMILY LAW	3
	Select one advanced writing requirement course from the following:	3
LAW 250	SENIOR RESEARCH SEMINAR (approved topic)	
LAW 428	INDEPENDENT STUDY (approved topic)	
LAW 455	LEGAL DRAFTING (Child Advocacy; Family Law; Matrimonial Law)	

Elective Courses

Course	Title	Semester Hours
	Select at least one course from the following practice-based courses:	2-3
LAW 213	DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PRACTICUM	
LAW 363	RESTORATIVE JUSTICE	
LAW 438	MEDIATION (Family Law)	
LAW 524	EXTERNSHIP PROGRAM (approved placement)	
LAW 566	FIELD CLINIC SEMINAR (Family Law)	
LAW 567	FIELD CLINIC PRACTICE (Family Law)	
	Additional Elective Courses:	
LAW 227	CHILDREN'S HUMAN RIGHTS UNDER INTERNATIONAL LAW	
LAW 243	INTRODUCTION TO CORPORATE FINANCE	
LAW 308	WILLS AND TRUSTS	
LAW 313	JUVENILE JUSTICE	
LAW 321	ADOPTION LAW	
LAW 381	FINANCIAL ASPECTS OF DIVORCE	
LAW 409	ESTATE PLANNING	
LAW 498	EDUCATION LAW & POLICY	
LAW 529	CHILDREN & THE LAW	

LAW 564	EXTERNSHIP SEMINAR (Taken in conjunction with approved LAW 524 placement)
LAW 702	ELDER LAW
LAW 716	DISABILITY LAW
LAW 718	HEALTH CARE DELIVERY SYSTEMS