

# REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTIFICATE IN BUSINESS LAW

## General Business Law

The Certificate in Business Law, awarded to qualified Lewis & Clark Law School students upon graduation, recognizes successful curriculum concentration in the field of business law. In order to receive a Certificate, students who believe they fulfill the requirements must complete an application form that is available from the Registrar. Students qualify for a Certificate in Business Law by satisfying the course, paper, and grade point average requirements set forth below.

### I. COURSE REQUIREMENTS

**Level 1.** *Both* of the following:  
Business Associations I  
Income Tax I

**Level 2A.** *One* of the following:  
Corporate Tax  
Partnership Tax

**Level 2B.** *One* of the following:  
Secured Transactions  
Bankruptcy/Debtor-Creditor Law  
Property Transactions

**Level 2C.** *One* of the following:  
Advanced Contracts: Sales and Leases  
Advanced Contracts: Commercial Transactions  
Secured Transactions (*but if taken as the choice in 2B, one of the other courses in this category 2C or in level 3A must be taken instead.*)

**Level 3.** Either:  
A. Any *two* of the following:  
Antitrust Law  
Business Associations II  
Employment Law  
Intellectual Property Law Survey  
Securities Regulation

**OR**

B. Any *one* of the courses listed in level 3A *plus any one* of the courses listed in level 2, but not used to satisfy the level 2 requirement.

**Level 4.** Take any *two* of the following, at least *one* of which must be a seminar:  
Admiralty Law  
Advanced Business Seminar  
Advanced Tax Seminar  
Advanced Trademark Practice & Strategy  
Aviation Law  
Clinic, Tax  
Consumer Law  
Contract Drafting Seminar  
Copyright History Seminar  
Copyright Law

Elder Law  
Employment Discrimination  
Employment Law I  
Employment Law II  
Entertainment Law  
Estate and Gift Tax  
Estate Planning Seminar  
Federal Tax Procedure  
Food Law  
Health Law and Policy  
Information Privacy Law  
Insurance Law  
Intellectual Property: Copyright Seminar  
Intellectual Property Theory Seminar  
International Business Transactions  
International Dispute Resolution  
International Investment Law Seminar  
International Tax  
Labor Law  
Law and Economics  
Law of Global Labor Markets Seminar  
Legal Practicum Law & Entrepreneurship  
Legal Practicum In-House Counsel/IP  
Nonprofit Law Seminar  
Patent Law and Policy  
Patent Litigation  
Patent Prosecution  
Small Business Legal Clinic  
Sports Law Seminar  
Technology Transfer and Licensing  
Telecommunications Law Seminar  
Trademark Law  
Wills & Trusts  
Workers' Compensation Law

### II. WRITING REQUIREMENT

To obtain the certificate, a student must complete a Capstone paper on a business law topic and one other writing assignment that is focused on a business law topic. Paper requirements are set forth below:

**A.** A research paper satisfying the Capstone writing requirement -The student must write a substantial research paper on a business law topic that satisfies the Capstone writing requirement. Unless the paper is written for a seminar listed in Level 4, or for the Lewis & Clark Law Review, the paper must be approved in advance by both the supervising faculty member and the Dean of the Business Law Program as qualifying toward the certificate.

**B.** A paper (or series of papers) focusing on a business law topic that *either* satisfies the WIE writing requirement *or* is written for a non-WIE business-law course. Unless the written work is for a course or seminar listed in Level 4, or for the Lewis & Clark Law Review, the

project must be approved in advance by both the supervising faculty member and the Dean of the Business Law Program as qualifying toward the certificate.

### III. GRADE POINT REQUIREMENT

The student must maintain a cumulative grade point average of B (3.00) or better in courses taken and selected as qualifying for the certificate. No course credits transferred from another law school and accepted for use toward a certificate, or credits for a class taken on a credit/no credit basis and approved by the Dean, will be used in computing the grade point average.

### IV. CERTIFICATE ELECTION

Students may not earn a business law certificate and a certificate in federal tax law, nor may they earn a business law certificate and a certificate in intellectual property law. A student whose course and paper selections qualify for one of the business law certificates and the certificate in federal tax law, or the certificate in intellectual property law, must elect one of them and may not receive multiple certificates.

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