

INTERNATIONAL PRACTICE CONCENTRATION

Concentration Goals & Learning Outcomes

The overarching goal of the International Concentration is to develop a student's understanding and basic competence regarding essential legal issues common to international practice in a variety of substantive fields. This objective includes developing a student's awareness of diverse cultural, social and legal systems and how such diversity may affect their clients' interests.

To this end, students completing the International Concentration are expected to, through course work, practical training, research and writing, and service:

1. Demonstrate knowledge of the substantive legal doctrine fundamental to several substantive areas involving international practice (e.g., case law, legal concepts, legal principles, regulations and statutory law);
2. Identify legal issues and apply legal reasoning and analysis to solve problems in a logical and structured manner regarding subjects commonly encountered in international practice;
3. Communicate orally and in writing, legal reasoning and analysis regarding issues and problems commonly encountered in international practice.

General Requirements

In order to earn an International Practice Concentration, students must meet three categories of requirements: course and credit requirements; writing requirements; and service requirements. Each category is described in detail below.

1. COURSE AND CREDIT REQUIREMENTS

All students must:

- (1) complete at least 16 credit hours in approved international practice courses and activities as described below, and
- (2) receive at least a grade of "C" or a "pass" for each credit that counts toward the concentration.

Students earning 12 credits in a full time International Law Field Placement and clinic class must successfully earn at least 6 qualifying credits outside of the clinic (for a total of 18 qualifying credits).

International dual degree students may earn up to 10 credit hours towards the concentration for international courses taken at a partner foreign institution, subject to the approval of a NSU College of Law faculty member.

a. Mandatory Course Work

Students must complete at least one of the following courses:

- International Law (3 Credits) LAW 0840
- International Business Transactions (3 Credits) LAW 0837 or LAW 0838 (on-line)
- International Protection of Human Rights (3 Credits) LAW 0722
- International Sales & Arbitration (3 Credits) LAW 0833
- Introduction to EU Law (2 Credits) LAW 1071
- International Regulation of Trade (2 Credits) LAW 0514

b. Optional Course Work:

The remaining required credit hours (13 or 14 depending upon which mandatory course a student completes) may come from any combination of the courses above, and the courses and activities listed below. Whether any particular clinical field placement qualifies as international will be determined by designations assigned by the clinic faculty member, subject to approval by a NSU international law faculty member.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Admiralty (3 Credits) LAW 0800 • Caribbean Law Seminar (2 Credits) LAW 4674 • Civil Field Placement Clinic Class (LAW 0826) and Full Time Field Placement in International Law (LAW 0829) (12 total credits) • Civil Field Placement Clinic Class (LAW 0829) and Part Time Field Placement in International Law (LAW 0828) (6 total credits) • Comparative Corporate Governance Seminar (2 Credits) LAW 1060 • Comparative Law Seminar (2 Credits) LAW 0668 • Immigration, Nationality, and Refugee Law (2 Credits) LAW 0723 • International Human Rights Seminar LAW 0843 • International Intellectual Property (3 Credits) LAW 0705 • International Law Seminar LAW 0843 • International Litigation (3 Credits) LAW 0842 • Selected Topics in Czech Law (1 Credit) LAW 1700 • Selected Topics in Italian Law (1 Credit) LAW 7000 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Selected Topics in Spanish Law (1 Credit) LAW 0508 • Travel Law Seminar (2 Credits) LAW 0521
An international/comparative law course offered in a summer abroad program offered through the College of Law and approved by a NSU international law faculty member • An international/comparative law course taught at another law school and approved by a NSU international law faculty member • Supervised Research on an international/comparative law topic if approved by a NSU international law faculty member • ILSA Journal (staff and editorial board positions) • An international law moot court competition if approved by a NSU international law faculty member • International law and comparative law courses taken at International Dual Degree Partner School, if approved by a NSU international law faculty member |
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2. WRITING REQUIREMENT

All students must complete a writing based course or activity focused on an international or comparative law topic. Whether a writing based course or activity is sufficiently focused upon an international or comparative law topic for purposes of the concentration is subject to the approval of a NSU international law faculty member. Credits earned for this writing activity will be counted toward the requirements for earning the concentration designation. Writing based courses or activities include:

- Course work that satisfies the College of Law upper level writing requirement
- Law Journal or Law Review papers (when used to satisfy the College of Law upper level writing requirement)
- Independent supervised research projects involving an international or comparative law topic
- Moot court brief writing involving an international or comparative law topic

3. SERVICE REQUIREMENT

In addition to the requirements described above, all students seeking a concentration in international practice must complete a 20-hour service requirement. This service requirement may be fulfilled in a variety of ways including, but not limited to, active participation in pro bono legal work, volunteer work for the international section of the Florida bar or participation in the activities of an association or organization involving transnational, international or immigration/asylum law.

DEADLINES

The International Concentration Form must be turned into a NSU international law faculty member by October 30th for December graduates and by March 30th for May graduates. Members of the international law faculty include Professor Donoho and Professor Wilets.