

## MASTER OF LAWS (LL.M.) COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

*NOTE: Students enrolled in an on-campus LLM program may also select courses from the JD Course Schedule and should visit the JD Course Descriptions catalog on our website.*

### **LAWD 6204: LEGAL ENGLISH (3 credits) For foreign-trained attorneys only. Online.**

This course is designed for S.J.D., L.L.M., and legal professionals who are non-native English speakers. Through Zoom online course presentation and related materials and studies, students will receive instruction and professional training in Legal English language skills in the areas of legal writing, legal vocabulary, legal reading, and legal professional writing, listening, speaking, and learning. Students in this course will have opportunities to learn and apply legal English skills to practical Assignments, as well as by interaction with the Professor and other students in weekly classes, and through Assignments. Students will develop and apply legal English language skills in the contexts of learning legal reading, writing, and analysis in the context of varied U.S. legal topics and issues.

### **LAWD (TBD): ADVANCED LEGAL ENGLISH (3 credits) For foreign-trained attorneys only. Online.**

This course is designed for S.J.D., L.L.M., legal professionals who are non-native English speakers. Through Zoom online course presentation and related materials and studies, students will receive intermediate to advanced instruction and professional training in legal English language skills in the areas of legal writing, legal vocabulary, legal reading, and legal professional writing, listening, speaking, and learning. Students will have focused, detailed attention on specific areas of American law to help facilitate a practical and analytical understanding of U.S. law. This course will build upon the Legal English course to give greater detail to specific terms and phrases in specific legal fields. Students in this course will have opportunities to complete practical legal assignments, and practice terminology necessary to interact with U.S. attorneys and the legal system. Students will develop and apply legal English language skills in the contexts of learning legal reading, writing, and analysis in the context of varied U.S. legal topics and issues.

**LAWD 607: LLM AMERICAN LEGAL SYSTEM (3 credits) For foreign-trained attorneys only. On-campus.**

This course will provide foreign-trained lawyers with an understanding of the U.S. government and legal system, as well as the basic principles of American law. Through the exploration of cases relating to various legal areas including contracts, torts, property, criminal law and procedure, civil procedure, business law, and family law, and, students will be exposed to the basic tenets of the American legal system.

**LAWD 6075: LLM Legal Research, Writing & Analysis (3 credits) For foreign-trained attorneys only. On-campus.**

Students will be provided with an overview of the legal writing process in the United States, the principals of legal analysis, the technical differences in legal communication formats, and will learn the formal construction of a legal analysis utilizing IRAC.

**LAWD 500 INTRODUCTION TO LAW (3 credits) ONLINE. For foreign-trained attorneys only.**

An introduction to the legal system and an explanation of the legislative and judicial processes, how a legal rule is generated and maintained by the judicial system. Emphasis will be placed on civil practice, the development of the law through the court systems, legal memos, torts, contracts, business law.

**LAWD 6134 CRITICAL LEGAL ANALYSIS & WRITING (3 credits) ONLINE. For foreign-trained attorneys only.**

This foundation course introduces basic legal analysis including rule-based reasoning, and case synthesis with opportunities for practical written application. Learning that occurred during Introduction to Law course is reinforced and expanded upon. Students are also introduced to independent legal research skills. Course projects include a series of short graded assignments highlighting aspects of legal and compliance writing. Students will review basic writing mechanics including grammar and punctuation. They will enhance their writing skills by editing passages, producing written assignments, and doing focused writing exercises. Students will also learn to develop sound arguments by practicing the art of logical flow. The goal is to help students to produce clear, well-organized, grammatically correct prose.

**LAWD 844: BUSINESS PRINCIPLES (3 credit hours) ONLINE**

This course introduces concepts and documents which are essential to understanding business law. These concepts and documents include basic accounting principles, present value and risk, discounted cash flow analysis, option value, basic financial analytical tools, and basic business financing forms (including trust indentures, shareholder's agreements, and preferred stock terms).

**LAWD 6135: CORPORATE COMPLIANCE & ETHICS I (3 credit hours) ONLINE**

This course increases the focus on specific governing compliance laws and regulations. This course analyzes specific case scenarios and topics ranging from antitrust law, data protection and anti-corruption laws (such as the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act), and export controls. Throughout this course students will discuss the role of a compliance officer and the coordination and integration of counsel and other experts. The course will explore ethical considerations of a compliance program and will emphasize building a culture of compliance in an organization.

**LAWD 6159: CORPORATE COMPLIANCE & ETHICS II (3 credit hours) ONLINE**

This course will build on the foundations of Corporate Compliance & Ethics I and Corporate Regulatory Compliance: Rules & Standards delving deeper into specific regulations that impact corporate compliance programs in diverse industries. Through readings and online discussions, students will be exposed to regulations that affect corporate compliance in varying degrees such as Sarbanes-Oxley, the whistle-blower provisions of the Dodd-Frank Act, anti-bribery/anti-corruption and other issues relating to government investigations. Students will discuss practical issues relating to the development and implementation of corporate compliance programs, with a focus on program assessment, employee engagement, how to prepare for a compliance crisis, and what to do when no one will listen. Ethical issues will be explored, such as privilege and confidentiality and the role of legal counsel versus the compliance officer.

**LAWD 6136: CORPORATE DEVIANCE (3 credit hours) ONLINE**

This course will provide students with a comprehensive examination of the deviant behavior of big business in contemporary society. The course exposes students to the forms and causes of this deviance and the legal and societal responses to such deviance through the use of recent cases brought by individuals, corporations, and the government in specific areas of the law. Each week the students will read, analyze and engage in a guided discussion of corporate deviance cases including cases regarding subprime lending, securities, anti-trust, healthcare, whistleblower, and products liability

**LAWD 6146: CORPORATE REGULATORY COMPLIANCE: RULES & STANDARDS (3 credits) ONLINE**

Corporate compliance is of increasing importance in corporate America. More and more companies are developing and implementing programs to ensure compliance with governing laws and regulations and to promote an environment that fosters compliance and encourages ethical behavior. This course will examine the central principles and statutory and regulatory framework that govern this growing field. We will analyze and discuss topics ranging from Sarbanes-Oxley to export controls, antitrust law, data protection and anti-corruption laws (such as the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act). We will also delve into the whistle-blower provisions of the Dodd-Frank Act, the Federal Sentencing Guidelines and other issues relating to government investigations and dispute resolution. Throughout this course we will discuss practical issues relating to the development and implementation of corporate compliance programs.

**LAWD 6147 RISK MANAGEMENT & AUDITING (3 credits) ONLINE**

This course examines the processes for auditing a company to ensure adherence with the company's compliance programs. During this course, students will learn practical skills in performing risk assessments and audits and the techniques to utilize internal and external auditing tools and resources. Students will be exposed to how to conduct effective audits in order to correct and improve organizational operations through follow-up, monitoring, process change and education. Students will demonstrate the importance of benchmarking and reporting to both internal and external parties, in order to ensure compliance with applicable federal and state laws. Students will also learn best practices to use when responding to external and/or government audits and investigations.

**LAWD 6160: HEALTHCARE REGULATORY COMPLIANCE: RULES AND STANDARDS (3 credit hours) ONLINE**

This course seeks to foster skills needed to assure compliance by hospitals and managed care organizations with governmental regulations and internal corporate policies. Students will learn to identify and respond to circumstances raising regulatory concerns, to navigate and interpret applicable regulatory schemes, draft policies and procedures, and ultimately to create and manage a comprehensive compliance program.

**LAWD 6022: HEALTHCARE COMPLIANCE & ETHICS I (3 credit hours) ONLINE**

This course will focus on the fundamental federal regulations that impact healthcare professionals and organizations. This course will focus on the regulations that are essential to compliance in the healthcare industry, including, but not limited to, fraud and abuse laws and the Affordable Care Act. The course materials will allow students to test their knowledge and understanding with exercises designed to provide practical application. Students will be required to demonstrate an ability to interpret and analyze regulations to address arising compliance issues in a variety of health care settings.

**LAWD 6161: HEALTHCARE COMPLIANCE & ETHICS II (3 credit hours) ONLINE**

This course will build upon the fundamental knowledge students gained in the first part of the course by focusing on regulations that, while not specific to the healthcare industry, have equal impact on healthcare professionals and organizations. Additionally, this course will address the competing interests of federal and state regulations, as well as the underlying corporate ethics principles that must be adhered to. Finally, students will learn the core elements of developing an effective compliance program. Students will be required to demonstrate an ability to interpret and analyze regulations to address arising compliance issues in a variety of healthcare settings.

**LAWD 6148: HEALTHCARE BUSINESS TRANSACTIONS (3 credits) ONLINE.**

This course provides a beginning to end picture of how Healthcare Law Compliance impacts the pharmaceutical industry and provides an overview of promotional regulatory oversight, and applicable laws regulating compliance. In addition, the course will explore the various business transactions that are encountered within the healthcare arena with heightened focus on the pharmaceutical industry. Students will receive and review potential issues related to in-house compliance and learn how to develop an effective compliance program. The course will incorporate hands-on learning throughout the curriculum and students will be exposed to current industry related issues and experience ways to resolve such issues via assignments geared towards developing essential practical skills such as: risk assessment, mitigation plans, interviewing skills, project management and program development.

**LAWD 709: HEALTHCARE QUALITY & LIABILITY (3 credits) ONLINE**

This course provides an introduction and overview to the study of health law. The course is divided into three parts. Part I looks at quality in health care: how to measure it and how to improve it. Physician licensing, malpractice litigation, and new government initiatives to lower the rate of error in medicine will be considered. Part II looks at how society can promote access to health care, what the goals of a health care system should be, and introduces federal programs such as Medicare and Medicaid. Part III looks at the economics of health care in an introductory way, considering the choices available to control costs in a health care system. Part IV then looks at the role of the patient in a health care system: patients' rights to give an informed consent to treatment, to be warned about risks, to have private medical secrets kept secret, to receive quality care, to control the experience of one's own death.

**LAWD 613: INTRODUCTION TO HEALTH LAW & POLICY (3 credit hours) ONLINE**

Students will be introduced to the core basics of American health policy and law. Upon completion of this course, students will understand the broad context of health policy and law, the essential policy and legal issues impacting and flowing out of the health care and public health systems, and the way health policies and laws are formulated. Students will learn to think systematically about these issues and the various methods available to public and private policymakers to solve them.

**LAWD 6163: CAPSTONE FOR CORPORATE: CERTIFICATE IN REGULATORY ANALYSIS & COMPLIANCE (3 credit hours) ONLINE**

This Capstone course is the culminating course/event for all the other courses and content a student has undertaken to achieve the MJ degree or the Graduate Certificate. It is the intent of this course that the student will bring to bear all the learning and knowledge from the previous courses to show competence in the field of Compliance. Specifically, we expect students to submit a comprehensive work, by developing a Compliance Program. In addition, the students will develop fully annotated and professional PowerPoint presentations and record a presentation, which could ultimately be used to present the above content to their Corporate leadership. Students will compile materials for use in a professional portfolio that can be used in employment interviews.

**LAWD 6162: CAPSTONE FOR HEALTH: REGULATORY ANALYSIS & COMPLIANCE (3 credit hours) ONLINE**

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**LAWD 6199 DIGITAL LAW: CYBERSECURITY AND PRIVACY (3 credit hours) ONLINE**

Our global economy, national security, and personal communications depend on the efficient and reliable operation of the Internet and other forms of networked computer systems. Most Internet infrastructure is privately owned and operated. These systems are under constant attack from hackers, organized criminal groups, terrorists and other threats. This course examines the law and policy of foreign and domestic Internet governance, computer crime, online privacy and personal data protection, private infrastructure and the Law of Emergencies.

**LAWD 6209: FRAUD EXAMINATION (3 credits) ONLINE**

This course will provide a comprehensive examination of situations in which corporations have engaged in deviant behavior and means by which legal and compliance professionals can promote corporate responsibility. Topics include where white-collar crimes occur, as in by workers sales-oriented systems, crimes in the health care system, crimes by criminal justice

professionals and politicians, crimes in the educational system, crimes in the economic and technological systems, crimes by employees in the housing industry, corporate crime, environmental crime, explanations of white-collar crime, the police and court responses to white collar crime. This course provides the student with anti-fraud knowledge and training. Students will be introduced to the practical methods involved with fraud examination, such as performing internal investigations, how to spot internal fraud, detecting financial statement fraud, examining the inside of the fraudster's mind, determining asset misappropriation, performing a fraud examination, seeing the inside of a fraud trial, locating hidden assets during the punishment phase, and tips for an effective compliance policy to be in place for crime prevention and mitigation.

**LAWD 6202 GLOBAL ECONOMIC CRIMES & ILLICIT FINANCE (3 credit hours)  
ONLINE**

This course will examine the transformation of the illicit economy and its various effects. Students will explore the definitions of illicit trade and illicit financial flows as well as their inter-relationship, the scale of these problems, their drivers, and the socio-economic impacts and other consequences of these phenomena. Students will also discuss ways in which to respond to and address these increasing challenges. Throughout the course, current and emerging issues and trends will be highlighted. Students will learn about the enablers and facilitators of these threats. Finally, some of the approaches and measures taken at both the national and international levels will be examined, including the policies and legislation needed to address it.