# SIU School of Law
## COURSE AND CREDIT HOUR REQUIREMENT CHECKLIST

### For Students that matriculated August 2017 and AFTER

#### REQUIRED COURSES:
All required course work must be passed with a minimum grade of 1.8

**FIRST YEAR:**
- **Fall**
  - LAW 501A: Professionalism and the Law I (0.5 Cr. Hrs.)
  - LAW 502: Torts (4 Cr. Hrs.)
  - LAW 503A: Lawyering Skills I (3 Cr. Hrs.)
  - LAW 511: Contracts I (3 Cr. Hrs.)
  - LAW 516: Criminal Law (3 Cr. Hrs.)
  - LAW 522: Property I (3 Cr. Hrs.)

- **Spring**
  - LAW 501B: Professionalism and the Law II (0.5 Cr. Hrs.)
  - LAW 505: Civil Procedure I (3 Cr. Hrs.)
  - LAW 512: Contracts II (3 Cr. Hrs.)
  - LAW 513A: Legislative and Administrative Process (3 Cr. Hrs.)
  - LAW 523: Property II (3 Cr. Hrs.)

**SECOND YEAR:**
- **Cr. Hrs.:**
  - LAW 509: Constitutional Law (4 Cr. Hrs.)
  - LAW 535: Civil Procedure II (3 Cr. Hrs.)
  - LAW 536: Evidence (4 Cr. Hrs.)
  - LAW 580: Legal Profession (3 Cr. Hrs.)

**THIRD YEAR:** (one of the following)
- **Cr. Hrs.:**
  - LAW 509: Constitutional Law (4 Cr. Hrs.)
  - LAW 535: Civil Procedure II (3 Cr. Hrs.)
  - LAW 536: Evidence (4 Cr. Hrs.)
  - LAW 580: Legal Profession (3 Cr. Hrs.)

### INTENSIVE BAR PREPARATION COURSES:
Students with a cumulative GPA below 2.900 at the end of the first year must take the Intensive Bar Preparation Courses.

- These courses must be passed with a minimum grade of 1.8.
- These courses may not be taken for Limited S/U grading at Instructor's Option.

**INTENSIVE BAR PREPARATION MENU:**
- **Cr. Hrs.:**
  - LAW 517A: Introduction to Commercial Law (4 Cr. Hrs.)
  - LAW 531: Trusts & Estates (3 or 4 Cr. Hrs.)

**ACADEMIC ADVISING MENU COURSES:**
Academic Advising Menu graded courses must be passed with a minimum grade of 1.8 to satisfy menu requirements.

- These courses may not be taken for Limited S/U grading at Instructor's Option.
- These courses may be taken during second or third year.

**ACADEMIC ADVISING MENU (SUBSTANCE):**
- **Cr. Hrs.:**
  - LAW 517A: Introduction to Commercial Law (4 Cr. Hrs.)
  - LAW 524: Advanced Real Estate Transactions (3 Cr. Hrs.)
  - LAW 525: Federal Income Tax (3 or 4 Cr. Hrs.)
  - LAW 527: Agency & Partnership (2 or 3 Cr. Hrs.)
  - LAW 528: Corporations (3 Cr. Hrs.)
  - LAW 529: Criminal Procedure: Pre-Trial (3 Cr. Hrs.)
  - LAW 531: Trusts & Estates (3 or 4 Cr. Hrs.)
  - LAW 533: Administrative Law (3 Cr. Hrs.)

**ACADEMIC ADVISING MENU (EXPERIENTIAL EDUCATION):**
- **Cr. Hrs.:**
  - LAW 517A: Introduction to Commercial Law (4 Cr. Hrs.)
  - LAW 524: Advanced Real Estate Transactions (3 Cr. Hrs.)
  - LAW 525: Federal Income Tax (3 or 4 Cr. Hrs.)
  - LAW 527: Agency & Partnership (2 or 3 Cr. Hrs.)
  - LAW 528: Corporations (3 Cr. Hrs.)
  - LAW 529: Criminal Procedure: Pre-Trial (3 Cr. Hrs.)
  - LAW 531: Trusts & Estates (3 or 4 Cr. Hrs.)
  - LAW 533: Administrative Law (3 Cr. Hrs.)
  - LAW 521: Pre-Trial Advocacy (3 Cr. Hrs.)
  - LAW 526: Basic Estate Planning (3 Cr. Hrs.)
  - LAW 537: Trial Advocacy (3 Cr. Hrs.)
  - LAW 539: Introduction to Transactional Skills (3 Cr. Hrs.)
  - LAW 559: International Business Transactions (3 Cr. Hrs.)
  - LAW 570: Client Interviewing and Counseling (2 or 3 Cr. Hrs.)
  - LAW 586: Business Planning (3 Cr. Hrs.)
  - LAW 587: Law Practice Management (2 or 3 Cr. Hrs.)
  - LAW 589: Mediation Skills (2 or 3 Cr. Hrs.)
  - LAW 607: Workers' Compensation (3 Cr. Hrs.)

### STARTING SU20:
- LAW 607: Workers' Compensation (3 Cr. Hrs.)
## Credit Hour Requirements and Maximums:

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<td><strong>Total credit hours required for JD:</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Maximum credit hours for Legal Clinics:</strong></td>
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<td>(No more than 6 credit hours of any one Legal Clinic per semester, No more than one Legal Clinic per semester or registered anything other than 3 credit hours in any given semester without Faculty Supervisor approval, No more than 6 credit hours of one Legal Clinic over multiple semesters without Clinic Director approval) Legal Clinics include: Civil Practice Clinic, Domestic Violence Clinic, Juvenile Justice Clinic, Veterans' Legal Assistance Program Clinic (STARTING SU20)</td>
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<td><strong>Maximum credit hours for Field Placements:</strong></td>
<td><strong>15</strong></td>
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<td>(No more than 6 credit hours per semester in Judicial Externship or Public Interest Externship, No more than 6 credit hours of any one Judicial or Public Interest Externship over multiple semesters without Faculty Supervisor approval, No more than one Field Placement per semester without Faculty Supervisors approval from all field placements) Field Placements include: Judicial Externship, and Public Interest Externship</td>
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<td><strong>Maximum credit hours of Courses Outside Regularly Scheduled Class Sessions at the law school:</strong></td>
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<td>Courses Outside Regularly Scheduled Class Sessions include but are not limited to: Judicial Externship, Public Interest Externship, Advanced Appellate Moot Court, Mock Trial, Law Journal, Independent Research &amp; Writing, graduate courses taken at SIUC or SIUE</td>
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<td><strong>Maximum credit hours of Distance Education Credits:</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Maximum credit hours for Independent Research &amp; Writing:</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Maximum credit hours for Graduate School courses:</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Maximum credit hours (combined) for Graduate School courses (SIUC &amp; SIUE non-law courses) and Law School Independent Research &amp; Writing:</strong></td>
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<td><strong>JOINT DEGREE STUDENT - Maximum credit hours for Graduate School courses (SIUC &amp; SIUE non-law courses) taken for Law School credit:</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Maximum credit hours for law courses with Limited S/U grading at Instructor's Option</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Maximum credit hours for law courses approved for S/U grading:</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Maximum credit hours for Law Journal:</strong></td>
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## GPA Graduation Requirement:

- **Senior Status Grade Point Average:** (Cumulative GPA in all work completed after becoming a third-year student) 2.300
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Updated: 03/18/2020