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### 2017 -2018 LAW SCHOOL ACADEMIC CALENDAR

The School of Law calendar differs in some respects from the general calendar of Washington University.

#### Fall 2017 Semester [subject to change]

- Classes begin:	Mon, Aug 28
- Last day to add most upper-level classes without faculty approval*:	Sun, Sept 3
- Labor Day	Mon, Sept 4
- Last day to drop most upper-level classes without PW on transcript*:	Sun, Sept 24
- Fall Break:	Sat, Oct 14 - Tue, Oct 17
- Last day to drop most upper-level classes without approval*:	Sun, Oct 22
- SP18 Online registration begins for 3Ls and LL.Ms	Thurs, Nov 16
- SP18 Online registration begins for 2Ls	Fri, Nov 17
- Monday classes meet (Wed classes do not meet)	Wed, Nov 22
- Thanksgiving break:	Thurs, Nov 23 - Sun, Nov 26
- Last day of classes:	Fri, Dec 1
- Final exams:	Mon, Dec 4 - Fri, Dec 15

#### January 2018 Intersession Semester

- Classes begin:	Mon, Jan 8
- Classes end:	Fri, Jan 12

#### Spring 2018 Semester

- Martin Luther King holiday (no classes):	Mon, Jan 15
- Classes begin:	Tues, Jan 16
- Last day to add most upper-level classes without faculty approval*:	Sun, Jan 21
- Last day to drop most upper-level classes without PW on transcript*:	Sun, Feb 11
- Last day to drop most upper-level classes without approval*:	Sun, Mar 11
- Spring break:	Sun, Mar 11 - Sat, Mar 17
- FL16 Online registration begins for 2Ls/LLMs	Wed, April 11
- FL16 Online registration begins for 1Ls	Fri, April 13
- Classes end:	Fri, Apr 20
- Final exams:	Mon, Apr 23 - Fri, May 4
- Commencement:	Fri, May 18

\* unless otherwise specified in the course description, the professor, or the Registrar's Office.

### GENERAL INFORMATION

Courses offered at Washington University School of Law are open to matriculated Washington University law students. Some courses may be open to Washington University upper-level undergraduate and graduate students from other

departments, to non-Washington University law students currently in good standing at an ABA accredited law school, and to practicing attorneys. Openings will be based on space availability, permission of the professor/Dean of Students, the student's school or department (for non-law students), and the Law School's Registrar's Office ([registrar@wulaw.wustl.edu](mailto:registrar@wulaw.wustl.edu)). Any non-Washington University law student registering without permission will be dropped from the class roster. Non-law students must submit a permission form found on the web at <http://law.wustl.edu/registrar/forms/Non-LawStudentTakingLawCourse.pdf>

First year law students are automatically registered for the pre-set first year curriculum. They are notified of their Fall schedule by orientation in August. They are required to attend the January Intersession to take Negotiation, and their Spring schedule typically becomes available near the end of the Fall semester. Upper-level law students pre-register for Clinics/Externships per the clinical program schedule found at <http://law.wustl.edu/clinicaled/pages.aspx?id=7654>.

Exam Period - The Law School has a two week exam period at the end of the Fall and Spring semesters in which all but the first-year courses and a limited number of the upper-level courses (typically the ones with the largest enrollments) have "unscheduled" exams. Exam information can be found at <http://law.wustl.edu/Registrar/index.asp?id=2181>. Most exams are taken using a software that has to be downloaded onto students' laptops (by the students). This occurs well before the start of the exam period. Questions can be directed to the Registrar's Office at [Registrar@wulaw.wustl.edu](mailto:Registrar@wulaw.wustl.edu) or 314-935-4610.

The "grade option" for each course is designated by the Law School. Law students are not given the choice of taking a course for either a grade (grade option of "C") or pass/fail (grade option of "P"). For most courses, professors are required to grade according to a mandatory mean or median. For more information on law school grades, go to <http://law.wustl.edu/Registrar/index.asp?id=2129>. However, students wishing to Audit a course may do with the permission of the professor and the Registrar's Office. Approval forms are found at <http://law.wustl.edu/registrar/forms/AuditCourseForm.pdf>.

Students not in law degree programs may be able to take courses for other grade options, with the Registrar's Office and professor's permission.

Law students may take up to 17 units each semester (with the January Intersession being considered a separate semester, even though students register for it via the Spring semester in WebSTAC). The minimum for full-time status for J.D. students and Exchange Students is 12 units per semester. For LL.M. in U.S. Law, LL.M. in IP/Tech Law, LL.M. in Taxation, LL.M. in Negotiation/Dispute Resolution, Two-year Master of Laws LL.M., Executive LL.M. in U.S. Law, and Master of Legal Studies students, the full-time minimum is 8 units per semester. Full-time students (or students under certain foreign visas) are eligible/required to pay a health fee, and purchase student health insurance, unless they waive out (go to the Student Health Insurance website for more information on this - at <http://shs.wustl.edu>). Part-time students (unless here on certain foreign visas) are not eligible to purchase student health insurance. Visiting students are not eligible to purchase student health insurance.

Most Law School Registrar's Office forms can be found at <http://law.wustl.edu/Registrar/pages.aspx?id=2131>

Note: Students with HOLDS on their accounts (who owe \$100 or more to the University) will not be authorized to register on-line until they have paid their bill. Students must clear up HOLDS before on-line registration by contacting the University department that placed the HOLD. Tuition and financial aid questions should be directed to Elizabeth Walsh, Associate Dean for Student Services, 314-935-5861, [ewalsh@wustl.edu](mailto:ewalsh@wustl.edu), Anheuser-Busch Hall, Room 303. See tuition policy at <http://law.wustl.edu/students/pages.aspx?ID=999>.

### REQUIREMENTS FOR THE J.D. DEGREE

[See full description at <http://law.wustl.edu/academics/pages.aspx?id=178>.]

1) Course Requirements—The candidate for the J.D. degree must complete the following required courses:

A) All first year courses prescribed for the year in which the candidate originally enrolled, including Negotiation during the January Intersession, and one course from each of the following categories: 1. Ethics (E), 2. Seminar (S), and 3. Applied Lawyering/Practical Skills (A).

2) Academic and Residence Credit and Averages—Candidates for the J.D. must:

A) Earn a total of 86 or more units, and  
B) Earn a cumulative point average of at least 3.00 based upon all courses taken, whether or not credit is earned (& earn a yearly GPA of at least 3.00 at the end of the 2<sup>nd</sup> yr), and

C) Complete 6 semesters of residence. In order to obtain residence credit for a semester, a candidate must take a minimum of 12 hours of work and must obtain final credit in a minimum of 10 hours of work. Students do not earn any residency from summer school. [JD students are required to pay a minimum of 6 semesters of full-time tuition - with transfer students being required to pay a minimum of 4 semesters of full-time tuition, and joint degree students being required to pay a minimum of 5 semesters of full-time tuition to the Law School. See tuition policy at <http://law.wustl.edu/students/pages.aspx?ID=999>.]

D) At least 67 units have to be earned by attending "regularly scheduled law school class sessions" or LAW CLASSROOM UNITS (LCUs) - go to <https://law.wustl.edu/academics/documents/docx/67credithours/regularlyscheduledupdate03242015.pdf> to view courses that do and do not count towards this 67 units; and based on all courses taken, whether or not credit is earned. (Stated another way, students who graduate exactly with the required 86 units must not take more than 19 units outside this category).

### REQUIREMENTS FOR ADDITIONAL LAW DEGREES

Information on all Law School degrees at Washington University can be found at <http://law.wustl.edu/academics>.

### Law School Phone Numbers

Admissions	(314) 935-4525
Dean's Office	(314) 935-8598
Financial Aid / Tuition	(314) 935-4605
Registrar's Office	(314) 935-4610
Library	(314) 935-6450

Note: The below information is subject to change and the most up-to-date version of Law School course offerings is found on the web at

<http://law.wustl.edu/Registrar/index.asp?id=2124>

or via WebSTAC (<https://acadinfo.wustl.edu>) by clicking on "Course Listings".