CONSTITUTIONAL AND PUBLIC LAW (CONPUB)

While every effort is made to ensure course lists are accurate, change is inevitable and courses may show alternate program restrictions at the time of scheduling. Courses used to satisfy graduation requirements must be designated as such at the time of registration. Not all courses are offered each year.

CONPUB 500 Constitutional Law (3 Credit Hours) This course will provide an introduction to federal constitutional law and constitutional theory. Topics covered may include, among others, judicial review, federalism, separation of powers, and equal protection and due process of law under the Fourteenth Amendment of the U.S. Constitution.

CONPUB 555 Constitutional Law (Intellectual Property Program) (3 Credit Hours) In this course we will examine the structure of the American Legal system. Topics to be covered include: Foundations of the Legal System, including common law, the U.S Constitution, statutes and codification; Structures of American Law, including legislative, executive and judicial branches.

CONPUB 600 Administrative Law (3 Credit Hours) This course is a general introduction to the legal problems of the administrative process. Topics of study in this section include the constitutional framework within which federal agencies operate, statutory and constitutional constraints on agency procedures, the role of administrative discretion in the development of public policy, and the methods and scope of judicial review of agency decisions. Heavy emphasis is placed throughout on the role of agencies in interpreting statutes and the consequences of that role for the legal and political system. Prerequisite: Constitutional Law. Additional Course Information: Counts toward Appellate Law Concentration, Counts toward Law and Social Policy Concentration, Counts toward Civil Litigation Dispute Res Conc

CONPUB 600S Advanced Administrative Law (2-3 Credit Hours) The seminar will focus on particular interactions of Constitutional and Political components of the Administrative process as they relate to whether notice and hearing are invariably required by administrative agencies or whether they may be truncated or bypassed when traditional requirements of due process arguably place an undue burden on government officials in dangerous or emergency circumstances. Evaluation: Research Paper. Prerequisite: Administrative Law, CONPUB 600.

CONPUB 603 Conflict of Laws (3 Credit Hours) With the growth of the interstate and international economy, conflicts of law arise in a wide range of cases. Events and transactions often implicate the regulatory interests of a variety of different jurisdictions, creating uncertainty about what law applies to a particular case. What’s more, judgments obtained in one jurisdiction may be subject to collateral attack in a second forum. We will explore the many questions that flow from such inter-systemic conflict of law. Prerequisites: none. Recommended courses: Administrative Law. There is no final examination. Students will receive grades based 85% on a paper and 15% on classroom performance. One-, two-, or three-draft paper requirement may be met with the seminar. A course pack of primary and secondary authorities is required for the seminar.

CONPUB 605 Comparative Constitutional Law Seminar (3 Credit Hours) This seminar will provide a comparative perspective on U.S. constitutional law by looking at analogous case law and institutions from other constitutional democracies including the U.K., Germany, France, Japan, India, Canada, South Africa, Australia, Indonesia, South Korea, Brazil, Italy, Israel, and the European Union. Topics will include amendment mechanisms, secession, judicial review, separation of powers, federalism, fundamental rights, equality, freedom of expression, freedom of religion, comparative procedure, property rights and economic liberties, entitlements to government aid, and guarantees of democracy. The course requirements are a ten-page take-home exam essay and a twenty-five page paper. Students who have taken Comparative Constitutional Law (CONPUB 605) may not take this seminar. This class meets the Research Writing Requirement. Additional Course Information: Counts toward Appellate Law Concentration, Satisfies Research Writing degree req

CONPUB 606 Reconstruction Seminar (3 Credit Hours) This seminar will focus on the Reconstruction period (and with it, naturally, the Reconstruction Amendments, along with their historical context, particularly the involvement of Black advocacy in their enactment) and its aftermath. The goal will be to enable students to more fully understand the legacy of that period in our existing constitutional doctrine and politics. Additional Course Information: Satisfies Research Writing degree req

CONPUB 607 Food and Drug Law (2-3 Credit Hours) This seminar will provide an overview of the legal issues associated with the Food and Drug Administration’s regulation of drugs and medical devices, foods, cosmetics, and tobacco products. We will explore the most significant doctrinal and public health challenges confronting the agency and its key stakeholders, with an emphasis on the FDA’s history of interpreting its statutory authorities creatively to meet emerging public health challenges. Controversial questions of institutional competency and authority will be considered through examples involving the evolution of biopharmaceutical manufacturers’ efforts to communicate about the value of their products with physicians and payors; the FDA’s increasing role in regulating clinical decision making to manage the risks of medical product use; and the explosion in precision medicine and the corresponding FDA initiative to assure the availability of quality diagnostic tests to support therapy selection. Students will gain familiarity with core principles of constitutional and administrative law through the examination of recent litigation proceedings involving challenges to the extent of the FDA’s authority under its principal enabling statute and general statutory limitations applicable to all federal government agencies. The role of the FDA as a constituent part of the Department of Health and Human Services and its relationship to the courts and Congress will also be assessed. The objective of this seminar is to aid students interested in the life sciences in preparing to practice food and drug law, whether for government service or service in private industry, not-for-profit, or health care institutional settings. Recommended courses: Administrative Law. There is no final examination. Students will receive grades based 85% on a paper and 15% on classroom performance. One-, two-, or three-draft paper requirement may be met with the seminar. A course pack of primary and secondary authorities is required for the seminar.

CONPUB 608 Telecommunications (2 Credit Hours) This seminar will take as its general focus Internet policy, touching on infrastructure regulation, intellectual property, antitrust, free speech, and other issues as they are developing in the Internet space. In the first several weeks of the class, I will introduce the broad outlines of recurring problems of Internet Policy. In later weeks, students will lead discussions (in consultation with me, to be sure) on current topics. There are no prerequisites for the seminar, and students need not have any technology or regulation background (although both are of course welcome). All students will write a paper on an Internet regulation topic of their own choosing.
CONPUB 610 First Amendment (3 Credit Hours) On any given day, opening a newspaper or clicking a link means finding a story about the protections of the First Amendment to the United States Constitution. Though these stories involve the most contemporary of controversies - from gossip websites to antiwar speech, from peep shows to cross-burning - they also implicate the most traditional issues regarding the intersection between law and communication in a democratic society: the proper balance between freedom and security, the conflict between societal concerns and individual rights, and the importance of communication to self-governance and personal fulfillment. Free speech, as it turns out, is not merely a right; it is a series of dilemmas. What happens when the individual's desire to communicate conflicts with the concerns of the community, as expressed in legal regulation? What competing values outweigh the value of free expression? Are some types of speech considered more worthy (and more guaranteed) than others? And does freedom of the press connotes a level of protection beyond that meant by freedom of speech? This course will explore the tension between individual expression and societal order, as revealed in legal theory and in the American courts. Specifically, we will examine the First Amendment issues raised by, and legal precedent governing a series of controversies, including: incitement to illegal conduct and political dissent, defamation and loss of reputation, fighting words and hate speech, use of the public forum and symbolic conduct, obscenity and pornography, commercial advertising, and others. Teaching Method: Class Participation, Discussion, Lecture, Readings, Writing Assignments Evaluation Method: Attendance, Class Participation, Final Exam Course Materials: TBA. Additional Course Information: Counts toward Law and Social Policy Concentration, Open to First Year Students

CONPUB 613 Law and Religion (3 Credit Hours) Religious liberty is protected in American law, both by the First Amendment of the Constitution and by statutes such as the federal Religious Freedom Restoration Act. What is the nature of this protection? This class will examine how the law regulates religious activity, constitutional constraints on the support or funding of religious activity, and the treatment of religion in culture-shaping activities such as education. Constitutional and statutory claims for accommodation of religious objections to generally applicable laws, such as antidiscrimination laws and laws requiring employers to provide health insurance benefits such as contraception, will also be examined. We will primarily read Supreme Court decisions, but will also consider historical and theoretical perspectives. Additional Course Information: Counts toward Law and Social Policy Concentration

CONPUB 615 Fourteenth Amendment (3 Credit Hours) Adopted after the U.S. Civil War, the Fourteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution is the source of many rights. When state laws or practices are claimed to violate Due Process or Equal Protection, often it is a reference to the 14th Amendment. This course will consider the historical background of that Amendment and look briefly at its Citizenship and Privileges or Immunities clauses. Due Process, fundamental rights and interests and Equal Protection are major themes. Consideration will be given to discrimination based on gender, sexual orientation, alienage, disability and race. Registration Requirements: Open to all classes, including first year students. Method of Evaluation: Attendance, participation in discussion, role play to argue and/or decide Hypotheticals, open book final exam. Additional Course Information: Counts toward Appellate Law Concentration, Counts toward Law and Social Policy Concentration, Open to First Year Students

CONPUB 616 Abortion Seminar (3 Credit Hours) Abortion raises both legal and moral issues. Questions of individual rights and equality interact, in complex ways, with questions about the boundaries of personhood. The aim of the class is to help students develop an appreciation of the complexity of the issue, and so to develop experience that will help them construct arguments addressing other, similarly complex legal issues. This seminar will survey the legal and philosophical literature and consider their interaction. It will explore three different literatures: the Supreme Court case law, from Roe v. Wade to the present; the academic literature on the constitutional right to abortion; and the philosophical literature. Additional Course Information: Satisfies Research Writing degree req

CONPUB 617 State and Local Government (3 Credit Hours) State & Local Government Law Course Description - Spring Semester 2017: The course is designed for the generalist seeking an understanding of state and local government law. It is a practice-based and practice-oriented course, and will provide an overview of the inner workings of state and local governments (including the land development process) that will benefit any future practitioner who may be encountering such governments in their future practice. The course is taught by two practicing municipal law attorneys at Chicago law firms, who provide real-time experiences of representing, and appearing before, local city councils and village boards. Both previously co-taught this same course with the legendary Northwestern Professor Dawn Clark Netsch. The course explores an essentially structural approach to intergovernmental relations, analyzing the tri-partite distribution of powers both vertically and horizontally--the federal-state-local levels of government and their interrelationship; the legislative-executive-judicial branches of government and their interaction. The course will cover such areas as local government powers, home rule, incorporation and annexation, intergovernmental conflicts (border wars), land use and zoning, state and local finances, economic incentives including tax increment financing (TIF), governmental liability and immunity, and constitutional law affecting government action (including First, Second, and Fifth Amendment topics). There will be an interactive, mock Village Board session where students will have the ability to role play and interact as local government elected officials, developer applicants, and community activists. Evaluation: There will be a final self-scheduled web exam. Grades will be based on the final exam as well as class participation. Teaching method: Lecture and discussion, and interactive sessions. The course is open to second, and third year law students. There are no prerequisites to taking this course. It is not necessary to have studied constitutional law or property law prior to taking this course. A primer on constitutional law will be provided as part of the course materials. Additional Course Information: Counts toward Law and Social Policy Concentration

CONPUB 617S Local Government Law (3 Credit Hours) This course explores the law as it pertains to the most vital form of governance and regulation in America: local governments. Local government is the government closest to the citizen and the one whose decisions affect our lives and property holdings the most. It regulates real estate markets (e.g., land use controls, economic development policies), it taxes, it runs the police, and it delivers other essential services, including education, transportation, and parks. In addition it is the most accessible arena for citizen participation in the political process. The course is thus concerned with the actualities and potentialities of decentralization of power. In accordance, the course focuses on issues such as federal and state control of local decision-making; the different forms of local power recognized in American law; the relationship patterns-competition, cooperation, conflict-between different localities (e.g., cities and suburbs, cities and special districts); the economic and social effects of the reliance on local taxation as a source of funding for local services such as education; the privatized or neighborhood-based alternatives to city-delivered services, regulation, and governance; local debt and bankruptcy; and the ways in which racial and economic divisions fracture American metropolitan areas. The course is open to first, second, and third year
This is an advanced seminar that will bring together outside scholars, CONPUB 629 Colloquium: Constitutional Law (2-3 Credit Hours) students, and Northwestern students for an exchange of views about cutting-edge research on constitutional theory. On six occasions during the semester, a workshop will be held at which a leading scholar will present a paper growing out of his or her research on issues of constitutional law. These workshops will be attended by members of the faculty of the School of Law, faculty from other schools and departments within and without Northwestern, and interested students. On weeks when there is no outside speaker, the seminar will meet to review the previous workshops and to discuss an upcoming paper or papers.

Students are required to write short critiques of each forthcoming paper, which will provide the foundation for seminar discussions and will be shared with the authors in advance of their presentations. Students may complete a longer paper that would likely be a revision of some of the short ones. For students who do so, the course will satisfy the two-draft and three-draft paper requirements. Students who would like to complete the 2 draft requirement and earn one additional credit hour in this course will need to submit a request for approval via the Writing Requirement form on the Registration and Records Registration page to obtain professor permission. The professor may limit the number of drafts allowed in this course. Students may submit this request during open enrollment: August 24-September 23, 2016. Students who would like to complete the 3 draft requirement and earn one additional credit hour in this course will need to submit a request for approval via the Writing Requirement form on the Registration and Records Registration page to obtain professor permission. The professor may limit the number of drafts allowed in this course. Students may submit this request during open enrollment: August 24-September 23, 2016. Evaluation Method: Attendance, reaction papers and classroom discussion.

CONPUB 633 American Indian Law (3 Credit Hours) This course provides an overview of federal Indian law, including the nature and history of the tribal <-> federal legal and political relationship, basic legal definitions within Federal Indian law (such as what is "Indian country"), canons of construction unique to Indian law, tribal sovereignty and its protection, basic questions of federal and state authority within Indian country, and tribal, federal, and state jurisdiction in Indian country according to default rules as well as special statutory regimes. Specific topics for study and analysis include the foundational doctrines of original Indian title; inherent tribal sovereignty; congressional plenary authority over American Indian affairs; and the federal trust duty to protect American Indian lands and rights. These doctrines' impact on the contemporary lives, resources, cultures, and rights of the American Indian peoples will be evaluated within selected legal frameworks. Federal Indian law is of obvious relevance to those students with an interest in our indigenous nations and their populations. Less obvious, however, is the importance of rulings in the field for law more broadly defined. For example, Chief Justice John Marshall's opinions in the so-called Cherokee cases of the early 1800s were foundational in determining the obligation of states to abide by decisions of the Supreme Court. Further, understanding Federal Indian law is crucial for any lawyer who represents a tribe or advises investors whose capital is to be connected, even if only in a tenuous way, with a federally recognized tribe. After covering the foundational material, this course examines in greater depth selected specialized areas such as: civil and criminal jurisdiction within Indian country; missing and murdered indigenous women; environmental law; taxation; cultural and religious freedoms; child welfare law; gaming; economic development; reserved water rights; food sovereignty; cultural sovereignty; and hunting and fishing rights. The areas to be covered will be determined early in the first half of the course.

CONPUB 636 Religion, Politics and the Constitution (2-3 Credit Hours)

CONPUB 637 Law and Education (3 Credit Hours) Class sessions will be devoted both to student presentations of their paper topics.
and to discussion of a variety of currently vexing legal-educational controversies that require lawyers, educators and policy-makers to balance considerations of private and public morality, social costs, the allocation of public resources and the good of individuals. Specific problem areas to be discussed include the legal framework for educating differently-abled students, the amelioration of class and racial inequities throughout public education, the enforcement of K through 12 student discipline, reconciling rights of free speech and free exercise of religion with schools’ institutional needs, public education financing, the regulation of big-time college sports, current controversies regarding sexual assault and harassment on campuses and the role of charter schools. Readings include cases and statutes that establish the foundation for resolving current law and education controversies as well as cases and articles addressing cutting-edge educational issues of major social concern. Grades will be based primarily on the students’ papers, although the quality of class presentations and discussions may also be considered. Additional Course Information: Counts toward Law and Social Policy Concentration

**CONPUB 638 Practicum: Public Interest Law (4 Credit Hours)** This course examines the work of lawyers representing low-income clients in civil cases and engaging in other public interest legal work through experiential and in-class learning. The course will explore practical and ethical issues faced by public interest lawyers and the challenges of enforcing legal rights of low-income clients. In addition to the weekly seminar, students spend 12 hours per week in an approved externship with a non-profit public interest organization doing civil legal work. Students work under the supervision of attorneys in these offices and conduct research, write briefs and memoranda, interview clients and witnesses, participate in community education efforts, and assist attorneys in trial preparation and trial. Students secure their own placement in consultation with the faculty member. Additional Course Information: Satisfies Experiential Learning degree req, Counts toward Law and Social Policy Concentration, Counts toward Civil Litigation Dispute Res Conc, Requires Practicum Placement

**CONPUB 638D Practicum: Public Interest Law (4 Credit Hours)** The goal of this Practicum is to provide students with a theoretical and practical understanding of public interest law practice, broadly defined. The assigned readings cover a variety of topics related to public interest law. Students participate in a weekly seminar where they discuss the readings and their work at the placement agency. In addition, students spend 12 hours per week in a field placement or externship with a non-profit public interest legal organization of their choosing. All second and third year students are eligible to participate in the Public Interest Practicum. Students in the course should begin searching for an appropriate placement at least one month before the semester begins and are expected to have secured a specific externship by the start of class. The professors teaching the course will assist students in finding externships responsive to the student’s interests. Each placement must be approved by the professors teaching the course in the semester for which the placement is secured. This course is a distance course. NOTE the following rules for distance courses: -You may not enroll in more than one distancecourse in any term, including the summer term. -You may earn no more than 12 credits in distance courses towards the JD degree. Additional Course Information: Satisfies Experiential Learning degree req, Requires Practicum Placement

**CONPUB 640 Critical Race Theory (2 Credit Hours)** Critical Race Theory (CRT) examines the role of law in constructing and upholding racial hierarchy. While rejecting the notion of race as a biologically fixed trait, CRT focuses instead on race as a social construction, maintained and regulated by and through law. This seminar explores the origins and theoretical foundations of CRT in legal scholarship and examines its current applications to pressing legal issues and social justice concerns.

**CONPUB 641 The Not for Profit Institution: Issues of Law and Governance (3 Credit Hours)** Not for Profit Institutions are a large and vital part of the United States economy and an important part of Chicago civic life. These institutions include: hospitals, theatres, museums, groups such as the Catholic Church and the American Civil Liberties Union, the MacArthur Foundation, the Obama Presidential Library. The class will invite leaders and members of the governance structure of Chicago not for profit institutions to meet with us and discuss issues and problems. Students will write and revise two drafts of a research paper, to be discussed in class, on an approved, relevant topic under the close supervision of the instructor. Final papers will be due the last day of examinations and distributed to class guests and members of the law school community. Enrollment limited to 20. Note: This course was previously offered as: Not for Profit Institutions. Note: This class satisfies the two draft writing requirement. Please note this class does not satisfy the three draft writing requirement. Additional Course Information: Counts toward Law and Social Policy Concentration

**CONPUB 642 Critical Theory/Critical Lawyering (3 Credit Hours)** This course introduces students to important strands of contemporary legal theory. Focused on various critical legal theories, students will be introduced to different ways of thinking about law, legal problems, legal subjects, and legal solutions from the perspective of a range of theoretical and practical concerns. Among other things, materials in the course engage questions about law’s objectivity and its determinacy, as well as about rights, equality, justice, democracy, progress, evolution, and retraction, as well as some different abolition projects. Readings throughout the semester will foreground law’s intersectional relations to, among other things, race, ethnicity, national origin, class, gender, sexuality, and trans identity, sometimes at moments of conflict and divergence. Additional Course Information: Satisfies Research Writing degree req

**CONPUB 644 Legislation (3 Credit Hours)** Statutes have increasingly replaced common law court decisions as the principal expression of public policy and the dominant source of law in the United States. Reflecting this development, many upper level courses are heavily oriented toward fields of statute-based law. The emphasis in most of these courses, however, is necessarily on the law and policy of a particular substantive area, not on legislation as such. This course lays the groundwork for the study and practice of statutory law in all substantive areas by exploring some of the major theories, techniques, and issues of modern legislation and statutory interpretation. The course is designed to be both practical and theoretical. It will introduce basic principles of close textual analysis and substantive and semantic canons of construction. It will orient students to the legislative process that produces statutes and will examine the major theories of the legislative process in a democracy. The course will also explore the relevance and weight of legislative history and provide an introduction to the relationships between statutes and judicial and executive decisions. Registration Requirements: Open to 1Ls Evaluation Method: Final Examination and Class Participation. Additional Course Information:
Counts toward Appellate Law Concentration, Counts toward Law and Social Policy Concentration, Open to First Year Students

**CONPUB 645 Law and Social Change (3 Credit Hours)** This course is an examination of the relationship between legal institutions (primarily the courts) and social change in United States. Emphasis is given to "litigation campaigns," which seek to use the courts to bring about social change. The substantive areas used to illustrate these relationships include several in which there have been substantial legal and social change in the recent past, such as race, gender, and sexual orientation. Additional Course Information: Counts toward Appellate Law Concentration, Counts toward Law and Social Policy Concentration, Open to First Year Students

**CONPUB 646 Empirical Study of the Judicial System (2-3 Credit Hours)** This course will focus on empirical and theoretical studies of the judicial process. Our goal is to expand our understanding of how the legal system works by considering its processes from an interdisciplinary and multifaceted perspective while at the same time challenging each other and ourselves to think about the nature of these processes. We will do so by studying positive theories and methodologies from political science to understand judicial behavior and to consider the implications of such evidence for normative theory. Text: The readings for this course will be drawn from articles published in law reviews and political science journals. A photocopied reader will be available from the copy center. Evaluation: Every student must make a class presentation and write a 30-page research paper to receive credit for this course. There is no final examination. This course will be graded based on class participation (30% of course grade), 30-page research paper (55% of course grade), and class participation (15% of course grade). Class Presentations: Each student enrolled in the course will be required to make an in-class presentation and to lead class discussion on the topic assigned for that class period. Students may work in pairs. Research paper: Each student enrolled in the course will be required to write an independently-researched and -written 30-page research paper that includes original work on an approved topic. The paper must be at least 30 pages long. We will discuss the specifics of writing an empirical paper over several class periods. There will be four deadlines connected to the paper: a research proposal, a progress report and draft outline, a first draft, and a final paper. Students will discuss their papers and elicit comments from classmates during one of three classes set aside for that purpose.

**CONPUB 647 Practicum: Judicial (4 Credit Hours)** This course will increase students' understanding of the federal judiciary through observation of courtroom proceedings, participation in judicial decision making, and academic examinations of issues facing the judiciary. In addition to the weekly seminar, students work 12 to 15 hours a week in approved externships for federal judges and select state court judges in the Chicago area. Working under the close supervision of the judges and their law clerks, students conduct legal research and draft memoranda and opinions. Students also observe a variety of court proceedings. Students participate in a weekly seminar to discuss their observations and various readings relating to the judiciary. Seminar topics may include: opinion drafting, judicial selection, judicial ethics, the role of ideology in decision-making, technology in the courtroom, and discretion in sentencing. Students maintain reflective journals about their field placement experiences, class discussions and readings, and weekly assigned topics. Students also make a substantive presentation to the class on a topic approved by the Professor that relates to the judiciary. The externship must start no later than the first week of June and last for a minimum of six weeks contemporaneous with the seminar, but ideally eight weeks or longer. Students must be doing legal work, including legal research and drafting. The class will begin in late May and meet weekly through the end of July. Students must get the Professor's permission to enroll in the class once they have accepted an externship with a federal or state court judge. Some state court externships may not satisfy the course requirements, so students should consult with the professor before accepting a state court externship. Students may not receive any payment for the externship. Students may take the Judicial Practicum only once; students who have previously taken the Judicial Practicum may not enroll. Additional Course Information: Satisfies Experiential Learning degree req, Counts toward Law and Social Policy Concentration, Requires Practicum Placement

**CONPUB 647S Practicum: Judicial (4 Credit Hours)** The goal of this Practicum is to provide students with a solid understanding of the courts and various aspects of judicial decision-making. Students work a minimum of 180 hours over the summer in approved externships for federal judges and select state court judges in the Chicago area. Students who have accepted a state court externship must enroll in the class before accepting a state court externship. Students may not receive any payment for the externship. Students who have previously taken the Judicial Practicum may not enroll. Additional Course Information: Satisfies Experiential Learning degree req, Counts toward Law and Social Policy Concentration, Requires Practicum Placement

**CONPUB 650 Federal Jurisdiction (3 Credit Hours)** This course examines the role and responsibilities of the federal courts in this country's system of government. Particular attention is paid to the structural principles of separation of powers and federalism. Topics to be considered include the origins and functions of the federal judiciary, the justiciability doctrines of standing, ripeness, and mootness; congressional power to control the jurisdiction of the federal
court; legislative courts; state courts and federal power; the various sources of federal jurisdiction; federal common law; state sovereign immunity; the various abstention doctrines; and the role of the Supreme Court. Additional Course Information: Counts toward Appellate Law Concentration, Counts toward Law and Social Policy Concentration, Counts toward Civil Litigation Dispute Res Conc

CONPUB 651 Feminist Jurisprudence (3 Credit Hours) This course examines feminist legal theory in an effort to: (i) analyze how the law constructs gender; and (ii) apply the theory to various substantive areas of law and social policy. Among the topics covered are rape, prostitution, pornography, intimate and familial relationships, wealth distribution, the workplace, reproductive rights, and regulation of sexuality. Additional Course Information: Counts toward Law and Social Policy Concentration, Satisfies Research Writing degree req

CONPUB 656 Practicum: Civil Government (4 Credit Hours) This course will examine legal representation in a civil government setting and will consist of both a classroom component and a field work component. Students will spend 12 hours per week in a field placement at a government agency involving civil law, such as the Illinois Attorney General's office, the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, the Federal Trade Commission etc. In addition to this externship, the class meets weekly in a seminar-length classroom session. Students will be required to keep a journal on their field placement. Readings and discussions will focus on important issues in civil government legal practice. PRE-REQUISITES/RESTRICTIONS: Students are required to secure their own placements. Additional Course Information: Satisfies Experiential Learning degree req, Counts toward Law and Social Policy Concentration, Requires Practicum Placement

CONPUB 660 Immigration Law (3 Credit Hours) This course surveys immigration and citizenship law in the United States. The core issues at stake in this course -the boundaries of political membership and the systems for managing migrant populations-play a significant role in many areas of the law and present fundamental challenges to the United States in the twenty-first century. We will examine the entry, presence, expulsion, and naturalization of noncitizens, as well as the content and significance of U.S. citizenship and nationality, from a variety of perspectives: historical and contemporary; procedural and substantive; constitutional, statutory, and regulatory. Specific topics will include the plenary power over immigration; the interaction between immigration and federalism; the constitutional rights of noncitizens; the criteria for the admission of noncitizens on a temporary or permanent basis; the grounds for exclusion and deportation; the rules governing adjustment of status; and the ongoing political debates surrounding immigration reform. Throughout the course, we will consider the major theoretical questions underlying immigration law. What are the different ways of defining citizenship? What defines membership in a political community? How should the rights of citizens and non-citizens differ, if at all? Should our conceptions of citizenship and membership change in an age of substantial migration and globalization? When is it appropriate to force non-citizens to leave the United States? Are there any moral constraints on the state’s interest in controlling its borders? How does immigration law intersect with the United States’s role/power in the world? Additional Course Information: Counts toward Law and Social Policy Concentration, Open to First Year Students

CONPUB 661 Election Law (3 Credit Hours) This course provides an introduction to the law of the democratic political process. We will cover a wide range of topics, including the right to vote, campaign finance law, reapportionment and redistricting, the Voting Rights Act, partisan gerrymandering, the law of political parties, and election administration. The course examines the principles underlying the design of our political institutions and legal frameworks, as well as the practical implications of those choices, drawing on political science and modern politics.

CONPUB 664 Animal and Food Law and Policy Seminar (3 Credit Hours) This seminar addressing a range of issues affecting animals in several areas of law, including tort law, criminal law, constitutional law, and administrative law. The class covers household pets, animals used in research, farm animals, and wildlife. In addition, the seminar will cover food safety, biotechnology/genetic engineering of both plants and animals, and food labeling and marketing. Grading will be based on class participation and a final paper. Additional Course Information: Satisfies Research Writing degree req

CONPUB 665 Regulated Industries (3 Credit Hours)

CONPUB 667 Colloquium: Law and Society (2 Credit Hours)

CONPUB 668 Current Issues in Chinese Law (2-3 Credit Hours) China's efforts to build a legal system represent the most extensive such undertaking in world history. Over the past quarter century, the number of lawyers in China has grown from 3000 (most with a Soviet-style education) to more than 250,000 today. Similar growth has taken place in the court system, the legislative process, legal education, and many other areas of the legal system. These efforts raise fundamental questions not only about a country that represents one-fifth of the world's population, but also about the very role of law itself. This seminar aims to introduce students to the most pressing legal issues facing China today, and to do so through a comparative lens. We will take stock of some of the best and most recent Western scholarship—much of it empirical and interdisciplinary—as we consider core themes in Chinese law. Our focus will be on the legacy of Confucian and Legalist thought, the powers and independence of judges and courts, the right to counsel, police interrogation and investigation, land policy and its discontents, environmental law and protests, the rise of rights consciousness, and the relationship between economic growth and a legal order that secures both property and contract rights. Students who would like to complete the 2 draft OR 3 draft writing requirement and earn one additional credit hour in this course will be able to self-enroll in the associated LAWRT 602 or 603 section (cannot enroll in both) during open enrollment January 3, 2017-February 3, 2017. 2 draft class #:33108 3 draft class #:33109 Evaluation: The grade for the course will be based on a scholarly research paper, short reaction papers, and class participation. Teaching Method: Some lecture and discussion. Guest speakers. Prerequisites: None. Chinese students are also invited to join the course. Text: Reading materials assigned by professor in class **Note: This course was previously offered as Comparative Law: China.

CONPUB 669 Contemporary Supreme Court Cases (2 Credit Hours) Course description This course examines Supreme Court cases as they are pending before the Court, as well as new cases that come down during the Term. The aim of the course is to provide an insight into the range of issues that the Supreme Court faces in any given year, and an opportunity to study in depth topics that we may be unfamiliar with. It will also allow us to examine the process by which Supreme Court cases take form, the political-legal context of cases, and the impact of litigator advocacy before the Court. Classes Each week, we will examine in detail two cases that the Court is considering in the current Term. Rather than extensive reading, we will listen to oral arguments and read some relevant contemporary commentary. Students will have input into which cases we examine—we will decide on a list of cases in the first meeting (see below). We will attempt to choose cases of interest and/or importance that represent the breadth of the Supreme Court’s docket. Students will also have input into the content of our readings. Assessment Assessment will consist of: a. class organization and presentation (30%); b. general class participation (20%); and c. a final short paper (50%).
ConPUB 670 Ideas of the First Amendment (3 Credit Hours)  Freedom of the mind. The marketplace of ideas. The right of the people to criticize their representatives. These are abstract ideas, but they play a powerful role in shaping contemporary First Amendment law. This course, an introductory study of the First Amendment, differs from most such courses (including those previously taught by this instructor) by focusing on the germinal writings on freedom of speech in the Anglo-American tradition, and examining the implications of those writings for the most important doctrinal questions. Instead of attempting to cover the details of the doctrinal subcategories generated by the Court, this class will closely read the writings of John Milton, James Madison, John Stuart Mill, Learned Hand, Oliver Wendell Holmes, Louis Brandeis, and Alexander Meiklejohn, examining modern case law primarily as a way of testing those ideas. The course focuses, in short, on the roots rather than the branches of modern First Amendment doctrine. Additional Course Information: Counts toward Appellate Law Concentration, Counts toward Law and Social Policy Concentration

ConPUB 673 The U.S. Supreme Court (3 Credit Hours)  This course is designed to introduce students to the state of the art in legal and social-scientific work on the U.S. Supreme Court and to help them translate the research in ways that will be useful for the practice of law. Topics include appointments to the Court; the internal deliberative processes of the justices in reaching their decisions; relations between and among the Court and the elected branches of government; the role of law clerks, interest groups, and attorneys; and the impact of judicial decisions. An important goal of the course is to consider how an external perspective from social-scientific studies of the Court can help us to understand the law and the art of lawyering. Teaching and Evaluation Methods: -Class Participation: Attendance and participation are required and make up 20% of your grade. -Writing Assignments: Two short essays each worth 20% of final grade, and one final essay (approx. 10 pp.) worth 40% of the final grade. Course Materials: Segal, Jeffrey A., Harold J. Spaeth and Sara C. Benesh. 2005. The Supreme Court in the American Legal System. Cambridge University Press. ISBN 0521780381, 9780521780384 Epstein, Lee and Jeffrey Segal. 2005. Advice and Consent: The Politics of Judicial Appointment. Oxford University Press. ISBN 0195300211, 9780195300215 Baird, Vanessa A. 2007. Answering the Call of the Court: How Justices and Litigants Set the Supreme Court Agenda. Charlottesville: University of Virginia Press. ISBN 0813925827, 9780813925820 Epstein, Lee and Jack Knight. 1998. The Choices Justices Make. Congressional Quarterly Press. ISBN 1568022263, 9781568022260 Rosenberg, Gerald N. 1991. The Hollow Hope: Can Courts Bring About Social Change? University of Chicago Press. (or the newer edition that the bookstore has available). ISBN 0226726711, 9780226726717.

ConPUB 676 Practicum: Media Law and Government Transparency (4 Credit Hours)  This joint practicum between Pritzker School of Law and Medill School of Journalism aims to advance the public’s right of access to information, hold institutions accountable, and defend free speech and press freedom. Through externships (provided by faculty) in the legal departments of news organizations, non-profits, and press advocacy groups, students will learn how to research and prepare access requests and related work, and to provide research and support on legal or policy matters related to investigative and accountability issues in the public interest, supporting journalists and newsrooms. Students will deepen their understanding of the subject-matter, share their experiences working on outside projects, and discuss the legal and ethical issues that arise in the practice area. Students will be introduced to the major transparency laws and other topics related to the relevant casework. Additional Course Information: Satisfies Experiential Learning degree req

ConPUB 680 Sexual Orientation and the Law (2-3 Credit Hours)  This seminar examines the treatment of sexual orientation and related questions of sexuality and gender in the U.S. legal system. Particular attention will be paid to first amendment and equal protection jurisprudence and theory (including anti-gay ballot initiatives, public workplace issues, the rights of students, and the purported tension between equality and religious freedom); rights of intimate association and efforts to define, limit or expand family and parental rights (including equal marriage rights); and legal efforts to define and distinguish sex, gender, sexual acts and sexual identity (including sodomy law challenges and the impact of Bowers v. Hardwick and Lawrence v. Texas). Students will be required to complete an advocacy brief, 20-25 pages (double-spaced) in length, on a topic selected from a list provided by the instructors. The brief will address one or more of the legal concepts discussed in class and in the assigned readings. The brief should reflect additional legal and/or policy research. Students will be required to present a summary of their brief to the class. Class attendance, participation in class discussion and presentations of advocacy briefs will influence final grades. Required Course Materials: Sexuality, Gender, and the Law, Third Edition, by William Eskridge and Nan Hunter, Foundation Press 2011. ISBN: 978-1-59941-412-6. Additional required materials may be assigned and will be distributed to students. Suggested reading materials may be identified to assist students in the preparation of their required writing assignments.

ConPUB 682 Women, Gender and Human Rights (3 Credit Hours)  This seminar will examine the treatment in international human rights law of issues relating to women and gender. Topics to be covered include, among others: gender-based violence; family and reproductive rights; gender identity rights; militarized and institutionalized sexual violence; and discrimination on the basis of sex, sexual orientation and gender identity. We will focus close attention on the relevant treaties and related instruments, as well as on the practice and jurisprudence of international courts. Examples will also be drawn from domestic legislation and decisions of national courts, particularly under US law. Additional Course Information: Counts toward Law and Social Policy Concentration, Satisfies Research Writing degree req

ConPUB 685 International Criminal Law in U.S. Courts (2 Credit Hours)  In a shrinking world, crime increasingly knows no borders. This two-credit hour seminar explores U.S. criminal prosecutions of crimes committed abroad. A discussion of the jurisdictional and venue requirements for overseas crimes segues into the crimes themselves: piracy, cybercrime, international cartels and more. Special attention is paid to increased prosecutions of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act in a global marketplace. The class concludes with discussions of human rights violators and trafficking in persons. This course is formerly known as Special Topics in International Criminal Law. Adjunct Professor Renai Rodney is a Deputy Chief, United States Attorney’s Office, Northern District of Illinois, with extensive experience in the prosecution of narcotics, human trafficking, and public corruption matters.

ConPUB 690 International Law (3 Credit Hours)  This course provides an introduction to public international law. We will begin by discussing the nature and sources of international law. We will then cover topics including the law of treaties; jurisdiction and immunities; international courts and international organizations; and the use of international law in U.S. courts. Later sessions will examine how actors have sought to develop and deploy international law to address contemporary global problems. Additional Course Information: Counts toward Law and Social Policy Concentration, Open to First Year Students

ConPUB 691 International Team Project (4 Credit Hours)  ITP courses are designed to allow greater student involvement in developing the
Curriculum of the course than traditional courses allow. The extent of student control will be at the discretion of the individual faculty teaching these courses but ideally, students will be involved to some extent in suggesting readings, organizing speakers and presentations at NU, choosing and developing topics of study, arranging travel and accommodation logistics and setting up appointments, interviews and meetings in country. Students will be required to work in teams and to produce and present a final team project. Each course will have student leaders who will work closely with the faculty advisor. The number of leaders and responsibilities will vary from course to course. However, some typical leader responsibilities include curriculum development, setting up appointments in Chicago and in country, organizing speakers, arranging travel and accommodations, researching required vaccinations, health issues, and safety issues, overseeing copying and distribution of course materials, etc. Although being a leader involves a little more time and effort, students have found it to be a valuable academic experience (and selling point on their resumes). If you are interested in being a student leader, please contact the faculty advisor of the country you are interested in studying to learn more details. For additional information about ITP, please visit: http://www.law.northwestern.edu/academics/curricular-offerings/international/itp/

CONPUB 692 Children’s Rights (2-3 Credit Hours) This course intends to inform students about the Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC), its contents, its implementation and monitoring. The CRC is so far the most successful Human Rights instrument in terms of its Ratification. Approved by the General Assembly of the UN on November 1989 it entered into force within a year after that (September 1990) and is now ratified by all States members of the UN with two exceptions: Somalia and the USA. Some International issues in the field of children=s rights will be used to illustrate the importance of the CRC: Child Labour (including discussions of a new ILO Convention to be approved in June 1999); Children in War (including discussions of the additional protocol now in the drafting process concerning Art. 38 of the CRC); Child Sexual Exploitation (including the discussion of a draft optional protocol). Finally and depending on the students’ interest, class hours will be used to present and discuss either international standards on juvenile justice (Art. 40 and 37 CRC plus the so-called Beijing Rules) or international adoption (including the New Hague Convention of 1993). Research paper.

CONPUB 693 International Agreements (3 Credit Hours)

CONPUB 694 International Human Rights Law (3 Credit Hours) Examination of the historical forces and movements that supported the development of the legal regimes and political practices promoting human rights at the international level and in depth considerations of aspects of those regimes and practices. Additional Course Information: Counts toward Law and Social Policy Concentration

CONPUB 695 International Criminal Law (3 Credit Hours) This course provides an introduction to international criminal law as it pertains to the Nuremberg and Tokyo military tribunals and the contemporary international and hybrid criminal tribunals, including the International Criminal Court, the International Tribunals for the former Yugoslavia and Rwanda (and their successor, the Mechanism for International Criminal Tribunals), the Special Court for Sierra Leone, the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia, and the Special Tribunal for Lebanon. Students study the sources and evolving definitions of the atrocity crimes of genocide, crimes against humanity, war crimes, and aggression, as well as the creation, jurisprudence, and modes of participation of the tribunals. Additional Course Information: Open to First Year Students

CONPUB 696N The Law and Politics of Foreign Relations (2-3 Credit Hours) The substantive focus of this seminar is on the role of law and politics in explaining the division of foreign affairs and national security powers among the legislative, executive, and judicial branches in the American constitutional system. Special attention will be given to political explanations for the division of foreign affairs powers and how these political explanations fit (or do not fit) the constitutional design. Discussion will focus on the division of the international trade and war powers authority between the President and Congress. We will intersperse the core seminar readings with some readings from the political science literature. Evaluation: Research Paper. May also require three short (two-three page) response papers over the semester. Attendance and participation will be considered in determining the final grade. Text: There will be one required text for the class and other materials that will be posted on Blackboard. Curtis A. Bradley and Jack L. Goldsmith, Foreign Relations Law: Cases & Materials, Fourth Edition (Aspen Casebook)

CONPUB 697 Globalization and the Legal Profession (3 Credit Hours) In this seminar, we examine the intersection of globalization and the legal profession. Our focus is on whether and in what ways global forces influence lawyers, legal institutions (including law firms and other practice organizations, and law schools, for example) and law itself, and vice versa. We begin the semester by considering the nature of professions and what is encompassed by the notion of globalization in order to provide context and framework; this includes considering the way that various processes, such as regulation and legal education, reinforce the definition and boundaries of the legal profession. During the term, we also will explore themes of (i) mobility; (ii) the role of organizations in lawyers’ work (and the related issues of independence and employment); (iii) the rise of global standards and norms affecting lawyers and law firms such as pro bono; (iv) new competition relating to non-lawyer ownership, litigation funding, accounting firms providing legal services, and the growth of corporate legal departments; and (v) legal education and the production of lawyers. Each of these themes will be explored through the lens of particular countries, including the United States, China, South Korea, Japan, India, the UK, Germany, South Africa and Brazil, among others. Throughout the semester, we will consider regulatory approaches taken by various jurisdictions. Readings, comprised of current news sources, scholarly articles and book chapters, will be made available to students through Canvas. Students will be evaluated on the basis of a combination of the following: (i) research paper, (ii) interview project, (iii) final presentation of research paper and (iv) class participation. This class meets the Research Writing requirement. Additional Course Information: Satisfies Research Writing degree req

CONPUB 698 Refugees and Asylum (2 Credit Hours) The seminar concentrates on the U.S. statutory definition of refugee which forms the basis for asylum. That definition is based upon the 1951 United Nations Convention Relating to the Status of Refugees and the 1967 United Nations Protocol to which over 140 countries are signatories. While most governing standards apply globally, cases considered are from the U.S. In addition to qualifications for refugee status and asylum, consideration will be given to exclusions from and alternatives to asylum. Additional Course Information: Counts toward Law and Social Policy Concentration

CONPUB 700 Nation Building: International Human Rights in Transitional Societies (3 Credit Hours) This seminar course will explore the nation building elements that must be in place in a state emerging from a period of state oppression or armed conflict in order for that state to become a society where human rights are respected. In the course we will examine the concepts of international human rights, democracy, rule of law, constitutionalism, self-determination, civil society, gender justice and minority rights, and the role these factors play, individually and in combination, in creating and maintaining an emergent society that respects international human rights. We will consider the role of a
An international externship is available only to J.D. candidates and consists of an externship with an approved international or foreign court or organization combined with a research paper and faculty supervision. The approved institutions are the International Criminal Court, the International Tribunals for the Former Yugoslavia and Rwanda, the Special Court for Sierra Leone, the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia, the War Crimes and Organized Crimes Chambers of the Court of Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Supreme Court of Israel, the Supreme Court of India, and the U.N. High Commissioner for Human Rights. Students may earn a total of 12 credits for a four to six month Fall or Spring externship during the third, fourth, or fifth semester of schooling that also requires submission of a three-draft 40-page research paper and faculty supervision. Students may earn a total of 4 credits for a minimum 10-week Summer externship during either of their law school summers that also requires submission of a two-draft 25-page paper and faculty supervision. No student who has earned credit in a practicum, International Team Project, or senior research may earn credit for a Fall of Spring Semester international externship, and no student who is earning or has earned credit in a Fall or Spring international externship may enroll for credit in a practicum, International Team Project, or senior research. Students first must be accepted by the relevant institution before being considered for an international externship for credit, which will entail an evaluation of the student’s overall academic performance to date (including grade point average) and whether, in the judgment of the school, the student is well positioned to take advantage of the international externship and perform well both at the institution and in drafting the research paper. The Center for Career Strategy and Advancement has information about applying to the approved institutions, which have deadlines for applications throughout the year. Enrollment is with permission of the professor only.

CONPUB 705A International Externship Field Placement (8 Credit Hours) Additional Course Information: Satisfies Experiential Learning degree req

CONPUB 706 International Law: the Law of War (3 Credit Hours) In this seminar course we will examine the international legal parameters relating to the conduct of war/armed conflict, a topic that is also known under the heading of international humanitarian law. We will consider the application of legal regulation in the context of armed conflict from three perspectives: the lawfulness of a resort to armed force in the first instance; the lawfulness of belligerents’ conduct during armed conflict once it has commenced, and the post conflict legal consequences of forms of criminal misconduct during the conflict. More specifically, we will examine the regulation of various means and methods of warfare (including the choice and use of weapons); the status and treatment of civilians, civilian objects and POWs; the regulation of non-international armed conflicts; the application of the law of war to non-state actors (such as terrorist organizations and corporations); various enforcement mechanisms and the effectiveness thereof; the legal ramifications of belligerent occupation and issues related to the protection of cultural artifacts and the environment during wartime. We will consider the application in armed conflict of several international instruments and the military manuals of selected countries. Throughout the course we will relate the international legal principles to real life situations in places such as Iraq; Afghanistan; Palestine; Libya; Kosovo; Sudan; Syria (and elsewhere in Africa); Columbia; Sri Lanka and elsewhere in the world. No exam. I will approve all multidraft papers. This class meets...
CONPUB 707 Business and Human Rights (2 Credit Hours) This course examines the human rights obligations of corporate actors in global supply chains, focusing on relevant domestic and international legal standards. Historically, human rights advocates viewed states as the primary actors holding human rights obligations. The human rights framework has expanded over the past several decades to include non-state actors, including illegal armed groups, private security, and corporations. National and multinational companies have been named in numerous lawsuits and campaigns, citing their contribution to human rights harms in their operations across the globe. The class will focus on domestic litigation, non-judicial grievance mechanisms, the development of soft law standards like the UN Guiding Principles on Human Rights, and innovations in supply chain contracting, among strategies used to improve human rights compliance in global business operations. Students will be evaluated on short presentations, participation, and a 15-page paper.

CONPUB 709 A New World Order: the Role of the United Nations in Advancing the Rule of Law and Human Rights (3 Credit Hours) The primary subject of the course will be the law of the United Nations, with a particular focus on the legal pronouncements, actions and judgments in the international human rights realm of the UN’s various Councils, commissions, committees and other bodies. The course is designed for students who wish to develop an in depth understanding of the legal processes at the UN bearing on international human rights and the rule of law. The course will explore these concepts in a number of contexts, including peacemaking/peacebuilding, economic development, environmental protection, advancing standards of health and conditions of work, and promoting cultural understanding among peoples. A primary focus during the course will be on specific case studies--both country based and thematic--involving the denial of human rights within nations and the efforts of UN treaty bodies and operational agencies, including the newly created Human Rights Council, to provide redress. Throughout the course, we will seek to look behind the façade of the UN organization and seek to determine the degree to which the organization is effective as a cohesive whole or, as some critics charge, merely a “sprawling array of fiefdoms” that is more interested in promoting internal or personal agendas than the mandates of the UN Charter and treaties. During the course we will relate the international principles to real world situations occurring over the years since the inception of the UN through present day. Additional Course Information: Satisfies Research Writing degree req

CONPUB 711 Practicum: Gulf Recovery Assistance (4 Credit Hours) This course will give students the opportunity to provide legal assistance to Gulf Coast residents still suffering from the aftermath of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. Under the supervision of attorneys from the Mississippi Center for Justice (MCJ), students will spend 8-10 hours a week providing remote legal work in either the area of special education advocacy, or in the area of foreclosure mediation. Students will spend the second week of spring break in Mississippi working directly with their supervising attorneys from MCJ. In addition to the externship work, the class meets weekly in a seminar-length classroom session. Students will be required to keep a journal on their experiences. Readings and discussions will focus on legal issues in the wake of the hurricane disasters, public interest lawyering, skills training, client interviewing, community organizing and other professional and ethical issues unique to this type of practice. There will be a final presentation at the conclusion of the course.

CONPUB 7125 War and the First Amendment (2 Credit Hours) What are the protections of the First Amendment during a time of terrorism and two foreign conflicts? Though that question encompasses the most contemporary of controversies - state secrets, wiretapping and WikiLeaks - it also implicates the most traditional issues at the intersection between law and communication in a democratic society: the proper balance between freedom and security, the conflict between societal concerns and individual rights, and the importance of communication to democratic governance and individual fulfillment. The American experience during times of war or foreign threat - and corresponding attempts to determine the contours of the First Amendment -- has involved each of these issues. In this course, we will examine the intellectual rationales for dissent in a democratic society, canvass current issues, and then engage in an examination of several episodes: the passage and application of the Alien and Sedition Acts, the Civil War, World War I, World War II, the Cold War and Vietnam. Students will be encouraged to find similarities and differences between these episodes, in order to better understand: (1) the legal dimensions of America's history of dissent during wartime; (2) contemporary First Amendment controversies; (3) the role of free expression in a democratic society; and (4) the purposes of communication itself. At the end of the course, students will be required to complete a seminar paper. Pre-requisite or Co-requisite: Constitutional Law Enrollment in the course is capped at 15 students. Last day to drop this class is Thursday June 11 and last day to add is Friday June 12th. Dates: Monday, June 15: 5:30-9:30pm Tuesday, June 16: 5:30-9:30pm Wednesday, June 17: 5:30-9:30pm Monday, June 29: 5:30-9:30pm Tuesday, June 30: 5:30-9:30pm Wednesday, July 1: 5:30-9:30pm.

CONPUB 713 State Constitutional Law (2 Credit Hours) This course is designed to provide students with an introduction to state constitutional law, an understudied area in the curriculum of national law schools. A key point of interest will be the comparison of state constitutional law with federal constitutional law, and understanding and appreciating the role that state constitutions and courts play in shaping American constitutional law. We will explore these topics through reading assignments, in-class discussion and oral argument, and engaging with a number of esteemed guest lecturers, including state constitutional law expert and Sixth Circuit Judge Jeff Sutton.

CONPUB 717 Reforming the Law of Evidence of Tanzania I (2-3 Credit Hours) These seminars will continue the project of law reform in Tanzania that began during the 2011-2012 academic year, and that continued in 2012-2013. Professor Allen has been retained as the chief consultant on law reform by the Government of Tanzania, and its Parliament has funded a project to propose a complete reform of the country's law of evidence. This past year focused on the political economy of Tanzania and the limitations of the present law of evidence in Tanzania. Tanzania has an evidence code, the 1967 Tanzania Evidence Act, that is 90% word for word the 1872 Indian Evidence Act. Rather obviously, the 1872 Indian Evidence Act was not drafted in light of modern knowledge about law and evidence, nor to be responsive to the needs of Tanzanians. This past year has focused on such matters, with the seminar participants drafting a proposed replacement act to act as a catalyst for the conceptual change needed to modernize the law of Tanzania. The two seminars in 2013-14 will build on this foundation to extend the work done this year and in addition focus on the case for reform that goes beyond the law of evidence itself to the political economy of the legal system. Among the projects we will undertake is to do careful comparative analysis both of the law of evidence of Tanzania and various countries and also the operation of the legal system itself. We will search for reliable data that accurately describe legal systems and try to obtain such data about Tanzania, such as relative cost, delay, efficiency, and accuracy. Projects that participants can do will range from improvements in this past year’s work product to archival or empirical
research on Tanzania. The past two years, I have taken those members of the Seminar (the "research and drafting team") who wished to go to Tanzania to meet with the Parliamentary committee that is charged with this task and to do research of various kinds. Both years, the School of Law has provided a generous subsidy to the students who wished to go, and I will ask for assistance for the next academic year as well. I cannot guarantee that School will have funds to provide such assistance, but I believe the Administration is enthusiastic about this project. Evidence is a co or a prerequisite for this class. Participation in the second semester seminar is limited to those who participate in the first semester seminar.

CONPUB 718A Refining and Teaching the Evidence Law of Tanzania I (2-3 Credit Hours) These seminars will continue the project of law reform in Tanzania that began during the 2011-2012 academic year. Professor Allen has been retained as the chief consultant on law reform by the Government of Tanzania, and its Parliament has funded a project to reform the country’s law of evidence. The 1967 Tanzania Evidence Act is taken almost word for word from the 1872 Indian Evidence Act. Obviously, the 1872 Indian Evidence Act was not drafted in light of modern knowledge about law and evidence, nor to be responsive to the needs of Tanzanians. Over the past three years, the project has engaged in an intensive examination of the political economy of Tanzania and its social and cultural context, the limitations of the present law of evidence in Tanzania, and the drafting of a code to replace the archaic one in existence. This past year, the seminars, building on the work of the prior years, completed a Proposed Tanzania Evidence Code and presented it to the Tanzania Court of Appeals (the country’s Supreme Court) over two days in Mwanza, Tanzania. At the end of the two days, the Court of Appeals decided unanimously to forward the Proposed Code to Parliament with the Court’s recommendation of its adoption. The seminars this coming year will have two objectives: First, to work with the stakeholders in Tanzania to revise the Proposed Code as it is considered by Parliament, and second, to travel to Tanzania over spring break to teach the Judiciary and Bar the law of evidence. This will involve careful explanations of the conceptual and practical changes from the 1967 Tanzania Evidence Act to the Proposed Code and will introduce the details of the Proposed Code to the participants. To accomplish these purposes, the first semester seminar will involve bringing the students new to this project up to speed on the prior developments, the conceptual foundations of the law of evidence, and their embodiment in the Proposed Code. The students, working in teams, will begin to develop teaching materials and competencies in preparation for going to Tanzania in the spring literally to spread out across the country, again in teams, to teach the law of evidence. Both the Government of the United Republic of Tanzania and the School of Law are committed to the project and thus virtually all expenses will be covered. If for some good reason a student is not able or willing to participate in the trip to Tanzania, that is acceptable, but you should take these seminars embracing their ultimate goal. And please sign up for the first only if you are committed to taking the second. There is likely to be a conference at the School of Law in November that will focus on these developments, analogous developments in China, where Professor Allen has also been involved in law reform, and work done by Prof. Tom Geraghty on legal education and reform in various third world countries. If the conference materializes, the seminar participants will have active roles in it as well. Evidence is a co or a prerequisite for this class. The class enrollment is limited to 12. Participation in the second semester seminar is limited to those who participate in the first semester seminar, except by permission of the instructor.

CONPUB 718 Reforming the Law of Evidence of Tanzania II (2-3 Credit Hours) These seminars will continue the project of law reform in Tanzania that began during the 2011-2012 academic year, and that continued in 2012-2013. Professor Allen has been retained as the chief consultant on law reform by the Government of Tanzania, and its Parliament has funded a project to propose a complete reform of the country’s law of evidence. This past year focused on the political economy of Tanzania and the limitations of the present law of evidence in Tanzania. Tanzania has an evidence code, the 1967 Tanzania Evidence Act, that is 90% word for word the 1872 Indian Evidence Act. Rather obviously, the 1872 Indian Evidence Act was not drafted in light of modern knowledge about law and evidence, nor to be responsive to the needs of Tanzanians. This past year focused on such matters, with the seminar participants drafting a proposed replacement act to act as a catalyst for the conceptual change needed to modernize the law of Tanzania. The two seminars in 2013-14 will build on this foundation to extend the work done this year and in addition focus on the case for reform that goes beyond the law of evidence itself to the political economy of the legal system. Among the projects we will undertake is to do careful comparative analysis both of the law of evidence of Tanzania and various countries and also the operation of the legal system itself. We will search for reliable data that accurately describe legal systems and try to obtain such data about Tanzania, such as relative cost, delay, efficiency, and accuracy. Projects that participants can do will range from improvements in this past year’s work product archival or empirical research on Tanzania. The past two years, I have taken those members of the Seminar (the research and drafting team) who wished to go to Tanzania to meet with the Parliamentary committee that is charged with this task and to do research of various kinds. Both years, the School of Law has provided a generous subsidy to the students who wished to go, and I will ask for assistance for the next academic year as well. I cannot guarantee that School will have funds to provide such assistance, but I believe the Administration is enthusiastic about this project. Evidence is a co or a prerequisite for this class. Participation in the second semester seminar is limited to those who participate in the first semester seminar.

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CONPUB 720 Topics in Government Secrecy (3 Credit Hours) This course introduces students to major mechanisms by which the executive branch keeps secrets, including the classification system, the doctrines of executive privilege and state secrets privilege, and secret circumventions of statutory requirements. The course will also introduce students to some of the major means by which secrecy is challenged, including the Freedom of Information Act, first amendment access and newsgathering claims, and whistleblower protection laws. Throughout the semester, we will discuss a number of recurring themes including the connection between government secrecy and constitutional theories of presidential power, the politics of secrecy and transparency and the role of constitutional discourse in the same, and the costs and benefits of secrecy and transparency. Prerequisites: Students should have completed constitutional law. Teaching Methods: Class Participation, Discussion, Lecture, Presentations, Readings, Research Project, Seminar, Writing Assignments Evaluation Methods: Attendance, Class Participation, Final Paper, Presentations Course Materials: Readings -- including judicial opinions and excerpts from books, law review articles, and congressional and other reports -- will be provided to students. All or most of the readings will be provided via a class website. Additional Course Information: Satisfies Research Writing degree req

CONPUB 721 Transgender Rights (3 Credit Hours) This seminar examines the treatment of gender identity in the U.S. legal system, emphasizing historical and social construction of transgender and gender nonconforming identities and the regulation of them and protections based on such actual or perceived identities. This course will survey significant legal issues and cases involving transgender and nonbinary litigants exploring statutory criminalization and non-discrimination protections as well as constitutional jurisprudence and theory. Additional Course Information: Satisfies Research Writing degree req

CONPUB 722L Comparative Law (2 Credit Hours) An ABA survey reveals that after 7 years of practice, 44% of U.S. lawyers report files involving foreign law (65% of lawyers in large firms or working as inside counsel). But foreign law raises formidable challenges. Is meaningful interpretation even possible for a U.S. lawyer? Are there methods that can reliably overcome differences across laws, languages, and cultures? What understanding can be achieved? Examples draw on business and constitutional law. No prior knowledge of a foreign law or language is assumed. Evaluation is a 3-day "take-home" final at the end of the course.

CONPUB 724 Constitutional Design in the Muslim World I (3 Credit Hours) This year-long seminar will study the social, cultural, religious, and historical aspects of constitutional design in the Muslim world, including countries such as Iran, Egypt, Tunisia, Sri Lanka, Pakistan, India, Bangladesh, Turkey, Indonesia, and Malaysia. Early classes will focus on classic jurisprudential debates-what is a constitution and what is its purpose-and will provide background on various forms of constitutionalism in general and in the Muslim world in particular. After these introductory sessions, classes will take on the nature of a colloquium: Invited speakers will present papers contextualizing constitutional design by drawing on deep knowledge of individual countries. Invited commentators will engage with the material and explore the course's broader themes. Students will read these papers in advance, prepare commentaries, and then participate actively in the discussion when the invited speaker comes to class. In the final four weeks of the course, students will present their own substantial papers on a topic related to the themes of the course. Students in this seminar will receive detailed and extensive comments on their writing projects, which will involve a process of three drafts. Professors Delaney and Stilt will assist students in finding appropriate outlets for publication if (as they hope) the final work is of sufficient quality. There is no required textbook for this course. Reading material for the course will be posted to Blackboard and will consist of various articles and book chapters, as well as the specific colloquium papers presented by the invited speakers. Additional Course Information: Meets Perspective Elective degree requirement

CONPUB 725 Constitutional Design in the Muslim World II (3 Credit Hours) This year-long seminar will study the social, cultural, religious, and historical aspects of constitutional design in the Muslim world, including countries such as Iran, Egypt, Tunisia, Sri Lanka, Pakistan, India, Bangladesh, Turkey, Indonesia, and Malaysia. Early classes will focus on classic jurisprudential debates-what is a constitution and what is its purpose-and will provide background on various forms of constitutionalism in general and in the Muslim world in particular. After these introductory sessions, classes will take on the nature of a colloquium: Invited speakers will present papers contextualizing constitutional design by drawing on deep knowledge of individual countries. Invited commentators will engage with the material and explore the course's broader themes. Students will read these papers in advance, prepare commentaries, and then participate actively in the discussion when the invited speaker comes to class. In the final four weeks of the course, students will present their own substantial papers on a topic related to the themes of the course. Students in this seminar will receive detailed and extensive comments on their writing projects, which will involve a process of three drafts. Professors Delaney and Stilt will assist students in finding appropriate outlets for publication if (as they hope) the final work is of sufficient quality. There is no required textbook for this course. Reading material for the course will be posted to Blackboard and will consist of various articles and book chapters, as well as the specific colloquium papers presented by the invited speakers. Additional Course Information: Meets Perspective Elective degree requirement

CONPUB 726 Public Corruption & the Law (2 Credit Hours) Enforcement of anti-corruption laws has spiked in recent years, both in the United States and around the world. Governments at all levels have increased legal and investigative resources to address both public officials who accept bribes in exchange for official actions, and those who pay the bribes. Nevertheless, the ongoing series of high-profile convictions suggests that corruption continues unabated. This course will explore U.S. and international laws concerning corruption and analyze whether these laws have achieved a deterrent effect. Specifically, we will
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for finding their own externships and must have secured an externship in order to enroll in the class. Each externship placement must be approved by the professor teaching the course. The class will begin in May and meet weekly through early August. This section of the Practicum is a distance course, taught on-line in a primarily synchronous manner. In addition to the weekly online classes from May through early August, the class will meet in person several times before the summer break and again in August. NOTE the following rules for distance courses: -You may not enroll in more than one distance course in any term, including the summer term. -You may earn no more than 12 credits in distance courses towards the JD degree. Registration Requirements: Students must get the faculty member's permission to enroll in the class once they have accepted an unpaid externship with a non-profit or government agency doing legal work supervised by a lawyer. Students may not receive any payment from any source for the externship. Students may take the Public Service Practicum only once; students who have previously taken the Summer Public Interest Practicum may not enroll. Evaluation Methods Students will keep reflective journals about their externship and issues covered in the class. Students will be evaluated based on their journals, class attendance and participation, and a final paper or presentation. Class Materials Course materials will be provided on Blackboard. Additional Course Information: Requires Practicum Placement

CONPUB 729S Practicum: Public Service (4 Credit Hours) The goal of this Practicum is to provide students with a theoretical and practical understanding of issues faced by attorneys practicing in non-profit and government settings. The assigned readings cover a variety of topics related to public service law practice. Students participate in a weekly seminar where they discuss the readings and their work at the placement agency. In addition, students spend a minimum of 180 hours during the summer in an externship with a non-profit public interest legal organization or government agency of their choosing in the Chicago area. The externship must start no later than the first week of June and last for a minimum of six weeks (ideally eight weeks or longer). Students must be doing legal work supervised by an attorney. All rising second and third year students who have a qualified unpaid placement are eligible to participate in the Public Service Practicum. Students are responsible for finding their own externships and must have secured an externship in order to enroll in the class. Each externship placement must be approved by the professor teaching the course. The class will begin in June and meet weekly through the end of July. Registration Requirements: Students must get the faculty member's permission to enroll in the class once they have accepted an unpaid externship with a non-profit or government agency doing legal work supervised by a lawyer. Students may not receive any payment from any source for the externship. Students may take the Public Service Practicum only once; students who have previously taken the Summer Public Interest Practicum may not enroll. Evaluation Methods Students will keep reflective journals about their externship and issues covered in the class. Students will be evaluated based on their journals, class attendance and participation, and a final paper or presentation. Class Materials Course materials will be provided on Blackboard. Additional Course Information: Requires Practicum Placement

CONPUB 730 Race, Social Science, and the Law (3 Credit Hours) This interdisciplinary seminar will examine the scientific and legal foundations for and legal implications of race and racial bias, with an emphasis on three legal domains: (1) criminal law, (2) segregation, integration, and affirmative action, and (3) discrimination law. Each of these domains, in different ways, highlights the relationship between legal standards for decision making and the psychological science on how people think about legal and policy issues through a filter of race. The intersection of race with class and gender will be discussed as well. Throughout the course, students will read, discuss, and evaluate the pertinent legal standards and assumptions in the context of the contemporary psychological science. This seminar will leave students with the ability to find, evaluate and apply social science research to legal questions broadly, while also considering the particular application at the intersection of race, social science, and law. Additional Course Information: Counts toward Law and Social Policy Concentration, Satisfies Research Writing degree req
remedies and services for human trafficking victims and survivors; and corporate accountability. The seminar will be divided into two segments. The beginning of the course will examine the basics of human trafficking laws by focusing on learning the substantive elements and understanding the various statutes that can be used to pursue a human trafficking prosecution. The remainder of the course will address human trafficking law through in-depth case studies of actual federal prosecutions. We will analyze the use of various statutes used in those cases from indictment through the stages of a trial to the appeal. Students will apply legal principals learned during the first segment to an evaluation of real cases. There will be guest speakers during the seminar who will broaden our understanding of different aspects and challenges of combating human trafficking. At the conclusion of the course, students will then have the opportunity to synthesize all that they have learned during the semester by reviewing a hypothetical case and then drafting a prosecution memorandum that analyzes the facts presented and evaluates the strengths and weaknesses of potential charges. Additional Course Information: Satisfies Prof Writing degree req

CONPUB 736 Food Law and Policy Seminar (3 Credit Hours) This new seminar will explore the role of law and policy in the contemporary food system. We will examine the local, state, and federal regulation of food, and sample policy topics from among the broad array of health, environmental, social, and cultural issues involving the contemporary food system. Topics may include the legal and policy issues underlying: animal welfare, banned foods, food safety, labeling and marketing, obesity and nutrition, sustainability, and urban agriculture. Readings will include cases, legislation, regulations, scholarly articles, and policy articles. Individual papers and presentations will permit in-depth exploration of a topic of interest for each student. Evaluation method: class participation, a class presentation, and a final research paper Materials: Readings will be compiled by the instructor This class meets the Research Writing Requirement. Additional Course Information: Counts toward Law and Social Policy Concentration, Satisfies Research Writing degree req

CONPUB 737 Legal Issues in Arab-Israeli conflict (3 Credit Hours) The Israeli-Arab conflict has for decades been a major foreign policy issue. Arguments about various positions in the conflict frequently focus, perhaps more than most geopolitical disputes, on questions of public international law. This seminar closely examines the legal issues, and studiously avoids the policy ones. Topics will include the underlying questions of territorial sovereignty and borders; the role of U.N. Resolutions; Israeli settlements and the ICJ Wall case; refugees; Palestinian self-determination; Oslo and subsequent agreements; the status of Gaza and the Palestinian government; the role of the International Criminal Court; and the conduct of hostilities by all sides, including issues relating to the recent Gaza War. Attention will also be paid to the U.S. legal approach to these issues. An emphasis will also be placed in putting these issues in a wider or comparative perspective in relation to other conflicts where they arise. Students will be expected to participate actively in class discussions and to write a research paper on one of these issues. It is recommended but not required that participants have taken, or be taking, a more general course in international law. This class meets the Research Writing Requirement. Additional Course Information: Satisfies Research Writing degree req

CONPUB 738 The Roberts Court (2 Credit Hours) In this seminar, we will analyze the Roberts Court. This is one of the most interesting periods in Supreme Court history, and this course offers a behind-the-scenes look at the Court’s operation. We will start by studying the Court’s current membership and how it selects cases. Each student will be assigned to a particular Justice and will be responsible for learning about his/her jurisprudence. We also will learn about at least one case pending this Term and will simulate the Justices’ judicial conference. Students will be responsible for classroom presentations and discussion of cases, as well as a final paper.

CONPUB 739 Foundations of Free Expression (2 Credit Hours) This seminar will explore the theoretical and doctrinal foundations of free expression and the First Amendment through examination of both case law and scholarly works. The class will focus on many of the most current and controversial issues of modern free speech, including campaign finance reform, protection for commercial speech, advocacy of unlawful conduct, intellectual property, freedom of the press, and freedom of association. There are no prerequisites for the class. Both students who have taken the First Amendment course and students who have not taken that course may register for the seminar. The final grade for the course will be based on a combination of class participation (25%) and a seminar paper (75%).

CONPUB 740 Policing Chicago’s Communities: Examining historical & current practices & analyzing for reform (2 Credit Hours) Policing and Imprisoning Chicago’s Communities: A seminar examining historical and current practices relating to policing and imprisonment in Chicago and analyzing the potential for reform & transformation. The seminar will allow students to examine the various legal and policy reform issues related to mass imprisonment and over-policing as experienced by Chicago’s communities. The course will include guest lectures from community members directly affected by policing and imprisonment, local government officials and policing and corrections experts.

CONPUB 741 Trade Secrets Seminar (3 Credit Hours) This seminar will examine the law that governs the protection of trade secrets and other confidential information. This body of law is of increasing importance and will be changing greatly over the next decade. The goal of the seminar is to get a sense of where trade secret law has been and where it is going given the passage of the federal trade secrets statute. We will also examine the linkages between trade secret, patent law, and cybersecurity. Most of the reading for the seminar will consist of trade secret case law, to be supplemented by some interdisciplinary readings on trade secrecy protection. Additional Course Information: Satisfies Research Writing degree req

CONPUB 742 Law, Geography & the City (1 Credit Hour) At the center of the seminar lies the question of the relationship between the space we live in - the material, the social and the mental - and our legal system. Does space construct the law, is it constructed by the law, or maybe they shape each other. Philosophical, sociological, and political theories, as well as city planning schemes were developed in order to understand the way space influences both the human subject and its social forms of organization. The Seminar will explore these theories in light of the legal, economic, political and social processes that have been taking place in the last centuries. The seminar will deal with the dialectical relationships between law and space and its impact on central social issues such as segregation, class relations and political participation. The class will involve a participation grade and a final paper. Please note the course will only meet on the following dates: 9/22, 9/23; 9/29, 9/30; 10/6, 10/7; 10/13, 10/14.

CONPUB 743 The Law of Whistleblowing (2 Credit Hours) Whistleblowing is the deliberate revelation of information regarding alleged wrongdoing within an organization, a government agency, or even a law firm. The perceived wrongdoing includes violations of company or government policy, fraud, corruption and threats to public safety. While this course will provide a broad overview of the state and federal laws addressing whistleblowing as it applies to lawyers and to constituents of organizations or government entities, we will primarily delve into the ethics and morality surrounding whistleblowing. This is a highly
interactive course and we will use recent whistleblowing cases as a basis for discussion and further study.

CONPUB 744 Separation of Powers (3 Credit Hours)  This seminar will examine the separation of powers. We will ask why the Founders included separation of powers as a cornerstone of our constitutional design, and we will evaluate whether and how the Supreme Court’s jurisprudence furthers the values that the separation of powers is meant to protect. Among other topics, we will consider congressional power to control spending and to compel executive testimony before Congress, the unitary executive theory and executive privilege, the non-delegation doctrine and the modern administrative state, and the modern war on terror. We will pay particular attention to the Obama presidency and ask what role the separation of powers plays (or should play) in issues like the 2008 financial crisis and its aftermath, the use of drones to target and kill American citizens, and immigration reform. Additional Course Information: Satisfies Research Writing degree req

CONPUB 745 People v. Juan Rivera, A Case Study (2 Credit Hours)  Juan Rivera was charged with the rape and murder of a child in 1992, a crime for which the State sought the death penalty. He was later found innocent, with a seemingly unimpeachable alibi, later corroborated by forensic DNA analysis. But he was nonetheless convicted by three separate Lake County, Illinois juries. Over nineteen years after his arrest, having been incarcerated for that entire time, Mr. Rivera was released from prison after the Illinois Appellate Court declared that no rational jury could have found proof of guilt beyond reasonable doubt, and vacated his conviction in a ruling that barred prosecutors from trying him again. The tools and methods utilized by law enforcement to secure these convictions, and the role played by the judiciary, will be central themes of this seminar. The investigative techniques on both sides, the legal issues that predominated at these trials, along with ongoing tactical and ethical considerations, will provide the framework for discussion and study. Testimony, pleadings, and other materials generated from these trials will constitute some of the readings, along with related articles and court opinions. There will also be guest speakers for selected topics. Class participation and a final paper will be the basis of grading. A substantial number of students and lawyers, including several on the Bluhm Legal Clinic faculty, advocated for Juan Rivera in the years after his second trial and at his third trial. This course will be taught by one of those faculty, Jeffrey Urdangen. Prof. Urdangen has been the Director of the Clinic’s Center for Criminal Defense for the past 13 years, and was a principal on the defense team for Mr. Rivera’s third trial.

CONPUB 746 Regulation: Theory and Practice (1 Credit Hour)  Economic and social regulation is prevalent in our society. This 1-credit seminar is intended to provide students with the tools to understand and appreciate regulated industries and regulatory agencies. Specifically, the students will learn about students will learn about how and why the government regulates. The aim of the course is to prepare the students: (i) to better understand the economic, political, and institutional perspectives of regulation, (ii) to equip them to think critically about regulation and engage in policy debates. The reading materials will cover history of regulation, theories of regulation, agency rulemaking, cost-benefit analysis, judicial oversight of regulation, presidential administration of regulation, and theories of deregulation. Grades will be based on response papers, class participation, a 5-page policy paper, and short student presentations. IMPORTANT NOTE: This one-credit seminar will meet on the following dates: 1/11, 1/18, 1/25, 2/1, 2/8, 4/5, and 4/12.

CONPUB 747 Law and Regulatory Policy along the Frontier (2 Credit Hours)  How does regulation account for new issues and emerging technologies? This has always been a conundrum for lawmakers and agency officials – and, because of their crucial role in overseeing regulatory decision-making as part of their constitutional law, administrative law, and statutory interpretation responsibilities, the judiciary as well. In this course, we will consider the question of regulatory strategy and legal technique by focusing on a few especially subjects of regulation that meet my definition of “frontier” subjects. They include: artificial intelligence/machine learning, drug policy include cannabis, psychedelics, & opioids), public health emergencies stemming from novel viruses, such as Covid-19, and new ways of furnishing legal services, including by non-lawyers. Recommended. Prereq: Administrative Law or Legislation may be helpful, but are not required.

CONPUB 748 Fair Housing – Policies, Litigation, and Mediation (2 Credit Hours)  This class will provide an overview of U.S. federal housing laws, regulations, and policies, with a focus on fair housing and fair lending. Students will examine civil rights litigation strategies and compliance with federal regulations from the perspective of lawyers, government officials, developers, fair housing organizations, tenants, and lending institutions. Additionally, we will discuss the intersection between housing discrimination, segregation, and the effects of gentrification. Novel and complex issues, such as civil rights compliant algorithms, and leading cases in civil rights housing litigation and investigatory strategies will be reviewed. The class will also expose students to alternative dispute resolution in the housing context, and students will participate in a mock fair housing mediation. Additional Course Information: Satisfies Prof Writing degree req

CONPUB 749 Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Law (3 Credit Hours)  This course examines the evolving ways in which the law constructs and regulates sex, sexuality, gender identity, and sexual orientation. It explores LGBTQ constitutional, statutory, and regulatory rights. Many areas involve significant ongoing legal disputes, including religious freedom and nondiscrimination laws; the rights of transgender and gender-nonconforming people; and connections between reproductive rights and LGBTQ rights. Additional Course Information: Counts toward Law and Social Policy Concentration, Satisfies Research Writing degree req

CONPUB 750 Constitutional and Statutory Interpretation (3 Credit Hours)  Analyzing text is a deeply important part of legal practice in public law, whether statutory or constitutional law. It cuts across a wide variety of subject matter areas, from very basic aspects of the Constitution to any statutory topic imaginable. Whatever the subject matter, whether health care law, presidential emoluments, or internet privacy, certain problems of legal analysis recur. How should courts analyze legal texts? Where should judges go to look for meaning when the text is vague or ambiguous? Should texts be updated to reflect current norms? What does it mean to look for the draftee’s intent? Should approaches toward statutory and constitutional text be symmetrical or not? This seminar will introduce students to these problems and provide essential skills for reading both constitutional and statutory text. Materials will be provided by the instructor and will include insights gained from linguistics, political science, philosophy, and behavioral economics. Students will choose an appellate or Supreme Court case/ cases to work through these questions and as the basis for a final paper. This seminar satisfies the Research Writing requirement. Additional Course Information: Satisfies Research Writing degree req

CONPUB 751 Contemporary Dilemmas in International Humanitarian Law: Targeting and Occupation (1 Credit Hour)  International Humanitarian Law (IHL), or the law of armed conflict, is the body of international law regulating the behavior of belligerents during armed conflict. As such, it covers a wide array of wartime activities, from the conduct of hostilities to humanitarian access and assistance. In recent times, however, this body of rules is under significant strain,
as most contemporary conflicts are not “traditional” inter-state wars, but rather asymmetric conflicts between states and non-state actors, sometimes occurring under military occupation. Such conflicts challenge many of the basic principles of IHL to the core. This course focuses on two specific aspects of IHL, which give rise to many contemporary controversies: targeting and occupation. After a general introduction to contemporary IHL, we will spend several sessions on issues relating to targeting, such as distinction and the status of combatants; targeted killings and the status of members of organized armed groups; military objectives; proportionality, and precautionary measures. We will then move to discuss some issues relating to the law of occupation, such as the beginning and end of occupation; the authority of the occupying power; and the prohibition on the transfer of population to occupied territories. In our sessions, we will frequently discuss examples from the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, arising, in recent years, from the fighting in Gaza, as well as from Israeli practices in the West Bank, such as construction of settlements. Professor Eliav Lieblich is visiting from Tel Aviv University Buchmann Faculty of Law. Students who enroll in this course may also enroll in the 3-credit, International Law: Law of War (CONPUB 706 offered in the Spring), and students who have previously taken that course may take this seminar. This is a 1-credit seminar that will meet Wednesdays and Thursdays 4:00-5:50 on the following dates: 9/20, 9/21, 9/27, 9/28, 10/4, 10/5, 10/11, and 10/12.

CONPUB 752 Economic Liberty & the Constitution (3 Credit Hours)
The Constitution protects fundamental rights. Once these rights were understood to include the right to engage in economic activity - to freely buy and sell in an unregulated market. The Supreme Court has sometimes embraced that idea, and sometimes has retreated from it. In this class we will examine the trajectory of the idea of economic liberty, examine various historical articulations of it, and consider contemporary efforts to revive it. This course meets the Research Writing Requirement. Additional Course Information: Satisfies Research Writing degree req

CONPUB 753 Data Breach Notification (2 Credit Hours)  This seminar will examine how corporate actors are required to respond and notify around a data breach incident. Students will be put in the role of corporate advisors, assisting fictional clients that are faced with data incidents. Additional Course Information: Satisfies Prof Writing degree req

CONPUB 754 Cybercrime (3 Credit Hours)  This seminar will explore the legal issues raised by cybercrime. Topics will include: computer hacking and other computer crimes, the Fourth Amendment and civil liberties in cyberspace, the law of electronic surveillance, the freedom of speech online, the Fifth Amendment and passwords, technological tools used to combat cybercrime, encryption, and international cybercrime. Additional Course Information: Satisfies Research Writing degree req

CONPUB 755 Global Freedom of Expression and the Press (2 Credit Hours)  Global Freedom of Expression and the Press This seminar will examine how policymakers, legislators, and courts around the world are grappling with new and troubling issues in expression and press freedom in a highly digitized era. In contexts shaped by Wikileaks/ Snowden shockwaves and by their own histories, precedents, practices, and forms of governance, nations are beginning to draw new boundaries for expression and press freedom with different, sometimes oppressive lines. These include, for example, increasing use of speech crimes to punish journalists and the use of anti-terrorism, national security, and public order laws to restrict or censor their work. But even in countries with democratic ideals, difficult questions get asked. Is a magazine’s right to publish a cartoon satirizing a religious figure worth the fatal retaliatory aftermath? What should be the legal response, if any, to the rise of giant superstructures for disseminating information and opinion that enable the use of social media to magnify hate speech, manipulate elections, and sow discord with “fake news?” Is Facebook a threat to democracy? We will further explore how press law and policy in global jurisdictions are evolving amid heightened tensions between freedom of expression and other fundamental rights, such as those to reputation and privacy, including the right to be forgotten. We will also examine the role and efficacy of United Nations mechanisms and mandates to protect freedom of expression and opinion, including those of the Human Rights Council and its special rapporteurs. And we will analyze the impact of a growing global network of NGOs, litigators, and academics seeking to affect media law reforms through strategic campaigns and litigation, particularly in regional courts such as the European Court of Human Rights and the African Court on Human and Peoples’ Rights. Method of evaluation: Class participation, research paper, and in-class presentation.

CONPUB 756 Business Organizations and the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (1 Credit Hour)  The Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA) is a top legal and compliance concern for business organizations - both public and private and across a variety of industry sectors - doing business in the global marketplace. This course provides an overview of the FCPA, its enforcement, and compliance best practices and provides students a fundamental skill-set for advising clients in this niche area. A preferred prerequisite is that a student has completed his/her first year of law school. LLM students are welcome. The final grade will consist of 10% participation and 90% a closed book, no notes final exam consisting of bar-exam style multiple choice questions, short answers and issue-spotting essays. Text will be either Mike Koehler, “The Foreign Corrupt Practices Act in a New Era,” (Edward Elgar Publishing - 2014) or Mike Koehler, “Strategies for Minimizing Risk Under the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act and Related Laws,” (Edward Elgar Publishing - Scheduled for Publication Sept. 2018)

CONPUB 757 Free Speech on Campus (3 Credit Hours)  This seminar will examine basic principles of freedom of speech under the First Amendment as well as basic principles of academic freedom in higher education with a focus on how they apply on college campuses. The course will focus on the free speech rights of students, faculty, and administrators and whether, when, and how expression can be regulated. Additional Course Information: Satisfies Research Writing degree req

CONPUB 758 Reproductive Justice Seminar (2 Credit Hours)  This course will explore the state’s regulation of reproduction from origins through today. Centering the ways that reproductive rights, access, and choices are forgot at the intersections of race, class, gender, sexuality, ability, age, and immigration status, we will consider how overlapping bodies of law constrain the decision to have, and to avoid having, children. Topics may include contraception, abortion, sterilization, assisted reproductive technology, pregnancy discrimination, criminalization of pregnancy outcomes, maternal mortality and health care, reproductive surveillance, child removal, childcare, and reproductive controls in carceral or other detention settings.

CONPUB 759 Cannabis Law, Business, and Policy (1.25 Credit Hours)  The cannabis industry has exploded in recent years as a result of the steady move by many states towards legalizing cannabis from “seed to sale," regulating and licensing commercial cultivation, distribution, sale, and individual possession and use, of cannabis in the United States. While cannabis is currently legal in 37 states for medical use and 19 states for adult use, at the same time, federal law still lists cannabis as a Schedule I controlled substance, making all of those state-legal operations, possession, and use illegal under Federal law. The incredible growth of cannabis businesses, framed by this disparity between Federal and state law, raises countless difficult legal, policy, and practical issues. In this course, we will consider the structure and practice of U.S. cannabis law, addressing such issues as: the interplay among federal,
state and local laws; commercial licensing; constitutional law issues; taxation and enforcement; practical issues such as banking, testing, labelling, and advertising; comparison with other regulated industries; financing and deal issues; and the legal ethics of advising clients working in a federally-illegal industry.

CONPUB 760 Advanced Federal Jurisdiction (3 Credit Hours) This course builds upon the foundation course in federal jurisdiction by examining certain topics in more depth and covering some new ones. Particular attention is given to topics that students are likely to encounter as either law clerks or practicing attorneys in the federal courts. Topics to be considered include the structure of federal courts; advanced issues with federal subject matter jurisdiction and the justiciability doctrines; the theory, limits, and application of the doctrine of stare decisis; habeas corpus; Section 1983 and qualified immunity; appellate procedure and review; and national security and the federal courts. Guest lecturers, including other judges, will occasionally contribute to our classroom discussions. Students will be required to complete two short papers (2-3 pages) during the semester and a final paper in the form a judicial opinion (with a majority and a dissent). Students will receive detailed feedback on their writing.

CONPUB 761 Law and Feminism (3 Credit Hours) This course begins by exploring a range of feminist legal theory, queer theory, and critical race theory in an effort to examine the law's construction of gender as it impacts various groups. We will then discuss specific areas of law and policy where gender is particularly salient. Topics include domestic violence, sexual violence, sex work, reproductive justice, marriage and other forms of intimate relationships, child rearing, education, sex based harassment in schools and in the workplace, wage labor, legal education and the legal profession. Students may not enroll in both Law & Feminism and Feminist Jurisprudence.

CONPUB 762 Originalism: Theory and Practice (3 Credit Hours) Originalism has become a very important theory of constitutional interpretation both in the academy and in the courts. This seminar will explore its normative justifications, its content, and its deployment in legal advocacy and judicial opinions. The seminar will begin by evaluating arguments for and against originalism, contrasting originalism with alternative theories of interpretation. It will then consider various views of the content of originalism, including original intent, original public meaning, and original methods. The seminar will analyze examples of originalism from judicial opinions and briefs, particularly those before the Supreme Court in effort to discern the effectiveness of originalist arguments. Students in the seminar will be required to write a paper. The paper may address the merits of some aspect of originalism or alternatives to originalism, explore the original meaning of a provision of the Constitution or critique existing originalist scholarship on a provision. Additional Course Information: Satisfies Research Writing degree req

CONPUB 763 Constitutionalism in the American Revolution (1 Credit Hour) This class will meet primarily to attend and react to a series of lectures on revolutionary constitutionalism by the nation's preeminent historian of the American Revolution, Gordon Wood.

CONPUB 764 Saving the News: First Amendment and Media Policy (1 Credit Hour) The ecosystem of news has changed beyond the imagination of anyone living when the First Amendment was drafted. Changes in the private industry of the press leave some communities with no local news coverage. A majority of people in the United States now receive news selected for them by a computer-based mathematical formula derived from their past interests, producing echo chambers with few opportunities to learn, understand, or believe what others are hearing as news. Traditional news media—now called "legacy media"—is shrinking, cutting staff, and relying on freelancers. This course will examine the historical changes in technology, economics, and law contributing to these developments; regulatory reforms proposals including antitrust public utility, public subsidy, and consumer protection. Attention to the US Constitution's First Amendment, the European Union's regulatory efforts, and self-regulation initiatives of Internet platforms while addressing. What can be done when transformations in technology, economics, and communications jeopardize the production and distribution of, and trust in, news that is essential in a democratic society.

CONPUB 765 Constitutional Controversy in the Public Arena (3 Credit Hours) To live in America today is to be surrounded by public constitutional debate, with advocates battling on social media and television, in editorial pages, and on the streets. This course examines the public persuasion dimensions of an eclectic series of constitutional controversies throughout the American experience. Fusing legal history, rhetorical analysis, and constitutional law, we will assess the arguments advanced by key public advocates, the oft-innovative methods they employed, their success or failure with vital audiences, and constitutional understandings left in their wake. In the process, we will draw lessons for effective contemporary public constitutional advocacy.

CONPUB 766 Race, Law, and Capitalism (3 Credit Hours) This course will explore interrelated issues of race, law, and capitalism in the global context. We will focus on the U.S. legal apparatus that created and enforced racial exclusions. We will explore the origins of common and statutory law through a lens of empire and racial capitalism. The course will focus particularly on how law enabled exploitation and embedded norms of racial hierarchy as well as how various revolutionary movements used law and legal interpretation as a tool of resistance. The course will explore how laws related to markets (i.e. contracts laws, property laws, corporate laws, etc.) created a racial wealth gap in the US and a global trade gap abroad. We will also explore issues related to criminal justice, policing, and race-based political discourse. Students will explore the role of lawyers, courts, international bodies, the military, legislators, police, and other officials in enforcing a racialized economic and social order.

CONPUB 775 The Regulation of Money in Politics (3 Credit Hours) This seminar explores the cutting-edge debates in the regulation of money in politics and government. The readings are devoted to different perspectives on the current controversies in the field. The goals of the seminar are development of your understanding of the emerging law and regulation of money in politics, exposing you to some of the best legal scholarship. The readings explore several controversies in the field, rather than offer an intellectual history of the field. Although helpful, the Election Law course is not a prerequisite for taking this seminar. Additional Course Information: Satisfies Research Writing degree req

CONPUB 800 Administrative Law (2.5 Credit Hours) This course is taught in the Executive Program only.

CONPUB 801-L Introduction to U.S. Constitutional Law and Legal Structure (2 Credit Hours) This course provides a survey of US Constitutional Law with an emphasis on the structural aspects of the Constitution. Also included will be examinations of court structure, procedure, jurisdiction and federal practice.

CONPUB 801E Constitutional Law (2.5 Credit Hours) A survey of US Constitutional Law, with an emphasis on the structural aspects of the Constitution. Also included will be examination of substantive due process, equal protection, and the First Amendment. The book will be Choper et al., Leading Cases in Constitutional Law (Thomson West 2007).

CONPUB 801I Introduction to Constitutional Law (1.25 Credit Hours) In this course we will examine the structure of the American Legal system.
Topics to be covered include: Foundations of the Legal System, including common law, the US Constitution, statutes and codification; Structures of American Law, including legislative, executive and judicial branches.

**CONPUB 802I Public Corruption (2 Credit Hours)**

**CONPUB 803I International Human Rights Law (2 Credit Hours)** The course on international human rights law is an introductory survey course drawn from the casebook by Steiner, Alston, and Goodman entitled, *International Human Rights in Context* (3rd edition, Oxford University Press, 2008). Students examine human rights concepts, the influence of customary international law, state responsibility, general principles, the interwar minorities regime, the role of treaties, the Nuremberg trials, the codification of human rights principles in a number of major treaties since World War II, civil and political rights, economic, social, and cultural rights, national security and terrorism in the context of human rights, torture law, cultural relativism, religious rights, freedom of expression and dress, international criminal tribunals, the United Nations human rights system (including the UN Human Rights Council and the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights), treaty bodies such as the ICCPR Human Rights Committee, the European, Inter-American, and African systems, universal jurisdiction, corporate social responsibility litigation and global comparisons. There will be an open-book exam at the end of the course.

**CONPUB 806I U.S. Free Speech Law (2 Credit Hours)** This course will study the constitutional protection of free expression by the First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution. The questions to be examined will include: (1) Why do we choose to provide special protection to free expression? (2) How do we distinguish, on both intellectual and practical levels, between protected expression and unprotected conduct? and (3) When, if ever should government be deemed to have power to regulate activity appropriately characterized as expression? Specific doctrinal issues to be considered include advocacy of unlawful conduct, false statements of fact, obscenity, offensive speech, threats, speech owned by others, commercial advertising, regulation of campaign finance, the rights of association and non-association, and government acting in special capacities such as landlord or subsidizer.

**CONPUB 807M Contemporary issues in Internet and Privacy Law I (1 Credit Hour)** In this course, we consider some key issues of global importance in law & technology, with special focus on the internet, including matters of privacy, cybersecurity, and equal access. Assessment will be based upon a short final paper. Executive Program Only. Madrid Instruction.

**CONPUB 808M Contemporary issues in Internet and Privacy Law II (0.5 Credit Hour)** In this course, we consider some key issues of global importance in law & technology, with special focus on the internet, including matters of privacy, cybersecurity, and equal access. Assessment will be based upon a short final paper. Executive Program Only. Madrid Instruction.

**CONPUB 809M Contemp iss.in Int&Priv Law (1 Credit Hour)** In this course, we consider some key issues of global importance in law & technology, with special focus on the internet, including matters of privacy, cybersecurity, and equal access. Assessment will be based upon a short final paper. Executive Program Only. Madrid Instruction.

**CONPUB 832I Internet Regulation (2 Credit Hours)**

**CONPUB 896 Intensive Practicum (9 Credit Hours)** Additional Course Information: Satisfies Experiential Learning degree req

**CONPUB 897 Intensive Practicum Seminar (3 Credit Hours)**