

## INTENT TO PURSUE HEALTH LAW CONCENTRATION

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ANTICIPATED GRADUATION DATE	STUDENT PHONE
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Student Signature

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CONCENTRATION COMPLETION FORM  
**HEALTH LAW**

**IMPORTANT:** Please fill out all information, attach an unofficial transcript and submit to Program Coordinator Cheryl Cooper no later than **September 14** (Dec. graduates) or **February 1** (May/Aug. graduates). Please refer to the Student Handbook for a complete description of the Health Law concentration requirements.

**PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT**

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Name

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Date

**CONCENTRATION COURSES:**

Students must complete (with a grade of C or better) at least 10 credit hours in designated health law courses.

COURSE TITLE	PROFESSOR	SEMESTER / YEAR	CREDIT HOURS	GRADE

**PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE:**

Students must complete supervised experience in a health law practice setting. Normally, this is fulfilled by enrolling in the Externship Program or Legal Clinics. Non-credit externships may fulfill the requirement if pre-approved by the Associate Director.

PRACTICE SETTING	CLINICAL PROFESSOR OR ATTORNEY SUPERVISOR	SEMESTER / YEAR	CREDIT HOURS	GRADE

**PUBLISHABLE PAPER:**

Students must submit a paper on a topic in health law to be approved by the Director of Health Law Studies. Papers completed for a health law seminar or directed research will fulfill this requirement.

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**COLLOQUIA ATTENDANCE AND CRITICAL SUMMARIES:** See Student Handbook for specific requirement.

SPEAKER / PRESENTATION TITLE / PRESENTATION DATE	DATE SUBMITTED
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Student has completed the requirements of the Health Law concentration:  Yes  No

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Concentration Advisor Signature

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Date