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**Academic Calendar, 1990 – 91**

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<td>Aug. 20, Mon.</td>
<td>Orientation (new students)</td>
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<td>Aug. 21, Tues.</td>
<td>Registration</td>
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<tr>
<td>Aug. 22, Wed.</td>
<td>Classes begin, 8:30 a.m.</td>
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<td>Aug. 28, Tues.</td>
<td>No-fee drop/add period ends, 5 p.m.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Aug. 29, Wed.</td>
<td>Fee drop/add period begins</td>
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<td>Sept. 3, Mon.</td>
<td>Labor Day (classes meet)</td>
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<td>Sept. 4, Tues.</td>
<td>Add period and audit option ends, 5 p.m.</td>
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<td>Sept. 11, Tues.</td>
<td>No-record drop period ends, 5 p.m.</td>
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<td>Oct. 5, Fri.</td>
<td>Last day for third-year students to file degree application</td>
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<td>Oct. 9, Tues.</td>
<td>Last day to withdraw from class</td>
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<tr>
<td>Nov. 8–20, Thurs.—Tues.</td>
<td>Spring term registration for continuing students</td>
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<tr>
<td>Nov. 20, Tues.</td>
<td>Thanksgiving holidays begin after classes</td>
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<tr>
<td>Nov. 26, Mon.</td>
<td>Classes resume, 8:30 a.m.</td>
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<td>Nov. 30, Fri.</td>
<td>Last day of classes</td>
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<td>Dec. 1–2, Sat.—Sun.</td>
<td>Reading period</td>
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<td>Fall term examinations</td>
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<td>Fall term ends</td>
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#### Spring Semester 1991

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<td>Jan. 14, Mon.</td>
<td>Registration for new and re-entering students</td>
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<td>Jan. 14, Mon.</td>
<td>Classes begin, 8:30 a.m.</td>
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<td>Jan. 18, Fri.</td>
<td>No-fee drop/add period ends, 5 p.m.</td>
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<td>Jan. 21, Mon.</td>
<td>Fee drop/add period begins</td>
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<td>Jan. 25, Fri.</td>
<td>Add period and audit option ends, 5 p.m.</td>
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<td>Feb. 1, Fri.</td>
<td>No-record drop period ends, 5 p.m.</td>
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<td>Mar. 1, Fri.</td>
<td>Last day to withdraw from class</td>
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<td>Mar. 8, Fri.</td>
<td>Spring vacation begins after class</td>
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<td>Mar. 18, Mon.</td>
<td>Classes resume, 8:30 a.m.</td>
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<td>Apr. 26, Fri.</td>
<td>Last day of classes</td>
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<td>Apr. 27–28, Sat.—Sun.</td>
<td>Reading period</td>
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<td>Apr. 29–May 10, Mon.—Fri.</td>
<td>Spring term examinations</td>
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<td>May 10, Fri.</td>
<td>Spring term ends</td>
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<td>May 11, Sat.</td>
<td>Law School Spring Commencement</td>
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<td>May 12, Sun.</td>
<td>University Baccalaureate Service</td>
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#### Summer Session 1990

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<td>Early Apr.—Apr. 20, Fri.</td>
<td>Registration period</td>
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<td>Late registration, Registrar’s Office</td>
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<td>May 14, Mon.</td>
<td>Three- and eight-week classes begin</td>
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<td>May 31, Thurs.</td>
<td>Three-week session last day of classes</td>
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<td>June 1, Fri.</td>
<td>Three-week session examinations</td>
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<td>Three-week session ends</td>
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<td>June 29, Fri.</td>
<td>Eight-week session last day of classes</td>
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<td>July 2–6, Mon.—Fri.</td>
<td>Eight-week session examinations</td>
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<td>July 6, Fri.</td>
<td>Eight-week session ends</td>
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<td>Aug. 22, Wed.</td>
<td>Summer Diploma Date</td>
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Summer Program Abroad, Cambridge University, England 1990
July 9–Aug. 11 Course offerings are taught by University of Richmond law faculty and Cambridge University law faculty.

Academic Calendar, 1991–92*

Fall Semester 1991
Aug. 26, Mon. Orientation (new students)
Aug. 26–27, Mon.–Tues. Registration
Aug. 28, Wed. Classes begin, 8:30 a.m.
Sept. 2, Mon. Labor Day (classes meet)
Sept. 3, Tues. No-fee drop/add period ends, 5 p.m.
Sept. 4, Wed. Fee drop/add period begins
Sept. 10, Tues. Add period and audit option ends, 5 p.m.
Sept. 17, Tues. No-record drop period ends, 5 p.m.
Oct. 4, Fri. Last day for third-year students to file degree application
Oct. 15, Tues. Last day to withdraw from class
Nov. 7–19, Thurs.–Tues. Spring term registration for continuing students
Nov. 26, Tues. Thanksgiving holidays begin after classes
Dec. 2, Mon. Classes resume, 8:30 a.m.
Dec. 6, Fri. Last day of classes
Dec. 7–8, Sat.–Sun. Reading period
Dec. 9–20, Mon.–Fri. Fall term examinations
Dec. 20, Fri. Fall term ends

Spring Semester 1992
Jan. 13, Mon. Registration for new and re-entering students
Jan. 13, Mon. Classes begin, 8:30 a.m.
Jan. 17, Fri. No-fee drop/add period ends, 5 p.m.
Jan. 20, Mon. Fee drop/add period begins
Jan. 24, Fri. Add period and audit option ends, 5 p.m.
Jan. 31, Fri. No-record drop period ends, 5 p.m.
Feb. 28, Fri. Last day to withdraw from class
Mar. 6, Fri. Spring vacation begins after last class
Mar. 16, Mon. Classes resume, 8:30 a.m.
Apr. 24, Fri. Last day of classes
Apr. 25–26, Sat.–Sun. Reading period
Apr. 27–May 8, Mon.–Fri. Spring term examinations
May 8, Fri. Spring term ends
May 9, Sat. Law School Spring Commencement
May 10, Sun. University Baccalaureate Service

Summer Session 1991
The Summer School Calendar for 1991 will be announced during the fall 1990 term.

* Each term the Registrar publishes a detailed academic calendar to inform the University community of time schedules and deadlines. Dates shown above are subject to change.
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THE T. C. WILLIAMS SCHOOL OF LAW

History

The University of Richmond originated in 1830 and a decade later was chartered as Richmond College, an institution of liberal arts and sciences. The law school was established within the college in 1870. In 1890 the family of the late T. C. Williams, who had been a devoted and valued trustee, donated $25,000 as the nucleus of an endowment for the law school. In recognition of this gift, the school was named The T. C. Williams School of Law. At various times the school has received further generous gifts from members of Mr. Williams' family. A substantial gift came through a bequest from T. C. Williams, Jr. who, like his father, was long a trustee of Richmond College, and for 20 years was the chairman of the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees. The largest of these gifts was received in 1952 by bequest from A. D. Williams, another son of T. C. Williams.

In 1976, George E. Allen, Jr., Ashby B. Allen, and Wilbur C. Allen provided the initial endowment for the school's first chair, the George E. Allen Chair. They and other members of the Allen family have added to this endowment fund in recent years. It provides resources to help attract and retain faculty members of high quality.

The T. C. Williams School of Law is an integral part of the University of Richmond. The University Senate, on which sit representatives of all the faculties, provides for intercollegiate cooperation. Ultimate authority is vested in the Board of Trustees and the president of the University. The degrees in law are conferred by the corporation of the University of Richmond. While possessing a proud tradition, the law school continues to keep pace with the changing methods of legal education in order to prepare its graduates for the practice of law in today's society.

Accreditation

The law school is fully accredited by the recognized standardizing agencies in the United States. It is a member of the Association of American Law Schools; it is on the approved lists of the American Bar Association and the Virginia State Board of Bar Examiners; and its Juris Doctor degree is fully accredited by the Regents of the University of the State of New York. Although each state has its own requirements for admission to the bar, a law degree from the law school qualifies the holder to seek admission to the bar of any state in the nation.

Location

The University of Richmond campus consists of 350 acres located about six miles west of the center of the city of Richmond, Virginia. The law school, designed specifically for the study of law, occupies a separate building constructed in 1954 and enlarged in 1972 and 1981. The building, of Collegiate Gothic architecture, is used exclusively by the law school and provides modern classrooms, seminar rooms, a law library, a courtroom, faculty offices, a faculty reading room, administrative offices, student lounges, and offices for the Law Review and other student organizations.

Richmond, the capital of the Commonwealth of Virginia, is where the Virginia General Assembly holds its annual sessions and the Supreme Court of Virginia sits. The Federal District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia and the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit also hold regular terms here. In addition, the State Corporation Commission, the Industrial Commission, and many federal administrative agencies hold hearings in the city. Washington, D.C., where the United States Supreme Court sits, is only about a two-hour drive away. Thus, students find, in addition to the formal law school program, unsurpassed opportunities for observation of the legal process at work in various legislative, judicial, and administrative departments of the local, state, and federal governments.
Purpose of the University

The University of Richmond is an independent, privately-endowed institution of higher education that provides a comprehensive academic program for men and women. It offers the intimacy of a small university and the diverse educational opportunities that derive from undergraduate degree programs in the liberal arts and sciences and in business, as well as graduate and professional programs in law, business, and selected areas of the arts and sciences. The University also provides a variety of credit and continuing education programs to the larger community. Related to the Baptist General Association of Virginia, the University affirms its commitment to serve individuals of all faiths and persuasions, without regard to race, sex, age, physical handicap or national origin.

The educational objectives of the University are:

- to cultivate in students the interest, capacity, and skills necessary for independent intellectual inquiry and lifelong learning
- to convey to students a representative portion of that body of knowledge that has accumulated and endured through the history of cultures
- to encourage and aid students in the development of basic beliefs, values, and attitudes
- to assist students in selecting and preparing for careers and for study in graduate and professional schools
- to foster in students personal habits that contribute to health and physical fitness

In order to achieve these objectives, the University is committed to:

- an educational environment conducive to the development of the whole person—intellectually, socially, spiritually, physically, and morally
- an academic setting that guarantees and encourages freedom of thought, expression, and association
- an undergraduate curriculum that requires mastery of essential intellectual tools, understanding of basic aspects of human culture, extensive knowledge of at least one area of study, and physical exercise
- a faculty dedicated primarily to excellent teaching and dialogue with students, while remaining actively engaged in scholarly, scientific, and artistic creativity
- a diverse, largely full-time and residential student body that participates in a broad range of University activities
- the essential resources for learning, such as libraries, laboratories, studios, computers, and audiovisual facilities and materials
- opportunities for social commitment and public service, internships, travel and study abroad, and other appropriate learning experiences outside the campus
- a program of varied social, spiritual, and physical activities that provide occasions for growth, fun, and fellowship
- an administration that preserves and enhances the University’s environment and resources, and that represents the institution to the broader community it serves

Method of Instruction

The educational program of the law school is designed to equip its graduates to render the highest quality of legal services, while instilling a sense of professional responsibility. The case method of instruction is used in many courses. The beginning student is trained in the analysis and solution of legal problems by the application of logical reasoning. The course of study is not designed to teach legal rules, but rather to provide a foundation for the application and analysis of the
law and the development of professional skills. Substantive courses, dealing with the content of the law, are generally taught by full-time professors. Many courses dealing with the principles governing actual practice before judicial and administrative tribunals are instructed by adjunct professors who are practicing attorneys and judges and leading members of the state bar and bench. An excellent faculty offers a curriculum that is well balanced in theoretical and practical courses and carefully selected to prepare the graduate for the successful practice of law.

Students

The law school is rather small. Each year’s entering class consists of about 150 students, and the entire student body is approximately 430. This size fosters close personal contact between faculty and students and a welcome air of collegiality among all members of the law school community. The student-faculty ratio is approximately 20 to 1.

The law students come from a wide range of undergraduate institutions, academic majors and backgrounds. A sizable number of students have been involved for some years in other endeavors between graduating from college and entering law school. They bring to the student body, the classroom, and ultimately the profession, perspectives different from those of recent college graduates. In recent years, well over 40 percent of the entering students have been women. A number of minority students are admitted annually. This diversity enhances the environment in which the learning experience takes place.

The first-year class is divided into two sections of about 75 students each, and the students have their first-year substantive classes with the same section. Legal Writing is taught in small sections of 20 students. Class sizes in the second and third year vary according to course selection. Many upper-level classes are quite small.

Library

The William Taylor Muse Law Library, named in memory of a former dean of the law school, is housed in the law school building. In 1981 the library was greatly expanded through the construction of a new wing and extensive renovation, resulting in a commodious library facility. It contains a main reading room and four levels of shelf space. There is ample seating for research and study programs, largely at individual carrels, along with a number of group study rooms located in the library basement. The library collection provides broad coverage of Anglo-American law, including published opinions of all state and federal appellate courts, and the reports of British and Canadian courts. It contains the federal and state constitutions and statutes, and comparable material from Great Britain and Canada. There is also an excellent collection of legal periodicals, treatises, loose-leaf services, digests, and encyclopedias and other research aids. The briefs and records of cases decided by the Virginia Supreme Court also are available, as are audio and video cassettes on a wide range of legal subjects. Briefs and records of cases decided by the United States Supreme Court and legislative materials regarding recent federal statutes are contained on microfiche.

The library contains two computer-assisted legal research systems, LEXIS and WESTLAW. First-year students are trained in the use of these systems as part of their legal writing course. In addition, the library provides access to a wide range of law-related data bases including NEXIS, DIALOG, and VU-TEXT.

Placement Services

The Placement Office of the law school assists all students seeking permanent, summer, or part-time employment. Staffed by a full-time director, the office provides a wide range of services, including general employment information and career counseling. It also schedules on-campus interviews for recruiters from private firms; federal, state, and local governments; judicial clerkships; corporate legal departments; accounting firms; and the military. Since not all employers are able to interview students
on campus, the Placement Office aids students in applying for these positions by forwarding their resumes to the employers.

Private practice attracts approximately 60 percent of the students in each graduating class. Those not entering private practice are employed in judicial clerkships, corporate legal departments, federal, state, and local governments (including prosecutorial positions), legal services programs, and the military.

**Programs**

**Moot Court**

The law school provides an extensive moot court program through which students develop their research, brief-writing, and appellate advocacy skills. First-year students compete in a moot court exercise during the spring semester as a part of their legal writing course; they are then encouraged to participate in the voluntary *Carrico Competition*. Second-year students can compete in the voluntary *Barnett Competition*, through which teams of three students each are selected to represent the school in the National Moot Court Competition and other interschool competitions. Students also may participate in various specialized competitions such as labor, patent, and international law. The moot court program is administered by the Moot Court Board which is comprised of second- and third-year students selected on the basis of their performance in the various competitions.

**Client Counseling and Negotiation**

In addition to possessing advocacy skills, an attorney ought to be able to counsel clients successfully and to negotiate on their behalf. The law school’s curriculum offers courses designed to develop both of these skills. To complement these courses, the Client Counseling Board administers voluntary intramural and interschool client counseling and negotiation competitions through which the students are able to practice these essential skills.

**Clinical Programs**

An increasingly important component of the law school’s academic program is the wide range of clinical offerings. These clinical programs afford second- and third-year students opportunities to apply in practical settings the principles learned in the classroom. The concentration in the Richmond area of major state and federal trial and appellate courts and administrative agencies offers a variety of possibilities for clinical placements. Qualifying third-year law students may gain litigation experience in actual trials under the supervision of a practicing attorney pursuant to the federal and state third-year practice rules. Students are permitted to count toward graduation a maximum of 10 semester hours of approved work undertaken outside the law school classroom. Semester hours earned in the clinical programs are included within these 10 hours.

Clinical field placements are made in the various Commonwealth’s Attorneys’ and the city and county attorneys’ offices in the Richmond area, the Virginia Attorney General’s Office, the United States Attorney’s Office, the Internal Revenue Service, with several legal aid agencies, the American Civil Liberties Union, the Richmond School Board Attorney, and several environmental foundations. Also, students may clerk for Richmond area Circuit Court judges.

An additional clinical program is run from within the law school. In the Youth Advocacy Clinic, students, together with a staff attorney, represent juveniles in judicial proceedings. The assignment of a full-time faculty member as director of clinical programs enhances the school’s commitment to clinical education as an integral part of the curriculum. The clinical programs are more completely described on pages 45 through 48.

**Cooperative Program With MCV/VCU Department of Health Administration**

A cooperative program offered by the law school and the Department of Health Administration at Medical College of Vir-
ginia, Virginia Commonwealth University (MCV/VCU) enables law students to take selected graduate courses offered by the Department of Health Administration. By so doing, law students can enhance their knowledge of the health care industry. A list of approved courses is maintained by the Dean's Office and should be consulted before registering at MCV/VCU. These courses are graded at MCV/VCU, but credit for them is accepted at the law school on a pass/fail basis. The hours are subject to the general rule permitting law students to count toward graduation up to 10 semester hours of work taken outside the law school classroom.

**Dual Degree — Law/Health Administration:** The delivery of health care services poses some of the most critical social, economic, and moral issues of our time. Lawyers representing individuals or health care providers confront a myriad of regulatory systems and issues fairly unique to this area; health care policy makers and administrators are likewise concerned with the effective operation of entities within these regulatory confines and with the utility of these systems.

The dual degree program leads to the award of the Juris Doctor and Master of Health Administration degrees. The program integrates these two professional curricula. Participants are thus provided with the necessary expertise either to represent clients effectively within the health care industry or to function as policy makers or administrators who appreciate fully the legal environment within which their programs operate. Applicants for this program are required to meet the admission standards of both the law school and the Department of Health Administration. For information regarding admission to the Department of Health Administration, contact:

**MHA. Program Director**
Department of Health Administration
Virginia Commonwealth University
MCV Campus, P.O. Box 203
Richmond, VA 23298

When this four-year program is successfully completed, the Master of Health Administration is awarded by Virginia Commonwealth University and the J.D. by the University of Richmond.

**Cooperative Program With the VCU School of Social Work**

The cooperative program offered by the law school and the School of Social Work of Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU) is designed to prepare students for professional practice in areas that can benefit from the knowledge and skills drawn from both fields. Recent legislation, expanding public concerns and continual alterations and extensions of the concept of the public welfare have given social workers' efforts in social planning and programs for social change a new importance and priority. Knowledge of the law gives focus to their efforts. At the same time, lawyers seeking better ways to deal with human aspects of legal disputes and minimize social costs are turning to the social worker for guidance and assistance. These conditions have made interdisciplinary cooperation between lawyers and social workers
normal procedure in many instances, and the two professions are giving increased attention to the interests they share.

The cooperative program allows law students to register for courses offered by the School of Social Work of VCU which are approved by the law school faculty. A list of these courses is maintained by the Dean’s Office and should be consulted before registering at VCU. These courses are graded at VCU, but credit for them is accepted at the law school on a pass/fail basis. The hours are subject to the general rule permitting law students to count toward graduation up to 10 semester hours of work taken outside the law school classroom.

**Dual Degree — Law/Social Work:** The dual degree program is designed to provide its graduates with two degrees — Juris Doctor and Master of Social Work — attesting to competency in both law and social work. This competency is applicable to areas of practice drawing upon knowledge and skills from each of these fields. It is expected that this program will bring together not only persons sensitive to both the legal and human elements in social and personal dysfunctions, but also two fields that call for certain similar as well as different kinds of knowledge and skills directed toward resolving human problems. This effort to integrate education in law and social work will draw on the contributions each can make to a professional base for practice in both fields.

A student who is accepted into the dual degree program will be permitted to count one semester’s work in the law school toward meeting the graduation requirements in the School of Social Work at VCU, and one semester’s work in the VCU School of Social Work will be counted toward meeting the graduation requirements of the law school. This will enable participants in the dual degree program to complete the requirements for the J.D. and the M.S.W. in four years. Applicants for this program are required to meet admission standards of both the law school and the VCU School of Social Work. For information on admission to the School of Social Work, contact:

*Director of Admissions*
*School of Social Work*
*Virginia Commonwealth University*
*Richmond, VA 23284*

**Cooperative Program With the VCU Department of Urban Studies and Planning**

A cooperative program offered by the law school and the Department of Urban Studies and Planning at Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU) offers law students the opportunity to take selected graduate courses offered by the Department of Urban Studies and Planning in order to enhance their understanding of that discipline and its interaction with the law. A list of approved courses is maintained by the Dean’s Office and should be consulted before registering at VCU. These courses are graded at VCU, but credit for them is accepted at the law school on a pass/fail basis. The hours are subject to the general rule permitting law students to count toward graduation up to 10 semester hours of work taken outside the law school classroom.

**Dual Degree — Law/Urban Studies and Planning:** The professions of planning and law address the concerns of social and economic equity through the institutions which help shape the direction of urban change. While lawyers often are concerned with the impact of legislation and judicial decisions on groups and individuals, planners concentrate on social, economic, and political impacts on land use with the aid of legal strategies to guide community growth and development.

The Master of Urban and Regional Planning and Juris Doctor dual degree program integrates these two professional curricula to provide the necessary expertise to apply legal and planning analysis to the resolution of urban and regional policy issues and problems. Some areas of cooperation include the development and enforcement of land use and growth management controls, environmental protection strategies, hous-
ing and community development, and numerous health and welfare programs. The dual degree is a four-year program of study designed to equip graduates for a variety of professional positions including staff or legislative committees, government agencies and commissions, private consulting, neighborhood advocacy, directorships of planning and related agencies, and executive or legal aids to elected officials. Applicants for this program are required to meet the admission standards of both the law school and the Department of Urban Studies and Planning at VCU. For information on admission to the Department of Urban Studies and Planning, contact:

Chair, Department of Urban Studies and Planning
Virginia Commonwealth University
812 West Franklin Street
Richmond, VA 23284

When the four-year program is successfully completed, the Master of Urban Studies and Regional Planning degree is awarded by Virginia Commonwealth University, and the J.D. by the University of Richmond.

Cooperative Program With the UR School of Business

A cooperative program with The Richard S. Reynolds Graduate School of The E. Claiborne Robins School of Business enables students to enroll in selected courses offered in that division, on a space available basis. Admission to these courses requires the approval of the graduate program director. Students are thereby able to broaden their backgrounds in areas of business and finance. A list of approved courses is maintained by the Dean’s Office and should be consulted before registration. Credit for these courses will be included in the maximum number of semester hours which may be taken each semester without payment of additional tuition.

These courses are graded at the business school, but credit for them is accepted at the law school on a pass/fail basis. The hours are subject to the general rule permitting law students to count toward graduation up to 10 semester hours of work taken outside the law school classroom.

**Dual Degree — Law/Business Administration:** The University offers a dual degree program designed to provide its graduates with two degrees — J.D. and M.B.A. This program reflects the interrelationships between law and business management. Its graduates are provided complementary facility in both of these fields. They will be better able to function as managers because of their familiarity with the legal framework within which business must operate. Alternatively, as attorneys, they can better serve the needs of business clients because of their appreciation of the business milieu.

Students accepted into this program will be permitted to count 12 semester hours of work in the law school toward satisfaction of the degree requirements of the M.B.A. program, and 12 semester hours of work in the M.B.A. program toward satisfaction of the degree requirements of the law school. Accordingly, successful participants will be able to complete the requirements for both
degrees in four years. Applicants for this program must meet the admission standards of the law school and the Graduate Division of the Business School. For information on the M.B.A. program, contact:

Director, M.B.A. Program
The Richard S. Reynolds Graduate School
The E. Claiborne Robins School of Business
University of Richmond, VA 23173

Advising for Dual Degree Programs

Upon admission to dual degree programs, every student will be assigned an advisor in both schools to help plan courses of study that will include all requirements, plus elective courses that will best serve individual student interests.

Graduate Courses

Law students are permitted to register for selected courses offered by the University of Richmond Graduate School that are identified on the law school’s list of courses approved for transfer credit to the law school. These courses are graded at the Graduate School but credit for them is accepted at the law school on a pass/fail basis. Any work undertaken by law students in the Graduate School is subject to the general rule permitting law students to count toward graduation up to 10 semester hours of work taken outside of the law school classroom.

Summer Session

The summer session consists of an eight-week term and a three-week short term on campus at the University of Richmond, and a five-week term at Emmanuel College, Cambridge University, England. The course of instruction in the summer session at Cambridge is offered jointly by the University of Richmond law faculty and the Cambridge University law faculty.

Attendance at two eight-week summer sessions, during which at least 10 semester hours are completed successfully, counts as one full residence semester and enables a student to complete the degree requirements at the end of the fall term of the third year. Attendance at the three-week term will result in the accrual of hours only, and no residence credit will result unless this term is taken in conjunction with attendance at the University of Richmond Law School Summer Session at Cambridge University, England.

Information relating to these courses, tuition, and other details may be obtained upon request from:

Dean’s Office
The T. C. Williams School of Law
University of Richmond, VA 23173

Special Program

Robert R. Merhige, Jr. Center for Environmental Studies

This Center, established in 1985, honors one of the law school’s prominent alumni, United States District Judge Robert R. Merhige, Jr. The Center sponsors research, lectures, and discussions regarding major environmental law issues.
ADMISSION

Pre-Law Education

While no particular subjects are prerequisite for admission to the University of Richmond law school, prospective students are urged to pursue a course of study covering various phases of human experience. The law student must be able to draw from a broad base of knowledge. The following are recommended as desirable pre-law concentrations: English, history, political science, philosophy, sociology, psychology, economics, accounting, and mathematics.

Admission Process

The law school generally accepts applications only for full-time study. However, on a very selective basis, students may be allowed to study part-time. While the majority of entering students begin their studies in the fall, a small number of first-year students matriculate in the preceding summer term.

Based upon past experience, the law school expects to consider numerous applicants for every position available in the entering class. A substantial majority of these applicants will clearly demonstrate the ability to complete our law school program and would qualify for admission by any absolute standard. However, because of the relatively few positions available, the selection process involves a comparison of qualifications. Admission is based on the law school Admission Committee’s evaluation of the individual’s relative promise of success in the study of law at this school and its assessment of the applicant’s fitness to become a member of the legal profession.

The two most important considerations in making this evaluation are undergradu ate academic work and the Law School Admission Test score (LSAT). The committee also considers an applicant’s leadership potential, extracurricular activities, recommendations, employment experience, maturity, motivation and character. The policy governing admission to the law school provides equal educational opportunity to qualified applicants without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, sex, handicap, or age.

Application

Applicants for admission as Juris Doctor (J.D.) candidates must complete the application form and must be at least 18 years of age by the date of matriculation. In addition, they must have an official transcript sent directly from the registrar of an approved college or university showing graduation therefrom, unless applying for admission under the combined bachelor’s and law degree program.

Application materials can be obtained on request from the Admissions Office. These materials contain an explanation of the admission process and instructions for completion of the application materials. The address is:

The Admissions Office
The T. C. Williams School of Law
University of Richmond, VA 23173
(804) 289-8189

Summer Entry Program

Under this program, law school is begun in the summer preceding the usual fall entry. Normally scheduled coursework in the following semesters plus another eight-week summer session allows the completion of degree requirements in December of the third year. The bar examination may then be taken the following February. Applicants who wish to be considered for this program should state their interest on the admission application.

Combined Degrees

A student who is in the junior year of college may apply for admission to the University of Richmond law school’s combined de-
Admission

degree program. Students in this program may combine their college work and their work in law school to receive a bachelor’s degree and a law degree in a total of six years. Those admitted into this program matriculate in the law school at the beginning of their senior year of college. During that year they take first-year law school courses in lieu of undergraduate courses. If all other requirements for their undergraduate degree are met, they will receive their bachelor’s degree from their undergraduate institution at the end of the first year of law school. On the successful completion of the remaining two years of law school, they will receive the Juris Doctor degree from the University of Richmond.

This program is designed for exceptional students only. Applicants for the combined degree program should have an excellent undergraduate grade point average and achieve a very high score on the Law School Admission Test. Students interested in gaining admission to the combined degree program should initially contact the dean of their college to ascertain whether it offers such a program. Permission to apply for the combined degree program should be secured from the undergraduate dean and submitted with the application to the law school.

Law Honors Program

Students admitted to the undergraduate schools of the University of Richmond and who have an S.A.T. score of 1300 or above with placement in the top 10% of their high school graduating class are considered for admission simultaneously to the law school. They begin law school studies on completion of their undergraduate work. Their admission to the law school is conditioned on the completion of their undergraduate work with a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.2 and their meeting the character standards applicable to all applicants to the law school.

Admission by Performance Program

This program is designed for selected law school applicants who do not meet the law school’s standards for regular admission. Students admitted into the program take two law school courses during the summer session. Participants’ performance in these courses is evaluated according to the same grading standards as are applied to first-year law students. Those performing at the prescribed level will be admitted into the first-year class. For further information regarding this program, contact:

Dean’s Office
The T. C. Williams School of Law
University of Richmond, VA 23173

Advanced Standing

The law school generally admits with advanced standing a very few transfer students from other law schools. Such students must have completed the first year of law school with a strong record at a school on the approved list of the American Bar Association. No advanced standing credit will be given for work completed in another law school unless it was completed with at least the grade of C, or its equivalent, and is compatible with the curriculum of this law school.
Grading System and Reports

The following grades with grade point values are in effect in the University:

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Other grades which may be given are: P which shows credit has been earned in a pass/fail course, and Z which shows that a course was audited. S and U indicate satisfactory or unsatisfactory performance in a pass/no-credit course. W indicates that the student withdrew from a course without academic penalty. Marks indicating failure, and counted as such in the grade point average, are F, M (withdrew from a course with a failing average) and V (failure because of excessive absences). The X indicates that the grade has not been received from the instructor.

I and Y grades mean that coursework has not been completed by the end of the term. The I grade provisionally counts as a failing grade. It is given when the reasons for the incomplete involve student culpability, but the instructor and Associate Dean determine that an F is not warranted. The work is to be made up by the student’s graduation date or at such earlier time as specified by the instructor and Associate Dean. If the work is not made up during this grace period, the I will be converted to an F. The Y grade, which does not count as a failing grade, is given at the end of the first term of a course that continues into a succeeding term or when the instructor and Associate Dean determine that the reasons for the incomplete do not warrant an I grade. In any case, it is the student’s responsibility to complete the coursework for a course in which an I or Y has been assigned.

Performance in the clinical field placements typically is evaluated and recorded on a pass/fail basis. Any exception to this practice is noted in the relevant course description. Grades for courses taken under the various cooperative programs are recorded by the law school as a pass if, based on the above grading scale, a grade of C (2.0) or better is earned; otherwise they will be recorded as a failure.

The grade point average is determined by dividing the total number of grade points earned by the total number of academic hours attempted in T. C. Williams’ courses that have grades to which grade point values are assigned. Each of these totals is accumulated term by term.

If a failed course is repeated, the grade earned in the repeat and the failure are both included in the grade point average. When the final grade for a course in which an I was given is recorded, the occurrence will be shown on the permanent record, and the grade point average will be recomputed to remove the effect of the I and to include the final grade. For purposes of computing grade point averages, the credit hours earned for work recorded on a pass/fail basis are not included in the hours attempted, if a pass is received. The credit hours for any such work recorded as a failure are included in the hours attempted. Consequently the credit hours for work recorded as a pass have no effect on the grade point average, but a failure in such work would adversely affect the grade point average.

Note: A cumulative grade point average of at least 2.0 is required for graduation.

Students admitted with advanced standing must consult the Associate Dean to determine the manner by which their cumulative grade point average will be calculated for class standing purposes.

Students may review their status and progress with the Associate Dean or in the Registrar’s Office. Grade reports are sent to the student after the close of each term.
Academic Regulations

Registration and Attendance

Students shall register according to the instructions which are provided for each term. A student will not be permitted to attend class until his or her name has been entered on the official roll of that class by the Registrar and arrangements satisfactory to the University have been made for that term’s fees.

A student may register late or add courses through the tenth class day of the semester provided that the specified approvals are obtained and fees, if any, are paid. A student may withdraw from courses without academic record through the fifteenth class day of the semester. Withdrawals after this time will be shown on the academic record, and the student must present an adequate reason, receive the approval of the Associate Dean, and follow any specified administrative procedures including the payment of fees, if any.

Second- or third-year students may not register for more than 18 semester hours in any semester without special permission of the Associate Dean.

First-year students who are enrolled for full-time study are not permitted to have outside employment.

Regular class attendance is expected and required. Enforcement of this policy is the responsibility of each faculty member. Sanctions may be imposed, including imposition of a failing grade, in a case where violation is noted.

Scholarship

At the end of the second semester (one year) of law study:

A student who fails to attain a cumulative grade point average of at least 1.5 shall be required to withdraw from the law school.

A student who fails to attain a cumulative grade point average of between 1.5 and 1.69 shall be required to withdraw from the law school for one year.

At the end of the fourth and each subsequent semester of law study:

A student who fails to attain a cumulative grade point average of at least 1.85 shall be required to withdraw from the law school.

Conditions

Any student who has failed to attain the requisite cumulative grade point average will be required to withdraw immediately from the law school, even though he or she has enrolled in the next semester’s courses (including summer session courses).

Grades earned in courses taken during summer session courses are not included in calculating the necessary grade point average for the year or semester immediately preceding the summer session.

The point at which a part-time student must attain the requisite grade point average is determined in accordance with the time at which he or she has completed the substantial equivalent of the second semester of study and the substantial equivalent of the fourth and succeeding semesters of study.

A student who has been required to withdraw under the 1.5 or 1.85 criteria stated above will not be readmitted to the law school with advanced standing. In the rare event of readmission, it is as an entering first-year student with no credit for prior work. Nevertheless, the prior work will continue to be shown on the permanent academic record, but the grade point average will include only the coursework attempted after readmission.

Note: A failed first-year course must be retaken in the semester in which the course is next offered.

Examinations

Unless announced otherwise by the instructor, the length of an examination will be one hour for each semester hour of credit carried by the course. A student who finds that he or she will be unavoidably prevented from taking an examination at the
time scheduled may receive permission to take the examination at a later date, if such fact is communicated to the Dean or Associate Dean before the time at which the examination is scheduled. Unless excused by the Dean or Associate Dean, a student who fails to take an examination in a course for which he or she has registered will receive a grade of F in that course.

**Honor System**

All students, upon matriculation, become members of the Student Bar Association and agree to abide by and support the Law School Honor System. The Honor System is administered by the students through a Grievance Committee and an Honor Court in accordance with procedures set forth in the Honor Court Constitution. The Canons of Student Ethics provide that lying, cheating, or stealing under any circumstance relating to one's status as a law student are offenses against the Honor System. An individual's status as a member of the Student Bar Association is conditioned upon his or her adherence to the Honor System. The resulting atmosphere of personal integrity and trust is highly appropriate to a school preparing individuals for the honorable profession of law.

**Standards of Conduct**

The University of Richmond considers cultivation of self-discipline and resolution of issues through processes of reason to be of primary importance in the educational process and essential to the development of responsible citizens. All members of the University community are expected to conduct themselves, both within the University and elsewhere, in such a manner as to be a credit to themselves and to the University of Richmond. Moreover, they have a responsibility for complying with local, state, and federal laws, and with all published University policies and regulations. In a community of learning, individual or group conduct that is unlawful, that disrupts or interferes with the educational processes, that causes destruction of property, or otherwise infringes upon the rights of others or of the University itself, cannot be tolerated.

The Trustees of the University of Richmond have authorized a *Policy Statement on Standards of Conduct, Penalties, and Disciplinary Procedures* to guide the conduct of students and their guests. This statement sets forth those standards of conduct which the University of Richmond deems essential for fulfilling its educational mission. Any person who violates the standards of conduct and regulations of the University of Richmond shall be subject to disciplinary action and, if need be, legal action. Disciplinary action may range from reprimand/disciplinary warning up to and including dismissal or expulsion from the University. Penalties will be imposed after proper determination has been made in accordance with established disciplinary procedures of the University, with fair procedures observed and with appropriate appeal procedures available, as outlined in the *Policy Statement* and any approved revisions thereof.

A copy of this *Policy Statement* and/or any officially approved revisions thereof is readily available to each student who matriculates. All members of the University community should familiarize themselves with this *Policy Statement* and revisions, and with any other official publications, handbooks, or announcements issued from time to time by the University of Richmond or by individual colleges and schools of the University.

**Right to Privacy**

The University of Richmond has an affirmative obligation to provide order and discipline and thereby promote an environment consistent with the educational process. In fulfilling that obligation, the University subscribes to the principle of providing every member of the University community with the maximum practicable degree of privacy. Any examination of possessions on campus or entry of campus living quarters, offices, or lockers shall be in accordance with the law and University policy.
Similarly, in regard to student academic and personnel records, the University observes the procedures and requirements of The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-380) as amended. This act generally prohibits the unauthorized release of confidential information about individual students; however, directory information may usually be released. Further information concerning this act is available from the Registrar’s Office.

**Academic Requirements**

The Juris Doctor degree requires the successful completion of at least 90 semester hours of acceptable work and a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.0.

In addition, students must complete at least six full residence semesters over at least 90 calendar weeks. A full residence semester is defined as a 15-week period in which a student is enrolled for at least 10 semester hours and passes at least 9 of those hours.

This residence requirement is based on American Bar Association accreditation standards.

Students intending to attend summer sessions in order to complete their degree requirements at the end of the fall term of their third year should consult the Associate Dean to determine if they will have the necessary credit hours and residence semesters by that time.

All academic requirements for the Juris Doctor degree must be completed within five calendar years.

**Curriculum Requirements**

The 90 semester hours necessary for graduation shall include the successful completion of the following courses and requirements.

**Required Courses**

40 semester hours:
- Civil Procedure I and II
- Constitutional Law
- Contracts
- Criminal Law
- Legal Research and Writing I and II
- Property I and II
- Torts
- Basic Federal Income Taxation
- Evidence
- Professional Responsibility

**Distribution Requirements**

**Business Courses, Category I**

4 semester hours of the following courses:
- Corporations
- Creditors Rights
- Sales and Leases
- Sales and Secured Transactions
- Secured Transactions

**Family Law Courses, Category II**

One of the following courses:
- Domestic Relations
- Wills and Trusts I
Perspective Courses, Category III
One of the following courses:
- American Legal History
- Comparative Public Law of the U.S. and U.K.
- Conflict of Laws
- International Law
- Jurisprudence
- Law of the European Economic Community
- Legal History
- Liberty, Morality, and the Constitution

Procedure Courses, Category IV
One of the following courses:
- Administrative Law
- Criminal Procedure
- Federal Jurisdiction

Skills Courses, Category V
One of the following courses:
- Alternate Dispute Resolution
- Civil Litigation Seminar
- Interviewing and Counseling
- Law Practice Skills
- Negotiation
- Trial Practice

Elective Coursework
Sufficient electives to bring the total credit earned to 90 semester hours.

A student is permitted to count a maximum of 10 semester hours of specific non-law school classroom credit toward the elective hours. Included in this 10-hour limit are clinical field placement courses, law review, moot court, and all work taken in the various cooperative programs.

Graduation with Honors
At the end of their law school study, students who attain in the range of the following cumulative grade point averages will graduate with the designated honors: 3.750 and up, summa cum laude; 3.500 to 3.749, magna cum laude; 3.250 to 3.499, cum laude.

Graduation Policies

Filing of Application
To graduate, a student must file a degree application and comply with the graduation attendance policy. Degree applications must be filed in the Registrar’s Office by the first Friday in October for an anticipated completion by the coming midyear, spring, or summer graduation.

Attendance at Commencement
Diplomas are awarded in person except by the decision of the University not to do so. An individual who expects to receive a diploma in the spring commencement may request absenta status by explaining in writing the very unusual circumstance which prevents participation in the ceremony. This request must be received by the University Registrar no later than eight working days before the ceremony. The Registrar will notify the individual of the status granted by the University. Unless approved as absenta, an individual who does not participate in the ceremony will not receive the diploma. Also other sanctions may be invoked, including the withholding of the degree itself or its certification. The diploma may be received and any sanctions removed provided the candidate refiles the degree application for a subsequent graduation and follows appropriate graduation policy.

Summer and mid-year degrees are conferred as of the date specified in the University calendar. Summer diplomas are mailed to those qualified; mid-year diplomas are given in the spring commencement ceremony.

Encumbrances
The degree will not be conferred unless the student’s obligations to the University are satisfactorily resolved. These obligations include financial and administrative matters such as, but not limited to, delinquent payments, parking fines, or overdue library books.
FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

Fees for the 1990 – 91 academic year

General Fee  9 - 19 semester hours inclusive —
First and continuing T. C. Williams enrollment (summers excepted):
Prior to May 1990 .............................................. $10,950
May 1990 through April 1991 ........................... 11,050

Housing  (in Law residence halls)
Single .............................................................. $1,275
Double .......................................................... 1,125
Triple and Quad ................................................... 1,100

Meal Plans  Meals are served Monday through Friday, three meals a day;
Saturday and Sunday, brunch and dinner.
19 - Meal Plan — All 19 meals a week ...................... $1,565
14 - Meal Plan — Any 14 meals a week .......... 1,525
10 - Meal Plan — Any 10 meals a week .......... 1,485
5 - Meal Plan — Any 5 meals a week ............ 740
All meal plans are based, budgeted, and served within the time frame
of the undergraduate calendar schedule.

Other Fees
Hours over 19 or less than 9 in a semester
Per semester hour ........................................... $545
Campus vehicle permit ...................................... 35
Registration, change: per drop/add form .................. 15
Registration, late  (payable before matriculation), per term ........ 50
General Fee Payment, late .................................. 50
Fee is $25 if account balance is under $500.

Optional Fee
Medical fee ......................................................... $80
Single students not living on campus may pay this fee, for which they will
receive medical attention and Student Health Center privileges. Students
not under a meal plan with the University dining hall will be charged for
meals while in the Student Health Center. The services of the University
physician are available only in the Student Health Center.
Information about a student accident and sickness insurance policy is
available from the Controller, 202 Maryland Hall, (804) 289-8150.

- Regardless of the University division in which a course is taken, the student pays the
tuition and fees of the division to which he or she has been admitted and which is
considered the division of record. Any special fee associated with a particular course,
such as a laboratory fee, is charged based on registration in the course.

- The University reserves the right to increase the fees listed herein and the charges for
room and board if conditions should make such changes necessary or advisable. The
changes will be announced as far in advance as feasible.

- Fees and charges will increase for the 1991 – 92 school year and will be announced
as soon as possible.
Payments

Fees are payable at the Office of Student Accounts, one-half on the first Monday in August and one-half on the first Monday in December. Students entering for the second semester pay one-half of the regular charges.

No diploma is granted or credit given for the session's work until all charges have been satisfactorily settled.

Students who fail to complete registration for the fall semester by the close of business on the day before the first day of fall classes will be charged a late registration fee of $50. Students who fail to make satisfactory arrangements for their fall semester fees by the close of business on the first day of fall classes will be charged a late payment fee of $50. A late registration fee of $50 will be charged currently enrolled students who fail to complete registration for the spring semester by the close of business on the registration day specified for students continuing in the spring. A $50 late fee also is payable by new and readmitted students who fail to complete registration for the spring semester by the close of business on the first day of spring classes. Students who fail to make satisfactory arrangements for their spring semester fees by the close of business on the first day of spring classes will be charged a late payment fee of $50.

Deferred Payments

The University does not offer a deferred payment plan, and all accounts must be paid in full each semester as indicated earlier in this section.

However, in recognition of the substantial interest in deferred payments, the University has arranged to make available the services of The Tuition Plan, Inc., and Knight Insurance Company. These firms represent one of several sound alternatives for financing a student’s education.

Many parents and students may prefer to arrange financing through their local banks or other sources; but if there is interest in The Tuition Plan, Inc. or Knight Insurance Company, further information is available upon request from the University’s Office of Student Accounts.

Students are urged to complete whatever arrangements they choose early, so that their accounts with the University may be settled in a timely manner.

Advance Payments

Two hundred fifty dollars ($250) of the General Fee must be paid in advance by all new students. This advance payment must be made upon acceptance of admission and will be credited on the first semester account of the student, but is not refundable if the student fails to matriculate.
Refund Policy

Students are matriculated by semester. If a student withdraws or is dropped from the University for whatever cause, a refund of fees for a fall or spring semester shall be made in accordance with the University's refund policy, based on the following schedule. This schedule is prorated for summer terms. Refunds are made first to any financial program the student may be receiving, then to any University unsettled account, and then to the student.

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Room and Board

Rooms in the Law residence halls are available to single students upon application to the Director of Admissions of the law school, accompanied by check payable to University of Richmond in the amount of $250. Returning students must reserve a room on or before the preceding May 1; new students must apply for a room upon acceptance by the school. Availability of rooms is limited. Preference is given to entering students not from the area.

The deposit will be refunded if written notice releasing the room is received by July 1. If a student occupies the room, the $250 room deposit will be credited to his or her account.

The rooms are furnished. Each student provides his or her own pillow, bed linens, towels, and blankets.

The charge for room covers medical care by the University Student Health Center, but does not cover the cost of medicines, expenses at a hospital, or the services of any additional physician or nurse.

Law students living on or off the campus are not required to board on campus. However, several board plans are available to law students living on or off campus.

Books

The books, supplies, and necessary study aids for the first year, if purchased new, will cost about $400. Second-hand books are available at lower cost. All books may be secured at reasonable prices through the University Bookstore.

1990 Summer Session

General Fee .................... $2,500

Part-time students matriculating for less than 5 semester hours per term:
Tuition fee, per semester hour ........ 500
FINANCIAL AID

Student aid at the University of Richmond is awarded without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, sex, handicap, or age. Several forms of financial aid are available to law students. The law school scholarship program is administered through the law school; University grants are awarded by the University; loans and other types of financial aid are administered by the University or other sources. Since application procedures and deadlines for these programs vary, applicants must apply separately for each type of financial aid.

More specific information regarding financial aid may be obtained from:

Assistant Dean
The T. C. Williams School of Law
University of Richmond, VA 23173.

Law School Scholarship Awards

The law school awards a limited number of scholarship grants on the basis of character, leadership, scholastic attainment, and capacity for law study. The application deadline for these scholarships is March 1. Application forms may be obtained from:

Director of Admissions
The T. C. Williams School of Law
University of Richmond, VA 23173.

Endowed Law Scholarships

The E. Ballard Baker Scholarship
Established by alumni and friends in memory of Judge E. Ballard Baker, an alumnus of Richmond College and the law school who was a widely respected jurist and the first Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals of Virginia.

The Mary Russell and James H. Barnett, Jr. Memorial Scholarship
Alumni and friends of Mary Russell and James H. Barnett, Jr. have funded this scholarship in their memory. Mr. Barnett was a distinguished teacher and scholar who served the law school for nearly half a century.

The W. Richard Broaddus, Jr. Scholarship
Established as a result of a generous bequest by W. Richard Broaddus, Jr., a member of the Class of 1921.

The Thomas P. Bryan, Jr. Memorial Scholarship
Established by the Windsor Foundation in memory of Thomas P. Bryan, one of its trustees, and a member of the Class of 1947.

The Cantor and Cantor Scholarship
Endowed by the Richmond firm of Cantor and Cantor.

The Fred A. Crowder Memorial Scholarship
Established by Mrs. Fred A. Crowder and daughters. Mr. Crowder was a member of the class of 1949.

The John N. Dalton Memorial Scholarship
Established by the University’s Board of Trustees in memory of their former colleague, John N. Dalton, who served as the Governor of Virginia.

The Carle E. Davis Scholarship
Established by his friends in honor of Carle E. Davis, a long-time member of the law school faculty, Secretary of the University Board of Trustees, alumnus, and prominent attorney.

The M. Ray Doubles Scholarship
Established in honor of M. Ray Doubles, former dean and faculty member of The T. C. Williams School of Law, who faithfully served the law school as an able administrator and prominent scholar, and spent many years as a respected jurist.

The Thomas A. Edmonds Scholarship
Established by members of the Alumni Association and others in honor of Thomas A. Edmonds, a former Dean of the Law School.
Financial Aid

The William Meade Fletcher Memorial Scholarship
Established by James W. Fletcher in memory of his father, William Meade Fletcher, author of the highly respected treatise on corporate law, *Cyclopedia of the Law of Private Corporations*.

The Barry N. Frank Scholarship
Established by Mrs. Honey H. Frank in honor of her son Barry, who is a member of the class of 1977.

The Warren B. "Chip" French III Scholarship
Established by the Student Bar Association in memory of Warren B. "Chip" French III, a member of the Class of 1981.

The Charles T. Gray Scholarship
Established by the Hon. Frederick T. Gray in memory of his brother.

The Edward W. Hudgins Memorial Scholarship
Established in 1976 by Edward M. Hudgins in memory of his father, an alumnus of the law school and a trustee of the University of Richmond, who was Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Virginia, 1947–58.

The Nina R. Kestin Scholarship
Established by her family, colleagues, and friends in memory of Nina R. "Ricki" Kestin, a respected member of the law school faculty, 1976–89.

The Harry L. Lantz Scholarship
Established by Harry L. Lantz, a member of the Class of 1943.

The Law School Class of 1958 Scholarship
Established by members of the Class of 1958.

Life Insurance Company of Virginia Scholarship
Established in 1972, this scholarship is provided through the benevolence of the Life Insurance Company of Virginia.

The McGuire, Woods, Battle & Boothe Scholarship
An annual scholarship award is made possible through an endowment given by the Richmond law firm of McGuire, Woods, Battle & Boothe.

The William T. Muse Memorial Scholarship
Established in memory of William T. Muse, a distinguished member of the law faculty and dean for 24 years.

The Elis Olsson Memorial Foundation Scholarship
Established to assist worthy students to obtain their legal education.

The Thomas P. Parsley Memorial Scholarship
Established by his wife in memory of Thomas P. Parsley, a member of the Class of 1929.

The Theodora A. Randolph Scholarship
Established by Mrs. Randolph to assist worthy students in the pursuit of their legal education.

The James D. Rowe Memorial Scholarship
Established by his friends in memory of James D. Rowe, a member of the Class of 1955.

The Sheppard Endowment Scholarship
Established by an anonymous alumnus and the Lawrence B. Sheppard Foundation.

The J. Westwood Smithers Scholarship
Established by his family and friends in memory of J. Westwood Smithers, a longtime member of the law school faculty.

The Harold F. Snead Memorial Scholarship
Established in memory of Harold F. Snead, the former Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Virginia and a member of the class of 1929.

The Sturgill & Sturgill Scholarship
Endowed by the firm of Sturgill & Sturgill, Norton, Virginia, to assist students from southwest Virginia.
Jean Morris Tarpley Scholarship
Established by the Class of 1957 as a twenty-fifth reunion gift in honor of Jean Morris Tarpley, the law school’s Director of Admissions.

The Elizabeth N. Tompkins Memorial Scholarship
Established by Westhampton College alumnae in memory of Elizabeth N. Tompkins to be awarded to an entering law student who is a graduate of Westhampton College.

The Virginia District Court Judges’ Scholarship
Established by the law school’s alumni who are Virginia District Court judges.

The Williams Law Scholarships
Awarded to entering or returning students of unusual ability.

The Willard I. Walker Scholarship
Established by students, alumni, and friends in memory of Judge Willard I. Walker, a prominent member of the Richmond bench, and an instructor of trial advocacy at the law school.

Young Lawyers Section of the Richmond Bar Association Scholarship
Established by the Young Lawyers Section of the Richmond Bar Association to aid students from Richmond and the surrounding counties.

Annually Funded Scholarships
Scholarship awards are made from funds annually provided by the following law firms, corporations, groups, and individuals.

Anonymous
Bagwell, Bagwell & Bagwell, Halifax, Va.
Edward D. Barnes, Chesterfield, Va.
Bremner, Baber & Janus, Richmond, Va.
Browder & Russell, Richmond, Va.
Browning, Morefield & Lamie, Lebanon, Va.
Campbell and Campbell, Ashland, Va.
Thomas E. Carr, P.C., Richmond, Va.

Christian, Barton, Epps, Brent & Chappell, Richmond, Va.
Cowan & Owen, Richmond, Va.
Davis, Davis & Davis, Rocky Mount, Va.
Harold S. Fleischer Memorial (provided by his son, Alan G. Fleischer, Esq.)
Florance, Gordon & Brown, Richmond, Va.
Gentry, Locke, Rakes & Moore, Roanoke, Va.
Glasser & Glasser, Norfolk, Va.
Melineze V. Godbee Memorial Scholarship
Griffin, Pappas & Scarborough, Portsmouth, Va.
Halford I. Hayes, Richmond, Va.
Hirschler, Fleischer, Weinberg, Cox & Allen, Richmond, Va.
House, Davidson & Telegades, Richmond, Va.
Hundley, Johnson & Harris, Richmond, Va.
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Hunton & Williams, Richmond, Va.
Kane, Wheeler, Fenderson & Jeffries, Richmond, Va.
Kaufman & Canoles, Norfolk, Va.
Kelly & Lewis, Richmond, Va.
William E. Kirkland, Richmond, Va.
Lutins & Shapiro, Roanoke, Va.
Lyle, Siegel, Croshaw & Beale, Virginia Beach, Va.
Maloney, Yeatts & Barr, Richmond, Va.
Marks & Harrison, Hopewell, Va.
David J. Mays Memorial Scholarship funded by Mays & Valentine, Richmond, Va.
McCaul, Martin, Evans & Cook, Richmond, Va.
Mezzullo & McCandlish, Richmond, Va.
Morchower, Luxton & Whaley, Richmond, Va.
Outten, Barrett, Burr & Sharrett, Emporia, Va.
Parker, Pollard & Brown, Richmond, Va.
Parvin, Wilson, Barnett & Hopper, Richmond, Va.
Press, Culler, Jones, Waechter & Stoneburner, Richmond, Va.
Pretlow, Harry & Eason, Suffolk, Va.
Sands, Anderson, Marks & Miller, Richmond, Va.
Taylor, Hazen & Kauffman, Richmond, Va.
Traylor & Morris, Richmond, Va.

Virginia Circuit Court Judges
Virginia District Court Judges
Wells, Paris & Brown, Richmond, Va.
Williams, Mullen, Christian & Dobbins, Richmond, Va.
Ebb H. Williams III, Martinsville, Va.

Additional scholarship accounts are maintained by the University from which awards will be made when resources permit.

Other Financial Aid

The Financial Aid Form (FAF) and Applications

The following sections indicate different sources of financial aid. While the University or other lender has its own application form for its programs, most of the programs require in addition receipt of the FAF. The information required by the FAF is submitted by the student to the College Scholarship Service, Princeton, New Jersey, where the completed form is processed. The processed form is then sent by the College Scholarship Service directly to the University. Since it takes several weeks at least for the FAF to be processed and received by the University or other lender, all application materials and the FAF should be obtained, completed, and submitted by the student as soon after January 1 as possible, and at the latest by February 1. The completed application must be received by the University Financial Aid Office from the College Scholarship Service by March 15.

Specific information regarding programs, eligibility, and application procedures can be obtained from:

Assistant Dean
The T. C. Williams School of Law
University of Richmond, VA 23173

or

Financial Aid Office
Brunet Memorial Hall
University of Richmond, VA 23173
Grants

The University of Richmond awards grants, within available resources, to law students who can demonstrate substantial need. In addition, the Virginia Tuition Grant (TAG) program provides aid to Virginia residents attending private schools in Virginia. Applications for these grants require the completion of the FAF.

Loans

Loan programs are available through a variety of sources to help students finance their law school education. Private sources include the Charles B. Keese Educational Fund for law students from Virginia and North Carolina, the Law School Assured Access program, and Supplemental Loans for Students. Loan programs from federal and state agencies include the Perkins Loan Program (formerly NDSL), the Stafford Loan (formerly GSL), and the Virginia Educational Loan Authority or similar loan authorities in most other states. Applications for these loans typically require the completion of the FAF.

Work-Study Program

Students who need employment to provide for law school expenses may be eligible for employment under federally supported Work-Study Programs. Law students qualifying under this program usually work as research assistants to law professors, or as library assistants in the law library. The student's eligibility depends upon the need for employment to defray law school expenses. The FAF is the application for this program. It should be submitted for processing by February 1 in order to be received by the Financial Aid Office by March 15.

Veterans Benefits

Students eligible to receive educational benefits under Veterans Readjustment Acts, or other laws for veterans, active service persons, children, wives or widows of deceased or disabled veterans, must submit applications to the Veterans Administration (VA) prior to registration. Certificates of eligibility received from the VA must be presented to the Veterans Administration Coordinator in the Registrar's Office.
STUDENT ACTIVITIES

The Law Review

The University of Richmond Law Review is a legal periodical published four times a year by a student staff under general supervision of a board and a faculty advisor. With some emphasis on Virginia law, the Law Review presents the results of scientific study and scholarly investigation of practical legal problems of current interest to the profession. Articles are written by law professors, judges, and practicing lawyers. Notes and comments on recent decisions and statutes are prepared by students. Membership on the Law Review is one of the highest honors attainable by a student. This work affords students valuable training in research, analysis, and self-expression. In the opinion of many, this experience provides some of the best training the school has to offer.

McNeill Law Society

The McNeill Law Society is named in memory of Walter Scott McNeill, beloved professor in the school from 1905 to 1930. Membership is limited to students who rank in the top ten percent of their class.

Student Bar Association

The Student Bar Association is the law school’s student government. This organization promotes and fosters many extracurricular activities. The Student Bar Association consists of a president, vice president, secretary, and treasurer who are elected by the entire student body. The Student Council, the decision-making body of the Student Bar Association, is composed of these officers and two circuit representatives from each class in the law school. The Student Bar Association is designed to assist law students in a variety of ways. It sponsors various activities and projects, including first-year orientation, a speaker’s program, and other social events throughout the year.

Legal Aid Program

The Legal Aid Program gives the student a realistic educational environment which both aids in the assimilation of substantive subjects and develops appreciation for the legal profession as a means of solving community problems. Existing programs include student volunteers working with the Central Virginia Legal Aid Society and in the City of Richmond Jail and the State Penitentiary in Richmond. Students also prepare legal memoranda and briefs for practicing attorneys on problems that have arisen in advising their clients or in litigating the clients’ causes.

Professional Fraternities and Associations

Two professional legal fraternities, Phi Alpha Delta and Phi Delta Phi, sponsor a variety of programs on subjects of professional interest. The legal fraternities occasionally host certain social events. In addition, there is a chapter of The Black Law Student Association (BALSA) and a Women’s Law Group at the law school.

Awards

The Charles T. Norman Medal is given annually to the best all-around law graduate as determined by the law faculty.

The J. Westwood Smithers Medal was established in honor of Professor Emeritus J. Westwood Smithers who retired in 1979 after more than 40 years of service to the University of Richmond Law School. The Smithers Medal honors the member of the graduating class who has the highest cumulative grade point average.

The William S. Cudlipp, Jr. Medal, established in honor of Professor Emeritus William S. Cudlipp, Jr., is awarded to the student who has the highest cumulative grade point average at the end of the second year of law school.
Student Activities/Awards

The Michie Company Prize, a copy of the *Code of Virginia*, is presented annually to the second-year student who has attained the highest scholastic average during the first year of law school.

The Lawyers Co-Operative Publishing Company, Bancroft-Whitney Company awards credit vouchers and certificates of such awards to the students earning the highest grades in specified law school courses.

The West Publishing Company awards selected volumes to the students in each class whom the faculty deem to have made the most significant contribution to legal scholarship.

The United States Law Week Award is made annually to the student who makes the most scholastic progress during the final year in law school.

The International Academy of Trial Lawyers Student Advocacy Award is awarded annually to the senior law student who has distinguished himself or herself in the field of trial advocacy.

The William T. Muse Torts Award was established by the Student Bar Association in honor of William T. Muse, former dean of the law school. This award is given to the first-year student receiving the highest grade in torts.

The Virginia Trial Lawyers Association Advocacy Award is a cash prize which is given to a student who has distinguished himself or herself in courses having a significant litigation orientation.

The Edward D. Barnes Criminal Law Award is a cash prize awarded to the second-year student earning the highest grade in each section of the first-year Criminal Law course.

The Edward S. Hirschler Real Property Award is a cash prize awarded to the second-year student earning the highest grade in each section of the first-year property course. This award is presented by Sandra D. Coleman and Thomas R. Klein, members of the Class of 1978, in honor of Mr. Hirschler, a prominent real property attorney.
CURRICULUM

First-Year Courses

The following courses totaling 30 semester hours are prescribed:

Civil Procedure I–II. (501–502) Introduction, with emphasis on federal law, to rules governing jurisdiction, venue, service of process, pleadings, joinder, discovery, summary adjudication, trial, judgments, direct and collateral attack on judgments, appellate procedure, and choice of law in civil litigation. 2–3sem. hrs.

Constitutional Law. (503) Introduction to constitutional problems, including problems relating to the defining and raising of constitutional questions; the federal system; and an introduction to judicial protection of individual liberties. Emphasis on parts of Constitution most frequently involved in litigation. 4sem. hrs.

Contracts. (513) Basic elements of contract law. Stress on the agreement process, i.e., offer and acceptance, consideration, and substitutes for consideration. Avoidance of contractual obligations, conditions, performance and breach of contracts are examined as are discharge of contractual duties and remedies. Third-party beneficiaries, assignments, and illegal contracts may be examined. The Uniform Commercial Code and the Restatement emphasized throughout. 4sem. hrs.

Criminal Law. (506) Sources of criminal law; constitutional limitations on power to create and define crimes; elements of crimes; conduct, mental state, causation; specific offenses, including homicides, sex offenses, larceny and other property offenses; defenses of mistakes, infancy, compulsion, intoxication, insanity; attempt; solicitation; conspiracy; accessoryship. 3sem. hrs.

Legal Research and Writing I–II. (507–508) Methodology and techniques of legal research and writing; exercises in the use of legal library materials; preparation and writing of legal memoranda; preparation and writing of an appellate brief and oral argument before a moot court. 2–2sem. hrs.

Property I–II. (509–510) Introduction to property laws, with emphasis on the concepts of title and possession of personal and real property; finders and bailments; rights and remedies of the possessor; donative transactions; rights of the bona fide purchaser; historical background of real property law; estates in land; concurrent ownership; conveyancing and future interests before and after the Statute of Uses; landlord and tenant; fixtures; assignment and sublease, liability for rent, and holding over; Statute of Frauds; contracts, deeds and mortgages in the sale of land; recordation and title examination; covenants, easements and licenses in the use of land; lateral and subjacent support; water rights incident to ownership of land; and invasion of air space. 3–3sem. hrs.

Torts. (514) Liability for personal injuries and injuries to property. Includes analysis of various intentional tort theories, the concepts of negligence and strict liability, and the privileges and defenses which may apply to actions brought in tort. May include treatment of one or more special or emerging areas such as products liability, misrepresentation, privacy, defamation, misuse of legal procedures, or interference with advantageous relationships. 4sem. hrs.

Required Upper-Level Courses

The following upper-level courses totaling 10 semester hours are prescribed:

Basic Federal Income Taxation. (601) Basic provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, including problems concerning the determination of gross income, the allowance of deductions and credits, methods of accounting, and the concepts of capital gains and losses. 4sem. hrs.

Evidence. (604) Rules of admissibility of evidence including the concepts of relevance, hearsay, direct examination, cross-examination, impeachment, and privileges. 4sem. hrs.

Professional Responsibility. (605) Ethical standards of the legal profession, including judicial ethics and unauthorized practice. 2sem. hrs.

Second- or Third-Year Elective Courses

Many of the following courses satisfy, totally or partially, the distribution requirements set forth on pages 24 and 25. The notation Dist. Req. Course appears after the description of each such course.

Administrative Law. (607) A survey of the nature, purpose and functions of federal and state administrative agencies. Coverage includes an analysis of procedures and practices before such agencies, enforcement of agency decisions, judicial review and control of agency use of governmental power. 3sem. hrs. Dist. Req. Course
Curriculum/Second- or Third-year Elective Courses

Admiralty. (608) Law of maritime commerce, of shipowners, seamen, and cargo. An introduction to the special federal system of courts and practice, followed by examination of the rules governing marine transportation and industrial accidents to crew members and harbor workers. 3 sem. hrs.

Advanced Constitutional Law. (609) Individual rights, particularly issues in the First, Thirteenth, and Fifteenth Amendments not covered in the basic course. Topics include reapportionment, religion, obscenity, government investigation, the right to know, commercial speech, libel, inadequacies in the Supreme Court to protect rights. 3 sem. hrs.


Advanced Real Estate Transactions. (611) Surveys modern real estate transactions, such as condominiums, cooperatives, sales and leasebacks, leasehold mortgages, FHA and VA financing, title insurance, construction loan agreements, and shopping center leases. 3 sem. hrs.

Advanced Torts. (659) Focuses on injuries to trade relations including tortious interference with contractual rights, misappropriation of trade secrets, and unfair competition. 2 sem. hrs.

Agency and Partnership. (612) Agency relationships; contractual liability of principals (disclosed and undisclosed), agents and third parties; authority and ratification; termination of agency; tort liability in master-servant relationships; partnership: creation, rights and duties of partners; dissolution of partnerships; fiduciary duties of agents. 2 sem. hrs.

Alternate Dispute Resolution. (610) The development of skills in certain dispute resolution techniques including negotiation, arbitration, mediation, and mini-trials. Enrollment limited. 3 sem. hrs. Dist. Req. Course

American Legal History. (620) Topics central to the development of American law, from the seventeenth through the twentieth century, including reception of English law, evolution of the legal profession and legal education, schools of historical scholarship, and origins of selected legal doctrines. 2 sem. hrs. Dist. Req. Course

Antitrust. (613) Control of private economic power in the United States, focusing on the law regarding monopolies, mergers, and restrictive business practices as regulated by the Sherman and Clayton acts. Some attention to other federal antitrust legislation such as the Federal Trade Commission Act and state antitrust enforcement. 3 sem. hrs.

Bankruptcy. (615) The Federal Bankruptcy Act, rules, and court decisions interpreting same. 2 sem. hrs.

Business Planning. (668) A transactional course analyzing the corporate, tax, securities, finance, antitrust, and accounting aspects of significant corporate events. Transactions in which these issues are examined include corporate organizations, financings, distributions and recapitalizations, liquidations, acquisitions and mergers. Enrollment limited. Prerequisite: Corporations (602). 3 sem. hrs.

Children and the Law. (616) Developments in handling juvenile problems. Emphasis on the procedural ramifications of recent court and legislative attempts to reform the juvenile justice system, and emerging issues in the legal enforcement of children’s rights. 3 sem. hrs.

Civil Litigation Seminar. (679) Consists of simulation exercises in the context of civil litigation, from intake interview through trial. Concentrates on development of skills in interviewing, counseling, fact investigation, discovery, negotiation, motion practice, and trial. Enrollment limited. 3 sem. hrs. Dist. Req. Course

Coastal Zone Management Seminar. (673) Examines the conflicts in resource allocation within the coastal zone. Enrollment limited. 2 sem. hrs.

Commercial Paper. (618) Law relating to negotiable instruments and bank deposits and collections with emphasis on Articles 3 and 4 of the Uniform Commercial Code. 2 sem. hrs.

Comparative Public Law of the U.S. and U.K. (694) (Offered only in the Cambridge University Program.) Examines and compares underlying principles of constitutional and administrative law in the U.S. and the U.K. 2 sem. hrs. Dist. Req. Course

Conflict of Laws. (621) Law relating to acts and transactions in which any operative fact occurs outside the state where legal proceedings are instituted, or which involve other significant extraterritorial elements. The theoretical bases of conflict of laws, including the problems of renvoi and of qualifications. 3 sem. hrs. Dist. Req. Course

Construction Law. (617) Issues peculiar to construction projects from the perspective of the various participants including developer, contractor, architect, and lender and on dispute avoidance and resolution techniques. Includes negotiation and drafting of construction-related contracts. 2 sem. hrs.
Consumer Protection. (622) Survey of the private and public law protection afforded consumers beginning with an analysis of the common law tort of deception and extending through most areas of public regulation including those policed by the Federal Trade Commission. Emphasis on application of federal statutes such as the Consumer Credit Protection Act and the Magnuson-Moss Warranty Act. Excludes product liability concepts. 3 sem. hrs. Dist. Req. Course

Corporate Taxation. (623) Basic tax questions involved when operating in corporate form; organizations, dividends, redemptions, liquidations, and "S" corporations. 2 sem. hrs.

Corporations. (602) Organization and promotion of corporations, distribution of power between managers and shareholders, fiduciary obligations of managers to corporation and shareholders, and of shareholders among themselves; control of insider trading and profit taking, mergers, means of protecting shareholder rights through derivative suits and appraisal remedies, capital structure, dividends and other corporate distributions; special problems of close corporations. 4 sem. hrs. Dist. Req. Course

Creditor's Rights. (624) Problems and remedies in the debtor-creditor relationship, with emphasis on remedies available under state law. Enforcement of judgments, garnishment, attachment, exemptions, fraudulent conveyances, compositions, assignments for the benefit of creditors, and an overview of bankruptcy jurisdiction: procedures and administration under the federal bankruptcy act. 3 sem. hrs. Dist. Req. Course

Criminal Procedure. (603) Important problems and cases in the area of due process of law in criminal prosecutions, including the topics of arrest, search and seizure, electronic eavesdropping, right to counsel, police interrogations and confessions, and fair trial/free press. 3 sem. hrs. Dist. Req. Course

Criminal Process. (625) Federal and Virginia procedures at various stages of a criminal prosecution including bail, preliminary hearings, indictments, discovery, speedy trial, double jeopardy, plea bargaining, jury selection, venue, and jurisdiction. 2 sem. hrs.

Debtor Reorganization. (682) The restructuring of business enterprises under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code including the mechanics of reorganization, its traditional uses, and recent developments. 2 sem. hrs.

Domestic Relations. (626) Legal problems involved in the formation and dissolution of marriage, and the welfare of children; including premarital contracts, marriage, annulment of marriage, abortion and contraception, legitimacy and paternity, adoption, child and spousal support, divorce, migratory divorce, separation agreements, and child custody. 3 sem. hrs. Dist. Req. Course

Education Law. (627) Legal issues surrounding education in grades K through 12 including compulsory schooling, use of tax credits and other means of financing education, religion in the schools, textbook review, freedom of expression issues, due process and discipline, and competency role in education. 2 sem. hrs.

Employee Benefits and Deferred Compensation. (630) Introduction to federal tax and labor laws relating to the design, operation, termination, and distribution of benefits from qualified and non-qualified employee welfare and benefit plans, such as profit-sharing, money purchase, defined benefit, employee stock bonus and stock ownership plans; and federal tax laws relating to stock option and deferred compensation plans. 2 sem. hrs.


The Employment Relation. (629) A case-law approach to examining legislative programs to help the working person. Primary emphasis is on workers compensation; unemployment and compensation, wage and hour regulation, and social security also dealt with. 3 sem. hrs.

Energy Law. (666) Comparison of common law and statutory schemes for developing fossil and non-fossil energy alternatives; mineral deeds, royalty transfers, oil and gas leases, drilling and mining rights and privileges, reactor licensing and liability; the impact of environmental, safety, and economic regulation on development. 2 sem. hrs.

Environmental Law. (631) A seminar. Research and discussion of human life and the environment, and legal and extralegal remedies to environmental problems. Lectures by specialists and preparation, presentation, and discussion of research papers. Enrollment limited. 3 sem. hrs.

Environmental Litigation and Practice. (671) Issues treated include counseling of clients in permitting and regulatory requirements, preparation for formal and informal agency proceedings, administrative hearing practice and building a record, appeals of agency decisions, problems of compliance and enforcement by administrative and
judicial action. Prerequisite: Environmental Law (631). 2 sem. hrs.

Equity Procedure. (632) Procedures used when practicing before the equity courts of Virginia. Taught by exploring the solutions to several problems. 2 sem. hrs.

Estate and Gift Taxation. (633) Taxes imposed on testamentary and inter vivos transfers, intricacies of the gross estate, the marital deduction, problems of joint ownership, grantor trusts under subpart E of the Internal Revenue Code, problems in valuation. 2 sem. hrs.

Estate Planning. (634) Analysis of assets for disposition in estate planning, estate plan by operation of law, revocable inter vivos trusts as an instrument in the estate plan, irrevocable inter vivos trusts as an instrument in the estate plan, non-trust gifts, disposition of life insurance, employee and social security benefits, the will as an instrument in the estate plan, marital deduction, use of powers of appointment, charitable dispositions, methods of minimizing income and estate taxes while accomplishing desired results for objects of bounty, preparation of instruments involved in estate planning. Prerequisite: Estate and Gift Taxation (633). 2 sem. hrs.

Federal Income Taxation of Partners and Partnerships. (635) Nature and formation of a partnership; taxation of partnership income; transactions between related parties; termination of a partnership; sale of a partnership interest; distribution by a partnership; special basis adjustment; distribution to retiring or deceased partners. Includes also the treatment of pass-through entities. Prerequisite: Basic Federal Income Taxation (601). 3 sem. hrs.

Federal Jurisdiction. (636) Jurisdiction of the federal courts over cases and controversies within limitations of the "federal question"; diversity of citizenship, amount, and removal statutes; federal judicial control over state administrative and judicial proceedings, including direct federal review, injunctions and abstention, 1983 action, and habeas corpus; and choice of law in the federal courts. 3 sem. hrs. Dist. Req. Course

Government Contracts. (639) Survey of the law pertaining to government procurement, with emphasis on the unique features of government contracts, rules and practices relative to contracts between the government and private parties, methods available to obtain legal relief in contract award disputes, legal problems that most frequently arise during performance of government contracts. 2 sem. hrs.

Health Care Law. (680) Considers some issues encountered in the health care delivery system including health care planning, certificate of need procedures, Medicare-Medicaid reimbursement, and malpractice. 2 sem. hrs.

Insurance Law. (640) Meaning of insurance and its historical development; the framework of the insurance industry within the scope of government regulation; insurance contract interpretation; warranties, representations, concealment and exceptions as applied to the selection and control of insurable risks; waiver, estoppel, and reformation; indemnity and subrogation; selected problems with the insurable interest in property, liability, and life insurance. 3 sem. hrs.

Intellectual Property. (641) Introduction to the law governing the securing and exploitation of property and other rights in ideas, as they may be protected by patents, copyrights, trademarks, and the common law. 2 sem. hrs.

International Business Transactions. (642) Problems in international trade and investment; regulation of international trade by national governments and international agencies. Emphasis on the lawyer's role in counseling firms engaged in international activities. 3 sem. hrs.

International Law. (643) Basic principles including sources of international law, settlement of international disputes, responsibilities and immunities of sovereign states, human rights, and the machinery of international law and justice. 3 sem. hrs. Dist. Req. Course

International Tax. (685) United States tax law relating to foreign income and foreign taxpayers including tax aspects of U.S. corporations and individuals doing business abroad, taxation of nonresident aliens and foreign corporations, foreign tax credits, and U.S. tax treaties. Emphasis on the interpretation and application of U.S. income tax rules with tax planning of transnational transactions also considered. 2 sem. hrs.

Interviewing and Counseling. (670) In-depth analysis of pre-trial lawyering skills using interdisciplinary materials. Explores interpersonal relationships, focusing on role of attorney in relation to client, the legal system (including other attorneys), and society. Classroom discussion, and development of own skills through weekly audio- and videotaped simulations. Enrollment limited. 3 sem. hrs. Dist. Req. Course

Jurisprudence. (590) Intensive study of selected schools of legal philosophy, including attention to analytical jurisprudence and positive law, theories of justice, and sociological jurisprudence. 2 sem. hrs. Dist. Req. Course

Labor Law. (644) Use of the labor injunction, its legislative extinguishment and revival under the Taft-Hartley Act and judicial decisions. Origin of the National Labor Relations Act, its scope, the protection of the right to organize, employer
and union unfair practices, the choice of bargaining representative, the negotiation of the labor contract, judicial control over it, and arbitration as a method of settling contractual disputes. 3 sem. hrs.

Land Use Planning. (645) Government control of the use of land and eminent domain. Zoning, subdivision control, and urban redevelopment and planning. Enrollment limited. 3 sem. hrs.

Law and Medicine. (646) Topics include tort liability of the physician; problems of abortion, artificial insemination, voluntary sterilization, and euthanasia. 2 sem. hrs.

Law and Psychiatry. (647) Seminar examining legal issues interfacing mental health and psychiatry. Topics include criteria for civil commitment, testamentary capacity, competency to stand trial and the insanity defense, confidentiality, sexual psychopath laws, right to treatment and the right to refuse treatment, traumatic neurosis, and prediction of dangerousness. Enrollment limited. 2 sem. hrs.

Law of the European Economic Communities. (693) Surveys the institutions of the EEC, and examines the substantive principles of EEC law and their integration into the legal systems of the member countries. 2 sem. hrs. Dist. Req. Course

Law Office Economics and Management. (648) Internal operations of a law firm. Emphasis on proper management procedures, including how to bill. Other items of general interest to the beginning attorney. Pass/Fail grading. 1 sem. hr.

Law Practice Skills. (669) Instruction in counseling, negotiation, trial preparation and advocacy, and other lawyering skills required in the practice of law, with considerable role-playing in each of these skills. Enrollment limited. 2 sem. hrs. Dist. Req. Course

Legal Accounting. (649) Accounting techniques, including the analysis of the income statement, balance sheet, cash flow and related financial reports, including the preparation of notes to financial statements; also tax accounting, reports to stockholders, and reports to management. 2 sem. hrs.

Legal Drafting Seminar. (650) Analysis and methodology of sound legal drafting techniques. Emphasis may vary from semester to semester. Assignments include the drafting of contracts, separation agreements, articles of incorporation, leases, wills and trusts, and some litigation documents. Enrollment limited. 2 sem. hrs.

Legal History. (592) Development of legal institutions using the historical perspective to help understand the reasons for apparent anomalies in our legal system, such as the distinctions between law and equity, crime and tort, and to aid decisions of law reform. 2 sem. hrs.

Legislation. (651) Legislative powers and rules of interpretation; constitutions; treaties and compacts; statutes and ordinances. Offered infrequently depending on availability of instructor and demand. 2 sem. hrs.

Liberty, Morality, and the Constitution. (688) Examines concepts of liberty and morality from historical and philosophical perspectives, and in the context of the Supreme Court's sex discrimination, privacy, and economic liberty cases. 2 sem. hrs. Dist. Req. Course

Local Government Law. (652) Law applicable to legal encounters between the individual and a unit of local government: eminent domain, zoning, governmental tort immunity and liability, public expenditures and contracts, and enforcement of regulatory measures. 3 sem. hrs.

Military Law. (683) Military criminal and administrative law with emphasis on the Uniform Code of Military Justice. Also includes military employment, veterans' benefits, and certain international law issues regarding armed conflicts. 2 sem. hrs.

Mortgages and Suretyship. (653) Study of two forms of secured transactions: (1) the use of the promise of a third person or persons as security for a debt or obligation, i.e., suretyship; and (2) the use of land as security. Mortgages and deeds of trust considered in detail. 4 sem. hrs.

Negotiation. (672) In-depth analysis of the theories and the tactics of negotiations. Fosters student's negotiating skills through classroom discussions and simulations. 2 sem. hrs. Dist. Req. Course

Planning for the Elderly. (619) Legal issues in advising elderly clients including social security benefits, public pension benefits, Medicare and Medicaid, planning to avoid loss of assets in the event of long-term illness, and problems of legal incompetency. 2 sem. hrs.

Political and Civil Rights. (686) Examines personal, non-constitutional federal rights, including those related to voting, housing, and handicapped persons. Also considers the litigation process for redressing civil rights violations by damage award or court order, and systems for public reimbursement. 2 sem. hrs.

Prisoner Litigation. (684) Considers prisoner challenges in state and federal courts to conviction, sentences, and terms of confinement. 2 sem. hrs.
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Products Liability. (654) Law of defective products, both as a matter of strict liability in tort and under Article 2 of the Uniform Commercial Code. 3 sem. hrs.

Public Sector Labor Law. (698) The legal framework for union organization and collective bargaining in rights of employees including the establishment of the collective bargaining relationship, the obligation to bargain, statutory and constitutional issues relating to union security, strikes and other collective actions, statutory impasses procedures, and enforcement of collective bargaining agreements. 3 sem. hrs.

Real Estate Development. (667) Focuses on some of the securities laws and financial issues arising in connection with the development of real property. Real estate syndications covered extensively. Also considered are condominium and cooperative forms of property ownership, use of industrial revenue bonds, and shopping center and downtown development. Prerequisites: Basic Federal Income Taxation (601) and Corporations (602). 2 sem. hrs.

Regulation of Financial Institutions (678) State and federal regulation of commercial banks, savings and loan associations (stock and mutual), credit unions, and other financial institutions. Study of regulating agencies including the Federal Reserve, Controller of the Currency, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation, state banking commissions, and how they regulate the formation, operation (services and investments), reorganization, and dissolution of financial institutions. 2 sem. hrs.

Remedies. (656) Court-dispensed legal and equitable relief awarded to protect and compensate for invasions, or threatened invasions, of a variety of assets such as real property, tangible personal property, contract rights and other intangible property, and to protect and compensate for personal harms. 3 sem. hrs.

Research. (655) Independent research on approved selected topics. Topic must be approved in writing prior to registration by the Associate Dean and by the instructor under whose supervision the research is conducted. 1–3 sem. hrs.

Sales and Leases. (675) Sales and leases of personal property under Articles 2 and 2A of the Uniform Commercial Code including contract formation and terms, warranties, and remedies. Not open to students who are taking or have taken Sales and Leases (675) or Secured Transactions (677). 4 sem. hrs. Dist. Req. Course

Secured Transactions. (677) Creation and enforcement of security interests in personal property collateral under Article Nine of the Uniform Commercial Code and related consumer protection laws. 2 sem. hrs. Dist. Req. Course


Sports Law. (690) Survey of the law relating to professional, college, and amateur sports. Includes professional player contracts and their enforceability through arbitration and litigation, the role of player agents in professional sports, application of the antitrust laws to professional leagues and player restraints, player discipline mechanisms, the role of the player associations as labor organizations in collective bargaining, and federal income taxation of sports activities. Also covered is the regulation of amateur athletics including Title IX, the role of the NCAA, as well as tort and criminal law issues. 2 sem. hrs.

State and Local Tax. (661) Major issues arising under principal forms of state and local taxation: corporate franchise and income taxation, sales, use, gross receipts, property, personal income, and death taxes. Federal constitutional limitations on state taxation and congressional legislation affecting state taxation on interstate commerce. 3 sem. hrs.

Tax Policy and Research. (674) Topics include economic, political, social, and ideological principles which underlie our current income tax system; also, alternative systems of raising revenues. The research materials available to the tax practitioner are considered in the context of tax policy. 2 sem. hrs.

Trial Practice. (662) Preparation for and conduct of civil and criminal cases in state and federal courts. Students participate as counsel in pretrial case preparation, practice trials, and post-trial motions. Taught in courtroom. Exercises videotaped and critiqued. Enrollment limited. Prerequisites: Civil Procedure (501–502) and Evidence
Clinical Programs

Clinical programs complement the more traditional curriculum and the simulation courses. Students participating in the clinical programs obtain “hands-on” experience by dealing with real clients and problems. The programs thereby provide the opportunity to apply the law learned in the traditional curriculum and to develop the “lawyering skills” taught in the simulation courses. For a more complete description of the clinical program, students should consult the “Directory of Clinical Programs” which is available from the Director of Clinical Field Placement. Except as noted, second- and third-year students may apply. Enrollment in these courses is limited.

General Policies

1. Selection and assignment of students will be made upon written application prior to the beginning of the clinical semester by the Director of Clinical Field Placement who will:
   a. Determine the number of students who can successfully be accommodated each semester by the cooperating programs or offices
   b. Meet with the assigned students and supervising attorneys from each office at the beginning of the clinical semester to outline the objectives and details of the program
   c. Monitor the placements periodically throughout the semester
   d. Conduct classroom components for all programs
   e. Evaluate the performance of the students and the quality of the programs at the conclusion of each semester

2. Grading is typically on a Pass/Fail basis, and will be assigned by the Director of Clinical Field Placement after consultation with the supervising attorney for each student. Any exception to this practice is noted in the relevant course description.

3. Course credit is predicated on a minimum participation of ten (10) working hours per week in a program for each two (2) semester hours of credit as well as participation in the classroom component. The credit authorized for a given program is shown in its description.

4. Students must maintain the schedules and time commitments to which they agreed prior to assignment to a program. They should check the clinical programs bulletin board daily for com-
munications from their supervising attorney or the Director of Clinical Field Placement. Except as noted in a course description, the duration of assignment is one semester.

5. Students in field placements must submit brief summaries of their clinical activities to the Director of Clinical Field Placement on a biweekly basis. They also must submit copies of representative briefs, memoranda, pleadings and other legal writings prepared during the clinical semester to the Director along with a comprehensive report at the conclusion of the semester. This report should contain the student’s evaluation of the clinical experience and should outline the nature and scope of the assignments and duties during the clinical semester. These documents, reports, and summaries will be reviewed by the Director and taken into account in awarding grades. No student will receive a passing grade unless the required documents are submitted.

6. When the number of students requesting assignment to a particular program exceeds the number of available placements, preference will be given to graduating seniors with no previous clinical experience. Selection of students for all positions will be made by the Director of Clinical Field Placement after consultation with the supervising attorneys.

7. One of the following courses is a pre- or corequisite to participation in the clinical programs: Alternate Dispute Resolution (610), Civil Litigation Seminar (679), Interviewing and Counseling (670), Law Practice Skills (669), Negotiation (672), or Trial Practice and Advocacy (662).

Programs

Attorney General’s Program. (702) Assignment in Office of the Attorney General of Virginia supervised by an assistant attorney general. Emphasis in a particular assignment depends on supervising attorney’s responsibility. Generally, students do research and draft memoranda, opinion and litigation documents, assist supervising attorney in preparation for administrative hearing or trial and accompany supervising attorney to these proceedings and to conferences with the state officials being represented. 2 sem. hrs.

Central Virginia Legal Aid. (710) Assignment to Office of Central Virginia Legal Aid under supervision of a staff attorney. Involves day-to-day activities of supervising attorney, including sitting in on client interviews (and handling interviews alone in second semester of program), doing research in consultation with supervising attorney, helping to draw up pleadings, and accompanying supervising attorney to court on motion arguments, trials, etc.

Option: Third-year students certified under Third Year Practice Rule also may opt to take full responsibility for some cases, including appearing in court and before administrative hearing boards. Recommended preparation for those electing the third-year option: courses in domestic relations, evidence, and a procedure course. 2 semesters. 2 sem. hrs. per semester.

Chesapeake Bay Foundation Resource Representation Program. (703) Supervised by Chesapeake Bay Foundation’s Virginia staff attorney. Exposure to all aspects of Virginia Office operations including monitoring of agency rulemaking, permitting, and enforcement actions, pertinent commenting on these processes, testimony before public hearings and legislative committees, coordinated efforts with other state, regional and national environmental groups, and legal intervention, where necessary. May conduct independent research, pertinent to a current or pending CBF project. Recommended preparation: courses in environmental law and administrative law. 1 or 2 semesters. 2 sem. hrs. per semester.

City or County Attorney’s Program. (720) Assignment in office of the City of Richmond or Henrico County Attorney’s Office under supervision of an assistant city or county attorney. Students work on a variety of municipal law issues, including zoning and land use, legislative drafting, and litigation. Emphasis on research and writing. Students assist in trial preparation of litigation in progress. 2 sem. hrs.

Civil Liberties Clinic. (704) Supervised by a staff attorney in Office of the American Civil Liberties Union of Virginia. Involves attorney’s day-to-day activities including sitting in on client interviews, doing research in consultation with the supervising attorney, helping to draft pleadings, and accompanying supervising attorney to discovery proceedings, motion arguments, trials, etc. Recommended preparation: courses in constitutional law, evidence, and a procedure course. 2 sem. hrs.

Commonwealth’s Attorney Program. (705) Assignment in Office of the City of Richmond, Henrico, or Chesterfield County Commonwealth’s Attorney under supervision of an assistant
commonwealth's attorney. Primarily investigative work, interviewing of witnesses, research and writing, and observation of the supervising attorney in court. 2-4 sem. hrs.

Option: Third-year students certified under Third Year Practice Rule also may opt to prepare and prosecute criminal and juvenile cases in court. Prerequisites for Option: Criminal Procedure (603) and Evidence (604). 6 sem. hrs.

Court Administration Program. (706) Supervised by the Circuit Executive, United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit. Participation in office activities from routine operations to production of material for use by judges and other court officials. Research and writing responsibilities are emphasized. Projects may include preparation of statistical reports, study of legislation affecting court work load, and preparation for Circuit Judicial Conference. 2 sem. hrs.

Department of Employee Relations Counselors. (729) Supervised by the attorney director of the Virginia Department of Employee Relations Counselors. Involves counseling state employees in the grievance procedures, the investigation of employee grievances, review of grievance complaints, and assisting in the drafting of the ruling on the complaints. 2 sem. hrs.

Environmental Defense Fund Virginia Project. (707) Supervised by Environmental Defense Fund attorney responsible for directing EDF Virginia Project. Involvement in all aspects of project: research and writing of memoranda, preparation of comments and draft legislation, review of regulations, case preparations, preparation of pleadings, and attendance at hearings with supervising attorney. Recommended preparation: courses in basic environmental law and administrative law. 2 sem. hrs.

Federal Court Post-Conviction Clinic. (708) Supervised by Federal District Court Staff Attorney in Richmond in review of pro se prisoner civil rights and habeas corpus actions. Review cases after initial screening by the Staff Attorney and draft a proposed memorandum opinion and order, once case is at issue, for submission to judge for possible entry. Requires close attention to pleadings and research into issues prior to drafting opinion and order. 2 sem. hrs.

Internal Revenue Service—Office of Chief Counsel. (726) Supervised by an attorney in the Richmond Office of the IRS Office of Chief Counsel. Students generally do research and prepare memoranda in conjunction with the representation of the federal government in tax cases, and in the issuance of opinions on legal and procedural questions. Students attend conferences and proceedings related to their work. Prerequi-

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site: Basic Federal Income Taxation (601). 1 or 2 semesters. 2 sem. hrs. per semester.

Judicial Clerk Internship. (709) Work as a clerk with state circuit court judge, federal judge, or magistrate in Richmond area. Assist judges in researching issues of law presented by cases pending before the courts. Work on special research projects assigned by judges, sit in on pretrial and other conferences, and observe trial proceedings in court. 2 sem. hrs.

Legislative Clinic. (721) Supervised by a faculty member and members of the Virginia State legislature. Students work with state legislators or study committees in researching an issue and drafting proposed legislation, then assist in guiding the draft bill through the legislative process. Program entails one hour a week classroom component. 2 semesters. 2 sem. hrs. per semester.

Merhige Center Internship. (730) Assignment to the Merhige Center to work on selected projects. Experiences include drafting, negotiation, and legislative presentations. 2 sem. hrs.

National Wildlife Federation Clinic. (711) Assignment to National Wildlife Federation in area of environment law, supervised by legal staff. Work in Richmond office or national office in Washington, D.C. (Residency requirement may necessitate enrollment in an accredited law school while in Washington.)

Richmond: 2 sem. hrs.

Washington: 6 sem. hrs.

Private Office Intern Program. (714) Supervised by attorneys in a Richmond law firm. Involved in day-to-day activities of a supervising attorney engaged in a tax-oriented business practice. Emphasis on solving business problems with tax ramifications, rather than "pure tax" issues. Intended primarily for prospective general practitioners, rather than tax specialists. Assist in drafting documents from forms furnished by supervising attorney, participate in conferences, and generally assist in handling legal matters. Recommended preparation: courses in federal estate and gift taxation, corporation taxation, estate planning or business planning. Prerequisites: Basic Federal Income Taxation (601), Corporations (602), and Wills and Trusts I (606). 2 sem. hrs.

Richmond Alternative Dispute Resolution Center. (728) Supervised by the Executive Director of the Center. The Center provides conciliation, mediation, and arbitration services to resolve dispute among businesses, neighbors, consumers and businesses, and landlords and tenants. Students will be required to participate in mediation and arbitration training provided by the American Bar Association. Thereafter they will be involved in all aspects of case management and processing. 2 sem. hrs.
Richmond Public Defender. (712) Assignment to Office of the Public Defender for the City of Richmond under supervision of an Assistant Public Defender. This office is responsible for defense in state courts of indigent persons charged with felonies, jailable misdemeanors, or juvenile offenses. Primarily involves interviewing of clients and witnesses, research and writing, and observation of the supervising attorney in court. Option: Third-year students certified under Third Year Practice Rule also may opt to prepare and defend criminal and juvenile cases in court. Required preparation for those electing the third-year option: the courses in criminal procedure and evidence. 2 or 4 sem. hrs.; option under Third Year Practice Rule, 6 sem. hrs.

Richmond School Board Attorney Legal Internship. (715) Supervised by Attorney for the Richmond School Board. Assist School Board Attorney in preparation and handling of administrative due process hearings pursuant to federal and state law, research and writing of briefs, and surveying developing case law. To extent litigation is in progress, students assist in all aspects of trial preparation, including discovery and court proceedings. 2 sem. hrs.

Southside Virginia Legal Aid. (713) Assignment to Office of Petersburg Legal Aid under supervision of a staff attorney. Involves day-to-day activities of supervising attorney, including sitting in on client interviews (and handling interviews alone in second semester of program), doing research in consultation with supervising attorney, helping to draw up pleadings, and accompanying supervising attorney to court on motion arguments, trials, etc. Option: Third-year students certified under Third Year Practice Rule also may opt to take full responsibility for some cases, including appearing in court and before administrative hearing boards. Recommended preparation for those electing the third-year option: courses in domestic relations, evidence, and a procedure course. 2 semesters. 2 sem. hrs. per semester.

State Corporation Commission Clinic. (716) Assigned to Office of General Counsel of State Corporation Commission under supervision of one or more of the attorneys. Involves research and writing on both a case-by-case and a broad topical basis. In matters pending before the Commission and other agencies or courts, students observe proceedings related to their work. 2 sem. hrs.

United States Attorney Program. (717) Assigned to United States Attorney's Office, Richmond, Va., under supervision of an Assistant United States Attorney. Involves research work, legal writing, preparation of trial and appellate briefs, conduct of trials as counsel for the United States at both United States Magistrate Court and United States District Court level, and preparation and argument of appellate cases in the Fourth United States Circuit Court of Appeals. Two semester commitment preferred. Prerequisites: Third-year standing and certification under the Third-Year Practice Rule; courses in criminal procedure and evidence. 1 or 2 semesters. 4 sem. hrs. per semester.

Virginia Developmental Disabilities Protection and Advocacy Office. (718) Assigned to the Virginia Developmental Disabilities Protection and Advocacy Office, supervised by its director and staff attorney. Interview and counsel clients; research; negotiate with agency representatives; participate in administrative hearings and case reviews, and inservice training programs. Recommended preparation: Children and the Law (616). 2 sem. hrs.

Virginia Poverty Law Center Program. (722) Assignment to Virginia Poverty Law Center under supervision of its director. Activities include preparation for state and federal court litigation, providing technical assistance to legal services offices throughout the state, monitor and comment on state and federal legislation, appearing in various administrative hearings. 2 sem. hrs.

Youth Advocacy Clinic. (719) Supervised by the law school's staff attorney in the representation of youth, and their parents in matters where no conflicts of interest exist, in various court and administrative agency proceedings. Does not involve placement in an outside agency. Represent youths appearing before the Henrico County Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court in cases involving delinquency, children in need of services, abuse or neglect and child custody, as well as foster care review and termination of parental rights cases. The clinic also will advise and represent handicapped children and their parents in administrative and judicial proceedings regarding their placement in appropriate educational programs. Recommended preparation: Domestic Relations (626) or Children and the Law (616), and the courses in Criminal Procedure. Traditional grading used (not pass/fail) and assigned by the Director of the Youth Advocacy Clinic. Prerequisite: Third-year standing and certification under the Third-Year Practice Rule. 6 sem. hrs.