

Spring 2026 LL.M. Catalog and Schedule of Classes

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Welcome to the Spring 2026 semester. This catalog includes our course offerings for for our **non-J.D. programs**, including our LL.M. students.

A few notes:

- This is an **updated** course catalog for spring 2026. Changes since the last version are posted in section 9, including added course descriptions where available.
- In each table of classes, the ‘Course Meetings’ column tells when the class meets, and R means Thursday.

Finally, at a faculty meeting in May 2025, an amendment to the Student Handbook was approved simplifying the registration procedures for Chicago-Kent courses. Handbook § 3.2’s complex system of registration priority was replaced with a simpler procedure, as follows:

Subject to the provisions below, registration is to be phased. On the first day of registration, only 3L and 4L students may register for classes. On the second day of registration, in addition to 3L and 4L students, 2L and LL.M. students may register for classes. On the third day and all subsequent days of registration, all students may register for classes. As far as practicable, students in the LL.M. programs have priority for LL.M. courses in their program area over J.D. students.

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1 Courses that Meet Requirements for LL.M. Programs

1.1 LL.M. in Global Business and Financial Law

Section	Course Title	Meeting Pattern	Instructor	Credits
435-01	Bankruptcy	TR 2pm-3:25pm	Walters, Adrian	3
202-51	Commercial Law:Sec Trans.	MW 6pm-7:25pm	Walters, Adrian	3
138-81	Hedge Funds	T 5:30pm-7:20pm	Van Pelt, Christopher; Hennion, Christian	2
387-01	International Business Trans	MW 1:10pm-2:35pm	Harris, Edward	3
384-01	International Trade	MW 10am-11:25am	Cho, Sungjoon	3
813-01	Mergers and Acquisitions	T 8:30am-10:20am	Choate, Michael	2
361-51	Securities Regulation	MW 6pm-7:25pm	Gupta, Ajay	3

Note: LAW 134-81, "Business Ethics," will be taught online in spring 2026. Students in GBFL can take another section of Professional Responsibility; see below.

1.2 LL.M. in Legal Innovation and Technology

Section	Course Title	Meeting Pattern	Instructor	Credits
323-01	Artf. Intelligence and the Law: Law and Reg of Artificial Intell	M 9:45am-11:35am	Katz, Daniel; Rabanal, Alexander	2
506-01	Justice and Techn Practicum	W 10:40am-12:30pm	Rabanal, Alexander	2
354-01	Litigation Technology -LL.M	R 6pm-9pm	Naik, Geetu	3
354-02	Litigation Technology -LL.M	F 9am-12pm	Lewellen, Jeremiah	3

1.3 LL.M in International Intellectual Property Law

Section	Course Title	Meeting Pattern	Instructor	Credits
430-81	Comparative Law	MW 4pm-5:25pm	Cho, Sungjoon	3
294-01	Design Law	MW 8:30am-9:55am	Fackrell, Sarah	3
300-01	Int'l and Comparav Copyright Law	TR 10am-11:25am	Dinwoodie, Graeme	3
387-01	International Business Trans	MW 1:10pm-2:35pm	Harris, Edward	3
384-01	International Trade	MW 10am-11:25am	Cho, Sungjoon	3
237-01	Law of Trade Secrets	TR 6pm-7:20pm	Rogerson, Paul	3
402-01	Patent Law	TR 2pm-3:25pm	Fackrell, Sarah	3
348-81	Patent Practicum	R 4pm-5:50pm	Holly, Paul	2
723-01	Trademark Practicum	W 4pm-5:50pm	Miller, Michelle	2
416-51	Trademarks and Unfair Comptn	TR 6pm-7:25pm	Mandell, Floyd	3
407-51	Video Game Law	M 7:35pm-9:25pm	Monahan, James	2

638-51	Video Game Law	M 7:35pm-9:25pm	Monahan, James	2
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Note: 407-51, "Video Game Law" may be taken as a course or a seminar. If taken as a seminar, register using the number listed on the Seminar page of the schedule.

1.4 LL.M. in Trial Advocacy

Section	Course Title	Meeting Pattern	Instructor	Credits
161-51	Criminal Litigation 2	T 6pm-7:50pm	Claps, Joseph; Molesky, Alexandra	2
495-51	Electronic Discovery	W 7:35pm-9:25pm	Bottner, Adam; TBA, Law Faculty	2
578-01	Externship-LL.M Trial Advocacy	Does Not Meet	Weber, Adam	4
578-02	Externship-LL.M Trial Advocacy	Does Not Meet	Weber, Adam	NA
339-51	Trial Ad 2 - LL.M.	T 6pm-9pm	TBA, Law Faculty	3
339-52	Trial Ad 2 - LL.M.	T 6pm-9pm	Ward, Kim	3

1.5 LL.M. in U.S., International and Transnational Law

Section	Course Title	Meeting Pattern	Instructor	Credits
430-81	Comparative Law	MW 4pm-5:25pm	Cho, Sungjoon	3
657-01	Int'l Environmental Law	T 9:45am-11:35am	Mandell, Daniel	2
387-01	International Business Trans	MW 1:10pm-2:35pm	Harris, Edward	3
384-01	International Trade	MW 10am-11:25am	Cho, Sungjoon	3

2 Legal Writing 4 for LL.Ms

Section	Course Title	Meeting Pattern	Instructor	Credits
118-01	Legal Writing IV LLM	TR 10am-11:25am	Contento, Lurene	3
118-51	Legal Writing IV LLM	MW 6pm-7:25pm	TBA, Law Faculty	3
118-52	Legal Writing IV LLM	TR 6pm-7:25pm	Southam, Keith	3

3 Professional Responsibility

Section	Course Title	Meeting Pattern	Instructor	Credits
142-81	Practice and Professionalism	MW 4pm-5:25pm	Katz, Daniel; Rabanal, Alexander	3

415-01	Professional Responsibility	R 12pm-1:45pm	Solow, Sheldon	2
415-51	Professional Responsibility	T 5pm-6:50pm	TBA, Law Faculty	2

Note 1: LAW 415-01, "Practice and Professionalism," covers the business and structure of law practice including economic modeling, client development, managing technology, and professional responsibility with a special focus on how technology affects the types of practice settings, tasks and ethical dilemmas facing new law graduates. Priority will be given to students in the Praxis Certificate program.

Note 2: LAW 134-81, "Business Ethics," has a prerequisite of Business Organizations. This is a specialized section of Professional Responsibility focused on ethical obligations in business and transactional settings. Students within each priority group who are pursuing the Certificate in Business Law or the Praxis Certificate have priority. In spring 2026, Business Ethics will be taught online.

4 Courses That May Meet Bar Eligibility

Section	Course Title	Meeting Pattern	Instructor	Credits
409-01	Business Organizations	MW 12:30pm-2:20pm	Shelby, Cary	4
202-51	Commercial Law:Sec Trans.	MW 6pm-7:25pm	Walters, Adrian	3
275-99	Constitutional Law: Constitutional Law for LLMs	TR 2pm-3:50pm	TBA, Law Faculty	4
311-01	Estates and Trusts	MW 9:50am-11:40am	Decatorsmith, Jonathan	4
311-51	Estates and Trusts	MW 6pm-7:50pm	Stokes, Deadra	4
273-01	Evidence	MTR 10:40am-11:35am	Erickson, David	3
340-51	Family Law	MW 4pm-5:25pm	Johnson, Kari	3
142-81	Practice and Professionalism	MW 4pm-5:25pm	Katz, Daniel; Rabanal, Alexander	3
415-01	Professional Responsibility	R 12pm-1:45pm	Solow, Sheldon	2
280-01	Remedies	TR 4pm-5:25pm	Debush, Anna	3

5 Electives

5.1 Recommended electives (other than bar courses)

Section	Course Title	Meeting Pattern	Instructor	Credits
435-01	Bankruptcy	TR 2pm-3:25pm	Walters, Adrian	3
430-81	Comparative Law	MW 4pm-5:25pm	Cho, Sungjoon	3
344-01	Crmnl Procedure Adjuc Proc	TR 2pm-3:25pm	Sommers, Zachary	3
344-51	Crmnl Procedure Adjuc Proc	MW 6pm-7:25pm	Goldish, Megan	3
365-01	Employment Discrimination	TR 2pm-3:25pm	Bent, Jason	3
441-81	Environ Law and Policy 2	T 4pm-5:50pm	Harley, Keith	2
402-01	Patent Law	TR 2pm-3:25pm	Fackrell, Sarah	3
361-51	Securities Regulation	MW 6pm-7:25pm	Gupta, Ajay	3

5.2 Additional electives

Section	Course Title	Meeting Pattern	Instructor	Credits
859-01	Advanced Family Law Prac and Pro	T 4pm-5:50pm	de Freitas, Rhonda	2
676-81	Animal Law	M 4pm-5:50pm	Harley, Keith	2
323-01	Artf. Intelligence and the Law: Law and Reg of Artificial Intell	M 9:45am-11:35am	Katz, Daniel; Rabanal, Alexander	2
629-01	Class Actions	MW 1:30pm-2:55pm	Franklin, Jamie	3
161-51	Criminal Litigation 2	T 6pm-7:50pm	Claps, Joseph; Molesky, Alexandra	2
163-51	Critical Legal Studies	R 6pm-7:50pm	Stanton, Matthew	2
100-01	Curricular Practical Training	Does Not Meet	Staff	0
451-81	Data Privacy: Resp-Pre-Breach	W 4pm-5:50pm	Dawson, Blair	2
294-01	Design Law	MW 8:30am-9:55am	Fackrell, Sarah	3
495-51	Electronic Discovery	W 7:35pm-9:25pm	Bottner, Adam; TBA, Law Faculty	2
232-81	Energy Law	R 4pm-5:50pm	Harley, Keith	2
457-81	Gen. and Crimes Against Humanity	W 4pm-5:50pm	Weber, Adam	2
138-81	Hedge Funds	T 5:30pm-7:20pm	Van Pelt, Christopher; Hennion, Christian	2
304-51	Immigration Law and Policy	M 7:35pm-9:25pm	Kempster, Alec; Coenen, Nicholas	2
300-01	Int'l and Comparav Copyright Law	TR 10am-11:25am	Dinwoodie, Graeme	3
387-01	International Business Trans	MW 1:10pm-2:35pm	Harris, Edward	3
560-01	International Law Moot Court	Does Not Meet	Weber, Adam	1
384-01	International Trade	MW 10am-11:25am	Cho, Sungjoon	3
506-01	Justice and Techn Practicum	W 10:40am-12:30pm	Rabanal, Alexander	2
343-51	Juvenile Justice	W 7:35pm-9:25pm	Lucafo, Anthony	2
498-01	Lab to Law	Does Not Meet	Staff	2
266-81	Labor/Employment Class	W 4pm-5:50pm	Ross-Jackson, Marsha	1
252-51	Law of Privacy	MW 4pm-5:25pm	De Armond, Elizabeth	3
237-01	Law of Trade Secrets	TR 6pm-7:20pm	Rogerson, Paul	3
503-01	Legal Reasoning and Exam Strat	R 10am-11:50am	Bjorklund, Kate	2
503-51	Legal Reasoning and Exam Strat	R 5:30pm-7:20pm	TBA, Law Faculty	2
494-81	Lgl Project Mgmt-Proc Improvmt	T 4pm-5:50pm	Hoover, Kyle	2
354-01	Litigation Technology -LL.M	R 6pm-9pm	Naik, Geetu	3
354-02	Litigation Technology -LL.M	F 9am-12pm	Lewellen, Jeremiah	3
813-01	Mergers and Acquisitions	T 8:30am-10:20am	Choate, Michael	2
335-51	National Security Law	T 6pm-7:50pm	Geiringer, John; Jonas, Barry	2
348-81	Patent Practicum	R 4pm-5:50pm	Holly, Paul	2
464-81	Public Interest Law and Policy	TR 4pm-5:25pm	Shapiro, Carolyn	3
469-81	Real Estate Acquisitions and Dev	T 9:35am-11:25am	Rothbart, Jeffrey; Delrahim, Michael	2

968-01	Social Impact Law	W 10am-11:50am	Curran, Scott	2
216-51	Sports and the Law	W 6pm-7:50pm	Greengross, Ian	2
723-01	Trademark Practicum	W 4pm-5:50pm	Miller, Michelle	2
416-51	Trademarks and Unfair Comptn	TR 6pm-7:25pm	Mandell, Floyd	3
407-51	Video Game Law	M 7:35pm-9:25pm	Monahan, James	2

Note: for independent studies, the Registrar will manually register you and assign you a section number after you fill out the independent study form (link) and return it to the office of Academic Affairs (law-academicaffairs@illinoistech.edu).

6 Seminars

Section	Course Title	Meeting Pattern	Instructor	Credits
912-51	Critical Legal Studies	R 6pm-7:50pm	Stanton, Matthew	2
916-01	Free Speech and the Digital Public Sphere	R 4pm-5:50pm	Schriner-Briggs, Jacob	2
957-81	Gen. and Crimes Against Humanity	W 4pm-5:50pm	Weber, Adam	2
657-01	Int'l Environmental Law	T 9:45am-11:35am	Mandell, Daniel	2
925-51	Juvenile Justice	W 7:35pm-9:25pm	Lucafo, Anthony	2
973-01	Labor and Employment Seminar	T 4pm-5:50pm	Bent, Jason	2
907-01	Law of Social Networks	W 1pm-2:50pm	Yelderman, Alexandra	2
679-81	Public Sector Employees	T 4pm-5:50pm	Kim, Helen	2
438-01	The Role of State Atty General	M 4pm-5:50pm	Shapiro, Carolyn; Raoul, Kwame	2
638-51	Video Game Law	M 7:35pm-9:25pm	Monahan, James	2

Note: LAW 967-02, "Intellectual and Cultural Property Law," is an online course that is the second of a two-part sequence for students who took the course in the fall.

7 Clinical and Experiential Education Courses

7.1 Clinical Education Courses with Chicago-Kent Law Group clinics

Permission is **required** for admission to all clinical programs. Registration is subject to the clinical department's permission. You can learn more at the clinic's applications and enrollment page ([link](#)). Please look out for additional announcements about the process.

All In-House and Externship clinical programs are graded on a pass/low pass/fail basis only, with the exception of Pretrial Litigation, Intensive Clinic, and Intensive Clinic seminar, which are graded on a letter grade basis. Students are expected to put in a minimum of 182 hours (an average of 14 hours a week for 13 weeks) for 4-credit In-House Clinics and for Externships (in addition to the classroom component), and a minimum of 143 hours (an average of 11 hours a week for 13 weeks) for 3-credit In-House Clinics. Students must be available at the days and times designated below to meet with supervising attorneys and at other times as required by the supervising attorneys.

Section	Course Title	Meeting Pattern	Instructor	Note?	Credits
542-01	Advanced Clinic	M 4pm-5:50pm	TBA, Law Faculty		3
542-02	Advanced Clinic	M 4pm-5:50pm	TBA, Law Faculty		4
530-01	Civil Litigation Clinic 1	M 4pm-5:50pm	Franklin, Jamie		3
530-02	Civil Litigation Clinic 1	M 4pm-5:50pm	Franklin, Jamie		4
531-01	Civil Litigation Clinic 2	M 4pm-5:50pm	Franklin, Jamie		3
531-02	Civil Litigation Clinic 2	M 4pm-5:50pm	Franklin, Jamie		4
512-01	Criminal Clinic 1	M 4pm-5:50pm	Kling, Richard		3
512-02	Criminal Clinic 1	M 4pm-5:50pm	Kling, Richard		4
532-01	Criminal Clinic 2	M 4pm-5:50pm	Kling, Richard		3
532-02	Criminal Clinic 2	M 4pm-5:50pm	Kling, Richard		4
583-01	Employ Benefit Claims Clinic I	M 4pm-5:50pm	Reynolds, William		3
583-02	Employ Benefit Claims Clinic I	M 4pm-5:50pm	Reynolds, William		4
586-01	Employ Benefit Claims Clinic 2	M 4pm-5:50pm	Reynolds, William		3
586-02	Employ Benefit Claims Clinic 2	M 4pm-5:50pm	Reynolds, William		4
537-01	Estate Planning/Prob. Clinic 1	M 4pm-5:50pm	Stokes, Deadra		3
537-02	Estate Planning/Prob. Clinic 1	M 4pm-5:50pm	Stokes, Deadra		4
872-01	Estate Planning/Prob. Clinic 2	M 4pm-5:50pm	Stokes, Deadra		3
872-02	Estate Planning/Prob. Clinic 2	M 4pm-5:50pm	Stokes, Deadra		4
523-01	Family Law Clinic 1	M 4pm-5:50pm	de Freitas, Rhonda		3
523-02	Family Law Clinic 1	M 4pm-5:50pm	de Freitas, Rhonda		4
504-01	Family Law Clinic 2	M 4pm-5:50pm	de Freitas, Rhonda		3
504-02	Family Law Clinic 2	M 4pm-5:50pm	de Freitas, Rhonda		4
876-02	I.P. Entertainment and Entrepren	Does Not Meet	Staff		4
536-01	IP Clinics	M 4pm-5:50pm	Miller, Michelle		3
536-02	IP Clinics	M 4pm-5:50pm	Miller, Michelle		4
538-01	IP Clinics	M 4pm-5:50pm	Miller, Michelle		3
538-02	IP Clinics	M 4pm-5:50pm	Miller, Michelle		4
567-01	Intensive Clinic	Does Not Meet	TBA, Law Faculty		10

568-01	Intensive Clinic Seminar	Does Not Meet	TBA, Law Faculty	2
511-01	Mediation and Other ADR Proc	M 4pm-5:50pm	Kentra, Pamela	3
511-02	Mediation and Other ADR Proc	M 4pm-5:50pm	Kentra, Pamela	4
515-01	Tax Clinic 1	M 4pm-5:50pm	Decatorsmith, Jonathan	3
515-02	Tax Clinic 1	M 4pm-5:50pm	Decatorsmith, Jonathan	4
535-01	Tax Clinic 2	M 4pm-5:50pm	Decatorsmith, Jonathan	3
535-02	Tax Clinic 2	M 4pm-5:50pm	Decatorsmith, Jonathan	4

7.2 Environmental and Energy Law clinic

Section	Course Title	Meeting Pattern	Instructor	Credits
521-01	Environ. & Energy Law Clinic	Does Not Meet	Harley, Keith	1
521-03	Environ. & Energy Law Clinic	M 11:45am-1:35pm	Harley, Keith	3
521-04	Environ. & Energy Law Clinic	M 11:45am-1:35pm	Harley, Keith	4

Note: The environmental law clinic has a prerequisite of Civil Procedure. Pass/fail only. For the one-credit version, there is no classroom component, and instructor approval is required. Students are required to perform 5 hours a week of fieldwork for the one-credit version, 10 hours a week of fieldwork for the 3-credit version, and 12 hours a week of fieldwork for the 4-credit version, in addition to the classroom component.

8 Intersession Courses

The following Intersession courses are considered Spring courses for purposes of tuition and computing Spring grade point averages. However, the credits will not count as part of your Spring course load for purposes of credit hour limitations. If registering for an intersession course will put you over your maximum credit limit, please contact the office of Academic Affairs (law-academicaffairs@illinoistech.edu) so that your maximum credit limit can be adjusted in the registration system.

Please note: First-year students may not take intersession classes.

ADR IN THE WORKPLACE (2 credits)

Prof. Totonchi

Course number: 427-01

Monday, January 12 - Friday, January 16

Pass/fail not available. This intensive class explores the doctrine and process of labor arbitration, employment mediation and employment arbitration. Students will participate in selecting neutral arbitrators, prepping for and conducting labor arbitrations, an employment mediation and an employment arbitration. There will be comments, critiques and suggestions at every step along the way. The condensed schedule should help you focus on mediation and arbitration as you would in real life. Class will meet for approximately 21 hours during the week (the hours will vary depending on the day, and there will be no in-person class session on Wednesday in order for the students to prepare for the rest of the week), with approximately 6 hours of additional instruction through distance learning techniques. If you enroll in the course and later decide not to take it, you must drop it no later than Friday, December 27, or you will be charged full tuition for the course unless another student takes your place. Priority for this class will be given to students seeking the Labor and Employment Law Certificate or the Workplace Litigation and Alternative Dispute Resolution Certificate.

INTENSIVE TRIAL ADVOCACY 1 (3 credits)

Prof. Erickson and faculty

Course number: 541-01

Saturday, January 10 - Saturday, January 17

Prerequisite: Evidence. Pass/fail not available. This is an intensive week-long version of the regular Trial Advocacy 1 class. Classes will meet from 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. each day, including the intervening Sunday. If you enroll in the course and later decide not to take it, you must drop it by Friday, December 27, or you will be charged full tuition for the course unless another student takes your seat. Note: You must take Trial Advocacy 2 in the Spring semester if you take Intensive Trial Advocacy.

SECURITIES ARBITRATION (2 credits)

Prof. Gana and faculty

Course number: 541-01

Monday, January 12 - Friday, January 16

This course practically teach the workings of a Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (“FINRA”) Securities Arbitration. Students will learn how to conduct factual and legal analysis, analyze securities account documents, conduct legal research, develop case theory, draft pleadings and represent clients in securities arbitration proceedings before FINRA. The class grading will consist of a mock negotiation, mediation and arbitration for a final grade.

SOFTWARE PATENTS: A PRACTICAL PERSPECTIVE (2 credits)

Prof. Sutton

Course number: 126-01

Monday, January 12 - Friday, January 16

Classes will meet from 9:00-12:00 noon and 2:00-5:00 p.m. each day. There are no prerequisites for the course, although some familiarity with computers and software could be helpful. This course will address ongoing changes to the laws of patentable subject matter, indefiniteness, and divided infringement, and the practical implications of these changes on software patents. The course will also address the evolution of software innovation being protected, discussing how artificial intelligence and large language models in particular are impacting the industry. After an introduction to both patents and software, the course will focus on the Supreme Court decisions in *Alice Corporation Pty. Ltd. v. CLS Bank International*, *Nautilus, Inc. v. Biosig Instruments, Inc.*, and *Limelight Networks, Inc. v. Akamai Technologies, Inc.*, as well as the related case law. During the course, students will learn practical techniques to analyze existing software patent claims relating to modern software innovation based on these areas of developing law to form opinions regarding patent validity and patent infringement, and to suggest changes that could eliminate issues that may arise regarding invalidity and non-infringement.

THE AMERICAN JURY (2 or 3 credits)

Prof. Marder

Course number: 423-01 (2 or 3 credits)

Seminar number: 958-01 (3 credits)

Monday, January 12 - Saturday, January 17

Pass/fail not available. The class will meet for 6 days from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm and from 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm with a break for lunch. The class is being offered either for regular course credit (either 2 credits or 3 credits) or for seminar credit (3 credits).

Course option: Students taking the course option for 2 credits will complete a short take-home exam by Monday, January 20. Students taking the course option for 3 credits will complete the take-home exam by Monday, January 20, and observe a jury selection in a nearby courthouse during the Spring semester and submit a memo with their findings.

Seminar option: Third-year and fourth-year students who wish to use the class to satisfy the seminar graduation requirement can take this course for three credits and write a seminar paper during the Spring semester; this option is available only with the permission of the professor (email nmarder@illinoistech.edu). This intensive course will examine every stage of the jury process, including the summoning of prospective jurors, voir dire, peremptory challenges, jury instructions, jury deliberations, and post-verdict interviews with the judge. In addition, the course will begin with a brief history of the jury and will end with two unusual features of the American jury – the hung jury and the nullifying jury. The course will follow the framework developed in Prof. Marder's recent book, *The Power of the Jury: Transforming Citizens into Jurors*, which examines every stage of the jury process from the jurors' perspective and strives to make juries more diverse. The course will also include what the Supreme Court has said about each stage of the jury process so that students will also be well-versed in the law by the end of the course. Finally, students will have experience doing what lawyers do for each stage of the jury process, such as asking voir dire questions and drafting jury instructions, and will also observe and analyze actual recorded jury deliberations, which lawyers cannot do.

If you enroll in the course and later decide not to take it, you must drop it by Friday, December 27, or you will be charged full tuition for the course unless another student takes your seat. The course will entail reading beforehand, reading throughout the week, and independent viewing of jury deliberations in preparation for the class during which they will be discussed. This course will be of particular benefit to students who want to become trial lawyers, trial judges, policymakers, or just well-informed jurors when they are called to serve.

9 Course changes

Changes to courses, meeting times, and so on will be listed here.

Changes to courses

- Oct. 28 changes
 - LAW 432-02, **Legal Writing 4: Business Transactions**, will move to MW 11am-12:25pm so students can enroll in both this section of LW4 as well as Business Organizations.
 - LAW 258-01, **Civil Procedure** (Prof. Rosen's section) has had a change in its meeting pattern. The session previously scheduled for Tuesdays at 4pm has been moved to Thursdays at 12:15pm to clear a conflict.
 - LAW 260-05 and 260-81, both **Legal Writing 2**, have switched instructors but the times for each section remain as before. Prof. Hill will teach section 05 and Prof. Harvey will teach section 81.
 - LAW 260-81, **Legal Writing 2** (Prof. Nagel's section) has had a change in its meeting pattern. In addition, the Tuesday section will meet in person, while the Thursday section will meet online.

Course cancellations

- Oct. 28 changes
 - LAW 720-01, **Advanced Legal Research** (Wenger et al.), will not be offered in spring 2026.
 - LAW 800-01, **Regulation** (Tierney), will not be offered in spring 2026.

Added course descriptions

- LAW 968-01, **Social Impact Law: Practicing with Purpose in a Changing World:**

Social Impact Law explores the evolving role of lawyers as essential stewards of justice, mission, and strategy in a rapidly shifting world. From advising global institutions including foundations and nonprofits to guiding businesses, government partners, and hybrid ventures, today's social impact lawyers sit at the intersection of law, policy, and purpose. In this course, students will learn how lawyers help build, protect, and scale purpose-driven institutions and initiatives. Drawing on real-world practices, case studies, and firsthand insights from the instructor and guest speakers, the course offers a behind-the-scenes look at lawyering for global foundations, nonprofits, social enterprises, and cross-sector partnerships - spanning philanthropy, corporate social impact, public-private collaboration, social finance, and more.

Topics include:

- The foundational role of law and lawyers in shaping and sustaining civil society, and how this legacy informs the modern practice of social impact law
- The evolving role of lawyers and legal institutions in real time - examining how today's professionals are navigating and shaping pressing issues at the intersection of democracy, equity, regulation, and impact
- Core principles of nonprofit and corporate law as applied to social impact organizations
- Legal frameworks for mission-driven ventures, social enterprises, and cross-sector collaborations

- Strategic counsel on governance, compliance, partnerships, and fiduciary duty in an era of heightened public scrutiny
- The expanding role of lawyers as trusted advisers, not just legal technicians
- The defense of democratic institutions, the rule of law, and professional ethics amid political polarization

Students will gain practical experience through simulations and exercises that place them in the role of in-house counsel advising on live social impact scenarios. They will leave with tools, frameworks, and insights to confidently guide organizations at the forefront of social change. This course is ideal for students interested in social impact, philanthropy, nonprofit law, corporate social impact, impact investing, public interest work, or simply exploring how to practice law with greater purpose.