

Legal Studies Minor

The Legal Studies minor requires at least five courses, one course from each of the five categories listed below. No more than three of these courses may be in a single department. Courses applied to the Legal Studies minor may not also be applied to the student's major.

1. Case Law

ENST 260	Environmental Law	1
IREL 255/POLS 278	International Law	1
ACFM 220	Business Law I	1
POLS 241	Constitutional Law: Civil Rights	1
POLS 242	Constitutional Law: Civil Liberties	1
RELI 280	Religion and Constitutional Law	1
RELI 321	Introduction to Jewish Law	1

2. Law and Social Science

POLS 240	The American Congress	1
POLS 244	American Judicial Politics	1
POLS 375	Analyzing Legislatures	1
SOCI 123	Law and Society	1
SOCI 234	Criminology	1
SOCI 239	Deviance and Identity	1
SOCI 251	Violence and Society	1
SOCI 433	Seminar in Law and Society	1
WMST/SOCI 332	Women and the Penal System	1

3. Legal Theory

ENGL 361	Law and Literature	1
PHIL 100	Introduction to Philosophy (Only sections titled "Law, Morality, and Society" count for the Legal Studies Minor.)	1
PHIL 246	Philosophy of Law	1
POLS 260	Topics in Legal Thought	1
POLS 261	Twentieth-century American Legal Thought	1
POLS 263	Race and Ethnicity in American Legal Thought	1
POLS 362	American Constitutional Theory	1

4. Ethics

ENST 255	Environmental Injustice	1
PHIL 213	Ethics	1
PHIL 214	Social and Political Philosophy	1
PHIL 228	Contemporary Ethical Theory	1
POLS 210	Political Theory	1
POLS 256	Topics in Social and Political Ethics	1
RELI 125	Introduction to Ethics	1
RELI 220	Comparative Ethics	1
RELI 226	Environmental Ethics	1
RELI 227	Bioethics: Issues in Ethics, Medicine, and the Life Sciences	1
UNIV 228	Legal and Ethical Issues of the Press	1

5. Philosophical Foundations of Law

Students must take one of the following courses which seek to provide a broader understanding of the philosophical underpinnings of law in general.

PHIL 246	Philosophy of Law	1
POLS 261	Twentieth-century American Legal Thought	1

Highly motivated students may also satisfy this requirement with an appropriate independent study with any member of the faculty who teaches courses in categories 1-4. The student must submit a written proposal along with the sponsoring faculty member's endorsement to the legal studies coordinator. Registration for an independent study in Legal Studies uses the following course abbreviation.

IDPT 320 Interdepartmental Independent Studies

Faculty

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