



Public Interest Law Certificate

Students seeking a Public Law Interest Certificate must earn a 3.0 in each of four public interest classes from the list below, enroll in a clinic, practicum, or externship, complete 30 volunteer hours, and complete the Public Interest Law Seminar.

I. Course Requirements

The Public Interest Law Certificate requires that the Certificate student have a minimum of a 3.0 GPA in each of four of the required courses listed below, for a total of no less than 10 credit hours. Please indicate which required courses you have completed and the grade you earned. If you have completed two different clinics, practica, or externships; one clinic, practicum, or externship may fulfill the clinic, practicum, or externship requirement (see second page of requirements), and the other may count as one of your four required public interest courses.

<u>GRADE</u>	<u>GRADE</u>
___ Access to Health Care (2-3)	___ Family Law Practicum (1)
___ Administrative Law (3)	___ Federal Tax Clinic (4)
___ Administrative Law and Health Care Regulation (3)	___ Feminist Jurisprudence (3)
___ Adoption Law Seminar (1)	___ First Amendment Rights (3)
___ Advanced Family Law	___ Government Health Policy (2)
___ Advanced Issues in Domestic Relations Law (1)	___ Government Regulation and the Marketplace (2)
___ Alternate Dispute Resolution (2)	___ Health Justice Project (4)
___ Bankruptcy Law (3)	___ Human Trafficking in the U.S. (2)
___ Business Law Center Clinic (4)	___ Immigration Law (2)
___ Child and Family Law Mediation (2)	___ Interdisciplinary Seminar on Domestic Violence (3)
___ ChildLaw Fellows Seminar (1)	___ Int'l Law & Policy Refugees & Internally Displaced people (1)
___ ChildLaw Legislation (3)	___ Juvenile Justice Seminar (2)
___ ChildLaw Trial Practice (3)	___ Labor Law (3)
___ Child, Parent and State (3)	___ Law and Economics (2)
___ Children's Summer Institute (2)	___ Law and Education (2)
___ Civil Rights, Conflicts and Context (2)	___ Law and Poverty (3)
___ Civitas ChildLaw Clinic (2-4)	___ Law and Public Health (2-3)
___ Class Actions Seminar (2)	___ Law and Sexuality (2)
___ Community Law Center Clinic (4)	___ Law and War (2)
___ Comparative Education Law (2)	___ Life After Innocence Project (3)
___ Constitutional Law: Rights and Liberties (4)	___ Local Government (3)
___ Consumer Law (3)	___ Mediation Advocacy
___ Criminal Procedure: Adjudication (3)	___ Mediation Seminar (2)
___ Criminal Procedure: Investigation (3)	___ Mental Health Law (2)
___ Critical Legal Studies (2)	___ Natural Law and National Rights (3)
___ Critical Theory: History, Race, & American Law (3)	___ Nonprofit Organizations (3)
___ Current Issues in ChildLaw Seminar (2)	___ Philosophy Law (2)
___ Death Penalty in Illinois (2)	___ Policies and Politics of U.S. Immigration Laws (2)
___ Disability Law (2)	___ Practice of School Law (2)
___ Education Law and Policy (3)	___ Public International Law (1)
___ Education Law for Non-Public Schools (2)	___ Race and the Law (2)
___ Education Law Practicum (1-3)	___ Real Estate: Land Use and Zoning (3)
___ Election Law (3)	___ Rule of Law in Developing Legal Systems (3)
___ Employment Discrimination (3)	___ Special Education Law (2)
___ Employment Law (3)	___ Street Law (3)
___ Employment Law Counseling	___ Therapeutic Jurisprudence Practicum (2)
___ Environmental Law (3)	___ Victims Rights (2)
___ Externship (2-3)	___ Virtual Justice (3)
___ Family Law (3)	___ World Trade Organization (1)

If you have taken a course(s) that is not on the list above, but you would like to suggest that it be included as one of your Public Interest courses, please list below for consideration:

II. Clinic Participation or Externship

Certificate students must enroll in one of Loyola’s clinics or practica or participate in an externship at a governmental agency or an agency that serves, represents or advocates on behalf of indigent persons, disadvantaged groups, or inadequately protected interests:

Clinics and Practica:

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| ___ Business Law Center Clinic | ___ Education Law Practicum | ___ Health Justice Project |
| ___ Civitas ChildLaw Clinic | ___ Federal Tax Clinic | ___ Life After Innocence Project |
| ___ Community Law Center Clinic | | |

or Externships:

Government Agency: _____

Non-Profit Organization: _____

(On the line above, list the name of the governmental agency or organization at which you externed during law school)

If you worked at an unpaid public interest internship that was not part of Loyola’s clinical, practicum or externship programs, and you would like to suggest that it be considered as your public interest experiential learning, please list it below:

III. Volunteer Work

Students seeking the Certificate in Public Interest Law must participate in a significant volunteer/pro bono activity, serving, representing, or advocating on behalf of indigent persons, disadvantaged groups, or inadequately protected interests. Students must perform 30 hours of volunteer work at any time during their law school career, prior to and including summers and the semester in which they are enrolled in the Seminar. This is separate and distinct from enrollment in a clinic, practicum, or externship.

NOTE: All 30 hours need not be completed with the same organization. Students must provide a letter on agency letterhead, signed by their supervisor, which verifies their volunteer work. If a student is unable to secure a letter, the student must provide an affidavit as proof of their volunteer experience(s). Please list all volunteer work below:

Legal:

Non-legal:

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| 1. _____ (where you volunteered) | 1. _____ (where you volunteered) |
| _____ (name of supervisor) | _____ (name of supervisor) |
| 2. _____ (where you volunteered) | 2. _____ (where you volunteered) |
| _____ (name of supervisor) | _____ (name of supervisor) |
| 3. _____ (where you volunteered) | 3. _____ (where you volunteered) |
| _____ (name of supervisor) | _____ (name of supervisor) |
| 4. _____ (where you volunteered) | 4. _____ (where you volunteered) |
| _____ (name of supervisor) | _____ (name of supervisor) |
| 5. _____ (where you volunteered) | 5. _____ (where you volunteered) |
| _____ (name of supervisor) | _____ (name of supervisor) |

IV. Public Interest Law Seminar

Students must enroll in the Public Interest Law Seminar during their second or third year of law school. At the time of enrollment in the Seminar, students shall have completed or be in the process of completing the 30 required volunteer service hours. Also, at the time of enrollment in the Seminar, the student shall have completed or be in the process of completing a clinical program, practicum, or externship. During the Seminar, students will either write a publishable article on a public interest topic or complete a project related to the public interest.

V. Signatures/Approvals

Students must have this form signed by the Director of Public Interest Programs before returning it to the School of Law Registrar.

Law Student Name, ID #, and email (and whether you prefer 1 or 2 credit hours for the Public Interest Law Seminar) _____

By Director Public Interest Programs: _____ Date: _____

By School of Law Registrar: _____ Date: _____

Certificate Produced by Department: _____ Date: _____