Hawaii Summer Law Program 2022
Course Descriptions

LAW 520I Introduction to Trial Tactics Workshop
This course is designed so that students will perform the work of an attorney, receive regular feedback, and, as a result, learn and retain more in the subject. Students will develop a deep understanding of trial advocacy and the work of a trial attorney. They will appreciate some of the nuances of criminal trials, learn the case theory, themes, and case analysis. Students will also learn direct and cross examination and understand jury addresses and key differences between an opening statement and a closing argument. They will also learn about foundation, exhibits and evidentiary objections. Credit/No Credit.

LWLR 510H Advanced Legal Research: Hawai'i Law Research
The Advanced Legal Research course provides depth and advanced research techniques in specific practice areas such as International Law and Hawaii Law. Each course is taught by a different instructor and focuses on a different topic. In this course, we review basic practices and focus on critical analysis of the law and how it changes the course of your research. These courses employ a variety of assessment methods. Assessment methods will depend on the topic specialty and the instructors' preferences.

LAW 520K Bar Exam Toolkit
This course is designed to jumpstart your bar exam preparation by developing your substantive knowledge and sharpening your critical bar exam success skills. Specifically, you will receive in-depth review of highly tested topics in Civil Procedure and Real Property. You will then put that knowledge to use working through practice MBE and essay questions. You will learn how to develop a strong but flexible framework to resolve bar exam problems, sharpen your reading comprehension, issue identification, rule mastery, critical thinking, and legal analysis skills.

LAW 520M Coding for Lawyers
Coding for lawyers will introduce law students to the fundamentals of computer programming by learning the programming language Python. Understanding how software is built will allow students to interact more confidently with clients in the technology field, start legal tech startups, and find creative new ways to grow law firms. Throughout the semester students will build software to automate the law, collect information in unique ways, and analyze datasets. This class is for complete beginners who have no prior coding knowledge. Students will be expected to complete coding-related homework assignments and small projects throughout the semester.

LAW 593 Ethics & Integrity
This course will focus on identifying and solving real world ethical dilemmas present in everyday life and will evaluate and recommend a variety of individual decision-making models. In addition, it will examine business ethics from the beginning of the decade through today’s ongoing trials and tribulations with an emphasis on what causes and enables high profile members of the financial community to lie, cheat and steal. Case studies will be drawn from real life current examples of ethical failures and successes.
Students will be expected to actively participate in an interactive class environment as well as in small group discussions. A number of knowledgeable guests from the business, legal, political, education, medical and sports worlds will visit to update us on the ethical state of affairs in their respective arenas. Contemporary films will be incorporated.

LAW 555H Externship
Typical Course Credit: 2, 4, or 6
The Externship Program offers significant academic benefits not otherwise available in the prescribed curriculum. Students are provided field experience by being “placed” in an outside supportive environment to learn the panoply of lawyering skills. Mentors create situations specifically designed to maximize new learning, to develop new skills and to encourage creativity. Students discover their own strengths and weaknesses through self-direction, as they apply skills and knowledge learned in the classroom, in semester-long peeks into the “real world.” Credit/No Credit.

LWEV 593 International Ocean Law
Examination of legal issues that affect ocean resources. This course focuses on governance of living and non-living resources, environmental protection, and boundary delimitation.

LAW 590P Mediation Workshop
The course is conducted through lectures combined with skills practice and simulated mediations with individualized coaching. Students learn about different approaches to mediation; the stages of mediation; core mediation skills; tools to adapt the process to deal with challenging personalities; and ethical considerations. Learning the basics of mediation enable students to become effective advocates in the mediation process.

LAW 511 Professional Responsibility
A study of the lawyer’s legal obligations and professional responsibilities to clients, the profession and society under the rules of conduct and laws governing lawyers. Personal choices and the impact of those choices, along with the structure of the legal profession, also are explored.

LAW 530 Second-Year Seminar
All students are required to take a LAW 530 seminar for which they must write a substantial paper of publishable quality. Prior topics have included Torts, Environmental Law, Property, Jurisprudence, Antitrust, Intellectual Property, Legal History, Constitutional Law, Japanese Law, Native Hawaiian Rights and U.S. and Asian labor and employment.

LAW 590K Small Business Entrepreneurship
This Clinic will provide students with practical knowledge and hands-on experience counseling small for-profit/nonprofit businesses in Hawaii in a professional and ethical manner. The course will cover broad substantive areas of business law and is structured to promote development of measurable outcomes and skills, including client counseling, problem-solving, project management, leadership and teamwork. Students can anticipate a fast-paced, hands-on and interactive class that will include an overview of important and common business legal
topics and issues. Students will act as counsel for an individual or group interested in forming a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization or a for-profit entity that will own and operate a business. Moreover, students may advise clients on and review or draft other business-related agreements. This will depend on the clients’ needs and subject to the instructor’s pre-approval. In addition, students will participate in simulation exercises and other assignments to deepen lawyering skills, apply substantive concepts and prepare for their work with Clinic clients. Credit/No Credit.