

Course Description

PLA2935 | Legal Seminar: Intellectual Property Law | 1.00 credit

Intensive practical and theoretical training is provided in a seminar format. The seminar topics cover current and timely legal issues and are addressed by practicing attorneys. The topics are announced at the beginning of the fall and winter semesters. Courses must be met with a grade of "C" or higher.

Course Competencies:

Competency 1: The student will demonstrate knowledge of key intellectual property terms by:

- 1. Defining essential terminology related to patents, trademarks, copyrights, and trade secrets
- 2. Distinguishing between various forms of intellectual property protection
- 3. Illustrating the practical application of intellectual property terms in real-world scenarios
- 4. Comparing definitions and usage of terms across different legal contexts

Competency 2: The student will demonstrate knowledge of key laws and regulations governing intellectual property by:

- 1. Summarizing major statutes and regulations relevant to intellectual property
- 2. Analyzing the impact of federal and international laws on intellectual property rights
- 3. Interpreting legal provisions as they apply to specific intellectual property cases
- 4. Evaluating the effectiveness of current legal frameworks in protecting intellectual property

Competency 3: The student will develop the skills needed to research intellectual property laws, regulations, cases, and forms by:

- 1. Identifying reliable sources for intellectual property research
- 2. Navigating legal databases to locate statutes, regulations, and case law
- 3. Compiling relevant forms and documents for intellectual property filings
- 4. Synthesizing research findings to support legal arguments or business decisions

Competency 4: The student will learn to avoid the unauthorized use of intellectual property and other ethics violations as they relate to intellectual property by:

- 1. Recognizing common scenarios that may result in unauthorized use of intellectual property
- 2. Applying ethical decision-making frameworks to intellectual property issues
- 3. Advising on best practices for obtaining proper permissions and licenses
- 4. Monitoring compliance with intellectual property laws and organizational policies

Learning Outcomes

- Solve problems using critical and creative thinking and scientific reasoning
- Formulate strategies to locate, evaluate, and apply information
- Demonstrate knowledge of ethical thinking and its application to issues in society