



College of Law



Student Handbook 2026 – 2027

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While every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of the information contained herein, the University of Wyoming College of Law reserves the right to make changes at any time without prior notice. Students are responsible for familiarizing themselves with the information herein and with any and all subsequent changes in official policies, procedures, and regulations. For a printed copy of the student handbook, please send an email request to lawadmis@uwyo.edu.

AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION INFORMATION

The University of Wyoming College of Law has been an American Bar Association (ABA) approved law school since 1923. The Standards for Approval of Law Schools of the American Bar Association are founded primarily on the fact that law schools are the gateway to the legal profession. The standards are minimum requirements designed, developed, and implemented for the purpose of advancing the basic goal of providing a sound program of legal education. The graduates of approved law schools can become members of the bar in all United States jurisdictions, representing all members of the public in important interests. Therefore, an approved law school must provide an opportunity for its students to study in a diverse educational environment, and in order to protect the interests of the public, law students, and the profession, it must provide an educational program that ensures that its graduates:

1. Understand their ethical responsibilities as representatives of clients, officers of the courts, and public citizens responsible for the quality and availability of justice;
2. Receive basic education through a curriculum that develops:
 - Understanding of the theory, philosophy, role, and ramifications of the law and its institutions;
 - Skills of legal analysis, reasoning, and problem solving; oral and written communication; legal research; and other fundamental skills necessary to participate effectively in the legal profession;
 - Understanding of the basic principles of public and private law; and
3. Understand the law as a public profession calling for performance of pro bono legal services.

If you have concerns regarding the accreditation process or accreditation standards, the University of Wyoming College of Law has adopted a complaint policy posted on its website at [Student Complaint Policy](#). Additionally, you may contact the ABA Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar at 321 N. Clark Street, 21st Floor, Chicago, IL 60654, or alternative at 312-988-6738 or via e-mail at legaled@americanbar.org.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

Research – to contribute to the knowledge and development of the law and educational methods, serve the legal profession and the public, and enhance our own professional competence through production of high-quality legal scholarship.

Service – to provide service to the University of Wyoming, the State of Wyoming, and the legal profession through activities such as the following:

- Supporting UW’s academic plans, as appropriate, in such areas as energy and natural resources, economic development, and ethics
- Working with the Wyoming Bar Association
- Offering Continuing Legal Education
- Participating in AALS and ABA programs and activities
- Consulting with and assisting the courts and other government bodies
- Providing clinical programs that assist prosecutors, public defenders, and eligible clients
- Contributing to law reform
- Participating in civic activities

Teaching – to provide a high-quality legal education that includes the following:

- Broad substantive and procedural legal knowledge
- Training in factual and legal analysis
- Training in written and oral communication
- Appreciation of the standards of ethics and sense of public responsibility that characterize the legal profession
- Experiences in the practice of law (such as clinics and externships)
- Training in legal research
- Advocacy training
- Understanding of the broader contexts of the law (such as social, technical, and economic)

MISSION OF THE COLLEGE OF LAW

The primary mission of the College of Law is to provide a high-quality legal education to its students. We also work to serve the legal profession and the public, and to enhance our own professional competence and development, through the production of high-quality legal scholarship. We also provide law-related educational and other services to the Bar, the University community and the general public.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE COLLEGE OF LAW FULL-TIME FACULTY

The full-time faculty of the College of Law, as a collective body, shall fulfill these core responsibilities:

- 1) Teaching, preparing for classes, being available for student consultation about those classes, assessing student performance in those classes, and remaining current in the subjects being taught;
- 2) Participating in academic advising, creating an atmosphere in which students and faculty may voice opinions and exchange ideas, and assessing student learning at the College of Law;
- 3) Engaging in scholarship, as defined by the College of Law;
- 4) Service to the College of Law and the University of Wyoming community, including participation in the governance of the College of Law, curriculum development, and other institutional responsibilities described in the ABA Standards;
- 5) Service to the profession, including working with judges and practicing lawyers to improve the profession; and
- 6) Service to the public, including participation in pro bono activities.

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I. ACADEMIC

Academic Regulations

The Juris Doctor (J.D.) degree is awarded by the College of Law faculty to candidates who meet the following requirements:

Curriculum is subject to change at the College of Law Faculties discretion, which may cause the annually updated university catalog to be out of date. For students matriculating in or after the fall 2013 semester, each student must successfully complete (grade of “D–” or better for courses taken at this school, grade of “C” or better for courses taken elsewhere) 90 credit hours (required for graduation) of law coursework in accordance with the official curriculum as adopted by the College of Law faculty. Student must be enrolled in a minimum of 9 credit hours of law coursework each fall/spring semester, with the exception of their final semester if less hours are needed to achieve the 90 overall hours and all other requirements have been met. At least 59 of these credits must be completed at the University of Wyoming College of Law. Courses taken for S/U grades count toward the hours required for the J.D. degree only if the course is offered for the S/U grade only. Regardless of the matriculation date, students must complete at least 76 credit hours through graded (A–F) courses.

The course of study must be completed no earlier than 24 months (2 years) and not later than 84 months (7 years) after a student has commenced law study. No student shall be permitted to enroll at any time in coursework that, if successfully completed, would exceed 20 percent (18 hours) of the total coursework required for graduation.

Second- and third-year students may take up to six of 90 hours required for graduation in non-law school graduate level courses (online courses will not be approved) and apply them toward their law degree. Students must receive a letter grade of B or better for these non-law courses to count toward graduation requirements. Additionally, these courses will transfer in with a satisfactory grade of ‘S’ and will not impact their law school GPA. Students who wish to enroll in a non-law course on this basis must secure the prior approval of the course professor and the Associate Dean of Academic Affairs at the College of Law. Approval will be based on the student’s submission of a Non-Law Grad Course Request form with a brief written statement explaining how the proposed coursework relates to and enhances the student’s legal education. Students should be aware that non-law courses completed on this basis will not count toward the 76 hours that students must complete in graded courses as a requirement for graduation. The non-law coursework will instead be counted as credits the law students are permitted to take on an S/U basis.

The College of Law automatically approves up to 9 hours of any joint degree core courses with the corresponding prefix to their joint degree (i.e. MBAM, POLS, ENR) that meet the grade requirement, of a letter grade of B or better, to transfer in toward their law degree. However, if a student drops their dual degree, any non-law courses are subject to review and approval based on the criteria in the previous paragraph. Additionally, if courses are needed outside of these respective prefixes, these will be approved on a case-by-case basis. Those students enrolled in a joint degree program may take up to 9 hours required for graduation in non-law school graduate level courses (online courses will not be approved) and apply them toward

their law degree. Students in a joint degree program who use 9 non-law credit hours toward their J.D. degree may reduce their required number of graded credits from 76 to 73 so that they can participate in other S/U offerings at the College of Law. To receive law school credit for the non-law course, a student will be required to earn a grade of B or better in the non-law course. The grade will not count, however, toward the student's law school GPA. The course will be counted as a "satisfactory" grade for purposes of the student's law school GPA. Joint degree students should be aware that non-law courses completed on this basis will not count toward the 73 hours that joint degree students must complete in graded courses as a requirement for graduation. The non-law coursework will instead be counted as credits the law students are permitted to take on an S/U basis.

To graduate, all students must earn a cumulative grade point average of 2.000 for all courses taken at the College of Law. If a course is repeated, both grades shall be included in computing the average. The student, except in exceptional circumstances, must have a baccalaureate degree. Candidates who meet these requirements are eligible for graduation at the end of any semester.

Academic Standing

The following requirements apply to any coursework at the College of Law. Courses that law students may complete outside of the College of Law do not count in calculation of the required College of Law grade point average (GPA).

In the first year, a student who fails to make a 1.800 GPA after the first semester, or fails to make a 1.900 cumulative GPA overall in the first year's work, shall be excluded from the College of Law. A student who at any time fails to make a passing grade in two of the courses for which the student is registered in any semester shall be excluded from the College of Law.

A student who enters the second year with a GPA lower than 2.000 but at 1.900 or above, or who fails to maintain a 2.000 cumulative GPA after the first year, shall be placed on academic probation. A student on academic probation who does not attain an overall grade point average of 2.000 within one semester shall be excluded.

A student excluded from the College of Law may petition the faculty for readmission. The faculty may, in its discretion, readmit the student upon receipt of satisfactory evidence of extenuating circumstances or marked improvement in grades and study habits. Readmission may be subject to conditions, including, but not limited to, the repeating of any or all courses, as the faculty may decide. If a student's petition for reinstatement is denied, the student must wait nine months before petitioning again for readmission. Also, all students are limited to two petitions for readmission. The entire faculty will automatically hear and consider a student's initial petition. In the event of a second petition for readmission, a committee selected by the Dean will hear and consider the petition. The committee will present a report and recommendation to the faculty for adoption. Denial of the second petition is final.

Advanced Writing Requirement

As a condition of graduation, all students must complete an upper-level writing requirement consisting of a research paper of a minimum length of 5,000 words, exclusive of footnotes. All students must follow a designated standard citation form. Students must submit a detailed outline of the paper to the supervising professor, then must rewrite the paper at least once after the professor reviews the first draft. With the professor's approval, the student can meet the advanced writing requirement in any law school elective course, including a seminar, as long as the above requirements are met. The supervising professor must certify that the writing requirement has been fulfilled.

All student articles written for law review, whether published or unpublished, must have a supervising faculty member and otherwise meet all other provisions of the College of Law Advanced Writing Requirement. A student may also fulfill the requirement through independent study or by writing a case note or comment for the law review, under the supervision of a professor. It cannot be satisfied through participation in a clinic.

Independent Study Writing Credits

A student may earn one or two credits for an independent study writing project, as agreed by the student and supervising professor and approved by the Associate Dean. One credit requires at least 50 hours of work, and two credits requires at least 100 hours of work. Beginning fall 2024, up to three of the credit hours required for graduation may be independent study writing credits.

Attendance Requirement

In accordance with American Bar Association Standard 308(a),¹ students must attend at least 75 percent of scheduled classes in each course. A professor may impose a minimum-attendance requirement of greater than 75 percent if the policy is communicated in writing before or during the first day of class. The law school will not differentiate between excused and unexcused absences under this policy. Rather, the minimum attendance requirement of 75 percent accounts for all student absences regardless of causation.

A student who does not comply with the minimum attendance requirement will be dropped from the course and receive a grade of F, unless extenuating circumstances are present, in which case the student will be dropped from the course and receive a grade of W. A professor may impose sanctions for students who comply with the minimum attendance requirement, but who violate additional attendance guidelines specified for the course, if such guidelines and sanctions are communicated in writing before or during the first day of class.

A professor may allow students to participate in class via virtual platforms (*e.g.*, Zoom), but students who participate in this manner will be counted as absent regardless of causation. If a professor must schedule a class meeting over a virtual platform (*e.g.*, Zoom), students who participate in the class meeting over the virtual platform will not be counted as absent.

¹ Standard 308(a) provides: “A law school shall adopt, publish, and adhere to sound academic standards, including those for *regular class attendance*, good standing, academic integrity, graduation, and dismissal.” (Emphasis added.)

The tables below identify how many classes students must attend to comply with the minimum-attendance policy in three-credit and two-credit courses based upon the number of class meetings. For one-credit and four-credit courses, students must verify with the professor the number of classes required to comply with the minimum-attendance requirement.

Table 1. Three-credit course meeting twice per week for 80 minutes each session, or
Two-credit course meeting twice per week for 55 minutes each session:

<u>Class Meetings</u>	<u>Minimum Attendance</u>
26	20
27	21
28	21

Table 2. Three-credit course meeting three times per week for 55 minutes each session:

<u>Class Meetings</u>	<u>Minimum Attendance</u>
40	30
41	31
42	32

Class Rank

Students are ranked by class at the end of each of the fall and spring semesters once the faculty have submitted all grades. A student's class is determined by credit hours, not their semester of matriculation (this can vary throughout a student's time at the law school based on course load, attending a full-time joint degree program and other paths a student may choose to follow). Class rankings will be available in the front office or from the Registrar. Students can choose to have their spring class ranking letter mailed to them if they provide the Front Office with a self-addressed, stamped envelope. Transfer students to the College of Law shall not be ranked with other UW students until they have completed two full-time semesters at UW (or a minimum of 24 UW credits). Students who visit out at other ABA accredited law schools or who graduate early are ranked based on their ranking at the end of their last semester at UW.

Bar Exam Passage Rate Improvement Program: Students matriculating after August 2021, a student whose first-year GPA is in the bottom one-third of the class will be required to pass four of the following courses as a requirement of graduation: Business Organizations (or Agency and Partnership and or Corporations); Secured Transactions; Trusts and Estates; Criminal Procedure; Criminal Adjudication; Family Law; Constitutional Law II; or Real Estate Finance. During the fall and spring semesters after the 1L year it is required to take at least one of these courses as a minimum each semester, until the requirement has been satisfied.

In order to graduate, a student whose first-year GPA is in the bottom one-third of the class will also be required to take and pass a law school-offered bar examination course as a 3L (typically in their final spring semester), unless for unanticipated reasons the College of Law does not offer that course in a particular year.

Experiential Learning Requirement

For students matriculating in the fall 2016 semester and after, as a condition of graduation, each student must successfully complete no fewer than 6.0 credit hours in experiential learning courses. An experiential learning course must be a simulation course, a law clinic, or a field placement. Simulation courses provide substantial experience not involving an actual client, that (1) is reasonably similar to the experience of a lawyer advising or representing a client or engaging in other lawyering tasks in a set of facts and circumstances devised or adopted by a faculty member; and (2) includes: direct supervision of the student's performance by the faculty member; opportunities for performance, feedback from a faculty member, and self-evaluation; and a classroom instructional component (ABA Standard 303). For further reference, see the clinic and externship sections.

Typically, students may fulfill the experiential learning requirement by successfully completing 6.0 credit hours in any of the following upper-class elective courses:

Advanced Legal Research (6990)	Clinic: Family and Child Advocacy (6934)
Advanced Oil & Gas Law (6992)	Clinic: International Human Rights (6930)
Advanced Persuasive Writing (6925)	Clinic: Prosecution Assistance (6936)
Alternative Dispute Resolution (6915)	Contract Drafting (6935)
Appellate Advocacy (6915)	Criminal Pretrial Practice (6915)
Business Planning (6560)	Estate Planning (6670)
Business Law Practicum (6938)	Externships (6960)
Civil Pretrial Practice (6565)	Summer Trial Institute (6850)
Clinic: Civil Legal Services (6931)	Trial Practice (6850)
Clinic: Defender Aid (6932)	
Clinic: EENR (6933)	
Clinic: Estate Planning and Probate (6937)	

Note: classes may be removed from and/or added to this list each semester. This list is also subject to who is teaching the courses.

Grading

Grades are assigned on a plus/minus system. Grades of incomplete (I), and withdrawal (W), are disregarded. A required course in which a grade of F or W or U is received must be repeated. A course cannot otherwise be repeated without the consent of the faculty. If a course is repeated, both grades are included in computing the student's grade point average.

A.....4.000	B+3.333	C+2.333	D+1.333	F0.000
A-.....3.667	B3.000	C2.000	D1.000	WF0.000
	B-2.667	C-1.667	D-0.667	

Satisfactory (S) or unsatisfactory (U) grading applies only if the course is offered on an S/U basis or a student takes a non-law graduate-level course as explained above. Students from other colleges who are permitted to take professional courses in the College of Law

must take them for S/U credit. The grading scale is at discretion of the instructor for each course.

Mandatory Legal Writing Grade Policy: Under Law School policy, for each section of the Legal Writing I and II courses, the mean final grade for all students in the section must fall between 2.505 and 2.835. The range 2.505-2.835 falls around a B- (2.67), with the upper limit being halfway between a B- and a B and the lower limit being halfway between a B- and a C+.

Honor Code System

Students enrolled in the College of Law are engaged in a course of study leading to membership in the legal profession. The profession requires adherence to high ethical standards and the assumption by its members of responsibility for the maintenance of those standards. Accordingly, the College of Law has adopted an Honor Code addressing misrepresentations, theft, the use of library materials, the preparation of course work, and the conduct of examinations, along with procedures for alleged violations. A copy of the Honor Code is given to each new student who enters the College of Law. All students are governed by the Honor Code and are required to sign a pledge to abide by and be subject to the provisions of the code. See the Honor Code section of the handbook for more details.

Honor Roll

Students enrolled in a minimum of 12.0 semester hours of law courses carrying A–F grades, and who have no semester grades of incomplete (I), are eligible for the President’s Honor Roll and the Dean’s Honor Roll. Students with a semester average of 4.000 will be named to the President’s Honor Roll. First year students with a semester average of 3.250 or better and second year and third year students with a semester average of 3.400 or better will be named to the Dean’s Honor Roll.

Graduation with Honors

The degree of Juris Doctor is awarded with honors if the student achieves a grade point average of 3.400 or better on all resident credit in the College of Law.

Minimum Hours

The College of Law does not permit students to attend on a part-time basis. Students are required to take the full load of required courses during their first two semesters and to carry at least 9 credit hours in law courses each of the remaining semesters of law study. Notwithstanding, if a student has less than 9 credits remaining in their final semester of study, then said student may register for only the number of remaining credits (e.g. if a student only has 4 credits left to graduate, that student will only be required to register for 4 credits). First year students will be allowed to take less than the full load of required courses only if they present exceptional circumstances, as determined by the Dean or his/her delegate.

Transfer Credits

The College of Law admits transfer students only in the fall of their second year. A student granted transfer admission may transfer credits earned in courses taken at another ABA–accredited law school toward a degree from the UW College of Law up to the number of credits that a traditional UW student would have earned during the student’s first year at the University of Wyoming (31 credits as of the 2020–21 academic year). In addition, University of Wyoming law students who visit out for a semester or full year may also transfer credits from other ABA-approved law schools, as long as 59 credits are completed at the University of Wyoming. The College of Law will also accept up to 15 hours of transfer credit from another ABA accredited school for an international student previously enrolled in an LL.M. or other post–J.D. program. To receive transfer credit from a course, a grade must be a “C” or better. Transfer credits are recorded on the JD transcript as an “S” (Satisfactory), instead of graded credits. All transfer credits must be approved by the Associate Dean of Academic Affairs in advance.

Withdrawing from a Course and/or the University

Failure to attend class or failure to pay tuition does not constitute withdrawal from a class or from the University. Students who pre-register for classes on WyoWeb will be assessed tuition and fees. Students who drop or withdraw from their last or only class for a given term after the end of the drop/add time period must also meet with the Associate Dean of the College of Law and complete the official withdraw forms required by the Office of Registrar. Financial aid recipients who withdraw from courses or reduce credit hours must consult with a financial aid counselor regarding repayment of financial aid funds, if applicable. For complete details regarding deadlines, refunds, and cancellations, see the University’s Student Financial Services web page <https://www.uwyo.edu/fsbo/student-financial-services/index.html>

Exam Procedures and Policies

1. Old exams will not be available during the final exam period.
2. Review the Honor Code before beginning the exam period. It applies to all examinations. If you have any questions about the materials allowed by a professor, please see the professor in advance of the exam.
3. A copy of the final exam schedule will be posted on the web, please check dates and times carefully.
4. We use exam numbers, rather than students' names, so that professors cannot identify the students' exams they are grading. Exam numbers will be available in ExamSoft one to two weeks before the exam period. You must write this number on all of your exams and blue books, as your identification number for typed exams. **DO NOT** write your name on your exam. Midterm exams and final exams have unique numbers. Save these numbers, as you will use the same number for all of your midterm and final exams respectively. New numbers are assigned each semester.
5. All examinations must be: (A) written in ink in 8 1/2 x 11 size "blue books," OR (B) typed on the student's laptop using the ExamSoft software. Students provide their own

blue books, pens or laptops. Multiple choice portions of exams must be done in the law school software (Examplify).

6. If you are using a laptop:
 - Examplify (SofTest) is operable for PC's and Mac's. Please reference this site for the most up to date Minimum System Requirements:
<https://examsoft.com/resources/examplify-minimum-system-requirements/>
 - You must download the exam software (free for students) well in advance of the exam day.
 - Have your laptop set up and the software running in the designated room before the time to begin the exam.
 - Instructions for using the ExamSoft Examplify (SofTest) software are available at the Examsoft website (use Chrome or Firefox ONLY).
 - If you experience any problems with your computer during the exam, come to the front office immediately and someone will assist you.
 - Once you complete the exam, and have turned in your exam questions, be sure you receive the "upload successful" message to ensure that your exam answers have been transmitted.
7. All exam reschedules must be approved by the Law Registrar. You must meet the criteria published within the exam schedule to reschedule an exam, i.e., two exams on one day, three exams in three days, or four exams in five days. Fill out the exam reschedule request form and turn it into the COL Registrar, Jennifer Martin. Please note that, if possible, an elective will be rescheduled rather than a large, required class, and it will be rescheduled to a later rather than an earlier date.
8. Students who are handwriting their exams must return the exam questions and blue books to a staff member in the lobby outside the Dean's office at or before the time indicated on the exam. Laptop users should exit the exam software and turn in the exam questions to a staff member at or before the time indicated. It is your responsibility to determine the precise time the exam is to be returned and to ensure that you meet the deadline. Use the clock in the exam room for reference, not the clock that may appear on your computer or the time on your wristwatch.
9. During the exam, turn off (or leave outside the room) all cell phones, smart watches, pagers, and PDAs. Do not leave them on vibrate, as this may be disturbing to other students.
10. When you finish your exam, please be courteous/quiet as you gather your belongings and leave the exam room. You MAY NOT return to the room to gather your belongings after you have turned in your exam, unless it is after the collection time indicated on the exam. **Be aware that students are taking exams in both the morning and the afternoon and are taking exams that have differing ending times -- so please curb your talking in the classroom areas and halls during the administration of exams.**

11. If you cannot take the exam at the set time due to illness, or other emergency, you must notify the Law Registrar or Associate Dean, as soon as possible, prior to the exam and be prepared to supply appropriate documentation.
12. Final grades will be available on WyoWeb. No grades will be given over the telephone.

Final Exam Reschedule Policy

No student is required to take exams in the following circumstances as long as they submit a reschedule form two weeks prior to the first day of exams:

- two exams on one day
- three exams in three consecutive days
- four exams in five consecutive days

Students who have six final exams cannot be provided relief due to the limited number of exam days. Efforts will be made, however, to distribute the six exams so as to avoid three in a row. A student who meets the above criteria must submit a reschedule form to the Law Registrar two weeks prior to the beginning of exams. Exams are not normally rescheduled outside of the regular exam period.

Disability Assistance

The University of Wyoming College of Law is committed to making its programs accessible to individuals with disabilities and ensuring a robust academic experience for all students. The College of Law works closely with the Disability Support Services office on the University's main campus to coordinate a variety of services for students with disabilities. The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 guarantee equal access to programs and services to those with disabilities. In order to be a qualified individual subject to the protections of these Acts, a person must demonstrate that he or she has a disability that substantially limits a major life activity (e.g., seeing, hearing, walking, breathing, performing manual tasks, learning, caring for oneself, and working) and, as such, requires a reasonable accommodation in order to have equal access. This section of the College of Law's policies explains a student's rights and responsibilities in seeking to receive accommodation from the College of Law because of a disability. The process and procedures outlined here apply to law school classroom accommodations, exam accommodations, and accommodations related to accessing the University's facilities.

I. Rights and Responsibilities in Requesting Reasonable Accommodations

A. Accommodation Request Deadlines

1. The deadlines for students requesting accommodation is two weeks before the start of the academic year or semester for classroom and exam accommodation.
2. Extensions to these deadlines may be granted to students who were unable to meet the deadline due to extenuating circumstances. Accommodation is prospective; retroactive

accommodation is not available. For this reason, it is important that the student submits requests for accommodation in a timely manner.

B. Accommodation Process and Procedure for Classroom and Exam Accommodations

1. A student who believes that he or she has a qualifying disability warranting accommodation for academic programs, exams or access to the University's facilities should submit their requests for accommodations through the University of Wyoming's Disability Support Services (DSS), by contacting udss@uwyo.edu or 307 766-3073 or applying through the website found here: <https://www.uwyo.edu/udss/>.
2. The DSS application process is required and separate from any communication with College of Law staff. Students ***should not*** go directly to any faculty in an effort to arrange accommodation for disabilities.
3. Once the student submits the completed application and supporting medical documentation, DSS will review the documentation to verify the existence of a qualifying disability and make a decision regarding the student's eligibility for services. DSS also may request additional documentation at any time or may request that the student's physician or other licensed health professional speak directly to the DSS staff.
4. Following the determination that the student has a qualified disability, DSS and the Associate Dean of the College of Law, as the designated liaison for the College and its faculty, will consult together to make a determination regarding the student's requested accommodation related to the student's courses, exams, and access to university facilities.
5. A reasonable accommodation is an accommodation that does not impose an undue financial or administrative burden on the College of Law and does not fundamentally alter the nature of the educational service, program, or activity at the College of Law.
6. DSS is responsible for making determinations about reasonable accommodation after consulting with the Associate Dean of the College of Law and will then notify the student by email of the decision to deny, grant, or partially grant or provide a reasonable alternative to the requested accommodation. This email is required prior to any accommodation being made.
7. Information regarding a student's disability and any accommodation provided shall be disclosed only when necessary in furtherance of the student's education or to individuals who have a need to know the information as determined by the University. As a general rule, when feasible, student anonymity will be maintained.

8. For any exam condition accommodations, DSS will notify the Associate Dean of the College of Law who will oversee the implementation of the accommodation. DSS will also notify any other law school staff designated by the Associate Dean of the College of Law who are needed to implement the accommodation (e.g. the designated testing coordinator, faculty etc.). Students will be provided with notice of the time and place of their accommodated testing by DSS.
9. For classroom accommodation, the Associate Dean of the College of Law will oversee implementation of the accommodation and notify the faculty of the particular course if the accommodation(s) provided affect the conduct of the class.
10. If a student is denied eligibility for DSS or requested reasonable accommodation, the student may request a review of these determinations by the Vice President for Student Affairs consistent with the process mentioned here <https://www.uwyo.edu/udss/student-support-resources/rights-and-responsibilities.html>. Students who have questions about the review process may contact DSS for more information. The Vice President for Student Affairs may consult with the Dean of the College of Law prior to making a final determination.

II. Rights and Responsibilities of the Student after Receiving Classroom and Exam Accommodations

1. A student must renew his or her request for accommodation each semester by meeting with DSS to determine whether new and different accommodation is necessary for the student's disability to be accommodated. Requests for classroom and exam accommodation(s) must be made two weeks prior to the beginning of the semester. At these meetings, DSS may request that the student submit updated documentation verifying the nature and extent of the student's disability.
2. If a student's condition changes at any time, thereby affecting the nature and extent of his or her disability, the student must notify the DSS immediately and DSS will consult with the Associate Dean of the College of Law, as the designated liaison for the College to engage in the interactive process set forth in section I(B)(4).
3. If there is a problem with any accommodation that a student receives, whether it is related to a course, an exam, or access to a facility, the student must promptly notify DSS who will coordinate with the Associate Dean of the College of Law so that steps may be taken, to the extent practicable, to resolve the problem.
4. Communication via accommodations (including exam schedules and room assignments) will be made using the student's UWyo email account. A student is responsible for checking email on a timely basis to determine the status of any issue relating to the accommodation that has been put in place for a particular disability. If

the student's disability prevents physical access to email, an alternative method of communication will be determined in consultation with DSS, the College of Law, and the student.

III. Requests for Accommodations Related to the College of Law Facilities

Any requests for disability accommodation related to the College of Law buildings or University grounds may be initiated by contacting DSS or the Associate Dean of the College. DSS and/or the College of Law will work collaboratively regarding any requests and may involve other campus units, including but not limited to the UW Operations, in order to process and/or implement reasonable accommodation related to the College of Law facilities.

Auditing Policy for the College of Law

Anyone wishing to audit a course at the University of Wyoming College of Law must first obtain permission from the associate dean and course instructor. Course audits are subject to any conditions imposed by the instructor. Audits are not available for required law courses nor experiential learning courses. Auditors must pay tuition, and they are not eligible for financial aid. No credit is granted for audits.

Auditors are only permitted when spots remain in a course after registration by students enrolled in the course for a grade. Many law school courses have course prerequisites, but even if no prerequisite is expressly listed, at minimum, Auditors must hold a bachelor's degree. Auditors do not sit for exams, write papers, or receive other time-intensive feedback.

Generative AI

Generative AI refers to artificial intelligence systems that generate new content by identifying and mimicking patterns from the data sets on which they were trained. Unless expressly permitted by the instructor, students are prohibited from using generative AI to produce, derive, or assist in creating any materials or content that is submitted to the instructor. Instructors retain the discretion to permit the use of generative AI in their courses to any extent they deem appropriate. Instructors should provide notice of any permitted use to the entire class. Unpermitted use of generative AI is subject to the Honor Code.

II. CURRICULUM

Required Courses: First (1L) Year Students (*Additional courses cannot be taken the first year without special permission from a dean.*)

Fall Semester (17 credits)

Civil Procedure I (6240) – 3
 Contracts I (6110) – 3
 Legal Research (6165) – 1
 Legal Writing I (6160) – 3
 Property I (6120) – 3
 Torts I (6130) – 4

Spring Semester (14 credits)

Civil Procedure II (6340) – 2
 Constitutional Law I (6250) – 3
 Contracts II (6210) – 2
 Criminal Law (6140) – 3
 Legal Writing II (6260) – 2
 Property II (6220) – 2

Required Courses: Second (2L) Year Students (*Offered once per year in the fall and spring semesters.*)

Professional Responsibility (6420) – 3

Evidence (6410) – 3

Elective Courses: Second (2L) & Third (3L) Year Students (* subject to availability)

Administrative Law (6510) – 3
 Advanced Legal Research (6990) – 3
 Advanced Persuasive Writing (6925) – 3
 Advanced Trusts & Estates (6993) – 3
 Advanced Water Law & Policy (6991) – 3
 Agricultural Law (6500) – 3
 Alternative Dispute Resolution – 3
 American Legal History (6530) – 3
 Antitrust (6540) – 3
 Appellate Advocacy – 3
 Bankruptcy Law (6620) – 3
 Bar Review (6625) – 2
 Bioethics (6555) – 3
 Business Organizations (6310) – 3
 Business Planning (6560) – 3
 Children & the Law (6645) – 3
 Civil Pretrial Practice (6565) – 3
 Clinics & Practicums – 3
 Business Law Practicum (6938)
 Clinic: Civil Legal Services (6931)
 Clinic: Defender Aid (6932)
 Clinic: EENR (6933)
 Clinic: Estate Planning and Probate (6937)
 Clinic: Family & Child Advocacy (6934)
 Clinic: International Human Rights (6930)

Clinic: Prosecution Assistance (6936)
 Comparative Contract Law – 3
 Competitions (6970) – 1-3
 Conflict of Laws (6590) – 3
 Constitutional Law II (6350) – 2
 Contract Drafting (6935) – 3
 Criminal Adjudication (6880) – 3
 Criminal Pretrial Practice – 3
 Criminal Procedure (6630) – 3
 Domestic Violence Law (6635) – 3
 Education Law (6665) – 2
 Employee Benefits – 3
 Employment Law (6745) – 3
 Environmental Law (6660) – 3
 Estate Planning (6670) – 2
 Externships (6960) – 1-6
 Family Law (6640) – 3
 Federal Courts (6680) – 3
 Gift & Estate Taxation – 3
 Global Health & Human Rights – 3
 Health Law (6685) – 3
 Immigration Law (6715) – 3
 Income Taxation (6320) – 3
 Independent Study (6940) – 1-2
 Independent Study: Clinic (6941) – 1-2

Indian Law (6700) – 3	Local Government (6760) – 3
Insurance Law (6710) – 2	Native Amer. Nat. Resources Law (6735) – 3
Intellectual Property (6725) – 3	Oil & Gas Law (6790) – 3
International Business Transactions (6765) – 3	Payment Systems (6570) – 3
International Human Rights (6775) – 3	Public Lands (6800) – 3
International Law (6720) – 3	Race, Gender & Law – 3
International Env. & Nat. Resources Law – 3	Real Estate Finance (6810) – 3
International Security – 2	Secured Transactions (6830) – 3
International Trade Law – 3	Securities Regulation (6840) – 3
Interview, Counseling & Negotiation (6166) – 3	Sports & Entertainment Law – 3
Judicial Remedies (6150) – 3	Summer Trial Institute (6850) – 3
Jurisprudence (6730) – 3	Taxation of Business Entities (6615) – 3
Land Use Law (6890) – 3	Trial Practice (6850) – 3
Law & Economics (6750) – 2	Trusts & Estates (6330) – 3
Law Office Management (6885) – 1	Trusts & Estates II – 3 (form. Adv. Estate Planning)
Law Review (6950) – 1-3	Water Law & Policy (6860) – 3
Legislation (6755) – 3	

Credit Hours

In accordance with ABA Standard 310, one credit hour requires an amount of classroom or direct faculty instruction that is at least equivalent to fifty minutes per week for fifteen weeks (including one week for a final exam), as well as an amount of out-of-class student work that reasonably approximates two hours per week for fifteen weeks (including one week for a final exam). One credit hour for other academic activities, including simulation, field placement, clinical, co-curricular, and other academic work, requires at least an equivalent amount of work.

The College of Law faculty establishes and approves the number of credit hours awarded for each newly approved course. New course proposals must indicate both the in-class and out-of-class work that justifies the credit hours to be awarded. The curriculum committee will initially review existing courses to determine that classroom and out-of-class work meet the requirements for the awarded credit hours. The Associate Dean will thereafter periodically review course descriptions and syllabi to ensure that classroom and out-of-class work continue to meet the requirements for the awarded credit hours.

Bar Subjects

Wyoming has now adopted the Uniform Bar Exam, as has Colorado. Information about both bar exams can be found on the National Conference of Bar Examiners (NCBE) webpage (<http://www.ncbex.org/>).

DISCLAIMER: It is your responsibility to check with the Board of Law Examiners in each state in which you plan to take the bar exam for the latest information regarding bar examination subjects, application procedures, and deadlines, etc. We encourage students to begin the application process to take a bar exam well in advance. Some states provide reduced fees if students register within 15 months of entering law school.

Clinics & Practicums

Students may not enroll in or apply towards graduation requirements more than 9 credit hours of clinic credits (or 12 credit hours for clinic directors). Students will further be limited to a combined maximum of 12 credit hours total (or 15 credits total for clinic directors) for clinic credits and externship credits.

The College of Law offers seven clinical programs and one practicum: Civil Legal Services Clinic; Defender Aid Clinic; Family and Child Legal Advocacy Clinic; Energy, Environmental & Natural Resources Law Clinic; International Human Rights Clinic, Estate Planning & Probate Clinic; Prosecution Assistance Program; and Business Planning Practicum. The clinical programs operate pursuant to Wyoming Supreme Court rules that permit second- and third-year law students to practice law under the supervision of a COL professor or Wyoming Bar member. A student director is hired for some programs to help the faculty supervisor administer the program. (Wyoming Supreme Court, Rule 9)

The caseload of each clinic consists of actual cases and matters in Wyoming, the region, and even around the world. The Wyoming student practice rule allows student interns to make court appearances with the consent of the client. There is no simulation. The faculty supervisor is professionally responsible for the students in the program. Therefore, particular emphasis is placed on professional responsibility to the client, the profession, and the community. The response of the courts to students has been enthusiastic, both on and off the bench, and in trial and appellate courts.

Each clinical and practicum program is designed to expose students to a wide range of real experience in the practice of law. Student participation requirements vary in each program. Please refer to the clinic course description or contact the clinic faculty director to learn the requirements for their program. Third-year spring semester students who have not previously taken a clinic or practicum will receive a preference over those seeking a second semester in the clinic or practicum.

Students receive three credit hours per semester, are graded, and are required to devote a minimum of 150 hours to the program. Enrollment in the clinical programs may be limited in the interest of affording students' maximum educational benefit. However, the College of Law will make sure that every interested student gains experience through a clinic, practicum, or other experiential opportunity.

Clinic credit and externship credit may not be earned in the same semester, unless the student obtains permission from both the clinic faculty director and the externship faculty director, as well as the associate or assistant dean.

For more information on the clinics, practicums and centers, please go to: <https://www.uwyo.edu/law/experiential/index.html>

Course Descriptions

You can find detailed course descriptions, which will be updated for each semester, on the law school website at COURSE DESCRIPTIONS (<https://www.uwyo.edu/law/current/courses/courses.html>) Click on the course name, and you will be able to view a detailed course description that will include information about the course, the instructor name, the semester offered, and the assessment method (e.g., exam, performance of skills, or paper).

Externships

Students may apply a maximum of 6 externship credit hours toward the credit hours required for graduation. Students may apply a maximum of 12 credit hours (or 15 credit hours for clinic directors) of combined clinic credits and externship credits toward the credit hours required for graduation and may not enroll for clinic credits that would exceed that maximum.

The externship program provides second- and third-year students with an opportunity to learn through practice by working directly with attorneys or judges for academic credit. Externship placements are limited to judicial chambers; government agencies; nonprofit organizations; and certain private employers, such as law firms or in-house counsel positions, which must be pre-approved by the externship faculty director. A student may also create an externship placement that is not currently on the pre-approved list. In that case, the supervising attorney or judge must submit a proposal to the externship faculty director, for approval on a case-by-case basis. This should be done well ahead of the time that the student begins work.

For two hours of credit a student is required to work 100 hours; for three hours of credit a student is required to work 150 hours. In rare cases in which work extends to another academic term, a student may enroll for one credit for externship work with the approval of the Faculty Director. All externs must complete a writing component as part of the program requirements. The writing does not satisfy the advanced writing requirement. Grades are awarded S/U only. A student may earn a maximum of 3 hours of externship credit in fall or spring semesters and a maximum of 6 credits in a summer semester. Again, a student is limited to a total of 6 hours of externship credit applied toward required credit hours for graduation. Externs must pay their own travel expenses. Students must register for summer externship credits in the summer session. If you are accepted for an externship, you will need to register for the appropriate number of credits for an externship course, LAW 6960. There will be an online component of the externship program.

Students may not participate in an externship and a clinic during the same semester without approval from the externship field placement supervisor, clinical faculty supervisor, and externship faculty director.

For a list of currently approved externship offerings and the externship application, please see <http://www.uwyo.edu/law/experiential/legal-externships/index.html>.

For the externship program's policies, please see <https://www.uwyo.edu/law/files/docs/handbook/externship-program-policy-handbook.pdf>.

Joint Degree Programs

JD/MA in ENR Program

A joint Juris Doctor/Master of Arts of Environment and Natural Resources degree is available to all admitted law students upon application. The degrees are awarded concurrently by each college upon successful completion of the combined degree program requirements. Students in this joint degree program must take 18 credits outside the law school in ENR courses and must take 12 law school credits from a menu of ENR-related law courses to qualify for this joint degree. Students in this joint degree program must be enrolled in a minimum of 9 hours of law coursework in every fall and spring semester. Students in the joint degree program must also complete a supervised research project. Additionally, nine (9) credits of approved MA coursework (see Academic Regulations) will be applied to the Juris Doctor degree. Current core courses: ENR 5100, ENR 5900, ENR 5890, ENR 5750.

JD/MBA Program

A joint Juris Doctor/Master of Business Administration program is available in the College of Law and the College of Business. This program will take approximately four years to complete. Students spend three years on campus engaged in law studies. Typically, in their second year, students will be enrolled full time in the MBA Program, taking required core business courses during the Fall, Spring, and Summer as well as participating in additional required program activities (orientation, Experiential Leadership Program, Jackson Leadership Summit, MBA Executive Speaker Series, Professional Development activities, etc.). The MBA Capstone course will be the final course completed in the summer term for a total of 36 MBA program credits. Nine (9) credit hours of approved coursework will be transferred as elective hours to the Juris Doctor degree. Students successfully completing this lock-step program will earn dual Juris Doctor and Master of Business Administration degrees. The degrees are awarded concurrently by each college upon successful completion of the combined degree program requirements. Current core courses: MBAM 5102, MBAM 5104, MBAM 5107, MBAM 5202, MBAM 5204, MBAM 5207, MBAM 5208, MBAM 5209, MBAM 5305, MBAM 5330.

JD/MPA Program

A student in the joint Juris Doctor/Master of Public Administration program must be admitted to both the College of Law and College of Arts and Sciences. The degrees are awarded concurrently by each college upon successful completion of the combined degree program requirements. Students in this joint degree program must be enrolled in a minimum of 9 hours of law course work every fall and spring semester. In fulfillment of the J.D. degree, the College of Law will accept up to nine hours of MPA credits in courses approved by the law faculty. In fulfillment of the MPA degree, the College of Arts and Sciences will accept up to 12 hours of credits earned in specified courses in the J.D. program. Current core courses: POLS 5000, POLS

5400, POLS 5410, POLS 5440, POLS 5684, POLS 5510, POLS 5690, POLS 5080, POLS 5060, POLS 5450, POLS 5460, POLS 5480.

Lottery Information

Certain upper-class, limited-enrollment classes may be subject to a lottery to determine which students will be allowed to enroll in the course. Third year standing and course pre-requisite requirements may also apply. The lottery is usually done in conjunction with pre-registration advising.

Third year students receive priority in any lottery. Other courses also have limited enrollments and are conducted on a first-come, first-serve system by pre-registration.

To the extent that a lottery is ever used, sign-up sheets are made available in the front office during advising week. You may sign up for more than one lottery class. HOWEVER, if you sign up for more than one lottery class, you need to indicate which is your first, second, third, etc., choice. You must rank and use each numerical rank only once. If you sign up for only one lottery class, rank it as “one”. All names on the lotteries for each class, with the accompanying ranking, will then be randomly sorted. We will then fill the class by going in order from top to bottom, starting with the “ones” first, then the “two’s,” etc. A wait list using the same ordering system will be created for students who have signed the lottery but who are not chosen to be in the class in the initial selection. As students initially selected decide to drop the course, we will then notify the next student down on the wait list.

Prerequisites

Elective Course

Prerequisites

Advanced Appellate Advocacy.....	Appellate Advocacy
Advanced Corporate Law	Business Organizations
Advanced Trusts & Estates	Trusts & Estates
Advanced Water Law & Policy	Water Law & Policy
Advanced Water Law & Policy Field Seminar.....	Advanced Water Law & Policy
Business Planning	Business Organizations and Income Taxation
Energy, Environment & Natural Resources Clinic.....	Administrative Law
Estate Planning.....	Gift & Estate Taxation
Estate Planning Practicum	Trusts & Estates
Gift & Estate Taxation	Trusts & Estates
International Human Rights Practicum.....	Immigration Law or International Human Rights
Taxation of Business Entities.....	Business Organizations and Income Taxation
Business Law Practicum	Business Organizations

Although not required, completion of, or concurrent enrollment in the following is strongly recommended:

Elective Course

Recommended Prerequisites

Bankruptcy Law	Secured Transactions
Defender Aid Clinic	Criminal Adjudication / Criminal Procedure
Environmental Law	Administrative Law
Family Law Clinic	Children & the Law / Domestic Violence / Family Law
International Human Rights Clinic	Immigration Law / International Human Rights
Prosecution Assistance Clinic	Criminal Adjudication / Criminal Procedure

UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING COLLEGE OF LAW HONOR CODE

I. INTRODUCTION

- A. **Purpose.** Law is a self-regulated profession whose members are required to adhere to the highest standards of professional responsibility. Students and faculty engage in legal activities as members of the legal profession, and recognize the need to maintain a high level of professional competence and integrity in their work. As part of its mission to prepare law students for their role in the legal profession, the University of Wyoming College of Law (UWCOL) requires all law students to comply with this Honor Code.
- B. **Jurisdiction.** This Honor Code supplements University of Wyoming (UW) policies and procedures. As such, this Honor Code incorporates all University and UWCOL policies, including without limitation the UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT (<https://www.uwyo.edu/dos/conduct/index.html>) established through UW Regulation 11-1 (“STUDENT CONDUCT”) and Procedures and Authorized University Actions in Cases of Student Academic Dishonesty established through UW Regulation 2-114 (“STUDENT ACADEMIC DISHONESTY”). To the extent that this Honor Code holds law students to a higher standard than any University policy or procedure, the provisions in the Honor Code take precedence.
- C. **Duty to Comply with Code and to Report Violations.** It is the duty of all law students from the point of application through graduation to become familiar with and adhere to all UWCOL and University policies, including the provisions of this Honor Code. Moreover, it is the responsibility of all members of the UWCOL community to cooperate fully in the enforcement and implementation of this Honor Code, including without limitation (i) reporting probable violations of the Honor Code of which the person has personal knowledge, and (ii) providing information, testimony, and evidence at any investigation into or hearing about alleged violations of the Honor Code.
- D. **Availability of the Code.** The Honor Code is available online, permanently placed on reserve in the library, and available upon request. It will be made available to all incoming law students as well. All prospective, admitted, and matriculated UWCOL students are responsible for knowing the contents of the Honor Code. Such knowledge is presumed conclusively. Ignorance of the Code provisions does not constitute a defense in any proceeding against any student.
- E. **Faculty.** Except as otherwise specifically provided, the Honor Code does not affect the inherent authority of each law school professor to conduct and to regulate classes in accordance with UWCOL policies and procedures. Further, the Honor Code does not

affect any existing right or obligation of any law school faculty member or administrator to make a report to appropriate bar examiners concerning the prospective fitness of any UWCOL student for the practice of law.

II. AGREEMENT TO ABIDE BY HONOR CODE

As a precondition to admission and continuing enrollment, all applicants to the UWCOL and all current UWCOL students agree to be bound by the provisions of the Honor Code and any subsequent amendments thereto. Further, this Honor Code will also govern all written or oral representations made in connection with any prospective student's application to the UWCOL.

III. PROHIBITED CONDUCT SUBJECT TO THE CODE

It is a violation of this Honor Code for any UWCOL student to knowingly engage in, attempt, or assist in any prohibited act specified in the STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT, ACADEMIC DISHONESTY PROCEDURES, or any of the following:

- A. Any act of dishonesty, including without limitation any act of academic dishonesty as outlined in UW Regulation 2-114. Acts of dishonesty also include without limitation any misrepresentation or failure to disclose material facts on any application for admission to UWCOL, petition for scholarship assistance, or other documentation submitted before matriculation.
- B. Any unauthorized communication during an examination or assignment. No student may ask any substantive question of any other student, nor shall that other student answer any substantive questions during an examination unless authorized by the instructor in advance.
- C. Unless otherwise approved in advance, taking more time than has been allotted by the instructor for an examination, including continuing to write an exam after the proctor has announced that the time allotted has elapsed.
- D. Working on an examination in any place other than (i) the room designated for exam taking purposes by the Dean's Office or (ii) the place specifically authorized by a faculty member. A student may leave the test room at any time during the examination. In doing so, however, the student must not create any unnecessary distractions for other exam-takers.
- E. For a student taking a rescheduled or make-up exam, discussing an examination with a student who took the same examination at any earlier time or who will be taking the exam at a later time; and for a student who took an examination at the regularly

scheduled time, discussing the examination with a student taking a rescheduled or make-up exam.

- F. Misrepresenting in any way his/her involvement in any academic endeavor, as defined in UW Regulation 2-114, including, but not limited to, plagiarism (in any submitted materials), cheating, fraud, violation of standards, multiple submissions, interference, obstruction, or complicity.
- G. Knowingly taking or hiding any books, class notes, outlines, briefs, case notes, or any other class materials being used or prepared by another student, faculty, or administrator without that person's express consent.
- H. Stealing, defacing, or intentionally destroying UWCOL property, including library materials.
- I. Misrepresenting class attendance records for oneself or another student.
- J. Knowingly misrepresenting the number of hours spent working in a course, clinic, internship, externship, work study, or other academic endeavor.
- K. Disclosing an assigned examination number to a faculty member prior to the entry of final grades for any particular exam is in violation of the anonymous grading system.
- L. Misrepresenting one's own academic achievement, record, or other activities in connection with seeking employment, financial aid, scholarly awards, acceptance into any program at any educational institution, or any other thing of value.
- M. Misrepresenting any amount sought for reimbursement from the UWCOL, or misappropriating or failing to account for funds advanced by the UWCOL.
- N. Using unauthorized materials or otherwise cheating in any competition, moot court, journal, or other law school related function.
- O. Violating any duly promulgated and posted rule, regulation, or order of the University applicable to the UWCOL.
- P. Engaging in conduct, not otherwise covered by any other provision of the Honor Code, involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit, misrepresentation, defamation, false accusation, or other unethical actions with regard to activities or programs at the UWCOL or the University, which adversely reflect upon one's fitness to remain a student at the UWCOL or practice law upon graduation.

Q. Using unauthorized materials during any law school examination.

R. Any other violation expressly set forth in this Honor Code.

IV. SANCTIONS

A. Any of the following sanctions or combination thereof may be imposed for violating the Honor Code in consideration of the severity of the offense and other relevant circumstances:

1. Extra or alternative work.
2. Grade reduction for the course or academic endeavor.
3. A failing grade for the course or academic endeavor.
4. No credit for the academic endeavor.
5. Probation.
6. Letter of reprimand to be kept on a non-confidential or confidential basis in the student's file.
7. Denial or revocation of the benefits of any academic program or extracurricular activity at the University including, without limitation, any degree program, course, clinic, competition, or other endeavor.
8. Termination from any academic program or extracurricular activity.
9. Suspension from the University.
10. Expulsion from the University.
11. Restitution for any stolen or damaged materials.
12. Report of any violation of the Honor Code to state bar examiners and authorities in any jurisdiction.

B. **Nature of Sanction.** Whatever sanction is imposed must bear a reasonable relationship to the severity of the violation that has occurred, except that the student's background, including the student's record of prior violations or lack of violations, may be considered.

Any of the sanctions set forth above or combination thereof, including suspension or expulsion, may be imposed for a first offense and for any duration. The University and the UWCOL are not responsible for any financial loss incurred by the student as a result of any sanction.

According to University policy, whenever it is determined that the student has committed academic dishonesty or violated the Honor Code for a second time, the Dean or Dean's designee shall promptly notify the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs. The Provost and Vice President shall cause the suspension of the student from the University for a minimum period of one calendar year. This action is subject to the approval of or modification by the President of the University.

- C. **No Limitation.** The foregoing actions do not preclude administrative consequences that may result in the loss of benefits from programs, scholarships and other opportunities typically afforded to law students.

V. ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

All acts of "academic dishonesty" and other Honor Code violations delineated in Articles (A) through (R) in Section III above shall be adjudicated pursuant to the provisions set forth herein. All other violations of the STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT will be adjudicated pursuant to the provisions and procedures delineated therein.

A. **Honor Council Composition and Responsibilities.**

1. An Honor Council will consist of three (3) full-time faculty members (members may include tenure-track faculty, non-tenure track faculty, librarian, or lecturer) and two (2) full-time students. The Dean or Dean's Designee shall act as an advisor to the Honor Council.
2. The Dean or Dean's designee shall appoint three faculty members to serve one (1) year terms. Each year, the Honor Council will internally elect one faculty member to serve as Chair of the Honor Council.
3. At the end of each academic year, the first and second year classes shall each elect one student from their respective classes to serve as Honor Council representatives for the subsequent academic year. Elected representatives will serve one (1) year terms. Student elections must be held in conformity with the procedures established by the John Burman Student Government.
4. Honor Council members shall not unnecessarily disclose names or any other information regarding an investigation to anyone other than the Dean or Dean's designee. This high duty of confidentiality is intended to protect the reputation of the

accused during an investigation. Any breach of confidentiality outside of the investigation process by a student member of the Honor Council constitutes a violation of the Honor Code.

B. **Instructor: Suspicion of Honor Code Violation.** Whenever an instructor has reason to suspect that a student has violated the Honor Code, including committing an act of academic dishonesty in any academic program or extracurricular activity including, without limitation, any degree program, course, clinic, competition, or other endeavor for which s/he is responsible for supervision or assignment of an academic evaluation, the instructor shall investigate the matter and discuss the matter with the student. At the instructor's discretion, s/he may come to one of the following resolutions:

1. If, in the judgment of the instructor, the allegation of an Honor Code violation is not justified and/or there is insufficient evidence of said violation, then no further action is warranted.
2. If, in the judgment of the instructor, sufficient evidence of an Honor Code violation exists, then the instructor shall promptly refer the matter to the Associate Dean of Students or, if none at the time, to the administrator identified by the Dean, (the "Responsible Administrator") for further consideration. If the allegation of an Honor Code violation relates to an examination or paper written involving the instructor's course, the professor shall grade the examination, paper, or course on the merits without regard to the perceived Honor Code violation. The instructor will then enter a grade of incomplete until the allegations have been fully addressed.

C. **Other Member of the Law Community: Suspicion of Honor Code Violation.**

Whenever a student, staff member, or administrator has reason to suspect that a student has committed an Honor Code violation, that member of the UWCOL community shall promptly report this matter to the Responsible Administrator for consideration of investigating allegations and establishing charges.

D. **Investigation of Allegations.** After receiving any allegation of one or more Honor Code violations (the "Allegation") from any member of the UWCOL community, the Responsible Administrator shall report the Allegation to the Honor Council for investigation and consideration *unless*:

1. The accused student admits to the Allegation; or
2. The suspected acts comprising the Allegation are minor and would not normally result in sanctions involving a grade change, withdrawal of academic credit, suspension, or expulsion.

In such instances, with the written consent of the accused student, the Responsible Administrator may resolve the Allegation through an administrative disposition without referring the matter to the Honor Council.

- E. **Initial Process.** Upon receipt of the Allegation, the Honor Council shall conduct a discreet and confidential investigation as appropriate under the circumstances. In conducting an investigation, the Honor Council shall:
1. Check records in the University's Central Repository and UWCOL to determine if the Allegation constitutes the student's first, second, or subsequent violation of the Honor Code.
 2. Notify the accused student in writing with a brief summary of the Allegation and provide the student with a copy of the Honor Code, Student Code of Conduct, and Academic Dishonesty Regulations.
 3. Make the student aware that the Associate Dean of Students, or, if none at the time, the administrator identified by the Dean is available for consultation and questions about the process and procedures detailed in this Honor Code.
 4. Afford the accused student the opportunity to present evidence or make any statement on his/her own behalf to the Honor Council with respect to the Allegation. No statement will be taken from an accused student unless voluntarily made.
 5. Submit a written report to the Dean or Dean's designee, upon completion of the formal investigation that includes: (i) a written account of the procedures followed, (ii) any difficulties encountered in the investigation, (iii) all relevant evidence considered including specific references to statements of witnesses, (iv) preliminary conclusions, (v) recommendation of any further action, and (vi) recommended sanction.
- F. **Charges.** After full consideration of the Honor Council's written report, the Dean or Dean's designee will determine whether probable cause exists for formally charging the accused student for violating the Honor Code, then s/he will prepare a formal charge (the "Charge") in writing describing the alleged violation(s) of the Honor Code, the recommended sanction(s), and the relevant procedures. This report will be submitted to the Honor Council and the student being charged. The procedures shall be as follows:
- a. ***First Charge:*** If the Charge involves the student's first offense, the Dean or Dean's designee shall notify the student of the Charge and recommended sanctions in writing.

- (1) The student may, within five (5) calendar days of written notification, request a meeting with the Honor Council to discuss the Charge and recommended sanctions. At this meeting, the student may:
 - (i) Accept the Charge and recommended sanctions approved by the Dean or Dean's designee. The student will do this by signing a written admission acknowledging his/her behavior as a violation of the Honor Code and waiving his/her right to a hearing. This admission is then forwarded to the Central Repository of the University and included in the student's law school file. No further proceedings will be held regarding the admitted charges.
 - (ii) Disagree with the Charge or recommended sanctions, and submit within fifteen (15) calendar days a request for a college hearing to the Dean or Dean's designee.
 - (2) If the student does not request a meeting with the Honor Council as described in part (1) immediately above, the Dean or Dean's designee shall implement the procedures necessary for a hearing as described in section G below.
- b. ***Second and Subsequent Charges:*** If the Charge is preceded by a finding of an Honor Code violation from a previous incident, then the Dean or Dean's designee shall notify the student of the Charge and mandatory sanctions associated with a second finding as set forth in Section IV (B) above.
- (1) Within five (5) calendar days of notification, the student may request a meeting with the Honor Council to discuss the Charge and recommended sanctions. At this meeting, the student may:
 - (i) Accept the Charge, mandatory sanctions, and additional recommended sanctions approved by the Dean/Dean's designee. The student will do this by signing an admission acknowledging his/her behavior as academic misconduct and waiving his/her right to a hearing. This admission is then forwarded to the Central Repository of the University and maintained in the student's law school file.
 - (ii) Disagree with the Charge and/or recommended sanction, and submit a request within fifteen (15) calendar days for a college hearing to the Dean or Dean's designee.

- (2) If the student does not request a meeting as described in part (1) immediately above, the Dean or Dean's designee shall implement the procedures necessary for a hearing as described in section G below.

G. **Hearing.** In cases where a hearing is required or requested by the student, the Dean will appoint a member of the faculty to serve as an impartial hearing officer. The hearing officer will hold a hearing to determine whether an Honor Code violation has occurred. The student shall be notified in writing of the following:

1. A description of the specific allegations of an Honor Code violation, the date and place of occurrence, and any witnesses;
2. The recommended sanction;
3. The time, date, and location of the hearing; and
4. The identity of the designated hearing officer.

PREHEARING PROCEDURES: The Wyoming Rules of Administrative Procedure shall not apply to this proceeding, and discovery shall be limited to the following:

- i. Prior to the hearing the accused student and a designee from the Honor Council will exchange a list of witnesses for the hearing, a brief summary of the information each witness is expected to provide, and copies of any documents to be presented at the hearing.
- ii. Witnesses shall testify in person or by telephone at the hearing. However, if a witness is unavailable for testimony, the hearing officer may authorize taking testimony in advance.
- iii. The accused student and Honor Council designee may jointly communicate with the hearing officer by telephone about any prehearing matters.
- iv. The student may petition the hearing officer to excuse him/herself by presenting evidence of bias. The hearing officer shall decide whether to excuse him/herself. In the case of recusal, the Dean will choose another hearing officer.
- v. If the student would like to be accompanied at the hearing by a mentor, advisor, counselor, or attorney at law of his/her choice, s/he must notify the hearing officer at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to the hearing. The role of the mentor, counselor, advisor, or attorney at law shall only be to consult with the student, not to speak on behalf of the student.

THE HEARING:

- i. The accused student may appear at the hearing with or without counsel or an advisor. If the student fails to appear, the hearing may proceed in the student's absence.
- ii. The hearing must be open to the student, members of the Honor Council, individual(s) making the initial charge, and the accused student's mentor, advisor, counselor, or attorney at law. The hearing also may be open to others at the discretion of the hearing officer.
- iii. A designee from the Honor Council shall put forth the evidence supporting the Charge. The student and Honor Council designee may ask questions of any witness. The student may present any and all relevant information in opposition to the Charge.
- iv. The standard of proof is the preponderance of the evidence.
- v. The hearing officer shall enter one of the following findings based on the hearing:
 - a. Finding of no violation of the Honor Code, and dismissal of the charge.
 - b. Finding of a violation of the Honor Code, and concurrence with the recommended sanction.
 - c. Finding of a violation of the Honor Code, and modification of the recommended sanction.
- vi. The hearing will result in a report being prepared by the hearing officer, which includes a summary of the evidence presented against and for the student, the findings made, and any recommended sanctions from the hearing officer.

H. **Notification of Findings and Sanctions.** The Dean or Dean's designee will notify the student and the instructor of the findings from the hearing in writing.

1. If the Charge was not upheld by the hearing, the Dean or Dean's designee will dismiss the Charge and notify the student in writing.
2. If the Charge was upheld, the student has thirty (30) calendar days from the date of the notification to file an appeal pursuant to Section I. below.
 - a. If the student does not file an appeal, the Dean or Dean's designee shall forward the report, findings, and recommended sanctions to the Provost and Vice President

for Academic Affairs and to the Dean of Students. The student may submit to the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs a request, with rationale, for sanctions different from those recommended by the hearing officer. The Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs shall decide upon sanctions no harsher than those recommended by the hearing officer. Sanctions involving suspension or dismissal must be justified by a written rationale, based on specific findings of the hearing, the nature of the offense, and the student's record, and are subject to approval of or modification by the President of the University.

- b. If the student files an appeal (*see* Section I. below), the Dean or Dean's designee shall forward the report of all proceedings held at the UWCOL to the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs.
- c. If the hearing officer determines to assign an "F" or "U" grade for the course, then an "I" grade will be submitted until the completion of the appeals process, when the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs shall either uphold the sanction of an "F" or "U" grade or remove the "I" grade as per the determination from the final appeal.
 - (i) If the alleged Honor Code violation occurs during finals week or within a time frame in which the opportunity for a fair hearing would be difficult, a grade of "I" may be issued until the appeals process can be effectuated.
 - (ii) If a student charged with an Honor Code violation withdraws from the course in question, and the charge is eventually upheld, the "W" grade reverts to the grade of "F."

- I. **Appeal.** An appeal of the final decision of the hearing officer can be lodged to the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs or designee or hearing panel.² This must be a written appeal filed within thirty (30) calendar days after the UWCOL hearing officer's decision is rendered, that sets forth grounds for the appeal. A copy of the appeal shall be provided by the student to the original hearing officer. The original hearing officer has fifteen (15) calendar days to provide a written response to the appeal, including a copy to the student. At the discretion of the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs or designee or hearing panel, they may seek written or oral presentation for clarification of the record.

² The Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs may designate one or more faculty members to conduct appeals for academic dishonesty matters.

1. An appeal of the finding of an Honor Code violation can be lodged solely upon the following grounds:
 - a. The student was not given written notice of a hearing or an opportunity for a hearing.
 - b. The report of the UWCOL hearing fails to describe any act of the student's, which could be construed as an Honor Code violation.
 - c. The findings from the UWCOL hearing were (i) not supported by sufficient evidence, or (ii) the result of prejudice toward the student, arbitrary or capricious evaluation, or capricious treatment, and such allegations must include specific examples of the capricious actions or substantive factual errors.
2. If the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs or designee or hearing panel adjudicating the final appeal upholds the finding from the original hearing or determines that it does not have the jurisdiction to hear the appeal, the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs or designee or hearing panel will have the finding filed with the Dean of Students in the Central Repository.
3. If the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs or designee or hearing panel reverses the finding of an Honor Code violation, the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs or designee or hearing panel will vacate the original finding and expunge the record.
- J. **Central repository and maintenance of records.** Any final sanction in decisions of an Honor Code violation must be sent to the Central Repository held in the Office of the Dean of Students and a copy of any such record shall be kept in the student's file at the College of Law.

VI. AMENDMENTS

Any proposed amendment to this Honor Code must be referred to the faculty and approved by majority vote.

REGISTRATION & RECORDS

This document outlines procedures and pertinent information about Registration & Records here at the University of Wyoming. Below you will find information about class registration, communications and registration terminology. If you have any questions about this information, please contact the College of Law Registrar. Law students have priority registration for law courses.

REGISTRATION

I. How to Register for Classes through WyoWeb – The University of Wyoming Portal:

1. Receive your PERC (Personal Electronic Registration Code) and your registration date and time via email from the College of Law Registrar.
2. Log in to WyoWeb at: WYOWEB. Enter your user ID and password. If you do not have your username and password, select “Obtain Username and Initial Password” located on the upper right side of the screen. If you have problems, contact the IT Help Desk at 307-766-4357, option 1.
3. Click “Register for Classes” on the left side of the page.
4. On the next screen, click again on “Register for Classes.”
5. Select the correct term from the drop-down menu under “Terms Open for Registration.”
6. Enter your PERC #. Click “Continue.”
7. Any items that require your attention prior to your being able to register will be indicated by a yellow upside-down triangle next to the item. Click on the hyperlink in each line of information to fulfill the requirements. Once fulfilled, each requirement will have a green checkmark.
8. Once all your pre-registration requirements have been satisfied, click the blue hyperlink at the bottom of the page that says, “Register for Classes.” Note: if you receive a message that you have a hold on your account, please contact the following offices, based on the type of hold:
 - a. Academic Status Hold: College of Law Registrar, (307) 766-2251
 - b. Admissions Hold: College of Law Registrar, (307) 766-2251
 - c. Financial Hold: Student Financial Services, Knight Hall 174, Phone: (307) 766-6232
 - d. Miscellaneous Hold: Office of the Registrar, Knight Hall 167, Phone: (307) 766-5272
9. Enter the 5-digit “Course Reference Number” (CRN) for each course in the boxes provided. You may enter more than one course at a time. Click “Add to Summary.” All courses should now appear in the lower right corner of the page.
10. Press “Submit” in the lower right corner. At this point, your classes should now have a green “Registered” tag next to each class.
11. Go back to the main page of WyoWeb (after you log in) and look for “Student Records” on the left side of the page. Click on it. You should be able to view your current class schedule.

II. Add/Drop Process

Modification of a course schedule during the drop/add period is accomplished through WyoWeb (web registration). After the end of the drop/add period, (see the Law Academic Calendar for dates/deadlines) individual class withdrawals can be done through WyoWeb until the withdraw deadline. After the withdraw deadline passes, course withdrawals happen by submitting an online petition. Changes to a student's registration or withdrawals are not official until the required forms are submitted to the main campus Office of the Registrar as prescribed.

The time allowed for modifying a student's schedule or withdrawing during the summer session is unique and truncated. This is established in regulations or by the University Registrar, subject to the approval of the Trustees.

Dropping a class or changing sections. A student may drop classes or change sections of the same course during the first eight business days of the semester (four class days for blocked courses).

Adding a course or changing grading option. A student must add classes or change grading options or variable credit hours during the first four business days of the semester.

Course Withdrawal. All withdraw decisions should be discussed with the College of Law's Associate Dean of Academic Affairs prior to withdrawing.

After the designated drop/add period, Law students may officially withdraw from individual regular term courses until the Friday before the last day of class for the term. This may be accomplished online via WyoWeb or through an online petition. *Note: Students may not withdraw from any Law course after completing the course's final assessment, regardless of the withdrawal deadline published on the Law Academic Calendar.

A class withdrawal is not official unless filed with the Office of the Registrar. Unauthorized discontinuance of enrollment or unofficial abandonment of classes will result in a failing grade.

All-School Withdrawal (Termination of enrollment at the University). Withdrawal from the university is the official termination of student status prior to the end of a term. Law students wishing to withdraw from all on-campus classes should initiate the procedure with the College of Law Associate Dean of Academic Affairs and then the Dean of Students Office. Law students may officially withdraw from the university until the Friday before the last day of class for the term. *Note: Students may not withdraw from any Law course after completing the course's final assessment, regardless of the withdrawal deadline published on the Law Academic Calendar.

After clearing with the Dean of Students Office, the withdrawal form must be presented to the university Student Financial Services office (Knight Hall 174) and Office of the Registrar (Knight Hall 167) for processing. The Office of the Registrar will report withdrawals to the appropriate instructors.

Forms

Registration-related forms for students may be found on the student forms page at <https://www.uwyo.edu/registrar/graduate-students/resources.html>. Petitions available online include class withdrawal, exception requests, and enrollment authorizations. For additional registration related forms, please see the College of Law Registrar.

Email Addresses

All law students are required to maintain a University of Wyoming (uwyo.edu) email address for receiving College of Law correspondence. Students will be expected to regularly check their uwyo.edu email as faculty and staff will be using this address as the primary means of communication with students. If students choose to route email from the uwyo.edu address to another commercial email address they may do so, but students must maintain the uwyo.edu address as the primary electronic address.

Registration Holds

Prior to registration, all holds must be cleared through the appropriate offices:

- Academic hold: Law Registrar (307-766-2251) or UW Registrar's Office (307-766-5272)
- Admissions hold: Admissions Office, Knight Hall 150, (307-766-5160).
- Financial hold: Student Financial Services office, Knight Hall 174 (307-766-6232).
- MMR Immunization hold: Student Health Services, Cheney International Center, (307-766-2130)

III. WyoWeb frequently Asked Questions

- FAQ's can be found at: [I.T. FAQs](#)

Address Change

If your address has changed, please notify the College of Law Registrar. You must also change your address in WyoWeb. At the time of your graduation notify the College of Law of address changes as well as email changes. In addition, you must provide the UW Office of the Registrar with a Diploma Address (the address to which you would like your diploma mailed); you can accomplish this by submitting a "Declare My Graduation" form that you find in WyoWeb under the "Student Records" link.

George W. Hopper Law Library

Website: <https://www.uwyo.edu/lawlib>

Law Library Catalog: <https://tinyurl.com/4r9sscp7>

Law Library Help Desk Hours--During Spring and Fall Semesters

Monday- Friday	8am - 6pm
Saturday - Sunday	12pm - 4pm

Library After Hours

When the help desk closes each evening, non-law school patrons are asked to leave the building. Law students, Staff, and Faculty may remain in the building with the understanding that after-hours visitors are governed by the Honor Code, regular library policies, and building use policies. The law school also provides swipe card access into the building. Members of the law school community may use their school ID card on the outside doors and at most library entrances.

Arrangement and Collections

The law library collections contain over 300,000 materials housed in the three floors of the Hopper Law Library, and additional online resources are available through the library website. The books in our collection are classified by the Library of Congress Classification System used by most academic libraries.

Reference materials and primary law sources such as codes and reporters are not loanable and are in the front room of the library's main floor. The reserve and textbook collections are at the help desk and may only be checked out during library hours. The loanable treatise collection is in the back room of the library's main floor. Periodicals take up most of the second floor and are arranged alphabetically by title. Also on the second floor is the Wyoming Collection, which contains Wyoming historical legal materials. The basement houses most of our older materials, government documents, and the microfiche collection.

Much of our collection does not have call numbers on the book spines, and many of these collections are not loanable and are reserved for in-library use only. Other library collections can be found using the map on our website and at the help desk.

Library Policies

- Food and beverages in spill-resistant containers may be brought into the library, but they may not be stored in the library. Food may be stored in the student lounge. Students are expected to dispose of waste in a manner that minimizes risk of pests and disruption of other library users.
- This is a non-smoking building, including the use of e-cigarettes or vapes.
- Books and personal items should not be saved on tables or stored on empty library shelves.
- There are both collaborative study areas and quiet study areas of the library. Students are expected to follow the noise guidelines posted in these areas and as indicated on the library map.

Checking Out Materials

From the online library catalog and library databases page, you can search for books, periodicals, government documents, and selected electronic resources in our library. Treatises, periodical titles, and media are loanable and may be checked out from the library help desk. Digests, encyclopedias, and other reference books are not loanable and are for in-library use only. Reserve books, including study aids and the library textbook collection, may be checked out for four hours. E-book versions of study aids are available on the library databases page.

Interlibrary Loan

Students may request materials not contained in our library from UW Libraries via the interlibrary loan section of the main campus library website. Interlibrary loan materials can be sent directly to the law library by setting the pick-up location to Law Library. As a UW student, you may also use the Prospector interlibrary loan service that delivers materials from select libraries in Colorado to UW. Book requests can take a week to ten days. Scanned electronic requests usually arrive more quickly.

Study Carrels

Individual study carrels are available throughout the library. Carrels are assigned yearly through John Burman Student Bar Association (JBSBA) at the beginning of the fall semester. Carrel use is subject to the Carrel Occupancy Agreement which must be signed and returned to the library before carrel use begins.

In accordance with the Carrel Occupancy Agreement, students are encouraged to personalize their carrel. However, items stored in carrels must be restricted to those that physically reside within the desk area without impacting surrounding carrel users. Carrels are not to be moved to accommodate individual space preferences. The use of library shelves for storing personal belongings is prohibited. While we pride ourselves on having very little theft, please use care and good judgment when leaving personal items unattended.

Study Rooms

The law library has a limited number of study rooms that can be reserved through the library's website. Reservations are limited to two hours per group. Any group wishing to extend their reservation may do so, provided the room is still available once their initial reservation has expired. Abuse of the spirit of study room policy, bullying, or general misuse in relation to study rooms may result in suspension of reservation privileges.

Lexis and Westlaw

The library subscribes to Lexis and Westlaw, the legal profession's major internet databases. Our contract limits the use of these services to students, staff, and faculty of the law school. Students are assigned passwords at the beginning of their first semester.

CALI

The library also subscribes to CALI (Computer Assisted Legal Instruction). Some Faculty members may require you to do CALI lessons as a part of the coursework. To register for CALI, see a librarian to get a password.

Computer Support, Printing, and Scanning

The Law Library has a full-time IT support position to assist with classroom technology, student computer problems, and staff technology. Edward Havugimana's office is RM. 139 in the library. If you need to reserve equipment for a classroom presentation, you may contact him via email at Edouard.Havugimana@uwyo.edu or by phone at (307) 766-5734.

Paid printing is available at the library. Printers are on the first and second floors, and printed items must be sent through the UW printing website. The library also has a Lexis printer, where students can print documents downloaded from Lexis for free. For more information, contact a student Lexis representative.

The library has a scanner on the first floor. Documents and books used for educational purposes may be scanned by library users and sent via USB or email. The scanner is subject to copyright agreement which must be accepted on the scanner before use.

Borrowing Equipment

The library has headphones, carrel lamps, and other convenience items available for four-hour checkout at the help desk. A full list of convenience items available for check out is on the law library's student services page.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Mailboxes

The Law School provides a mailbox for each Law student. The mailboxes are located on the first floor of the Law Library. The student's mailbox will be numbered. Every year the mailboxes are reassigned to accommodate the new first year students. All students will receive notice of their new assignment at the beginning of the fall semester.

Students should check their mailbox several times a day. Faculty and staff use mailboxes to correspond with students relating to school work and in the event of an emergency. Mailboxes are to be used by the College of Law and not for federal mail.

Classroom Scheduling

Classrooms not in use can be scheduled for events, meetings, and other functions by faculty, staff, and students/student organizations. Scheduling of events in the classrooms is on a first-come, first-serve basis. Classes and law school functions have priority, and classes will NOT be cancelled to accommodate any function. Meetings and events are posted on the UW Law School calendar at: www.uwyo.edu/law/events. Please stop by the Front Office for classroom scheduling questions and to reserve classrooms. All scheduling must be done a minimum of 24 hours (1 day) ahead of the function. Arrangements with movers for tables/chairs, catering arrangements, etc. must be made by the organization and the Front Office notified of the arrangements. If an event is cancelled, the Front Office must be notified.

Building Rules

The College of Law seeks to provide a comfortable and pleasant learning environment for all students. To achieve this goal, please abide by the following policies.

- 1) The College of Law is a no-smoking building. If you wish to smoke, you may do so outside the building. Containers for cigarette butts are provided to help keep the entrances clean.
- 2) Outside of approved ADA accommodations as outlined in UW Regulation 6-4, item 6B, pets are not allowed in the Law School building. Leave your pets at home to keep our building clean and safe. Many people are allergic to certain animals. Also, many animals can unexpectedly engage in problematic behaviors despite being well trained.
- 3) Many people are sensitive to perfumes, scents, cologne, etc. in a closed room. Please moderate the use of perfume, scents, cologne, scented hair products, etc., especially in the smaller rooms.
- 4) Cell phones should be turned off during class. Please do not talk on your cell phone in class or in library study areas.
- 5) Student events can be listed on the television in the hallway by contacting the PLC Bookstore. You can also list events and meetings on the small chalkboards to the side of the main chalkboard in the main classrooms. Do not use the main chalkboards or white boards in the classrooms for announcements. Do not post flyers or posters on the walls or

doors. There are bulletin boards in the student lounge and on either side of the whiteboard calendar for paper postings. The College of Law also has an event calendar on the website that is accessible to students.

Smoke-Free Building Policy – UW Regulation 6-4 and 6-6

As of May 9, 1993, the College of Law building is a fully smoke-free building. Smoking is not permitted in any room or area within the physical confines of the structure.

Alcohol Policy – UW SAP 11-9.1

Alcoholic beverages should not be consumed on university property except at events for which alcohol service has been approved by the University.

Events held at the College of Law, including both the building and the outdoor areas near the law building, may not serve alcohol unless the event organizers have received approval from both the Dean and the University. The Dean will not approve student-organized events serving alcohol in the law school building. Student-organized outdoor events, including tailgates, may be approved if the event organizers have received University approval, are in compliance with University rules, and have trained servers.

Fire Policy

The following practices must be observed regarding fire alarms and proper evacuation procedures:

When to pull the alarm:

1. If you see a fire or smell smoke, do not hesitate. Make a mental note of the fire location.
2. Pull the alarm to evacuate the building.
3. Call 911 from a safe location to report the fire.
4. Stay on the line and answer questions from the dispatcher to the best of your ability.

Evacuation Procedures:

1. All building evacuations will occur when an alarm sounds and/or upon notification by the UW Police, the local fire department, the local police, the Environmental Health and Safety Office, or the Building/Facility Coordinator.
2. When the building evacuation alarm is activated during an emergency, leave the building by the nearest marked exit and alert others to do the same.
3. ASSIST THOSE WHO NEED HELP EXITING THE BUILDING!
4. DO NOT USE THE ELEVATORS IN CASES OF FIRE AND/OR EARTHQUAKE.
5. Once outside, proceed to a clear area away from the affected building. However, remember to keep streets, fire lanes, hydrant areas and walkways clear for emergency vehicles and personnel.
6. DO NOT return to an evacuated building unless told to do so by the local fire department, the local police, or the Environmental Health and Safety Office.

No one can possibly know everything that is happening with a given building at any time simply due to the occupancy size of the faculty, staff, and students. The alarms are the signal to

evacuate, and everyone must voluntarily comply for their own safety.

Bomb Threat Policy

The following is to establish guidelines for an acceptable, safe response by the University of Wyoming Community to bomb threats and actual bomb emergencies, and to provide maximum public safety while minimizing disruption to normal university business. It is the policy of the University of Wyoming to regard all bomb threats as serious threats and to evaluate each individually to assess the credibility of the threat to determine an appropriate response. The purpose of this policy is to establish procedures that are to be followed in dealing with bomb threats and actual bomb emergencies.

Threat Procedures:

1. Any bomb threat received by a UW employee shall be reported to the UW Police Department immediately.
2. Staff, faculty, and students that are in frequent telephone contact with the public will be provided with a standard format of questions (“FBI Bomb Threat Checklist”) to be used as an attempt to gather information from the individual making the threat.
3. The University Police Department will provide training for university personnel on how to respond to bomb threats and bomb emergencies to promote a consistent understanding of these policies and procedures.

Evacuation Procedures:

1. The decision to evacuate the building must be left up to the University Police Department. The Chief of Police (or designee), in consultation with other management officials, will make this decision.
2. The University Police Department will assist in coordination of the evacuation effort.
3. In case of an actual evacuation, all individuals must leave the building. Failure to do so may result in civil charges.
4. All individuals should move to a location at least 300 feet away to avoid any flying debris should an explosion occur. Designated locations should be agreed upon in advance so that all individuals can be accounted for and so that officers investigating the threat can have access to people who might have information relating to the threat.

Search Procedures:

1. Upon notice of the evacuation, faculty and staff should check their respective work areas for any unusual or out-of-place packages. Suspicious items shall be reported to the University Police. Evacuees should remove items such as lunch boxes, purses, attaché cases, backpacks and other personal packages which might cause unnecessary wasted effort during the building search phase. After work areas have been checked, faculty and staff should lock their area and leave the building.
2. After the building is evacuated and a preliminary check has been made by faculty and staff immediately prior to evacuation, the University Police Department shall coordinate the building search.

The decision to re-occupy the building shall be made by the University Police Department. University Police officials will provide notification to the administration and the public.

FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION

Employment

Because law school studies are new and difficult and the workload is heavy, students should make every effort to arrange their finances so the first year of law study can be completed without outside employment. Under the accreditation standards of the American Bar Association governing the College of Law, a law student may not engage in employment for more than 20 hours per week in any semester in which the student is enrolled in more than 12 class hours. Part-time work may be compatible with law study in the second and third years.

Residency

Residency status for tuition purposes is not automatically granted. The minimum amount of time you have to reside in the state to qualify is one year; however, it is very rare that a student's residency status is based solely on that factor. Decisions for changes in status are made through the UW Office of the Registrar. These decisions are made on a case-by-case basis. Multiple factors in addition to the time an applicant has resided in Wyoming are considered. The website listing the University's policies on residency status is:

<https://www.uwyo.edu/registrar/students/resident-tuition-criteria.html>. Specific questions regarding residency status should be directed to the Office of the Registrar at (307) 766-5272 or registrar@uwyo.edu.

University-Wide Financial Assistance

The Scholarships & Financial Aid office administers student financial aid programs available on a university-wide basis. These programs include scholarships and grants; student loans, including the Perkins Loan, Subsidized Stafford Loans and Unsubsidized Stafford Loans; student employment, including the Federal College Work-Study Program; educational benefits under the Servicemen's Readjustment Act (G.I. Bill) and the War Orphans Act; and benefits available to disabled veterans. Arrangements for financial assistance should be made prior to enrollment.

For financial aid information, please contact (307) 766-2116. Applicants are encouraged to apply for financial aid as soon as possible after October 1.

Other Assistance

College of Law Employment Opportunities

During the academic year, the College of Law has several part-time jobs for library assistants and for research assistants to the faculty. Students may also do research for practicing attorneys, on an hourly basis, through Legal Research Services. A limited number of summer positions are available in the Defender Aid Program, Civil Legal Services Program, and Prosecution Assistance Program, and as research assistants. These positions are subject to the availability of funds budgeted to the College of Law or provided under the Work-Study Program.

Student Travel Reimbursement Policy

Due to very tight budgets for both Competition and Clinic/Practicum Travel, students traveling for the College of Law (COL) must have their travel approved by the Associate Dean of Academic Affairs *prior to* any travel event. Failure to obtain pre-approval will result in the trip not being reimbursed. The Deans can, at their discretion, impose a ceiling amount for reimbursement on any trip regardless of expenditures incurred. Once the travel request is approved, all arrangements regarding transportation, registration fees, meals, lodging, parking, fuel, and travel advances need to be worked out in consultation with the COL Business Manager. Many travel expenses can be paid directly by the COL Business Manager to alleviate students' out-of-pocket expenses for airfare and lodging. Travel authorization forms can be found at <https://www.uwyo.edu/law/current/resources/forms.html>. Once all receipts are submitted, reimbursements can take up to three weeks to be returned.

Non-reimbursed items

The University will not reimburse for expenses incurred for alcoholic beverages. No reimbursement shall be made for personal expenses (personal entertainment, room service, in-room movies, etc.) or gifts.

Please remember that at any event during your student travels, you represent the COL and are expected to remain professional at all times.