PEPPERDINE SCHOOL OF LAW  
SPRING 2019 COURSE SCHEDULE

NOTICE: UPPER DIVISION EXPERIENTIAL COURSE WORK
All students beginning the first year of their JD program after May 1, 2014, are required to have completed at least 15 units of practice-based, experiential course work or their equivalent. Courses approved by the Academic Dean as counting towards the upper division experiential course work requirement will be identified in the course schedule for each semester. For more information about these requirements, please see section 14.13 of the Academic Policy Statement at http://law.pepperdine.edu/current-students/academic-policy-forms.htm

PRO BONO SERVICE REQUIREMENTS
All students who commenced their JD before May 1, 2017, are required to complete 40 hours of qualifying pro bono service. The Pro Bono Service Requirement may be satisfied through unpaid legal work under the supervision of a licensed attorney at qualifying placements or projects. The Director of Pro Bono Programs must approve placements or projects that comply with the School of Law’s standards for pro bono. The standards are available on the School of Law’s website under Experiential Education. Students completing qualified pro bono service must complete a form, available online and in the Clinical Education program offices, to certify compliance. Most clinical courses and qualifying externships and practicums will satisfy the pro bono requirement. For more information and forms related to these requirements see these sites: experiential link http://community.pepperdine.edu/law/clinical-education/experiential-learning-requirement.htm or pro bono link http://law.pepperdine.edu/experiential-learning/pro-bono/

NOTICE: UPPER DIVISION WRITING REQUIREMENT
The faculty has enacted an upper division writing requirement as mandated for all law schools by the ABA. Courses that provide an opportunity to fulfill the writing requirement for students are identified in the schedule. For more information about these requirements, please see section 14.12 of the Academic Policy Statement at http://law.pepperdine.edu/current-students/academic-policy-forms.htm

NOTICE: ADVANCE ASSIGNMENTS AND RELIGIOUS OBSERVANCE FOR INTENSIVE COURSES
A class syllabus including any advance reading and/or writing assignments for intensive classes will be emailed to students 3-4 weeks prior to the start of class. Please note that it is each student’s responsibility to review the syllabus well before the class begins and complete any advance assignments. Students who show up the first day unprepared risk being dropped from the class. If a student intends to miss one or more classes for religious observance in an intensive course (i.e. one that runs for a shorter period than a regular semester term) he or she must notify the Academic Dean prior to registering for the course to discuss the feasibility of completing the coursework consistent with missing such classes.

NOTICE: UPPER DIVISION ELECTIVE COURSES
Courses offered may be subject to cancellation if there are fewer than 10 students enrolled for the course two weeks prior to the first day of class.
SCHOOL OF LAW CALENDAR

Any questions regarding courses should be directed to the Academic Dean's office. Some changes in the course schedule may be required. Classes will be held on all holidays unless noted below.

SCHOOL OF LAW SPRING 2019 SCHEDULE
http://law.pepperdine.edu/academics/calendar/

January
7  Spring semester classes begin
7  Add/Drop period begins
9, 10  Mandatory Externship Orientation (Attending one of these meetings is required for all externs)
18  Add/Drop period ends
18  Externship Registration Deadline
18  Last day to drop classes without a “W” appearing on Transcript
18  Last day to withdraw with tuition refunded at 100% (No “W” on Transcript)
19  Permission required for add/drop
21  Holiday - Martin Luther King, Jr. (no classes)
25  Last day to withdraw with tuition refunded at 75% (“W” on Transcript)

February
1  Last day to withdraw with tuition refunded at 50% (“W” on Transcript)
8  Last day to withdraw with tuition refunded at 25% (“W” on Transcript)
9  Tuition refund no longer available
22  Last day to petition for change in final examination schedule

March
11-15  Study/Interview Break — 2nd & 3rd year students (no classes)
Appellate Brief Project — 1st year students (no classes)

April
22  Last day of Spring classes
22  Last day to elect High Pass/Pass/Credit/Fail for semester-length courses. The last day for all other courses is the last day on which the class is held.

April 29—May 10  Final examination period

May
17  Graduation
JEFF T. BELTON (Honors Appellate Advocacy): Professor Belton owns his own law firm, which specializes in representing plaintiffs in complex litigation. His primary practice areas include real estate, construction, and HOA litigation. He has represented more than 5,000 plaintiffs in mass tort and class action cases throughout California, and actively practices in both state and federal court. He currently works as corporate counsel for various homeowners’ associations and also serves as appellate counsel for several law firms. Professor Belton was selected for admission into the Los Angeles County Bar Association’s specialized program for advanced trial training. He has tried numerous criminal cases to verdict as a volunteer prosecutor with the Ventura County District Attorney. While in law school, Professor Belton was a member of Pepperdine’s Moot Court Team and received numerous advocacy awards, including selection to The Order of Barristers. Following graduation, he volunteered as an alumni coach for the Moot Court Team. Law students that he coached have won both national and international tournaments. Professor Belton earned his BA, cum laude, from the University of California, Los Angeles, in 2002 and his JD, cum laude, from Pepperdine University in 2005.

DOROTHY A. BROWN (Federal Income Taxation and Tax Policy): Professor Brown, Professor of Law at Emory Law School, will join Pepperdine School of Law as the Straus Distinguished Visiting Professor in Spring 2019. She is a nationally recognized scholar in tax policy, race, and class and has published extensively on the racial implications of federal tax policy. She is highly sought for her expertise in workplace inclusion issues, a respected speaker in the legal community, and a regularly engaged expert by media. Professor Brown joined Emory Law in 2008 where she served for several years as Emory University’s Vice-Provost for Academic Affairs and Senior Advisor to the Provost. Before becoming a professor of law, Brown worked as an adviser to J. Stephen Swift of the US Tax Court, as an associate with Haynes & Miller in Washington, DC, and as an investment banker at New York’s Drexel, Burnham & Lambert. Professor Brown has earned the following degrees: JD, Georgetown University Law Center, 1983; LLM (Tax), New York University School of Law, 1984; BS, Fordham University, 1980.
**EILEEN M. DECKER (Cyber Security):** Until March 2017, Ms. Decker served as the U.S. Attorney and as such was the chief federal law enforcement officer in the Central District of California, a sprawling district based in Los Angeles that encompasses seven counties. She oversaw the largest U.S. Attorney’s Office outside of the District of Columbia, for a district that is home to almost 20 million residents. She was nominated as U.S. Attorney by President Barack Obama and was unanimously confirmed by the Senate. In August 2017, Ms. Decker was named a Fulbright Commission Specialist. In 2018, she was awarded a Fulbright Grant to teach and consult on cybersecurity overseas. She has also taught at the USC Gould School of Law and at UCLA School of Law. Prior to becoming U.S. Attorney, Ms. Decker was the Los Angeles Deputy Mayor for Homeland Security and Public Safety for nearly six years – the only Deputy Mayor to serve both former Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa and current Mayor Eric Garcetti. Prior to being Deputy Mayor, Ms. Decker was an Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) for almost 15 years, becoming the first Chief of the National Security Section. She also served as Deputy Chief of the Organized Crime and Terrorism Section and as Deputy Chief of Organized Crime Strike Force. Prior to becoming an AUSA, she worked in private practice at the law firm of Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher. She also served as a law clerk to United States District Judge Gary L. Taylor. She received her undergraduate and law degrees from New York University. She received a Master’s Degree in Homeland Security Studies from the Naval Postgraduate School and, in 2007, was a Wasserstein Fellow at Harvard Law School. She is a Past President of the Women Lawyers Association of Los Angeles.

**DENNIS FRANKS (Entertainment Law Seminar: Special Problems in the Film Industry):**

Mr. Franks is Senior Vice President, Legal & Business Affairs at Twentieth Century Fox Film Corporation, Los Angeles, which he joined in 2000. Mr. Franks negotiates deals, and provides legal and strategic advice on business and legal compliance issues, including contracts, licensing, intellectual property, acquisitions, distribution, sales, marketing, digital delivery, new technologies, competition law, trade associations, and internal investigations. Prior to Fox, he was an associate and then a partner in the litigation department of Manatt, Phelps & Phillips, Los Angeles, where his trial and appellate practice emphasized antitrust, business, real estate, and commercial law. Mr. Franks was a judicial extern clerk for Hon. Robert J. Kelleher, U.S. District Court, Central District of California, and Los Angeles. He has served on various alumni and community boards, and coaches mock trial teams. Mr. Franks currently is on the board of directors of the Constitutional Rights Foundation. Mr. Franks earned his A.B. with honors from Stanford University and his J.D. from the University of Southern California.
DOUGLAS KMIC (The Jurisprudence of Human Rights & the Limits of Presidential Power): This is Ambassador Kmiec’s last regular class at Pepperdine before he takes retirement. The class draws on his four decades of full-time law teaching at Notre Dame (where he served as director of the Center on Law and Government for close to two decades), The Catholic University of America in Washington, DC (where he served as Dean), and Pepperdine (where he holds the Caruso family chair in constitutional law and human rights). The course is further shaped by the ambassador’s public service to three U.S. Presidents (Reagan, George HW Bush, and Barack Obama). The course draws directly upon the ambassador’s academic writing in constitutional law (multiple books and hundreds of articles) and his hands-on experience with human rights as the Obama appointed chief of mission of a US Embassy in the often treacherous Mediterranean where the influx of irregular migrants from North Africa was and is unceasing. The course is likewise informed by Prof. Kmiec’s earlier experience as chief constitutional lawyer for President Reagan and the first President Bush in the Department of Justice as head of the office of legal counsel (OLC) (a post held at various times prior to and occasionally concurrently with the Ambassador by Nicholas B. Katzenbach, William Rehnquist, Antonin Scalia and Samuel Alito).

AMBER LEE (Trial Practice): Amber Lee received her bachelor’s degree from the University of California, Los Angeles, in 2007 and earned her law degree, as well as a Certificate in Criminal Legal Practice, from Pepperdine University School of Law in 2011. While at Pepperdine, she participated in national trial advocacy competitions, winning a national championship and two regional championships. Upon graduation, Professor Lee earned membership to the Order of the Barristers. In 2012, Ms. Lee joined the Ventura County District Attorney’s Office as a Deputy District Attorney. Since joining the office, she has successfully handled over two dozen jury trials, involving violent crimes, child abuse, attempted homicides, domestic violence and sexual assault. During her time at the District Attorney’s Office, Ms. Lee has also trained police academy cadets and new prosecutors in courtroom demeanor and trial technique. She is currently in the Sexual Assault and Family Protection Unit.

ANTONIO MENDOZA (International Business Transactions): Antonio Mendoza is presently engaged in the private practice of law in Texas in many areas. Mr. Mendoza assists foreign clients in the design and implementation of international tax, finance and corporate strategies in inbound foreign direct investment, forming the necessary companies and drafting the
required collateral agreements. He has represented US and foreign clients on business, tax and corporate issues including international joint ventures having formed over 100 corporations, both foreign and domestic. Mr. Mendoza negotiates and drafts contracts for the international purchase and sale of semi-submersible oil rigs, jack-up oil rigs, maritime equipment and other types of ocean going vessels used in the oil extraction industry. He assisted in the negotiation for the establishment and financing of a US textile manufacturing facility as well as served and testified as an expert witness on the valuation of closely held business enterprises. Mr. Mendoza earned his BBA in Accounting and JD at St. Mary’s University. He is a Professor Emeritus of Law at Pepperdine University School of Law in 2008.

SARAH PETER (Mergers and Acquisitions): Sarah Peter received her JD from Pepperdine School of Law in 2012, and has worked for Teledyne Technologies Incorporated (a multinational publically-traded organization with more than $2 billion US a year in revenue and more than 10,000 employees) in its corporate legal department since 2012. For Teledyne, she plays a key role in its mergers and acquisitions, including being directly responsible for HSR and CFIUS filings. In her role with Teledyne she is also involved in transactional work, including contracts drafting and negotiation. She is also heavily involved ensuring the company and its subsidiaries comply with applicable legal and regulatory obligations, particularly with respect to trade compliance, government contracts and anti-corruption. She regularly travels to the company’s foreign subsidiaries and conducts various forms of reviews and training. She also manages outside counsel with respect to various legal disputes in which the company acts as both the plaintiff and the defendant, including employment, intellectual property, personal injury and contracts matters.

DAVID SUGDEN (Trial Preparation and Settlement – Civil): Dave Sugden is a shareholder at Call & Jensen. Mr. Sugden, who was recognized in 2018 as one of the “Top 50 Super Lawyers in Orange County,” and previously recognized by California’s Daily Journal as one of “California’s 20 Top Attorneys Under 40,” is a business trial lawyer. He has won several seven- and eight-figure jury verdicts and judgments for corporate plaintiffs and has successfully defended several high-stakes cases for corporate defendants. Mr. Sugden has served as lead counsel in complex matters in California, New York, Texas, Oklahoma, Florida, New Jersey, Tennessee, and Georgia. He is a graduate of Pepperdine University as well as Pepperdine University School of Law.
NEW COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

SPRING 2019

ANTI-HUMAN TRAFFICKING LEGISLATION DRAFTING PRACTICUM

Judges and district attorneys are on the front lines of justice, but too often their concerns aren’t heard and their needs aren’t given proper weight. The Carson Center for Legislative Justice shifts this paradigm by placing a Pepperdine law student on a diverse team of judges, district attorneys, and practitioners. Students work remotely from Pepperdine on one of five teams spread across the state including: San Diego, Orange County, Los Angeles, Sacramento, and San Francisco. Following an initial team site visit, students are tasked with illuminating issues their regional team of experts identify as roadblocks to justice. Once the problems facing each team have been researched and explored, the students come together as a unit to engage in legislative drafting and bill coordination efforts. The center will initially focus on anti-human trafficking laws.

CHRISTIAN PERSPECTIVES ON LAW AND LAW PRACTICE

An examination of the relationship between the Christian faith, law and law practice in a largely secular age. The course will consider the approaches Christians take toward culture and how these might apply to law practice. It will examine various biblical concepts that have implications for law and law practice, including creation and dominion, the fall, justice, agapic love, and wisdom. The course will include visits from Christian lawyers who have been involved in a variety of types of practice.

CONSTITUTIONAL LAW SEMINAR IN ADVANCED ISSUES 1ST AMENDMENT

This seminar will focus on the First Amendment's protection of free speech, with a particular emphasis on contemporary issues. The course will cover a wide range of topics with significant First Amendment implications, which may include national security, privacy laws, press freedom, violent media (books, video games, movies), and campaign finance. The exact coverage of the course may vary from year to year based on student interests and preferences. No prior experience with First Amendment law is required for this course.
CYBER CRIME LAW and POLICY

This course will examine the legal and policy issues that the public and private sectors confront in response to the growing emergence of cyber-crimes and cyber security issues. Topics will include: the current cyber threat environment, the national security implications of cybercrime, computer hacking crimes, child exploitation, cyberstalking, privacy, and government access to and searches of computers.

ENTREPRENEURSHIP LAW CLINIC (PREVIOUSLY CALLED STARTUP LAW CLINIC)

This clinic (replaces the Startup Law Clinic) gives students valuable practical experience in addressing the legal issues faced by entrepreneurs starting and operating a business. Working under the supervision of an experienced attorney, students in the clinic will provide guidance and expertise to entrepreneurs on a wide range of legal issues including choice of entity, corporate governance, intellectual property protections, and angel investor and debt financing arrangements. Early stage startups may also be clients of the clinic.

ETHICAL LAWYERING - 9 WEEK COURSE

Professor Cochran is teaching this course as a nine week intensive Ethics course so that the final examination (March 7th) coincides more closely with the March 2019 MPRE.

FAITH & FAMILY MEDIATION CLINIC

The Jewish Divorce Mediation Clinic is open to students of all faiths or no faith. The course is a three-unit, upper-level elective open to JD and LLM students, graded on a HP/P/C/F basis. This clinic’s practice is at the intersection of family law, mediation, and interfaith and intercultural work. Students will work under expert faculty supervision to learn about, observe, and mediate cases in civil courts under California Family Law and in religious courts under Jewish religious law.
Clinical, Externship and Practicum Course Notes  
Fall 2018 - Spring 2019

Clincs
Clincs are upper-division, elective courses in which students practice law under the supervision of clinical faculty. Students receive credit for the scheduled, required class sessions and for work in the clinic.

The Community Justice Clinic and the Restoration and Justice Clinic meet and work primarily on-campus in the clinical suite. In the Legal Aid, Low Income Taxpayer, Ninth Circuit Appellate Advocacy, and Jewish Divorce Mediation Clinics, students and professors will determine the work schedule for students in the clinical practices off campus.

For the Ninth Circuit Appellate Advocacy Clinic, students must apply and register only with approval of the professor, and students must commit to working two semesters in the clinic. In the Ninth Circuit Appellate Advocacy Clinic, students will work primarily with the professor at his firm in Burbank. All classes will meet at the School of Law.

In the Legal Aid and Low Income Taxpayer Clinics, students will work primarily at the UNion Rescue Mission in downtown Los Angeles. For the Legal Aid Clinic, students will perform 4 hours of client intake per week on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, or Thursdays at the Union Rescue Mission in downtown Los Angeles. The remainder of the student’s clinical work may be completed via a cloud-based case management system. Low Income Taxpayer Clinic students will perform intake 4 hours per week on Mondays, Thursdays, or Fridays at the Union Rescue Mission. The remainder of the student’s clinical work may be completed via a cloud-based case management system.

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The Fair Employment and Housing Mediation Clinic will be housed in the Mediation Division at California’s civil rights enforcement agency, the Department of Fair Employment and Housing. This class requires a special application. Anyone interested in participating should speak with Professor Stephanie Blondell in the Straus office. In the Mediation Clinic students have the opportunity to mediate actual disputes. The Mediation Clinic will require 2 hours of class time weekly (scheduled) and approximately 8 hours of fieldwork per week. Students are advised to leave two time blocks (2 mornings, 2 afternoons or 1 of each) in their schedule to accommodate mediations at various courthouses throughout Los Angeles County.

All clinical courses, except the Entrepreneurship Law Clinic, fulfill the Pro Bono Service Requirement. Every clinic is graded as High Pass/Pass/Credit/Fail.

Practicums
PRACTICUM courses are dedicated field placement courses with collaborating agencies. Students apply to the placements through the Clinical Program office as directed and will commit to the required days of working in the designated practice areas.

For the Employment Law Practicum, Health Law Practicum, Immigration Practicum and Veterans Law Practicum in Ventura and Los Angeles County, students must meet the minimum requirements outlined in the course description. Students must also submit a resume, letter of interest and writing
samples for lawyers at the field placement to review and rank their preferred candidates. Students will be selected and notified of their selection in the practicum. These practicum courses satisfy the pro bono requirement. The Veteran’s Law Practicum (Ventura) is a 4 unit course requiring two full days of work each week. The other practicums are 2, 3, or 4 unit courses requiring one, one and a half or two days of work respectively.

Exterships
Students interested in participating in an externship should contact the Director of Externships or the Clinical Program Manager. Students may not register themselves for externship courses but must complete the requisite paperwork and must receive approval from the Director of Externships to register for an externship.

Students must register for an externship by the deadline for add/drop. Students who secure a field placement after the add/drop deadline may only enroll for up to 2 units of credit and must secure a faculty advisor, in lieu of the mandatory workshops.

Each unit of externship credit requires 52.5 hours of work at the student’s field placement, and students must register in advance for the number of units for which they will work. Students may earn up to 10 units per term.

Students must also attend mandatory, bi-weekly externship workshops during the term of their first externship. The time spent in workshops may count toward the students’ required time in the field. Students may choose from the offered workshops to best fit their schedule. Students who are taking externships for the second or third term are not required to attend the workshops but must participate in on-going, contemporaneous, faculty-guided reflection as designated by the Director of Externships.

The Director of Externships must approve all field placements in advance of registration. In general, field placements qualify for externship credit if the student is engaged in legal work, under the supervision of a licensed attorney, in judicial, governmental, public interest or public service law offices. Field placements with in-house counsel offices in entertainment and other corporate offices may also qualify. Work in private, for-profit law firms does not qualify unless the student’s work is exclusively on pro bono matters or if students are paid for their work.

Exterships count towards the upper division skills requirement and the experiential learning requirement. Qualifying externships count toward the pro bono requirement. All externships are graded as High Pass/Pass/Credit/Fail.

Washington, DC Externships
Students completing an externship as part of the Washington, DC externship semester must enroll in 9 or 10 units of externship. Professor Nancy Hunt must approve all Washington DC externship placements via email at nancy.hunt@pepperdine.edu. All Washington, DC externship students must attend the bi-weekly Washington Externship Workshop.