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GENERAL INFORMATION

WEB REGISTRATION

Web registration will be available for all courses during the times indicated in Table 1. To register online, log into the Hofstra portal at my.hofstra.edu using your Hofstra Network ID and password. If you do not know your Hofstra Network ID and/or password, please go to the Law School's Office of Information Systems in Room 013 or the Law School Help Desk in Room 030, or contact the office at (516) 463-4192. You may also contact the Office of Information Systems via e-mail at lawhelp@hofstra.edu.

From the main page of the portal, click on the "Student Services" option (on the left). From the "Student Services" menu, follow the links to complete your registration.

All course descriptions can be found in the on-line bulletin at <http://bulletin.hofstra.edu>. From the drop down menu, please select the Law School Catalog.

Table 1: Web Registration Availability

PHASE	CLASS (as of Fall 2025)	START	END
1	3rd Year Full Time JD and 4th Year Part Time JD; All LLM Students; All MA Students	10:30pm on Monday, November 10, 2025	
2	2nd Year Full Time JD, 3rd Year Part Time JD and 2nd Year Part Time JD	10:30pm on Tuesday, November 11, 2025	
(General Drop/Add Period)	All Students	10:30pm on Wednesday, November 12, 2025	11:59pm on Tuesday, January 20, 2026

The Class Schedule for Spring 2026 is contained in Appendix 1. This gives all the course information (CRN, Title, Professor, Days/Times, credits, writing requirement courses and skills requirement courses) for the classes for Spring 2026.

CLOSED CLASSES

If a class that you wish to register for is closed, you may sign up for the wait list on the Hofstra Online Information System. You will be notified via e-mail by the University's Office of Academic Records and Registrar (Registrar@hofstra.edu) should a seat become available. You will have 24 hours to register for this course. If you do not register for the course within 24 hours, you will be taken off the wait list and the seat will be offered to the next student.

HOLD ON REGISTRATION

If you have a “**HOLD**” on your registration, you will not be permitted to register on-line and you should come to the Office of Academic Records and Registrar (Koppelman Hall, Room 201) to speak with the Senior Associate Dean for Academic Records and Registrar – Law. Most holds are due to an outstanding balance on a student's account (e.g., hold placed by the University's Office of the Bursar/Student Accounts).

DISTANCE EDUCATION CLASSES

Under the Law School's distance education policy, no student may enroll in distance education courses that exceed a total of 19 credits out of the 87 credits required to graduate. This is the number currently permitted by Section 520.3 of the Rules of the New York Court of Appeals for the Admission of Attorneys and Counselors at Law to the New York Bar. (Additional credits earned beyond 87 credits may also take the form of distance education classes.)

If a student does not plan to ever sit for the New York Bar Examination, a student may petition the Senior Associate Dean for Academic Affairs to take additional distance education course credits beyond the 19 credit cap, but that number still cannot exceed the total number permitted by the ABA's Standards and Rules of Procedure for Approval of Law Schools, which is currently 28 credits.

No courses taken prior to the Summer Session I of 2022 will count as distance education courses under this policy. This policy only applies to courses beginning in the Summer of 2022.

In addition, please note that you are not able to take any distance education credits, until you have earned at least 28 credits of in-person courses.

Students are responsible for monitoring the number of distance education courses credits they have taken.

DEGREE AUDIT/DEGREE WORKS

It is the responsibility of each student to check their degree audit. Your degree audit has the most up to date information showing your graduation requirements and indicating which requirements you have fulfilled, which requirements are currently in-progress and which requirements are still needed.

In order to access your degree audit, you need to log into the My Hofstra Portal – my.hofstra.edu. From there, you would select the Degree Works option, which is located under the heading – “Student Success Center”.

In addition to all of the course requirements, please be aware that a minimum of 87 credits and a minimum overall G.P.A. of 2.2 is required, in order to receive the Juris Doctor degree.

If you have any questions, or need additional information, please reach out to the Office of Academic Records and Registrar at (516) 463-5917 or via e-mail at lawoar@hofstra.edu.

GENERAL DROP/ADD PERIOD

The General Drop/Add Period will begin on Wednesday, November 12, 2025 at 10:30pm and will end on Tuesday, January 20, 2026 at 11:59pm. During this period any student can drop and/or add courses to their schedule without penalty.

The General Drop/Add Period applies to all Spring 2026 elective courses, including the intensive skills courses. It does not apply to first year courses.

EXTENDED DROP AND ADD APPROVAL PERIOD

Extended Drop Period: Beginning on Wednesday, January 21, 2026 through Tuesday, January 27, 2026 at 5:00pm, students can drop (*no “W” grade will be recorded on the transcript*) elective courses only, by completing the **COURSE CHANGE OR WITHDRAWAL FORM** available on the law school’s website at (www.law.hofstra.edu) or in the Office of Academic Records and Registrar (Koppelman Hall, Room 201). The completed form must be brought to the Office of Academic Records and Registrar for processing.

Add Approval Period: Beginning on Wednesday, January 21, 2026 through Tuesday, January 27, 2026 at 5:00pm students can add elective courses that have open spaces, subject to the faculty member’s approval. In order for a student to be added into a class during this period, the faculty member must send an e-mail to the Senior Associate Dean for Academic Records and Registrar – Law.

The Extended Drop and Add Approval Period applies to all Spring 2026 courses, including the intensive skills courses. It does not apply to first year courses.

WITHDRAWAL FROM AN ELECTIVE COURSE

Beginning Wednesday, January 28, 2026 at 9:00am, students may withdraw from elective classes only by completing the **COURSE CHANGE OR WITHDRAWAL FORM** available on the law school's website at (www.law.hofstra.edu) or in the Office of Academic Records and Registrar (Koppelman Hall, Room 201). The completed form must be brought to the Office of Academic Records and Registrar for processing.

If the request for withdrawal is received after the Extended Drop Period (i.e., starting on Thursday, January 29, 2026), a "W" grade (withdrawal without penalty or prejudice) will be entered on the transcript. The last day to withdraw from an elective course is Friday, April 3, 2026 at 5:00pm. **Students are not allowed to withdraw from required first or second year courses.**

The Withdrawal Period applies to all Spring 2026 courses, including the intensive skills courses. It does not apply to first year courses.

WITHDRAWAL FROM THE SCHOOL OF LAW

If a student finds it necessary to withdraw from the Law School, the student must apply, using the Complete Withdrawal Form – available through the My Hofstra Portal (my.hofstra.edu). The student may be entitled to tuition remission. The amount of remission diminishes as the student's attendance at the School of Law lengthens. Upon recommendation from the Dean, the University will remit tuition (exclusive of the admissions seat deposit submitted by incoming first-year students) as follows:

- 100% Tuition Refund for withdrawal prior to the first week of classes
- 100% Tuition Refund for withdrawal during the first week of classes
- 75% Tuition Refund for withdrawal during the second week of classes
- 50% Tuition Refund for withdrawal during the third week of classes
- 25% Tuition Refund for withdrawal during the fourth week of classes
- 0% Tuition Refund for withdrawal thereafter

This schedule complies with federal regulations of the Department of Education. A copy of these regulations is on file in the Office of Financial Aid. A student withdrawing from any semester without approval from the Office of Student Affairs is not entitled to remission of tuition and will automatically receive failing grades in all courses.

CANCELLED CLASSES

The Law School reserves the right to cancel classes that are under enrolled. In most cases, a class will be cancelled if there are fewer than 8 students enrolled by the week before classes are scheduled to begin. Students enrolled in any course that is cancelled

will be notified via e-mail by the School of Law. Office of Academic Records and Registrar (lawoar@hofstra.edu).

ROOM ASSIGNMENTS

Prior to the beginning of the semester, room assignments will be available online via the Hofstra Online Information System (accessed through the Hofstra portal at my.hofstra.edu). In addition, the box schedule of classes (with the room assignments) will be posted to the Law School website.

FINAL EXAMINATION SCHEDULE

The final examination schedule (subject to change) for the Spring semester is contained in Appendix 3.

CONFLICT POLICY

The Office of Academic Records and Registrar is responsible for rescheduling examinations due to scheduling conflicts as defined by the Conflict Policy. A conflict is two examinations on the same calendar day or an evening exam (6:00pm start time) followed by a morning exam (8:00am start time) on consecutive calendar days.

For the Spring 2026 semester, the Final Examination period begins on Friday, May 1, 2026 and ends on Wednesday, May 13, 2026.

DO NOT MAKE ANY TRAVEL PLANS OR PERSONAL COMMITMENTS DURING THE ENTIRE FINAL EXAMINATION PERIOD (i.e., FRIDAY, MAY 1, 2026 THROUGH WEDNESDAY, MAY 13, 2026) AS AN EXAMINATION MAY NEED TO BE RESCHEDULED DUE TO UNAVOIDABLE CIRCUMSTANCES.

COURSE INFORMATION

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

The course descriptions can be found in the on-line catalog (select the Law Catalog from the drop-down menu on the right):

<http://bulletin.hofstra.edu/>

COURSE SELECTION ADVICE

Students are welcome to meet with staff from the Office of Student Affairs, their faculty advisors, the Office of Academic Support or any other faculty member to seek advice.

JOURNAL CREDITS

Students must register for their journal credits. Consult Appendix 4 for the Rules for Election of Non-Classroom Courses.

The CRNs for each Journal course are listed in the table below:

JOURNAL	CRN	CREDITS
ACTEC Journal	24038	1
ACTEC Journal	24039	2
ACTEC Journal	24040	3
Family Court Review	24041	1
Family Court Review	24042	2
Family Court Review	24043	3
Hofstra Law Review	24050	1
Hofstra Law Review	24051	2
Hofstra Law Review	24052	3
Hofstra Labor and Employment Journal	24047	1
Hofstra Labor and Employment Journal	24048	2
Hofstra Labor and Employment Journal	24049	3
Journal of International Business and Law	24044	1
Journal of International Business and Law	24045	2
Journal of International Business and Law	24046	1

INDEPENDENT STUDY

To register for an Independent Study, students must:

- Read the course description in the Law School Catalog to make certain that they are eligible.
- Register for the Independent Study course (0 credits). **The CRN for this course is 24037.**
- Complete the Independent Study Form, which is available on the law school's website at (<http://law.hofstra.edu/Academics/AcademicRecords/Additional-Services-Forms.html>), or in the Office of Academic Records and Registrar (Koppelman Hall, Room 201). This form, with the supervising faculty member's approval and the allotted number of credits for your independent study project, must be returned to the Office of Academic Records and Registrar by Tuesday, January 20, 2026 at 5:00pm.

EXTERNSHIPS

The Externship Program offers students the opportunity to gain experience in a variety of legal fields under the supervision of experienced practitioners. Students enrolled in the externship program generally earn 3 credits while working in government agencies, public interest or not-for-profit institutions, judicial chambers, law firms, and corporate in-house law departments. Placements must be approved in advance and potential placements with law firms and corporate legal departments are evaluated on a case-by-case basis. Students may not be compensated for their work.

Externship students are required to work 12-15 hours per week, for a total of 168 hours over the 14-week semester in a legal setting, in which their work is supervised by an attorney. Students must also produce a minimum of 15 pages of original writing involving legal research and analysis during their field placement. In addition to their work in the field placement, students who participate in the externship program must attend a weekly seminar taught by a law school faculty member.

During the spring semester, Judicial, Civil, and Criminal, Externship Seminars will be offered. We will also offer a Matrimonial Externship Program and Seminar, which will provide students with the opportunity to work in the Nassau County Matrimonial Center. In addition, we will offer a Northwell In-House Counsel Externship Program and Seminar which will provide students with the opportunity to work with in-house counsel at Northwell Health.

The Northwell In-House Counsel Externship Program and Seminar is a three-credit course for students placed in Northwell Health's legal departments. The placement will be in one of the following legal departments: Office of Legal Affairs, Cybersecurity, Managed Care Contracting Team, Compliance, Procurement, and Risk. Students are required to complete 168 hours of field work over the 14-week semester (field work 2 credits, pass/fail) and produce 15 pages of legal writing during the externship. Students are required to attend the one-hour weekly seminar (1 credit, letter graded). Registration is limited to 8 students per semester. There are no pre-requisites required for the course.

Students who have successfully completed a full year of study are eligible to participate in the externship program. Field placement opportunities can be found on Symplicity. Students are welcome to identify additional placements as long as the placement complies with the educational requirements of the externship program.

A student with a GPA below 3.0 must have permission from the Office of Academic Success before they can be approved to participate in the Externship Program. A student who has a GPA below 2.33 is not eligible to participate in the Externship program.

After participating in the externship program during the semester or summer, a student has the option of enrolling in another substantively relevant externship course if not previously taken.

To locate field placement opportunities, students are encouraged to look on Symplicity. In addition, students may also contact the Office of Experiential Programs to discuss. Students are also welcome to identify new placements, but such placements must comply with the educational requirements of the externship program.

Registration for the externship program is by approval only.

If you have any questions about the externship program, field placement opportunities, or the approval and registration process, please contact Luciana M. DeCarlo, Director of Externships and Pro Bono Programs, via email at lawexperientialprograms@hofstra.edu to set up an appointment to discuss.

In addition, the Law School offers specialized externship opportunities, described below:

CLINICAL PROSECUTION PRACTICUM (6 credits)

Professor Fred Klein

This externship offers students the opportunity to work in a local (Nassau County or Suffolk County) District Attorney's Office and to participate under a Student Practice Order in the prosecution of criminal cases under the supervision of Professor Klein as well as an assistant district attorney who will serve as the field placement supervisor. Externs are trained to assist and directly participate in all phases of criminal prosecution in the District Court, including case assessment, arraignments, interviewing witnesses, identifying legal issues, conferencing cases in court and plea bargaining/sentencing. Each student is assigned a case load for which they are responsible under the supervision of Professor Klein and an assistant district attorney. Students are expected to work 15 hours per week in the District Attorney's office. In addition, students are required to attend a three-hour weekly seminar (in conjunction with students participating in the Criminal Externship Program) and must participate in a mandatory two-day orientation/training session held before classes begin. Students also participate in additional supervision as needed with Professor Klein. Students must have previously taken Evidence and Criminal Procedure I. Students participating in this course will receive a letter grade. Approval is based upon academic performance, practical experience and interest in criminal law. Registration is limited to 10 students per semester.

FEDERAL CIVIL LITIGATION PRACTICE CLINICAL PRACTICUM (5 credits)

Ka Fei Wong, Esq. Attorney-in-Charge; Professor Jennifer Gundlach

This externship offers students the opportunity to work for the Hofstra Law Pro Se Legal Assistance Program, located in the federal courthouse in Central Islip for the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York. Students assist in providing limited scope legal assistance to non-incarcerated self-represented litigants by helping them navigate the court system. Students assist litigants on a wide range of federal litigation matters including interpreting and explaining federal rules and procedures, counseling them about their claims, and helping them draft pleadings, motions, discovery requests and responses, and complete forms. Students interview litigants to gather information and to assess potential legal issues and claims. Students conduct research in a broad range of legal issues. Students are expected to be on-site in the Program's office at the Central Islip federal courthouse once a week, attend meetings remotely at other times, and to perform off-site research and drafting, working a minimum of 12 hours / week. Additionally, students are expected to attend a weekly seminar, Federal Civil Practice Skills (3 credits) and must participate in a mandatory orientation and training session before the beginning of the Program. Students must also attend weekly supervisory meetings. Students will receive two Pass/Fail credits for the hours at the Program and three credits (letter grade) for the work in the Federal Civil Practice Skills Seminar. The classroom Seminar may be used to fulfill a Writing Requirement. Please contact KaFei.Wong@hofstra.edu for more information and an application.

CLINICS

All of the clinics require acceptance before registration. Please visit the Clinic Offices for details on the interviewing procedures.

If you have been accepted into a clinic, you will be notified by the Attorney-in-Charge of that particular clinic. The Attorney-in-Charge of that particular clinic will also notify the Office of Academic Records and Registrar. Once the Office of Academic Records and Registrar has processed your acceptance, you will be notified via e-mail and can then register for your clinic online. The CRNs for the clinics are listed in Appendix 1: Detailed Class Schedule – Spring 2026.

EXPERIENTIAL COURSE CREDIT REQUIREMENT

Hofstra Law requires that every student successfully complete six credits of experiential courses, which can include simulation, clinical, and/or externship courses. This largely replaces what had formerly been referred to as “skills” credits. Courses offering experiential course credit will be identified as such in the course listing. Please note that successful completion of the mandatory 2L "Foundational Lawyering Skills" course earns a student 3 credits of experiential coursework, thus leaving only 3 additional experiential course credits as necessary for graduation.

Importantly, although a course might be listed as offering experiential course credit while at the same time meeting one of the upper-level writing requirements, it cannot be taken for both by the same student. For example, a course that includes a writing experience used to satisfy a writing requirement cannot simultaneously be counted as one of the experiential courses required for graduation for the same student. For such courses, students shall have to elect to have the course meet either the writing requirement or serve as an experiential courses for purposes of their graduation requirements.

The courses in the Spring 2026 semester, which can fulfill credits towards the experiential requirement are listed in Appendix I – Spring 2026 Detailed Class Schedule.

UPPER-CLASS WRITING REQUIREMENTS

A student must complete 2 writing experiences after the first year. Please see the Law School Student Handbook for the details about these required writing experiences.

The courses in the Spring 2026 semester, which can fulfill a Writing Requirement are listed in Appendix I – Spring 2026 Detailed Class Schedule.

APPENDIX 1: Class Schedule

See Detailed Class Schedule.

Please Note: For courses that require Law School “Approval”, the student must speak with the professor of the course, before attempting to register.

APPENDIX 2: Pre/Co-Requisites

Course Title	Pre-Req/Co-Req (all are pre-req's unless otherwise noted)
Advanced Bankruptcy	Bankruptcy
Advanced Legal Research	Legal Analysis, Writing & Research I and Legal Analysis, Writing & Research II
Applied Evidence	Evidence
Bankruptcy	Business Organizations (can be co-req)
Clinical Prosecution Practicum	Criminal Procedure I and Evidence
Ethical Problems in Federal Tax Practice	Federal Income Taxation of Individuals (can be co-req)
Expert Witness – Homicide	Evidence
Federal Income Taxation of Corporations	Federal Income Taxation of Individuals
Matrimonial Externship Program and Seminar	Family Law (can be co-req) or Family Law (with Skills) (can be co-req)

APPENDIX 3: Final Exam Schedule*

***Exam Schedule is subject to change**

Please note: Some of these courses may eventually substitute papers for examinations. The finalized Final Examination Schedule will be released during the semester.

DATE	TIME	CLASS	CRN	PROFESSOR
Friday, May 1, 2026	8:00 AM	Perspectives in Legal Analysis and Writing (A)	23665	Lefton, Louis and Hespos
		Perspectives in Legal Analysis and Writing (B)	23666	Lefton, Louis and Hespos
	1:00 PM	Perspectives in Legal Analysis and Writing (C)	23667	Lefton, Louis and Hespos
		Advanced Bankruptcy (A)	23964	Scarcella
	6:00 PM	Administrative Use Only		
Monday, May 4, 2026	8:00 AM	Civil Rights Litigation (A)	23996	Cohen
		Conflict of Laws (A)	23999	McElroy
		Consumer Transactions (A)	24000	Silber
	1:00 PM	Family Law (A)	24009	Stark
		Federal Income Taxation of Individuals (A)	24024	Gans
	6:00 PM	Administrative Use Only		
Tuesday, May 5, 2026	8:00 AM	Antitrust (A)	23998	Kim
		Criminal Procedure I (B)	24022	Marcus Amelkin
		Employment Discrimination Law (A)	24005	Damiano
	1:00 PM	Intellectual Property Survey (A)	24010	Platt
		Lawyers' Ethics (A)	23980	Franzella
	6:00 PM	Entrepreneurship Law Seminar (E)	23954	Schwed
		International Business Transactions (E)	24053	Neumann
		Crimmigration Law (A)	23968	Falcetta
		Wills, Trusts and Estates (A)	24026	Folami

Wednesday, May 6, 2026	8:00 AM	Administrative Law (A)	23994	Campbell
		Criminal Procedure I (A)	24021	Klein
		Non Profit Corporations (A)	23984	Silber
	1:00 PM	Bankruptcy (A)	24004	Zarin Rosenfeld
		Lawyers' Ethics (B)	23981	Gundlach
		Copyright (A)	24001	Prywes
		Labor Law (A)	24012	Cohen
	6:00 PM	Administrative Use Only		
Thursday, May 7, 2026	8:00 AM	Administrative Use Only		
	1:00 PM	ERISA and Employee Rights (A)	23973	Oringer
		International Law (A)	24011	Stark
		Internet Law and Practice (A)	23991	Kim
		Securities Regulation (A)	24016	Colesanti
	6:00 PM	Evidence (E)	24023	Smith
		Entertainment Law (E)	23970	Giordano
		Medical Malpractice (E)	23985	Sachs, S.
		Selected Problems in NY Civil Practice (E)	24031	Knobel
Friday, May 8, 2026	8:00 AM	Property (B)	23424	Ostrow
		Property (C)	23425	Folami
		Environmental Law (A)	24006	Esterman
	1:00 PM	Property (A)	23423	Sinha
		Business Organizations (A)	24019	Greenwood
		Federal Income Taxation of Corporations (A)	24002	Galler
	6:00 PM	Administrative Use Only		
Monday, May 11, 2026	8:00 AM	Constitutional Law I (A)	23410	Ku
		Constitutional Law I (C)	23412	Ku
	1:00 PM	Constitutional Law I (B)	23411	Sinha

	6:00 PM	Administrative Use Only		
Tuesday, May 12, 2026	8:00 AM	Administrative Use Only		
	1:00 PM	Administrative Use Only		
	6:00 PM	Administrative Use Only		
Wednesday, May 13, 2026	8:00 AM	Contracts (A)	23413	Lyman
		Contracts (B)	23414	Gramitto Ricci
	1:00 PM	Contracts (C)	23415	Neumann
	6:00 PM	Administrative Use Only		

APPENDIX 4: Rules for Election of Non-Classroom Courses

Out of the total 87 credits required for graduation, the New York Court of Appeals rules for admission of attorneys permit Hofstra students to select up to 23 semester hours of non-classroom courses during their course of study. In calculating this 23-hour limitation, only the non-classroom portion of clinical and like courses must be counted. The current courses in the curriculum that are classified as non-classroom courses are contained in the following table. In choosing courses that contain a non-classroom component, students should be mindful of and consider the 23-hour limitation

COURSES	CREDITS	NON-CLASSROOM HOURS
Externship Program (Civil, Criminal, Judicial, and Matrimonial)	3	2
Family Court Review	2-4	credits registered, minus 2
Journal of Int'l Business & Law	credits vary	equal to number of credits registered
Hofstra Labor & Employment Law Journal	credits vary	equal to number of credits registered
Hofstra Law Review	credits vary	equal to number of credits registered
ACTEC Journal	credits vary	equal to number of credits registered
Independent Study	credits vary	equal to number of credits registered
Trial & Moot Court Teams	1	1

APPENDIX 5: Spring 2026 Academic Calendar* (subject to change)

Spring 2026

First Day of Classes	Monday, January 12, 2026
MLK, Jr. Birthday – Holiday – No Classes	Monday, January 19, 2026
President’s Day – Holiday – No Classes	Monday, February 16, 2026
Monday Class Schedule	Tuesday, February 17, 2026
Spring Break – No Classes	Monday, March 16, 2026 – Friday, March 20, 2026
Last Day of Classes	Tuesday, April 28, 2026
Reading Days	Wednesday, April 29, 2026 - Thursday, April 30, 2026
Final Exam Period	Friday, May 1, 2026 – Wednesday, May 13, 2026
Commencement	Monday, May 18, 2026