Certificate in Criminal Law

Many Brooklyn Law School students express an interest in practicing in areas involving criminal law. These students may wish to devote a substantial portion of their legal education to the concepts, doctrines, ethical concerns, and skills involved in law practice focusing on the criminal justice system will be eligible to pursue a Certificate in Criminal Law. The Certificate will demonstrate that the students' legal studies have provided them with significant exposure to topics involving criminal law and procedure and will attest that they begin their legal careers with substantial understanding and advanced knowledge of criminal law and its practice.

Students who elect a Certificate in Criminal Law must satisfactorily complete the following:

(1) all 3 foundation courses,

(2) at least 2 electives selected from the lists of a) advanced courses and/or b) seminar or specialty courses;

(3) at least 2 electives selected from the skills and practice-based courses.

Foundation Courses

- <u>Criminal Procedure: Investigations</u> (CRM-200)
- <u>Criminal Procedure: Adjudications</u> (CRM-201)
- Evidence (CPL-200)

Advanced Courses

- Federal Criminal Investigations (CRM-225)
- <u>National Security Law</u> (CLT-220)
- <u>Securities Fraud: Criminal and Regulatory Enforcement</u> (BOL-420)

Seminar or Specialty Courses¹

- Corporate and White Collar Crime Seminar (CRM-215)
- Forensic Science and the Law (CRM-260)
- Law and the Brain Seminar (LTJ-345)
- <u>New York Criminal Procedure Workshop</u> (CRM-305)
- <u>Problem Solving Justice</u> (CRM-205)
- Race, Gender, and Crime Law Seminar (CRM-316)
- Sentencing Law (CRM-460)
- Terrorism and Civil Liberties Seminar (CLT-455)
- <u>When Justice Fails Seminar</u> (LTJ-336)
- Wrongful Convictions Seminar (CRM-345)

¹ This list includes currently offered seminars. From time to time different seminars focusing on topics relating to criminal law will be added.

Skills and Practice-Based Courses (at least 2 courses)

Simulation Courses

- Appellate Advocacy (LWR-270)
- Evidence Workshop (CPL-307)
- <u>Trial Advocacy</u> (CPL-360)

Clinics²

- <u>BLS/EXI Innocence</u> (CLN-333)
- <u>Clemency and Pardon Project</u> (CLN-347)
- Criminal Defense and Advocacy Clinic (CLN-245)
- <u>Clinic: Brooklyn DA</u> (CLN-316)
- <u>Clinic: Federal Prosecutor</u> (CLN-318)
- <u>Youth Reentry and Legal Services</u> (CLN-208)

> Externships³

- <u>Criminal Practice Externship</u> (any placement with any criminal justice agency or organization)
- Judicial Externship with a criminal court/judge
- SEC Enforcement
- Other relevant externships

² Two semester clinics count for 2 skills courses.

³ Other relevant externships in enforcement or other criminal law settings may satisfy this requirement.