

Certificate in Entrepreneurship Law

Brooklyn Law School offers a Certificate for students interested in exploring legal issues surrounding entrepreneurship and preparing to represent new ventures for start-ups and growing commercial and not-for-profit companies. To earn the Certificate, students must satisfactorily complete at least **seven** total courses from the various course listings below, broken down as follows:

- (1) Four “foundation” courses;
- (2) Two “skills / practice-based” courses; and
- (3) One “Advanced – General / Business Formation and Growth” course.

To help students with their own thinking about how to develop a course of study and prepare for practice in a particular area, the Skills/Practice-Based and Advanced courses are organized below in terms of particular industries, sectors, or legal subjects. It is not necessary, however, for both of a student’s skills/practice-based courses to fall within a specific grouping for the student to earn the Certificate and the subject area Advanced Courses, while not required for the Certificate, are included as suggestions for gaining expertise for practice in certain designated areas. This curriculum is designed recognizing that the needs of businesses (and particularly new ventures and businesses) vary, and many different combinations of courses might prove useful depending on a student’s plans or preferences.

The list below represents currently offered courses. Others are expected to be added over time, and may include relevant courses offered at other institutions.

Foundation Courses (Four Courses Required)

- [Business Boot Camp](#) (BOL-205)
 - [Corporations](#) (BOL-200)
 - [Startup Law](#)¹ (BOL-240)
 - Plus one of the following: [Accounting for Lawyers](#) (BOL-230), [Corporate Taxation](#) (TAX-340), or [Partnership Taxation](#) (TAX-360)
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Skills and Practice-Based Courses² (Two Courses Required)

Externships³

- [Civil Practice Externship](#) (CLN-200 in pertinent placement)
- [Real Estate/Community Development Externship](#) (CLN-229 in pertinent placement)

General / Business Formation and Growth

- [Alternative Dispute Resolution](#) (CPL-210)
- [Commercial Arbitration](#) (CTL-310)
- [Fundamentals of Legal Drafting](#) (LWR-230)
- [Interviewing and Counseling](#) (CPL-315)
- [Negotiation Seminar](#) (CPL-215)
- [Transactional Skills for Start-Ups: Doing the Deal](#) (BOL-351)

Media and Creative Arts

- [Entertainment Law Workshop](#) (IPL-301)

Real Estate

- [Community Development Clinic](#) (CLN-327)
- [Corporate Real Estate Clinic](#) (CLN-306)
- [Real Estate Practice Workshop: Getting the Deal Done](#) (PTE-325)

Technology and Energy

- [BLIP Clinic](#) (CLN-314)
- [Litigating an IP Case](#) (IPL-260)
- [Litigating a Patent Case](#) (IPL-261)
- [Trade Secrets Law and Practice](#) (IPL-445)

²A two-semester clinic will satisfy the requirement of two practice-based courses.

³Placements in businesses and nonprofit organizations may provide relevant externship experiences in any of the fields below. Approval for an externship to qualify as a skills and practice-based course must be obtained based on the specific placement.

Advanced Courses

General / Business Formation and Growth (One Course Required)

- Any Foundation course not already used to meet the Foundation requirement
- [Advanced Topics in Commercial Law Seminar](#) (CTL-320)
- [Corporate Finance](#) (BOL-301)
- [Debtors' and Creditors' Rights](#) (CTL-200)
- [Insurance Law](#) (RLP-240)
- [Law of Nonprofit Organizations](#) (BOL-225)
- [Secured Transactions](#) (CTL-210)

Media and Creative Arts

- [Art Law Seminar](#) (IPL-475)
- [Copyright](#) (IPL-200)
- [Entertainment Law](#) (IPL-300)
- [Fashion Law Seminar](#) (IPL-319)
- [First Amendment Law](#) (CLT-200)
- [Media Law & Policy Seminar](#) (IPL-425)
- [Telecommunications Law](#) (RLP-290)
- [Trademark and Unfair Competition](#) (IPL-215)

Real Estate

- [Commercial Leasing](#) (PTE-260)
- [Construction Law](#) (PTE-241)
- [Legal Issues Affecting Sustainable Buildings](#) (PTE-280)
- [Law of Condos, Co-ops, and Homeowners Associations](#) (PTE-245)
- [Real Estate Development](#) (PTE-235)
- [Real Estate Finance](#) (PTE-230)
- [Real Estate Practice](#) (PTE-240)
- [Taxation of Real Estate Transactions](#) (TAX-315)
- Selected courses offered via Open Door Program at Pratt

Technology and Energy

- [Environmental Law](#) (RLP-230)
- [Internet Law](#) (IPL-220)
- [Legal Issues Affecting Sustainable Buildings](#) (PTE-280)
- [Patent Law](#) (IPL-210)
- [Patent Prosecution](#) (IPL-310)
- [Privacy Law In A Digital World](#) (IPL-230)