Certificate in Real Estate Law

Students seeking to develop core knowledge in real estate law may elect to concentrate in the area and receive a certificate in the specialty. Students who undertake this concentration must satisfactorily complete, at a minimum, the following: (1) the foundation courses, (2) at least 3 electives selected from the lists of advanced courses and seminar or specialty courses; (3) at least 2 practice-based courses. (There is some overlap between Advanced Courses and Skills and Practice-Based Courses).

Foundation Courses
- Corporations (BOL-200)
- Real Estate Practice (PTE-240) AND Real Estate Development (PTE-235) or Real Estate Finance (PTE-230)

Advanced Courses
- Administrative Law (RLP-200)
- Commercial Leasing (PTE-260)
- Construction Law (PTE-241)
- Environmental Law (RLP-230)
- Law of Co-Ops, Condos, and Homeowners Associations (PTE-245)
- Legal Issues Affecting Sustainable Buildings (PTE-280)
- LLCs and Partnerships (BOL-211)
- Real Estate – Megaprojects: Public/Private Partnership (PTE-340)
- Taxation of Real Estate Transactions (PTE-315)

Seminar or Specialty Courses¹
- Environmental Justice Law Seminar (RLP-235)
- Landlord-Tenant Litigation Seminar (PTE-265)
- New York Zoning and Land Use Seminar (PTE-221)
- Selected courses offered via Open Door Program at Pratt²

¹This list includes currently offered seminars. From time to time different seminars focusing on topics relating to real estate may be offered.

² Speak to Professor David Reiss about which courses may count toward the certificate.
Skills and Practice-Based Courses

Externships³

- Real Estate and Community Development Externship (CLN-227)
- Real Estate Community Development Practicum (CLN-229)
- Civil Practice Externship [There are many placements with governmental agencies and non-profits in the real estate/affordable housing/landlord tenant fields].

Clinics⁴

- Adv. Corporate & Real Estate Clinic (CLN-406)
- Community Development Clinic (CLN-327)
- Corporate/Real Estate Clinic (CLN-306)
- Housing Rights Clinic (CLN-243)

Simulation Courses

- Legal Issues Affecting Sustainable Buildings (PTE-280)
- Real Estate Practice Workshop: Doing the Deal (PTE-325)
- RE Transactions: Advanced Issues and Practical Skills Workshop (PTE-326)

³ Other relevant externships in settings related to real estate may satisfy this requirement.

⁴ Two semester clinics count for 2 skills courses.