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

- Criminal Procedure I (CRM-200)
- Criminal Procedure II (CRM-201)
- Evidence (CPL-200)

Advanced Courses

- Business Crimes and Corporate Litigation (CRM-210)
- Capital Punishment Law (CRM-240)
- Comparative Criminal Procedure (CRM-300)
- Federal Criminal Law (CRM-220)
- Federal Criminal Investigations (CRM-225)
- International Criminal Law (ICL-270)
- Juvenile Justice (FML-305)
- Securities Fraud: Criminal and Regulatory Enforcement (BOL-420)

Seminar or Specialty Courses[1]

- Corporate and White Collar Crime Seminar (CRM-215)
- Criminal Law Seminar: Current Events (CRM-335)
- Criminal Law, Procedure, Evidence and Film Lore Workshop (CRM-331)
- Law and Police Policy Seminar (CRM-310)
- Legislation and Statutory Interpretation (RLP-250)
- New York Criminal Procedure Workshop (CRM-305)
- Problem Solving Courts (CRM-205)
- Scientific Evidence Seminar (CPL-351)

- Sentencing Law Seminar (CRM-346)
- Terrorism and Civil Liberties Seminar (CLT-455)
- When Justice Fails Seminar (336)
- Wrongful Convictions Seminar (CRM-345)
- When Justice Fails Seminar (LTJ 336)

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)

➢ **Skills Courses**

- Trial Advocacy (CPL-360)
- Appellate Advocacy (LWR-270)

➢ **Clinics** [2]

- Capital Defense and Federal Habeas Corpus Clinic (CLN-302)
- Criminal Appeals Defense (CLN-308)
- Prosecution Clinic: Brooklyn DA (CLN-316)
- Prosecution Clinic: USAO EDNY (CLN-318)
- Criminal Appeals Clinic: Manhattan DA (CLN-310)
- Criminal Appeals Clinic: Center for Appellate Litigation

2 Two semester clinics count for 2 skills courses.

➢ **Externships**[3]

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

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