

Law and Social Justice

Undergraduate Letter of Specialization

Legal Studies Program, Department of Political Science, University of Massachusetts Amherst

The Legal Studies Program announces a Letter of Specialization in Law and Social Justice. A letter of specialization can be cited as a credential on resumes, personal statements and in letters of recommendation. It represents completion of significant coursework in the socio-legal inquiry of law and social justice. All coursework must carry at least 3 credits and be taken for a letter grade. Students must maintain a cumulative average GPA of 2.0 across the five courses required.

REQUIREMENT: 5 APPROVED COURSES WHICH FULFILL THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE LETTER OF SPECIALIZATION IN LAW AND SOCIAL JUSTICE

Course #	Applicable Legal Studies Courses	Completed (x) or In Progress (IP)
275	Interdisciplinary Legal Studies	
319 (formerly 391LR)	Law and the Regulatory State	
375	Human Rights and Wrongs	
391LS	Law in Society	
391T	Animals Politics and the Law	
392J (formerly 392T)	Transitional Justice and Truth Commissions	
392LA	Legal Activism and Same Sex Marriage	
393D	Defining Justice in Diverse Democracies	
393LG	Law & Global Migration	
394AI (formerly 391B)	Law and Social Activism	
394CI	Law, Crime, and Society	
397JF	Justice on and off the Field	
397K	Human Trafficking	
432 (formerly 497N)	Environmental Justice	
482 (formerly 497I)	Irish Peace Process	
484 (formerly 497II)	Irish Peace Process: After the Good Friday Agreement	
497R	Racial Conflict, Mediation, and Social Justice	
	Law-Related Liberal Arts course that has been pre-approved for the Letter or other Approved Course (one allowed):	

One class can be applied to the requirements by taking a course that has been pre-approved and is listed below as a Law-Related Liberal Arts class for the Legal Studies Program. Please note that you will need to go through normal enrollment channels with these classes. Inclusion on this list does not give you any priority in admission or the ability to circumvent another department's pre-requisites or entrance requirements. Other courses at UMass, the Five Colleges, and elsewhere may be used to fulfill this requirement only with the approval of the Law and Social Justice Letter of Specialization Point Person as listed on the website. When requesting approval of an unlisted course, please be prepared to share a copy of the course syllabus with the Point Person.

COURSE APPROVALS

_____ (name of course) has been approved for inclusion in the Law and Social Justice Letter of Specialization in the Legal Studies Program.

_____ (signature of Dr. Jamie Rowen) _____ (date)

VERIFICATION OF COMPLETION

_____ (student name) _____ (ID number) has fulfilled the requirement for the Law and Social Justice Letter of Specialization in the Legal Studies Program.

_____ (signature of Legal Studies Advisor) _____ (date)

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Please note that you may request approval for additional courses at UMass and the Five Colleges

UMASS AMHERST

AFROAM 190G Racism: The American Experience
AFROAM 236 History Civil Rights Movement
AFROAM 262 The Radical Tradition in American History
AFROAM 291A S-Student Activism / Civil Rights & Black Power
AFROAM 326 Black Women in U.S. History
AFROAM 331 Life of W.E.B. Du Bois
AFROAM 390E Race, Ethnicity and Gender in U.S. History
AFROAM 391A The Political Thought of Malcolm X & Martin Luther King, Jr.
ANTHRO 205 Inequality and Oppression
ANTHRO 205H Inequality and Oppression-Honors
ANTHRO 331 Problems of Socialism
ANTHRO 397EJ ST-Activism/Educational Justice
ECON 144 Political Economy of Racism
ECON 144H Political Economy of Racism-Honors
ECON 330 Labor in the American Economy
ECON 348 The Political Economy of Women
ECON 394LI Law & Economics
EDUC 617 Law & Higher Education
EDUC 618 Public Policy Education & Law
GEO-SCI 362 Land Use & Society
GEOGRAPH 450 Indigenous Peoples and Conservation (formerly GEOSCI 497S)
HISTORY 154 Social Change and the 1960s
HISTORY 170 Indigenous Peoples of North America
HISTORY 297E - ST-Immigration & Migration in US History 1877-Present
HISTORY 388 U.S. Women's History to 1890
HISTORY 389 U.S. Women's History since 1890
HISTORY 349H Topics in European History: Sex & Society
HISTORY 397DV History of Domestic Violence Law
HISTORY 397LE (H) Liberation or Equality? : History of LGBT Rights Law (HONORS)
HISTORY 397RR History of Reproductive Rights Law (formerly HISTORY 397W)
HISTORY 397WLH History of Sex & Gender Discrimination Law (HONORS)
HONORS 322H Criminal Law and Justice in the US (HONORS)
HONORS 397C Law in Action: Litigating for Social & Legal Change
JUDAIC 190A Anti-Semitism & Racism West Civilization
JUDAIC 195A Anti-Semitism and Racism in Western Civilization
JUDAIC 375 The Jewish Experience in America
JUDAIC 390B World Jewry Since 1945
JUDAIC 391D S-Women, Gender, Judaism
JUDAIC 393J American Jewish History
JUDAIC 394A Major Issues in Contemporary Jewish Life and Culture
LABOR 190A Work, Culture & Society
LABOR 190B Labor & the Law: Justice at Work
LABOR 201 Issues of Women & Work
LABOR 280 Labor & Work in the US
POLISCI 360 Constitutional Law
POLISCI 360A Constitutional Law
POLISCI 360H Constitutional Law-Honors
POLISCI 360P Constitutional Law
POLISCI 360W Constitutional Law
POLISCI 361 Civil Liberties
POLISCI 361P Civil Liberties
POLISCI 361W Civil Liberties
POLISCI 365 Bill Rights/Equal Protection
POLISCI 393 Nationalism, Ethnicity and Identity in Politics
POLISCI 394FI Family and the State
POLISCI 397E Indigenous Rights & Social Movements
SOCIOL 222 The Family
SOCIOL 224 Social Class Inequality
SOCIOL 225 Revolutions and Social Change
SOCIOL 242 Drugs & Society
SOCIOL 242P Drugs & Society
SOCIOL 323 Sociology of Law
SOCIOL 340 Race Relations
SOCIOL 340H Race Relations—Honors
SOCIOL 341 Social Welfare
SOCIOL 344 Gender and Crime
SOCIOL 345 Juvenile Delinquency
SOCIOL 347 Corporate Deviance and Official Corruption
SOCIOL 383 Gender and Society
SOCIOL 392 Race, Class, Crime
SOCIOL 392R S-Racialization & Immigration
SOCIOL 393RH S-Race, Racism & Inequality
SOCIOL 394S S-White-Collar Crime
SOCIOL 395 Criminal Violence in America
SOCIOL 395K S-Domestic Violence
SOCIOL 397MC Mass Incarceration in the U.S.
SOCIOL 481 Sociology of Mental Health
SOCIOL 544 Juvenile Delinquency
SOCIOL 595A Punishment and Crime
SUSTCOMM/REGIONPL 577 - Urban Policies
WGSS 201 Critical Perspectives in Women's Studies
WGSS 201H Critical Perspectives in Women's Studies (HONORS)
WGSS 395G - Seminar- Gender, Sexuality, Race, and the Law: Critical Interventions
WGSS 397TP - Seminar- Trans Identities, Issues and Public Policies