

LAW & POLICY (LPCY)

LPCY 700 Foundations of the American Legal Process and Public Policy 3 Credit Hour(s)

Online Prerequisite: PLCY 700

This course explores the implementation of public policy through the American legal system. Students will be introduced to the foundational principles of the American legal tradition, including the continuing influence of the common law system and the significance of statutory law. Students will examine the principles and purposes of American civil and criminal law while examining the complexity of the relationship between and intersection of law and public policy.

Offered: Online

LPCY 702 Constitutional Law and Public Policy 3 Credit Hour(s)

Online Prerequisite: PLCY 700

This course addresses the role of the Constitution and constitutional jurisprudence in the formulation and implementation of public policy. Students will explore the implications of understanding the Constitution from an originalist and/or non-originalist perspective as well as the related legal and policy implications. Through analysis of relevant Supreme Court decisions, students will examine the extent and limits of the judiciary's role in the formulation and implementation of public policy.

Offered: Online

LPCY 704 Law, Economics, and Public Policy 3 Credit Hour(s)

Online Prerequisite: PLCY 700

Law and economics have become an influential approach toward the interpretation and application of law as a social mechanism that can promote economic efficiency. This course explores the origins, assumptions, and limits of the application of economic theory to law, and the implications of this interpretive and normative approach for the study and formation of public policy.

Offered: Online

LPCY 800 Administrative Law and Public Policy 3 Credit Hour(s)

Online Prerequisite: PLCY 700

This course will examine the historical and legal origins of administrative law and the administrative state. Students will also explore key concepts in administrative law including the non-delegation doctrine, formal and informal rulemaking, agency delegation, construction of regulations, judicial deference, and agency adjudication and enforcement. Administration and regulation of federal and state government agencies will be explored along with the relevant public policy implications.

Offered: Online

LPCY 802 Human Rights Law and Public Policy 3 Credit Hour(s)

Online Prerequisite: PLCY 700

This course addresses the origins and influence of the idea of human rights on the public policy process. Students will explore theories of natural law and the higher law background of the Constitution as both precedents and limits to the United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights, and body of human rights law, policy, treaties, and cases that has emerged subsequent to it. The course will review and assess ways in which ideals and institutions related to international human rights law pose challenges to the sovereignty and autonomy of national institutions.

Offered: Online

LPCY 804 Law and Policy: Research, Writing, and Analysis 3 Credit Hour(s)

Online Prerequisite: PLCY 700

Students will develop the necessary competencies essential to comprehensive communication skills while learning to effectively utilize the fundamentals of research, writing, and analysis. Students will also cultivate and apply effective analytical and reasoning skills that promote an in-depth understanding of the intersection, influence, and interrelationship between law and policy. Through research, writing, and analysis, students will examine key legal and policy issues and associated trends in an effort to effectively, intelligently, and persuasively articulate legal recommendations and policy solutions.

Offered: Online

LPCY 806 Public Policy Lawyering Skills 3 Credit Hour(s)

Online Prerequisite: PLCY 700

A study of selected law skills involved in the public policy arena, drawn from the following areas: drafting legislation; drafting memoranda in support of legislation; planning and creating legal structures necessary to operate election campaigns, to comply with on-going campaign finance and disclosure laws, and to dissolve campaigns; planning and operating political campaigns and lobbying organizations; and complying with disclosure requirements by organizations that involve themselves in public policy matters.

Offered: Online

LPCY 885 Research Concept 3 Credit Hour(s)

Online Prerequisite: PLCY 700 and PLCY 702 and PLCY 703 and PLCY 804 and PLCY 805 and LPCY 700 and LPCY 702 and LPCY 704 and LPCY 800 and LPCY 802 and LPCY 804 and LPCY 806 and PLCY 810 and PLCY 812

The course is designed to develop research skills, culminating in the development and approval of a research concept. The research concept approval process is under the direct supervision of the student's capstone advisor. The research concept must be written and approved prior to enrollment in capstone courses.

Registration Restrictions: All required coursework in the core, research methodology and any cognates must be completed, and a dissertation chair and reader must be selected using the Dissertation Pairing tool, prior to enrolling in this course.

Offered: Online

LPCY 887 Capstone I 5 Credit Hour(s)

Online Prerequisite: LPCY 885

This course focuses on developing doctoral candidates' capstone project prospectus.

Offered: Online

LPCY 888 Capstone II 5 Credit Hour(s)

Online Prerequisite: LPCY 887

This course focuses on developing doctoral candidates' capstone project proposal.

Offered: Online

LPCY 889 Capstone III 5 Credit Hour(s)

Online Prerequisite: LPCY 888

This course focuses on developing doctoral candidates' capstone project.

Offered: Online

LPCY 890 Capstone IV 0 Credit Hour(s)

Online Prerequisite: LPCY 889

This course focuses on final submission of doctoral candidates' capstone project.

Offered: Online