

CONSTITUTIONAL LAW CERTIFICATE APPLICATION

Akron Law offers J.D. students the opportunity to specialize in Constitutional Law and to receive a certificate denoting successful completion of their requirements. Students must be admitted into the program by a Constitutional Law faculty advisor and the Assistant Dean, must complete 18 required credits listed on page 2, attain a cumulative 3.1 grade point average in all certificate courses, and must work closely with a Constitutional Law faculty advisor. (The Director of the Center for Constitutional Law can assist in finding you an appropriate faculty advisor.)

Students intending to enroll in the Constitutional Law Certificate must first meet all eligibility requirements. After eligibility has been established between the student and their Constitutional Law faculty advisor, students must:

- Submit the Application and the Constitutional Law Certificate Course Selection, Tracking and Approval List with Item #1 completed, signed and dated to the Law Student Affairs office.
- Obtain admission approval from the Assistant Dean.

An essential element of earning a Constitutional Law Certificate is the student working closely with a designated faculty advisor as part of an enhanced learning experience justifying awarding a Certificate. *Students are encouraged to submit applications to enter certificate programs as early as the second semester of full-time attendance and the fourth semester of part-time attendance.* The earlier a student begins working with a faculty advisor, the better.

A student **shall submit** the certificate application (and course selections approved by the Faculty Advisor for the certificate) to the Assistant Dean during **February of the second year of law school (full-time) or February of the third year of law school (part-time)**. The Constitutional Law faculty advisor for the certificate may waive the deadline only upon determining that the student would be able to fulfill all of the requirements of the program and that the student would be able to work with the faculty advisor to achieve the enhanced learning experience that the program is intended to provide.

Timely submission of BOTH a Certificate Application and the Constitutional Law Certificate Course Selection, Tracking and Approval List is a prerequisite to earning a certificate.

Failure to comply with any requirement may result in failure to earn a Certificate.

Complete the following information, see a Constitutional Law faculty advisor for counsel and obtain his or her signatures approving your application toward admission into a program. Return this signed application and the Constitutional Law Certificate Course Selection, Tracking and Approval List to the office of Law Student Affairs for review and to obtain the signature of the Assistant Dean.

After your application has been reviewed, you will be notified of your admission status via your UA email.

Student Name: _____

Student ID #: _____ UA Zips E-mail: _____ @zips.uakron.edu

Cumulative GPA: _____ Law Credit Hours Completed: _____

Signature of Student

Date

Signature of Constitutional Law Faculty Advisor

Date

Approval Signature of Assistant Dean

Date

The Constitutional Law Certificate is awarded concurrently with the Juris Doctor (JD) degree. **When you have completed the requirements, BUT NO LATER THAN the conclusion of your JD coursework, return the completed tracking and approval list with all signatures to the Office of Student Affairs.** We will perform the final audit and request the awarding of your certificate through the Office of the University Registrar Records Office.

CONSTITUTIONAL LAW CERTIFICATE COURSE SELECTION, TRACKING & APPROVAL LIST

PRINT Student Name: _____ Student ID: _____

1. Application Signatures - We have met and discussed a curriculum for the Constitutional Law Certificate, and the student understands all the requirements of the certificate detailed below:

Signature of Student	Date	Signature of Con Law Faculty Advisor	Date
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This form with item #1 completed, along with the certificate application, must be turned in at the law dean's office for consideration of admission to the certificate program.

2. As the student's Constitutional Law faculty advisor, I verify by signature and date below that the student consulted with me before each registration period:

Fall _____	CL Fac: _____	Date: _____	Fall _____	CL Fac: _____	Date: _____
Spring _____	CL Fac: _____	Date: _____	Spring _____	CL Fac: _____	Date: _____

3. To earn the Constitutional Law Certificate, the following conditions must be satisfied:

- Complete the two required Constitutional Law courses:

Term	Course #	Title	Grade	Credits	Quality Pts
_____	9200:603	Constitutional Law I	_____	3	_____
_____	9200:604	Constitutional Law II	_____	3	_____

- Complete a minimum of 12 additional credits in designated elective courses related to Constitutional Law:

Term	Course #	Title	Grade	Credits	Quality Pts
_____	9200:622	Administration of Criminal Justice	_____	3	_____
_____	9200:623	Administrative Law	_____	3	_____
_____	9200:683	Appellate Advocacy	_____	2-3	_____
_____	9200:655	Election Law	_____	3	_____
_____	9200:637	Employment Discrimination	_____	3	_____
_____	9200:643	Federal Jurisdiction & Procedure	_____	3	_____
_____	9200:654	Feminist & Race Theory	_____	3	_____
_____	9200:844	First Amendment	_____	3	_____
_____	9200:684	Sem: Post-Conviction Remedies	_____	3	_____
_____	9200:670	Prosecutorial Function	_____	3	_____
_____	9200:709	Reentry Clinic	_____	2-3	_____
_____	9200:710/711	Social Justice Seminar & Clinic	_____	3	_____
_____	9200:___*	Other: _____	_____	—	_____
_____	9200:___*	Other: _____	_____	—	_____
_____	9200:___*	Other: _____	_____	—	_____

*Other course(s) must be approved by
Constitutional Law Advisor: _____

4. Fulfillment of the certificate program requires achievement of a minimum 3.1 accumulative GPA in all courses taken to earn the certificate.

5. The Constitutional Law Certificate program additionally requires students to complete a substantial writing project related to Constitutional Law in the context of a law school course, law review article, GWR, or ISR.¹

Term	Course #	Title of Paper	Dir. Inits.
_____	9200: _____	_____	_____

6. Certificate Requirements Successfully Completed:

Signature of Con. Law Faculty Advisor	Date
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¹ The Director of the Center for Constitutional Law shall have discretion to determine whether any particular student writing project satisfies the substantial writing requirement. Additionally, a writing project of less than 15 pages and/or a writing project where the Constitutional aspect of the project is not self-evident shall only satisfy the substantial writing requirement upon its review and approval by the Director of the Center for Constitutional Law.