

LITIGATION CERTIFICATE APPLICATION

The School of Law offers J.D. students the opportunity to specialize in Litigation and to receive a certificate denoting successful completion of their requirements. Students must be admitted into the program by a Litigation advisor and the Assistant Dean of Student Affairs, complete a minimum of 12.0 credits (in addition to the required coursework in Civil Procedure and Evidence), must attain a cumulative 2.3 grade point average in all certificate courses, and must work closely with a litigation faculty advisor. Designated faculty advisors for the Litigation Certificate program are Professors Cole and Genetin.

Students intending to enroll in the Litigation Certificate Program must:

- Submit the Application and the Litigation Certificate Course Selection, Tracking and Approval List with Item #1 completed, signed and dated
- Obtain admission approval from the Assistant Dean of Student Affairs

An essential aspect of earning a Certificate is the close working relationship between the student and the faculty mentor as part of an enhanced learning experience justifying awarding a Certificate. The earlier a student begins working with a faculty advisor, the better.

The recommended timeframe to apply for the Constitutional Law Certificate is the second year for full-time students and the third year for part-time students. If a student misses this recommended timeframe, they can still work with the Office of Student Affairs to submit an application so long as the application and course tracking sheet are submitted prior to the completion of JD coursework.

Timely submission of BOTH a Certificate Application and the Litigation 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.

First, fill out the following information. Second, see a Litigation faculty advisor for counsel and obtain that advisor's signature approving your application toward admission into a program. Third, return this signed application and the Litigation Certificate Course Selection, Tracking and Approval List to the dean's office for the Assistant Dean of Student Affairs signature and final approval.

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

Student Name: _____

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

Cumulative GPA: _____ Law Credit Hours Completed: _____

Signature of Student

Date

Signature of Certificate Program Advisor

Date

Signature of Assistant Dean of Student Affairs

Date

LITIGATION CERTIFICATE COURSE SELECTION, TRACKING & APPROVAL LIST

In order to earn the Litigation Certificate, the following conditions must be satisfied:

- **Complete the Prerequisite for Admission:**

A student must achieve at least a 2.3 cumulative GPA in Civil Procedure: Federal Jurisdiction (LAWX:601) & Civil Procedure: Federal Litigation (LAWX:602) and Evidence (LAWX:608). [Full-time students may obtain *provisional* admission into the program after the spring semester of their first year *if* the student has earned a *minimum* of 12 quality points* in Civil Procedure I & II. Failure to meet the 2.3 GPA requirement after Evidence will result in being withdrawn from the Certificate Program.]

Civil Procedure I (3cr.): Civil Procedure II (3cr.): Evidence (3cr.): Total:
Grade __ QP's _____ Grade __ QP's _____ Grade __ QP's _____ GPA _____

Student meets the 2.3 cumulative GPA in Civil Procedure I & II and Evidence? __Yes __No

- **Complete Trial Advocacy I (LAWX:690) or Summer Trial Academy (LAWX:681).**

Term	Course #	Title	Grade	Credits	Quality Pts.
___	LAWX:690	Trial Advocacy I	___	3.0	___
___	LAWX:681	Summer Trial Academy	___	3.0	___

- **Complete a minimum of nine (9) additional credits in designated litigation courses:**

Choose additional courses totaling minimum of 9 credits:

Term	Course #	Title	Grade	Credits	Quality Pts.	Date	Adv.Sign.
___	LAWX: 622	Admin. of Criminal Justice	___	3.0	___	___	___
___	LAWX: 628	Sem: Pretrial Advocacy	___	3.0	___	___	___
___	LAWX: 642	Alternative Dispute Resolution	___	3.0	___	___	___
___	LAWX: 643	Federal Courts	___	3.0	___	___	___
___	LAWX: 644	Supreme Court Seminar	___	3.0	___	___	___
___	LAWX: 659	Negotiations (Any Version)	___	1-3	___	___	___
___	LAWX: 670	Prosecution Function	___	3.0	___	___	___
___	LAWX: 684	Progressive Prosecution	___	3.0	___	___	___
___	LAWX: 687	Expert Evidence	___	3.0	___	___	___
___	LAWX: 689	Appellate Advocacy	___	1.0	___	___	___
___	LAWX: 691	Civil Litigation Clinic	___	1-2	___	___	___
___	LAWX: 692	Trial Advocacy II	___	3.0	___	___	___
___	LAWX: 694	Trial Team	___	1-2	___	___	___
___	LAWX: 695	Moot Court	___	1-2	___	___	___
___	LAWX: 696	Externship Program	___	2-3	___	___	___
___	LAWX: 688	Legal Drafting (Any Version)	___	2.0	___	___	___
___	LAWX: 706	Domestic Relations Practicum	___	1-3	___	___	___
___	LAWX: 719	21 st Century Litigation	___	2-3	___	___	___
___	LAWX: 827	Patent Office Litigation	___	3.0	___	___	___

Other courses *may* be approved by the student's litigation faculty advisor when appropriate.

Term	Course #	Title	Grade	Credits	Quality Pts.	Advisor Approval	Date
___	___	___	___	___	___	___	___
___	___	___	___	___	___	___	___

Fulfillment of the certificate program requires achievement of a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.3 in all 12.0 credits of coursework taken to earn the certificate.