Information for Returning Students

You should consult this memo as you build your class schedule. It contains important information about the format of the Fall 2020 academic program. The schedule was designed with primary concern for the health and well-being of our community and excellence across the academic program.

Please note:

- Classes will begin on August 26, 2020.
- Registration will begin on July 20, 2020 at 7:00 a.m. each day. As usual, it will continue through the drop/add period ending September 2, 2020.
- We are planning to open the building for a limited number of classes, but if the public health restrictions change, all classes will be held online.
- The administration expects that students will have some combination of in-person and online classes or an all-online schedule.
- The faculty have been engaged in an intensive summer-long training series to prepare for remote teaching.
- Assuming we are open in person, courses will be conducted in different formats. You must select the type of format in the schedule to view available courses. The schedule codes courses as follows:
  - **In Person:** Class will generally meet in the building.
  - **Online:** Class will never meet in the building.
  - **Hybrid:** Class will meet both in-person and online, in person one day per week and online another day.
  - **Rotating in person:** Class will be conducted in cohorts, with different groups attending in person on different days and the other students joining remotely. This will be for only two course sections, Corporations and Evidence.

- Please choose the format and timing that works best for you. If you do not want to come into the building, make sure to register exclusively for online only courses. All students who are registered for in-person and hybrid courses will be expected to attend class in person.
- Before the start of classes, each course description on LawNET will contain a notation about the amount, if any, of asynchronous content in the course as well as the instructor’s recording policy for students who must miss classes for pandemic-related reasons.
• All in-person classes will end on November 24, 2020. The final week of all courses (Nov. 30 to Dec. 3) will be taught online, regardless of the format at the start of the semester.
• All fall exams will be administered remotely, according to the posted exam schedule.
• Upper-level courses are scheduled in the building all day on Mondays and starting at 4:00 pm Tuesdays through Thursdays. There are also a few weekend classes in the building. Building use is devoted primarily to 1L students during the day Tuesday through Friday.
• There will be a reservation system for studying in designated classrooms and the library, which will have a significantly reduced capacity.
• Make sure to schedule your in-person and online classes with enough time in between to allow you to travel between school and home, because there will not be space in the building to take an online course.
• The normal grading system will be applicable for all classes and all students.
• At the direction of the university, state, or city, we will shift to all-remote learning if necessary to protect public health.