Justice and Ethics in the Law Minor

Saint Joseph's University Justice and Ethics in the Law minor emphasizes the ethical, business, social, and political structures that underlie the law. This interdisciplinary minor examines how justice is defined in legal regimes (national and global) as well as the ethical issues raised by the enforcement of law, legal procedure, conflicting rights, and the making (and maintaining) of constitutions. All students will have the opportunity for an internship in a setting that engages law, ethics, and justice, moot court, and/or a simulation.

The Justice and Ethics in the Law minor emphasizes skills that may be applied to academic and professional life: analytic and problem solving skills; critical reading ability of complex texts; writing skills including preparing and revising papers; oral communication and listening abilities; and research and time-management skills.

Substantively, the minor aims - through serious academic work in a variety of fields and exploratory learning - to encourage students to develop a commitment to serving others and promoting justice as they reflect on issues of justice and ethics in their coursework. The minor complements the substance of the University’s mission as well as its commitment to serving the community outside the classroom (e.g. service-learning, Inside/Out Exploring Crime and Justice Behind the Walls).

Given the number of writing intensive, diversity, globalization, social science, and ethics intensive classes listed in the minor, students may satisfy much of the General Education Program through the minor (these courses are highlighted in RED).

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**REQUIREMENTS AND COURSE OFFERINGS**

Students take **SIX** courses:
- **TWO** core courses in legal reasoning (one from Haub, one from CAS)
- **TWO** ethics-intensive courses
- **TWO** electives within the program.

Students may take other Legal Reasoning or ethics-intensive courses as their electives. **In order to encourage interdisciplinarity, no more than three courses can be taken in the same department.** No class may count twice as part of the minor.

**Legal Reasoning:**
ALL minors must take **two** courses (one from Haub and one from CAS) that expose students to logical reasoning, reading cases, writing briefs, and/or research.

- POL 201 Sophomore Seminar: Law and Social Change
- POL 311 Constitutional Law: Civil Rights and Liberties
- POL 310 Constitutional Politics
- MGT 360 Legal Environment of Business I
- MGT 361 Introduction to Law (Honors)
- MGT 362 Legal Environment of Business II
- SOC 345 Law and Social Policy
- SOC 368 Sociology of Law

**Ethics Courses and Electives listed by Department**

**Accounting:**
- ACC 101 Concepts of Financial Accounting
- ACC 422 Forensic Accounting (pre-req = AC 317 may be waved by chair)

**English:**
- ENG 262 The Ethics of Writing
- ENG 206 Public Speaking and Presentation: Rhetoric in Modern Practice
- ENG 429 Reading and Writing the Civil Rights Movement (writing intensive and diversity)
ENG 482 Inside/Out Exploring Crime and Justice behind the Walls  
ENG 443 Writing and Environmental Justice (writing intensive)  
ENG 444 Writing through Race, Class, and Gender

English has three internships (ENG 490 Journalism Internships, ENG 491 Community Service Internships, and ENG 492 Writing and Editing Internships) that could accommodate ethics, justice, and law work.

**Environmental Sciences:**  
ENV 102 Environmental Theory and Ethics Seminar (ethics intensive) (pre-req = ENV105 or ENV106)

**History:**  
HIS 204 Latin American-US Migration (ethics intensive)  
HIS 319 Revolutions 1517-1648  
HIS 327 Transformations in Early Modern Europe (1400-1800)  
HIS 329 Crime and Punishment in History  
HIS 384 The Civil Rights Movement in America  
HIS 348 Witchcraft, Law, and the Supernatural in Early Modern Europe  
HIS 390 Environmental Justice (ethics intensive)  
HIS 472 Justice and Rights in Europe: 500-1527 (ethics intensive)  
HIS 472 Seminar in European History: The Inquisition (ethics intensive)

History has internships offered through independent study that could accommodate law, justice, and ethics work.

**Honors:**  
HON/PHL 336 Violence & Non Violence (ethics intensive)  
HON/MGT 361Introduction to Law  
HON 312 Civil Rights: Law and Society

**Linguistics:**  
LIN 260 Language and the Law

**Management:**  
MGT 360 Legal Environment of Business I  
MGT/HON 361 Introduction to Law  
MGT 362 Legal Environment of Business II  
MHC 360 Employment and Labor Law  
LEO 210 Business Stakeholders and Ethics (ethics intensive)  
IBU 363 International Business Law

**Marketing:**  
MKT 352 Sports Law

**Philosophy:**  
PHL 311 Philosophy of Law
PHL 262 Freedom, Citizenship, Culture (ethics intensive)
PHL 220 Logic or PHL 240 Symbolic Logic
PHL 338 Violence & Reconciliation in Northern Ireland (ethics intensive)
PHL 336 Violence & Non Violence (ethics intensive)
PHL 334 Ethics and Criminal Justice (ethics intensive)
PHL 320 Business, Society, and Ethics (ethics intensive)
PHL 342 Inside/Out Exploring Crime and Justice behind the Walls
Political Science:
POL 150 Law, Student Liberties, and the Supreme Court (First Year Seminar)
POL 201 Sophomore Seminar: Law and Social Change
POL 311 Constitutional Law: Civil Rights and Liberties (writing intensive)
POL 310 Constitutional Politics
POL 351 International Law & Organization
POL 367 Ethics of International Affairs (ethics intensive)
POL 407 Theories of Justice in the Twentieth Century (writing intensive)
POL 491 Philadelphia Area Internship (writing intensive)
Washington Center (semester or summer in Washington D.C. some credits may apply to minor)

Sociology:
SOC 345 Law and Social Policy
SOC 246 Criminal Justice Ethics and Legal Responsibility
SOC 251 Gender and the Law
SOC 264 Criminal Courts and Criminal Procedure
SOC 368 Sociology of Law
SOC 377 Inside-Out: Exploring Crime and Justice behind the Walls

Theology:
THE 366 Christian Medical Ethics (ethics intensive)
THE 368/IHS368 Just Health Care Developing Nations (run exclusively as a study tour) (ethics intensive, globalization overlay)