

Fall 2014 DePaul College of Law

Course Offerings for Chicago-Kent College of Law

Course Title	Credits	Day	Time	Room	Instructor	Exam Date	Exam Time	Limit	Notes
Constitutional Torts & Sec 1983	3	TuTh	10:30-11:45	701	Siegel	12/18	1:30 P.M.	5	
Cyberlaw	3	MoWe	10:30-11:45	804	Grynberg	12/8	1:30 P.M.	5	
Election Law	3	Tu	5:50-8:30	901	Smith	12/10	6:00 P.M.	5	
Immigration Law & Policy	3	TuTh	10:30-11:45	901	Tirres	Take home		3	Hybrid Course (online and in class)
State Constitutional Law	3	TuTh	1:00-2:15	701	Shaman	Take home		5	
Women & Jewish Law	3	Mo	2:30-5:10	631	Kwall	Paper		4	

Course Descriptions

CONSTITUTIONAL TORTS & SECTION 1983

This course provides an in depth study of 42 USC sec. 1983, the most widely used statute for protecting civil rights and redressing violations of the constitution. Among the topics covered are the elements and defenses to a cause of action, municipal liability, absolute and qualified immunity for public officials, state action, monetary relief, injunctive remedies, causation, choice of forum, and attorney's fee shifting.

CYBERLAW

This course provides a survey of selected topics in the rapidly evolving area of law applied to cyberspace and the internet. The course touches upon numerous areas of substantive law such as intellectual property, torts, jurisdiction, and privacy and the First Amendment, explores how courts have applied the law to the internet, and raises the important policy questions underlying the application of law to this new medium.

ELECTION LAW

This course will explore the intersection of law and the political process. Topics covered may include campaign finance law, redistricting, racial and partisan gerrymandering, ballot access laws, the Voting Rights Act of 1965, modern barriers to voting, and the regulation of political parties.

IMMIGRATION LAW AND POLICY

This course gives students an understanding of the complexities of U.S. immigration law and policy. Topics of discussion include: sources of immigration power; role of the federal courts; methods of admission, including family and employment immigration; grounds of removal; and the acquisition of citizenship.

STATE CONSTITUTIONAL LAW

This course examines state court decisions from around the country to illustrate the array of state constitutional issues occurring in modern American law. State constitutions are a source of rights independent of the Federal Constitution and frequently are applied by state courts to grant more expansive protection for individual rights than the Federal Constitution affords. Moreover, state constitutional law, like its federal counterpart, is not limited to issues involving individual rights. Course coverage may include equality, due process of law, criminal procedure, property rights, religion, freedom of speech, school funding, the right to a remedy, the structure of state government, judicial power, and amendment processes.

WOMEN AND JEWISH LAW

This course will examine the primary issues of Jewish Law affecting women, particularly as they pertain to family law. Among the topics that will be highlighted are marriage, divorce, sexual relations, and child rearing responsibilities. The course will involve an examination of both the classical Jewish law texts on these topics (in English) as well as a discussion of more current positions on the issues covered. Students need not have any background or religious affiliation to take this class.