The College of Law will hold all courses online, via Blackboard Collaborate, Zoom, or a similar platform, except for the Agen Summer Program and NIU Law clinics, which will be held in-person only.

Information regarding tuition for the summer session may be obtained from the Bursar’s Office. By University rule, tuition waivers (including those held by Research Assistants) may not be used for summer courses, except for tuition waivers held by Graduate Assistants.

As in recent years, there will be two, non-overlapping summer sessions. The first session will begin on Monday, May 16 and end on Wednesday, July 6, but please consult the course descriptions below to ascertain the actual first and last days of class for each course, which will likely be different. The second session will begin on Thursday, July 7 and end on Friday, August 12, though again, consult the course descriptions for the actual first and last days of class.

The date and time of a course’s final exam is listed below the first and last days of class for each course. All changes to exam dates and times must be approved by an Associate Dean, even if a request is made to a faculty member. Faculty cannot make exceptions to this rule.

Students may not be enrolled for more than 7 credit hours in a summer session, and students may receive no more than 10 credits total for summer courses.

Shopping carts should be available sometime during the day on Monday, April 11. Registration will be open for students beginning at 7:00 a.m. on Friday, April 15. Although the College of Law anticipates holding all classes listed below, courses are subject to cancellation for low enrollment.

**First Summer Session**

**Asylum Law** (LAW 608) (2 credits), Interim Asst. Dean Anita Maddali (synchronous online)

Asylum Law will meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 2:00 p.m. to 3:50 p.m., for seven weeks, from May 17 to June 30.

**Exam:** Tuesday, July 5 at 1:00 p.m. (online)

**Law and Technology** (LAW 609) (3 credits), Prof. Heidi Kuehl (synchronous online)

Law and Technology will meet on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, from 9:00 a.m. to 10:55 a.m., for seven weeks, from May 16 to June 30. There will be no classes on Memorial Day, May 30 and Juneteenth, June 20.

**Exam:** Wednesday, July 6 at 9:30 a.m. (online)
Family Law (LAW 610) (3 credits), Prof. Wendy Vaughn (synchronous online)

Family Law will meet on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, from 11:00 a.m. to 12:55 p.m., for seven weeks, from May 16 to June 30. There will be no classes on Memorial Day, May 30 and Juneteenth, June 20.

Exam: Tuesday, July 5 at 9:30 a.m. (online)

Professional Responsibility (LAW 643) (3 credits), Prof. Dauna Williams (synchronous online)

Professional Responsibility will meet on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays, from 8:30 a.m. to 10:25 a.m., for seven weeks, from May 16 to June 29. There will be no classes on Memorial Day, May 30 and Juneteenth, June 20.

Exam: Wednesday, July 6 at 9:30 a.m. (online)

Entertainment Law (LAW 654) (3 credits), Assoc. Dean Yolanda King (asynchronous online)

Entertainment Law will be offered as an asynchronous course with no set meeting time. Assignments and due dates will be arranged with Associate Dean King. The course runs for seven weeks, from May 16 to June 30.

Exam: Wednesday, July 6 at 1:00 p.m. (online)


Registration for this course is required of, and limited to, students participating in the Agen Summer Program, which runs from May 27 to July 5. Schedules will be arranged by the instructors.

The Legal System of the European Union (LAW 699B) (3 credits), Profs. David Taylor, et al.

Registration for this course is required of, and limited to, students participating in the Agen Summer Program, which runs from May 27 to July 5. Schedules will be arranged by the instructors.
Legal Writing and Advocacy II (LAW 701 – Section 1) (2 credits), Prof. Jay Streitz (synchronous online)

Legal Writing and Advocacy II is normally required of all rising 2L students in the fall of their second year of law school. Students may complete this requirement early by taking the summer session of the course. It will meet on Mondays and Wednesdays, from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., for seven weeks, from May 16 to June 29. There will be no classes on Memorial Day, May 30 and Juneteenth, June 20.

Exam:  There is no final examination for this course, but a final “argument” will be scheduled with Professor Streitz for the week of July 4.

Second Summer Session

Sports Law (LAW 637) (3 credits), Prof. Shannon Holmes (synchronous online)

Sports Law will meet on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., for just over four weeks, from July 7 to August 8.

Exam: Thursday, August 11 at 1:00 p.m. (online)

International Human Rights (LAW 646) (3 credits), Prof. Katy Gwiazdon (synchronous online)

International Human Rights will meet on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., for just over four weeks, from July 7 to August 8.

Exam: There is no final examination for this course, but a final paper is due Sunday, August 14.

Health Law (LAW 674) (3 credits), Prof. Meredith Stange (synchronous online)

Health Law will meet on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., for just over four weeks, from July 7 to August 8.

Exam: Friday, August 12 at 9:30 a.m. (online)

Civil Rights (LAW 675) (3 credits), Prof. Marc Falkoff (asynchronous online)

Civil Rights will be offered as an asynchronous course with no set meeting time. Assignments and due dates will be arranged with Professor Falkoff. The course runs for just over four weeks, from July 7 to August 8.

Exam: Friday, August 12 at 1:00 p.m. (online)
Legal Writing and Advocacy II (LAW 701) (Section 2) (2 credits), Prof. Jessica Harrill (synchronous online)

Legal Writing and Advocacy II is normally required of all rising 2L students in the fall of their second year of law school. Students may complete this requirement early by taking the summer session of the course. It will meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 1:00 p.m. to 3:40 p.m., for just over four weeks, from July 7 to August 4.

Exam: There is no final examination for this course, but a final “argument” will be scheduled with Professor Harrill for the week of August 8.

Summer Experiential Courses

Clinic Courses

College of Law summer clinic courses are available only to rising 3Ls. Students cannot enroll in more than one clinic course. The Civil Justice Clinic, Criminal Defense Clinic, and Health Advocacy Clinic will be in operation during the first summer session for seven weeks, from May 16 to June 30. Students will participate in two in-person seminar meetings per week, on Mondays and Wednesdays from 1:30 to 3:20 p.m. There will be no seminar meetings on Memorial Day, May 30 and Juneteenth, June 20. Successful completion of a clinic will satisfy the College of Law’s experiential learning graduation requirement.

Civil Justice Clinic (LAW 805) (4 credits), Prof. Wendy Vaughn (Zeke Giorgi Legal Clinic)

Pre- or Co-requisites: (1) 711 License (requires completion of 45 credit hours and submission of a 711 application form); (2) Lawyering Skills; and (3) Professional Responsibility.

Students should plan to work on clinic cases the equivalent of three (3) days per week.

- At least two (2) days or sixteen (16) hours must be spent in Rockford at the Zeke Giorgi Legal Clinic for students to conduct intakes, to participate in court hearings, and to meet with clients, witnesses, and Professor Vaughn.
  - Given the court's scheduling of hearings, students should plan to spend one (1) full day every Friday in Rockford at the Zeke Giorgi Legal Clinic.
  - The additional clinic time may be another full day or two half days in Rockford at the Zeke Giorgi Legal Clinic.
- The third day or remaining eight (8) hours may be completed from campus or elsewhere and do not necessarily need to be at the clinic location in Rockford.

Students’ schedules will be arranged in consultation with Professor Vaughn.
Criminal Defense Clinic (LAW 810) (4 credits), Prof. Paul Cain (Zeke Giorgi Legal Clinic)

Pre- or Co-requisites: (1) 711 License (requires completion of 45 credit hours and submission of a 711 application form); (2) Lawyering Skills; and (3) Professional Responsibility.

Students should plan to work on clinic cases the equivalent of three (3) days per week.

- At least two (2) days or sixteen (16) hours must be spent in Rockford at the Zeke Giorgi Legal Clinic for students to attend court, and to meet with clients, witnesses, and Professor Cain.
  - Students should schedule one full day in Rockford.
  - The other day may be either a full day or two half-days.
- The third day or remaining eight (8) hours may be completed from campus or elsewhere and do not necessarily need to be at the clinic location in Rockford.

Students’ schedules will be arranged in consultation with Professor Cain.

Health Advocacy Clinic (LAW 815) (4 credits), Prof. Colleen Boraca (Hesed House)

The seminar class for the Health Advocacy Clinic (HAC) will meet at Hesed House in Aurora, where the HAC is located.

Pre- or Co-requisites: (1) 711 License (requires completion of 45 credit hours and submission of a 711 application form) is preferred but not required; (2) Professional Responsibility.

Students should plan to work on clinic cases the equivalent of three (3) days per week.

- At least two (2) days or sixteen (16) hours must be spent in Aurora at the Health Advocacy Clinic for students to conduct intakes, and to meet with clients, witnesses, and Professor Boraca.
- The third day or remaining eight (8) hours may be completed from campus or elsewhere and do not necessarily need to be at the clinic location in Aurora.

Students’ schedules will be arranged in consultation with Professor Boraca.

Externships (4 credits), Asst. Dean Greg Anderson (synchronous online)

Criminal Law Externship (LAW 850)  Athletic Law Externship (LAW 853)
Judicial Externship (LAW 851)    Business Law Externship (LAW 855)
Civil Law Externship (LAW 852)
Students may enroll in either the first or second summer session to earn academic credit for an externship. Given the need to coordinate with employers’ schedules, overlap is permissible. Assistant Dean Anderson has sole discretion to determine the feasibility of any proposed placements, urges students to be creative, and is available for help.

Summer externships for academic credit are available only to rising 3L students. All externships include a one hour per week classroom component with Assistant Dean Anderson. The one-hour classroom component for summer externships will meet online weekly on Tuesdays at 5:00 p.m., with additional meeting opportunities throughout the summer. Please contact Assistant Dean Anderson for more information.

Externship placements require 168 hours of “fieldwork.” Student externs must work 24 hours per week for seven weeks. Many students work more than the minimum. Work schedules will be determined by agreement between the student and the employer, subject to approval by Assistant Dean Anderson. Students cannot begin earning credit for work at a placement until May 16 and must conclude August 12. Because of the nature of the time commitment, the opportunity to work at an externship will likely extend over both summer sessions, but it is possible to complete an externship in just seven weeks. Successful completion of a clinic will satisfy the College of Law’s experiential learning graduation requirement.

Students may not register themselves for an externship. To register for an externship, students must contact Assistant Dean Anderson, complete an externship application form, and confirm that they have completed the required courses, Introduction to Lawyering Skills and Professional Responsibility, prior to enrollment in an externship.