

# Undergraduate Bulletin

## Law and Society

### 2012-2013

#### **LAW AND SOCIETY (BACHELORS OF ARTS)**

The Law and Society major offers an interdisciplinary approach to the study of law and legal institutions, their impact on society, and society's impact on them. The major is organized around the central theme of understanding law as an instrument of political and social change and examines questions concerning how law matters in people's lives; how law and law-like systems of rules empower and constrain individuals, groups, organizations and communities; and how the structures and values in social institutions shape and are shaped by law.

*Credits required.* 36

*Prerequisites.* POL 101 and SOC 101. Students are strongly urged to complete these two courses during their first year in the College. These courses will fulfill the College's general education require-

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ment in the social sciences. Additional prerequisites for individual courses include ANT 315 which requires at least one course in either Anthropology or Law, and ECO 215 which requires ECO 101.

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## **PART ONE: INTRODUCTORY COURSE**

### *Required*

LWS 200 Introduction to Law and Society

**Credits**

**Subtotal: 3**

## **PART TWO: SKILLS**

### *Required*

SSC 325 Research Methods in the Behavioral Sciences

**Subtotal: 3**

## **PART THREE: FOUNDATIONS**

*(Two courses in this area must be at the 300-level or above)*

### **Category A: American Legal Foundations**

*Select two* (one course must be at 300-level or above)

HIS 277 American Legal History

LAW 206 The American Judiciary

POL 301 Constitutional Powers

POL 308 State Courts and State Constitutional Law

### **Category B: International Legal Foundations**

*Select one*

ANT 315 Systems of Law

POL 250 International Law and Justice

POL 320 International Human Rights

### **Category C: Sociological Foundations**

*Select one*

SOC 206 The Sociology of Conflict and Dispute Resolution

SOC 232 Social Stratification

SOC 302 Social Problems

## **PART FOUR: PHILOSOPHY/JURISPRUDENCE/ETHICS**

**Subtotal: 3**

*Select one*

POL 270 Political Philosophy

POL 371 American Political Philosophy

POL 375 Law, Order, Justice and Society

LAW 301 Jurisprudence

LAW 310/PHI 310 Ethics and Law

PHI 302 Philosophical Issues of Rights

## **PART FIVE: SOCIETAL AND POLITICAL CHANGE**

**Subtotal: 12**

*Select four courses or two courses plus an internship; all students must take at least one of the courses marked with an asterisk (\*) on race, gender, sexual orientation or ethnicity*

\*LLS 322 Civil Rights and Civil Liberties in the Urban Latina/o Communities

\*POL 313/LAW 313 The Law and Politics of Race Relations

\*POL 318 The Law and Politics of Sexual Orientation

\*POL 319 Gender and the Law

ANT 330 American Cultural Pluralism and the Law

ECO 215 Economics of Regulation and the Law

POL 305 Constitutional Rights and Liberties

POL 316 The Politics of Rights

POL 435 Seminar in Judicial Processes and Politics

SOC 305 The Sociology of Law

**Internship Options** (each internship is at least 6 credits & requires permission of the instructor)

POL 406 Seminar and Internship in NYC Government and Politics

POL 407 New York State Assembly/Senate Session Program

POL 408 CUNY Washington, D.C. Summer Internship Program

## **PART SIX: SENIOR CAPSTONE**

**Subtotal: 3**

*Required*

LWS 425 Colloquium for Research in Law and Society

**Total: 36**