

Course Planning

COURSE PLANNING RECOMMENDATIONS BEYOND GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:

Every student has individualized goals and needs, and we are happy to help you develop a personalized course plan. Generally, however, we recommend the following:

- Evidence and 4-6 bar subject electives, at least 3 from MBE subjects, plus an additional drafting course or law journal.
- 1-2 professional interest electives or certificate program courses per semester.
- To meet market expectations, at least 2 substantive legal experiences (working on actual client matters, e.g., externship, CLIP, DV/DWI, law clerk position.)

Bar Exam Subjects	UNM School of Law Courses
Multistate Bar Exam (MBE) and Multistate Essay Exam (MEE) Subjects	
Civil Procedure* (Federal Civil Procedure)	Civil Procedure 1 (Required 1L) Civil Procedure 2
Constitutional Law*	Administrative Law Advanced Constitutional Rights Constitutional Rights (Required 2L) Federal Jurisdiction Introduction to Constitutional Law (Required 1L)
Contracts* (including UCC 2 and Revised UCC 1)	Contracts 1 (Required 1L) Contracts 2 Remedies Sales of Goods (UCC Article 2)
Criminal Law and Procedure*	Criminal Law (Required 1L) Criminal Procedure 1 Criminal Procedure 2
Evidence*	Evidence <i>or</i> Evidence-Trial Practice
Real Property*	Property 1 (Required 1L) Property 2
Torts*	Torts (Required 1L) Torts 2 Advanced Torts
Multistate Essay Exam (MEE) Essay-only Subjects	
Business Associations (Agency, Partnerships, Corporations, and LLCs)	Business Associations 1
Conflict of Laws	Conflict of Laws
Family Law (majority law principles, not New Mexico)	Family Law
Trusts and Estates	Wills and Trusts
UCC Article 9 (Secured Transactions)	Secured Transactions
<p>* Subject is on both the Multistate Bar Exam (MBE) and the Multistate Essay Exam (MEE) parts of the bar exam. The MBE is used in 49 states. The MEE tests 12 subjects and is part of the Uniform Bar Exam, used in New Mexico and 30+ other states.</p> <p>New Mexico is a Uniform Bar Exam (UBE) state. New Mexico subjects tested follow the NCBE's MBE Subject Matter Outline and the MEE Subject Matter Outline. Our courses that relate to these topics are listed on the right. Note also that all UNM SOL students must take Ethics, and to be admitted to the NM Bar, they must also pass the MPRE.</p>	

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	Fall	Spring	Summer
1L	Contracts 3	Civil Procedure I 3	Journal Competition Courses: Experience:
	Criminal Law 3	Constitutional Law 3	
	Torts 3	Property I 3	
	ELA I 3	ELA II 3	
	Lab 3	Legal Research (Intro) 1	
2L	Constitutional Rights 3		Courses: Experience:
	Evidence/ETP 3/6		
3L			Bar Prep & Exam

Graduation requirements (Subject to change; see the Bulletin and Handbook of Policies for details)

- Clinic
- Drafting Course
- Legal Research – 1L Intro & 2L Applied
- Ethics
- Writing Seminar
- Minimum 86 credit hours

Consider sitting for the next MPRE in March, August, or November after you complete the Ethics course.

Please note:

- Either a writing seminar or a drafting course must be completed in the 2L year.
- Applied Legal Research must be completed during the summer, fall, or spring semester of 2L year.
- 86 credit hour minimum does not include hours for repeating a required course.
- Limitations include: 6 credits Independent Research / 6 credits of approved non-law classes.
- **Each student is wholly responsible for knowing and meeting graduation requirements.**