# **Family Law Concentration**

#### I. Foundation Courses

All students must complete Family Law. Students also must complete an additional course from menu below.

Name of Course	Number of Credits
Family Law	3
Students also must complete either one of the following:	
Federal Income Taxation	4
Trusts and Estates	4

#### II. Electives

Students must complete at least two courses from the menu of electives. The same course may not be used to satisfy both the foundation course requirement and the elective course requirement. Students may satisfy one of their elective courses by completing an appropriate graduate level course in the School of Social Work or the School of Nursing with the advanced approval of the Concentration Coordinator.

Name of Course	Number of Credits
ERISA: Pensions (Tax Policy)	2
Federal Income Taxation	4
Human Trafficking Seminar	2
Immigration and Human Rights Seminar (Rome)	2
Immigration Law: Deportation and Asylum	2
Immigration Law: Employment, Family and Naturalization	2
Interviewing, Counseling, and Negotiating Skills	2
Juvenile Law	3
Mediation and Arbitration Skills	2
Tax on Wealth Transfers/Estate Planning	2
Trial Practice	3
Trusts and Estates	4
Wealth Management	2

## III. Writing Requirement

Students must take one of these courses. A course taken to satisfy one of the elective course requirements also satisfies the writing requirement if the student completes a Portfolio or Qualifying Course Paper for the course. The same course may be used to

satisfy the writing requirement and the transition to practice course only if the course is taken for at least six credits.

Name of Course	Number of Credits
Any course with a Qualifying Paper if on a family law topic	
Any course from the menu of electives if Portfolio	
CCLS: Families and the Law Clinic if Portfolio	6
CCLS: Immigrant and Refugee Advocacy Clinic if Portfolio	4 or 6
CCLS: Low Income Taxpayer Clinic if Portfolio	4, 5, or 6
CCLS: Veterans Advocacy and Estate Planning Clinic if Portfolio	4, 5, or 6
Directed Research if on a family law topic	2
Law Journal Writing if on a family law topic	2 over 2 semesters
Legal Drafting: Dispositive Motions	3
Legal Drafting: General Drafting	3
Legal Drafting: Litigation Drafting	3

## IV. Transition to Practice

Students must complete one course from the following list. Students are encouraged to complete Columbus Community Legal Services: Families and the Law Clinic, Immigrant and Refugee Advocacy Clinic, Low Income Tax Clinic, or Veterans Advocacy and Estate Planning Clinic, if possible, as these clinics represent clients in the area of family law. We recognize that for scheduling and other reasons this might not be possible. The same course may not be used to satisfy both the elective course requirement and the transition to practice requirement. The same course may be used to satisfy the writing requirement and the transition to practice course only if the course is taken for at least six credits.

Name of Course	Number of Credits
CCLS: Families and the Law Clinic	6
CCLS: Immigrant and Refugee Advocacy Clinic	4 or 6
CCLS: Low Income Taxpayer Clinic	4, 5, or 6
CCLS: Veterans Advocacy and Estate Planning Clinic	4, 5, or 6
Trial Practice	3

## V. Externship Recommendation

Students are urged to complete an externship in an appropriate placement related to family law practice, which can include a judicial externship.