

NEW COURSES

SPRING 2009

1432.01-International Protection of Human Rights

3 Credits

The concept of human rights; the United Nations; international, regional and national norms and procedures to protect rights of the individual and groups. Also, the human rights program; regional arrangements such as the European System and the Inter-American System. Emphasis on problems of implementation. Selected cases studies and concepts such as self-determination and humanitarian intervention.

1432.02 - Advanced Appellate Advocacy

2 Credits

Advanced work in writing appellate briefs and making oral arguments. The course will be taught by Professor J.H. Huebert.

1432.05 - Iceland International Law Thesis

3 Credits

A three-credit independent study for those students participating in the Iceland Exchange Program. The topic will be determined by the student and supervising professor. An Independent Study form must be completed by the student prior to Registration.

1432.03 - History of Judicial Decision Making (Seminar)

2 Credits

The seminar will focus on significant historical figures and moments in the development of the law. Starting with the Trial of Socrates in Fifth Century Athens, the course will examine important moments and figures in the development of our notions of what the law is and what it should be. The first half of the course will examine figures such as Lord Coke, Lord Mansfield, John Marshall, Joseph Story, John Marshall Harlan, Oliver Wendell Holmes Jr. and Felix Frankfurter, as well as incidents like the Salem Witch Trials and the trial of Saco and Vanzetti. The second part of the course will focus on judges since the New Deal era. Each student will be required to write a significant paper and make a presentation on an important judge describing his or her biography and contributions to the law.