



Office of the Associate Dean  
School of Law  
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TO: ALL RISING SECOND-YEAR AND THIRD-YEAR STUDENTS

SUBJECT: REGISTRATION FOR SUMMER 2025 AND FALL 2025

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## IMPORTANT NOTES FOR REGISTRATION

- **DATES FOR SUMMER AND FALL 2025 REGISTRATION**

**Monday, March 24 – Monday, April 14:** Faculty/Student Advising

**Tuesday, Apr. 15:** Registration opens through Banner Web at **8:00 a.m. for 2Ls ONLY.**

**Wednesday, Apr. 16:** Registration opens through Banner Web at **8:00 a.m. for 1Ls ONLY.**

**The last day to register online for each term is listed below:**

Summer Intersession Term: May 19th

Summer Term: June 4th

Fall Term: August 25th

- **MAXIMUM HOURS FOR SUMMER TERM**

Students must have permission from the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs to take more than 6 hours in the regular summer term. A student can take a maximum of 8 credit hours in the summer. Approval forms are available at <http://law.mc.edu/approvals>.

- **MAXIMUM HOURS FOR FALL SEMESTER**

Your Banner account is set at a maximum of 16 credit hours for the fall semester. If you want to take over 16 credit hours for the fall term, you must have approval from Dean Purvis. (Approval will only be granted up to 18 credit hours.) Approval forms are at <http://law.mc.edu/approvals>.

- **MINIMUM HOURS FOR FALL SEMESTER**

If you are taking **fewer than 12 hours** for the fall semester, you must have approval from Dean Purvis unless you are in your final semester and need less than 12 hours to graduate. Approval forms are available at <http://law.mc.edu/approvals>.

- **FALL EXAM SCHEDULE**

The fall exam schedule will be published after registration in order to minimize exam conflicts based on actual registration.

- **EXAM POLICY**

A student may request an alternate exam date only in exceptional circumstances. A student requesting an alternate exam date must complete an Alternate Exam Date Request Form from the Associate Dean. Both the professor and the Associate Dean must approve a request for an alternate exam date by signing the Alternate Exam Date Request Form. After the required signatures are obtained, the student must submit the original form to the professor and give copies of the form to the Associate Dean and the staff member responsible for scheduling alternate exam dates.

- **FACULTY ADVISING**

Our registration system includes faculty advising. Before you make any decisions regarding your schedule, we recommend that you take the time to plan your schedule and consult your faculty advisor for counseling. If you do not know who your faculty advisor is, you can find this information on **Degree Works**.

- **GUIDED CURRICULUM**

Students who are in the Guided Curriculum must have their schedules approved by their assigned advisor. Advisor approval forms are available at <http://law.mc.edu/approvals>. When you have your schedule approved, make sure your advisor gives you your **alternate pin number**. You will not be able to register for courses without your alternate pin number. If you do not know who your advisor is, you can find this information on **Degree Works**.

**Absent exceptional circumstances, students in the Guided Curriculum must take all required courses on campus.**

- **ACADEMIC PROBATION STUDENTS**

All students who are on academic probation or have ever been on academic probation must have their schedules approved by their faculty advisor. Advisor approval forms are available at <http://law.mc.edu/approvals>.

- **REGISTRATION RESTRICTIONS FOR STUDENTS ON ACADEMIC PROBATION**

A student who is on academic probation may register for summer courses. If the student does not earn the required cumulative GPA to be removed from probation, the student will be academically dismissed and will not be allowed to continue in summer school regardless of the ruling on any appeal.

**A student who is on academic probation when registration opens for summer or winter intersession courses may not register for and/or enroll in an intersession course.**

A student whose GPA drops below a 2.0 at the end of a semester and has already enrolled in a summer school course will be removed from the course and the tuition will be refunded.

A student whose GPA drops below a 2.0 at the end of a semester and has already completed an intersession class while on probation, but before grades were available, may elect to be removed from the course and have the tuition refunded or take a pass/fail credit for the course.

A student whose GPA drops below a 2.0 at the end of a semester and is enrolled in a study abroad program may elect to be removed from the course and have the tuition refunded or take a pass/fail credit for the course.

- **REGISTRATION FOR CLINICS**

Registration for all clinics is by application only. Students must have a minimum of 45 credit hours to enroll in a clinic. For more information see <http://law.mc.edu/academics/clinics/> or contact Prof. Shirley Kennedy ([skennedy@mc.edu](mailto:skennedy@mc.edu)).

- **ADVANCED LEGAL ANALYSIS (ALA) – Rising 3L Students**

**All 3Ls who are graduating in December 2025 or participating in the “Fast Track to Mississippi Practice Program” must take ALA in the Fall 2025 semester.** (All 3Ls who are graduating in May 2026, with the exception of Fast Track students, must take ALA in the Spring 2026 semester.) Fall ALA is reserved for students who are taking the February 2026 Bar exam. The only exception to this requirement is for those students who plan to take only the Louisiana Bar. These students can take Civil Law of Property instead of ALA. If you plan to take Civil Law of Property instead of ALA, you must complete the appropriate form at [law.mc.edu/approvals](http://law.mc.edu/approvals).

- **LAC III – Rising 2L Students**

**All second-year students are required to take LAC III in the fall semester.** Second-year students will be automatically enrolled in LAC III.

- **CONSTITUTIONAL LAW WILL ONLY BE OFFERED IN FALL 2025.** (It will not be offered in Spring 2026.) If you are a rising 3L and have not yet taken Constitutional Law, you must enroll in Fall 2025. If you are a rising 2L and anticipate being placed on the Guided Curriculum (below a 2.0 GPA at the end of the 1L year), you should enroll in Constitutional Law in Fall 2025.

- **PREREQUISITE FOR EXTERNSHIP I**

**Professional Identity Formation is a prerequisite for Externship I beginning Fall 2025.**

**If you are enrolling in Externship I for Fall 2025**, you should enroll in Professional Identity Formation during the May Intersession. (See p. 6 for details. Professional Identity Formation will be taught on campus. Students may request permission to take Professional Identity Formation online by filling out the “Distance Learning Approval” form located at [law.mc.edu/approvals](http://law.mc.edu/approvals).) If you are unable to enroll in the May Intersession course, please email Dean Purvis to request approval to take Professional Identity Formation as a corequisite in Fall 2025. Professional Identity Formation is a prerequisite for Externship I only, not for Externship II or III. There is no longer a classroom component associated with Externship I, II, or III.

**If you are enrolling in Externship I for Summer 2025**, you are strongly encouraged to enroll in Professional Identity Formation during the May Intersession (while not a prerequisite for Summer 2025, we want to ensure that you have the opportunity to take this course prior to your field placement). (See p. 6 for details. Professional Identity Formation will be taught on campus. Students may request permission to take Professional Identity Formation online by filling out the “Distance Learning Approval” form located at [law.mc.edu/approvals](http://law.mc.edu/approvals).) If you are unable to enroll in the May Intersession course, please email Dean Purvis for additional resources to access prior to your field placement.

- **ENROLLMENT LIMITS**

In general, upper-level required courses and Guided Curriculum courses are limited to 60 students. Other upper-level courses, except for clinics, seminars and simulation courses, are limited to 40 students. The enrollment limits for the clinics, seminars and simulation courses being offered in the summer and fall are listed below:

**Summer 2025 Enrollment Limits**

Sports Law – 25

Advanced Child Advocacy Clinic – 18

All Other Clinics – 6

**Fall 2025 Enrollment Limits**

Advanced Legal Analysis (Limited to students taking the February 2026 Bar Exam)

Alternative Dispute Resolution – 16

Advanced Child Advocacy Clinic – 18

All Other Clinics – 6

Criminal Law and Procedure Seminar – 6

Juvenile Legal Issues Seminar – Limited to students pursuing Family Law Certificate

Law and Religion Seminar – 16

Federal Pre-Trial Practice – 12

Pretrial Practice – 12

Trial Practice – 16

Worker’s Compensation – 16

- **DISTANCE LEARNING COURSES (courses will count toward your 15-hour Distance Learning limit)**

The following courses will be held **exclusively online via Zoom**:

- Employment Discrimination (Fall)
- Secured Transactions (Summer)
- Sports Law (Summer)

- **CREDIT HOURS**

Because the following courses can be taught for different credit hours, as indicated in the Academic Catalog, please note the credit hours for Summer and Fall 2025:

Legislation – 2.0 credit hours

Oil and Gas – 2.0 credit hours

Sports Law – 2.0 credit hours

- **WRITING REQUIREMENT**

The writing requirement may be satisfied in one of three ways:

1. In connection with a seminar or other course in which a paper is required in lieu of an examination;
2. By completion of a significant and highly meritorious law review piece, written in connection with membership on the Mississippi College Law Review, with approval of and supervision by a full-time faculty member (this applies to law review students who write a case note or comment); or
3. In exceptional circumstances, in connection with an in-depth individual study and research of a selected topic under the supervision of a full-time faculty member pursuant to Law 795. Unless an exception is granted by the Associate Dean, students must have their research project approved by a full-time faculty member and the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and register for LAW 795 during the registration period in the semester prior to the semester in which they will complete the project. (For example, a student who wishes to complete his/her writing requirement under Law 795 in the fall semester must have his/her research project approved and register for Law 795 in the spring semester).

**The following courses offered in Fall 2025 will satisfy the writing requirement:**

- Criminal Law and Procedure Seminar
- Juvenile Legal Issues Seminar
- Law and Religion Seminar

- **EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING REQUIREMENT**

The following courses will count toward the 6-hour experiential learning requirement:

- Alternative Dispute Resolution (2 hours)
- Clinics (3 hours each)
- Externships (2, 3, 4, 5 or 6 hours)
- Federal Pre-Trial Practice (2 hours)
- Pretrial Practice (2 hours)
- Trial Practice (3 hours)
- Worker's Compensation (2 hours)

- **CANCELLATION OF COURSES DUE TO LOW ENROLLMENT**

A CLASS LISTED ON THE SCHEDULE MAY BE CANCELED IF ONLY A FEW STUDENTS ENROLL IN IT. IF YOU SELECT A CLASS THAT WE MUST CANCEL DUE TO INSUFFICIENT ENROLLMENT, YOU WILL HAVE TO FIND A DIFFERENT COURSE TO FIT YOUR SCHEDULE.

**MAY INTERSESSION**  
**Monday, May 19 - Friday, May 30**

<b>Mon., May 19</b>	<b>Tues., May 20</b>	<b>Wed., May 21</b>	<b>Thurs., May 22</b>	<b>Fri., May 23</b>
<b><u>9:00-12:30</u></b> Professional Identity Formation - Hall	<b><u>9:00-12:30</u></b> Professional Identity Formation - Hall	<b><u>9:00-12:30</u></b> Professional Identity Formation - Hall	<b><u>9:00-12:30</u></b> Professional Identity Formation - Hall	<b><u>9:00-12:30</u></b> Professional Identity Formation - Hall
<b>Mon., May 26</b>	<b>Tues., May 27</b>	<b>Wed., May 28</b>	<b>Thurs., May 29</b>	<b>Fri., May 30</b>
<b>NO CLASS</b>	<b><u>9:00-12:30</u></b> Professional Identity Formation - Hall	<b><u>9:00-12:30</u></b> Professional Identity Formation - Hall	<b><u>9:00-12:30</u></b> Professional Identity Formation - Hall	<b>FINAL EXAM</b>

**Professional Identity Formation is a prerequisite to Externship I beginning Fall 2025.**

Professional Identity Formation will be taught on campus. Students may request permission to take Professional Identity Formation online by filling out the “Distance Learning Approval” form located at [law.mc.edu/approvals](http://law.mc.edu/approvals). Final Exam will be given in person on Friday, May 30th, at 9:00 a.m. on campus for all students. (No class on Monday, May 26th.)

**SUMMER 2025 TERM**  
**Monday, June 2 - Friday, August 1**

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>
	<b>8:30-11:30</b> Child Advocacy Clinic – Kennedy; King (adj.); McBride (adj.)		<b>8:30-11:30</b> Child Advocacy Clinic – Kennedy; King (adj.); McBride (adj.)	<b>8:00-3:00</b> Advocacy Center - Veterans Clinic – Jones (adj.) <small>*Note: Veterans Clinic will be canceled absent sufficient enrollment.</small>
<b>5:00-7:50</b> Sports Law – Jackson (adj.) - Online				<small>*MISSION FIRST LEGAL AID CLINIC – Classroom and clinic hours TBD after registration.</small>
	<b>5:30-7:35</b> Secured Transactions- Manhein (adj.) – Online		<b>5:30-7:35</b> Secured Transactions- Manhein (adj.) – Online	

**SECURED TRANSACTIONS** – 3.0 CREDIT HOURS. ONLINE ONLY. FINAL EXAM ON CAMPUS.

**SPORTS LAW** – 2.0 CREDIT HOURS. ONLINE ONLY. FINAL EXAM ON CAMPUS.

**SUMMER CLINICS** – IN PERSON ONLY.

**The following clinics will be offered during the Summer 2025 Term:**

Child Advocacy Clinic – Kennedy; King (adj.); McBride (adj.)

Mission First Legal Aid Clinic – Shannon (adj.)

Veterans Clinic – Jones (adj.)

All clinics require an application for participation. Contact Prof. Shirley Kennedy ([skennedy@mc.edu](mailto:skennedy@mc.edu)) for more information. All clinics require 15 classroom and 135 clinical hours. The class times are noted on the schedule above.

**SUMMER 2025 FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE**

**Thursday, July 31 – 9:00 a.m. – ON CAMPUS**

Secured Transactions

Sports Law

## FALL 2025 SCHEDULE

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>8:20-9:45</b> 150 - Civil Procedure I B – Smith 251 - Ethics – Campbell AC100 - LAC III – Hall 151-B - LAC III – White	<b>8:20-9:45</b> 251 - Contracts I B – Anderson 250 - Contracts I A – Purvis 200 – Civil Law Obligations – McIntosh  <b>8:30-11:30</b> Child Advocacy Clinic – Kennedy; King (adj.); McBride (adj.); Stanfield (adj.)	<b>8:20-9:45</b> 150 - Civil Procedure I B – Smith 251 - Ethics – Campbell AC100 - LAC III – Hall 151-B – LAC III – White	<b>8:20-9:45</b> 251 - Contracts I B – Anderson 250 - Contracts I A – Purvis 200 – Civil Law Obligations – McIntosh  <b>8:30-11:30</b> Child Advocacy Clinic – Kennedy; King (adj.); McBride (adj.); Stanfield (adj.)	<b>8:00-2:30</b> Advocacy Center 404 -Veterans Clinic – Jones (adj.)  <b>9:00-9:55</b> 203 - Legal Research I B1-Lindsay 200 - Legal Research I B2- TBD 251 - Legal Research I B3-Walter
<b>9:30-10:55</b> 251 - Civil Procedure I A – Will		<b>9:30-10:55</b> 251 - Civil Procedure I A – Will  <b>9:30-12:00</b> General Litigation Clinic – Canton Courthouse	<b>9:55-11:55</b> 203 – Professional Identity Formation–Reger	
<b>10:00-11:25</b> 200 – Civil Law of Persons and Family – Hernandez 151-B – Bankruptcy – Tavera  <b>10:30 – 11:25</b> 150-Criminal Law B – Johnson  <b>10:30-11:55</b> 250 - Wills & Trusts – Campbell	<b>10:00-11:25</b> 204 - Advanced Legal Analysis-Hall 300 - Law and Religion Seminar - Modak-Truran 150 - Evidence – Steffey 151-B - Federal Tax – Escajeda  <b>10:00-12:00</b> 151-B – LAC I A1-Lee 200 – LAC I A3-Smith 151-B – LAC I B2 -Dean	<b>10:00-11:25</b> 200 – Civil Law of Persons and Family – Hernandez 151-B – Bankruptcy – Tavera  <b>10:30 – 11:25</b> 150-Criminal Law B – Johnson  <b>10:30-11:55</b> 250 - Wills & Trusts – Campbell	<b>10:00-11:25</b> 204 - Advanced Legal Analysis-Hall 300 - Law and Religion Seminar - Modak-Truran 150 - Evidence – Steffey 151-B - Federal Tax – Escajeda  <b>10:00-12:00</b> 250 – LAC I A2-Smith	<b>10:30-11:25</b> 203 - Legal Research I A1-Lindsay 200 - Legal Research I A2- TBD 251 - Legal Research A3-Walter  <b>10:30 – 11:25</b> 150-Criminal Law B - Johnson
<b>1:00-2:25</b> 250 - Torts I A – Tavera 150 - Seminar on Issues of Crim Law & Proc – Johnson 300 - Health Law – Will 200 – LA Civil Procedure – Hernandez 300 - Juvenile Legal Issues Seminar – Kennedy  <b>1:00-3:00</b> 151-B – LAC I B1 - Lee 250 – LAC I B3-Dean	<b>1:00-2:25</b> 150 - Criminal Law A – Steffey 250 - Criminal Procedure – Dixon 203 - Domestic Relations – Kennedy  <b>2:00-3:25</b> 251 - Torts I B-Modak-Truran	<b>1:00-2:25</b> 250 - Torts I A – Tavera 150 - Seminar on Issues of Crim Law & Proc – Johnson 300 - Health Law – Will 200 – LA Civil Procedure – Hernandez 300 - Juvenile Legal Issues Seminar - Kennedy	<b>1:00-2:25</b> 150 - Criminal Law A – Steffey 250 - Criminal Procedure – Dixon 203 - Domestic Relations – Kennedy  <b>2:00-3:25</b> 251 - Torts I B-Modak-Truran	<b>CLINICS</b> All clinics require an application for participation. Contact Prof. Shirley Kennedy for more information (kennedy@mc.edu).  All clinics require both classroom and non-classroom hours:  General Litigation Clinic (Herr, adj.): Clinic meets from 9:30-12:00 on Wednesday mornings.  Mission First Legal Aid Clinic (Shannon, adj.): Class time TBD after students register for clinic.  Veterans Clinic (Jones, adj.): Class meets from 8-9 on Fridays and students meet with clients from 9-2:30 on Fridays.
<b>2:45-4:10</b> Employment Discrimination -Young (Online, adj.)  <b>2:45-4:00</b> AUD - Constitutional Law – Rosenblatt, F.	<b>2:45 – 4:35</b> 250 - Business Associations - Escajeda  <b>2:45-4:00</b> AUD - Constitutional Law – Rosenblatt, F.	<b>2:30-4:30</b> 203 - Legal Reasoning–Hall  <b>2:45-4:10</b> Employment Discrimination -Young (Online, adj.)  <b>2:40-5:40</b> AC100 - Trial Practice – Parker (adj.)	<b>2:45 – 4:35</b> 250 - Business Associations - Escajeda  <b>2:45-4:00</b> AUD - Constitutional Law – Rosenblatt, F.	
<b>3:30-4:55</b> 150 - Mississippi Practice – Griffis (adj.)	<b>3:15-4:40</b> 203 – Health Policy and Law-Access, Equities, and Disparities – Dixon  <b>3:30-4:55</b> 203 - Alternative Dispute Resolution - Robb  <b>4:00 – 6:00</b> 300 - Pretrial Practice Y – Waller (adj.)	<b>3:30-4:55</b> 150 - Mississippi Practice – Griffis (adj.)	<b>3:15-4:40</b> 203 – Health Policy and Law-Access, Equities, and Disparities – Dixon	
<b>4:35-6:35</b> 300 - Workers Compensation – Nicaud (adj)		<b>5:00-7:00</b> 300 - Legislation – Porter (adj.)		
<b>5:30-7:30</b> 200 - Pretrial Practice Z -Kidd (adj) 300 – Oil and Gas – Odom (adj.) 151-B – Federal Pre-Trial Practice – Jordan (adj.)	<b>5:30 – 6:55</b> 251 - Sales & Leasing-Manhein (adj)		<b>5:30 – 6:55</b> 251 - Sales & Leasing-Manhein (adj)	



# SUMMER/FALL 2025 ACADEMIC CALENDAR

## 2025 STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMS

May 18-May 30 ..... Korea  
May 5 ..... Last day to add or drop the Korea program with a full tuition refund  
May 14 ..... Last day to drop the Korea program with a W grade (no refunds)  
May 19 ..... Last day to add or drop the Lille program with a full tuition refund  
May 28 ..... Last day to drop the Lille program with a W grade (no refunds)  
June 2-June 18 ..... Lille

## MAY INTERSESSION

May 19 (Monday) ..... Intersession begins  
May 19 (Monday) ..... Last day to drop course with 100% tuition only refund  
May 19 (Monday) ..... Last day to add a course  
May 21 (Wednesday) ..... Last day to withdraw from a course with W grade; no tuition refund  
May 26 (Monday) ..... Memorial Day  
May 30 (Friday) ..... Intersession ends

## SUMMER TERM 2025

June 2 (Monday) ..... Summer school begins  
June 4 (Wednesday) ..... Last day to drop course with 100% tuition only refund  
June 4 (Wednesday) ..... Last day to add a course  
June 19 (Thursday) ..... Juneteenth  
July 4 (Friday) ..... Independence Day  
July 3 (Thursday) ..... Last day to withdraw from a course with W grade; no tuition refund  
July 29 (Tuesday) ..... Last day of T/Th classes  
July 30 (Wednesday) ..... Last day of MW classes  
July 31- August 1 (Thursday and Friday) ..... Final Exams

## 2025 1L SUMMER ENTRY PROGRAM

### PROPERTY

June 2 (Monday) – July 18 (Friday)  
Final Exam: July 21 (Monday)

### CRITICAL READING

July 7 (Monday) – July 31 (Thursday)  
Final Exam: August 1 (Friday)

## FALL SEMESTER 2025

August 12-15 (Tuesday-Friday) ..... First Year Orientation  
August 18 (Monday) ..... Classes Begin  
August 25 (Monday) ..... Last day to drop course with 100% tuition only refund  
August 25 (Monday) ..... Last day to add a class  
September 1 (Monday) ..... Labor Day Holiday (no classes)  
October 16-17 (Thursday-Friday) ..... Wellness Break (no classes)  
October 24 (Friday) ..... Last day to withdraw from a course with a W grade; no tuition refund  
November 11 (Tuesday) ..... Last day of T only classes  
November 12 (Wednesday) ..... Last day of W only classes  
November 17 (Monday) ..... Last day of M only and MW classes  
November 18 (Tuesday) ..... Last day of M/T/Th and T/Th classes  
November 19 (Wednesday) ..... Last day of MT/Th and MWF classes  
November 20 (Thursday) ..... Last day of Th only classes  
November 21 (Friday) ..... Last day of F only classes  
November 24-28 (Monday-Friday) ..... THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY  
December 1 (Monday) ..... Reading Day  
December 2 – December 11 (Tuesday-Friday; Monday-Thursday) ..... Final Exams  
December 12 (Friday) ..... GRADUATION

## REQUIRED COURSES

You should take the following into consideration in planning your schedule:

### REQUIRED COURSES

In addition to completing the 1L curriculum, ALL students are required to take the following courses:

**Advanced Legal Analysis (3L year) [or Civil Law of Property with approval]**  
**Criminal Procedure**  
**Constitutional Law [Constitutional Law will ONLY BE OFFERED IN FALL 2025]**  
**Evidence**  
**Legal Analysis and Communication III (2L year)**  
**Professional Responsibility and Ethics**

All students must also satisfy the following requirements:

**Experiential Learning Requirement (6 credits)**  
**Writing Requirement**

Current 1L students are also required to take the following course:

**Business Associations I**

Students in the **Guided Curriculum** are required to take additional courses. (See below.)

## GUIDED CURRICULUM

Full-time students whose grade point average is below 2.5 at the end of the first year of law school are required to participate in the Guided Curriculum.

**Course Requirements** – Students who are enrolled in the Guided Curriculum are required to take *all* of the following courses (in addition to the satisfying all other requirements for the J.D.)

Legal Reasoning  
Domestic Relations  
Sales and Leasing (Note: Sales and Leasing is ONLY offered in the fall semester.)

Students in the Guided Curriculum must also take *one* of the following courses:

Conflict of Laws  
First Amendment  
Secured Transactions  
OR  
Wills and Trusts.

**2L Year** During the 2L year, students in the Guided Curriculum are ***required*** to take the following Guided Curriculum courses: Legal Reasoning (Fall Semester), Constitutional Law (Fall Semester), Criminal Procedure, Evidence, and at least one other Guided Curriculum course.

**Course Schedule & Registration** Students in the Guided Curriculum will not be permitted to register for courses until their schedules are approved by their advisor. Additionally, students in the Guided Curriculum must obtain an alternate pin number from their advisor to register.

**Limits on Distance Learning** Absent exceptional circumstances, students in the Guided Curriculum must attend all courses required for graduation, including any Guided Curriculum courses, in person at the law school and not via distance learning.

**Civil Law Certificate Program** Students in the Guided Curriculum who are participating in the Civil Law Certificate Program may choose Louisiana Security Devices in place of Secured Transactions, Civil Law of Sales and Leases in place of Sales and Leasing, Civil Law of Persons and Family in place of Domestic Relations, and Civil Law of Successions and Donations in place of Wills and Estates.

Note: Students in the Guided Curriculum who plan to take ONLY the Louisiana Bar may take Civil Law of Property instead of Advanced Legal Analysis. To request an exemption from Advanced Legal Analysis on this basis please complete the appropriate form at <http://law.mc.edu/approvals>.

**Exemption from the Guided Curriculum**

Students who are required to participate in the Guided Curriculum and who attain a 3.0 **cumulative** grade point average during the second or third year are no longer required to remain in the Guided Curriculum.

## **ADDITIONAL REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

### **SPECIAL PROJECTS DONE OUTSIDE OF A CLASS**

Students who plan to register for a special project must obtain the approval of a faculty member and the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs. The approval form is available at <http://law.mc.edu/approvals>. Once the project is approved, the Registrar will complete the registration for the project.

Please note that students who register for special projects are required to log a minimum of 42.5 hours for each credit earned. Credit will not be awarded to any student failing to comply with this policy.

### **FINANCIAL AGREEMENT**

*Please be advised that ALL MC student will be required to accept an updated financial agreement prior to registering for classes.* If you would like to accept this agreement before registration opens in order to save time during the registration process, please follow [these instructions](#). (You can begin completing this form on March 31, 2025). Otherwise, you will be automatically prompted to accept the agreement upon logging in to the registration portal. For any questions about the financial agreement, please contact the Business Office by emailing [bursar@mc.edu](mailto:bursar@mc.edu).

### **OUTSTANDING BALANCE**

If you have an outstanding balance on your student account, you will not be allowed to participate in the current student registration process.

### **BANNER WAITLISTING**

If a course has filled, you will have the option to be waitlisted for the class. If a seat opens up, the system will e-mail your MC e-mail account and advise you of the opening. Please note that the waitlisting process will run through the weekends and holidays. You should check your e-mail regularly if you are wait listed, because the class will only be held for you for 24 hours.

### **FORMS/EXCEPTIONS/SPECIAL PERMISSION**

All exceptions or special permissions must be in writing and approved by the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs. Most approval forms are available at <http://law.mc.edu/approvals>.

### **EMPLOYMENT RESTRICTIONS**

A student in the first or second year shall not be employed in excess of 20 hours per week in any semester in which the student is enrolled in 12 or more credit-hours.

A student in the third year, with a cumulative grade point average of less than 2.75, shall not be employed in excess of 20 hours per week in any semester in which the student is enrolled in 12 or more credit-hours. This restriction applies to the summer term (if 6 hours or more are taken) as well as to the regular year.

There is no employment restriction for a third-year student with a cumulative grade point average of 2.75 or above.

A student on probation shall not be employed. Violation of this policy may subject a student to disciplinary action, including dismissal.

L.L.M. students are not eligible for any form of employment through work-study.

## **LIMITATION ON NONCLASSROOM HOURS**

No more than eight (8) non-classroom hours may count toward the 90 hours needed to earn the J.D. degree.

The following courses count toward the eight (8) non-classroom hour limit: Writing Requirement, Special Projects I and II, Legal Extern Program, and any of the Moot Court Competitions.

Law Review and Moot Court Board do not count toward the eight (8) hour limit.

Please note that you may not take Special Projects I or Special Projects II more than once. **Any variance from this rule requires the written approval of the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs.**

## **LIMITATION ON PASS/FAIL HOURS**

No more than 12 pass/fail graded hours may count toward the 90 hours needed to earn the J.D. degree exclusive of Law Review and Moot Court Board.

## **DISTANCE LEARNING COURSES**

Courses may be offered in a synchronous (real time) distance learning format, allowing a student to take a course through the use of distance learning technology. Courses may be offered where the professor is at an off-campus location or where the student is at an off-campus location. Courses taught by a professor at an off-campus location will be designated as a distance learning course in the registration materials.

Students who will be off campus for the semester (such as for a remote externship), and who wish to take a course through synchronous distance learning, must receive permission from the course instructor and the Associate Dean prior to registration for the course. A form requesting approval may be obtained at <http://law.mc.edu/approvals>. Please note that not all courses are suitable for distance learning and not all professors permit distance learning. Do not assume a professor will allow it; rather, discuss the issue with them in advance of planning to be off campus for the semester.

Students may take up to a total of 15 hours by distance learning for credit toward the J.D. degree. [Absent exceptional circumstances, students in the Guided Curriculum must attend all courses required for graduation, including any Guided Curriculum courses, in person at the law school and not via distance learning.]

## **COURSE DESCRIPTIONS AND CREDIT HOURS**

All course descriptions are available in the catalog at [law.mc.edu/catalog](http://law.mc.edu/catalog).

## CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

MC Law offers certificates for J.D. students in several practice areas, specifically in Business and Commercial Law, Civil Litigation, Criminal Practice, Family and Juvenile Law, Health Care Law, Civil Law Studies, Solo and Small Practice Law, and International Law. These certificate programs assist students who have an interest in these practice areas by guiding them in design of their educational program while in law school to prepare them for practice in these particular practice areas. The certificates also provide recognition of academic excellence for students who fulfill the certificate requirements. For descriptions and requirements for each certificate please see the catalog at:

<https://law.mc.edu/academics/degrees/jd/certificate-programs>

Students must maintain an overall minimum GPA of 3.0 in courses in the certificate program in which they participate to complete the certificate requirements. Additionally, students must earn at least a grade of C+ in any individual course that is counted toward the certificate. Each program consists of specified required courses, designated elective courses and skills courses, and a writing requirement. The writing requirement in satisfaction of the certificate requirements may also satisfy the writing requirement for the J.D. degree.

Students may earn only one of these certificates in the J.D. program. A student may, however, earn both the Civil Law Studies Certificate and one of the practice area certificates. Students seeking to earn a certificate in one of the designated practice areas must apply for admission to the certificate program with the designated faculty advisor for that program. The applications can be found at

<https://law.mc.edu/academics/degrees/jd/certificate-programs> by selecting the application link.

Complete the application and submit to the designated faculty advisor for each program (listed below):

Business and Commercial Law:	Professor Hilary Escajeda	hescajeda@mc.edu
Civil Law Studies:	Professor Phillip McIntosh	mcintosh@mc.edu
Civil Litigation:	Professor Taylor White	thwhite@mc.edu
Criminal Practice:	Professor Matt Steffey	steffey@mc.edu
Family and Juvenile Law:	Professor Shirley Kennedy	skennedy@mc.edu
Healthcare Law:	Professor Jonathan Will	will@mc.edu
International Law:	Professor Frank Rosenblatt	frosenblatt@mc.edu
Solo and Small Practice Law:	Professor Heather Hall	hhall2@mc.edu

## CLINICS

Registration for the clinics listed below is offered by application only.

- Child Advocacy Clinic
- General Litigation Clinic
- Mission First Legal Aid Clinic
- Veterans Clinic

Students must have a minimum of 45 credit hours to enroll clinic. For more information see

<http://law.mc.edu/academics/clinics/> or contact Prof. Shirley Kennedy ([skennedy@mc.edu](mailto:skennedy@mc.edu)).

## ADJUNCT PROFESSORS – SUMMER AND FALL 2025

**T. Kenneth Griffis** currently serves as Associate Justice on the Mississippi Supreme Court. He previously served as Chief Judge and as Presiding Judge on the Mississippi Court of Appeals. Justice Griffis earned his accounting and law degrees from the University of Mississippi.

**Stephanie Jackson** Stephanie Jackson is a Louisiana native that has found her home in Mississippi. Stephanie is a life-long student-athlete, growing up playing football and basketball, the latter of which earned her a full scholarship to Tougaloo College where she studied English with a minor in Spanish. Upon graduating from Tougaloo, Stephanie joined the AmeriCorps National Civilian Community Corps where she served as a team leader in Denver, Colorado. Following her AmeriCorps service, Stephanie went on to serve her community as a law enforcement officer before enrolling into the Louisiana State University (LSU) Ourso School of Business. Stephanie ultimately decided that a career in law was more desirable and left the LSU Ourso School of Business, accepting a scholarship to the Mississippi College School of Law where she earned her Juris Doctor with a certificate in Business Law and graduated cum laude. Stephanie, however, never left sports. She is a former women's professional football player, retiring as a two-time champion, first-team All-American wide receiver, and a member of Team USA. Stephanie is also a former NFL scout and continues to work alongside the NFL as an NFL Flag Ambassador. Stephanie is currently a member of the New York State Bar Association and a sports attorney with a focus on amateur athletes.

**Joel Jones** is the Supervising Attorney for the Veterans Legal Clinic at Mississippi College School of Law. The Clinic offers a wide range of legal support to Mississippi Veterans and eligible dependents. Prior to coming to the Clinic, Mr. Jones had a career as a Special Assistant Attorney General at the Mississippi Attorney General's Office. He also served in the United States Marine Corps and the Mississippi Army National Guard, retiring from the latter as a Lieutenant Colonel in the Judge Advocate General's Corps. During his time in the service, Mr. Jones went overseas six (6) times, including two (2) deployments to Iraq. He is a frequent lecturer at the annual Mississippi National Guard JAG Conference. Mr. Jones was admitted to practice law in Mississippi in 1989.

**Daniel P. Jordan** serves as United States District Court Judge for the Southern District of Mississippi. Judge Jordan received a B.B.A. with honors in Economics from the University of Mississippi where he was inducted into the Hall of Fame. He received his Juris Doctor degree from the University of Virginia and was awarded an honorary doctor of law by the Mississippi College School of Law. Judge Jordan is a former staff member to a United States senator and worked at the United States Department of the Interior. From 1993 until his appointment, Judge Jordan practiced law in Jackson, Mississippi. Judge Jordan has also served in various civic and bar-related capacities. He is a bencher in the Charles Clark chapter of the Inns of Court, a past president of the Jackson Young Lawyers Association, and a past chair of the Litigation Section of the Mississippi Bar. In 2005, he received the Hinds County Bar Association's annual pro bono award, and in 2009, he and others received the Pro Bono Pioneer Award presented by the Mississippi Volunteer Lawyers Project. Judge Jordan was unanimously confirmed by the United States Senate on July 20, 2006, and was sworn in on August 8, 2006. Since then, he has represented the district on the Fifth Circuit Judicial Council, served as president of the Fifth Circuit District Judges Association, and chaired the Fifth Circuit Civil Pattern Jury Instruction Committee. In November 2017, he became Chief Judge for the Southern District of Mississippi and served for seven years. One of Judge Jordan's court-related interests is information technology. He served two terms on the Committee on Information Technology for United States Courts. He was also a charter member of the Fifth Circuit Information Technology Committee, and a past chair of the Courtroom Technology Subcommittee for United States Courts. He currently chairs the Southern District of Mississippi's Information Technology Committee and served on the Mississippi Bar Association Information Technology Committee. Judge Jordan is a frequent speaker on court-related issues and has served as an adjunct professor of law at the Mississippi College School of Law. He and his family are active members of Christ United Church.

**Winston L. Kidd** serves as Circuit Court Judge for the Seventh District. He received his B.S. from the University of Mississippi and his J.D. from Mississippi College School of Law.

**Chad King** is a partner with Thompson Addison, PLLC, emphasizing Family Law, including; Divorce, Child Custody, Child Support, Modification, Contempt and Appeals, handling cases in Chancery Courts throughout Mississippi and supervises the firm's expanding Adoption practice. Chad serves as a Parent Defense Training and Technical Assistance Resource Counsel for the Mississippi Office of State Public Defender providing training and technical assistance to trial-level parent defenders in Youth Courts and handles indigent appeals from Youth Courts. Since 2017, Chad has also served as a Parent Defense Attorney for Hinds County Youth Court. Chad earned his Doctrine of Jurisprudence from Mississippi College School of Law in 2015, where he served as President of the Family Law Society and a Student Attorney in the Adoption Clinic. He also served as an Adjunct Professor in Paralegal Studies at Hinds Community College.



**William E. (Trey) Manhein, III** currently serves as Chief Financial Officer and General Counsel for LEC, Inc., a company that provides integrated services in automation, interface programming, EC, Inc., he engaged in the private practice of law with extensive experience in business, commercial, bankruptcy, and banking law. He is a graduate of Louisiana State University (2000) and MC Law (2003). He has previously taught Secured Transactions and Banking Law at MC Law as an adjunct.

**Jamie McBride** serves as the Chief Assistant District Attorney for the Seventh Judicial District of Mississippi which district encompasses Hinds County, Mississippi. Jamie has served Hinds County, Mississippi as an Assistant District Attorney for sixteen years. Prior to his employment with the Hinds County District Attorney's office, Jamie served as an Assistant District Attorney with Twentieth Judicial District of Mississippi, composed of Madison and Rankin Counties. Jamie has served as the Director of the Mississippi Court Improvement Program for the Mississippi Supreme Court. Jamie has served as an Adjunct Law Professor with the Mississippi College School of Law from 1998 through 2018 with the Mississippi College School of Law's Youth Court Clinic. Jamie McBride is a graduate of the Mississippi College School of Law in May of 1990.

**Jennifer Nicaud** is an Administrative Law Judge for the Mississippi Workers' Compensation Commission. Prior to becoming an Administrative Law Judge, Jennifer was Of Counsel at Copeland Cook Taylor & Bush, P.A. and Balch & Bingham, LLC and served as a Municipal Judge for the City of Pass Christian, MS. Jennifer has a Certificate in International Negotiation and Leadership from Harvard Law School and a Certificate in Mediation from the University of Mississippi Law School. She graduated from Tulane Law School and received her undergraduate degree from Newcomb College of Tulane University.

**Andrew Norwood** currently serves as an Assistant United States Attorney in the Civil Division of the U.S. Attorney's Office, Southern District of Mississippi. After law school, Drew worked as a law clerk to Chief Bankruptcy Judge Jason Woodard of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Mississippi and then joined Watkins & Eager, PLLC as an associate attorney. Drew is a 2015 *summa cum laude* graduate of Mississippi College School of Law. He received his Bachelor of Accountancy *summa cum laude* from Mississippi State University in 2012.

**Michael T. Parker** is a United States Magistrate Judge, United States District Court for the Southern District of Mississippi. Judge Parker received his B.A. from Mississippi College and his J.D., from Mississippi College School of Law.

**Daryl L. Porter, Jr.** became one of the youngest elected officials in Summit, Mississippi. As a council member, he worked alongside the mayor and board members to make Summit a more progressive town, improve infrastructure, and preserve the Town of Summit's historic essence. He also worked to build a new wastewater plant and helped revitalize Summit's historic downtown area with assistance from local economic development groups by promoting events in the downtown area. He received a bachelor's degree in political science in 2013. Porter continued his education by attending Mississippi College School of Law where he obtained his Doctor of Jurisprudence. He is now a licensed personal injury attorney. Daryl is an Associate Attorney at the law firm Pepper & Odom P.C. During his four years of practice Porter has been named Top 40 Under 40 by the National Trial Lawyers. He is a member of Summit Missionary Baptist where he serves as a trustee and a junior deacon. He founded a young men's mentoring group that focuses on helping young men better themselves, so they positively impact society. Daryl is also a member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Daryl was elected to the Mississippi House of Representatives in 2019 to serve Mississippi's 98<sup>th</sup> House District. He serves on the following committees: Accountability Efficiency and Transparency (Vice Chair), Judiciary B, Public Health, Municipalities, and Public Utilities. In his short time in the State Legislature, Representative Porter has brought over \$30 million dollars into District 98, served as parliamentarian of the Mississippi Legislative Black Caucus, and currently serves as the Vice Chair of the Mississippi House Democratic Caucus. Representative Porter is a native of the Town of Summit, Mississippi. He is the son of Emma Porter and the late Daryl L. Porter, Sr. Daryl is the proud father of Deuce and Presleigh. He has one sibling, Tameka Fortune (Marico) and three adoring nieces: Alexis, Aryiel, and A'lice.

**Seth Shannon** is the Director of Legal Aid at Mission First, Inc., a nonprofit located in Jackson. Among other programs, Mission First, through its staff and volunteers, provides free civil legal assistance to those who cannot afford an attorney, primarily in family law, probate, landlord/tenant, and consumer matters. Seth previously worked for the Mississippi Attorney General's Office, the Mississippi Department of Child Protection Services, the Mississippi Center for Justice, and the Mississippi Volunteer Lawyers Project. He is a graduate of the University of Iowa College of Law and has been practicing law in Mississippi since 2010.



**Emily Stanfield** is an associate in Bradley's Litigation Practice Group in Jackson. Prior to practicing law, Emily founded and served as the president and CEO of a workforce training program for young adults in Jackson, Mississippi, called the Refill Jackson Initiative. She also worked at the U.S. Department of State as a political appointee in the Obama Administration. Through this appointment, she developed and managed a global portfolio of human rights and democracy programs that rapidly responded to emergency situations at both individual defender and broader sociopolitical levels. She also represented the U.S. government and its interests at various multilateral fora, including the United Nations, the Human Rights Council, and the Community of Democracies. Emily graduated summa cum laude from Mississippi College School of Law, where she was a staff editor for the Mississippi College Law Review. She also earned an M.S. in nonprofit management from Milano The New School for Management and Urban Policy and a B.A. in English (magna cum laude with honors) from Millsaps College.

**William Waller** received his B.S. from Mississippi State University in 1974 and his J.D. from the University of Mississippi School of Law in 1977. He was conferred an Honorary Doctorate of Law by Mississippi College in 2012. Waller has contributed articles in law-related publications including the Mississippi Law Journal and the Mississippi College Law Review. He presently serves as an adjunct professor at Mississippi College and at the University of Mississippi Law Schools. Waller practiced law with Waller and Waller Attorneys in Jackson, Mississippi from May 1977 until December 1997. Waller was appointed by Mayor Kane Ditto as a part-time Municipal Judge for the City of Jackson serving from January 1995 until July 1996. In 1996 he was elected as a Justice of the Mississippi Supreme Court, taking office January 1998. He was re-elected in 2004 and 2012. Waller served as Chief Justice of Mississippi from January 2009 until he retired in January 2019. Following retirement Waller ran for Governor of Mississippi losing in the Republican run-off election by less than 27,000 votes. While serving as a Supreme Court Justice, Waller was the primary architect of legislation creating the Office of Capital Post Conviction Relief, the Office of Indigent Appeals, the Judicial Compensation Reform Act and the statewide electronic filing system known as Mississippi Electronic Courts. Waller led the expansion of free family law clinics to every Chancery Court District. He also provided leadership to expand Drug Courts to every Circuit Court District in the state. During Waller's tenure as Chief Justice, the Uniform Rules of Youth Court were adopted by the Court in January 2009, and The Mississippi Rules of Criminal Procedure were adopted in December 2016. Waller was a Distinguished Military Graduate of the Mississippi State University ROTC where he was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in 1974. A graduate of the U.S. Army War College, Waller's military career in the Mississippi National Guard culminated with his promotion to Brigadier General of the Line as a Reserve of the Army. His military decorations include the Magnolia Cross and the Legion of Merit. At retirement he was credited with over 33 years of military service.

**Ray A. Young, Jr.**, is a litigator and trial lawyer with The Young Law Firm in Gulfport, Mississippi. He earned his Doctor of Jurisprudence *cum laude* from Mississippi College School of Law and a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from The University of Southern Mississippi. During law school, Ray earned the highest awards and accolades in courtroom advocacy, including the National Order of Barristers, and multiple moot court awards. Ray also served as a Teaching Assistant for Professor Alina Ng and received the AmJur award for First Amendment, Constitutional Law, and Copyright Law. Prior to opening his practice, Ray clerked for U.S. District Court Judge Sharion Aycock of the Northern District of Mississippi, externed for U.S. District Judge Daniel P. Jordan, III. of the Southern District of Mississippi, and worked for Justice Dawn Beam of the Mississippi Supreme Court. Ray also worked as litigation attorney at an AmLaw 200 regional firm. He currently maintains a general law practice which includes employment discrimination matters, personal injury, wills and estate planning, custody and adoptions, and non-profit representation. Ray has been named a Mid-South Rising Star by Reuters Super Lawyers for 2023 - 2025 in the areas of Employment Law and General Plaintiff's Practice. Ray is married to Breanna Young, who is also his law partner, and they have one child.

