Upper-Level Writing Requirement

BOSTON COLLEGE LAW SCHOOL
Office of Student & Academic Services

All Boston College Law School students are required to take an upper-level course with a significant writing experience in order to graduate. It can be taken at any time during the second or third year.

- Students who intend to use a course to satisfy the upper-level writing requirement may not take the course Pass/Fail, if that is offered as an option.
- All 2 credit Independent Studies will satisfy the ABA writing requirement if writing a graded paper of 30 pages or more.

NOTE: One course can count towards satisfying the Perspectives requirement and *either* the upper-level writing or experiential learning/ lawyering skills requirement. One course *cannot* count towards both upper-level writing and experiential learning/lawyering skills.

Courses that satisfy the Upper-Level Writing Requirement are as follows:

Course Number	Course Name	Credit option: course must meet the higher credit option to fulfill ULWR.
LAWS7729	Adv. Const. Law: Trump and the Law of the Presidency / Advanced Con Law: Trump Administration	
LAWS4485	Advanced Legal Writing (all sections)	
LAWS4484	Advanced Legal Writing: Employment / Advanced Legal Writing: Employment Law	
LAWS4483	Advanced Legal Writing: Appellate Litigation	
LAWS4482	Advanced Legal Writing: Judicial	
LAWS4441	Advanced Local Government: Sanctuary, Climate Change, Drugs, Crime, and Social Justice	higher credit option required
LAWS3344	American Legal Education	
LAWS8423	Amicus Brief Clinic	
LAWS8471	Appellate Advocacy	higher credit option required
LAWS4449	Art of Lawyering & Commercial Lease	
LAWS4467	Artificial Intelligence and the Law	higher credit option required
LAWS7708	Business Law and Healthcare Enterprises	
LAWS6663	Children's Law & Public Policy	higher credit option required

LAWS3363	Civil Gideon & Access to Justice	higher credit option required
LAWS4486	Civil Rights Law	
LAWS6864	Comparative Law	higher credit option required
LAWS3399	Complex Litigation	
LAWS6827	Compliance and Risk Management	
LAWS4513	Constitutional History: Framing of the Constitution	
LAWS7710	Constitutional Theory	higher credit option required
LAWS3379	Consumer Bankruptcy Seminar	
LAWS8916	Consumer Financial Protection Seminar	higher credit option required
LAWS3231	Contract Drafting	
LAWS6824	Corporate Governance & Risk	
LAWS6825	Corporate Governance: Shareholder Engagement & Activism	
LAWS9155	Cradle to Prison Pipeline	
LAWS9975	Criminal Law: Adjudication	
LAWS7850	Critical Race Theory	
LAWS6880	Dangers of the Administrative State: Advanced Topics in Administrative Law	
LAWS3393	Death Penalty	
LAWS7645	Election Law	
LAWS7646	Election Law – Voter Suppression	
LAWS9969	Environmental Law	higher credit option required
LAWS3322	Environmental Law Adv: Current Topics	
LAWS7654	Federal Health Law, Politics & Policy / Federal Health Law, Politics & Policy (ACA) / Health Care Reform: ACA	
LAWS4400	Feminist Legal Theory	higher credit option required
LAWS6267	Fiduciary Obligations / Fiduciary Obligations and the Law	
LAWS7791	Food and Drug Law	
LAWS3530	Future of Constitutional Democracy	higher credit option required
LAWS7652	Healthcare Law & Compliance	
LAWS3670	Hedge Funds and Complex Financial Instruments	higher credit option required

LAWS7717	History of International Investment Law Seminar	
LAWS4310	Housing Law & Policy Seminar	higher credit option required
LAWS7862	Human Rights & Inequality / Human Rights and the Problem of Inequality	higher credit option required
LAWS7461	Human Rights Interdisciplinary Seminar	
LAWS6683	Immigration Consequences of Criminal Convictions	
LAWS4451	International Commercial Arbitration	higher credit option required
LAWS7717	International Investment Law: Evolution and Challenges	
LAWS6696	International Trade & Investment Law	higher credit option required
LAWS4897	Justice & Global Economy	
LAWS4434	Labor Market Regulation	
LAWS7759	Land Use Law	higher credit option required
LAWS6265	Law and Public Finance	
LAWS2185	Law & Religion	
LAWS9962	Law, Justice, and Culture	
LAWS4408	Law of Philanthropy	higher credit option required
LAWS7482	Law of Toxic Substances	
LAWS6673	Law of War, War Crimes, and Genocide	
LAWS9999	Law Review	
LAWS9313	Modern Conservative Legal Theory	higher credit option required (3 cr)
LAWS4501	New Frontiers in Environmental Policy	
LAWS2183	Originalism and Its Alternatives	
LAWS9916	Philosophy of Law: Children and Families	higher credit option required
LAWS7643	Political Corruption	
LAWS2190	Professional Responsibility (Tremblay)	higher credit option required
LAWS4460	Prosecutorial Ethics	higher credit option required
LAWS9100	Race, Policing, and the Constitution	
LAWS4515	Race Relations and the Law	
LAWS4516	Race, Religion, and the Family Seminar	

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LAWS9105	Rappaport Law and Public Policy Seminar	higher credit option required
LAWS7753	Scientific Evidence	
LAWS7773	Seminar on Consumer Financial Protection	higher credit option required
LAWS9957	Sports Law Seminar	
LAWS6824	Startup Company Governance	
LAWS7780	Tax Policy	
LAWS7775	Taxing the Rich	
LAWS7772	Topics in Financial Regulation	higher credit option required
LAWS7854	The History of Education Rights from Slavery to Black Power	
LAWS9984	U.C.C. Reporter Digest	
LAWS4461	Wrongful Convictions	