MAJOR CONCENTRATION LAW WITH MAJOR INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS AND DEVELOPMENT (B.C.L./J.D.) (123 CREDITS)

Offered by: Law (Faculty of Law)

Degree: BCLJD

Program credit weight: 123

Program Description

The B.C.L. and J.D. with a major concentration is open to all students enrolled in the Faculty of Law.

The Major Concentration in International Human Rights and Development is articulated around a synthetic skill-set driven by the transversal theme "International Human Rights and Development" and inspired by an interdisciplinary approach.

Law and non-law courses are combined with the practical experience acquired during an internship. The required writing of an independent essay allows students to integrate the various academic and clinical strands of the major program, and, more broadly, of legal learning.

The Major concentration is a 36-credit program. Students are permitted to include within their 105 credits for the B.C.L. and J.D. 18 credits toward their Major concentration. The remaining 18 credits needed for the Major concentration are added on top of the 105 credits for the Law degrees for a total of 123 credits.

Note: For information about Fall 2025 and Winter 2026 course offerings, please check back on May 8, 2025. Until then, the "Terms offered" field will appear blank for most courses while the class schedule is being finalized.

Required Courses (6 credits)

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Course	Title	Credits	
WRIT 300D1	Major Internship.	3	
WRIT 300D2	Major Internship.	3	

Complementary Courses (30 credits)

Essay Course (3 credits)

3 credits from:

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Course	Title	Credits
WRIT 491	Term Essay 1A.	3
WRIT 492	Term Essay 2.	3
WRIT 493	Term Essay 3.	3
WRIT 494	Term Essay 1B.	3
WRIT 495	Term Essay 1C.	3

The essay must be written on a subject related to International Human Rights and Development. The essay is to be written in the fourth year of the program, in order to allow the student to integrate the various academic and clinical strands of the program. The topic must be approved by the Associate Dean (Academic).

Law and Non-Law Courses (27 credits)

27 credits from the following lists of law and non-law courses of which at least 6 credits must be from non-law courses.

Law Courses

15-21 credits of law courses selected from:

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Course	Title	Credits
CMPL 516	International Development Law.	3
CMPL 518	Policies, Politics and Legislative Process.	3
CMPL 533	Resolution of International Disputes.	3
CMPL 543	Law and Practice of International Trade.	3
CMPL 546	International Environmental Law and Politics	. 3
CMPL 565	International Humanitarian Law.	3
CMPL 571	International Law of Human Rights.	3
LAWG 503	Inter-American Human Rights.	3
LAWG 505	Critical Engagements with Human Rights.	3
LAWG 511	Specialized Topics in Law 1.	1
LAWG 512	Specialized Topics in Law 2.	1
LAWG 513	Specialized Topics in Law 3.	2
LAWG 514	Specialized Topics in Law 4.	2
LAWG 515	Specialized Topics in Law 5.	3
LAWG 516	Specialized Topics in Law 6.	3
LAWG 517	Specialized Topics in Law 7.	3
LAWG 518	Specialized Topics in Law 8.	3
LAWG 521	Student-Initiated Seminar 1.	3
LAWG 522	Student-Initiated Seminar 2.	3
PUB2 105	Public International Law.	3
PUB2 502	International Criminal Law.	3
PUB2 503	Comparative Federalism.	3
PUB2 551	Immigration and Refugee Law.	3

Non-Law Courses

Students may take 6-12 credits of non-law courses. Students who take 6 non-law credits as part of their Major concentration may count an additional 6 non-law credits toward their B.C.L. and J.D. program. Students who take 9 non-law credits as part of their Major concentration may count an additional 3 credits toward their B.C.L.

and J.D.. Students who take 12 non-law credits as part of their major concentration may not count additional non-law credits towards their B.C.L. and J.D.

Other non-law courses related to International Human Rights and Development not included in these lists may be taken with the approval of the Program Adviser.

Non-Law Courses - Anthropology

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Course	Title	Credits
ANTH 212	Anthropology of Development.	3
ANTH 418	Environment and Development.	3

Non-Law Courses - Economics

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Course	Title	Credits
ECON 223	Political Economy of Trade Policy.	3
ECON 313	Economic Development 1.	3
ECON 314	Economic Development 2.	3
ECON 316	The Underground Economy.	3
ECON 426	Labour Economics.	3

Non-Law Courses - Geography

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Course	Title Cred	its	
GEOG 200	Geographical Perspectives: World Environmental Problems.	3	
GEOG 210	Global Places and Peoples.	3	
GEOG 216	Geography of the World Economy.	3	
GEOG 408	Geography of Development.	3	
GEOG 410	Geography of Underdevelopment: Current Problems.	3	

Non-Law Courses - International Development

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Course	Title	Credits
INTD 200	Introduction to International Development.	3

Non-Law Courses - Management

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Course	Title	Credits
MGPO 469	Managing Globalization.	3
MGPO 475	Strategies for Developing Countries.	3
ORGB 380	Cross Cultural Management.	3

Non-Law Courses - Political Science

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Course	Title	Credits
POLI 227	Introduction to Comparative Politics - Global South.	3
POLI 243	$International\ Politics\ of\ Economic\ Relations.$	3
POLI 324	Comparative Politics of Africa.	3
POLI 340	Comparative Politics of the Middle East.	3
POLI 345	International Organizations.	3

POLI 354	Approaches to International Political Economy.	3
POLI 362	Political Theory and International Relations.	3
POLI 474	Inequality and Development.	3
POLI 522	Seminar: Comparative Politics 1.	3

Non-Law Courses - Sociology

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Course	Title	Credits
SOCI 254	Development and Underdevelopment.	3
SOCI 265	War, States and Social Change.	3
SOCI 370	Sociology: Gender and Development.	3
SOCI 484	Emerging Democratic States.	3
SOCI 519	Gender and Globalization.	3
SOCI 550	Developing Societies.	3