

# INTERNATIONAL LAW AND POLICY

Students who earn the certificate for this concentration not only develop an understanding of one or more of the major areas of International Law and Policy, such as International Human Rights, Dispute Resolution, Environmental, Health, Tax, and Criminal Law, but also get the opportunity to develop a literacy in the language of international relations, which can prepare them to advocate, negotiate, mediate, and litigate globally as well as locally. Skill development focuses on cross-cultural understanding, negotiation, and a general proficiency in law on an international stage. As outlined below, the requisites for the International Law and Policy Concentration include coursework, an international experience, and a writing component.

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## International Law and Policy Concentration

### Requirements

#### 1. Coursework

Certificate recipients must earn 18 international law credits from the following categories of courses (not all courses are offered every year), including at least 11 credits from the following required and core courses.

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Required courses</b>		
LAWS 361	International Law	3
LAWS 516	International Business Trans.	3
<b>Core courses</b>		
LAWS 360	International Criminal Law	3
LAWS 363	International Comparative Health Law	2
LAWS 429	International Human Rights	2
LAWS 430	International Trade	3
LAWS 477	International Tax	2
LAWS 517	Int'l Humanitarian Law of Armed Conflict	2
LAWS 634	Int'l Human Rights Law & Trans. Justice	1-2

#### Elective courses

Certificate recipients must earn the balance of their 18 credits from the following courses (not all of these courses are offered every year). In addition, a concentration co-director may approve, on an ad hoc basis, courses that, in a particular semester, have a significant international content.

LAWS 362	National Security Law	2-3
LAWS 367	Counterterrorism Law	2
LAWS 374	Introduction to Mediation	2
LAWS 379	Environmental Law	3
LAWS 428	Negotiation	2-3
LAWS 437	Computer and Internet Law	2
LAWS 515	Alternative Dispute Resolution Exp.	2-3
LAWS 572	Immigrat'n & Natural'n Law	3

#### Other university courses

You may apply toward the 18 credits you need to earn for the International Law and Policy Concentration up to 6 credits earned in other Quinnipiac University departments. You must obtain the permission of the professor teaching the course, a concentration co-director, and the law school's associate dean for academic affairs before enrolling in these courses.

EC 350	International Economics	3
IB 201	Globalization and International Business	3
IB 311	International Marketing	3
IB 324	Negotiating Internationally	3
PL 337	Human Rights: Theory and Practice (PO 337)	3
PO 211	Introduction to International Relations	3
PO 311	Topics in International Relations	3
PO 331	Topics in Comparative Government	3
PO 321	Comparative Government	3

#### Modern Languages

You may apply up to 6 credits of modern language study toward your concentration requirements.

#### 2. International Experience Requirement

**Concentration earners must also complete one of these international experiences:**

- Participation in the World Summit of Nobel Peace Laureates, in conjunction with the International Human Rights Law and Transitional Justice course
- Participation in the Law School's delegation to the Oxford University Human Rights and Humanitarian Action Seminar
- Participation in the Law School's delegation to the annual Human Rights and Humanitarian Action Seminar at Yale, Quinnipiac, and the United Nations
- Participation in the Law School/International Human Rights Law Society Nicaragua experience
- Participation in the Law School's summer program at Trinity College in Dublin, Ireland (the 6 credits from this program apply toward the concentration requirements)
- Domestic or international externship or other experiences approved by both a concentration co-director and the associate dean for academic affairs; if an externship, the placement must also be approved by the externship professor.

#### 3. Writing Requirement

Students must complete a paper of a quality that would satisfy the Advanced Writing Requirement (<http://catalog.qu.edu/school-of-law/academic-regulations/#text>) and that addresses an international law

topic approved by a concentration co-director. A concentration co-director must approve the topic in advance, unless the paper is written in connection with one of the listed required or core courses. A paper written for a journal may qualify if a concentration co-director approves the topic in advance.

#### **4. Honors**

Students who achieve a GPA of 3.2 or better in the coursework used for the concentration will receive the certificate for the concentration with honors.

#### **5. Options**

A student may designate any course or paper as not counting toward the concentration, so long as it is not required for the concentration and the student meets the concentration requirements with another course or paper.

#### **6. Waiver**

A concentration co-director and the associate dean for academic affairs may waive any requirements for the concentration (other than the GPA requirement), if they both agree to do so.