**CYBERSECURITY AND INFORMATION PRIVACY**

The cybersecurity and information privacy concentration is designed to provide a legal, ethical and practical framework for students who aspire to serve as stewards of privacy and protect clients from cyberattacks. The course material and experiential learning opportunities within the concentration provide future lawyers with the necessary tools to lead this dynamic practice area.

Inside the classroom, students will build a strong foundation as they explore basic constitutional rights to privacy, existing legislative and regulatory protections, and new developments in international law. Through experiential learning opportunities, students will further develop the practical skills and ethical sensitivity they will need as lawyers to guide individual, corporate, governmental and non-governmental clients involved in collecting and protecting information.

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**Cybersecurity and Information Privacy Concentration**

**Prerequisite:**  
There are no prerequisites for this concentration. That said, taking Administrative Law (LAWS 114) during the Fall term of your 2L year is strongly encouraged, and completion of LAWS 114 is required for this concentration.

**Requirements:**

**Coursework:**  
To receive the certificate for this concentration, a student must earn 18 privacy and cybersecurity specialty credits, divided as follows (not all courses are offered every year):

**Required Coursework:**  
Students must complete Administrative Law, Cybersecurity Law, and Information Privacy Law, all of which count towards the required 18 required credits. Students must also complete at least two of the following: Health Information, Privacy & Security Law; Criminal Procedure Investigative; Computer & Internet Law; Data Privacy & Security Practicum; or an Externship (see Externship Notes below).

**Remaining Credits - Other Schools**  
With the permission of the law school’s Associate Dean of Academics Affairs, students may also choose from the following courses offered by other schools at Quinnipiac University to satisfy up to six credits towards the required 18 credits. Per the ABA, law students can only earn up to six credits towards their law degree from other schools at Quinnipiac University. The course descriptions for the following courses can be found in the course catalogs for the School of Computing and Engineering and the School of Business.

**Writing Requirement**  
Students must complete a paper of a quality that would satisfy the substantial paper component of the Advanced Writing Requirement OR two shorter writings that relate to privacy or cybersecurity. The topic for the written work(s) must be approved by the concentration director.
However, any writing completed for a course listed under Required Coursework or Remaining Credits, except for Externship and Independent Research Project, shall satisfy this writing requirement upon presentment to the concentration director.

A paper written for a journal may qualify provided that the topic is preapproved by the concentration director. Additionally, students may satisfy the writing requirement via LAWS 100 – Independent Research Project, provided that the topic must be preapproved by the concentration director and supervised by the concentration director or their designee.

**Opt-Out Option**
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 as outlined herein.

**Optional Capstone**
Students are encouraged to prepare for and take examinations to obtain privacy professional credentials including a CIPP (Certified Information Privacy Professional) from the IAPP (International Association of Privacy Professionals).

**Waiver**
Any requirements for the concentration may be waived with the approval of the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and the concentration director. Should a student complete the CIPP certification from the IAPP, the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and the concentration director shall give strong consideration to a waiver, provided that the student completes the Required Courses, at least 14 of the required 18 credits, and the writing requirement as outlined herein.