Litigation Specialization Certificate Requirements
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The specialization requirements consist of the courses listed below. Where there is a choice among multiple courses, the list may not be exhaustive as new courses are regularly added to the curriculum. Approval of courses not on the list is within the discretion of the Specialization Advisor. Each approved course must be at least two units.

Students are encouraged to meet with the specialization Advisor to plan their courses and should note that not all classes are offered every term. To earn a Specialization Certificate in Litigation, a student must complete a minimum of 10 litigation units, and earn a B- or better* in the following courses:

1. Three Units of Trial Advocacy (3)**, and

2. Three Units of Civil Litigation, Criminal Litigation, or 3 Specialty Courses such as:
   - Civil Litigation Pre-Trial Phase (3)
   - Criminal Litigation (3)
   - “1-Unit” Litigation Specialty Courses (3), can also be used as an elective
     - eDiscovery (1)
     - Jury Picking (1)
     - Ethical Prosecutions (1)
     - Intro to Depositions (1)
     - Motions Practice (2)
     - Forensics (1)

3. Two or Three Units of Experiential Courses (2-3) such as:
   - Advanced Trial Advocacy (3)
   - Alternative Dispute Resolution (3)
   - Civil Litigation: Depositions (3)
   - Competition: Mock Trial or Advanced Mock Trial (2)
   - Negotiation (3)
   - A Clinic or Externship course, provided the student has State Bar Certification or the Federal practice equivalent and the opportunity for significant litigation activity, and

4. Two or Three Units of Litigation Elective Courses (2-3) such as:
   - Advanced Trial Advocacy (3)***
   - Alternative Dispute Resolution (3)***
   - Civil Litigation: Depositions (3)***
   - Civil Litigation: Pre-Trial Phase (3)***
   - Competition: Mock Trial or Advanced Mock Trial (2)***
   - Criminal Litigation (3)***
   - Criminal Procedure II (3)
   - Evidence in the Courtroom (2)**
   - Intellectual Property Litigation: Copyright and Trademark (2)
   - Negotiation (3)***
   - Professional Presentation and Persuasion (2)
   - Depositions (2)
   - Real Estate Practice – Litigation (2)
   - Tax Court Litigation (2)
   - Motions Practice (2)
   - A Clinic or Externship course, provided the student has State Bar Certification or the Federal practice equivalent and the opportunity for significant litigation activity***

* All courses counted toward the specialization must be taken for a letter grade unless a course is only offered on a credit/no credit basis (e.g., Externship courses)
** 1st STEP Trial Evidence and Advocacy fulfills both Trial Advocacy and Evidence in the Courtroom
*** If not taken as part of requirement #2 or #3 above