Concentration Curriculum
Offerings subject to change. View course descriptions below.
Most courses listed below are offered at least once per year. Students must take at least 10 credit hours of course work from the Core Concentration Courses and 5 credit hours from the Elective Concentration Courses (for a total of 15 credit hours of compliance-related coursework) to graduate with a Compliance concentration designation.

Credit Requirement: Students must complete at least 30 credits to earn the M.S.L. degree; 15 credits of compliance-related coursework counts toward this 30-credit requirement.

Required M.S.L. Courses
All M.S.L. students must take the two foundational M.S.L. program courses:

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<td>LAW 8550: Legal Research and Writing</td>
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<td>LAW 8525: Intro to US Legal Systems</td>
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Core Concentration Courses
Students must take at least 10 credits from the following core courses to graduate with a concentration in compliance.

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<td>LAW 7228: Regulatory Compliance</td>
<td>Fall</td>
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<td>Health Care Compliance</td>
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<td>LAW 7805: Data Privacy and Cybersecurity Regulation and Compliance</td>
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Elective Concentration Courses
Students must take at least 5 credits from among the following courses:

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<td>LAW 7804: Law of Cyberspace</td>
<td>Spring</td>
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<td>LAW 8189.40: Compliance Externship</td>
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<td>Law 7200.1: Business Associations</td>
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<td>LAW 7209: Accounting for Lawyers</td>
<td>Spring</td>
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<td>Law 8100: Employment Law</td>
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<td>Law 8109: Employment Discrimination Law</td>
<td>Spring</td>
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**Optional Courses**

Students may take the remaining credits to complete the 30-credit requirement from any other available in-person courses listed in the College's course catalogue. Optional courses may vary year to year. Explore Fall 2022 Course Schedule and Spring 2023 Course Schedule.

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REQUIRED M.S.L. FOUNDATIONAL COURSES

Intro to US Legal System (3 credits) - online
The course provides an introduction to the basic structure of the US legal system, including the Constitution, the separation of powers, and federalism. The course introduces students to foundational principles underlying many substantive areas of law, including among other topics administrative law, contracts, criminal law, property, and torts. The course also describes the adversary system, the state and federal court systems, and the legal profession generally.

Legal Research and Writing (3 credits) - online
The course provides MSL students with a foundation in conducting legal research, reading legal materials, and analyzing those materials. The course will help students learn how to find, read, and use cases, statutes, and secondary materials. Students will also develop an understanding of how to review contracts by learning contract drafting style and conventions, key types of provisions (such as declarations, covenants, and representations and warranties), and important contractual provisions. Finally, students will hone their writing skills by learning how lawyers communicate and how to communicate like lawyers, both informally (through, for example, email correspondence) as well as in more formal persuasive writing.

CONCENTRATION COURSES

Accounting for Lawyers (2 credits) – in-person
The course is an invaluable, sophisticated introduction to accounting, which is the universal language of business. It assumes no background in accounting and business and will be helpful in the practice of law, as well as in mastering basic tax and business courses in law school. Students will learn to read financial reports, a vitally important skill for lawyers in almost any type of practice, and will become more sophisticated in their understanding of financial issues.

Business Associations (3 credits) - online
This course provides an introduction to the laws governing business entities. We will examine the structure and characteristics of modern business organizations, particularly publicly traded and closely held business corporations. Significant emphasis is placed upon the nature of the corporate governance system and the fiduciary obligations of directors and officers.

Compliance Externship (3 credits) – in-person or hybrid
Externs will assist with all aspects of a comprehensive compliance program, including ethical values and leadership engagement; risk assessment and abatement, communication, operational controls, evaluation, issue response and reporting. Students will also attend a class designed for externs, and fulfill specific academic requirements.

Law of Cyberspace (3 credits) - online
Can the internet be regulated? Who gets to decide? What is the law of the internet? How is it enforced? Is the internet special or exceptional, or is it simply a new variation on long-standing structures? This course will examine the law of the internet – some things old (traditional legal concepts applied to new technological and legal constructs); some things new (government regulation specific to “cyberspace”); and the
merging of both old and new legal concepts to govern ever-changing technologies.

**Data Privacy and Cybersecurity Regulation and Compliance (3 credits) - online**
This course examines the legal, policy, operational and risk management issues related to data privacy and data protection in a digital world. Data privacy law affects a vast range of businesses, products, and processes, including social media, marketing, healthcare, manufacturing, finance, retail, and technology. This course reviews U.S. federal and state law and regulations in depth and provides an overview of the EU General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and other global data protection schemes. It adopts an operational approach that focuses on a privacy lawyer or privacy professional's role within the corporate environment, touching on the various aspects a data privacy function has on legal and compliance, information technology, marketing, human resources, information security, and internal audit.

**Employment Discrimination Law (3 credits) - online**
This course addresses developments in civil rights law in the context of the workplace. We will look at the growing body of law designed to protect against discrimination based on race, gender, national origin, religion, age, disability and sexual orientation. The main focus of the course will be on Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended.

**Employment Law (4 credits) – in-person**
This course focuses on federal and state regulation of the employment relationship, including constitutional, statutory, and common-law restrictions on employer activities. Subjects covered include negligent hiring and retention, invasion of privacy, wrongful discharge, and unemployment insurance, among other topics.

**Federal Income Taxation (3-4 credits) - online**
The course provides an introduction to the basic principles of the federal income tax. The principal subject areas include: (1) characteristics of income; (2) allowable deductions and exemptions; (3) timing issues; (4) income splitting; (5) preferential tax provisions including capital gains; and (6) brief examination of other methods of taxation including consumption tax and flat tax proposals.

**Financial Compliance (3 credits) - online**
This course helps students understand the laws, regulations, and policies covering financial services compliance, including money laundering, data protection, SEC filings, and whistleblowing. Students will explore the fundamental elements and risks that impact financial services compliance. The course provides a review of the work and ethical obligations of a financial services compliance officer, including compliance officers' liability, expectations, risks and effectiveness. The course then provides a substantive review of relevant financial services regulations, including, challenges on compliance officers and provides a way forward to convert these challenges into opportunities.

**Health Care Compliance (3 credits) - online**
Health Care Compliance provides a practical approach to understanding the basic elements of a modern health care compliance program. The course provides a practical, case-study-based approach to a modern health care information management and compliance. Students will learn the role of compliance officers in implementing a compliance program, and will develop an understanding of the rules and regulations that are foundational to a health care compliance program, including obtaining patient consent, protecting health care information, and managing health care-related documentation and reporting obligations. Students will also learn how to help develop policies and procedures, provide employee training, and assist with compliance audits.

**Regulatory Compliance (3 credits) - online**
This course will analyze the legal, ethical and policy foundations of regulatory compliance: the effort to translate statutory requirements into compliant corporate and individual behavior.

**Securities (3 credits) – in-person and recorded**
The course covers the regulation of distributions of securities by issuers and their affiliates under the Federal Securities Act of 1933 and the regulation of the securities trading markets by the Securities & Exchange Act of 1934.

**OPTIONAL COURSES (in-person)**
Course descriptions are available [here](#).