



## Children & Family Law Curriculum Plan

This curriculum plan aims to help you select courses if you are interested in a career in children and family law or focusing your studies on this area. We strongly encourage every student to pursue a broad legal education that includes core courses (including bar courses), courses relevant to a student's professional interests and goals, and courses that appeal to a student for any particular reason. This page provides general advice and information about the courses and other offerings at the College of Law.

If you are interested in children and family law, we encourage you to seek individual guidance on designing your 2L and 3L curriculum from any of the faculty resources listed here. In addition, the Assistant Dean for Students and the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs are available to meet with students for general academic advising.

**Sequencing:** Generally, fundamental courses should be taken before more specialized courses. In this area, that means you will want to take the basic courses of Civil Procedure II and Evidence in your 2L year. You will want to take Appellate Advocacy for your second-year writing requirement. You may also want to take specialized courses in your 2L year.

### Core Courses:

Adoption Law  
Advanced Family Law  
Anatomy of a Divorce Trial  
Family and Divorce Mediation\*  
Children and the Law  
Family Law  
Justice for Children Clinic\*

### Related Courses:

Administrative Law  
Criminal Procedure: Investigation  
Critical Theory/Critical Lawyering  
Federal Income Taxation  
Immigration Clinic\*  
Immigration Law  
Legal Negotiation  
Negotiation and Mediation  
Law and Religion  
Local Government Law  
Mediation Clinic\*  
Poverty Law  
Sex, Sexuality, and Law  
Wills, Trusts & Estates

Faculty resource list:

Ruth Colker  
Katherine Federle  
Kimberly Jordan  
Marc Spindelman

Note: This document is provided for advising purposes only. Choosing to take courses listed on this advising document will not lead to a certificate or other designation on your transcript. Not all courses listed here will be taught each year. This information is being provided for the 2023-24 academic year only. For the most up-to-date information, please consult the schedule of courses or email [moritzstudentaffairs@osu.edu](mailto:moritzstudentaffairs@osu.edu).