Legal and Ethical Studies

This 36-credit program requires the following:

Foundation Courses (15 credits)

- Legal Research and Analysis (LEST 500)
- Legal and Ethical Foundations (LEST 501)
- Historical Perspectives (LEST 506)
- Legal and Ethical Arguments (LEST 507)
- Law and Morality (LEST 508)

Advanced Courses (21 credits)

Complete seven courses by selecting one of the following paths.

Path I, recommended for students interested in the study of law in ethical, historical and social contexts:

- one Principles in Action course
- one Problems and Perspectives course
- one Applied Ethics course
- one more course from among the Principles in Action, Problems and Perspectives and Applied Ethics areas
- three more courses from among the Principles in Action, Problems and Perspectives, Applied Ethics and Other Discipline Electives areas

Path II, recommended for students planning to go to law school or pursuing law-intensive careers:

- Complex Legal Analysis (LEST 600)
- two Principles in Action courses
- one Applied Ethics course
- three more courses from among the Principles in Action, Problems and Perspectives, Applied Ethics and Other Discipline Electives areas

Principles in Action

- Law of Contracts (LEST 603)
- Law of Business Organizations (LEST 604)
- Areas of Law (LEST 605)
- Family Law (LEST 606)
- Property Law (LEST 607)
- Employment Law (LEST 609)
- Torts (LEST 614)
- Criminal Law (LEST 615)
- Constitutional Law (LEST 616)
- Administrative Law (LEST 617)

Problems and Perspectives

- Complex Legal Analysis (LEST 600)
- Origins of Law (LEST 602)
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- Special Legal Topics (LEST 610)
- Philosophy of Law (LEST 620)
- The Trial Process (LEST 626)
- Law and History Seminar (LEST 630)
- Legal Studies Internship (LEST 696)
- Independent Study, 1-3 credits (LEST 699)

Applied Ethics
- Ethics and Advocacy (LEST 601)
- Professional Ethics (LEST 624)
- Topics in Applied Ethics (LEST 625)
- Environmental Law and Ethics (LEST 628)
- Internship in Applied Ethics (LEST 698)

Other Discipline Electives (9-credit maximum)
You may take up to 9 credits in electives in other graduate programs at the University of Baltimore. You are strongly encouraged to select a coherent series of electives that specifically advance an academic specialization or professional competency.

Pre-approved electives follow; you may petition the graduate program director for permission to take other courses outside of the M.A. in Legal and Ethical Studies program.

- Understanding and Assessing Conflict (CNCM 506)
- Approaches to Managing Conflict/Methods of Dispute Resolution (CNCM 508)
- Negotiations: Theory and Practice (CNCM 513)
- Police and Society (CRJU 631)
- Youth Problems in Society (CRJU 635)
- The Victim: Crime, Victims and Society (CRJU 702)
- The Legal Environment of Health-Care Management (HSMG 630)
- Public Personnel and Human Resource Management (PUAD 621)
- Bureaucracy and the Political Process (PUAD 623)
- Legal and Ethical Environment of Public Administration (PUAD 627)