CRIMINAL PRACTICE TRACK

Criminal Practice (Litigation Professional Track)

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The Criminal Practice Professional Track is designed to provide students with a broad exposure to concepts, topics, and skills vital to criminal practitioners. Choosing this professional track provides students with a firm foundation for beginning a career in criminal law. Career opportunities available in the criminal practice area include joining a district attorney's office as an assistant prosecutor, working for a division of the Texas Attorney General's Office or the United States Department of Justice prosecuting a diverse array of crimes (such as environmental crimes, antitrust crimes, and civil rights violations), or working as a criminal defense attorney. This professional track carries students well beyond the Criminal Law and Criminal Procedure courses which are required of all students. The Criminal Practice Track provides a working familiarity with many practical aspects of criminal law and procedure – which are fundamental to criminal practice but often neglected by law schools – including plea bargaining, sentencing procedure, appeal, and habeas corpus. Students in Criminal Practice also have the opportunity to complete a practice experience in a district attorney's office or federal prosecutor's office under the direct supervision of a prosecutor. This professional track qualifies as a foundation track for the Special Distinction in Litigation.

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Criminal Practice Electives

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