

## **Environmental Specialization Requirements**

### **Coursework Requirement**

J.D. students are required to complete five courses with a grade of B- or better in each course to complete the program, fulfilling both Requirements A and B of the specialization. Requirement A is that a student complete (1) Environmental Law and (2) either Administrative Law or Legislation and Regulation. Requirement B is that a student take at least three other upper-level courses from a list of all upper-level courses with content in environmental, natural resources, land use, and energy law, and international or comparative environmental law. One-unit courses will count as only half a course for this purpose.

The list of courses (including seminars and clinics) that satisfy Requirement B will be reviewed annually and revised as appropriate by the Environmental Law Specialization Committee, in coordination with the Records Office. Students are encouraged to look into the specifics of the syllabi of each course and to meet with the faculty advisors to ensure they select courses that best achieve their personal educational goals.

Students may petition the Environmental Law Specialization Committee to have other relevant courses or independent studies counted toward the specialization. The co-executive directors may also approve, on a case by case basis, specialization credit for appropriate courses taken either abroad as part of Foreign Legal Studies, or as a transfer or visiting student.

Courses satisfying Requirement A need not be taken before other qualifying courses. Coursework need not be complete before the student meets the environmental law writing requirement.

Students pursuing the Specialization in Environmental Law do not receive priority enrollment for any course. There is no cap on enrollment in any of the core courses that satisfy Requirement A. Students are encouraged to enroll for other courses as early as possible in the enrollment period to avoid disappointment.