MINOR IN LAW, SCIENCE, AND TECHNOLOGY

The School of Public Policy is home to Georgia Tech’s Law, Science, and Technology/Pre-Law Program. This program offers a wide range of curricular opportunities as well as pre-law advising and support services for students considering law school and careers in law.

The program introduces students to selected areas of law that they are likely to study in law school. Students will begin to develop the skills that they will need to succeed in law school and in law practice. Some of the courses are taught by full-time faculty, while others are taught by attorneys from the Atlanta area, thereby exposing students to academic and practical perspectives on the practice of law.

The program welcomes students from every college and major. Students majoring in the sciences and engineering may be surprised to learn that their undergraduate background gives them a strong start toward specializations such as intellectual property law, products liability law, and construction law. The pre-law program can supplement a student’s scientific or engineering background by developing the reading and writing skills that are fundamental to a successful legal career.

Program of Study

Required Courses

Select one of the following:

- PUBP 3000 American Constitutional Issues 3
- PUBP 3016 Judicial Process
- PUBP 3610 Pre-Law Seminar
- PUBP 4609 Legal Practice

Electives

Select elective PUBP courses to fulfill 15 credit hour requirement. 1

Total Credit Hours 15

1 Numbered 3000 or above.

- All courses must be taken on letter-grade basis and completed with a grade of C (2.00) or better.
- No more than 9 credit hours of Special Topics courses may be included in a minor program.
- Students who began the LST minor prior to Fall 2003, may apply under an earlier set of guidelines. Please see Professor Robert Pikowsky, Director of the Pre-Law Program, for details.
- A maximum of 3 credit hours of transfer credit may be used to satisfy the course requirements for a minor. This includes courses taken at another institution or credit earned through the AP or IB program, assuming the scores meet Georgia Tech minimum standards.
- It is the major advisor’s responsibility to verify that students are using only courses from the designated block(s) from the student’s major field of study that are allowed to satisfy a minor program, that they are not using any Core Area A-E courses (including humanities and social sciences), and that they are not using any courses for more than one minor or certificate. Any free elective course used to satisfy the course requirements of the student’s major degree program may also be used to satisfy the course requirements for a minor.

Pre-law Certificates - Program of Study

Required Courses

Select one of the following: 3

- PUBP 3000 American Constitutional Issues
- PUBP 3016 Judicial Process
- PUBP 3610 Pre-Law Seminar
- PUBP 4609 Legal Practice

Electives

Select elective PUBP courses to fulfill 12 credit hour requirement. 1

Total Credit Hours 12

1 Numbered 3000 or above.

For additional curricular requirements or any other information, see the pre-law section of the website www.prelaw.gatech.edu (http://www.prelaw.gatech.edu); or contact the pre-law program director (contact information listed at website).

Minor Program of Study & Guidelines (http://www.catalog.gatech.edu/academics/minors)