Options at Penn Law for PSOM students
Benefits at PSOM: complement your medical studies with studies from other disciplines

Entire UPenn Distinguishes itself in this way
PSOM goes a step farther for you:
  • Permitted to take classes elsewhere
  • Encouraged and financially supported – 3 classes paid for

Penn Law adds to this:
  • We welcome and support you
  • We appreciate your contributions in the class and in our community
Why Choose Penn Law for your additional courses

- Law touches everything in our society— even one class complements your medical training with knowledge about the U.S. Legal system and how our society works.
- Several classes and combinations of Master in Law courses and upper-level law courses can complement your medical education and training.
American Medical Association:  

“Health care's current landscape makes it more important than ever for practicing physicians to stay up to date on legal issues that could affect them and their medical practice.”
How will you navigate this?
AMA: Physicians Should Be Prepared for Medical-Legal Issues They Will Face.

- Affordable Care Act
- EMTALA
- Peer Review
- Physician/Hospital Contracts
- Protecting Your Practice From Legal Claims
- Electronic Records
- HIPAA
- Duty to Treat
- Medical Liability
- Medical Staff Privileges
- Telemedicine
- Self-Referral
More reasons to choose Penn Law coursework to complement your PSOM training

- enrich your academic and personal experience at Penn
- increase the value of your Penn degree
- focus your academic and career goals in Healthcare
- distinguish yourself in the classroom and your career with skill building, adding valuable insight and education to what you are already learning at PSOM
- Create an invaluable and diverse social and professional network in both ML and JD classes
Cross-Disciplinary Education

Benefits Everyone

We appreciate diverse academic and professional backgrounds:

• contributes to and elevates class discussion
• produces deep, long-lasting learning using real-life examples from you, other physician students and attorneys teaching the concepts you will confront in your practice
Goal of the ML Program and Foundational Classes

- *Cultivate Legal Knowledge Across Disciplines including Healthcare*
- Bring legal education will complement you in your career:
  - By learning the legal framework of the healthcare system and the law that shapes it, you will know how it impacts what you do as a physician
  - You will be better equipped to:
    - prepare for and anticipate change in your practice and the medical profession
    - gauge and assess risk and opportunities
    - create and advance opportunities for yourselves and those with whom you practice
    - become better physicians, leaders in healthcare – even impact the shape of laws that will touch your profession
ML Foundational Courses

• Different Focus and Goals from Upper-level Courses – both have value for you
  – ML distills complex legal concepts which you will encounter in your work
  – integrate students into the law school style of education
    • Socratic Method, case-law method of learning legal principles
  – give broad-based, practical legal knowledge of the law as confronted in your profession

• Lecturers in these classes are practitioners and academics with extensive practice experience in the areas in which they teach – 530-301 for example.
Classes from ML Program can complement any academic program:

- US Law
- American Constitutional Law
- General Business Law
- Regulatory Law and Process (Navigating the Regulatory State)
- Health Law and Policy
- Technology Law and Ethics
- Patent Law (online)
US Law

• Overview of the U.S. legal system:
  – how to read cases, use precedent, apply fundamental legal principles to an area of the law
  – how law is created, learned and practiced
  – students will understand the role of the law as a social, economic and political force in the life of the United States

• Entry point for any coursework in the law school: ML or upper level

• Practical benefit of being a core requirement of the Certificate in Law and the ML

• Offered Fall, Spring and Summer

• Summer evenings: great for Penn students with summer jobs and internships
Health Law and Policy

• Introduces students to the legal and regulatory landscape governing healthcare providers and organizations.

• Primary focus is how the law impacts various stakeholders in the healthcare system:
  – Healthcare facilities, healthcare providers, patients, pharma entities, insurers, government health programs

• Taught by team of attorneys who represent hospitals, medical staffs, managed care enterprises and health care providers
Regulatory

• You will better understand your field, one which is highly impacted by complex regulatory schemes and concerns
• While you will learn relevant regulations more importantly you will learn where to find them, how they are made, how you might shape these in the future
• You will learn how regulations are designed, developed, implemented, challenged and enforced
• Newly offered in the Fall - plenty of room, small class size
Law and Technology

- Will develop deeper understanding of legal and ethical issues affecting everyday work in technology and engineering
- How and why tech is regulated
- Federal and state privacy laws and law affecting data (gathering, storage)
- Competing concerns of law enforcement, national security, civil liberties
- Product liability and vulnerability
- Intellectual property and ownership
- Employer-Employee issues of work product ownership
- Internet security, hacking, bug bounties

Newly offered in the Fall, therefore, plenty of room, small class size
Intro to Patent Law

• Polk Wagner’s upper level course made online, added to ML choices – Spring ’17
• seeks to equip students with a detailed overview of the law and policy of the United States patent system.
  – the fundamental reasons for the creation of patent rights and the relationship between patent law and other "intellectual property" concepts
  – details of the statutory requirements for patentability
  – scope of patent rights
  – patent policy: what should be eligible for patentability -- considering cases of biotechnology, computer software, and internet business models
American Constitutional Law

Will cover:

- How to read Supreme Court cases and research constitutional questions and discuss theories of constitutional interpretation
- Origin of the Constitution
- Landmark cases
- Separation and balance of power
- Current topics: executive orders (immigration, DOMA enforcement), senate confirmation of executive appointments
Business Law

• Business Law concepts for the Healthcare practitioner:
  – Contracts, employment law, agency
  – Choice of entity (corporation, LLC, partnership, etc.)
  – Intellectual property
• Newly offered in the Fall - plenty of room, small class size
Student Experience, Perspective

Studying at Penn Law

• Dr. Ron Litman, CHOP, PSOM faculty and current ML candidate
• Sean Johnson, MD/ML candidate
Program Options for PSOM
Students at Penn Law

• **Take a class**

• **Earn a Certificate in Law**
  With four (3+1) classes from Penn Law build a broad foundation or focus your studies in one area

• **Earn the Master in Law degree**
  With six classes from Penn Law and two MS1 classes (MOD610 Respect for Persons and MOD320 Health Care Systems)
Why a Master in Law

- The program’s specialized curriculum is geared to health professionals entering a field increasingly defined by regulation and new service delivery models.
- Graduates of the program will develop legal knowledge and key analytical and critical thinking skills that will prepare them for careers as leaders of health practices and medical institutions.
Master in Law: Specific Outcomes

- Develop Analytical Thinking & Problem Solving Skills
- Engage with Legal and Healthcare Policy Questions as an Insider
- Know the Healthcare Regulatory and Policy Landscape and Framework
- Create Rich Legal Network and Know Where to Get Answers
- Understand Healthcare Legal-Business Issues such as Business Formation and Contracts – and so much more.
Master in Law – Health Track
Requirements

- 8 CUs total, flexible but generally
  - 4 foundational minimum, (511, 530, 528, 529)
  - 2 Upper Level:
  - 2 PSOM: we accept for credit:
    - MOD610 Respect for Persons and
    - MOD320 Health Care Systems
      - At the end of MS1, you have completed 2 of your 8 course requirements
Recommended Plan for MD/ML

Amy has listed it for you on your PSOM pages
– this summer take 511 – evenings, condensed class, late June to early August
– Combined with 2 PSOM credits, you already begin MS2 with 3 of the 8 required CUs
### (Sample) MASTER IN LAW – HEALTH TRACK

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**Additional ML Courses to Consider:**

| • Introduction to Technology Law / Ethics       | • Mental Health Law                                            |
| • An Introduction to American Constitutional Law | • Intellectual Property and Patent Law                        |
| • An Introduction to Patent Law                 | • Privacy Law                                                  |
|                                                 | • Disability Law                                               |
|                                                 | • FDA Law & Policy                                             |
|                                                 | • Doctors, Death Panels, & Democracy                          |
|                                                 | • Health Law, Economics, & Policy                             |
|                                                 | • Advanced Regulatory Law                                     |
|                                                 | • Freedom and Responsibility                                  |
|                                                 | • Animal Law and Ethics                                        |
Tuition

• As a dual MD/ML candidate, total degree costs are far less than if the degrees were earned separately:
  – PSOM additional course policy pays for 3 classes, Law accepts 2 PSOM classes, requiring tuition for only 3 ML classes.
  – Tuition is $6868 per CU (AY 2015-2016)
ML Application

• Online format via CollegeNet – fee waived for PSOM students
• Required: 2 LORs, transcripts, personal statement, resume, MCAT accepted.
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