Business and Commercial Law Certificate

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Code	Title	Hours
LAW 892	Business Organizations	3-4

Electives (three of the following):

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LAW 911	Accounting for Lawyers	1-2
LAW 863	Antitrust Law	3
LAW 872	Commercial Arbitration	3
LAW 873	Commercial Law: Secured Transactions	3
LAW 877	Corporate Governance	2-3
LAW 945	International Commerce and Investment	3
LAW 985	Real Estate Finance	1-2
LAW 855	Taxation of Business Enterprises	2-3

Electives (two of the following):

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LAW 889	Bankruptcy	3
LAW 868	Business Planning Seminar	3
LAW 869	Contract Drafting	3
LAW 930	Corporate Finance	2-3
LAW 828	Deals	2-4
LAW 835	Due Diligence in Business Transactions	2
LAW 924	Independent Research	1-2
LAW 947	Mergers and Other Acquisitions	2-3

LAW 986	Securities Regulation	3-5
LAW 948	Transactional Law Competition	1-3

A student must have a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.0 in the courses that count toward the certificate.

*If Independent Research is selected, it must be for 2 credits; the topic must be certified in advance by the director of the certificate program as involving advanced study of business or commercial law; and the resulting paper must satisfy the standards of the upper-level writing requirement.