

Program Change Request

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Academic level	Professional Law
Effective Term	2019-2020 Professional
Department	School of Law
College	School of Law
Program type	Degree
Degree designation	JD - Juris Doctor
With a major in	Law (JDLW)
Associated Program	Not Applicable
Catalog Program Title	Juris Doctor
CIP and Fund code	22010100

Rationale for Proposal

This submission encompasses the following:

1) Program changes to update the catalog program requirements/degree evaluation that need to be made for Fall 2019.

2) The MOAs included in this proposal were previously approved (internally) per FS.35.050. However, external approval is still pending for the MOAs and role has been added to workflow.

FS.35.050 Rationale Below

Texas A&M University School of Law ("TAMUSL") and University of Texas at Arlington ("UTA") will offer two dual degree programs to further their educational and research collaboration interests. These degrees will consist of the existing Juris Doctor ("JD") degree offered by TAMU and either (1) the existing Master of Science in Taxation ("MST") or (2) the existing Master of Business Administration ("MBA") degree offered by UTA. These programs will be launched once the dual degrees are approved through each of TAMU's and UTA's curricular approval process as well as by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges ("SACSCOC").

Students from TAMUSL who are admitted into the UTA MST or UTA MBA programs may take MST or MBA courses concurrently while they are enrolled in the TAMUSL JD program. Similarly, MST and MBA students at UTA who are admitted into the TAMUSL JD program will be allowed to take JD courses concurrently while they are enrolled in the UTA MST program. Each institution will count towards its degree a specified and limited number of credit hours taken in the other

Approval Path

1. 04/20/17 3:26 pm
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Cathy Cordova (ccordova): Approved for President
11. 11/01/18 4:39 pm
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school's program.

Each institution will retain full discretion on admission of students into its degree program, and degrees for each program will be awarded when the degree requirements for that program are completed, independent of the second program.

Students enrolled in the JD-MBA dual degree program will focus the vast majority of their academic study at both institutions on business, law, and business law topics. Students enrolled in the JD-MST dual degree program will focus the vast majority of their academic study at both institutions on taxation, business, law, and business law topics. These students will create unique synergies within their studies at the two schools, justifying the allowance of transfer credits between the programs. Students successfully completing these programs will emerge with concentrated study and training in the interplay between business and law, preparing them more effectively for professional careers in this area.

Program hours **90**

Is this program eligible for financial aid? **Yes**

Will program hours change (increase/decrease) due to the proposed curriculum changes? **No**

Program delivery mode
On-campus
Off-campus - specify location

Location is
In State

Is this an approved SACSCOC location? **Yes**

SACSCOC Location **Texas A&M University School of Law, 1515 Commerce St., Fort Worth, TX 76102**

Will this program be offered with another institution? **No**

% of Program a student can take off-campus or through Distance Education **100%**

- (ccordova): Rollback to Initiator
- 12. 11/18/18 11:17 am
Angel Mario Carrizales (carri1214): Rollback to Initiator
- 13. 11/19/18 5:20 pm
Angel Mario Carrizales (carri1214): Approved for Curricular Services Review
- 14. 11/20/18 9:13 am
Amy Guthrie (arguthrie): Approved for SL Committee Preparer
- 15. 11/20/18 9:16 am
Terri Helge (thelge): Approved for SL College Dean
- 16. 11/27/18 11:09 am
LaRhesa Johnson (lrjohnson): Approved for GC Preparer
- 17. 12/13/18 4:24 pm
LaRhesa Johnson (lrjohnson): Approved for GC Chair

History

- 1. Oct 17, 2016 by Sandra Williams (sandra-williams)

Catalog Program Requirements

~~School of Law Admission Information Curriculum~~

The JD degree is conferred on students who satisfactorily complete a minimum of 90 credit hours with a cumulative grade point of 2.33 or better. In addition, each student must complete an upper-level rigorous writing requirement, a six-hour experiential requirement, and a 30-hour *pro bono* requirement. Students must complete their degree requirements within 72 months of starting law school.

Plan of Study Grid

First Year	
Fall	Semester Credit Hours
LAW 7110 Professional Identity	.5
LAW 7001 Analysis, Research, and Writing I	3
LAW 7005 Civil Procedure	4
LAW 7042 Torts	4
LAW 7418 Legislation and Regulation	3
Semester Credit Hours	14.5
Spring	
LAW 7017 Contracts	4
LAW 7032 Property	4
LAW 7002 Analysis, Research, and Writing II	3
LAW 7007 Alternate Dispute Resolution Survey1	
LAW 7110 Professional Identity	.5
LAW 7021 Criminal Law	3
Semester Credit Hours	15.5
Second Year	

LAW 7010 Constitutional Law	4
LAW 7091 Professional Responsibility	3
Upper level electives 1, 2	23
Semester Credit Hours	30
Third Year	
Upper level electives 1, 2	30
Semester Credit Hours	30
Total Semester Credit Hours	90

1Students must successfully complete a minimum of six credit hours in one or more upper-level experiential courses. As part of the six credit hours, the student must successfully complete an approved externship or a clinic that involves advising or representing one or more actual clients or serving as a third-party neutral. An experiential course must be a simulation course, a law clinic, or a field placement.

2One LARW III course is required.

~~The curriculum consists of lockstep courses (required courses that must be taken in a prescribed sequence), advanced required courses, core curriculum electives, and general curriculum electives. In addition to providing a solid grounding in the basics of the law, the school's curriculum offers many opportunities for students to take courses in a variety of specialized areas and programs and to learn those practical skills essential to students' success in law practice. Program Requirements The full time day division program is a three year course of study consisting of 14 week fall and spring semesters. The part time program is generally a four year course of study consisting of 14 week fall and spring semesters. A seven week summer session with a limited course schedule is offered. Lockstep Courses All entering students must complete required lockstep courses. For the prescribed lockstep course sequence for each division, consult the School of Law Academic Standards in the Student Handbook at <http://law.tamu.edu/docs/default-source/current-students/Student-Handbook-15-16-8feb16.pdf?sfvrsn=2>. Advanced Required Courses In addition to the required lockstep courses, all students must successfully complete certain upper-level advanced requirements prior to graduation. For more information, consult the School of Law Academic Standards in the Student handbook at <http://law.tamu.edu/docs/default-source/current-students/Student-Handbook-15-16-8feb16.pdf?sfvrsn=2>. Academic Deficiency and Readmission At the end of the first semester (fall), any student with a grade point average below 1.90 will be dismissed for academic deficiency. A student who was previously dismissed for academic deficiency and is restarting the law school program is required to have a grade point average of 2.33 at the end of the fall semester. At any time after two semesters in the law school, a student with a grade point average below 2.33 will be dismissed for academic deficiency. The School of Law Academic Standards govern probation, restart, and reapplication. Visit <http://law.tamu.edu/docs/default-source/current-students/Student-Handbook-15-16-8feb16.pdf?sfvrsn=2> for more information.~~

Additional information	<p>Please find attached the MOAs for the UTA-TAMU dual JD-MST degree program and the dual JD-MBA degree program.</p> <p>MOAs previously approved per FS 35.050 attached. The program change is being resubmitted to update the catalog program requirements for changes to the course requirements for the curricular program.</p>
Required Proposal Forms	<p>UTA - TAMU Dual JD-MST.pdf</p> <p>UTA - TAMU Dual JD-MBA.pdf</p> <p>PresidentApprovalFacultySenateItems100917.pdf</p> <p>JD-SL Degree Evaluation Template 201931.docx</p>
Reviewer Comments	<p>Sandra Williams (sandra-williams) (04/18/17 1:36 pm): Rollback: Please include rationale.</p> <p>Sandra Williams (sandra-williams) (04/20/17 3:25 pm): Adjusted workflow to include the Provost role after the SL Dean approves.</p> <p>Mike Stephenson (mstephenson) (06/14/17 4:02 pm): This is a dual degree which constitutes a substantive change to the institution. The dual degree must be approved by SACSCOC before it can be fully implemented. Because this is a substantive change, it requires a full vote by all committees in the curricular process.</p> <p>Cathy Cordova (ccordova) (10/25/17 9:27 am): Rec'd in Provost Office 10/16/17.</p> <p>Cathy Cordova (ccordova) (11/09/17 9:13 am): Approved on behalf of President's office. Approval memo 10/19/17 attached.</p> <p>Cathy Cordova (ccordova) (11/01/18 4:39 pm): Rollback to department, per Helge request, email 11/1/2018.</p> <p>Cathy Cordova (ccordova) (11/01/18 4:39 pm): Rollback: Rollback to department per Helge request, email 11/1/2018.</p> <p>Angel Mario Carrizales (carri1214) (11/18/18 11:17 am): Rollback: Per the initiator's request.</p>

JD-SL Degree Evaluation Template

Total program hours = 90

Non course requirements

- 30 hour *Pro-Bono* Requirement
 - Rigorous Writing Requirement
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JD- First Year, Fall – 14.5 hours

- A. LAW 7110 Professional Identity 0.5
- B. LAW 7001 Analysis, Research, and Writing I 3hrs
- C. LAW 7005 Civil Procedure 4hrs
- D. LAW 7042 Torts 4hrs
- E. LAW 7418 Legislation and Regulation 3hrs

JD- First Year, Spring – 15.5 hours

- A. LAW 7017 Contracts 4hrs
- B. LAW 7032 Property 4hrs
- C. LAW 7002 Analysis, Research, and Writing II 3hrs
- D. LAW 7007 Alternate Dispute Resolution Survey 1hr
- E. LAW 7110 Professional Identity 0.5hr
- F. LAW 7021 Criminal Law 3hr

JD- Second Year – 30 hours

- A. LAW 7010 Constitutional Law 4hrs
- B. LAW 7091 Professional Responsibility 3hrs
- C. Upper level electives 23hrs

Select from LAW 7000-7999.

JD- Third Year – 30 hours

- A. Upper level electives 30 hrs
- Select from LAW 7000-7999.

JD-SL Degree Evaluation Template

Courses not applied

- A. Course not applied to program

The following areas will be used to capture the experiential and LARW requirement. The set up allows to double count a course for both requirements.

LARW Requirement

- A. LARW Requirement

Select one course with the LARW attribute

Experiential Requirement

- A. Experiential requirements

Six hours required.


Select from courses with the EXPR attribute* (previously SKIL attribute)


At least one course with the LIVE attribute*


* These attributes have been requested but have not yet been assigned.

October 19, 2017

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. Michael K. Young 
President

THROUGH: Dr. Carol A. Fierke 
Provost and Executive Vice President

FROM: Dr. Michael Benedik 
Vice Provost

SUBJECT: October 9, 2017 Faculty Senate Items

All of the attached October 2017 Faculty Senate items have been reviewed and approved by college, university curriculum, Faculty Senate and Office of the Provost.

New Course Requests, Course Change Requests, Course Inactivation Requests, Course Withdrawal Requests, and Change in Curriculum Requests

Approval recommended: FS.35.044; FS.35.045; FS.35.046; FS.35.047; FS.35.048; FS.35.054; FS.35.055; FS.35.056; FS.35.061.

FS.35.049: Approval recommended. College of Education & Human Development, Department of Educational Administration and Human Resource Development request to change the current SCHs [64] to 69 SCH. This would enable students to have adequate time for developing imperative dispositions in Educational Administration

EXTERNAL action: A Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board [THECB] *Request to Change Semester Credit Hours* form will be submitted to the System

FS.35.050: Approval recommended. Dual degree request between the University of Texas at Arlington [UTA] and Texas A&M University School of Law [TAMUSL] leading to a Master of Science in Taxation [MST] at UTA and a Juris Doctor [JD] at Texas A&M.

There is no action to the THECB. Per THECB document *Joint Partnerships Among Texas Institutions of Higher Education* "Institutions awarding dual degree programs are not required, but often provide written notification to the Coordinating Board when they enter into a partnership. No approval is in place for the review of dual degree programs, and no comprehensive inventory of these programs is maintained."

INTERNAL action: Memorandum of Agreement between UTA and TAMUSL will need to be updated with correct authorized signing officers and signatures acquired.

EXTERNAL action: This is a dual degree which constitutes a substantive change to the institution, the dual degree must be approved by Southern Associations of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges [SACSCOC] before it can be fully implemented. Because this is a substantive change, it requires a full vote by all committees in the curricular process.

FS.35.051: Approval recommended. College of Education & Human Development, Department of Educational Psychology, new certificate request: Latino Mental Health-Certificate. Proposed implementation is fall 2018, with automatic approval. The required SCHs do not exceed the maximum SCH for a graduate certificate, per Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 5, Subchapter C, Rule Section 5.48. No external action required.

FS.35.052: Approval recommended. Bush School of Government & Public Service, Department of International Affairs. Request for a new degree program, Executive Master of International Policy in International Policy. Degree does not meet criteria to submit a planning notification to the THECB—program is under \$2M and CIP is 44.0504.00.

INTERNAL action: 50-mile notification will be sent and an agenda item will be submitted to the System for review and approval at the February 2018 Board of Regents meeting [System deadline for submission: November 6, 2017].

EXTERNAL action: The required THECB forms will be submitted to the System with the agenda item.

FS.35.053: Approval recommended. Mays Business School, Department of Information & Operations Management, Supply Chain Management Certificate inactivation.

EXTERNAL action: notification to SACSCOC

FS.35.057: Approval recommended. College of Engineering, BS in Interdisciplinary Engineering [BS ITDE]. Request for the BS in ITDE program be delivered off-campus, face-to-face at the Texas A&M University at Galveston campus.

EXTERNAL action: Submit the required off-campus, face-to-face forms to the System for approval at the THECB.

FS.35.058: Approval recommended. College of Liberal Arts, Department of Anthropology. Request for a new degree program, BS in Anthropology. Degree does not meet criteria to submit a planning notification to the THECB—program is under \$2M and CIP is 45.0101.00.

INTERNAL action: 50-mile notification will be sent and an agenda item will be submitted to the System for review and approval at the February 2018 Board of Regents meeting [deadline for submission: November 6, 2017].

EXTERNAL action: the required THECB forms will be submitted to the System with the agenda item.

FS.35.059: Approval recommended. College of Engineering, Department of Civil Engineering. Request for a new degree program, BS in Environmental Engineering. A Planning notification was approved by THECB April 27, 2017—program is over \$2M with CIP code 14.1401.

INTERNAL action: 50-mile notification will be sent and an agenda item will be submitted to the System for review and approval at the February 2018 Board of Regents meeting [deadline for submission: November 6, 2017].

EXTERNAL action: the required THECB forms will be submitted to the System with the agenda item.

FS.35.060: Approval recommended. Texas A&M University at Galveston, Department of Marine Science request for a new minor—coursework does not surpass the maximum SCH allowed for a minor. No action required.

FS.35.062: REVIEW ONLY. Faculty Senate Personnel & Welfare Committee Campus Climate Survey Report

Attachments

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

For Dual JD-MBA Degree Program

Between

**University of Texas at Arlington
and
Texas A&M University**

This Memorandum of Agreement (“MOA”) is between the University of Texas at Arlington (“UTA”), a component of the University of Texas System and Texas A&M University (“TAMU”), on behalf of its School of Law (“TAMUSL”). UTA and TAMU shall be known collectively as the “Parties” and singularly as a “Party” or the “Party.”

Whereas, the above named Parties plan to join in an agreement of mutual cooperation and recognize that an agreement of cooperation would be of mutual benefit and would serve to implement a dual degree program leading to the Master of Business Administration (“MBA”) at UTA and the Juris Doctor (“JD”) at TAMU. The Parties therefore agree as follows.

Academic Program Overview

UTA and TAMU will offer a dual degree program under the terms set out below to further their educational and research collaboration interests. This degree will consist of the existing JD degree offered by TAMU (“TAMUSL JD”) and the existing MBA degree offered by UTA (“UTA MBA”). This program will be launched once the dual degree is approved through each Party’s curricular approval process as well as by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (“SACSCOC”).

This MOA will allow students from either Party to complete their degrees in business and law concurrently, if qualified.

Students from TAMUSL who are admitted into the UTA MBA program may take MBA courses concurrently while they are enrolled in the TAMUSL JD program. Similarly, MBA students at UTA who are admitted into the TAMUSL JD program will be allowed to take JD courses concurrently while they are enrolled in the UTA MBA program.

The degree for each program will be awarded when the degree requirements for that program are completed, independent of the second program.

The intended start date for the program is Fall 2017. For the purposes of this MOA, students enrolled concurrently at TAMUSL in the JD program and at UTA in the MBA program and who have completed any school-based requirements for acceptance into the dual degree program are considered to be “dual degree students,” subject to any additional requirements imposed by UTA or TAMUSL.

A Dual Degree Advisory Board will be established with two representatives from each Party. Membership of the Dual Degree Advisory Board will be qualified faculty members who are appointed by the Dean of the TAMUSL and the Dean of the College of Business at UTA. This dual degree program will be reviewed annually, including, but not limited to, the assessment and monitoring of the courses and components offered by the two Parties, the educational outcomes, the content and teaching methodologies of the courses, and the qualifications of teaching faculty. Any modifications to the program must be approved in writing by the Dual Degree Advisory Board, the Dean of the UTA College of Business, and the Dean of TAMUSL.

Description of Programs and Credit Hours

A. MBA

The professional MBA at UTA is a specially designed, team-based (cohort) format program. The MBA courses are taken in sequence, in accelerated 5- or 8-week sessions. This format is only offered currently at the UTA Fort Worth campus. Like the on-campus program, this program is 45 semester hours. Dual degree students must take at least 30 hours of MBA courses from UTA.

To be considered a dual degree student at UTA, the student must notify the Director of Graduate Studies for the College of Business in writing of his or her concurrent enrollment in the JD program at TAMUSL and must be formally recognized as a dual degree student by UTA. Thereafter, the dual degree student must meet with the Director of Graduate Studies for the College of Business before registering each term to determine which, if any, courses taken in the TAMUSL JD program will qualify for transfer into the student's MBA program.

Dual degree students may, with approval of UTA, count up to 15 credit hours towards their MBA degree from courses taken in TAMUSL program. These credit hours may take the place of elective credit hours required in the MBA program. The list of courses that TAMUSL students will be required to successfully complete at UTA to earn the MBA is provided in Appendix A. The list of law courses that may be taken as electives at TAMUSL and are approved by the MBA Graduate Studies Committee for transfer into the UTA MBA degree program is provided in Appendix B. These courses are eligible for transfer credit if the student completes the course with a final grade of at least a "B" at TAMUSL, but final decisions on JD credit hours counted toward the MBA degree requirements will be made by the Chair of the MBA Graduate Studies Committee. Once a student graduates from the TAMUSL JD program, that student will not be allowed to transfer any JD credit hours into the MBA program at UTA. All transfers of credit hours from the TAMUSL JD program to the UTA MBA program must occur before a student graduates from the TAMUSL JD program.

B. JD

The JD at TAMUSL is a professional degree program that prepares students for the practice of law and to sit for a state bar examination. It is fully accredited by the American Bar Association (ABA). The JD course of study is comprised of lockstep courses taken by fulltime students over the first three terms. During the remainder of their time in school, JD students enroll in various required upper-division courses and complete their courses of study with their choice from a broad range of electives. JD students must also complete all other TAMUSL graduation requirements. The JD course of study is 90 credit hours. Dual degree students must complete at least 78 of these credit hours in coursework at TAMUSL.

To be considered a dual degree student at TAMUSL, the student must notify the TAMUSL Associate Dean for Academic Affairs in writing of his or her concurrent enrollment in the MBA program at UTA and must be formally recognized as a dual degree student by TAMUSL. Thereafter, the dual degree student must meet with the TAMUSL Associate Dean for Academic Affairs before registering each term to determine which, if any, courses taken in the UTA MBA program will qualify for transfer into the student's JD program.

Dual degree students may, with approval of TAMUSL, count up to 12 credit hours towards their JD degree from courses taken in the UTA MBA program. These credit hours may take the place of elective credit hours required in the JD program. MBA courses listed in Appendix A will be eligible for transfer credit in if the student completes the course with a final grade of at least a "B" at UTA, but final decisions on MBA credit hours transferred toward the JD degree requirements will be made by the TAMUSL Associate Dean for Academic Affairs. Consistent with ABA Standards, TAMUSL may give credit towards the JD degree only for course work taken after the student matriculates at TAMUSL. Once a student graduates from the UTA MBA program, that student will not be allowed to transfer any MBA credit hours into the JD program at TAMUSL. All transfers of credit hours from the UTA MBA program to the TAMUSL JD program must occur before a student graduates from the UTA MBA program.

C. Justification for Credit Arrangement

UTA and TAMUSL will count towards their degrees credit hours taken in the other school's program, as described above, because both Parties recognize the efficiencies and accelerated learning that will occur through this dual degree arrangement. Students enrolled in the dual degree program will focus the vast majority of their academic study at both Parties on business, law, and business law topics, creating unique synergies within their studies at the two schools. As a result, students successfully completing this program will emerge with concentrated study and training in the interplay between business and law, preparing them more effectively for professional careers in this area.

Admissions and Enrollment

Students enrolled at either UTA or TAMUSL may apply to the other school's program. Students who are accepted to both schools' programs may take courses in one program and apply those credits to the degree requirements of the other program, as outlined above. Courses listed in Appendix A and B may be modified as program changes occur at UTA and TAMUSL. In such case, the Parties will update Appendix A and B accordingly, following recommendation of the Dual Degree Advisory Board and approval by the Dean of the UTA College of Business and the Dean of TAMUSL.

Students are independently admitted to each degree program based on that program's individual admission criteria. Admitted students may take courses offered at the respective Parties concurrently. When enrolled at TAMUSL, dual degree students must remain enrolled on a fulltime basis, as determined by their combined hours in JD and MBA courses each term. In addition, dual degree students must take the TAMUSL lockstep curriculum in one fall-spring-fall sequence. At the completion of the degree requirements for the specific program, students will be eligible to graduate from that degree program independent of the second degree.

Dual degree students will be considered enrolled at UTA if they are registered for MBA courses at UTA or if they are registered for JD courses at TAMUSL that can be transferred into the MBA program at UTA under the terms of this MOA. Dual degree students will be considered enrolled at TAMUSL if they are registered for JD courses at TAMUSL or if they are registered for MBA courses at UTA that can be transferred into the JD program at TAMUSL under the terms of this MOA. Once they matriculate at TAMUSL, dual degree students must be continuously enrolled at TAMUSL until all JD graduation requirements are completed, with the exception of one semester during which the dual degree student may choose to be not enrolled at TAMUSL. If a dual degree student is not enrolled at TAMUSL for more than one semester, that student will be withdrawn from TAMUSL.

UTA and TAMUSL representatives, including through the Dual Degree Advisory Board, will work together and independently to develop rules and policies to implement this dual degree program, including continuing to refine the list of courses from their respective Parties that will count for dual credit. All faculty teaching in the respective programs must be credentialed by the respective universities to teach graduate courses. UTA, TAMU, and TAMUSL will ensure that all SACSCOC requirements related to program quality and integrity, including those addressing faculty credentialing and quality of courses, will be satisfied for all courses offered in the MBA and JD programs.

No additional faculty resources will be required under this MOA. Students will join existing programs at each Party. Each Party shall bear its own costs and expenses incurred under this MOA without expectation of reimbursement from the other Party.

Students are responsible for all applicable tuition and fees at each respective Party.

Parties will act in good faith to comply with the intent of the MOA.

Financial Aid

Each dual degree student who is eligible for federal assistance will receive such assistance through the Party that serves as that student's "home school." The student's home school will be the school in which the student is attending at the time the student is admitted into the joint degree program.

The home school will have the following responsibilities: calculating financial aid eligibility, determining the cost of attendance, providing the student with an award notification, tracking student enrollment status for financial aid purposes, and distributing federal aid to the student; determining satisfactory academic progress for financial aid purposes; and maintaining all official federal financial aid records.

Only credits from the UTA MBA program that are transferred into the TAMUSL JD program to satisfy degree requirements can be used for financial aid eligibility at TAMUSL. Similarly, only credits from the TAMUSL JD program that are transferred into the UTA MBA program to satisfy degree requirements can be used for financial aid eligibility at UTA.

UTA and TAMUSL will cooperate to share all necessary academic and enrollment information to facilitate the awarding and disbursement of financial aid for dual degree students. That information includes the hours and courses that dual degree students are enrolled in each semester so that financial aid eligibility can be determined; information on any students who withdraw from enrolled courses during the semester; and final grades for all courses so that satisfactory academic progress can be monitored.

Shared Use of Logos

UTA grants to TAMU and TAMUSL and TAMU and TAMUSL grant to UTA non-exclusive, nontransferable permission to use the Party's name and logo for the exclusive use and purpose of promoting this dual degree program so long as all materials using the other Party's name and logo are reviewed and approved by the other Party prior to use.

Student Records

Each Party shall maintain the confidentiality of the educational records in accordance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (20 U.S.C. § 1223(g); 34 C.F.R. Part 99).

Amendments and Duration of MOA

This MOA will become effective upon receipt by the parties of SACSCOC's formal written acceptance of this MOA. This MOA contains the entire understanding of the parties as to its subject matter and supersedes all other written and oral agreements.

between the Parties as to that subject matter. This MOA will have a duration of five years, may be renewed upon mutual written agreement of the Parties, and may be terminated by either Party by providing 180 days written notice to the other Party. Any termination of this MOA will not affect the status of any UTA or TAMUSL students currently participating in the respective degree programs, and all credits earned in the respective programs will be honored by the respective Parties. Similarly, the Parties may agree to amend this MOA in writing in the future in the interest of providing better educational services to students at TAMUSL and UTA.

Notices

Any notices required or permitted under this MOA will be deemed given (a) three business days after it is sent by certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, (b) the next business day after it is sent by overnight carrier, (c) on the date sent by facsimile or email transmission with confirmation of transmission and receipt, if sent during the recipient's normal business hours and if not, on the next business day, or (d) on the date of delivery if delivered personally, in each case, addressed to the intended recipient at the address below or such other address as the intended recipient may specify in writing:

UTA:

Dr. Chandra Subramarium
College of Business
The University of Texas at Arlington
701 S. West Street
Arlington, Texas 76019

TAMUSL:

Dean Andrew P. Morriss
Texas A&M University School of Law
1515 Commerce Street
Fort Worth, Texas 76102

Relationship of the Parties

This MOA does not create a partnership or joint venture between the Parties. Neither Party may bind the other or otherwise act in any way as the representative of the other, unless specifically authorized, in advance and in writing, to do so, and then only for the limited purpose stated in such authorization. Employees of one Party are not, by reason of this MOA, employees of the other Party nor are such employees entitled or eligible to participate in any benefits or privileges given or extended by the other Party to its employees.

Severability

Each provision of this MOA is severable. If any provision is rendered invalid or unenforceable by statute or regulations or declared null and void by any court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions will remain in full force and effect if the essential terms of this MOA remain valid, legal, and enforceable.

*****SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS*****

On behalf of our respective institutions, we sign below.

**UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT
ARLINGTON**

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Appendix A

MBA Course Descriptions:

ACCT 5301. ACCOUNTING ANALYSIS I. 3 Hours.

Introduction to concepts, purposes, problems, methodology, and terminology of financial accounting.

ACCT 5302. ACCOUNTING ANALYSIS II. 3 Hours.

Introduction to concepts, purposes, problems, methodology, and terminology of managerial accounting. Prerequisite: ACCT 5301 with a grade of C or higher.

ECON 5311. ECONOMIC ANALYSIS. 3 Hours.

Provides an overview of microeconomic foundations of economic analysis with a focus on business applications. Topics include supply and demand, marginal analysis, pricing issues, and theory of the firm. An overview of macroeconomics is also provided, covering monetary and fiscal policy, inflation, growth, and international trade.

ECON 5313. MANAGERIAL ECONOMICS. 3 Hours.

Application of economic analysis in formulating business decisions based on the theoretical foundations of demand, cost, production, profits, and competition. Macroeconomic topics of particular relevance to managers are included. Prerequisite: ECON 5311 or equivalent.

FINA 5311. BUSINESS FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT. 3 Hours.

Study of providing the organization with funds necessary for its operation and of achieving effective utilization of funds. Primary emphasis on financial decision-making within organizations, and techniques of financial analysis and forecasting. Prerequisite: ACCT 5301 or departmental permission.

BSTAT 5325. ADVANCED STATISTICAL METHODS. 3 Hours.

Advanced statistical methods designed to prepare graduate students to become competent producers and consumers of statistical methods and to use statistical thinking to approach managerial decision making in their careers. They should be able to recognize the strengths and weaknesses of applicable techniques and when additional statistical expertise is required. Topics include multiple regression, correlation, experimental design and analysis, time series and other statistical methods with emphasis on their application to managerial decision making. It is strongly recommended that students who have no recent courses in statistics take BSTAT 5301 prior to BSTAT 5325.

OPMA 5361. OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT. 3 Hours.

Introduction to concepts and problem-solving techniques important in production management and operations management. Topics include demand forecasting, capacity management, resource allocation, inventory management, supply chain management, quality control, and project management.

MANA 5312. MANAGEMENT. 3 Hours.

Basic exploration of organizations in their environments. The elementary tools of management, which include: organizational objectives, social responsibility and ethics, policies, plans, and decision making; the design of organizations and jobs; the production and technology aspects of organization; the elements of leadership, behavior, and communication; and the elements of control and performance evaluation.

MARK 5311. MARKETING. 3 Hours.

Survey of activities involved in marketing. Emphasis is on developing a managerial point of view in planning and evaluating marketing decisions of the firm. Analyzes decisions with respect to products, price, channel, and promotional variables and considers questions relating to cost efficiency, demand, social responsibility and regulations.

MANA 5336. STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT. 3 Hours.

Strategic management uses a general management perspective in addressing issues related to the formulation and implementation of corporate and business level strategy. The course involves developing the ability to identify issues, evaluate strategic options and understand the organizational process by which strategies get formed and executed. It builds on the knowledge gained in functional area courses and uses case studies and projects to improve students' analytical and decision-making skills. Prerequisite: Must be taken in last semester or with permission of the Graduate Advisor.

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LAW-7248 EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION 3 hours

An in-depth examination of the federal law concerning discrimination in employment on the basis of race, sex, religion, national origin, age, and disability. Topics covered include Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, the Reconstruction Era Civil Rights Act, the Equal Pay Act, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Prerequisite: One year of law school in the full-time or part-time program.

LAW-7260 EMPLOYMENT LAW 3 hours

A study of the law of employer-employee relations in a nonunion context. Students examine issues such as employment at will, retaliatory discharge, and wage and hour laws. The class introduces students to laws relating to the employment relationship. Prerequisite: One year of law school in the full-time or part-time program.

LAW-7408 ENERGY LAW 3 hours

This course provides an introduction to energy law and regulation in the United States. It focuses on the basic principles of public utility regulation, the division of jurisdiction between federal and state governments, and the key regulatory statutes and case law governing energy resources such as water, coal, oil, natural gas, nuclear and renewable energy. We will analyze the environmental, regulatory, land use, and economic concerns as they relate to each energy source. Finally, this course will provide an introduction to electricity and electric power competition in the United States. Prerequisite: One year of law school in the full-time or part-time program.

LAW-7350 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY 3 hours

An overview of the basic principles of intellectual property law, including coverage of trade secret, trademark, patent, and copyright fundamentals. Prerequisite: One year of law school in the full-time or part-time program. May be offered as a distance education course. Prerequisite: 28 completed hours.

LAW-7492 SECURITIES REGULATION 3 hours

A review of federal and state regulation of the public distribution, offer, and sale of corporate securities. The course includes a study of the Securities Act of 1933 and portions of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Types of securities and underwriting techniques are surveyed, and the key definitions and exemptions in the statutes are

studied. State securities law is also studied with emphasis on the securities registration and anti-fraud aspects of the Texas Securities Act. Prerequisites: (1) One year of law school in the full-time or part-time program; (2) Business Associations I or Business Associations (4 credit-hour course offered prior to fall 2013).

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

For Dual JD-MST Degree Program

Between

**University of Texas at Arlington
and
Texas A&M University**

This Memorandum of Agreement (“MOA”) is between the University of Texas at Arlington (“UTA”), a component of the University of Texas System and Texas A&M University (“TAMU”), on behalf of its School of Law (“TAMUSL”). UTA and TAMU shall be known collectively as the “Parties” and singularly as a “Party” or the “Party.”

Whereas, the above named Parties plan to join in an agreement of mutual cooperation and recognize that an agreement of cooperation would be of mutual benefit and would serve to implement a dual degree program leading to the Master of Science in Taxation (“MST”) at UTA and the Juris Doctor (“JD”) at TAMU. The Parties therefore agree as follows.

Academic Program Overview

UTA and TAMU will offer a dual degree program under the terms set out below to further their educational and research collaboration interests. This degree will consist of the existing JD degree offered by TAMU (“TAMUSL JD”) and the existing MST degree offered by UTA (“UTA MST”). This program will be launched once the dual degree is approved through each Party’s curricular approval process as well as by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (“SACSCOC”).

This MOA will allow students from either Party to complete their degrees in taxation and law concurrently, if qualified.

Students from TAMUSL who are admitted into the UTA MST program may take MST courses concurrently while they are enrolled in the TAMUSL JD program. Similarly, MST students at UTA who are admitted into the TAMUSL JD program will be allowed to take JD courses concurrently while they are enrolled in the UTA MST program.

The degree for each program will be awarded when the degree requirements for that program are completed, independent of the second program.

The intended start date for the program is Fall 2017. For the purposes of this MOA, students enrolled concurrently at TAMUSL in the JD program and at UTA in the MST program and who have completed any school-based requirements for acceptance into the dual degree program are considered to be “dual degree students,” subject to any additional requirements imposed by UTA or TAMUSL.

A Dual Degree Advisory Board will be established with two representatives from each Party. Membership of the Dual Degree Advisory Board will be qualified faculty members who are appointed by the Dean of the TAMUSL and the Dean of the College of Business at UTA. This dual degree program will be reviewed annually, including, but not limited to, the assessment and monitoring of the courses and components offered by the two Parties, the educational outcomes, the content and teaching methodologies of the courses, and the qualifications of teaching faculty. Any modifications to the program must be approved in writing by the Dual Degree Advisory Board, the Dean of the UTA College of Business, and the Dean of TAMUSL.

Description of Programs and Credit Hours

A. MST

The MST degree program at UTA prepares students for professional taxation careers in the public, private, or governmental sector. This dual program is designed for students without significant prior study in accounting and is not intended to totally prepare students to be eligible to sit for the CPA exam. If a student wishes to become eligible to attain CPA certification he/she will be required to complete additional coursework in business and accounting.

To be considered a dual degree student at UTA, the student must notify the Advisor of the Master of Science in Taxation program in writing of his or her concurrent enrollment in the JD program at TAMUSL and must be formally recognized as a dual degree student by UTA. Thereafter, the dual degree student must meet with the MST program advisor before registering each term to determine which, if any, courses taken in the TAMUSL JD program will qualify for transfer into the student's MST program.

Dual degree students must complete a total of 42 semester hours of course work to earn the MST degree under this MOA. Included in these 42 semester hours must be at least 33 semester hours of coursework completed at UTA. The coursework completed at UTA must be selected from a list of courses identified in Appendix A. Nine hours of electives may be transferred in from TAMUSL. The list of law courses approved to be taken as electives and approved by the MST Graduate Studies Committee is provided in Appendix B. These courses are eligible to be transferred in if the student completes the courses with a final grade of at least a "B" at TAMUSL, but final decisions on JD credit hours counted toward the MST degree requirements will be made by the Chair of MST Graduate Studies Committee. Changes to Appendix A and B will require approval of the MST Graduate Studies Committee. All transfers of credit hours from the TAMUSL JD program to the UTA MST program must occur before a student graduates from the TAMUSL JD program.

B. JD

The JD at TAMUSL is a professional degree program that prepares students for the practice of law and to sit for a state bar examination. It is fully accredited by the American Bar Association (ABA). The JD course of study is comprised of lockstep courses taken by fulltime students over the first three terms. During the remainder of their time in school, JD students enroll in various required upper-division courses and complete their courses of study with their choice from a broad range of electives. JD students must also complete all other TAMUSL graduation requirements. The JD course of study is 90 credit hours. Dual degree students must complete at least 78 of these credit hours in coursework at TAMUSL.

To be considered a dual degree student at TAMUSL, the student must notify the TAMUSL Associate Dean for Academic Affairs in writing of his or her concurrent enrollment in the MST program at UTA and must be formally recognized as a dual degree student by TAMUSL. Thereafter, the dual degree student must meet with the TAMUSL Associate Dean for Academic Affairs before registering each term to determine which, if any, courses taken in the UTA MST program will qualify for transfer into the student's JD program.

Dual degree students may, with approval of TAMUSL, count up to 12 credit hours towards their JD degree from courses taken in the UTA MST program. These credit hours may take the place of elective credit hours required in the JD program. MST courses listed in Appendix A will be eligible for transfer credit in if the student completes the course with a final grade of at least a "B" at UTA, but final decisions on MST credit hours transferred toward the JD degree requirements will be made by the TAMUSL Associate Dean for Academic Affairs. Consistent with ABA Standards, TAMUSL may give credit towards the JD degree only for course work taken after the student matriculates at TAMUSL. Once a student graduates from the UTA MST program, that student will not be allowed to transfer any MST credit hours into the JD program at TAMUSL. All transfers of credit hours from the UTA MST program to the TAMUSL JD program must occur before a student graduates from the UTA MST program.

C. Justification for Credit Arrangement

UTA and TAMUSL will count towards their degrees credit hours taken in the other school's program, as described above, because both institutions recognize the efficiencies and accelerated learning that will occur through this dual degree arrangement. Students enrolled in the dual degree program will focus the vast majority of their academic study at both institutions on taxation, business, law, and business law topics, creating unique synergies within their studies at the two schools. As a result, students successfully completing this program will emerge with concentrated study and training in the interplay between business, law, and taxation, preparing them more effectively for professional careers in this area.

Admissions and Enrollment

Students enrolled at either UTA or TAMUSL may apply to the other school's program. Students who are accepted to both schools' programs may take courses in one program and apply those credits to the degree requirements of the other program, as outlined above. Courses listed in Appendix A and B may be modified as program changes occur at UTA and TAMUSL. In such case, the Parties will update Appendix A and B accordingly, following recommendation of the Dual Degree Advisory Board and approval by the Dean of the UTA College of Business and the Dean of TAMUSL.

Students are independently admitted to each degree program based on that program's individual admission criteria. Admitted students may take courses offered at the respective Parties concurrently. When enrolled at TAMUSL, dual degree students must remain enrolled on a fulltime basis, as determined by their combined hours in JD and MST courses each term. In addition, dual degree students must take the TAMUSL lockstep curriculum in one fall-spring-fall sequence. At the completion of the degree requirements for the specific program, students will be eligible to graduate from that degree program independent of the second degree.

Dual degree students will be considered enrolled at UTA if they are registered for MST courses at UTA or if they are registered for JD courses at TAMUSL that can be transferred into the MST program at UTA under the terms of this MOA. Dual degree students will be considered enrolled at TAMUSL if they are registered for JD courses at TAMUSL or if they are registered for MST courses at UTA that can be transferred into the JD program at TAMUSL under the terms of this MOA. Once they matriculate at TAMUSL, dual degree students must be continuously enrolled at TAMUSL until all JD graduation requirements are completed, with the exception of one semester during which the dual degree student may choose to be not enrolled at TAMUSL. If a dual degree student is not enrolled at TAMUSL for more than one semester, that student will be withdrawn from TAMUSL.

UTA and TAMUSL representatives, including through the Dual Degree Advisory Board, will work together and independently to develop rules and policies to implement this dual degree program, including continuing to refine the list of courses from their respective Parties that will count for dual credit. All faculty teaching in the respective programs must be credentialed by the respective universities to teach graduate courses. UTA, TAMU, and TAMUSL will ensure that all SACSCOC requirements related to program quality and integrity, including those addressing faculty credentialing and quality of courses, will be satisfied for all courses offered in the MST and JD programs.

No additional faculty resources will be required under this MOA. Students will join existing programs at each Party. Each Party shall bear its own costs and expenses incurred under this MOA without expectation of reimbursement from the other Party.

Students are responsible for all applicable tuition and fees at each respective Party.

Parties will act in good faith to comply with the intent of the MOA.

Financial Aid

Each dual degree student who is eligible for federal assistance will receive such assistance through the Party that serves as that student's "home school." The student's home school will be the school in which the student is attending at the time the student is admitted into the joint degree program.

The home school will have the following responsibilities: calculating financial aid eligibility, determining the cost of attendance, providing the student with an award notification, tracking student enrollment status for financial aid purposes, and distributing federal aid to the student; determining satisfactory academic progress for financial aid purposes; and maintaining all official federal financial aid records.

Only credits from the UTA MST program that are transferred into the TAMUSL JD program to satisfy degree requirements can be used for financial aid eligibility at TAMUSL. Similarly, only credits from the TAMUSL JD program that are transferred into the UTA MST program to satisfy degree requirements can be used for financial aid eligibility at UTA.

UTA and TAMUSL will cooperate to share all necessary academic and enrollment information to facilitate the awarding and disbursement of financial aid for dual degree students. That information includes the hours and courses that dual degree students are enrolled in each semester so that financial aid eligibility can be determined; information on any students who withdraw from enrolled courses during the semester; and final grades for all courses so that satisfactory academic progress can be monitored.

Shared Use of Logos

UTA grants to TAMU and TAMUSL and TAMU and TAMUSL grant to UTA non-exclusive, nontransferable permission to use the Party's name and logo for the exclusive use and purpose of promoting this dual degree program so long as all materials using the other Party's name and logo are reviewed and approved by the other Party prior to use.

Student Records

Each Party shall maintain the confidentiality of the educational records in accordance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (20 U.S.C. § 1223(g); 34 C.F.R. Part 99).

Amendments and Duration of MOA

This MOA will become effective upon receipt by the parties of SACSCOC's formal written acceptance of this MOA. This MOA contains the entire understanding of the

parties as to its subject matter and supersedes all other written and oral agreements between the Parties as to that subject matter. This MOA will have a duration of five years, may be renewed upon mutual written agreement of the Parties, and may be terminated by either Party by providing 180 days written notice to the other Party. Any termination of this MOA will not affect the status of any UTA or TAMUSL students currently participating in the respective degree programs, and all credits earned in the respective programs will be honored by the respective Parties. Similarly, the Parties may agree to amend this MOA in writing in the future in the interest of providing better educational services to students at TAMUSL and UTA.

Notices

Any notices required or permitted under this MOA will be deemed given (a) three business days after it is sent by certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, (b) the next business day after it is sent by overnight carrier, (c) on the date sent by facsimile or email transmission with confirmation of transmission and receipt, if sent during the recipient's normal business hours and if not, on the next business day, or (d) on the date of delivery if delivered personally, in each case, addressed to the intended recipient at the address below or such other address as the intended recipient may specify in writing:

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The University of Texas at Arlington
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Relationship of the Parties

This MOA does not create a partnership or joint venture between the Parties. Neither Party may bind the other or otherwise act in any way as the representative of the other, unless specifically authorized, in advance and in writing, to do so, and then only for the limited purpose stated in such authorization. Employees of one Party are not, by reason of this MOA, employees of the other Party nor are such employees entitled or eligible to participate in any benefits or privileges given or extended by the other Party to its employees.

Severability

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*****SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS*****

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Study of additional problems encountered in preparation of financial statements. Prerequisite: ACCT 5311 with a grade of C of higher.

Tax Courses

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A study of the use of various techniques and procedures available in evaluating issues arising under federal income tax law. Emphasizes research into individual and business tax problems and planning alternatives. Prerequisite: ACCT 5314 with a grade of C or higher.

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Analysis of the federal income tax rules governing passthrough entities. Prerequisite: ACCT 5339 with grade of C or higher. Credit will not be received for both ACCT 5340 and ACCT 5341.

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Hours. Analysis of the federal income tax rules governing corporations and shareholders. Subjects include corporate formations, corporate capital structure, administrative requirements affecting corporations, the corporate alternative minimum tax, special tax provisions (such as the personal holding company and accumulated earnings taxes and the

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ACCT 5345. STATE AND LOCAL TAXATION. 3 Hours.

Introduction to the principles and practices of state and local taxation. Topics considered in the course include the application of both inter- and intra- state taxation, allocation and apportionment principles and issues in relation to the predominant forms of state taxes, such as franchise, sales, use, income, ad valorem, and property tax. Prerequisite: ACCT 5339 with grade of C or higher.

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builds upon the basic concepts learned in Business Associations I. This course will focus on the rules and legal principles that govern large corporations and their constituents and is especially recommended to students who are interested in representing public corporations in private practice. Topics to be covered include: mergers and acquisitions, the issuance of corporate debt, executive compensation, the proxy solicitation process, shareholder proposals and other mechanisms of shareholder democracy. The course will also cover indemnification of officers and directors, corporate charitable giving and political speech, and the role of Special Litigation Committees in derivative suits. The course will also address securities law-related issues such as securities fraud, insider trading, and ethical issues in the representation of public corporations. Prerequisites: (1) One year of law school in the full-time or part-time program, including Contracts; (2) Business Associations I or Business Associations (four credit-hour course offered prior to fall 2013).

LAW-7248 EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION 3 hours

An in-depth examination of the federal law concerning discrimination in employment on the basis of race, sex, religion, national origin, age, and disability. Topics covered include Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, the Reconstruction Era Civil Rights Act, the Equal Pay Act, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Prerequisite: One year of law school in the full-time or part-time program.

LAW-7260 EMPLOYMENT LAW 3 hours

A study of the law of employer-employee relations in a nonunion context. Students examine issues such as employment at will, retaliatory discharge, and wage and hour laws. The class introduces students to laws relating to the employment relationship. Prerequisite: One year of law school in the full-time or part-time program.

LAW-7408 ENERGY LAW 3 hours

This course provides an introduction to energy law and regulation in the United States. It focuses on the basic principles of public utility regulation, the division of jurisdiction between federal and state governments, and the key regulatory statutes and case law governing energy resources such as water, coal, oil, natural gas, nuclear and renewable energy. We will analyze the environmental, regulatory, land use, and economic concerns as they relate to each energy source. Finally, this course will provide an introduction to electricity and electric power competition in the United States. Prerequisite: One year of law school in the full-time or part-time program.

LAW-7350 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY 3 hours

An overview of the basic principles of intellectual property law, including coverage of trade secret, trademark, patent, and copyright fundamentals. Prerequisite: One year of law school in the full-time or part-time program. May be offered as a distance education course. Prerequisite: 28 completed hours.

LAW-7492 SECURITIES REGULATION 3 hours

A review of federal and state regulation of the public distribution, offer, and sale of

corporate securities. The course includes a study of the Securities Act of 1933 and portions of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Types of securities and underwriting techniques are surveyed, and the key definitions and exemptions in the statutes are studied. State securities law is also studied with emphasis on the securities registration and anti-fraud aspects of the Texas Securities Act. Prerequisites: (1) One year of law school in the full-time or part-time program; (2) Business Associations I or Business Associations (4 credit-hour course offered prior to fall 2013).