

COMPETITION AND CONSUMER PROTECTION LAW CERTIFICATE

Competition is vital to the global economy

Consumers and competitors rely on antitrust and consumer protection laws to promote and protect competition. Loyola’s competition and consumer protection law curriculum will empower you to understand and advocate for checks and balances on economic power. Your coursework will complement the extracurricular activities and practical experience you will gain as part of the certificate program.

Curriculum

There are three requirements for the JD Certificate in Competition and Consumer Protection Law: coursework; practical experience; and extracurricular activities.

Coursework

To be eligible for the JD Certificate, you must complete at least 12 credits in the competition and consumer law curriculum, including two required courses, and must receive a grade of B or better in each course. Students should monitor their progress on the Competition and Consumer Protection Law Certificate Application by completing curricular counseling each year.

Courses

Code	Title	Hours
Required Courses		5-6
LAW 254	Consumer Law	
LAW 375	Antitrust	
Electives		6-7
LAW 126	Corporate Compliance Programs	
LAW 164	Mergers and Acquisitions	
LAW 176	International Trade Law	
LAW 185	Business and the Law (Online) ¹	
LAW 221	Administrative Law	
LAW 233	Bankruptcy	
LAW 244	Cyberlaw	
LAW 270	Business Organizations	
LAW 355	Privacy Law	
LAW 371	International Business Trans	
LAW 377	Intellectual Property Law	
LAW 592	Independent Research (the topic must be approved by the Institute’s Director)	
LAW 718	Food and Drug Law	
LAW 838	European Union Privacy Law (Online) ¹	
LAW 866	Antitrust & Intellectual Property	
Total Hours		12

¹ Subject to administrative approval for campus JD students to enroll in these courses.

JD students may also be able to count other campus or online coursework toward the JD Certificate in Competition and Consumer Protection Law with permission of the Institute’s Director or Associate Director.

Suggested Sequence of Courses

There is no sequence of courses required for this certificate. Students should meet with their advisor to plan completion of requirements.

Practical Experience

Each student must complete a Consumer Protection/Antitrust Law Externship or clinical or work experience. All clinical experiences and volunteer/employment experiences must be approved in advance. Pre-approved paid work, work as a research assistant, or volunteer work all count toward the experiential requirement. Alternatively students may hold Consumer Law Review positions.

Extracurricular Activities

Second and third year students must attend at least 2 competition and consumer protection law events per academic year, including speakers and conferences.

Applying for Your Certificate

After completion of all requirements, you must complete an application (https://www.luc.edu/media/lucedu/law/centers/antitrust/pdfs/Application_for_Certificate_Competition_Law.docx) for the Certificate in Competition and Consumer Protection Law. Submit your application to the Institute’s Associate Director for approval, who will then submit the application to the Registrar.

Graduate & Professional Standards and Regulations

Students in graduate and professional programs can find their Academic Policies in Graduate and Professional Academic Standards and Regulations (<https://catalog.luc.edu/academic-standards-regulations/graduate-professional/>) under their school. Any additional University Policies supercede school policies.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

Each student graduating with the Competition and Consumer Protection Law Certificate must demonstrate:

1. Competence in the competition and consumer law subject areas covered by the following required courses: Antitrust Law and Consumer Law;
2. A sophisticated ability to interpret and consider current issues and debates in the field through completion of additional course work including certain electives such as: Administrative Law, Corporate Compliance, Law and Economics, and Class Actions;
3. Practical experience in the field through the completion of an externship, independent study, or independent research supervised by a faculty member;
4. Involvement in the profession through attendance at two or more antitrust or consumer protection events or programs at the law school or approved bar association and similar events and programs; and
5. Competence in identifying ethical issues, economic justice, and social justice in antitrust and consumer protection law.