**ADVOCACY PROGRAM**

**Interested in litigation?**

Students interested in litigation may earn an Advocacy Certificate by taking a combination of *procedure, writing, and skills courses*. Each course of study in the Advocacy Program is designed to prepare students to graduate with the skills and experience that will help them excel as litigators.

The program has three tracks: **civil, criminal, and appellate advocacy.** The required course of study for each track includes suggested combinations of skills, writing, and doctrinal courses designed to develop proficiency in an area of litigation. And each track culminates in a clinical or externship experience in which the students put the skills they’ve learned into practice.

The NYLS Advocacy Program also coordinates with our Moot Court, Dispute Resolution, and Trial Competition Teams.

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**REQUIRED COURSES IN THE CORE CURRICULUM**

- Legal Practice (1L)
- Civil Procedure (1L)
- Evidence (3 CR) *(recommended in 2L year for students pursuing the Advocacy Certificate)*

**REQUIRED ADVOCACY COURSES** *(choose 1):*

- Trial Advocacy (3 CR)
- Intensive Trial and Advocacy Skills (2 CR) *(to be offered in May 2016 pending)*
- Advanced Appellate Advocacy (3 CR)

**ADVOCACY ELECTIVES** *(choose at least 3 additional courses, totaling a minimum of 7 credits from one category):*

- **Civil Litigation Electives:**
  - Persuasion (2 CR)
  - New York Practice (4 CR)
  - Complex Litigation (3 CR)
  - Pre-Trial Advocacy (3 CR)
  - Negotiating, Counseling, and Interviewing (4 CR)
  - Deposition Skills (1 CR)
  - Electronic Discovery (2 CR)
  - Memo and Brief Writing (2 CR)
  - Drafting: Litigation (2 CR)
  - Visual Persuasion in the Law (2 CR)
  - Special Topics in Trial Advocacy (1 CR intensive courses)
  - Patent Litigation

- **Criminal Litigation Electives:**
  - Criminal Procedure: Adjudication (3 CR)
  - Criminal Procedure: Investigation (3 CR)
  - Advocacy of Criminal Cases (6 CR)
  - Special Topics in Trial Advocacy (1 CR intensive courses)
  - Persuasion (2 CR)
  - Visual Persuasion in the Law (2 CR)

- **Appellate Advocacy Electives:**
  - Memo and Brief Writing (2 CR)
  - Advanced Appellate Advocacy (3 CR)
  - Persuasion (2 CR)
  - Moot Court
  - Judicial Externship in an Appellate Court (3 CR)

**EXPERIENTIAL ELECTIVES INCLUDING LITIGATION CLINICS** *(choose 1; part-time students may substitute participation in co-curricular programs with permission of the faculty director of the Advocacy Program):*

- Selected Law Office Externships
- Child Welfare Clinic
- Civil Justice through the Courts Clinic
- Civil Rights Clinic
- Clinical Year
- Criminal Defense Clinic
- Criminal Prosecution Clinics
- Immigration Law and Litigation Clinic I and II
- Municipal Litigation Defense Clinic
- Post-Conviction Innocence Clinic
- Racial Justice Advocacy Clinic
- Securities Arbitration Clinic
- TLC Prosecution Clinic

**Co-Curricular Programs:**

- Moot Court
- NYLS Trial Competition Team
- NYLS Dispute Resolution Team

**Additional clinics and courses may be available. Please check with the Office of Clinical and Experiential Learning.**