

Academic Catalog  
*JURIS DOCTOR*  
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Pontifical Catholic University of Puerto Rico  
Law School

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## Law School

The Law School of the Pontifical Catholic University of Puerto Rico is located on the Ponce Campus, it was founded in 1961 by Bishop Fremiot Torres Oliver. Since then, it has been one of the most important legal training centers in Puerto Rico. Governed by the Faculty Manual of the Law School, which complements the Manual of the Senate of the Pontifical Catholic University of Puerto Rico. Therefore, everything that is not regulated in the Law School Manual will be governed by the University's Cloister Manual. Catholic Doctrine principles will as well be faithfully observed.

The faculty and administration of the Law School determine their own programs and regulations; which are, subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees, the President, the University Board and the University Senate.

## Message from the Dean

The past academic year has been defined by unforeseen challenges. In just a few months we went from the discussions about the Constitutional future of the Island after the resignation of the Governor, to a geomorphological study of the southwestern part of the island in the face of constant earthquakes that were brought early in 2020. As if that were not enough, the second semester of the academic year was interrupted by a global pandemic one we still do not know what its true scope will be.

However, the common denominator in all these unforeseen challenges was the determination with which students, faculty, and administrative staff responded to each adversity. In every situation the priorities were always clear; to ensure the health and safety of all components of the Law School community. And, to manage a way to continue to provide the best possible legal education under the particular circumstances that we live in.

In challenging times, the best of us humans tend to emerge; and this last year has been no exception. In a short time we achieved the transition from the traditional face to face classroom lessons to virtual classrooms; and redefined decades of tradition to meet the pedagogical goals that guide our University. In this process, solidarity and empathy have always been the ethical reference from which all decisions have been made and the framework under which we aspire to continue our work regardless of the factors that are not under our control.

When we return to campus and to the spaces that we now long for, we will find a building in the process of improvements and on the way to training the new generations of lawyers for the next decades. In addition, there will be hallways that the Juris Doctor students will have to share with their colleagues from the new Master's in Law and Health Program that we have launched against all adversity.

Despite the sorrows and the experience of this past year it only shows that the future is promising. Our community is made up of men and women who grow up in the face of challenges and know how to turn unease and uncertainty into lessons of life and hope.

*Prof. Fernando Moreno Orama*

## MISSION

Prepare experts in law who respond to local and global needs that serve as instruments to achieve social justice and the dignity Law will be the first option for a comprehensive legal training inspired by the values of the social doctrine of the Catholic Church.

## VISION

The PUCPR Law School will be the first option for a comprehensive legal training inspired by the values of the social doctrine of the Catholic Church.

## LEARNIG OBJECTIVES

### THE STUDENT WILL.....

1. Show respect for the doctrines, ideas, and rules of the Catholic Church.
2. Correctly apply the fundamental concepts of substantive and procedural law in conflict resolution, observing the principles of ethics, respecting moral values and the dignity of the person.
3. Integrate legal research skills with oral and written communication skills.
4. Demonstrate mastery of legal research, analysis and writing skills, through the efficient use of technology and other available resources, for the creation and development of coherent arguments.
5. Will perform the legal profession competently, showing respect for the different factors in legal processes and the legal system.
6. Demonstrate mastery of practical litigation skills and alternative dispute resolution methods.

## ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

### *Juris Doctor* Degree

The Juris Doctor degree is vested on students who have approved a minimum of 94 credits required for the Juris Doctor degree in Law School, with a minimum Grade Point Average of 2.00. The 94 credits include 76 credits in required courses and 18 credits in elective courses for day session students. For students in the evening session, 74 credits are required in required courses and 20 credits in elective courses.

Between the elective courses, for both sessions, the student must approve a seminar in which they carry out and write a special work of writing. The purpose of this assessment is to develop research and writing skills among students.

Students in the day session may enroll in a maximum of 16 credits per semester and a minimum of 10 credits. The student of the night session their credits fluctuate in a maximum number of 12 credits per semester and a minimum of 8 credits. During the summer sessions the maximum number of credits a student can take is six (6) credits in our School.

Day students must graduate in a minimum of three (3) years and a maximum of seven (7) years. The night student completes the program in a minimum of four (4) years and a maximum of seven (7) years. The Dean will make the final decision regarding the total number of credits that a student may take, taking into consideration the academic circumstances that concur in each case. This exception does not apply to first-year students, from both sessions, who will have a study program determined by the Law School.

At the discretion of the Law School, the Juris Doctor degree may be conferred with the honors indicated below to those graduates who have satisfactorily completed all requirements and who have achieved the following general averages:

<b>CUM LAUDE</b>	<b>3.30</b>
<b>MAGNA CUM LAUDE</b>	<b>3.50</b>
<b>SUMMA CUM LAUDE</b>	<b>3.80</b>

## CURRICULUM

### Day Session

<i>First Year Day Session</i>		
Course	Title	Créditos
101	Introduction to Law	3
103	Property Law	4
104	Family Law	4
105	Torts	4
107	Penal Law	4
109	Constitutional Law	4
125	Foundations of Research, Analysis and Writing	3
205	Legal Ethics & Professional Responsibility	2
633	Theology Dignity of the Human Being	-
634	Sacramental Theology: Marriage and Family	-
<i>Second Year Day Session</i>		
106	Theory of Obligation	4
108	Criminal Procedure I	3
126	Research, Analysis and Intermediate Writing	2
180	Criminal Procedure II	2
201	Special Contracts	4
202	Civil Procedure	4
204	Evidence	4
206	Succession Rights	4
<i>Third Year Day Session</i>		
208	Administrative Law	3
301	Legal Aid Clinic I	3
302	Legal Aid Clinic II	3
304	Mrtgage Reg of Propoerty	3
309	Federal Jurisdiction	2
310	Special Legal Procedures	2
349	Appeal Process	3
356	Workshop Bar Exam	2

- 76 course requisite
- 18 elective course credits

Total: 94 credits



*Night School*

<i>First Year Night School</i>		
<b>Course</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Créditos</b>
101	Introduction to Law	3
103	Property Law	4
104	Family Law	4
109	Constitutional Law	4
125	Foundations of Research, Analysis and Writing	3
205	Ethics and Responsibility of the Legal Profession	2
633	Dignity of the Human Being	-
634	Sacramental Theology: Marriage and Family	-
<i>Second Year Night School</i>		
107	Penal Law	4
105	Torts	4
108	Civil Procedures I	3
126	Research, Analysis and Intermediate Writing	2
202	Civil Procedure	4
<i>Third Year Night School</i>		
106	Theory of Obligation	4
180	Criminal Procedure II	2
201	Special Contracts	4
204	Evidence	4
206	Succession and Donatins	4
310	Special Legal Procedures	3
<i>Fourth Year Night School</i>		
208	Administrative Law	3
301	Legal Aid Clinic I	3
305	Court Practice I	2
302	Legal Aid Clinic I II	3
306	Court Practice II	2
304	Mortgage Reg of Property	3
309	Federal Jurisdiction	2
349	Appeal Process	3
356	Workshop Bar	2

- 74 course requisite
- 20 elective course credits

Total: 94 credits

## COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

Course	Credits	Prerequisites	Description
PROPERTY LAW	4	None	The course will discuss the concept of Civil Law patrimony. The real rights contained in the Civil Code, special laws and jurisprudence, their historical origin, their doctrinal development, creation, modification and extinction are discussed.
FAMILY LAW	4	None	In this course students will study and do critical analysis on the norms that regulate the person, their legal recognition, capacity, civil registry and the institutions of custody of the person and their property. The concept and constitution of the different types of family and the regulation of each of them are also studied. The rights and responsibilities emanating from family relationships are examined.
TORTS	4	None	This course will study the rules for imposing liability in the absence of a contractual relationship between the parties. Recoverable damages, causation, fault, negligence, strict or strict liability and vicariousness are carefully studied. Also, the theory of liability in civil jurisdiction is contrasted with that which prevails in <i>Common Law</i> jurisdictions, as well as State liability. The elements of the causes of action and the prescription of actions are analyzed.
CONSTITUTIONAL LAW	4	None	Study the general doctrine of obligations and the mandatory relationship; including the origin, elements, modalities, content, forms of termination, liability for breach and guarantees of that relationship.
PENAL LAW	4	None	To study and analyze the provisions that make up the General Part of the Penal Code and the interpretation and application of all criminal norms and doctrine. In this study of Criminal Law, the applicable Common Law doctrine is examined with particular attention as the legal historical background of certain important legal figures from other jurisdictions. The constitutional aspects of Criminal Law are

			emphasized, especially in relation to the general and specific structure of the crime.
CRIMINAL PROCEDURE I	3	Penal Law	This course offers an overview of the Criminal Prosecution System. Covering all aspects of the prosecution of suspicious or accused persons of committing a crime; search and search. Constitutional aspects, due process, self-incrimination, right to legal representation are studied; all this aimed at doing justice.
CRIMINAL PROCEDURE II	2	Criminal Procedure I	This course is a continuation of Criminal Procedure I. It includes the unsealing of the jury, the trial, ruling or verdict; post-sentence motions; motion for a new trial and appeal procedures.
CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS	4	None	The study of the institutions, figures and concepts of Constitutional Law of the United States and Puerto Rico, such as: judicial review, justiciability, separation of powers, federalism, constitutional guarantees and the political relationship between Puerto Rico and the United States.
SPECIAL CONTRACTS	4	Constitutional Law	Study of the general doctrine of the contract; including the requirements for the formation of the contract, its elements, its preparation and perfection, its interpretation, its effectiveness and the cases of contractual ineffectiveness. In addition, some contracts and their regulations in the Civil Code of Puerto Rico and in special legislation are examined; particularly preparatory contracts, sale and lease.
CIVIL PROCEDURE	4	None	In this course the Civil Procedure course is dedicated to the study of the rules that condition and structure the litigation process of civil cases before the courts. The course covers the origin and development of civil procedural law, the Rules of Civil Procedure, the evolution of jurisprudence and its impact on the unified judicial system and on Puerto Rican law.
EVIDENCE	4	Criminal Procedure I	This course covers the rules that apply to the offer, admission and evaluation of the test in judicial proceedings, both civil and criminal. The effect of the admission and exclusion of

			the evidence and the role of the judge of the admitted facts.
LEGAL ETHICS & PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY	2	None	The study and analysis of the main rules that regulate the conduct of lawyers and notaries in the personal, professional, contractual and extra-contractual aspect.
SUCCESSION RIGHTS	4	Real Rights, Rights of the Person and Family; and Obligation Rights	This course studies the current regulations on inheritance law. It discusses the testamentary succession, the types of wills, the requirements for their validity, their content, interpretation and ineffectiveness. It discusses the rules of intestate succession, the provisions common to successions with or without a will and the partition of the inheritance; including the effect of donations on the flow.
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW	3	Constitutional Rights	The following topics will be covered in the course: Basic norms that govern, among others, the regulation and adjudication procedures of the agencies of the Executive Branch of the government of Puerto Rico. The principle of delegation of powers will be studied; and the regulations governing the review of administrative processes by the judicial branch.
MORTGAGE REG OF PROPERTY	3	Succession Rights	This course will cover topics on Property Registry as an instrument of publicity of the real rights, the mortgage and other rights over real estate. Also, the registry principles, the registration procedure, the property as a registry entity, the rights and registrable documents and the registry entries are studied.

BAR EXAM WORKSHOP	2	Last Semester	This course's main purpose is to provide guidance to students about requirements and structure of the examination of the general revalidation of Puerto Rico. It also seeks to help them develop the basic skills necessary to take the exam revalidation general admission to the practice of law in Puerto Rico. Finally, the Workshop will have an additional individualized practice laboratory, twice a month and feedback. In these exercises, each student will have the opportunity to apply the skills learned and receive recommendations to improve their performance on discussion questions.
SPECIAL LEGAL PROCEDURES	2	Civil Procedure	The course will address the procedures included as special within the Rules of Civil Procedure; as well as those other judicial actions of social relevance that contain differentiated procedural requirements. The special legal procedures condition, structure and regulate the exercise of civil actions in areas that have particular requirements within the litigation.
APPEALS PROCESSES	3	Civil Procedure, Criminal Procedure I & II, and Administrative Law	The Appeals Process course is dedicated to the study of the rules that govern, structure and regulate the review of the final or interlocutory determinations of the courts or administrative agencies within the Puerto Rican judicial hierarchy. The analysis of the subject will have a theoretical component in which the rules of appellate law will be studied; as well as a practical component in which the skills of analysis and oral and written argument are emphasized, essential for the improvement of the different appeal resources.
FEDERAL JURISDICTION	2	Constitutional Law and Civil Procedure	This course consists on the study and evaluation of the main figures and doctrines related to the jurisdiction of the United States

			<p>courts. It includes: the discussion of jurisdiction for federal issues, the diversity of citizenships, the amount, the resignation, the return, the supplementary jurisdiction, the statutes on “injunction”, the abstention and the application of local law in the federal courts. The doctrine of minimal contacts, “venue” and forum non conveniens is also discussed.</p>
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**COMBINED PROGRAM IN LAW AND BUISNESS ADMINISTRATION**

A combined Program in Law and Business Administration leading to the degrees of Juris Doctor (JD) and Master of Business Administration (MBA). People who aim to enter this Program must meet all the admission requirements, both from the School of Law and from the Graduate Program of Business Administration.

Recognizing the increasing complexity of the body of fundamental knowledge to be used in the business context and the importance that Law has taken in the business world, the interrelated, in many aspects, between the programs of the Law School and the College of Administration of Business and the intellectual benefits inherent in a simultaneous study of Business Administration and Law, joining forces to continue offering a combined program that seeks to confer the MBA and JD degrees in less time than required by completing both programs separately.

This Program will serve the interests of students contemplating a career in the business world and wanting to acquire the skills and perspectives of the legal profession, as well contemplating a career as a lawyer that specializes in Business Law and wanting to acquire the skills and perspectives of a business administrator.

**SUMMER PROGRAM**

The Law School of the Pontifical Catholic University of Puerto Rico, in a partnership with the Ortega-Marañón Foundation, offers its students, during the summer session, a program of Legal Studies in Spain.

The Program is divided into two parts: the first at the Center for International Studies of the Ortega-Marañón Foundation in Toledo, where elective courses of the Juris Doctor program are taught (4 credits), which meet all the standards established by the accrediting entities. The Summer program will take the students around Toledo to enjoy tourist attractions and, during the weekends, students will participate in guided tours of Madrid, Segovia, La Granja, El Escorial and the Quijote route.

The second part of the program consists of a cultural trip through Andalusia (Córdoba, Seville and Granada) and ends in Madrid. During this stage students can enjoy the diversity of landscapes, monuments of extraordinary value, either for their antiquity or for their artistic wealth,

such as the Mosque in Córdoba, the monumental Cathedral of Seville and the Alhambra in Granada, among others. Due to its academic and cultural richness, this program provides an unforgettable experience.

## **ELECTIVE COURSES**

The Juris Doctor program has a variety offer of elective courses where the Internships stand out.

## **ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS**

### **LEGAL ASSISTANCE CLINIC**

#### Description

The Legal Assistance Clinic gives our third-year students (day students) and fourth-year students (evening students) their first exposure to the practice of the legal profession, giving them the opportunity to put into practice the knowledge and skills acquired during their first two or three years of study. The Clinic course requires to have approved 62 credits, among them: Criminal Law, Family Law, Evidence, Criminal Procedure, Civil Procedure and Ethics and Professional Responsibility.

The Clinic course is divided into two programs: Internal Program and External Program. The Internal Program has a day and a night session. Students practice a semester in the civil area and a semester in the criminal area and, if they qualify, an external semester and another internal semester.

The Internal Program is divided into sections of civil, minor, criminal, foreclosure and mediation litigation. In this program, students will be under the direct supervision of a licensed law professor. Students of the Internal Litigation Program actively participate in the legal representation of the client; from the initial interview, investigation of the case, gathering of evidence to representing the client in court.

In addition, the Clinic has Mediation services, where students intervene as mediators in the resolution of conflicts in matters for the prevention of mortgage foreclosures and promote the right to housing under the supervision of a certified mediator.

The External Program is divided into two sections: (1) the Legal and Administrative Officers section in the Supreme Court, Court of Appeals, Court of First Instance, Federal Court and the Department of Consumer Affairs and (2) the litigation section in the Society for Legal Assistance, the Puerto Rico Legal Services Corporation, Department of Justice and Lawyers in private practice. In order to participate in the External Program, the student must have a general average of 3.50 or more. Students will be under the direct supervision of the lawyer assigned in their workplace and under the direct supervision of the Director of the Clinic.

Each Clinic course is linked to a classroom component, in which clinical experiences complement each other and contribute to a greater discussion of substantive and procedural law, as well as particular issues.

Contact:

Lcda. Rosalba Fourquet, *Director*

## **INTERNSHIP I & II**

The Legal Internship course allows students to live a real work experience and to know in general terms how a lawyer works in the practice of the profession. Students will get their first opportunity to assist in the preparation and litigation of civil, administrative and / or criminal cases. The course concentrates its efforts on training the student in the legal investigation phase and in the phase of resolving disputes before a judge or administrative officer.

During the course of the class, students must expose their skills and knowledge assisting the center supervisor in daily tasks. Students should use their skills in identifying disputes, researching, writing memoranda of law, and legal opinions; without pay. In this course the student is supervised by a lawyer, judge or legal officer, depending on where the student and their boarding teacher are located.

## **STUDENT PRO BONUS**

The Pro Bono Student Program offers law students the opportunity to voluntarily collaborate in Pro Bono projects of legal and civic nature. Student participation is promoted through collaborative agreements with non-profit organizations, public service entities, and indigent or vulnerable communities or groups of people.

The experiences that are designed from the Student Pro Bono Program, intend to promote the following objectives:

- Create awareness in students about their responsibility, personal and professional, to contribute in proposing solutions to address the problems and inequities that trouble society.
- Promote a genuine commitment to a continuous pro bono service and the search for solutions, from the position that each one occupies, in the practice of law.
- Serve as a platform for the development of proposals for community and social impact; starting from the integration of academic experience and ethical, Christian and service values.



The objectives are met through projects that include:

- educational platforms
- legal research and support
- participation in legislative projects
- social / community impact
- integration into the public service
- recognition of pro bono work
- promotion of ethical and Christian values

Contacts:

- Lcda. Aracelis Cruz Suárez, *Director*
- Sra. Joselyn Rosado Rodríguez, *Secretary*

## **LL.M. HEALTH LAW**

### **DESCRIPTION**

The Master's Program in Health Law will give the student the opportunity to obtain specialized and advanced knowledge, as well as the ability to develop critical and analytical thinking in preparation for medical legal practice.

### **GRADUATE PROFILE**

1. Expand students academic training by forging as a professional of excellence in the field of Health Law.
2. Develop comprehensive knowledge about public and private companies that provide health services
3. Learn about the evolution of medical malpractice over time and the effects of professional medical malpractice litigation.
4. Design a research project that consists of a critical analysis of some aspect of health law aimed at promoting changes for the benefit of our society.

### **TUITION COSTS**

- *LL.M.* \$550.00 (per credit)
- University fees
  - o Semester fees: \$384.00

Includes services of: library, cultural, social and athletic activities, identification card, medical dispensary, psychosocial services, construction, improvements and maintenance, graduation, student accident insurance, student services, among others.

- Information Technology Fees
  - o Semester/ Trimester Fees: \$40.00
- Payments
  - o General: \$300.00

The School of Law reserves the right to change costs, admission requirements, study programs, graduation requirements, degrees, academic policies, and other regulations that affect students. If so determined, such rules will apply to both new students and active students, prior notice to such effect, and will preside from the date determined by the Law School.

## CURRICULUM

<b>CURRICULAR SEQUENCE TABLE</b>					
<b>MASTER'S DEGREE IN HEALTH LAW</b>					
<b>First Semester AUGUST</b>			<b>Second Semester JANUARY</b>		
<b>Course</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Crs</b>	<b>Course</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Crs</b>
656	Health Law	3	659	Public Health Law	3
	Electives	6		Electives	6
633	Teol.: Human Dignity	-	634	Teol.: Family and Sacrament	-
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>		<b>9</b>	<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>		<b>9</b>
<b>THIRD Semester AUGUST</b>					
<b>Course</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Crs</b>			
658	Medical Malpractice	3			
	Electives	3			
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>		<b>6</b>			

## REQUIRED COURSES

<b>COURSE</b>	<b>CREDITS</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
HEALTH LAW LWHL 600	3	The Health Law course is an introductory course on legal and ethical aspects in the health field. The course will examine the ethical standards and legal principles considered in making decisions about patient health care. The regulation of the practice of medicine by the State, legal aspects of the credentialing of the practice of medicine in our health system will also be studied. Likewise, some criminal aspects related to Health Law will be discussed, such as fraud and abuse in medical claims and antitrust practices.
Medical Malpractice LWHL 601	3	In this course, the sources of Torts law applicable to claims for medical and hospital malpractice will be discussed. These sources consist of articles of the Civil Code as well as special legislation and interpretive jurisprudence. Related administrative regulations and scientific doctrine will also be studied.

Public Health Law LWHL 602	3	The course examines Public Health Administration Law and the Health Care industry. The course will emphasize the role of public health in Puerto Rico. Other topics to be studied are the promotion of public health in agencies, the mandatory reporting of personal medical information, mandatory medical tests, mandatory treatment, quarantine, personal behavior and protective services for children and the elderly. The conflict between individual rights and public health powers and the law that regulates them will also be studied.
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## ELECTIVE COURSES

The elective courses represent a total of 15 credits in which it is necessary to fulfill the requirement of a seminar.

COURSE	CREDITS	DESCRIPTION
Medicine and Food law LWHL 603	3	The course examines the Food and Drug Administration laws and regulations governing the misleading sale of drugs. The marketing testing system that regulates drugs, their prescription status and consumer advertising will be examined. It will also study issues related to food regulation such as a policy without carcinogens risks, use of biotechnology and the deregulation of dietary supplements.
Comparative Health Law Seminar LWHL 700	3	The purpose of the seminar is to comparatively review the legal structure of the health systems of Latin America, the United States and Puerto Rico. Emphasis will be placed on the State's competence in terms of the organization of the health system, the population's access to health services, the allocation and distribution of resources for the provision of services, and the social security system. It will be analyzed whether health services are a consumer good subject to market forces or a right that must be offered and guaranteed by the State.
Scientific evidence LWHL 604	3	The course is geared towards the knowledge of forensic sciences and the use of these in evidence, in order to prove facts or resolve controversies in both civil and criminal cases. The origin of forensic sciences, the role of the forensic expert in the courts and the content of each forensic science are studied. In addition, the different admissibility problems that arise in court due to the scientific and demonstrative evidence are discussed. It includes the interrogation and cross-examination of forensic experts.
Patient Information Rights LWHL 605	3	Analysis and study of state, federal and various country laws on the right of patients to be informed about their medical treatment and other aspects so that they can make decisions regarding the acceptance or rejection of everything related to their health.
Psychology and	3	Study of the relationships between law and psychology: law and psychology as

<p>Law LWHL 606</p>		<p>interdisciplinary tasks; the regulation of the practice of psychology in Puerto Rico; the participation of the psychologist in the different judicial processes: the psychological evaluation of legal operators (lawyers, prosecutors, judges, policemen, etc.), counseling, prevention and treatment, collaboration in the continuous training of lawyers, assistance to victims of crime and illicit acts in general, expert opinion and their participation in alternative processes of administration of justice, especially in cases related to minors and family law cases; forensic psychology and the role of the psychologist in achieving the objectives of penitentiary law. Psychology, law and professional deontology.</p>
<p>Legal Aspects of the Hospital LWHL 608</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>This course will explore the laws and regulations applicable to Hospitals. Through this class, the Regulations of the Department of Health for the accreditation of Hospitals will be studied, as well as additional accreditations such as The Joint Commission, the Medical Tourism Association and the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. Issues related to EMTALA and Law 160-2001 (known as EMTALITA) will be discussed. Topics such as credentialing, contracting medical services and Certificates of Necessity and Convenience will be discussed.</p>
<p>Puerto Rico Health Laws LWHL 607</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>This course will explore State Laws and regulations that relate to Law and Health. The Organic Law of the Department of Health and the applicable regulations will be examined. In addition, various aspects of the Office of the Insurance Commissioner, the Insurance Code and its importance in the authorization of health service organizations and insurers will be discussed. Aspects of the Puerto Rico Health Insurance Administration, the Vital Plan (health plan of the Government of Puerto Rico) and complaints related to the provision and denial of services will also be discussed. Finally, administrative aspects of health related to complaints will be taught in the Office of the Patient Advocate.</p>
<p>Medical Practice Compliance LWHL 609</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>The purpose of this course is to guide the student through the most relevant legislation and regulations of the United States of America and Puerto Rico applicable to the practice, licensing and discipline of medicine and dentistry in the Country. Privacy and security issues of medical records will be discussed, in accordance with the provisions of the HIPAA Law and new technological challenges. Issues related to medical privileges and the credentialing of these professionals at the hospital and outpatient level and the different models of provision and organization of services in the practice of medicine and dentistry will be examined. In addition, issues of hiring, billing and collection of services provided to patients and the administration and hiring of human resources to support these professionals will be studied. Finally, the applicable legal and regulatory requirements will be discussed to fully observe all the compliance requirements of the laws and regulations in force.</p>

Contact:

- Lcda. Vilmarys Quiñones Cintrón, *Academic Programs Coordinator*

## *JURIS DOCTOR'S ACADEMIC POLICY*

### **GENERAL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

1. Approved a total of 94 credits with a minimum average of 2.00 General Average Point.
2. Approved Theology courses 633 and 634.
3. Have passed an elective course that is a seminary.
4. Comply with thirty (30) hours of Pro Bono service.
5. Have taken the Baby Bar I exam.

### **ACADEMIC STANDARDS AND NORMS OF ACADEMIC OR SATISFACTORY PROGRESS**

All students enrolled in the Law School must maintain a satisfactory average to meet the academic standards of the School. In any semester or general cumulative average in which the student has an average lower than 2.99 GPA the appropriate measures will be taken, including placing the student on academic alert, academic probation or academic withdrawal as the case may be.

### **GOOD STANDING**

A student who has a cumulative average of 3.00 GPA or higher and who does not meet the probation provisions per semester is considered to be in satisfactory Good Standing status.

### **ACADEMIC ALERTS**

A student whose cumulative average is 2.50 to 2.99 upon completing a semester (day or evening) or at any time, will receive an Academic Alert Letter in which the student will be notified that they have to participate in the services of the Academic Support Program and Preparation for the Revalidation and comply with all the requirements and / or conditions that said Program deems pertinent. Among them, the restriction or limitation of credits from 12 to 14 credits that may be

enrolled the next semester. The Academic Alert notice is automatic once the student's last grade is recorded in the official grade register for that specific semester.

The purpose of the Academic Alert notification is to make students aware of the realities of their academic situation and inform them of the resources available to help them improve their academic average.

Before registering for the following semester, the student who receives an Academic Alert letter must go to the Office of the Academic Support and Preparation for the Examination Program to develop or prepare a plan to improve academic performance and the class schedule for the following semester. The student has to comply with the established program and with the conditions imposed by the program. These conditions include, but are not limited to: requiring the student to request prior approval from the program to enroll in any course; schedule or select your courses and your class schedule; require or limit the number of courses or credits in which you can enroll in a given semester; require repetition of a course; and / or require the student to participate in any other program such as tutoring, etc. A student who receives an Academic Alert letter must attend a minimum of 75% of the classes recommended by the program the next semester after the academic alert notice.

The Admission Committee will consider in compliance with the recommendations mentioned in the previous paragraph, when examining a request for readmission if a student on academic alert obtains a cumulative average below 2.00 at the end of the semester and is automatically withdrawn.

## **ACADEMIC PROBATION**

A student who achieves an average of 2.00 to 2.49 in any semester is automatically considered on Academic Probation the following semester and will be referred to the Academic Support Program. The Academic Probation notice is automatic once the student's last grade is recorded in the official grade register for such semester. A student on Academic Probation must obtain an average of 2.50 GPA or more during the semester to continue their studies. In addition, the student on Academic Probation will be subject to the rules, requirements and / or reasonable conditions that the Committee considers pertinent to improve the deficiencies of each student in particular. Students who are on Academic Probation at the end of the Spring Semester will be restricted from enrollment in the upcoming Summer Session.

The student will have the right to two (2) probations in their career as a Juris Doctor. The Evaluation Committee will impose any condition or conditions that it deems pertinent to help the student overcome his / her academic deficiencies, including, and not limited to: requiring the student to request prior approval from the Committee to enroll in any course; schedule or select your courses and your class schedule; require or limit the number of courses or credits (the maximum number of credits that a day student can enroll is 12 credits and the night student 10 credits) in which they can enroll in a given semester; require repetition of a course; and / or require the student to participate in any other program, such as tutoring, etc.

## **MAKE-UP TEST**

The privilege of a Make-Up test will be granted only to those students who in their final year fail or obtain a grade of "D" or "F" in a subject and that by obtaining a grade of "C" they can meet the graduation requirements. Such privilege it will not be granted when the failure or the grade of "D" or "F" occurs in the penultimate semester and the course is offered in the last semester.

Privilege of a Make-Up test will be limited to one course during the senior year (including the last two semesters), no matter what the value of the course in terms of credits. It will be understood that if the person fails in more than one course, this rule does not apply. The maximum grade that the student can obtain in a re-examination is "C". There is a \$ 50.00 fee for the retest.

## **EXAM REVIEW STANDARDS AND GRADE CORRECTION**

Every student has the right to review their exams in the presence of their teacher. The review may be individual or group at the discretion of the teacher. If the student is dissatisfied with the grade of her exam, she must present proof that the evaluation could have been arbitrary or that a manifest error could have been made in her evaluation. The student may appeal to the Dean, who, at thim/her discretion, may appoint a committee of members of the School to make an independent evaluation of the examination in dispute.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE AUTOMATIC WITHDRAWS OR REFUSAL TO ENROLL**

The School of Law may withdraw for legitimate reasons, temporary or permanent, from any course or from the institution, a student, in any of the following circumstances:

1. Academic achievement below the index determined by the Law School.
2. Violation of norms related to the Honor Code or any other improper conduct that, in the opinion of the School or the corresponding Committee, disables the student; in accordance with the standards of academic or personal ethics.
3. Other reasons that could put fellow students at risk.

The School of Law reserves the right to make the decision it considers appropriate, including the determination of "withdrawal" or the refusal to enroll without the need for a prior administrative procedure. However, within a reasonable term, the School of Law will inform the student in writing of the reasons that support this decision. The student may appeal the decision and presnet the appeal within a term of thirty (30) days after the referral of said letter. The appeal procedure will be presented to the Dean; who will have the appellate power and, in addition, may delegate said power to the person or the Committee that it deems appropriate. The appeal procedure will be informal in nature.

## **STUDENT ASSOCIATIONS**



## **STUDENT COUNCIL**

A student organization focused on defending the rights of the student body and ensuring tractability with the duties of other organizations and the students.

## **HISPANIC NATIONAL BAR ASSOCIATION (HNBA)**

A national membership, nonprofit, and nonpartisan organization that represents the interests of Hispanic members of the legal profession in the United States and its territories.

## **INTERNATIONAL LAW STUDENTS ASSOCIATION (ILSA)**

An international organization that is constituted by students and lawyers dedicated to the promotion of international law. ILSA offers students the opportunity to study, research and network in the international legal field.

## **PLATFORM FOR ENTREPRENEURSHIP MAESTRO CORDERO (PLATAFORMA DE EMPRENDIMIENTO MAESTRO CORDERO)**

Its mission is to empower young Puerto Ricans with the necessary tools to be leaders who can lead the country. The Cordero Platform was established on August 2018 and since then dozens of young people have been impacted in the community. CHEER UP TO RAISE PUERTO RICO!

## **FEDERAL BAR ASSOCIATION (FBA)**

The goal of the Federal Bar Association is to promote professional and social interaction between students and members of the federal legal profession, strengthen the federal legal system and the administration of justice by serving the interests and needs of the federal professional (both public and private), the federal judiciary, and the public they serve.

## **ASSOCIATION FOR THE PREVENTION OF ANIMAL ABUSE (ASOCIACIÓN PARA LA PREVENCIÓN DEL MALTRATO ANIMAL ,APMA)**

Their motto is: "Giving a voice to those who don't have one".

## **PUERTO BAR LAWYERS ASSOCIATION (Asociación de Abogados de Puerto Rico, PRLA)**

The Puerto Rico Bar Association, Student Chapter Hon. Efraín Rivera Pérez of the School of Law at the Pontifical Catholic University of Puerto Rico, Ponce Campus, is committed to the academic and professional development of the student community. Its main objective is to provide students with academic tools that significantly impact their professional development and opportunities leading to successful integration into the professional world of law. With their encouraging motto: "... making the future".

## **PHI ALPHA DELTA (PAD)**

Phi Alpha Delta is the largest professional legal fraternity in the United States, Puerto Rico, Canada, and Mexico. Their motto is "Love of Humanity and Justice for All."

**ORGANIZATION FOR THE RIGHTS OF WOMEN  
(Organización Pro Derechos de la Mujer, OPDM)**

The Organization for Women's Rights seeks to raise awareness for the need of gender equality and the eradication of violence against women.

**LAW SCHOOL DISABILITY RIGHTS ASSOCIATION (LSDRA)**

A student organization that seeks to promote the interest of students in the study of the rights of people with disabilities and their participation in various activities of social and community impact in Puerto Rico. These aspire to become a legal and support tool for this population and the community in general.

**COMMISSION OF COLLEGIATE STUDENTS OF THE PUERTO RICO BAR ASSOCIATION  
(COMISIÓN DE ESTUDIANTES COLEGIADOS Y COLEGIADAS DEL COLEGIO DE ABOGADOS Y ABOGADAS DE PUERTO RICO)**

It is the unifying body of all Law students, student organizations, in the distinguished Bar Association of our country.

**NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LAW STUDENTS  
(ASOCIACIÓN NACIONAL DE ESTUDIANTES DE DERECHO, ANED)**

It establishes the necessary means to create an effective union among all the Law students of our faculty that serve to create and foster among them a true student conscience. It promotes the discussion and development of Puerto Rican Law sustained on our culture and the peculiarity as a people, and affirms our ties with the illustrious Puerto Rico Bar Association, the Puerto Rico Supreme Court and other related organizations.

**ORGANIZATION FOR CONSUMER AFFAIRS ORGANIZACIÓN  
(ORGANIZACIÓN PRO ASUNTOS DEL CONSUMIDOR, OPAC)**

The objective of this organization is to carry out activities and projects aimed at the defense, education, conservation, and compliance of consumer rights throughout Puerto Rico.

**TUNA**

The Tuna of the Law School of the Pontifical Catholic University of Puerto Rico was formed in January 2007, being the first law tuna in Puerto Rico and the second traditional Orthodox tuna. Created under the sponsorship of the Tuna Bardos of the UPR.

Since its establishment, it has participated in numerous institutional and cultural activities, prickly pear encounters, and charitable events throughout the Island. It has been providing music, artistic innovation, mischief and joy from the highest mountain ranges of Puerto Rico to the streets for 12 years up to the urban area of Ponce.

On October 26, 2019, the musical group participated in the VI International Tunas Contest of the Autonomous University of Nuevo León de Monterrey, held in the magical town of Santiago in Mexico. There they won the award for the Best Cape and the highest award, the Best Tuna of the event, as well as the affection of all those present who did not stop showing their admiration, carrying our flag high up.

Living the tradition, Tuna will continue to raise our Puerto Rican pride inside and outside our homeland.

Follow them on their social networks: on Facebook Tuna de Derecho PUCPR and on Instagram @TunaDerechoPR. Email: [tunapucpr@gmail.com](mailto:tunapucpr@gmail.com)

### **CHOIR 'VOICES'**

Musical group of talented students with beautiful voices.

The Puerto Rican Law Magazine is the official publication of the Law School of the Pontifical Catholic University of Puerto Rico. It was founded in 1961 by the first Dean of the School, Dr. Charles E. Mascareñas, in order to develop and promote an excellent legal education. It generally publishes works written by the faculty and students of our Institution, as well as by invited authors and members of the legal profession in general.

Through articles of legal interest, the magazine intends to keep the entire legal community informed of new and current trends in the different areas of Law, at the same time that become an instrument for the continuing education of the Puerto Rican legal profession. Among other genres, reviews and articles analyzing current topics in legislation, jurisprudence and legal thought in general are published. The Puerto Rican Law Magazine wants to contribute to the strengthening of legal values and the dissemination of alternatives that may be useful for the work of justice. The annual volumes will appear in separate numbers each semester.

The Puerto Rican Law Magazine also holds seminars and workshops to train its editors; who also participate sporadically, as allowed by their academic agenda, in television and radio programs on legal training and in training conferences for students throughout the School.

The Staff is currently made up of:

- Dr. Ramón Antonio Guzmán, *Director*
- Mrs. Nilbia Torres González, *Secretary*

The Editorial Board for 2020-2021:

- Joel Andrews Cosme Morales, *Editor-in-Chief*
- Ariana Marie Rivera Soto, *Associate Editor*
- Adaliz Raquel Rodríguez Vázquez, *Associate Editor*
- Sandra Feliciano Peña, *Associate Editor*

**REGISTRAR'S OFFICE**

The Registrar's Office of the Law School is responsible for registering students, take care of student academic records, guiding students on their academic status, sending transcripts, and certifying that the student has met the graduation requirements. It also issues study certifications, at the request of the student.

Our Office Registrar's Office is independent from the University's Registration Office; since their own academic standards are determined, subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees, the President, the University Board and the University Senate; all in accordance with the requirements of the accrediting entities.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF**

Assistant Dean of Student Affairs - Lcda. Luz Haydée Rodríguez Rosas

Assistant Registrar- Juan A. Rodríguez Laboy

Admissions Officer- Leticia Torres Rivera

Registration Officers:

- Conchi Torres Colón

- Marieliz Díaz Ortiz

Statistics Officer- Bernie Arbona Quiñones

### **ACCREDITATION AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION (ABA)**

The School of Law, established in 1961, received provisional approval from the American Bar Association, the accrediting agency for Law Schools in the United States, and in 1967; and a full approval on August 17, 1972. Since then, the Law School of the PCUPR is part of a distinguished community of educational institutions.

### **ENROLLMENT PROCESS**

No student may attend the classroom without having their registration processed and validated through the Registrar's Office and the Treasurer's Office during the pay week. Students who attend any class without having processed their registration in the indicated way, will not have the right to have it accepted.

### **TUITION COSTS**

- "Juris Doctor" \$ 500.00 (per credit)

- University fees

● Semiannual: \$ 384.00

● Summer: \$ 192.00

Tuition fees cover the services of: library, cultural, social and athletic activities, identification card, medical dispensary, psychosocial services, construction, improvements and maintenance, graduation, student accident insurance, student services, among others.

- Information Technology Fee

- Semester / Trimester: \$ 40.00
- Summer: \$ 40.00

- Payments

- General: \$ 300.00
- School of Law Introductory Seminar; \$ 500.00
- Admission: \$ 75.00

The Law School reserves the right to change costs, admission requirements, study programs, graduation requirements, degrees, academic policies, and other regulations that affect students. If so determined, such rules will apply to both new students and active students, prior notice to that effect, and will govern from the date determined by the Law School.

## **FINANCIAL AID**

The financial aid available to law students are the following: direct federal loans, loans for revalidation, scholarships and “programa Plan Biblioteca”. It is important that the student fills out the application for Federal Student Aid in order to qualify for federal direct loans.

For information on loans and other assistance, you can contact the Financial Aid Office. The Law School offers scholarships to students with high academic indices. For the award of scholarships, the academic index and financial needs of the student are considered. Scholarships are awarded for the entire tuition (not including fees), half scholarships and partial scholarships. They are also considered students with a good average who have other abilities. Other students have the opportunity to work on partial assignments in the Library and the Computer Lab.

## **REGULATION**

As Higher Education academic institution our aspirations to train students, within the principles of Christianity and the doctrines of the Catholic Church, the University reserves the right to suspend a student at any time and for any reason deemed by the University. The student regulations of the Pontifical Catholic University of Puerto Rico apply to the students of the Law School.

Keeping a student on the University enrollment lists, awarding academic credit, and awarding a degree or certificate; are prerogatives of the University that can be suspended at any time.



## **OFFICES**

### **OFFICE OF PUBLIC RELATIONS**

The Public Relations Office supports the activities programmed by the student organizations, coordinates any other type of event related to the Dean's office, all protocol activities and everything related to their alumni. This office is also in charge of all the promotion and representation of the Law School in Graduate Fairs at the different universities in Puerto Rico.

#### **Tours**

Our Law School offers guided daily tours. This is a great opportunity for you to meet our students, your future teachers, and the Admissions Office staff; who will offer you an orientation about the admissions requirements, once your tour concludes. Visits are scheduled Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.

Contact:

- Mrs. Aida Rodríguez Lugo

### **OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND EMPLOYMENT**

Our School's Office of Professional Development and Employment seeks employment and professional development opportunities for our students and graduates. This office conducts outreach with potential employers for full or part time jobs. The office offers help and guidance in the preparation of resumes, cover letters, and mock interviews to our students and graduates. It also offers lectures to students by specialists to guide them on marketing or business opportunities in the legal profession or alternative professions. In addition, it conducts preparatory workshops for the Law School Job Fair. It also assists students in finding employment in the United States.

The office compiles on the statistics status of our graduates regarding their positioning in their jobs, according to the ABA Standards and Rules of Procedure for Approval of Law Schools.

Contacts:

- Ms. Jashira Acevedo García, Interim Coordinator

## **PROGRAMS**

## **PROGRAM FOR THE ACADEMIC SUPPORT AND PREPARATION OF THE BAR EXAM**

The Program for the Academic Support and Preparation of the Bar Exam (PAA, Spanish acronym) offers constant support to the students of the PCUPR Law School. The PAA services seek to develop and strengthen the skills of memorization, analysis and application of the Law. Through academic counseling, mentoring, tutoring, and workshops; Students will be able to develop the legal reasoning skills necessary to achieve academic success in the School and subsequently pass the revalidation.

The Academic Support Program creates spaces that help students prepare for the bar exam from the moment they enter the School. Two comprehensive exams are offered, Baby Bar I and Baby Bar II. The Baby Bar I is a diagnostic test that is taken upon passing freshman courses and is a graduation requirement. Its purpose is to identify strengths and areas of opportunity in each student. The Baby Bar II is one of the evaluation methods of the Preparation Workshop for the Study of the Bar Exam and has a training purpose.

The Preparation Workshop for the Study of the Bar Exam is a required course of two credits and four contact hours offered using the co-teaching strategy between PAA teachers and teachers of doctrinal courses. During their last semester of law studies, the student will have the opportunity to review the revalidation subjects by completing multiple-choice exercises and discussion questions.

### **Contacts:**

- Prof. Yaira Ortíz Medina, Director
- Lcda. Gipsy Ramos Báez, Coordinator
- Lcdo. Fernando Pacheco Valcourt, Coordinator
- Mrs. Annacarie De Jesús Pérez, Night Secretary

## **ASSESSMENT PROGRAM**

The Assessment Office of the PUCPR Law School is attached to the Program of Academic Support and Preparation for the Bar Exam. This component of the PAA is responsible for the development and implementation of viable assessment plans that focus on the Learning Objectives of the Juris Doctor Program.

The main focus of the Assessment Office is to collaborate with the faculty and students in achieving an excellent legal education. Develop work plans with faculty that lead to valid and reliable evaluation and measurement. Collect the data and statistical information that evidences the fulfillment of the learning objectives. Furthermore, it coordinates workshops and professional training that reinforce educational management.

The office is also in charge of maintaining and reporting the statistical data related to the scores of the Bar Exam. In the same way, it is responsible for carrying out the studies and analyzes related

to the academic performance of the students and for establishing action plans to improve academic achievement.

## **CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION PROGRAM**

The Law School recognizes that continuous legal education directed to all lawyers who practice law and notary in Puerto Rico is a fundamental part of its functions. For this reason, the Continuing Legal Education Program was created in unity with the mission, vision and objectives of the Pontifical Catholic University of Puerto Rico, the academic program of the School of Law and with the rules established in the Regulations of the Program of Continuing Legal Education of 2017, promulgated by the Supreme Court of Puerto Rico. Through this Program we also seek to offer the service to our Alumni, based on their professional needs.

Our Continuing Legal Education Program is one of first order with a legal, Christian, ethical and moral component that offers the best and most varied options for continuous improvement and professional development. The program is committed to meeting the needs of the Alumni, to achieve and maintain a high degree of excellence and competence in the practice of the profession and to meet the requirement of compulsory continuing legal education.

The Program offers seminars, conferences, workshops, symposiums , congresses and all kinds of legal professional improvement activities. Members of the Faculty and other carefully selected external resources participate in the development of the Program. Our commitment to the quality of our courses is utmost and unwavering.

Contacts:

- Lcda. Marigloria Colón Marrero, Director
- Mrs. Migdalia Ríos López, Secretary

## **FACILITIES AND SERVICES**

The Mons. Fremiot Torres Oliver Library of Law at the Pontifical Catholic University of Puerto Rico, located at the Law School on the Ponce campus, provides access to informational and educational resources specialized in the science of Law to students, professors, university community and the general public.

The Library's collection is made up of resources in print, online and electronic formats.

On the first floor there is the Director's office, the technical services area, the public service area: reference, circulation, reservation and the online legal research room. There are four group study rooms, individual study area and permanent gallery of works of art by plastic art artists.

On the second floor is the general collection, magazine room, federal and United Nations documents, individual study area and the museum in honor of Mons. Fremiot Torres Oliver, Bishop of Ponce, founder of the School of Law and the gallery of serigraphs published by the Puerto Rican Law Magazine.

Contact:

- Lcda. Noelia Padua Flores, Director

### **LEGAL TECHNOLOGY CENTER**

The Legal Technology Center offers the service of directing and disposing of the equipment that is installed in the classrooms of the Law School. It assists students in the use of computers and guides them in the use of the Computer Center printers and Lexis Nexis printers. It should be noted that students from the Law School are hired to perform these tasks and these are supervised by a Computer Laboratory Technician.

The Legal Technology Center has flexible hours of service available to students.

We also offer the Wireless service, where the students and professors of the Law School are configured with equipment such as: iPad, laptop, cell phones and tablets.

Contact:

- Ms. Aidyl Guzmán Daleccio

### **FACULTY SUPPORT CENTER**

This Center, in addition to providing administrative and technological support to the members of the Faculty, serves as a link between students and their professors.

The Center coordinates appointments and interviews between students and their teachers.

It also assists teachers in the preparation and restructuring their teaching materials, their correspondence, and ordering of textbooks.

Contact:

- Ms. Lizaida Cruz, *Secretary of the Faculty Support Center*
- Mr. Jesús Rosa Pacheco, *Department of Reproduction*

## **CHAPEL**

Our Chapel is located on the second floor of the Law School. It offers a space for reflection and prayer. It is available to the academic community from the early hours of the morning until the work schedule is over.

## DIRECTORY

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