

Want to combine your major with a focus on law – from media to public health to business and beyond?

Want to understand why law and lawyers are so influential in our society?

Want a career in law?

Want to expand your critical thinking skills?

Want to learn how to do legal research or to understand legal reasoning?

Want an internship in law?

For any or all of these learning opportunities, consider the GW Law and Society minor!

## Questions?

For more information and downloadable application forms go to:

<https://sociology.columbian.gwu.edu/minor-law-society>



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# Law and Society

An interdisciplinary minor



DEPARTMENT OF  
SOCIOLOGY  
COLUMBIAN COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

## MINOR REQUIREMENTS

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### ***Two foundation courses:***

SOC 2167 Sociology of Law  
UW 2031W Equality & the Law: An Introduction to Legal Research & Writing

### ***At least one secondary foundation course selected from:***

PHIL 3142 Philosophy of Law  
PSC 2214 U.S. Constitutional Law & Politics I  
PSC 2215 U.S. Constitutional Law & Politics II

### ***Three elective courses selected from***

#### ***the list above or below:***

Any of the secondary foundation courses

BADM 4101 Business Law & Ethics  
ECON 3190 Law & Economics  
HIST 3370 U.S. Constitutional History  
MAE 3171 Patent Law for Engineers  
PSC 2213 Judicial Politics  
PSC 2444 Public International Law  
PUBH 3136 Health Law  
SMPA 2173 Media Law  
SOC 2145 Criminal Law  
SOC 2146 The Bill of Rights & Criminal Justice  
SOC 2988 Internship in Law & Society (formerly PSC 2988)  
WSTU 3470 Sexuality & Law



## OVERVIEW

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Law is everywhere in our lives. It literally shapes what it means to be female or male, a child or adult, a citizen or non-citizen. Law helps to determine the quality of our water and food. It determines what rights we have to sue or be sued, to be protected by law enforcement or from law enforcement. Law is too important to all of us to be left only to lawyers and legislators. We need to know what the law says, and how and why it works as it does—or doesn't.

Whether someone is interested in law school or a career in law, or wants to improve their undergraduate skills and learning in Engineering or English, Political Science or Public Health, Criminal Justice, Communications, or Sociology – a minor in Law & Society provides an outstanding curriculum to enhance what you know, what you do, and how you do it.

Housed in the Department of Sociology, the Law & Society minor reflects a well-established interdisciplinary area of study. Many GW faculty members currently research, publish, and teach in the law and society arena. The minor reflects and contributes to GW's strategic plan by promoting innovation through cross-disciplinary collaboration, citizenship and leadership, and governance and policy. The Law & Society minor offers an excellent opportunity to develop a critical and comprehensive understanding of the place of law in society.

