
In order to receive a J.D. degree, a student must successfully complete an advanced writing project. The purpose of this requirement is to ensure that each student has significant experience working on a project that develops skills in research, analysis, and writing. The format of the paper, or papers, may include scholarly works such as law review articles, briefs, transactional documents, draft legislation, or other types of legal writing, so long as the writing is substantial and evidences a high level of research and analysis. **Faculty supervision and student revision of the written work is an essential component of the requirement and the student must meet with the faculty member to a substantial extent.** Typically, the project should extend over two or more quarters but may, with the faculty member's approval, be completed in a single quarter. If the project is performed by a group, each student must identify his or her portion of the work product for the purposes of evaluation by the faculty member.

The Advanced Writing Requirement may be satisfied in the following ways:

1. Meeting the requirements of any seminar which carries at least 4 credits.
2. By writing and revising an acceptable paper, brief or other writing in any course open to second and third year students which carries at least 3 credits, including clinics. This may be in addition to or in lieu of an examination as the instructor may require. Advanced consent of the instructor is required.
3. By completion of three credits of **Law E 500 Advanced Writing Project**, an independent research project under the supervision of a full-time faculty member.
4. By completion of 1-2 credits of **Law E 500 Advanced Writing Project** when the project involves revision of work begun in a class, externship, or moot court competition.

NOTE:

- At the November 3, 1988, Faculty Meeting, the following Resolution was passed:
"Papers submitted by students in satisfaction of the requirement for a course or seminar shall be due no later than the following dates: (1) no later than two quarters beyond the quarter in which the course or seminar commences; (2) in the case of a student graduating after the Spring Quarter, no later than June 30 of that year...Individual faculty members may require that papers be submitted at times earlier than these dates." This resolution went into effect at the start of Winter Quarter 1989.
- A **MAXIMUM** of 12 credits may be earned in one academic year for E 500, 600, and seminars combined; any one faculty member may supervise no more than 8 of these credits, and no more than 6 may be earned in any one quarter. The academic year begins with Summer Quarter and ends with Spring Quarter.
- Students **MUST SATISFY** the Advanced Writing Requirement by the end of Winter Quarter of their final year unless they will satisfy it in a seminar that continues into the Spring Quarter of their final year. The Academic Dean must approve exceptions to this rule no later than the end of Autumn Quarter of the student's third year of law school.

ADVANCED WRITING AGREEMENT FORM

If options 2, 3, or 4 are selected for meeting the requirement, the following needs to be completed:

Name _____ Student ID # _____

Student E-mail _____ Date _____

Faculty Supervisor _____

I agree to supervise this student's Advanced Writing Requirement in the form of:

_____ **Option 2:** writing and revising an acceptable paper, brief or other writing in any course open to second and third year students which carries at least 3 credits, including clinics. This paper was done () in lieu of an exam or () in addition to the exam in the course **Law** _____.

_____ **Option 3:** by completion of three credits of **Law E 500 Advanced Writing Project**, an independent research project under the supervision of a full-time faculty member. Description of project _____

Expected completion date _____

Quarter _____, **200**____ **Credits** _____

_____ **Option 4:** by completion of 1-2 credits of **Law E 500 Advanced Writing Project** when the project involves revision of work begun in a class, externship, or moot court competition. Description of project _____

Quarter registered for _____, **200**__ **Credits** _____

Faculty Signature _____

Date _____

Student Agreement:

I have read, and understand, all of the guidelines for meeting the Advanced Writing Requirement. I understand that if changes are made to my Advanced Writing Project I will need to submit subsequent forms to Academic Services that document these changes. I understand that if I do not meet these criteria I may not receive credit for my work.

Student Signature _____ **Date** _____