

Executive Clemency in Florida

FSU Fall 2018

***A collaboration among the Colleges of Law, Social Sciences and Public Policy, and Social Work**

B.K. Roberts Hall, College of Law, LAW 101

W, 11:00am – 12:50pm (College of Law: 2 credits) & 1:45pm (Colleges of Social Sciences, Social Work: 3 credits)

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****Preliminary Syllabus (you'll receive an updated syllabus incorporating reading and other assignments after Labor Day)****

Course Section Information:

<u>Course Number:</u>	<u>CRN:</u>	<u>Comments:</u>
LAW7930.31	4423	
SOW4935.1	15192	
SOW5938.3	15193	
POS5698.3	15203	MAAPP
POS3931.2	15201	Register in Department (535 Bellamy)
POS3931.3	15202	Honors. Register in Department (535 Bellamy)

COURSE GOALS

-Develop a basic understanding of the legal, policy and administrative framework for Executive Clemency in Florida, and the various forms thereof.

-Explore collateral consequences

-Examine certain basic strategies and options available to lawyers/advocates retained to counsel or represent clients.

COURSE DESIGN

Certain aspects of this course will be addressed through discussion of pertinent cases and problem solving, which will be augmented by in-class discussions, videos and a policy paper in addition to a final exam.

ATTENDANCE, PREPARATION, AND IN-CLASS EXERCISES

All students are expected to attend class prepared to participate in class discussions and in-class exercises.

An attendance sheet will be circulated each class for your signature - it is every student's responsibility to sign the attendance sheet to verify attendance. **Students must not sign the attendance sheet for their fellow classmates in that doing so may constitute an honor code violation.** Students are expected to be on time for class. Students may miss two classes without explanation or justification; all other absences must be excused by the professor. Students who are not prepared for class may be marked absent. Students with unexcused absences (beyond the two absences permitted) may be subject to a reduction in final course grade (two points for every other unexcused absence) or, at the discretion of the instructor in consultation with the Office of the Registrar, be administratively dis-enrolled from the course.

WRITING REQUIREMENT, EXAMINATION, AND GRADING CRITERIA

Your final grade will be based on the results of your individual performance on the final examination, class participation, which may include both individual and group exercises, and a policy paper. The final examination will be based on all assigned materials regardless of whether covered in class discussions, and will be an "open book" exam. It may consist of multiple choice questions, short answer questions and essays.

Class Participation (including in-class exercises – individual and group):	25%
Policy Paper:	35%
Final Exam:	40%

***Policy Paper** (Note: For purposes of the College of Law this policy paper does not satisfy the upper-level writing requirement "ULWR".)

Papers must be printed on 8.5" x 11" white paper. A title page is required, containing the title of your paper, your name, and the date. Text is to be double spaced, using 11 or 12 point font, with citations as appropriate. Pages must be numbered.

The final policy paper should be 8 pages in length for law, graduate and honors students and 10 pages for undergraduate students.

****Occasional opportunities and exigencies may necessitate rescheduling course assignments from time to time, and all assignments are subject to change in any event.***