

Petition to Study Away

GUIDELINES:

SUMMER SCHOOL/WINTER INTERIM SESSION: While enrolled at the Dedman School of Law, students may earn up to a total of 10 credit hours at other ABA-approved law schools outside the Dallas-Fort Worth area during the summer and/or winter interim terms.

ACADEMIC SEMESTER/YEAR: In extraordinary circumstances, a student may be granted permission to attend another ABA-approved law school for his or her final term or year of law school while still receiving an SMU degree. Permission will not be granted in the absence of a showing of compelling personal circumstances that require a student's relocation.

COURSE APPROVAL: All courses taken at another ABA-approved law school for the purpose of receiving credit at the Dedman School of Law school must be approved by the Assistant Dean for Student Affairs prior to the start of the term.

CREDIT: Credit will not be awarded for courses taken at another ABA-approved law school in which the student earns a grade below "C" or the equivalent. ***Credit will not be given to a student receiving a "P" (Pass) for a course. A letter grade (A, A-, B+, B, B-, C+, or C) must be obtained.**

REQUIRED COURSES: In general, all required courses (including Professional Responsibility, Constitutional Law II, a general writing course, an edited writing course, and all first-year courses) must be completed at the SMU Dedman School of Law.

SCHOLARSHIPS Scholarships do not apply to the summer semester. All scholarships are awarded and applied to the fall and/or spring semesters only. Also, scholarships are not applied towards tuition for classes taken at other schools. If you will be visiting another school, your scholarship will be canceled for that particular semester. Receipt of scholarship funds cannot be accelerated. If you graduate earlier than the normal matriculation for your program, you will only be awarded scholarship funds for the semesters you are enrolled in the law school on the basis of the scholarship award per semester.

STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMS: If requesting permission to attend another ABA-approved study abroad program, a complete description of the program and courses to be offered must be attached to this petition.

TO APPLY FOR PERMISSION TO STUDY AWAY, COMPLETE THIS FORM AND RETURN IT TO THE ASSISTANT DEAN FOR STUDENT AFFAIRS. IF APPROVED, THE REGISTRAR'S OFFICE WILL PRODUCE A LETTER OF PERMISSION FOR THE SCHOOL/PROGRAMS TO WHICH YOU ARE

APPLYING. THE LETTER WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PICK UP IN THE REGISTRAR'S OFFICE.

NAME:

STUDENT ID NUMBER:

TELEPHONE NUMBER:

ANTICIPATED GRADUATION DATE:

CUMULATIVE GPA:

HOURS EARNED TO DATE (INCLUDING CURRENT SEMESTER):

ALL HOURS EARNED AT SMU?

IF NO, NAME OF LAW SCHOOL AND NUMBER OF HOURS TRANSFERRED:

I request permission to take

hours from another law school for credit toward the Juris Doctor degree from SMU.

Semester(s) for which permission is sought:

Fall 20____

Spring 20____

Summer 20____

The law school I will be attending is (list all possible schools here):

The course I plan on taking is (list all courses interested in here):

If applying to visit another law school during the academic year, please describe specifically the compelling personal circumstances that will require your relocation (attach a separate sheet, if necessary):

If you will be visiting away during your final semester or year, please indicate whether or not you have completed all required courses:

Approved

Denied

Assistant Dean for Student Affairs

Date

COMMENTS: