

What is the Certificate in Law program?

Today's knowledge economy is being shaped by analytical, integrated thinkers who can employ different intellectual perspectives, who can forecast change and understand how laws and the regulatory environment will affect the goals and strategies in their fields.






The Certificate in Law is a part-time undergraduate program offered entirely online. Students can benefit from individual courses or work towards completing the Certificate in Law. The program focuses on case law, statutes and policies for each area addressed by certificate courses.

Law courses can be completed in any order, but is strongly recommended students start with Law 201/701 as it provides an introduction to Canadian law and to the other courses.

Prepared and delivered by Queen's University Faculty of Law, the certificate is comprised of four 3.0 credit (single term) courses for a total of 12 credits.

Students will learn the historical, social and economic forces shaping the law; methods of legal reasoning; how to develop, articulate and justify a position; and how recent domestic and international trends and agreements affect the law.

Quick program facts:

-  Designed and optimized for online learning to meet your learning objectives anytime, anywhere.
-  Courses are taught by Queen's Faculty of Law instructors who are experts in their field and are TA'ed by law students.
-  The program offers seven courses, each covering a unique aspect of Canadian law.
-  Current Queen's students can have two courses counted as electives towards your degree program.
-  Apply as an interest student - no supporting documentation required!

How to apply for Certificate in Law:

1. Visit takelaw.ca/apply.
2. There are two red boxes at the top of the page:
 - The first one is a downloadable PDF outlining a step-by-step guide on the application process.
 - The second box is a link to Undergraduate Admissions application portal where you can submit application.
 - \$100 application fee
 - Admission to Certificate in Law is based on a minimum GPA requirement of 2.60.

Application schedule

- Fall term application dates are open **June 1 - August 1** for courses starting in September
- Winter term application dates are open **October 1 - December 1** for courses starting in January
- Summer term application dates are open **February 1 - April 1** for courses starting in May

Difference between 200-level and 700-level courses

Law courses at the 200-level can be taken without admission to the Certificate in Law and will be retroactively counted towards your certificate requirements once admitted to program.

Undergraduate students completing a degree (on-campus or distance student) are not able to count more than 6.0 units at the 200-level towards degree requirements as electives and are assessed home faculty tuition fees. The remaining two courses must be taken at the 700-level and at the Faculty of Law tuition rate.

To access 700-level Law courses (i.e. LAW 705-700), you must be a student in the Certificate in Law program. 700-level courses do not count towards your degree requirements but are included in your GPA. Once courses have been completed, you are not permitted to switch a 700-level course to a 200-level course. Only students that have applied and been accepted into the Certificate in Law program can enroll in Law courses at the 700-level.

First year Queen's students

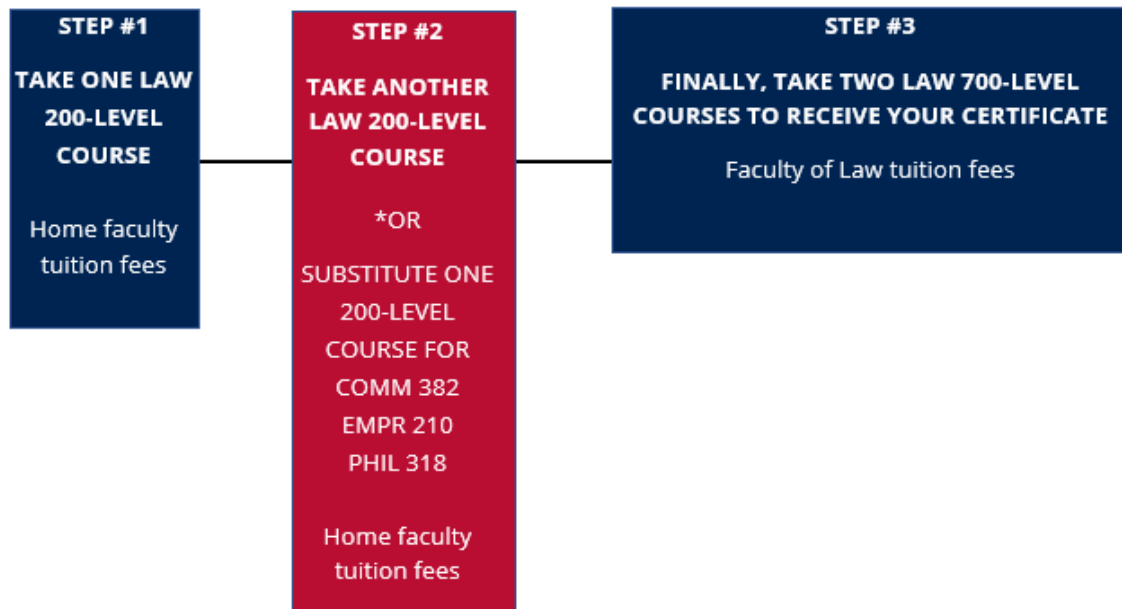
First-year students can apply to the Certificate in Law once they have successfully completed their first year of studies. You are eligible when your second academic year commences.

You can begin enrolling in 200-level Law courses in summer term between first and second year. For students that completed a Law course in summer of first year, it will be counted as an elective towards your Certificate in Law requirements once accepted to program.

Course offering schedule

Course Name	Course Number	Fall term (September)	Winter term (January)	Summer term (May)
Introduction to Canadian Law (In-class)	LAW 201	X	X	
Introduction to Canadian Law	LAW 201/701	X	X	X
Aboriginal Law	LAW 202/702	X		X
Workplace Law	LAW 203/703		X	
Corporate Law	LAW 204/704	X		X
Public & Constitutional Law	LAW 205/705		X	X
Intellectual Property Law	LAW 206/706		X	X
International Law	LAW 207/707	X		

Program structure for On-Campus Students



Course substitution

One core 200-level undergraduate Law course can be substituted for either PHIL 318, COMM 382 or EMPR 210 (only full time on-campus students can enroll in substitution courses). PHIL 318, COMM 382 and EMPR 210 cannot be taken in place of a 700-level Law course.

Only one of the following courses can be chosen:

- You cannot take both COMM 382 and LAW 204/704 for credit OR EMPR 210 and LAW 203/703 for credit
- PHIL 318 can be substituted for any 200-level Law course

Program structure for On-Campus Students

To be granted the Certificate in Law, you must complete all four courses with a minimum final grade of "C+" in each course, and an overall GPA of 2.6.

If you are a **current undergraduate Queen's student***, two Law courses at the 200-level may count towards your degree requirements as electives. You will be assessed home faculty tuition rates.

The remaining two courses must be taken at the 700-level and at the Faculty of Law tuition rate. Courses at the 700-level are not counted towards the Dean's Honour List and will not count towards degree requirements, however, are included in your GPA. Once courses are completed, you are unable to retroactively change a 700-level course to a 200-level course.

***Arts & Science** students - two courses at the 200-level will count as the 6.0 units of non-Arts and Science courses that can be applied towards your Arts and Science degree (no further non-Arts and Science courses will be permitted). Arts & Science students in the Certificate in Law are strongly advised to complete the first two courses at the 200-level.*

Current full-time Queen's students must complete their first year of studies before they are eligible to enroll in Law courses at the 200-level. When enrolling in 200-level courses in SOLUS, please select your home faculty when choosing the academic program (i.e. BAH, BCOM, FEAS).

Contact information

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