



Selecting SLU LAW LL.M. Courses for Foreign Applicants to the New York Bar - Compliance with Rule (NYCRR) 520.6 -

Section 520.6 of the Rules of the State of New York Court of Appeals for the Admission of Attorneys and Counselors at Law (22 NYCRR 520.6) contains the eligibility requirements for applicants who wish to qualify for the New York State bar examination based on the study of law in a foreign country.¹ Section 520.6(b) allows an applicant, whether educated in a Common Law or non-common law country, whose legal education is not of sufficient duration or not substantively equivalent to an ABA-approved law school program, to cure the durational or substantive deficiency (but not both).²

The following is a list of SLU LAW courses that were approved by the State of New York Court of Appeals as meeting the requirements of the specified subdivisions of 520.6(b)(3)(vi), regarding “Required Coursework”³ for programs commencing in or after the 2012-2013 academic year.

For applicants who commence a program in or after the 2012-2013 academic year, the LL.M degree program must include:

- (1) at least two semester hours of credit in professional responsibility (Rule 520.6 subdivision (b)(3)(vi)(a)):

Legal Profession

- (2) at least two credits in a legal research, writing and analysis course (which may NOT be satisfied by a research and writing requirement in a substantive course) (Rule 520.6 subdivision (b)(3)(vi)(b)):

Legal Research and Writing I
Legal Research and Writing II

¹ <http://www.nybarexam.org/Rules/Rules.htm#520.6>

² On April 27, 2011, the New York Court of Appeals amended Rule 520.6 (b).
http://www.nybarexam.org/Docs/Amended_Rule_520.6_April27_2011.pdf

³ Rule 520.6(b)(3)(vii) controls the “Permissible Coursework” that may be taken by applicants who commence an LL.M. degree program in or after the 2012-2013 academic year.

- (3) at least two-credits in a course on American legal studies, the American legal system or a similar course designed to introduce students to U.S. law (Rule 520.6 subdivision (b)(3)(vi)(c)):

Civil Procedure I
Civil Procedure II
Constitutional Law I
Constitutional Law II

- (4) and at least six credits in subjects tested on the New York bar examination (where a principal focus of the course includes material contained in the Content Outline published by the Board) (Rule 520.6 subdivision (b)(3)(vi)(d)):

Business Associations
Conflicts of Law
Contracts I
Contracts II
Criminal Law
Criminal Procedure – Investigation
Criminal Procedure – Adjudication
Evidence
Federal Courts
First Amendment Speech
Property
Remedies
Secured Transactions
Torts
Trusts and Estates