

DISPUTE RESOLUTION - LAW, POLICY, AND PROBLEM SOLVING - CERTIFICATE

The Certificate in Dispute Resolution – Law, Policy, and Problem-Solving provides a strong theoretical foundation combined with practical knowledge and skills to immediately strengthen one’s ability to persuade, advocate, and transform conflict/disputes into opportunities for productive outcomes. The program is designed to increase knowledge and enhance performance within a wide array of fields, including education, medical and health services, social and human services, business operations, and law enforcement.

This graduate-level Certificate in Dispute Resolution – Law, Policy, and Problem-Solving will prepare new and experienced professionals to participate effectively in negotiations, mediations and arbitrations in a variety of contexts, as well as participate in the design of dispute resolution systems. Specifically, participants will be exposed to (i) the continuum of dispute resolution processes; (ii) negotiation and mediation skills and concepts; (iii) important federal and state laws and policies regarding arbitration; and (iv) advances in theory and practice, through case studies and simulations in a module-based structure. The Certificate in Dispute Resolution – Law, Policy, and Problem-Solving provides a curriculum that is relevant and responsive to professionals in a variety of contexts.

Courses are offered by asynchronous distance learning to provide a flexible schedule for working professionals. Interactive coursework includes simulation and case study assignments and regular interaction with classmates through Zoom meetings, videos, audio casts, chat rooms, discussion boards, and group breakout sessions.

This program is also approved for delivery via asynchronous distance education technology.

For more information, please go to law.tamu.edu (<http://law.tamu.edu/>).

Program Requirements

Code	Title	Semester Credit Hours
Required Courses ^{1,2}		
LAW 764	Introduction to the United States Legal System	2
Select one of the following:		1
LAW 745	ADR Doing Deals and Resolving Disputes Through Negotiation, Mediation and Arbitration	
LAW 792	Dispute Resolution	
Elective Courses		
Select two of the following:		6
LAW 751	Negotiation Theory and Practice Practicum	
LAW 758	Mediation	
LAW 793	Arbitration	
Select one of the following:		3
LAW 618	Contract Law and Strategies	
LAW 639	Employment Law	

LAW 643	Property Law and Transactions
LAW 644	Environmental Law
LAW 645	Healthcare Organizations and Professional Relationships
LAW 679	Workplace Conflict Management
LAW 771	Introduction to Risk Management

Total Semester Credit Hours 12

¹ (a) Students enrolled in the Master of Legal Studies degree program or the Master of Laws degree program at Texas A&M University School of Law and earning the Certificate in Dispute Resolution – Law, Policy, and Problem-Solving concurrently with the degree program and (b) students who have previously earned a degree from Texas A&M University School of Law are required to take one other elective course (other than LAW 618 Contract Law and Strategies) in lieu of the required courses listed.

² Students who are licensed to practice law in the United States or who hold a Juris Doctor (JD) degree from an ABA-accredited law school are required to take one other elective course (other than LAW 618 Contract Law and Strategies) in lieu of the required courses listed.

Students enrolled in the Master of Legal Studies degree program or the Master of Laws degree program at Texas A&M University School of Law and earning the Certificate in Dispute Resolution – Law, Policy, and Problem-Solving concurrently with the degree program must have applied for graduation for the degree program in the semester in which the Certificate is to be awarded and must successfully complete the semester credit hours as indicated on their degree plan