

LAW-917: Sports Law

This course will provide theoretical groundwork and experiential opportunities for students interested in serving as in-house counsel in professional sports for companies like unions, leagues and teams, as well as media companies in television, live events and social media. We will cover topical issues ranging from states legalizing sports gambling, to the impact of social media on celebrities and the organizations that represent and employ athletes. Each class meeting will be split between, first, substantive business and legal issues pertaining to sports, media and entertainment, and second, skills-based exercises, workshops and guest lecturers. The latter will include live mock negotiations, oral advocacy, presentation of executive strategic plans and real-time business problem solving. This course is designed to provide relevant knowledge and hands-on experience for students interested in sports, media and entertainment. It is also designed for students who simply have an interest in the topics and would like to gain negotiation, drafting and advocacy experience.

Credits: 3

Program: Law