

UNDERSTANDING OSEL SKILLS COURSES

General Skills Requirement

- All JD students must earn 8 total skills credits to graduate.
- Students may earn skills credits from OSEL-hosted skills courses or from any of the available sources of skills credit listed in the Local Rules.

Required Skills Categories

- Within the 8-credit total, students must earn at least 1 skills course satisfying each of the required skills competencies:

LSKL-SKR1: Client Interviewing

LSKL-SKR2: Negotiation

LSKL-SKR3: Cultural Competence

LSKL-SKR4: Law Office Management/Professionalism

Skills credits are added to a student's transcript and listed under the "Progress" tab in Lora Self-Service as they are earned so students can track their progress towards the graduation requirement.

REGISTERING FOR SKILLS COURSES

- **Register through LORA Self-Service at least 2 days in advance**
 - Students who miss the registration deadline may still attend and receive credit at the discretion of the Skills Director. Student who fail to register in advance multiple times after being warned will not receive credit.
 - Course numbers, titles, and descriptions are listed on the Skills Calendar section of the Skills website and on monitor slides throughout the law school.
- **Registration Instructions**
 - Register via LORA Self-Service using the course number (ex: LSKL-SKR1-0916) and selecting “Add Section to Schedule.” Then click "REGISTER."
 - Please ensure that you see the green check mark confirming your registration
 - Simply adding a course to your course plan does not mean you are registered.
 - Successful registration will result in being automatically added to the course's Canvas page. If the course's Canvas page does not appear on your dashboard the next day, you have not registered successfully.

LAW COURSES CONFERRING SKILLS CREDIT

- Students may also earn skills credit for some of their regular academic courses, including all experiential courses and certain other LAW courses with a skills component with professor approval.
- Each qualifying LAW course earns 1 general skills credit unless otherwise noted.
- Some courses only confer skills credit when taught by certain professors or only after a particular semester depending on when they were approved for skills credit.
- Please review the Law Bulletin for experiential courses conferring skills credit and the Skills Inventory on our website to see which non-experiential LAW classes confer skills credit.

www.law.loyno.edu/lawskills

OTHER SOURCES OF SKILLS CREDIT

- **ONLINE:** Students in their final semester can earn up to three skills credit through the viewing of online skills courses. The list of available online skills courses is posted on the skills website.
- **CLE:** Students can earn up to two skills credits for attending approved off-campus CLEs
- See Prof. Hector Linares, Coordinator of Skills & Experiential Learning, or email him at halinare@loyno.edu for more details