

CYBERSECURITY AND INFORMATION PRIVACY

The cybersecurity and information privacy concentration is designed to provide a legal, ethical and practical framework for students who aspire to serve as stewards of privacy and protect clients from cyberattacks. The course material and experiential learning opportunities within the concentration provide future lawyers with the necessary tools to lead this dynamic practice area.

Inside the classroom, students will build a strong foundation as they explore basic constitutional rights to privacy, existing legislative and regulatory protections, and new developments in international law. Through experiential learning opportunities, students will further develop the practical skills and ethical sensitivity they will need as lawyers to guide individual, corporate, governmental and non-governmental clients involved in collecting and protecting information.

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Cybersecurity and Information Privacy Concentration

Prerequisite:

There are no prerequisites for this concentration.

Requirements:

Coursework:

To receive the certificate for this concentration, a student must earn 18 cybersecurity and information privacy specialty credits, divided as follows (not all courses are offered every year):

Required Coursework:

At least 9 of the 18 credits must be earned from the following list of basic courses:

Code	Title	Credits
LAWS 701	Cybersecurity Law	2-3
LAWS 650	Information Privacy Law	2-3
LAWS 437	Computer and Internet Law	2
	Technology Externship: Experiential Education faculty will supervise placement and related classwork.	3

Remaining Credits:

Choose from the following courses related to privacy, security and information technology

Code	Title	Credits
LAWS 117	Trademarks and Copyright in the Digital Age	2
LAWS 331	Intellectual Property	3-4

LAWS 344	Law, Science and Technology	3
LAWS 362	National Security Law	2-3
LAWS 620	Electronic Discovery & Digital Evidence	2
LAWS 625	Health Information Privacy and Security	2-3
LAWS 674	Video Game Law	2

Students may transfer up to five credits of IP-related courses taken at other law schools or in summer programs with approval from the course director. Students may also complete related coursework or journal work as approved by the concentration director.

Writing Requirement

Students are required to compose a substantial paper or series of shorter writings that together comprise a substantial amount of written work on a topic or topics related to cybersecurity and privacy. If a student writes a substantial paper, they may use that paper to satisfy the law school advanced writing requirement provided that they meet the guidelines for the advanced writing requirement set out in the Academic Regulations (<http://catalog.qu.edu/school-of-law/academic-regulations/>) (Section I.E). The topic or topics for the written work used to satisfy this requirement must be approved by the concentration director. A paper written for a journal may qualify if the topic is approved by the concentration director.

Opt-Out Option

A student may designate any course or paper as not counting toward the concentration, so long as it is not required for the concentration and the student meets the concentration requirements with another course or paper.

Waiver

The concentration director and the associate dean for academic affairs may waive any requirements for the concentration, other than the GPA requirement for honors, if they both agree to do so.