
THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT LAW PROGRAM

JD Concentration in Government Procurement Law AY 2023-2024

Concentration Overview

JD candidates may earn recognition of a JD Concentration in Government Procurement Law by taking a minimum of 12 credits of government procurement courses after completion of the required first-year curriculum. The 12-credit requirement consists of:

- LAW 6502 Formation of Government Contracts (3 credits);
- LAW 6503 Performance of Government Contracts (3 credits);
- Two credits of experiential learning from a government procurement-related “Field Placement” (LAW 6668) or any government procurement course that is designated as an “E” or “Skills/E” course per the Law School Bulletin. The Associate Dean for Government Procurement Law will review requests to use a government-procurement-related Field Placement to satisfy this requirement.
- A research paper that meets the standards for the law school’s legal writing requirement (e.g., at least 8,000 words), either written in conjunction with a two-credit government contract research paper course, or, with the approval of the Associate Dean for Government Procurement Law, written for a journal, independent legal writing, or a course on a government procurement law topic. Please note that if you are a member of the Public Contract Law Journal (PCLJ), only two (2) credits count toward the Concentration requirements for LAW 6657 - Scholarly Writing.
- At least 2 elective credits from courses listed under the JD Concentration Checklist below.

To apply for a JD Concentration in Government Procurement Law, students must submit an [Application for JD Concentration in Government Procurement](#). Preferably, students should submit the application by the end of their second year but no later than their last semester of their program.

Students are not allowed to apply for more than one JD concentration at GW Law. Those applying for a concentration in Government Procurement Law must certify in their application that they are not applying for other concentrations. For more information about the JD Concentration, visit the Law School Bulletin at www.law.gwu.edu/bulletin.

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JD Concentration Requirements	
Writing Requirement¹ (2 credits)	LAW 6508 Comparative Public Procurement (2 credits) <i>or</i> LAW 6750 Foreign Gov't Contracting (2 credits) <i>or</i> LAW 6752 Procurement Reform (2 credits) <i>or</i> LAW 6751 State and Local (2 credits) <i>or</i> LAW 6509 Sustainable Procurement (2 credits) <i>or</i> LAW 6516 Procurement in Int'l Development (2 credits) <i>or</i> LAW 6656 Independent Legal Writing (2 credits) <i>or</i> LAW 6657 Scholarly Writing - PCLJ (2 credits) <i>or</i> Other course with permission of Asst. Dean (2 credits)
Experiential Requirement (2 credits)	LAW 6754 Bid Protests (2 credits) <i>or</i> LAW 6755 Government Contracts Claims (2 credits) <i>or</i> LAW 6512 Government Procurement of IP (2 credits) <i>or</i> LAW 6757 Negotiations (2 credits) <i>or</i> LAW 6756 Acquisition Policymaking (2 credit) <i>or</i> LAW 6758 Fed. Appropriations (1 credit) <i>or</i> LAW 6759 Other Transactions (1 credit) <i>or</i> LAW 6515 Moot Court (2 credits) <i>or</i> LAW 6668 Field Placement (2 credits)
Foundational Courses (6 credits)	LAW 6502 Formation of Gov't Contracts (3 credits) LAW 6503 Performance of Gov't Contracts (3 credits)
Electives (≥ 2 credits)	Government Procurement Elective Course (2 credits)

¹ The research paper for the writing requirement must be at least 8,000 words in length, written on a government procurement law topic, and written in connection with one of the 2-credit courses listed. Students must notify the professor at the beginning of the semester that they plan to use the research paper to satisfy the JD concentration requirement.

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Government Contracts (6500)	___ 3 credits
Formation of Government Contracts (6502)*	___ 3 credits
Performance of Government Contracts (6503)*	___ 3 credits
Government Contracts Claims (6755)	___ 2 credits
Government Contracts Bid Protests (6754)	___ 2 credits
Government Contracts Cost and Pricing (6506)	___ 2 credits
Comparative Public Procurement (6508)	___ 2 credits
State and Local Procurement (6751)	___ 2 credits
Procurement Reform (6752)	___ 2 credits
Foreign Government Contracting (6750)	___ 2 credits
Gov't Contracts Seminar: Sustainable Procurement (6509)	___ 2 credits
Anti-Corruption and Compliance (6511)	___ 2 credits
Government Procurement of Intellectual Property (6512)	___ 2 credits
Selected Topics: Model Procurement Code Reform (6513)	___ 1 credit
Negotiations (6757)	___ 2 credits
Suspension & Debarment (6753)	___ 1 credit
Acquisition Policymaking (6756)	___ 2 credits
Intro to Fed. Appropriations (6758)	___ 1 credit
Other Transactions (6759)	___ 1 credit
Federal Grants Law (6514)	___ 2 credits
Government Contracts Moot Court (6515)	___ 2 credits
Procurement in International Development (6516)	___ 2 credits
Overview of Government Contracts (6518)	___ 1 credit
Independent Legal Writing (6656)	___ 2 credits
Scholarly Writing - PCLJ (6657)	___ 2 credits
Field Placement (6668)	___ 2 credits

**Required Course*

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Sample Course Map

	COURSE	CREDITS
FALL 2023	6518 Overview of Gov't Contracts	1
	6502 Formation of Gov't Contracts (foundational)	3
	6657 Scholarly Writing - PCLJ (writing)	1
	SUBTOTAL	5
SPRING 2024	6503 Performance of Gov't Contracts (foundational)	3
	6657 Scholarly Writing - PCLJ (writing)	1
	SUBTOTAL	9
FALL 2024	6754 Bid Protests (experiential)	2
	6757 Negotiations (experiential)	2
	SUBTOTAL	13
SPRING 2025	6515 Moot Court (experiential)	2
	6511 Anti-Corruption and Compliance	2
	TOTAL	17