STRAUS INSTITUTE FOR DISPUTE RESOLUTION
2026 Summer Course Schedule

All CLASSES WILL MEET IN PERSON ON THE MALIBU CAMPUS UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED IN THE CLASS LISTING

ADVANCE ASSIGNMENTS FOR INTENSIVE COURSES AND OBSERVANCE OF RELIGIOUS HOLIDAYS

A class syllabus including any advance reading and/or writing assignments for intensive classes will be posted to Courses 3-4 weeks prior to the start of class. Please note that it is each student's responsibility to review the syllabus well before the class begins and complete any advance assignments. Students who show up the first day unprepared risk being dropped from the class.

If a student intends to miss one or more classes for religious observance in an intensive course (i.e., one that runs for a shorter period than a regular semester term), he or she must notify the Straus Office prior to registering for that intensive course to determine whether such absences would fundamentally alter the nature of the intensive course.

EXTERNSHIP ENROLLMENT

Students cannot register for externships through WaveNet. All students are required to have their externship placement confirmed with the Straus office before they can register. All externships should be completed within the semester registered unless prior permission has been granted for extension. Please send all inquiries to valentina.racanati@pepperdine.edu. International students wanting to enroll in an externship must be approved for CPT and should check in with the Office of International Student Services (OISS) to confirm eligibility.

DROPPING/WITHDRAWING FROM CLASSES

The deadline for withdrawing from **one week or weekend intensive** classes is **7 days before the class starts**. The deadline for withdrawing from all other Straus classes is **before the second class begins**. You must email Law Student Information a fully completed add/drop form in order to be dropped from the class. Failure to drop an intensive course by this deadline will result in a grade of W or F and/or the student owing all or a portion of the tuition for the class.
Please note that any student who drops all of their classes during the summer will be charged a $150 withdrawal fee.

SCHOOL OF LAW CALENDAR

Any questions regarding courses should be directed to the Straus Institute office.
Some changes in the course schedule may be required.
Classes will be held on all holidays unless noted below.
https://law.pepperdine.edu/degrees-programs/calendar/

May	**26**	**Summer semester classes begin**
		Start of Summer Extended Format Classes
	28	Start of Session 1: Mixed Intensive Format
June	11	Start of Session 2: Two-Weekend Intensive Format
	19	Juneteenth - No Classes
	22	Start of Session 3: One-Week Intensive Format
July	3	Independence Day - No Classes
	9	Start of Session 4: Two-Weekend Intensive Format
	23	Start of Session 5: Two-Weekend Intensive Format
August	1	**Last day of Summer classes**

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NOTES: Courses offered may be subject to cancellations if there are fewer than 10 students enrolled for the course two weeks prior to the first day of class.

All classes will meet in person on the Malibu campus unless otherwise noted in the class listing below.

Olympic and International Sports Resolution in Switzerland: July 28, 30, Aug. 4 and 6

Course #	Course Title	Units
LAW 2362.01	**OLYMPIC & INTERNATIONAL SPORTS DISPUTE RESOLUTION**	2
Class# 2099	Pepperdine Hauteville Campus in St. Legier-LaCiesaz, Switzerland **M. WESTON** Note: Please reach out to Professor Maureen Weston for more information about this special format course. This course is being offered in connection with two other JD courses (Copyright and Constitutional Law - Individual Rights) at the Chateau from July 22 through August 12. Application closed.	

Session 1: Mixed Intensive Classes: May 28, 29, 30 and June 4, 5, 6

Course #	Course Title	Time	Units	Day	Room
TWO-WEEKEND INTENSIVE CLASS					
LAW 1492.01	**NEGOTIATION THEORY AND PRACTICE***	6:00 – 9:30pm	2	Th/F	**SR1**
Class# 2083	**D. DOWLING**	8:30am – 4:30pm		Sat	
	Note: This class will meet in a two-weekend format				
ONE-WEEK INTENSIVE CLASS					
LAW 2962.01	**APOLOGY, FORGIVENESS AND RECONCILIATION**	8:30am - 4:30pm	2	M/T/Th/F	**F**
Class# 2084	**D. GOLANN** **Special Format:** This class will meet on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 8:30am - 4:30pm June 1-5, 2026. Class will not meet on Wednesday. Class will be graded on a HP/P/CR/F basis.				

Session 2: Two-Weekend Intensive Classes: June 11, 12, 13 and 18, 20

Course #	Course Title	Time	Units	Day	Room
LAW 1422.01	**MEDIATION THEORY AND PRACTICE***	5:30 – 9:30pm	2	Th/F	**F**
Class# 2085	**L. MENDELSON**	8:30am – 5:30pm		Sat	
	NOTE: It is strongly recommended that students wanting to enroll in Law 1422 Mediation Theory and Practice should have already completed or be concurrently enrolled in Law 1492 Negotiation Theory and Practice. **This class will not meet on June 19 in observance of the Juneteenth holiday.**				
LAW 1632.01	**ARBITRATION PRACTICE AND ADVOCACY***	5:30 – 9:30pm	2	Th/F	**SR1**
Class #2086	**T. STIPANOWICH**	8:30am – 5:30pm		Sat	
	Prerequisite: Law 1492 Negotiation Theory and Practice and Law 1422 Mediation Theory and Practice. **This class will not meet on June 19 in observance of the Juneteenth holiday.**				

Session 3: One-Week Intensive Classes: June 22 - 26

Course #	Course Title	Time	Units	Day	Room
LAW 2282.	**SELECTED ISSUES IN DISPUTE RESOLUTION:**	8:30am - 4:30pm	2	M/T/Th/F	**SR1**
Class #2087	**BUILDING MIXED-MODE SYSTEMS:** **NEGOTIATION/ARBITRATION/MEDIATION*** **J. GEVAERD** This class will meet on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 8:30am - 4:30pm June 22-26, 2026. Class will not meet on Wednesday. Class will be graded on a HP/P/CR/F basis.				

Session 4: Two-Weekend Intensive Classes: July 9, 10, 11 and 16, 17, 18

Course #	Course Title	Time	Units	Day	Room
LAW 2952.01	**PSYCHOLOGY OF CONFLICT COMMUNICATION**	4:00-7:30pm	2	Th/F	**F**
Class #2089	**S. BLONDELL**	8:30am – 4:30pm		Sat	
	Prerequisites: Law 1492 Negotiation Theory and Practice, Law 1422 Mediation Theory and Practice and one of the following arbitration courses: Law 372, Law 1632, Law 2832 or Law 2902				

Session 10: Two-Weekend Intensive Classes: July 7, 9, 10, and 14, 16, 17

1932.01	**DIVORCE AND FAMILY MEDIATION***	5:00-8:30pm	2	T/Th	**Online**
Class #2090	**K. AURIT/M. AURIT**	8:30am – 4:30pm		Friday	
	Prerequisite: Law 1492 Negotiation Theory and Practice and Law 1422 Mediation Theory and Practice				
	Special Format: This class will be offered in a fully online format via Zoom.				
	Class will be graded on a HP/P/CR/F basis.				

Session 5: Two-Weekend Intensive Classes: July 23, 24, 25 and 30, 31, August 1

Course #	Course Title	Time	Units	Day	Room
LAW 2942.01	**INTRODUCTION TO US LAW**	6:00 – 9:30pm	2	Th/F	**SR1**
Class #2091	**J. BELTON**	8:30am – 4:30pm		Sat	
	Note: JD students are not permitted to enroll in this class.				
LAW 1902.01	**CROSS-CULTURAL CONFLICT AND DISPUTE**	6:00 – 9:30pm	2	Th/F	**F**
Class #2092	**RESOLUTION***	8:30am – 4:30pm		Sat	
	S. ROBERTS				
	Prerequisite: Law 1492 Negotiation Theory and Practice and Law 1422 Mediation Theory and Practice.				

Extended Format: May 26 – July 31

Course #	Course Title	Time	Units	Day	Room
LAW 390.01	**DISPUTE RESOLUTION EXTERNSHIP**	NA	1-6	NA	**NA**
Class# 2094	**V. RACANATI**				
	Note: Students must meet with Director Racanati at the start of the term to register. International students wanting to enroll in an externship must be approved for CPT and should check in with the Office of International Student Services (OISS) to confirm eligibility.				

*****This course meets the ABA experiential unit requirement - *JD students only*

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