



Certificate of Study in Business Economics and Public Policy at Wharton

This Certificate will be granted by the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania to Penn Carey Law students who successfully complete its requirements.

To qualify for the certificate, a student must successfully complete four (4) credit units in the general area of Business Economics and Public Policy (one at the Law School; three at Wharton).

A Certificate Application must be submitted to the Law School Registrar before enrolling in classes. Applications are available on the Law School website (under Cross-Disciplinary Programs). *** There is a one-time \$500 cross-disciplinary fee that is charged after completion of the certificate.*

Penn Law will pay for up to four (4) graduate level, pre-approved, non-law classes for each JD student AND count those four (4) classes towards the JD. Each CU (credit unit) at Wharton equals 3 law school credit hours.

Requirements:

I. Law School Course

The Law School course requirement can be satisfied by **any** first-year regulatory elective. Wharton may, in consultation with the Penn Law Registrar, approve course substitutions for transfer students.

II. Wharton Courses

1. Students must take a total of 3 Wharton Classes (3 Credit Units)

- a. Two of the three classes (**2 credit units**) must be from the Business Economics and Public Policy Department (BEPP) at Wharton.¹
- b. The third Wharton credit unit may be selected from the full range of Wharton graduate level classes. **** This course may also be satisfied with a LAW course, if the course is formally cross-listed at Wharton*** (popular examples of recurring LAW courses that have been cross-listed with Wharton include: 1) *Deals*; 2) *Corporate Restructuring*; and 3) *Business Strategy, Private Equity and Corporate Law*). Corporations does NOT count as a cross-listed class.

¹ Please note that occasionally there is a BEPP class that is .5 credit units. A law student who signs up for a .5 cu class will have to take another 1.5 credit units in order to receive the BEPP Certificate. This will likely mean a total of 3 BEPP classes to get the 2 BEPP credit units that are required.

2. One of the required three courses at Wharton may be taken pass/fail. If the class is 1 credit unit (or 3 Law School credit hours), the student must elect to take the class pass/fail before October 15th for the Fall Term or February 15th for the Spring Term. If the class is .5 credit units (or 1.5 Law School credit hours), the student must elect to take the class pass/fail before the end of the drop/add period.²

III. Course Availability

- a. The Business Economics and Public Policy department reserves seats in its courses for Law certificate candidates each term. Seats are filled via a lottery conducted by the Law School's Registrar after Law pre-registration is complete. If seats are limited, 3Ls will be given priority over 2Ls.
- b. Students wishing to enroll in the Wharton "elective" (i.e., non-BEPP Wharton course) may do so during the non-Wharton MBA registration period. Details for this process may be found on the Penn Law website under Cross-Disciplinary and Taking a Non-Law Course. Students are encouraged to attend classes prior to finalization of placement, but a place in the class is not guaranteed.
- c. If you secure a seat in a BEPP course through the lottery, Wharton will add the course to your schedule. You do not have to wait to enroll for BEPP classes through the non-Wharton MBA registration process.

Questions about this Certificate should be directed to Beth Moskat, Program Coordinator at the Wharton Business Economics and Public Policy Department at wharton@upenn.edu.

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² An independent study may not count towards the requirements for this Certificate.