

ATTACHMENT 2A-1
LETTER OF NOTIFICATION – 10 (ADHE)
GRADUATE (LAW) CERTIFICATE

1. Institution submitting request: University of Arkansas School of Law (Fayetteville)
2. Contact person/title: Sharon L. Gaber, Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs
3. Phone number/e-mail address: 479.575.5459; sgaber@uark.edu
4. Proposed effective date: Fall semester, 2014
5. Name of proposed Graduate Certificate Program: Criminal Law Certificate
6. Proposed CIP Code: 22.0101
7. Reason for proposed program implementation: This certificate is designed to provide essential training and skills to students with a general background in law or legal studies who wish to pursue careers in the practice of criminal law or in criminal law policy.
8. Provide the following:
 - a. Curriculum outline

All of the following:

Criminal Law (LAWW 4073) (3 Credits)
Criminal Procedure (LAWW 4173) (3 Credits)
Basic Evidence (LAWW 6093) (3 Credits)
Trial Advocacy (LAWW 6203) (3 Credits)
Professional Responsibility (LAWW 5013) (3 Credits)
Criminal Law Clinic (LAWW 6963) (3 Credits) or another experiential capstone course approved as a substitute by the associate dean for academic affairs or that dean's designee.

Elective Courses

Four of the following (at least three must be non-externships):

Criminal Procedure II (LAWW 6633) (3 Credits)
Advanced Juvenile Defense Clinic (LAWW 500V) (2-3 Credits)
Capital Punishment (LAWW 500V) (3 credits)
Crime and the Supreme Court (ULW) (LAWW 406V) (3 Credits)
Federal Criminal Law (LAWW 500V) (3 Credits)

International Criminal Law (LAWW 500V) 3 Credits)
Juvenile Justice (LAWW 7012) (2 Credits)
Police Discretion Seminar (ULW) (LAWW 406V) (2 Credits)
Prisoners' Rights Seminar (ULW)(LAWW 500V) (2 Credits)

(Externships)

Criminal Defense Externship (LAWW 6733) (3 Credits)
Criminal Prosecution Externship (LAWW 6833 (3 Credits)

- b. Total semester credit hours required: 26-30
 - c. New courses and course descriptions: not applicable
 - d. Program goals and objectives: The program will prepare qualified law degree candidates for practice in criminal law and, for non-law students, it will help provide a strong foundation for policy work or other criminal justice fields.
 - e. Expected student learning outcomes: Law students who obtain this certificate will be prepared to step into criminal law practice, whether at public agencies such as prosecution or public defender offices, or at firms or in solo practice. Students not in a law school degree program who obtain this certificate will have the essential knowledge required for careers in criminal law policy or other criminal justice fields.
 - f. Documentation that program meets employer needs: pending.
 - g. Student demand (projected enrollment) for program: 10-15.
 - h. Name of institutions offering similar program and the institutions used as a model to develop the proposed program: law schools with similar programs include University of Arizona, Brooklyn, Chicago-Kent, DePaul University, University of Florida, University of Mississippi, University of Nebraska, Pepperdine University, and St. Mary's University; elements of the programs at several of these schools were used as models for the curricular design, including Chicago-Kent, Florida and Pepperdine.
 - i. Scheduled program review date: 2021-2022.
9. Provide documentation that proposed program has received full approval by licensure/certification entity, if required: No approval from any licensure or certification is required, except to the extent that it may be necessary or appropriate to obtain acquiescence from the Council of the Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar of the American Bar Association, which is the accrediting agency for the School of Law's JD program. The process for determining whether acquiescence is required and for obtaining it if necessary is currently underway.
 10. Institutional curriculum committee review/approval date:
 11. Will this program be offered on-campus, off-campus or via distance delivery? On-campus.
 12. Identify off-campus location: not applicable.
 13. Provide additional program information if requested by ADHE staff: none requested to date.

President/Chancellor Approval Date: _____

Board of Trustees Notification Date: _____

Chief Academic Officer: Provost

Date: _____