

SOCIETY, ETHICS, AND LAW

DEGREES

- Society, Ethics, and Law: B.A.

RELATED CERTIFICATES

- Philosophy Pre-Law Certificate
- Legal History Certificate
- Communication Leadership & Conflict Management

RECENT PLACEMENTS

- University of Texas School of Law
- Texas A&M School of Law
- Southern Methodist University School of Law
- Baylor University School of Law
- University of Georgia School of Law
- Texas A&M Mays Business School
- Dallas Theological Seminary
- Wunder Capital
- U.S. Air Force
- Texas Senate

DEGREE OVERVIEW

Society, Ethics, and Law (SEAL) is an ideal program for students who wish to understand our social, legal and political institutions and to imagine how those institutions could be improved. SEAL is a versatile multi-disciplinary major. Students take courses on moral, social, political and legal philosophy; as well as complementary courses in history and social science. SEAL students are able to tailor the degree to their interests with more than a semester's worth of general electives, research opportunities and an internship. The major is a great fit for students who love to read, think critically and write about the complex problems society faces today.



CORE SKILLS, VALUES, KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCES*:

- Problem-Solving
- Critical Reading
- Writing and Editing
- Oral Communication and Listening
- Research
- Public Service and Promoting Justice
- Relationship-building and Collaboration
- Knowledge of the Historical and Social Development of the United States
- Familiarity with the Law

*Aligns with American Bar Association recommendations for preparation for legal education.

I THINK, THEREFORE I AM &



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General Elective
HOURS



35

Median Major
COURSE SIZE



8

Program Faculty with
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RECENT INTERNSHIPS

SEAL majors are required to complete an internship for academic credit within an institutional or organizational setting in alignment with their post-graduate goals. Students have applied their learning within our program to internships in a variety of topic areas, including:

- Law Firms
- District Attorney's Offices
- Law Enforcement
- Political Organizations
- Non-Profit Organizations
- State and Local Government Organizations
- Small Businesses

HONORS PROGRAM

Students in the SEAL program can participate in our departmental Honors program, which requires completion of 18 hours of honors coursework and a year-long independent research project.

COMPLEMENTARY MINORS

The high number of general electives make it easy to add a minor to support post-graduate goals or interests, such as:

- Business
- Comparative Politics
- Economics
- Entrepreneurship
- Human Resource Development
- International Relations
- Nonprofit Studies
- Public Management
- Public Policy Analysis
- Spanish
- Sociology

IN-DEPTH COURSE OPTIONS

Society

- Social and Political Philosophy
- Contemporary Political Problems and Issues
- Social Movements

Ethics

- Ethics of Artificial Intelligence
- Environmental Ethics
- Military Ethics

Law

- American Law Since 1865
- Philosophy of Law
- Social Media Law

STUDY ABROAD

Our students have gained global experience studying in Barcelona, Dublin, Athens and Florence in recent years. Our department has a formal exchange program with Vrije Universiteit in Amsterdam, where students explore the intersection of philosophy, politics and economics.

RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES

SEAL majors complete research projects in many courses. In addition, SEAL majors can participate in semester- or year-long independent research under a faculty advisor.

Recent research topics have included:

- The right to a fair trial during the pandemic
- Differing conceptions of democracy
- Ethics and policy of AI development and use
- Native American tribal sovereignty

