

# Certificate in Alternative Dispute Resolution (with J.D. Degree)

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Marquette Law School students will earn the Certificate in Alternative Dispute Resolution in Law upon graduation with the J.D. and completion of the following requirements, including a minimum of 17 credits from the selected coursework, internships, supervised fieldwork, or clinics, and preparation of a paper on a dispute resolution topic.

Students who have completed at least 29 credits and are interested in earning the certificate shall register with the Director of the Dispute Resolution Program. Students will meet with the director or another designated faculty advisor to discuss the student's goals and the program's requirements. Mandatory meetings will occur at the beginning of both the student's second and third years (or their equivalents, in the case of part-time students). Another meeting will be held during the student's final semester before graduation to ensure that the program's requirements have been met.

## Curriculum Requirement

The following courses fulfill the curriculum requirements for the certificate. Additional courses may be added to these categories of required classes upon the recommendation of the Director of the Dispute Resolution Program and the approval of the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs.

1. Required Course (3 credits)
  - Alternative Dispute Resolution
  
2. Three Dispute Resolution Skills Courses (6-9 credits)
  - a. Arbitration Workshop
  - b. Interviewing and Counseling
  - c. Mediation Advocacy
  - d. Mediation Clinic
  - e. Negotiation Workshop
  
3. Two Additional Courses in Related Processes (or any of the above courses not already counted toward the preceding course requirement) (4-6credits)
  - a. Administrative Law
  - b. Advanced Civil Procedure
  - c. Criminal Process
  - d. Family Law and ADR
  - e. International Conflict Resolution
  - f. Negotiating Business Transactions
  - g. Civil Pretrial Practice
  - h. Criminal Practice
  - i. Restorative Justice Clinic *or* Green Bay Prison Restorative Justice Program
  - j. Trial Advocacy

## Experiential Learning Requirement

Each student fulfills the experiential learning requirement by engaging in two experiences in one or more of the following categories: clinics, judicial internships, and supervised fieldwork placements. A student may also meet one of the two required experiences through an approved competition. Additional clinics, judicial internships, or supervised fieldwork placements may be adopted upon the recommendation of the Director of the Dispute Resolution Program and the approval of the Director of Clinical Education and the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs.

1. Clinics
  - a. Mediation Clinic (if not counted above)
  - b. Prosecutor Clinic
  - c. Public Defender Clinic
  - d. Restorative Justice Clinic *or* Green Bay Prison Restorative Justice Program
2. Judicial Internships
  - a. Family Division Judges
3. Supervised Fieldwork Programs
  - a. Brown County District Attorney
  - b. Centro Legal
  - c. Internal Revenue Service
  - d. Kids Matter, Inc.
  - e. Milwaukee County Child Support Service – Mediation Program
  - f. Milwaukee County Family Drug Treatment Court
  - g. Sheboygan County District Attorney
  - h. US Equal Employment Opportunity Commission Mediation Advocacy Program
  - i. Washington County District Attorney
  - j. Washington County Family Court Commissioner
  - k. Waukesha County Corporation Counsel Child Support Division
  - l. Wisconsin Family Assistance Center for Education, Training & Support, Inc. (FACETS)
  - m. Wisconsin State Public Defender – Juvenile Division
4. Competitions
  - a. Abrams Mediation Competition
  - b. Game Day Sports Case Competition
  - c. Great Lakes Regional Mediation Competition
  - d. INADR International Mediation Competition
  - e. Intramural Negotiation Competition
  - f. Intramural Mediation Advocacy Competition
  - g. Intramural Sports Law Negotiation Competition
  - h. National Baseball Arbitration Competition
  - i. National Basketball Negotiation Competition
  - j. Northeastern Invitational Mediation Tournament
  - k. Regional ABA Client Counseling
  - l. Regional ABA Negotiation
  - m. Regional ABA Representation in Mediation
  - n. Sports Law Negotiation Competition
  - o. Transactional Lawyering Meet

## **Writing Requirement**

The writing requirement must be satisfied by a paper of publishable quality, between 15-25 pages, focusing on a topic in dispute resolution in a course or directed research for academic credit. This requirement may be satisfied by a paper completed for a course qualifying for the curriculum requirement, for another law school course (with topic approval by the Director of the Dispute Resolution Program), or as a directed research for academic credit (with topic approval by the Director of the Dispute Resolution Program).