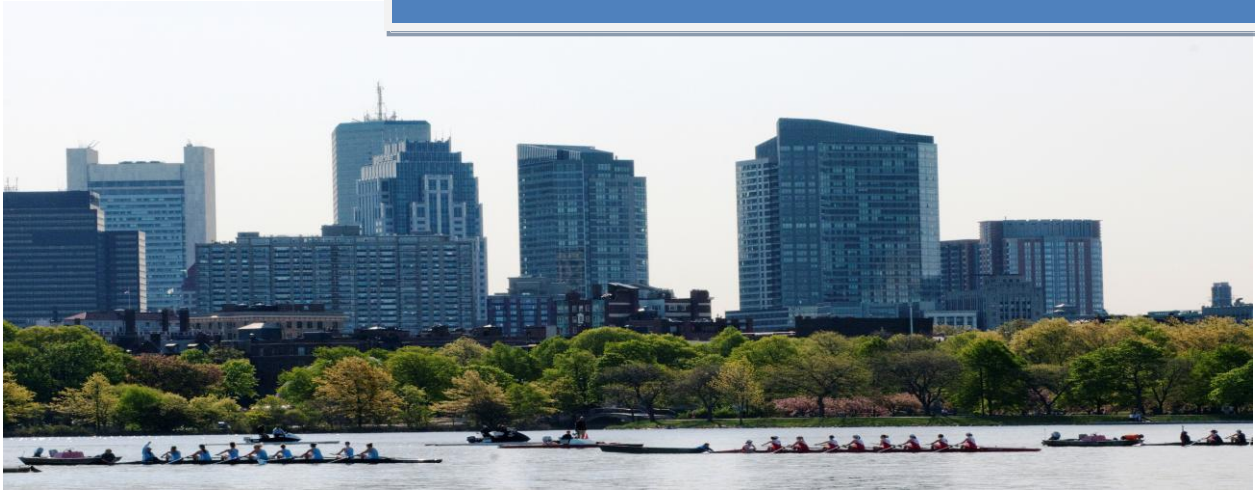


Law & Public Policy Focus Areas and Course Guide



Law & Public Policy (LPP) students develop their own plans of study in the area of their research area. This guide is to help students plan their courses of study. It identifies courses, faculty, and selected dissertations in each of the LPSC focus areas:

- Crime, Law, and Justice
- Sustainability, Climate Change and the Environment
- Health Policy
- Urban Policy
- Labor Market Analysis and Workforce Development

The list is not exhaustive of all the research interests of students in LPP over the past 29 years, but it does cover most. It also includes a list of LPP and law courses. The guide is by no means a list of required courses in any given focus area—it is simply to inform students of the courses and faculty available. In addition to building expertise, it is important to establish relationships with professors teaching in your focus area, as you will most likely want them to be on your dissertation committee.

Crime, Law, and Justice

This focus area concentrates on understanding criminal law, crime control measures and the punishment process in the context of the broader society. In contrast to the emphasis on crime patterns and causation found in criminology programs here and elsewhere, our approach addresses issues of politics, legislative agendas, and case law as they impact the creation and change in criminal justice policy in the United States as well as abroad. Students electing this area of the program often examine how the criminal and juvenile justice systems interact with other institutions, such as the education and health care systems, and tend to adopt a decidedly urban focus in their course and dissertation work.

Courses

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| CRIM 7208 | Law and Society (Fall) |
| CRIM 7210 | Gender, Crime and Justice (Fall) |
| CRIM 7230 | Police and Society (Fall) |
| CRIM 7232 | Juvenile Law (Fall) |
| CRIM 7238 | Law and Psychiatry (Spring) |
| CRIM 7240 | Race and Criminal Justice System (Spring) |
| CRIM 7242 | Terrorism and International Crime (Spring) |
| CRIM 7244 | Criminal Law and Procedure (Spring) |
| CRIM 7256 | Courts and Sentencing |
| CRIM 7260 | Topics of CRIM |
| CRIM 7710 | Criminology and Public Policy 1 (Fall) |
| CRIM 7302 | Advanced Criminological Theory |
| CRIM 7312 | Advanced Topics in Criminal Justice and Public Policy |
| CRIM 7318 | Judicial Decision Making |

Faculty

Donna Bishop, Professor of Criminal Justice

Carlos Cuevas, Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice

Amy Farrell, Professor of Criminal Justice

James Alan Fox, Professor of Criminal Justice and Law & Public Policy

Daniel Givelber, Professor of Law

Thomas Koenig, Professor of Sociology

Jack Levin, Irving and Betty Brudnick Professor of Sociology

Glenn L. Pierce, Director, IS Strategy & Research, College of Criminal Justice

Stephen Nathanson, Professor of Philosophy and Religion

Nikos Passas, Professor of Criminal Justice, Terrorism

Nicole Rafter, Professor Emeritus of Criminal Justice

Simon Singer, Professor of Criminal Justice

Daniel Williams, Professor of Law

Past Dissertations

“Evaluating the impact of a jail diversion program on police officer's attitudes toward the mentally ill”
Abbott, Sarah E, 2011

“The evolution of police organizations and leadership in the United States: Potential political and social implications” — Perry, Alice Elizabeth, 2011

“Adolescent youth and social control: The changing role of public schools” — Rich-Shea, Aviva Meena, 2010

“Factors Influencing Racial Disparities in Traffic Enforcement in Massachusetts” — John McDevitt, 2009

“The Women in Transition Program Application of Relational Theory to an Evaluation of A Minimum Security Correctional Center for Female Offender”— Mary Ellen Mastroilli, 2008

“An Exploratory Study on the Feasibility of National Criminal Background Checks in College Admissions” — Timothy Mann, 2008

"Identifying Criminal History Antecedents Of Intimate Partner Violence: Implications for Development of a Centralized Integrated Response Program for Domestic Violence in the City of Boston"—Charles E Wilson, 2007

"It's not about the money: Truth, Consequences and the Real Meaning of Litigation for Clergy Sexual Abuse Survivors"—Jennifer Balboni, 2006

“Arbitrariness and the Death Penalty: The Impact of Psychological Factors” – Michael Antonio, 2004

“Change and Reform in New England Police Departments” – David Lambert, 2003

“Systems of Accountability: The Potential for Controlling Illicit Small Arms Trade and the Implications for Intra State Violence” – Timothy Gildea, 2003

“A Descriptive Study of the Management of Policing Domestic Violence” – Susan Krumholz, 2002

“The Effect of Gender and Family Status on Downward Departures in Federal Criminal Sentences” – Amy Farrell, 2001

“An Exploration of the Criminal Justice Response to ‘Acquaintance and Date Rape’ – Heidi Block, 2000

“Through the ‘Lens’ of Organizational Culture Perspective: A Descriptive Study of American Catholic Bishops’ Molestation and Abuse of Children and Adolescents” – Barbara Balboni, 1998

“Examining Decision Making in a Family Court: The (Re-) construction of Fatherhood in the Legal System” – Joseph McNabb, 1998

“Fear of Crime in the City of Boston” – Luis Garcia-Fierro, 1998

“Throwing Out the Baby with the Bath Water: An Appraisal of the Proposal of the MSJ Court Commission on Juvenile Offenses from the Jurisdiction of the Juvenile Court” – Roderick Ireland, 1998

“The Potential Role of Firearms Tracing in Reducing Illegal Trafficking and Violent Crime” – David Carlson, 1997

“The Politics of Criminal Justice: A Study of the Impact of Executive Influence on Parole Decisions Between 1985 and 1992” – Betty Luther, 1995

“The Transformation of Crime Statistics by Police Agencies” – Dale Nesbary, 1995

“Fear of the ‘Gangsta’: Policy Responses to Gang Activity in the City of Boston” – Morris Jenkins, 1994

“Re-abuse in a Population of Court Restrained Male Batterers After Two Years: Development of a Productive Model” – Andrew Klein, 1994

“Sobriety Checkpoints to Deter Drinking/Driving: A Legal and Empirical Analysis” – Leonard Staples, 1992

Sustainability, Climate Change and the Environment

The focus area in Sustainability, Climate Change and the Environment examines policies to promote sustainable development, respond to climate change, and reduce environmental pollution. Courses examine policy formation and implementation at the city, state and federal level, and with an international comparative focus on Europe.

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| LPSC 7309 | Cities, Climate Change and Sustainability |
| HIST 7220 | N. American Environmental History |
| HIST 7223 | Global Environmental History |
| HIST 7316 | Seminar: Global Environmental History |
| HIST 7702 | Advanced Seminar in Global Environmental History |
| LW 7374 | Land Use Law |
| LW 7514 | Natural Resources Law |
| POLS 7331 | Environmental Policy |

Faculty

Christopher Bosso, Professor of Political Science

Lee Breckenridge, Professor of Law

Daniel Faber, Professor of Sociology and Anthropology

Joan Fitzgerald, Professor of Law & Public Policy

Peter Furth, Professor of Civil and Environmental Engineering

Stephanie Pollack, Professor of Practice in Law & Public Policy

Peter Rosen, Associate Professor of Geology, Chair, Earth and Environmental Sciences

Ronald Sandler, Associate Professor of Philosophy and Religion

Past Dissertations

“Environmental review in Massachusetts: The relationships, the decisions, and the law” – Estrella-Luna, Neenah, 2009

“Race, Class, and Environmental Equity: A Study of Disparate Exposure to Toxic Chemicals in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts” – Pritchard, Henderson Wolfe, 2009

"Private Sector Involvement in Public Water Distribution: Assessing Local Water Systems in Massachusetts" – Dehner-Denenberg, Corey, 2009

“The State and Municipal Effect Enforcing the Clean Water Act in Massachusetts/California – Boston/San Diego”–Whelpley, David, 2007

“Governance, Institutions and the Environment-Income Relationship An International Perspective”– Dutt, Kuheli, 2007

“A Case Study of Two Boston Megaprojects: The Central Artery/Tunnel Project and the Boston Harbor Cleanup Project” – Wendy Haynes, 2002

“Stakeholder Involvement and Environmental Decision-Making, Substance or Symbolism: The Use of Restoration Advisory Boards” – Susan Santos, 2000

“Indigenous Knowledge Systems and Wildlife Management: A Framework for Legislation and Policies for Sub-Saharan...” - Hamudi Majamba, 1999 “Environmental Advocacy in Massachusetts 1976-1996: Public Interest Groups and the Legislature” – Judith Stoessel, 1998

“Siting Controversial Facilities: A Case of the NIMBYs” – Richard Gelpke, 1998

“A Policy Analysis of Maritime Fisheries Management in Cote d’Ivoire” – Karen Weber, 1997

“The Community Correlates of Residential Toxic Contamination: A Case Study” – Anne Sullivan, 1994

Health Policy

This focus area provides the opportunity for individuals with background and experiences in health care systems to examine the theoretical foundations and interactions of the social, political, economic, and legal aspects of these systems. Students in this focus area apply qualitative and quantitative research methods to study the impact of policies on health care delivery and patient care as well as propose evidence-based policy changes.

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| HSCI 0110 | Health Care Ethics (Fall, Spring) |
| HSCI 0500 | Health Care Research (Fall, Spring) |
| HSCI 5120 | Race, Ethnicity, & Health in the US (Fall) |
| HSCI 5135 | Interdisciplinary Health Management in Older Adults |
| HSCI 6300 | Research Design (Summer 1) |
| CAEP 6222 | Human Sexuality (Summer 1) |
| LW 7541 | Global AIDS Policy Seminar |
| LW 7469 | Disability Law |
| LW 7494 | Bioethics and the Law |
| LW 7335 | Health Law |
| LW 7512 | Problems in Public Health Law |
| POLS 7321 | Health Policy and Politics |
| POLS 7322 | Issues in Health Policy |
| POLS 7323 | Mental Health Policy |

Faculty

Hortensia de los Angeles Amaro, Distinguished Professor of Counseling & Applied Psychology

Brook Baker, Professor of Law

Judith Barr, Associate Professor of Pharmacy Practice

Richard Daynard, Professor of Law

Michael Dukakis, Distinguished Professor of Political Science

Patricia Illingworth, Associate Professor of Philosophy and Religion

Alisa Lincoln, Associate Professor of Health Sciences and Sociology

Shan Mohammed, Associate Professor of Health Sciences

Carl Nelson, Associate Professor and Group Coordinator General Management

Theresa Osypuk, Assistant Professor of Health Sciences

Wendy Parmet, Matthews Distinguished Professor of Law

Nathaniel Rickles, Professor of Pharmacy Practice

Past Dissertations

“Parent Experiences of Waiting Lists New Hampshire Families and Community Services in Developmental Disabilities”—Noyes, Lysbeth, 2007

“Treatment Outcome Measurement in Behavioral Healthcare: The Good, the Bad and the Ugly” – Judith B Boardman, 2004

“The Evolution of a Regulatory Relationship: The Management of the Liquidation of Harvard Pilgrim Health Care of New England” – Harvey Cotton, 2003

“The Effect of Prescription Co-Payment on Drug Utilization in a Veterans’ Administration Population” – Susan Mackenzie, 2001

“Understanding Disability in the Capeverdean Community” – Dawna Thomas, 2001

“The Standard of the Day – The Interfacing of Science and Society in Human Research: A Gap Study in the Development of Informed Consent” – Doe West, 2001

“The Effect of Ageism on HIV/AIDS Education Programming Decisions” – Andrea Rae, 1999

“A Survey of Massachusetts Physicians and Nurses Regarding Knowledge, Beliefs, Attitudes, and Activities Concerning Directives and the Implementation of the Patient Self-Determination Act” – Patricia Pierce Garre, 1998

“More than CLIA 88 Certification: Development of Model Integrating Purchaser Perspective Criteria to Evaluate Clinical Laboratory Testing Services” – Catherine Otto, 1998

“The Financial and Operational Evolution of Article: ‘Mergers, End Stage Renal Disease Service Providers Acquisitions, and Kidney Dialysis’ As an Example of Health Care Cost Containment and Profitability” – John Sullivan, 1998

“Policy Implementation as Advocacy: Nurse Administrators’ Experiences Implementing Prescriptive Authority for Nurse Practitioners in Massachusetts” – Margaret McAllister, 1997

“A Study of Regulatory and Operational Coping Behaviors Used by Massachusetts Community Pharmacists” – Douglas Pisano, 1997

“Hot Line Organizations as Discrete Services in Mental Health and Social Services” – Mary Frances Seeley, 1995

“Can ‘the Country Take Care of Its Own?’ Opposing Realities of Aging in Rural Context, St John Valley, Maine” – Joann Kovacich, 1993

“Public Policy and the Therapeutic Use of Heroine” – Robert McCarthy, 1993

“Disorder in the Courts: Workplace Discrimination Based on HIV Status” – Jeffrey Mello, 1993

“The ‘automated pharmacist’: A Comparison of the Use of Leaflets, Text-based Computers, and Video-based Computers to Provide Medication Information to the Elderly” – Virginia Ogozalek, 1992

“The Experience of Siblings of the Mentally Ill: Implications for Policy and Program Development” – Mari-Lynn Drainoni, 1991

“Multivariate Prediction of Dangerousness in Juvenile Inpatients: A Heuristic Model for Psychology, Law, and Policy” – John Calicchia, 1990

“National Health Insurance: A Simulation Model” – John Wong, 1990

“Some Impacts of Professional Regulation on the Retail Drug Market” – Arnold Goldstein, 1990

“Medical Malpractice: Social Problem v Political Crisis” – Charlotte Cloutier, 1988

Urban Policy

Students in the urban policy focus area examine housing, transportation, land use and economic development policy and the intersection of these and other areas with solving problems associated with urban sprawl and creating economic development. The urban policy focus area intersects with those in sustainability, climate change and the environment, health, and labor market analysis and workforce development policy. Research centers focusing on urban policy include the Center for Urban and Regional Policy and the Institute of Urban Health Research.

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| ECON 7210 | Applied Micro Policy Analysis |
| ECON 7262 | Regional Economic Theory |
| ECON 7264 | Economics of Human Capital |
| LW 7394 | Land Use |
| LW 7519 | Community Economic Development Law |
| POLS 7315 | Urban Development |
| POLS 7326 | Development Administration |
| SOCL 7247 | Economic Sociology |
| SOCL 7250 | Seminar in Urban Social Policies |
| SOCL 7251 | Community Analysis |

Faculty

Barry Bluestone, Stearns Trustee Professor, Dean of the School of Social Sciences Dean, School of Public Policy.

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Richard O'Bryant, Assistant Professor of Political Science

Gordana Rabrenovic, Associate Professor of Sociology

Andrew Sum, Professor of Economics, Director of Center for Labor Market Studies

Gregory Wassall, Professor of Economics

Bruce Wallin, Associate Professor of Political Science

Tom Vicino, Assistant Professor of Political Science

Past Dissertations

“Cultural Economic Development in Three Massachusetts Municipalities: Policy Process and Impact”—Richard Maloney, 2010

“Smart Growth Zoning for Housing Supply in Massachusetts: Community Response to Chapter 40R and 40S”—Karki, Tej, 2010

“Community Associations and Condominiums: Community, Governance and Group Dynamics” – Jasmine Martirosian, 2004

“Managing Sprawl: A Boston Case Study” – David Soule, 2003

“An Evaluation of Transportation Financing Tools” – Joseph M Giglio, 2003

“Community Case Management: An Examination of the Effect of Community-based Care on Cost, Self-perceived Health Status, and Well-being of High-risk, Noninstitutionalized Elders” – Hope Watt, 2000

“Assessing the Community Reinvestment Act” – Steven Antonakes, 1998

“Financial Liberalization in Indonesia: Issues of Political Economy and Banking Structure” – Bambang Widianto, 1995

“Taking Down the Wall: A Cultural Approach to the Environment and Affordable Housing” – Judith Barnet, 1993

Labor Market Analysis and Workforce Development

This focus area equips students with skills in applied economic analysis and provides a comprehensive overview of the field of workforce development. The focus area provides the methodological tools to conduct analyses of urban labor markets, the theory to understand how they operate, and a historical perspective on workforce development policy. It also provides an overview of federal and state policy as well as the educational delivery system for adult education and training. The primary NU research center in this area is the Center for Labor Market Studies.

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| ECON 7263 | Labor Economics |
| ECON 7264 | Economics of Human Capital |
| ECON 7763 | Labor Market Analysis (offered every Fall) |
| ECON 7764 | Topics in Labor Economics (offered every Spring) |
| POLS 7330 | Education Policy in the United States |
| HRMG 6214 | Human Resource Management |
| LW 7424 | Labor Law I |

Faculty

Neil Alper, Associate Professor of Economics

Barry Bluestone, Stearns Trustee Professor

Martha Davis, Associate Professor of Law

Joan Fitzgerald, Professor of Law & Public Policy

Laura Frader, Professor of History

Michael J. Handel, Associate Professor of Sociology

Paul Harrington, Center for Labor Market Studies

Karl Klare, Matthews Distinguished Professor of Law

Mary O'Connell, Professor of Law

Emily Spieler, Dean and Hadley Professor of Law

Andrew Sum, Professor of Economics

Lucy Williams, Professor of Law

Past Dissertations

“Risk Assessment in the Work Environment of Adolescents and their Attainment of Occupational Injury or Illness as Young Adult Disabilities”—Price, John, 2010

“Illegal’s in the Land of Opportunity: The Press and the Labor Rights of Undocumented Workers” Anna Ilha, 2009

“The Bachelor Level College Graduate with a Physical Disability in the American Economy an Analysis of Earnings”—Porter, Veronica, 2008

“The Impact of For-Profit Privatization on Higher Education in the State of Massachusetts”—Leach, Todd, 2008

“The Effect of Culturally Relevant Pedagogy on the Mathematics Achievement of Black and Hispanic High School Students”—Langlie, ML, 2008

“Student Assistance Programs (SAP) An Organizational and Theoretical Perspective on Building Bridges for Healthy Youth”—Williams, Francis, 2007

“Worker Resources as Capital in Computer Home-Based Work” – Diane Bellevance, 2002

“Transportation Barriers to Employment and Welfare Reform: Addressing the Needs of Poor Women in Boston, 1997-2000” – Maureen Trainor, 2003

“Worker’s Compensation: A Study of the Evaluation of a Societal Good from a Social Contract to an Economic Pariah Salvaged through Radical Reform” – Mary Alice Wortman, 2002

“The New Deal Model of Collective Bargaining and the Secondary Labour Market: Problems, Potential Solutions” – Diane MacDonald, 1998

“The Role of Law & Public Policy in Workers’ Participation in Tanzania” – Wilbert Kapinga, 1995

"Arts in education policy and implementation: a search for outcomes" – Arlene Black Mollo, 1995

“Teamwork in the Hierarchy: Sustained ‘in the Thick’ of the Organization’s Culture” – Paula Schneider, 1992

Law and Society

“Disadvantaged groups, the use of courts and their impact: A case study of legal mobilization in Argentina” -- Andia, Maria Gracia, 2011

“Exploring legal consciousness: Experiences of families seeking funding for assistive technologies for children with disabilities” -- Frankoff, Denise J., 2010

Complete List of Law Courses Available to LPSC Student on a rotating schedule.

Law courses are on the quarter schedule and are only offered as day classes. You can find more information on the Law School website at:

<http://www.slaw.neu.edu/affairs/>

LW 7518 Affordable Housing Law
LW 7303 Antitrust
LW 7464 Battered Women and the Law
LW 7494 Bioethics and the Law
LW 7315 Commercial Law: Bankruptcy
LW 7434 Commercial Law: Secured Transactions
LW 7323 Corporations
LW 7469 Disability Law
LW 7458 Employment Discrimination
LW 7465 Employment Law
LW 7417 Entertainment Law
LW 7333 Family Law
LW 7475 First Amendment
LW 7541 Global AIDS Policy Seminar
LW 7335 Health Law
LW 7336 Immigration Law
LW 7369 Intellectual Property
LW 7456 International Business Regulation
LW 7338 International Law
LW 7424 Labor Law I
LW 7394 Land Use
LW 7396 Legislation
LW 7444 Modern Real Estate Development
LW 7463 Non-Profit Organizations
LW 7501 Patent Law
LW 7512 Problems in Public Health Law
LW 7443 Professional Responsibility
LW 7488 Sexuality, Gender and the Law
LW 7428 State and Local Government
LW 7513 Trade Secret Law
LW 7377 Trust and Estates
LW 7358 Welfare Law
LW 7514 Wildlife and Ecosystems Law