

## LL.M. WRITTEN WORK REQUIREMENT REGISTRATION FORM

Each LL.M. candidate must complete a paper that involves independent reflection, formulation of a sustained argument and, in many cases, in-depth research. The paper must be an individual effort: group projects, works of joint authorship, and the like do not qualify for the Written Work Requirement. The requirement cannot be satisfied with a series of shorter papers or journal entries, works of joint authorship, moot court briefs, clinical work product, or papers written for Independent Clinicals. Please refer to Section II.A.6. of the Harvard Law School [Handbook of Academic Policies](#) for more information.

Select one paper type from the options below, fill in all of the relevant information, attach your written work proposal form, and obtain the signature of your faculty supervisor before uploading the documentation to the [LL.M. Written Work Registration Canvas assignment](#). **The registration materials should be submitted as soon as possible but in any event no later than the registration deadline.** The registration deadline for all papers (other than a spring-term 25-Page Paper) is **October 16, 2023**; the registration deadline for spring-term 25-Page Papers is **February 5, 2024**. Students should submit registration materials to supervising faculty members well in advance of the deadlines specified above to allow sufficient time for review.

INDEPENDENT	IN CONJUNCTION WITH A COURSE OR SEMINAR
	Course or Seminar Name
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>1 writing credit (25 pages)</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>2 writing credits (50 pages)</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>No additional writing credits (25 pages)</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>1 writing credit (50 pages)</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Fall</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Spring</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Fall and Spring</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Fall</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Spring</b>

Note: Students who wish to apply for the Winter Term Writing Program (WWP) must submit a separate application in addition to this registration form. Applications will be available in October.

Some important points follow:

Complete information about written work is provided in the Graduate Program Handbook and the Harvard Law School [Handbook of Academic Policies](#) (Sections II.A.6., II.A.7., III.A., V, VII, VIII).

- **A student who submits the same or substantially the same work for more than one academic offering without the prior permission described in Section V.C. and Section II.A.7.d. of the Handbook of Academic Policies will be subject to disciplinary action.** Students who believe this category applies to them should consult with the Graduate Program regarding the steps that must be taken to review the project(s) and seek clearance. This rule applies to all academic work whether at HLS or elsewhere.
- A student who has more than one writing project in progress at HLS should contact the Graduate Program regarding the procedures required to document the concurrent project(s).
- **A student may not receive academic credit for written work for which the student also receives compensation.**
- Per Section II.A.7.e. of the *Handbook of Academic Policies*, Law School projects involving human subjects are reviewed by The Committee on the Use of Human Subjects (CUHS) within the Office of the Vice Provost for Research (OVPR), which serves as the University-wide Institutional Review Board (IRB). Students considering projects that fall under IRB purview, i.e., regulated research with human subjects (including surveys or interviews) should review the University's policies on the use of human subjects in research available on the CUHS Website and discuss their work with an IRB Administrator at CUHS. Note that students should allow sufficient time for IRB review; late requests for review may not be granted. Requests are triaged within CUHS; please email [cuhs@harvard.edu](mailto:cuhs@harvard.edu) or call (617) 496-2847.

\*Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Supervisor Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*This form can be signed electronically.**

If your supervisor is unable to provide an electronic signature, you should proceed as follows:

1. Print a copy of the form for your supervisor to physically sign, and then scan and upload the completed form to the [Canvas assignment](#).

OR

2. Send an email to your supervisor, with a cc to [gpcourses@law.harvard.edu](mailto:gpcourses@law.harvard.edu), that includes
  - The details of your paper (proposed length, subject area, proposed due date) in the text of the email
  - A copy of this form, with the relevant information filled out, attached
  - A copy of your proposal, attached
  - A request that your supervisor “reply all” to confirm their approval of the project with the following statement:  
**“I confirm that I will be supervising the required written work for [Your Name], as described in the message below, and that I have read and approved the details set out on the student’s form and on the proposal included with that message.”**

## **WRITTEN WORK PROPOSAL FORM FOR LL.M. WRITTEN WORK REQUIREMENT**

In order to register for the LL.M. Written Work Requirement, a student must submit this Written Work Proposal Form, along with the completed LL.M. Written Work Requirement Registration Form, to the Graduate Program Office.

**PROPOSED TITLE/TOPIC:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**PROPOSED LENGTH:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PAPER DUE DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_ (no later than April 19, 2024)

### **PROPOSAL:**

Your proposal should briefly describe the topic and include such other information as you think may assist your faculty supervisor, such as the approach you think you may take, the extent and type of research, your reason for interest in the topic, and previous work you may have done in the area. You should also consult with your faculty supervisor to see if there is additional information required. (Please use this form as the cover sheet for computer-generated text.)