Suggested Courses for Pre-Law Students

These courses will help them develop the skills expected in law school and an understanding of some of the issues and concerns in the legal system. This list is not intended to be exhaustive; you will find other “law-related” courses among the course offerings each semester.

First-Year Seminar for Pre-Law Students
Freshman Seminar 1001 – Learning for the New Century

General Education Courses
Criminal Justice 0853 or 0953 – Doing Justice
Law SBM 0803 or 0903 – African Americans, Equality and Law
Law SBM 0856 or 0956 – Law and American Society
Mathematics 0824 or 0924 – Mathematical Patterns

Other Suggested Courses:
Courses that will help you develop a basic knowledge of the legal system and connected issues:
American Studies 3033 – Courtroom in American Society
Criminal Justice 2501 – Introduction to Criminal Law
Criminal Justice 3201 – American Jury System
Criminal Justice 3502 – Criminal Procedure: Prosecution and Adjudication
Criminal Justice 4004 – Women and Criminal Justice
History 2105 – Race & U.S. Constitution
Philosophy 1062 – Morality and the Law
Philosophy 2154 – Political Philosophy
Philosophy 3243 – Philosophy of Law
Political Science 2496 – Introduction to Political Philosophy
Political Science 3121 – American Constitutional Principles I
Political Science 3123 – American Constitutional Principles II
Political Science 3411- Classical in Political Philosophy
Sociology 2171 – Sociology of Law
Sociology 3243 – Social Movements
Sociology 3287 – Political Sociology
Women’s Studies 4004 – Women and Criminal Justice

Courses that will help you to develop your written and oral communications skills:
Communication Sciences 1108 – Introduction to Linguistics
English 2496 – Introduction to Writing Non-Fiction
English 2796 – Writing the Research Essay
English Upper level literature courses
Strategic and Organizational Communication 1111 – Public Speaking
Strategic and Organizational Communication 2112 – Strategies and Tactics of Persuasion

Courses that will help you to develop analytical reasoning skills:
Philosophy 1055 – Critical Thinking
Philosophy 1066 – Introduction to Logic
Philosophy 1101 – Introduction to Philosophy
Philosophy 2121 – Introduction to Ethical Theory
Strategic and Organizational Communication 2222 – Argumentation
Courses in Computer Science and Mathematics
Courses in Natural Science