



CAL NORTHERN SCHOOL OF LAW

Master of Legal Studies Program Learning Outcomes

Master of Legal Studies graduates of CNSL will:

Outcome 1: Demonstrate the understanding of fundamental legal principles in the American legal system.

Masters Candidates will demonstrate the ability to:

- Identify fundamental legal principles and apply them in specific factual situations.
- Use standard legal terms correctly.
- Explain the processes of federal and state civil procedures.

Outcome 2: Demonstrate critical thinking skills by performing competent legal and non-legal analysis, reasoning, and problem-solving.

Masters Candidates will demonstrate the ability to:

- Read critically applicable authority (Constitutions, statutes, administrative regulations, cases) including identifying relevant legal rules and underlying policy.
- Analyze the facts to, and distinguish the facts from, those of precedent cases to analyze possible outcomes of the cases.
- Synthesize relevant rules of law into a logical framework for analysis.

Outcome 3: Demonstrate mastery of appropriate strategies and technologies to research legal and non-legal issues effectively and efficiently.

Masters Candidates will demonstrate the ability to:

- Design and implement a logical research plan, weighing time and resource constraints.
- Employ appropriate resources and technologies to retrieve, use and manage research materials.