

# LAW 7101: Poverty & Policy Law

Poverty and Policy provides a framework for understanding the root causes of the expansion of poverty and inequality in the U.S. This course aims to create a critical dialogue about the role of law in structuring wealth inequality and its potential role in remedying such inequality. The interdisciplinary course materials that we will be using throughout the semester have been selected to assist you in engaging in critical analysis about the roles of policy related to race, labor, prison, education, migration, and housing, as well as law's role in structuring those systems of meaning, control and distribution. The course will explore both specific questions and histories concerning public benefits, housing, imprisonment, immigration and other legal issues facing low-income populations as well as broad questions about how we might conceptualize governance and the role of law reform in social movements aimed at reducing poverty and inequality. The course will empower you to advocate for sustainable changes which can prevent homelessness and decrease levels of poverty.

Exam Info: Exam administered during exam period

**Credits:** 2.0