



LAW SCHOOL 301

WHICH BAR?

Why we're here.

- Texas will accept transferred UBE scores for July 2020.
- Licensed at the same time as TX bar takers

Uniform Bar Exam

- Offered in 33 states, including TX in Feb 2021, and DC. Portable score.
- TX passing score is 270.
- <http://www.ncbex.org/exams/ube/>



Uniform Bar Exam

- Structure:

- *Day One – Multistate Bar Exam. All MC*
 - All 1L subjects + Evidence
- *Day Two – Two MPTs and MEE*
 - Multistate Performance Test – no memorization required.
 - Multistate Essay Exam

Upper Level Classes	1L Classes
Business Associations	Civil Procedure
Wills and Estates	Constitutional Law
Evidence	Criminal Law & Procedure (upper)
Family Law	Contracts
Secured Transactions	Real Property
Conflict of Laws	Torts

Texas Bar Subjects you DON'T have to learn for the UBE

- Oil and Gas
- Commercial Paper
- Texas Civil and Criminal Procedure
- Texas Real Property
- Consumer Protection
- Texas Guardianship

UBE in Texas

- State specific portion
 - The Texas Law Component will be a series of video presentations on Texas law from experienced Texas attorneys. Each segment will be followed by questions that applicants must answer correctly in order to proceed to the next segment. The total length of the presentations will be between 10 and 12 hours.
 - Online, on demand, no fee
 - Available by June 1, 2020 at the latest
 - Subject areas are unclear at this point.
- If you intend to transfer a score in, the BLE wants you to file a Declaration (if you haven't already)

Other State Bar Exams

- Check the filing dates!
- Score portability (different rules per state)
- Reciprocity
- Fees (NY is \$250, NM \$500, Colorado \$710, + laptop fees)
- Character and Fitness
- <http://www.ncbex.org/publications/bar-admissions-guide/>

Considerations

- Money
 - *Pay fees in TX and other state*
 - *Travel to bar state; accommodations*
- Requirements in each state
 - *NY – 50 hours of pro bono service and NY Class*
 - *Check the state you're interested in*
- New Mexico & Maine
 - *Offering “Courtesy seating”*
 - You're not barred in the state, but they'll let you take the exam there.

Graduation Course Requirements

- Constitutional Law II OR Criminal Procedure
- Writing Seminar – Course number 397S
- Professional Responsibility
- Experiential Learning – six total credits

******Any requirement may be taken P/F if available.*

Experiential Learning

- All Clinics
- Fall and Spring Internships (not summer)
- Negotiation, Mediation
- Advanced Legal Writing Classes
- Others – check the course schedule

MPRE – Multistate Professional Responsibility Exam

- Required by all states except Wisconsin; passing score in TX is 85
- Given nationwide – you can take it anywhere
- Two hours, 60 questions
- Administered in March, August and November
- Registration fee \$125
- Free sample questions at <http://www.ncbex.org/exams/mpre/preparing/>
- All bar prep companies have MPRE resources available, typically for free.