

TMT Law and Policy Certificate Program

The Telecom, Media, and Technology (TMT) Certificate Program is the academic enrichment and skills development component of the FCBA's Diversity Pipeline Program. It advances the mission of the Pipeline Program to attract, develop, train, and support diverse, first-year law students from historically underrepresented and disadvantaged groups interested in pursuing legal careers in TMT law and policy.

To prepare students for first-year internships and other employment opportunities in the TMT sector, the TMT Certificate Program provides a comprehensive but accessible introduction to the key principles, statutes, and regulations that are foundational to the practice of TMT law and policy development. It examines TMT from a legal, policy, and practice-oriented perspective, requiring only a committed effort to learn — no prior TMT legal or industry knowledge is required or expected. The TMT Certificate Program provides a lawyer and policy professional's approach to the myriad legal and policy issues confounding TMT organizations, the courts, and lawmakers. The TMT Certificate Program will focus on significant recent developments and the interplay of law, technology, business models, and consumer expectations.

The TMT Certificate Program consists of six (6) virtual learning sessions that cover the following substantive areas of law: Administrative Law, Antitrust, Broadband, Media and Content Regulation, Telecom (Wireline and Wireless) Regulation, Data Privacy, and Cybersecurity, and other regulatory and legislative issues impacting the TMT industry sector. In addition, the TMT Certificate Program includes a separate module on various styles of oral and written communication, advocacy, and workplace and client interactions.

While completion of the TMT Certificate Program is required for Diversity Pipeline Program Interns, it is open to all Diversity Pipeline Program applicants. Upon satisfactory completion of the TMT Certificate Program requirements, participants receive a Certificate of Achievement from the FCBA.