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LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES

**St. John's University
Advanced Postdoctoral Certificate Programs in Forensic Psychology**

**2019-2020 Schedule of Modules
Advanced Certificate Program in Civil Matters (54 hours)**

Course Code	Module Title
PDFP 906	Family and Children (24)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Family Law in New York: Legal and judicial aspects of expert mental health witnesses (3)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Child protection: abuse and neglect (4)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Divorce, custody, and parenting (6)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Termination of parental rights (3.5)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alternative intervention: Dispute resolution (2) • Parent coordinators (2)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Juvenile delinquency (3.5)
PDFP 905	Civil Commitment (4)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Substantive criteria for commitment • Types of commitment • Role of the clinician/attorney • Evaluation for commitment • Commitment laws • Special commitment settings and populations
PDFP 907	Civil Competencies (7)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Testamentary capacity • Guardianship/conservatorship • Treatment decision making • Testifying
PDFP 908	Disability/Workers' Compensation (7)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Substantive criteria for determination/compensation • Workers' compensation law • Role of the forensic psychologist • Report writing and testimony
PDFP 909	Personal Injury (7)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Causation • Context/scope of evaluation • Structuring the examination • Use of psychological tests • Determination of kinds/extent of injury • Report writing and testimony
PDFP 915	Expert Testimony: Moot Court Experience in Family/Civil Law
	<p>You will select a civil case to simulate as an expert witness, with the participation of attorneys and judges. We strongly encourage you to make your case selection early in your training and work closely with a supervisor.</p>