1. I want to take a course at the Law School? Am I allowed to do this?
Under certain circumstances you may take law school courses. Enrollment in law school courses for non-JD degree candidates is by permission only. Admission to the course is conditional until all law students are registered and a seat is available in the classroom. The following conditions apply:

a. Non-law students will not be permitted to add a Law School course after the end of the Law School’s Add-Drop period, no exceptions.

b. First-year courses (5000 level courses).
In general, non-law students are not allowed to take first year law classes. On very rare occasions, Ph.D. candidates in other departments may be granted permission by the Law School Dean of Students office to take a first year class. Permission of the instructor is also required but should not be sought before obtaining the permission of the Law School Dean of Students. For further information, contact the Law School Dean of Students’ office at: law.registrar@cornell.edu

You will be asked to provide an official transcript, resume and statement explaining why you are interested in taking the course.

c. Upperclass courses (most 6000 level courses) without an enrollment cap: Requires approval of the instructor.

d. Upperclass courses with enrollment cap (some 6000 and all 7000 level courses): Requires approval of the instructor, and approval of the Law School Registrar after all law students have finalized schedules, and provided the course enrollment has not exceeded its cap.

e. Auditing courses: Law courses may be audited upon approval of the instructor. You must also obtain approval from your own college to audit a law school course.

2. How do I find out what courses are available and when they meet?
Information on courses offered for the 2015-16 academic year, complete course descriptions and meeting times will be available at the Law School Registrar’s website:
http://www.lawschool.cornell.edu/registrar/course_reg.cfm

3. When do Law School courses begin for the semester?
Law School courses begin on Monday, January 25. If you are interested in enrolling in a Law School course you should plan to attend the first class meeting. Assignments for the first class are posted in the glass-case on the ground floor (near the Student Lounge) several days prior to the start of classes and will also be available at the following website several days prior to the start of classes:
http://www.lawschool.cornell.edu/studentlife/scoops.cfm

4. How do I actually register for a course?
Registration for courses at the Law School must be done in person. At the time of registration you must select your grading option.
Please stop by the Registrar’s Office and pick up the yellow Non-Law Student Course Request form or print a copy from the Registrar’s website (http://www.lawschool.cornell.edu/registrar/index.cfm) at the Forms and Requests tab, Non-law Student Course Request form.

Complete the information about the course you wish to take, obtain the appropriate faculty signature, and return the form to the Registrar’s Office by 12:00 noon, Tuesday, February 2. Non-law students must comply with the Law School Add-Drop deadlines, not the University Add-Drop deadlines. Non-law students will not be permitted to add a Law School course after the end of the Law School’s Add-Drop period.

5. How will I know if my request has been approved?
The Law School Registrar’s Office will provide you with a copy of the approval for your college and notify you by email when your request has been reviewed and approved.

6. Exams
The exam schedule and exam policies can be found on this page. http://www.lawschool.cornell.edu/registrar/index.cfm

Many law school exams can be taken on your laptop. Information on which courses will offer the laptop exam option will be available from the instructor during the first week of classes. Students electing to use laptops for their exams will be required to install the exam software being used by the law school, provided their laptop meets the hardware and software requirements as specified by the exam software company. Students are also required to register for laptop exams at the Registrar’s website.