Advice to Registering JD Students: Restricted Categories of Courses
(ABA and NY Rules)

Rule #1: 20-credit limit on courses that are not “regular law school courses.”
Students may take a maximum of 20 credits in courses that are not “regular law school courses.” Courses subject to this 20-credit maximum are:

Externships
7812 Child Advocacy Clinic I
7813 Child Advocacy Clinic II
7830 Summer Externship
7832 Externship - Full Time
7834 Externship - Part Time, Other Local
7861 Externship - Part Time, Judicial
7862 Externship - Pro Bono Scholars Program
7881 Attorneys for Children
7911 Externship - Part Time, Neighborhood Legal Services
7951 US Attorney’s Office Externship

Directed Readings
6301 Directed Reading

Supervised Writing
6871 Supervised Writing
6881 Supervised Writing/Teaching Lawyering Honors Fellow Program

Supervised Teaching
6204 Cornell Prison Education Program Teaching Practicum
6861 Supervised Teaching

Clinics taught by instructors whose primary employment is not in the Law School
7833 Criminal Defense Trial Clinic
7840 Estate Planning Clinic
7925 NY Attorney General Clinic
7926 NY Attorney General Clinic II

Rule #2: 31-credit limit on externships and clinics
A student may take no more than 31 credits in courses of these types: externships and all clinics. A complete list of externships and clinics is available by clicking on the Course by Category link on this page: http://www.lawschool.cornell.edu/registrar/course_reg.cfm

Rule #3. 13-credit limit on courses taken outside of the Law School
A student may take no more than 13 credits outside of a law-school curriculum. This includes all courses taught in University divisions and not cross-listed in the Law School. The following courses are cross-listed in the Law School and are considered to be “regular law school courses” and “inside the law school.” They are not subject to the limitations of Rules #1 or #3 above:

6001 Accounting for Lawyers
6080 Special Topics in Labor Relations: Advanced Mediation
6019 Dispute Resolution Practicum