**Bar Exam Meeting October 25, 2016**

**UBE is now the exam in NJ and NY, as well as numerous other jurisdictions.**

UBE (Uniform Bar Examination): <http://www.ncbex.org/exams/ube/> has three parts:

 MEE (Multistate Essay Examination): <http://www.ncbex.org/exams/mee/>

 MPT (Multistate Performance Test): <http://www.ncbex.org/exams/mpt/>

 MBE (Multistate Bar Examination): http://www.ncbex.org/exams/mbe/Test Format

The MEE (Multistate Essay Examination) consists of six 30-minute questions. The MEE **may** include issues from 12 areas of law. Some questions may include issues in more than one area of law. The particular areas covered vary from exam to exam. Areas of law that **may** be covered on the MEE include the following seven subjects:

Civil Procedure Criminal Law and Procedure Evidence

Constitutional Law Contracts (including Article 2 [Sales] of the Uniform Commercial Code)

Real Property Torts

**And the following five additional areas:**

Business Associations (Agency and Partnership; Corporations and Limited Liability Companies)

Conflict of Laws Family Law

Article 9 (Secured Transactions) of the Uniform Commercial Code

Trusts and Estates (Decedents' Estates; Trusts and Future Interests)

**Pennsylvania:**

The Pennsylvania Board of Law Examiners homepage: <http://www.pabarexam.org/>

Reciprocity/Admission on motion information: <http://www.pabarexam.org/non_bar_exam_admission/reciprocity.htm>

<http://www.pabarexam.org/bar_admission_rules/204.htm> Rule 204(5) “Presentation of proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant has either taken and passed the bar examination in a [reciprocal state](http://www.pabarexam.org/non_bar_exam_admission/reciprocity.htm) or has devoted a [major portion](http://www.pabarexam.org/non_bar_exam_admission/204_interpretation.htm) of time and energy to the practice of law in a [reciprocal state](http://www.pabarexam.org/non_bar_exam_admission/reciprocity.htm) for five years of the last seven years immediately preceding the date on which an application was filed under this rule.

**Delaware:**  <http://www.courts.state.de.us/bbe/> (Note that Delaware does not administer a February Exam)

See National Conference of Bar Examiners: <http://www.ncbex.org/> for other jurisdictions.

**Preparing for the Bar Exam**

**Traditionally:**

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| Fall Semester | Dec./Jan./Feb. | February Bar Exam | Spring Semester | May/June/July | July Bar Exam |
|  | Full-time bar prep | January grads take exam |  | Full time bar prep | May grads take exam |

**More Recently:**

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| Fall Semester | Dec./Jan./Feb. | February Bar Exam | Spring Semester | May/June/July | July Bar Exam |
| (See Professor Nissen) | Full-time bar prep for Feb. takers  July takers sign-up for FLA course | January grads take exam | For some students:  FLA course (MBE, Essays and PTs) with Professor permission | Prep:  Continue reviewing MBE subjects and any additional subjects for essays; practice performance tests | May grads take exam |

The bar exam has become tougher for students across the country to pass. The traditional eight weeks of bar preparation is not sufficient for everyone. Who is at risk, and may need more support:

* Those who did not do well in 1L subjects, or in Evidence and Criminal Procedure: Investigations
* Those who did not take or do well in upper class courses tested in particular jurisdictions
* Those who had few in-class, timed, closed book exams and have little practice with memorization or answering multiple choice or writing essays under timed conditions, and do not practice enough
* Those who are fatigued by six essays and two performance tests in a single day
* Those who have testing anxiety
* Those who need to work during the traditional bar preparation period

**Bar forms:** bring them to Student Affairs, Room E-321, well before the deadline.

**Accommodations:** check the website of the jurisdiction where you plan to take the exam for the necessary forms. If you need forms regarding which accommodations you had in law school, bring them to Student Affairs, Room E-321, well before the deadline.

**Transcripts:** contact the Registrar’s office, <https://registrar.camden.rutgers.edu/>