The Iowa Land Title Association (ILTA) Certified Land Title Professional (CLTP) designation may be earned as part of the ILTA Professional Development Courses for title industry professionals and are offered to ILTA members and non-members.

The four courses of study are considered graduate level courses and are designed for persons with a minimum of 3 years of experience in a related field.

The courses and exams are provided at the University of Northern Iowa campus in Cedar Falls, Iowa, and Courses One, Two and Four are also offered remotely at the Iowa Finance Authority Building in Des Moines with live instruction. Exams are required only for persons pursuing the ILTA Certified Land Title Professional designation.

Each course is approved for 7 hours of continuing education credits by the Iowa Real Estate Commission, and 6 hours of CLE by the Iowa Supreme Court Commission on Continuing Legal Education.

Membership in the ILTA is required to obtain and maintain the designation of ILTA Certified Land Title Professional. ILTA CLTP information is available at: http://www.iowalandtitle.org/resources

**COURSE ONE Chain of Title Voluntary Alienation:** Bundle of Rights Concept; Title Systems in the US; Classifying Interests in Real Estate; Easements; Fixtures/Personal Property/ Liens; Restrictions on Property; Chain of Title; Marketable Title Act; Root of Title; Curative Statutes; Statutes of Limitation; Iowa's Recording Act: Historical Background; Recording Formalities; Associated Requirements; Notice. Types of Transfers; Deeds and Contracts; Agreements; Common Issues Involving Deeds and Contracts; Joint Tenancy and Tenancy in Common.

*(Johnson, Nordstrom, Trent)*

**COURSE TWO Chain of Title Involuntary Alienation:** Liens and Encumbrances; Judgments and Creditor's Rights; Lis Pendens; Quiet Title Actions; Foreclosure; Intestacy; Probate; Trusts; Conservatorship and Guardianships; Taxes; Tax Sales and Proceedings; Special Taxes and Assessments.

*(Johnson, Nordstrom, James Nervig (not pictured)*

**COURSE THREE Legal Descriptions:** Governmental Surveys: History; Baselines; Principal Meridians; Township Lines; Range Lines; Correction Lines; Sections; Aliquot Parts; Land Measurements; Corners Markers & Monuments. Types & Parts of Legal Descriptions: Aliquot Parts; Metes and Bounds; Quantitative; Geographic; Platted. Plotting Legal Descriptions: Measuring Distances; Measuring Angles and Bearing Lines; Drawing Metes and Bounds Descriptions. Curves in Legal Descriptions; Water Boundaries; Encroachments; Condominiums.

*(Johnson, Nordstrom, Goulson)*

**COURSE FOUR Legal Entities and Special Circumstances:** Corporations; Partnerships; Sole Proprietorships; LLC’s and LLP’s; Schools; Swamplands; Road Districts; Drainage Districts; Churches; Board of Supervisors and Government Owned Property; Powers of Attorney; Dissolutions; Change of Title; Basic Overview of Streets, Roads and Highways; Fraudulent Conveyances; Bankruptcy. *(Johnson, Nordstrom, Skram & Ahrenholz)*
2020 Courses Calendar – UNI Cedar Falls; IFA Des Moines:

Chain of Title Voluntary Alienation - April 3, 2020  
Chain of Title Involuntary Alienation – June 26, 2020  
Legal Descriptions – September 18, 2020  
Legal Entities/Special Circumstances – November 20, 2020

Registration for all 2020 Courses Available January 1st Online: http://www.iowalandtitle.org/events

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**ILTA Membership Opportunities and Contact Information**

The Iowa Land Title Association (ILTA) was founded in 1903 to assist its members to develop and maintain the highest standards of products and services to the public through its education and advocacy programs. The ILTA is the recognized voice of the real estate title industry in the state of Iowa, and sets the standards of professional excellence and technical competence for the lasting benefit of the public and the industry.

Active Membership is available to any Iowa resident, Iowa firm or Iowa domestic corporation that primarily engages in the business of abstracting, or title research services. Associate Membership is limited to those not qualified for Active membership and is available to any person, firm, corporation or other business entity engaged in providing services related to the land title industry.

Membership applications available on the Join Us Page at www.iowalandtitle.org or by contacting the ILTA office at 800.778.3789 or ILTA@austin.rr.com.