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Thank you for your interest in UCLA School of Law. We are thrilled that you are considering our law school for your legal education.

UCLA Law is an exceptional institution. Our mission is to develop outstanding lawyers and leaders who practice with distinction and honor a commitment to the greater good. We offer a brilliant and accessible faculty, an innovative curriculum and diverse academic programs that foster deep engagement with the law. At UCLA Law, you will receive a top-notch legal education within an energetic and involved community on a stunning campus at a world-class university in one of the most exciting cities in the world. (You might already know something about our weather, too: They say it’s pretty good.)

As the youngest among the nation’s top law schools, UCLA Law has always been a trendsetter. You will begin your time at UCLA Law with our immersive, week-long orientation, learning how to think like a lawyer from day one. In a rigorous but thoroughly supportive intellectual environment, you will study the concrete principles underpinning the law and be provided with numerous occasions to build on this foundation. There are opportunities to pursue the in-depth study of business law, criminal law, environmental law, entertainment and intellectual property law, public interest law, critical race studies and international law, just to name a few. Whatever your area of interest and passion, a tremendous range of interdisciplinary and co-curricular offerings creates valuable chances to enhance your learning and explore and define your own pathway to the profession. In addition, UCLA Law continues to be a leader in clinical and experiential learning, enabling students to thoroughly integrate their legal knowledge with the development of practical skills.

Our abundant curricular offerings are complemented by research programs addressing some of the most challenging and critical issues of our time, including questions of equality and fairness that affect society and policy, the impacts of climate change, the effects of technology on our legal system, issues surrounding immigration and international human rights, and ways to improve the modern food system. And our clinical opportunities run the gamut from criminal defense to civil rights litigation to immigration asylum to environmental law to trademark law, among many others.

On top of our superlative academic resources, there are other advantages to studying at UCLA Law. We are enormously proud of our deep culture of collaboration and collegiality. The pursuit of a law degree is not a solitary one here; our community is committed and connected, both intellectually vibrant and deeply supportive. Our students learn from professors who are both world-renowned scholars and award-winning teachers, and who make getting to know their students a priority. Our alumni take an active interest in the careers of our students, offering thoughtful mentoring and access to global professional networks that are crucial to career advancement. Our administrators are dedicated to providing students with the support needed to succeed. And our diverse and accomplished students challenge each other to do their best, but also buoy each other’s success. At UCLA Law, students make friends and mentors for life.

In addition, our law students benefit from the abundant resources of UCLA as a whole and have the chance to take courses and engage elsewhere within the university to foster interdisciplinary knowledge and enhance their learning. And Los Angeles is truly one of America’s great cities, with tremendous resources for community engagement, professional opportunities and cultural exploration.

I encourage you to read more about our community and our inventive approach to learning. I am confident that if you choose UCLA Law, your time here will be both transformative and fulfilling. We hope that you will join us.

Jennifer L. Mnookin
Dean and David G. Price and Dallas P. Price Professor of Law
Recognized as one of the finest institutions of legal education in the United States, our strength is rooted in a tradition of access, excellence, innovation and service.

Where Innovation Creates Impact

Since 1949, UCLA School of Law has been recognized as one of the top law schools in the nation and the world. We’ve been in the vanguard of establishing impactful programs and centers, and launching initiatives that are the first of their kind. At UCLA Law, our values are expressed through the highest level of individual and institutional excellence, a belief in the promise of people from all walks of life and a commitment to serving the greater good.

Training Leaders
At UCLA School of Law, students are trained to be lawyers – and tomorrow’s leaders – in a culture that innovates and inspires. This is a place for change-makers.

Achieving Excellence
UCLA Law faculty and staff are committed to providing students with pathways to excel in every sector of the profession. With this strong support, our students realize their potential.

Learning by Doing
Practical hands-on experience prepares UCLA Law students to be exceptional legal thinkers and dynamic citizen-lawyers dedicated to serving the public good.

Making Connections
UCLA Law’s more than 15,000 alumni are among the most distinguished and talented in the nation, providing students with career and mentorship opportunities they can’t get anywhere else.

Student Life in Los Angeles
Located in the nation’s most diverse and creative urban landscape, UCLA School of Law offers students an unrivaled canvas for experimentation and discovery.
OFFICE OF CAREER SERVICES

The Office of Career Services provides students and graduates with the tools and strategies to make informed decisions about employment opportunities and career paths.

Through one-on-one counseling, panel presentations, workshops, recruitment programs, job posting databases and other efforts, the office team helps students and alumni create a proactive approach and an effective framework for a lifetime of active career development and management. The office coordinates a number of programs that connect students with employers throughout the country. Close to 400 employers visit the campus annually for interviews, receptions and other networking events. Examples of programs include:

- On-Campus Interview Programs
- Public Interest Career Day
- Government Reception and Information Fair
- Alumni Mentor Reception
- Small/Mid-Sized Law Firm Reception
- Law Firm Diversity Reception
- On-Campus Interview Sneak Peek Reception
- Mock Interview Programs
- New York Off-Campus Interview Program
- Washington, D.C. Off-Campus Interview Program
- Chicago Off-Campus Interview Program
- Bay Area Off-Campus Interview Program
- Diversity, Intellectual Property and Other Job Fairs Nationwide

For information regarding employment opportunities for UCLA Law graduates, please visit law.ucla.edu/careers.

“I have been interviewing and recruiting UCLA Law students at Latham & Watkins for more than 20 years, and year in and year out, the law school is one of Latham’s prime recruiting schools. Its commitment to excellence and strong culture of collegiality and community involvement produce the kind of energetic and committed lawyers and leaders that Latham needs in order to continue to grow and fulfill our ambitions. We look forward to hiring many more UCLA Law students in the years to come.”

James D. C. Barrall ’75
Partner, Latham & Watkins LLP

“The Office of Career Services is one of the law school’s greatest assets. I received a tremendous amount of individualized guidance to help me match my interests and talents with available opportunities. The staff does not use a one-size-fits-all approach—they helped me find the position that fit me best and have provided me with the tools necessary to excel in my chosen career.”

Kimia Ghalambor ’13
Associate
Alston & Bird LLP (Los Angeles)
With a UCLA School of Law degree, graduates are able to successfully pursue a wide range of legal careers. The law school enjoys a reputation for providing students with a comprehensive legal education and meaningful preparation for practice, producing lawyers who are passionate and dedicated leaders, and who contribute broadly to the organizations they join. The success of UCLA Law graduates is well known throughout the national and international employment market.

UCLA Law graduates join the largest law firms throughout the country and internationally, as well as mid-sized and smaller firms. Graduates not only enter private practice, but they also work in business, government and public service positions. With the assistance of the Office of Public Interest Programs and the Office of Career Services, UCLA Law graduates have secured some of the most prestigious public service positions, including the Skadden, Equal Justice Works, Gideon’s Promise and Soros Justice Advocacy fellowships. They have also been successful in securing highly competitive government positions, such as the U.S. Department of Justice Attorney General’s Honors Program, the Presidential Management Fellows Program, the Internal Revenue Service Honors Program and the California Attorney General’s Honors Program.

In addition, students and alumni routinely obtain post-graduate judicial clerkships in a variety of federal and state courts nationwide. Serving as a judicial clerk is a valuable, career-advancing experience, and the Office of Career Services along with a dedicated faculty committee work closely with students to identify clerkship opportunities and to coordinate and facilitate the competitive judicial clerkship application process. In recent years, UCLA Law graduates have clerked for the U.S. Supreme Court; U.S. Courts of Appeals; U.S. District Courts; U.S. Bankruptcy Courts; U.S. Tax Court; various state courts; and the courts of other nations, including the Supreme Court of Israel and the South Africa Supreme Court of Appeal.

For detailed employment statistics, please visit law.ucla.edu/careers/employment-statistics.

“The Office of Public Interest Programs and Office of Career Services were there for me every step of the way—from finding my first summer internship through interviews during the fall of my 3L year. They went above and beyond anything I could have expected—meeting with me individually to discuss interview strategies, find funding options and prepare me for interviews. I could not be more excited about my post-graduate position, and I owe so much to their dedication.”

Nate Wenstrup ’13
Attorney
The Bronx Defenders (New York)
A GLOBAL COMMUNITY

The UCLA Law alumni community of more than 15,000 extends around the world. Alumni with J.D. or LL.M. degrees live and practice in virtually every U.S. state, the District of Columbia, multiple U.S. territories and in more than 50 foreign nations. Whether our alumni choose to stay in California or settle elsewhere, they remain connected to the law school and actively engage with our students.
ALUMNI NETWORK

UCLA Law’s more than 15,000 alumni are among the most distinguished and talented in the nation, providing students with career and mentorship opportunities they can’t get anywhere else.

Our robust alumni network includes exceptional leaders in every sector of the profession and beyond. Alumni help recruit students, help students network with prospective employers and teach courses as members of our faculty. They volunteer as mentors for first-year students, serve as moot court judges, judge written competitions and prepare student job applicants on firm and clerkship interviewing skills.

The UCLA Law Alumni Association nurtures a lifelong relationship between the school and its alumni, creating a vibrant professional and collegial network. Countless opportunities exist for students to connect with alumni, both in the academic setting and outside the classroom, including through the digital networking site UCLA Law Connect. In addition, students and alumni can participate in UCLA Law Women LEAD, an initiative to empower and support the law school’s women graduates, and UCLA Law Unite, which connects alumni of all backgrounds with our diverse student community.

For more information, please visit law.ucla.edu/alumni.

“...at UCLA School of Law, we not only received a world-class education, but we also were afforded world-class opportunities—through our nationally-recognized journals, student organizations, symposia and public interest programs—that expanded our intellectual and ethical horizons. At UCLA Law, education is less about professional apprenticeship and more about transforming ourselves and the world around us.”

James McGrath ’08
Associate
Aleshire & Wynder LLP
(Los Angeles)
DEGREE PROGRAMS

JURIS DOCTOR (J.D.) PROGRAM
Approximately 300 students enroll each year in UCLA Law’s three-year, full-time J.D. program, which introduces students to many of the substantive areas of law. Learn more at law.ucla.edu/admissions.

ACADEMIC SPECIALIZATIONS
UCLA School of Law is unique in that it offers students an opportunity to specialize in Business Law and Policy; Critical Race Studies; Entertainment, Media, and Intellectual Property Law; International and Comparative Law; Law and Philosophy; and Public Interest Law and Policy. Students who specialize earn a certificate of completion as well as a J.D. degree. Learn more at law.ucla.edu/specializations.

MASTER OF LAWS (LL.M.) PROGRAM
The LL.M. program is a one-year program for outstanding graduates of foreign and American law schools to enrich their legal education through advanced study of the law. Learn more at law.ucla.edu/llm.

DOCTOR OF JURIDICAL SCIENCE (S.J.D.) PROGRAM
The highly selective S.J.D. program is designed for those seeking to pursue careers as teachers and scholars of law. Learn more at law.ucla.edu/sjd.

JOINT DEGREE PROGRAMS
UCLA School of Law offers formal joint degree programs in the following areas:

J.D./M.A. Afro-American Studies
J.D./M.A. American Indian Studies
J.D./M.B.A. Business Administration
J.D./Ph.D. Philosophy
J.D./M.P.H. Public Health
J.D./M.P.P. Public Policy
J.D./M.S.W. Social Welfare
J.D./M.U.R.P. Urban and Regional Planning

To pursue a joint degree, students must apply both to UCLA Law and directly to the other school or program desired. Learn more at law.ucla.edu/jointdegrees.

THE CURRICULUM

Students at UCLA School of Law have access to a dynamic and innovative law school education. From the first day of orientation, students are exposed to the foundations of legal reasoning and begin to develop their professional identities and intellectual engagement with the law. Our wide array of upper-division classes, clinics and specializations are recognized as some of the finest professional training for law students anywhere.

FIRST-YEAR CURRICULUM

Students begin their time at UCLA Law with a pioneering week-long orientation program that immerses them in the fundamentals of the law school learning process. This experience eases the transition to law school and primes students to begin thinking of themselves as attorneys and advocates. From there, students embark on UCLA Law’s distinctive year-long Lawyering Skills course, which provides students with the opportunity to explore the relationship between legal analysis and lawyering tasks, such as effective legal writing, oral advocacy and legal research. The course is taught alongside classes that historically have laid the foundation for law of all kinds: civil procedure, constitutional law, contracts, criminal law and torts.

UCLA Law is in the process of implementing two new first-year courses, including Introduction to the Lawyer-Client Relationship, which will introduce first-year students to the attorney-client relationship through the skill of interviewing and the professional and ethical obligations that are integral to the relationship. After careful preparation through extensive practice and feedback, students will have the opportunity to participate in supervised pro bono placements conducting client interviews. In addition, Modes of Legal Inquiry, a collection of small, seminar-style courses taught by leading faculty scholars, will give students an elective in the spring of their first year. The classes cover a wide range of areas, including environmental law, immigration, intellectual property, food fraud and law, and science and technology.

To foster a sense of community and an environment of mutual support, the first-year class is divided into sections of approximately 80 students. Students in each section take most of their classes together but are divided into even smaller sections of approximately 25 students for the first-year course, Lawyering Skills, and approximately 40 students in one other core doctrinal course.

ADVANCED CURRICULUM

The second and third years at UCLA Law offer a comprehensive selection of upper-division classes, clinics and specializations that are recognized as some of the most thought-provoking and rigorous experiences for law students anywhere. Our wide-ranging advanced curriculum enables students to build upon the achievements of the first year, while developing and refining their individual interests and professional goals. Students complete a mandatory course in professional responsibility and an upper-division writing requirement; select from our extensive advanced and specialized course offerings; and have the option to complete a culminating clinical capstone experience, in which students put the skills that they have learned in skills clinics into practice. In addition, students may delve deeply into a field by pursuing one of our six specializations, may broaden their expertise with interdisciplinary coursework and may hone their skills in a large selection of superb clinical and experiential courses.

Approximately 85 percent of all upper-level classes enroll fewer than 50 students and approximately two thirds of all upper-level classes enroll fewer than 25 students.

Learn more at law.ucla.edu/academics/curriculum.
COURSES

For a complete list of current courses, please visit law.ucla.edu/courses. Here is a representative list of academic courses, offered in the past two years.

BUSINESS LAW AND TAXATION
Accounting, Finance and the Law
Accounting for Lawyers
Advanced Real Estate Transactions
Advertising & e-Commerce Law
Antitrust Law
Bankruptcy
Business Associations
Business Skills for Real Estate Lawyering
Business Torts
Complex Finance Transactions
Contract Theory
Corporate Finance – Securities Markets & Corporate Value
Entrepreneurship & Venture Initiation
Estate & Gift Taxation
Executive Compensation
Financial Analysis
Income Taxation of Entertainers, Athletes & Artists
International Business Transactions
International Commercial Arbitration
International Finance
International Trade Law
Introduction to Federal Income Taxation
Investment Companies & Investment Advisors
Law & Economics
Lifecycle of a Corporation
Mergers & Acquisitions
Motion Picture Financing
Nonprofit Law Drafting
Real Estate Finance
Regulation of the Business Firm: Theory & Practice
Secured Transactions
Securities Regulation
State & Local Taxation
Tax Aspects of Mergers & Acquisitions
Tax Policy & Public Finance Colloquium
Tax-Exempt Organizations
Taxation and Development
Taxation in a Global Economy
Taxation of Business Enterprises
Topics in Corporate Governance
Venture Capital & the Start-Up Company

CIVIL PROCEDURE AND LITIGATION
Civil Rights Litigation
Complex Civil Litigation

CRIMINAL LAW
Advanced Criminal Procedure
Anti-Terrorism & Criminal Enforcement
California Prison to Parole
Constitutional Criminal Procedure
Digital Surveillance and the Fourth Amendment
The Eighth Amendment Prohibition on Cruel & Unusual Punishment
Ethics of Criminal Justice
Evidence
Global Perspectives on Criminal Procedure
International Criminal Law
Law & Dissent
Philosophy of Punishment
Plea Bargaining
Political Crimes and Legal Systems
Topics in Post-Conviction Law & Policy

PERSPECTIVES ON LAW & LAWYERING SEMINARS
These seminars are designed to give second- and third-year students the chance to examine engaging and non-traditional materials pertaining to law, such as films or novels, in a small and collegial environment. Typically, the sessions are held off-campus (including at faculty members’ homes) in the evenings and/or on weekends, and a meal is provided. A representative sample of the recent offerings is listed below:

Access to Courts
Catholic Thought
City of Los Angeles
The Criminal Defender
Graphic Novels
Great Trials
Law and Lawyering in Ancient Rome
Law, Lawyering and the Beautiful Game
The Laws of Plato
Mind in the Law
Professionalism
Sex & Law
The Social Psychological Bases of Racial Disparities in Policing
Strangers to Ourselves: New York in Psychology and What It Tells Us About Law, Lawyering and Life

Students meet for dinner at Professor David Binder’s home.
ENTERTAINMENT, MEDIA, AND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY
Communications Law & Policy
Copyright Law
Cybersecurity Law & Policy
Digital Wars – Major Current Legal Battles in Information Economies
Entertainment Law
Entertainment Law Research & Writing
Entertainment, Media & Intellectual Property Colloquium
Income Taxation of Entertainers, Athletes & Artists
Intellectual Property
Law & Practice with the “Hollywood” Guilds
Motion Picture Distribution
Motion Picture Financing
Music Industry Law
Patent Law
Patent Law Intensive
Property Theory
Sports & the Law
Television Law
Telecommunications Regulation
Trademark Law
What Drives Innovation

INTERNATIONAL AND COMPARATIVE LAW
American Law in a Global Context
Comparative Constitutional Law
Comparative Law
Current Issues in Chinese Law
European Union Law
Global Perspectives on Criminal Procedure
Human Rights & Sexual Politics
Immigration Court Practice
Immigration Law
International and Comparative Women’s Human Rights
International Business Transactions
International Commercial Arbitration
International Criminal Law
International Environmental Law & Policy
International Finance
International Human Rights Law
International Trade Law
Introduction to Islamic Law
Islamic Jurisprudence
Law & Terrorism
National Security Law
Political Asylum & Refugee Law
Political Crimes and Legal Systems
Poverty and Human Rights
Public International Law
Taxation in a Global Economy
Theories of International Law
The Trafficking in Human Beings: Law and Policy

LABOR LAW
Arbitration Law
Community Lawyering: Low-Wage Worker Organizing
Employment Discrimination Law
Labor Law
Labor Law & Social Policy
Nonprofit Law Drafting
Sports & the Law

LAW AND THE FAMILY
Community Property
Elder Law
Estate & Gift Taxation
Family Law
Wills & Trusts
Youth & Justice

LAW AND THE HUMANITIES
Academic Legal Writing
Advanced Legal Research
Art & Science of Rhetoric & Advocacy
Contemporary Philosophy of Law
Empirical Legal Studies: Research & Composition
Feminist Legal Theory
How Would You Change Legal Education?
Law & Economics
Law & Literature
Law & Popular Culture
Law & Your Life
Legal Analysis
Legal Philosophy
Legal Philosophy – Feminist Contributions
Legal Theory Workshop
Negotiation & Conflict Resolution Workshop
Philosophy of Punishment
Quantitative Methods in the Courtroom
Religious Legal Systems: Jewish Law
Transition to Practice
Transition to Small and Mid-Sized Practice

PUBLIC LAW
Administrative Law
Animals in Agriculture
California Prison to Parole
Community Lawyering: Low-Wage Worker Organizing
Constitutional Law II (First Amendment)
Constitutional Theory
Contemporary Free Exercise Issues: Sword or Shield?
Education & the Law
Federal Courts
Federal Indian Law I
Food Law & Policy
Good (Native) Governance
Gun Control
Health Law & Policy
Higher Education: Law and Policy
HIV/AIDS Law & Public Policy
Human Rights and Animal Rights
Immigration Court Practice
Immigration Law

ENVIRONMENTAL AND NATURAL RESOURCE LAW
Advanced Real Estate Transactions
Business Skills for Real Estate Lawyering
Climate and Energy Law & Policy
Climate Change and Energy Law
Comparative Environmental Law
Environmental Justice Law
Environmental Law & Policy
Environmental Policy & Politics
Future Law: Legal & Governance Responses to Transformative Societal Trends
International Environmental Law & Policy
Land Use
Ocean & Coastal Law Policy
Public Natural Resources Law & Policy
Real Estate Finance
Real Estate Financial Analysis
Water Law
Intersection of Law, Health & Public Policy
Introduction to Food Law and Policy
Law & Dissent
Law of Advertising and the First Amendment
Legal Ethics in Practice
Legislative Process & Statutory Interpretation
Problem Solving in the Public Interest
Public International Law
Redesigning the Administrative State
Statutory Interpretation
Sustainable Agriculture Law
Tax Policy & Public Finance Colloquium
Tribal Legal Systems

RACE, GENDER AND ETHNICITY
Advanced Critical Race Theory
Asian American Jurisprudence
Civil Rights
Contemporary Free Exercise Issues: Sword or Shield?
Critical Race Theory
Employment Discrimination Law
Federal Indian Law I

Feminist Legal Theory
Good (Native) Governance
Law & Sexuality
Race, Law & Representation
Sexual Orientation Workshop
Women & the Law

JANUARY TERM COURSES
A selection of intensive courses is offered at the beginning of each spring semester, enabling students to explore an array of stimulating and topical legal issues in a highly focused format. A representative sample of the topics covered is below:

Advanced Legal Issues in Distressed Debt Investing
Advanced Legal Writing: Criminal Pretrial Motions
City Food Policy: Legislative & Policy Advocacy
Digital Technologies and the Constitution
Directors & Officers Liability Insurance
Health Law & Policy Research
Intensive Editing Workshop
Negotiation Theory & Practice
Rebellious Lawyering
Re-entry, Work and Race

Students participate in UCLA Law’s immersive, five-day orientation program, which includes lectures and practice analyzing cases to help students gain foundational skills before the first day of class.
PROGRAMS, CENTERS AND CLINICS

UCLA School of Law boasts numerous diverse programs, centers and clinics, each enabling students to study significant areas of the law. Students have the chance to further engage in many aspects of various fields of the law and to undertake research and advocacy through a wide range of faculty- and student-sponsored opportunities for discussion, including lunch speakers, colloquia, lectures and symposia.
LOWELL MILKEN INSTITUTE FOR BUSINESS LAW AND POLICY

The Lowell Milken Institute for Business Law and Policy is setting the agenda for research, policy reform and teaching in the area of business law and policy. One of the premier programs of its kind, it commands a rich array of resources, including a distinguished faculty, outstanding students, a global campus and the impressive law and business community in Los Angeles.

Recognizing that business lawyers must have a deep understanding of the clients they serve and the economic environments in which these clients operate, the institute treats law as an integral part of an entrepreneurial economy. Through a combination of policy- and practice-oriented courses, including enhanced training in real-world transactional skills, the institute bridges the divide between the academy and practice and prepares students with the skills they need to meet the challenges of today’s new economy.

For more information, please visit law.ucla.edu/lowellmilkeninstitute.

SPECIALIZATION

The Business Law and Policy specialization is designed for students who wish to focus their schooling in a particular area of business law. Five tracks of study are offered: Business Law, Bankruptcy, Mergers and Acquisitions, Securities Regulation and Tax Law.

For more information, please visit law.ucla.edu/businesslaw.

"UCLA School of Law offers students limitless opportunities not only to craft their legal education but, additionally, to engage in multidisciplinary thinking. Through a joint degree program with UCLA’s Anderson School of Management, I simultaneously earned law and business degrees and was provided with unique opportunities to think about the intersection of the two in new and creative ways."

Todd Holman ’12, J.D./M.B.A.
Investment Banking Associate
RBC Capital Markets (San Francisco)

"UCLA Law offers students interested in business law practices one of the richest, if not the richest, set of advanced courses in the nation. Alongside traditional upper level tax, bankruptcy, commercial and corporate courses, we offer students a diverse range of advanced clinics and seminars that require students to grapple with the challenging and current issues faced by business lawyers and their commercial clients in our rapidly changing, technology-driven global marketplace."

Daniel Bussel
Professor of Law

TAX LAW PROGRAM

UCLA Law’s Tax Law Program is one of the most highly regarded in the country. Many of the leading experts, including professors Jason Oh, Steven Bank, Kirk Stark and Eric Zolt, regularly publish in mainstream and academic journals on key tax issues, testify before Congress and teach some of the most cutting-edge tax law classes available anywhere.
CLINICAL AND EXPERIENTIAL PROGRAMS

At UCLA School of Law, we believe that it is critically important for students to master legal doctrine and learn to think like lawyers. But we also believe that students need to learn to be lawyers. We create pathways for students to develop the skills they will need—whatever their field of practice—and to apply them in advanced experiential courses and pro bono opportunities.

We boast an extensive program to prepare students in civil and criminal trial and appellate advocacy, offering both simulated and live-client courses. We offer skills development training to help students enter business law practices. In sophisticated transactional courses, students can learn to draft contracts, finance a start-up company, sell a private company, advise a community-based organization or manage the myriad environmental issues that arise when selling a business.

In both litigation and transactional settings, students are trained in the techniques public interest lawyers use to represent children, low-wage workers, immigrants, veterans, criminal defendants, community organizations and social causes.

Our experiential learning program is led by an exceptional faculty—visionary scholars who have contributed the cornerstone ideas that form the basis of experiential training as well as a new generation of leaders who are bringing experiential education into areas of the legal profession that have long remained outside the scope of hands-on training.

For more information, please visit law.ucla.edu/experiential.

“...the practical training I received through UCLA Law’s clinical and experiential learning program has been invaluable to my success as an attorney thus far. I gained firsthand experience and honed critical skills in the Real Estate Clinic that I implement in my practice on a daily basis.”

Amir Sadr ’14
Associate
Cox, Castle & Nicholson LLP
(Orange County)
CLINICS AND EXPERIENTIAL COURSES

Some of the courses recently or currently offered to students include:

**LITIGATION AND ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION**
Civil Rights Litigation Clinic
Civil Trial Advocacy
Criminal Defense Clinic
Criminal Justice Reform
Criminal Trial Advocacy
Deposition Skills
Family Law Practice: A Non-Litigation Approach
First Amendment Amicus Brief Clinic
International Commercial Arbitration Advocacy
Judicial Decision Making: Remedies
Lawyer as Peacemaker
Mediation
Negotiation Theory and Practice
Pretrial Civil Litigation
Pretrial Criminal Litigation
Sports and the Law
State Appellate Practice
Supreme Court Clinic
Intensive Voir Dire

**TRANSACTIONAL AND REGULATORY PRACTICE**
Bankruptcy Transactions: Negotiating and Confirming Chapter 11 Plans
Business Deals
Community Economic Development
Corporate Finance Transactions
Corporate In-House Practice
Frank G. Wells Environmental Law Clinic
Mergers and Acquisitions Transactions
Patent Law Clinic
Real Estate Law Clinic: Affordable Housing
Regulatory Lawyering
Trademark Law Clinic
Transactional Skills

**PUBLIC INTEREST AND HUMAN RIGHTS**
Asylum Clinic
Education Law
International Human Rights Clinic
Nonprofit Law and Policy: Restatement Drafting
Street Law — American Legal Education
Tribal Legal Development
Veterans’ Benefits Clinic
Workers’ Rights Clinic
Youth & Justice Clinic

"UCLA Law has offered me unparalleled academic and professional opportunities. From my externship with Judge Pregerson to serving as editor in chief of the UCLA Law Review and volunteering with the Re-entry Clinic, my experiences at UCLA have broadened my horizons and kept me committed to the reason why I decided to become a lawyer: to be an advocate for my community."

Kristen A. Johnson ’13
Associate
Fried Frank (New York)
CRITICAL RACE STUDIES PROGRAM

The only program of its kind in the United States, UCLA Law’s groundbreaking Critical Race Studies (CRS) Program is the premier institutional setting for the study of the intersection between race and the law. The program is anchored by renowned scholars whose research represents the cutting edge of critical race theory. In order to integrate theory and practice, CRS Program faculty members and students sponsor opportunities for discussion of important policy issues in the race and law area; they also provide students with the chance to meet alumni and scholars working in this growing field through informal lunch speakers and more formal symposia.

SPECIALIZATION

The Critical Race Studies specialization is appropriate for law students who seek advanced study and/or practice in race and the law, critical race theory, civil rights, public policy and other legal practice areas that are likely to involve working with racial minority clients and communities or working to combat racial inequality.

For more information, please visit law.ucla.edu/crs.

“Some of the most important voices in the country writing on race and law are members of the UCLA School of Law faculty. Students are drawn to UCLA School of Law because of this strength, and the law school is enriched by the intellectual depth and commitment that the students bring. The program has also been of tremendous significance to those of us who teach in it because of the synergy created in our own work, which is pushed and deepened by the interaction with the students.”

Cheryl Harris
Rosalinde and Arthur Gilbert Professor in Civil Rights and Civil Liberties

“...by classmates in the Critical Race Studies Program and David J. Epstein Program in Public Interest Law and Policy are some of the most intelligent, passionate, creative and thoughtful people I have ever met. The availability of these two programs is unique to UCLA Law, and participation in both has shaped my legal education in significant ways.”

Jordan Cunnings ’14
Equal Justice Works Fellow
Public Counsel
(Los Angeles)
I moved 3,000 miles across the country to join UCLA Law because of two amazing programs: the David J. Epstein Program in Public Interest Law and Policy and the Critical Race Studies Program. They have given me the vocabulary to describe the issues affecting marginalized people and instilled in me the belief that lawyers can and should do more to effect change.

Aziz Ahmad ‘10
Attorney
U.S. Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division
(Washington, D.C.)

OFFICE OF PUBLIC INTEREST PROGRAMS

As a public institution, UCLA School of Law has a long-standing commitment to public service and to cultivating an environment that encourages all students and alumni to serve society in multiple ways. The Office of Public Interest Programs, the hub of the law school’s public interest efforts, sponsors a slate of career-oriented public interest programs and activities; provides counseling to individual students interested in pursuing pro bono opportunities, public interest internships and postgraduate public interest employment; encourages and facilitates pro bono work by students; and supports the activities of public interest-oriented student groups. The office also administers the law school’s Summer Public Interest Fellowship Program, which provides stipends to students who are working in an unpaid or partially paid legal capacity with a nonprofit organization or government agency during the summer after their first or second year at UCLA Law.

DAVID J. EPSTEIN PROGRAM IN PUBLIC INTEREST LAW AND POLICY

UCLA School of Law’s highly selective David J. Epstein Program in Public Interest Law and Policy helps train aspiring lawyers for work in the public interest arena. Epstein Program students represent a broad range of political and ideological perspectives and contribute significantly to the law school’s intellectually rich learning environment. The program’s faculty members are leaders in their respective fields and bring to the classroom a depth of knowledge and scholarly research perspectives. Beyond the formal coursework, the program provides an array of opportunities for students to hear from leading public interest practitioners and scholars, work on current policy problems and become involved in public interest activities within and outside of the law school.

SPECIALIZATION

The specialization in public interest law and policy is appropriate for students who seek an innovative and intellectually ambitious curriculum and extracurricular involvement that best prepares them to represent traditionally underserved clients and interests. For admission consideration, a separate application must be submitted concurrently with the UCLA Law application.

For more information, please visit law.ucla.edu/publicinterest.

"I moved 3,000 miles across the country to join UCLA Law because of two amazing programs: the David J. Epstein Program in Public Interest Law and Policy and the Critical Race Studies Program. They have given me the vocabulary to describe the issues affecting marginalized people and instilled in me the belief that lawyers can and should do more to effect change."

Aziz Ahmad ’10
Attorney
U.S. Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division
(Washington, D.C.)
ENTERTAINMENT, MEDIA, AND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW PROGRAM

The Entertainment, Media, and Intellectual Property Law Program is the most comprehensive, advanced and innovative approach to the study of entertainment, media and intellectual property law in the country. The program brings an annual series of influential speakers to campus and helps students secure externships and internships with entertainment-related businesses and organizations. The program also sponsors the industry’s top legal conference on entertainment issues, the annual UCLA Entertainment Symposium. UCLA Law students staff the Entertainment Law Review, as well as the Entertainment Law Association.

SPECIALIZATION

The Entertainment, Media, and Intellectual Property Law Program offers students a solid foundation in entertainment, media and intellectual property law and prepares students for a variety of careers in entertainment-related fields.

For more information, please visit law.ucla.edu/entlaw.

“UCLA Law’s Entertainment, Media, and Intellectual Property Law Program is truly unique. The program offers students a combination of exceptional academic courses and hands-on training, as well as faculty members and alumni who are well-connected to the legal and entertainment communities locally and nationally.”

Susan Akens
Executive Director, Entertainment, Media, and Intellectual Property Law Program
Professor from Practice

REPRESENTATIVE ENTERTAINMENT LAW SUMMER INTERNSHIPS

ABC
Comedy Central
Disney
FOX
International Creative Management

Lifetime
Motion Picture Association of America
NBCUniversal
Warner Bros.
EMMETT INSTITUTE ON CLIMATE CHANGE AND THE ENVIRONMENT

The Emmett Institute on Climate Change and the Environment is the leading law school program focused on climate change and other critical environmental issues. The institute houses UCLA Law’s environmental programs, including the Frank G. Wells Environmental Law Clinic, a vital training ground for environmental lawyering. The institute also works hand in hand with the UCLA Sustainable Technology & Policy Program, a collaboration between UCLA School of Law and the UCLA School of Public Health.

Environmental law students study a diverse curriculum, collaborate with celebrated faculty members and develop skills in effective advocacy. The Wells Clinic affords students the opportunity to work closely with nonprofit and government partners tackling the most important environmental issues in California and beyond. Future environmental law leaders also help drive the national conversation through contributions to the UCLA Journal of Environmental Law and Policy, events and other activities of the Environmental Law Society, and participation in numerous high-level internships.

For more information, please visit law.ucla.edu/environmentallaw.

“Students at UCLA can focus on environmental law from numerous perspectives. They can study the law, policy and science of climate change; represent clients on the most important environmental issues facing our country; learn how to represent businesses in complying with complex environmental laws; and study how nations come together to solve global environmental problems. And they can do so in one of the world’s great cities, Los Angeles, which has vast natural beauty but also faces complex environmental problems that it has made great strides in solving.”

Ann Carlson
Shirley Shapiro Professor of Environmental Law
Faculty Co-director, Emmett Institute on Climate Change and the Environment
INTERNATIONAL AND COMPARATIVE LAW PROGRAM

Situated at a major global crossroads and with an expansive faculty, a wealth of courses, seminars and clinics, prominent colloquia and symposia, highly regarded student-edited journals, international moot court opportunities, exciting student organizations and a broad community of students (including foreign law students), the International and Comparative Law Program at UCLA School of Law rivals any in the nation. The program is dedicated to addressing the emerging challenges of a globalized world, training the next generation of law and policy leaders, and producing thoughtful, reflective and insightful scholarship.

SPECIALIZATION

The specialization, for both J.D. and LL.M. students, is intended for students seeking advanced study in international and comparative law, including human rights law, and those who intend to practice law in those fields.

For more information, please visit law.ucla.edu/internationallaw.

“There are only five or six international and comparative law programs in the country with the depth and breadth of opportunities now available at UCLA School of Law.”

Richard Steinberg
Professor of Law
Director, Sanela Diana Jenkins Human Rights Project

EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Through experiential learning courses, students and faculty members conduct on-the-ground investigations of international human rights abuses, document findings through traditional reports and innovative uses of video and the Internet, and advocate before domestic and international courts, federal, state and local governments, international organizations, foreign governments and the media.

INTERNATIONAL STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

UCLA School of Law offers various opportunities for its students to gain exposure to international law and the legal systems and cultures of other nations. The law school has partnered with 13 other leading academic institutions in Europe, Asia, Israel, Australia and South America to establish the Foreign Legal Study and Exchange Program (FLSEP). Under exchange agreements with these partner schools, talented and committed UCLA law students may sample the intellectual and cultural riches that partner schools offer. For more information, please visit law.ucla.edu/flsep.
PROGRAM PROJECTS

The Globalization and Labor Standards Project (GALS) focuses on international, transnational and comparative labor issues. The cornerstone of the venture is an easily searchable database of law review articles that have appeared in journals around the world. For more information, please visit law.ucla.edu/gals.

The Health and Human Rights Law Project seeks to improve global health by using a framework grounded in international human rights law. Through multi-disciplinary research and training, the project examines the relationship between health and human rights to foster the next generation of leaders working in this area. For more information, please visit law.ucla.edu/healthhumanrights.

The Sanela Diana Jenkins Human Rights Project advances the cause of human rights and international justice around the world. The project continuously identifies and pursues promising opportunities for addressing human rights issues across the globe, while at the same time advancing understanding about human rights through interdisciplinary studies. For more information, please visit law.ucla.edu/sanela.

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS AND JOURNALS

The program has two main student organizations: the International Justice Project (IJP), which partners teams of students with international human rights organizations worldwide to provide firsthand experience with the practice of international human rights; and the International Human Rights Law Association (IHRLA), which provides a student-led forum for developing knowledge, sharing experiences and promoting career opportunities within the field.

UCLA School of Law has three international law journals that offer a critical analysis of pressing international legal issues: the Journal of International Law and Foreign Affairs (JILFA); the Pacific Basin Law Journal (PBLJ); and the Journal of Islamic and Near Eastern Law (JINEL).

SPEAKER SERIES

Each year, the program presents a robust public speaker series, attracting eminent scholars, practitioners and jurists to the law school and inspiring debate about a broad range of pressing issues in a globalized world. Recent guests have included:

- Admiral Michael S. Rogers, Commander, U.S. Cyber Command and Director, National Security Agency/Chief Central Security Service;
- Mutuma Ruteere, United Nations Special Rapporteur on Contemporary Forms of Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Intolerance;
- Sarah Chayes, Senior Associate, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Former NPR Reporter and Special Adviser to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.
LAW AND PHILOSOPHY PROGRAM

The Law and Philosophy Program is a path-breaking interdisciplinary collaboration between UCLA School of Law and the UCLA Department of Philosophy. The program is designed for those students who, in addition to their other legal interests, wish to explore more theoretical issues concerning the philosophical foundations of law. For especially committed students who hope to dedicate their careers to research and teaching in law and philosophy, a joint J.D./Ph.D. degree is offered. The program also sponsors the Legal Theory Workshop series, offered regularly throughout the year, which brings prominent speakers from other universities to the law school.

SPECIALIZATION

The Law and Philosophy specialization exposes students to material on the nature of law and legal systems and legal methodologies, as well as the theoretical underpinnings and justifications of particular doctrinal areas, such as constitutional law, criminal law and contracts.

For more information, please visit law.ucla.edu/philosophy.

"UCLA School of Law’s interdisciplinary program in law and philosophy is designed for students who want to supplement their legal studies by exploring the philosophical foundations of law. The program takes advantage of the law faculty’s remarkable strength and depth in the philosophy of law and the exceptional UCLA Department of Philosophy. The specialization is especially relevant to students interested in further graduate studies or careers in academia."

Mark Greenberg
Professor of Law
Faculty Co-director, Law and Philosophy Program

HERBERT MORRIS LECTURE IN LAW AND PHILOSOPHY

The Herbert Morris Lecture in Law and Philosophy is hosted by the Law and Philosophy Program every other year. The lecture was established in honor of Professor Herbert Morris, an eminent emeritus member of both the law school and the philosophy department. It pays tribute to Professor Morris’ contributions to moral and legal philosophy, as well as his many contributions to the UCLA campus.

The speakers have included: Ronald Dworkin, Professor of Philosophy and the Frank Henry Sommer Professor of Law at New York University; Charles Fried, Beneficial Professor of Law at Harvard Law School; and Jeremy Waldron, University Professor at New York University School of Law and Chichele Professor of Social and Political Theory at All Souls College, Oxford. Martha Nussbaum, Ernst Freund Distinguished Service Professor of Law and Ethics at the University of Chicago, is the 2015 lecturer.
The Williams Institute conducts rigorous, independent research on sexual orientation and gender identity law and public policy. A national think tank at UCLA Law, the Williams Institute produces high-quality research with real-world relevance and disseminates it to judges, legislators, policymakers, media and the public.

The institute’s scholars have authored hundreds of reports and amicus briefs, and testified before state legislatures and as expert witnesses in court cases. Numerous courts have relied explicitly on Williams Institute research in striking down bans on marriage for same-sex couples, including the U.S. Courts of Appeals for the Fourth, Seventh and Ninth Circuits. The Supreme Court’s 2015 decision legalizing marriage equality nationwide cited an amicus brief by Blachford-Cooper Distinguished Scholar and Research Director Gary Gates, and more than half of the briefs filed in the case cited the Williams Institute’s research.

The Williams Institute continues to be the only organization in the country to train judges on LGBT law and policy issues. The institute has provided trainings in more than 13 states in the past year. Additionally, the institute educated more than 1,000 lawyers, community leaders and members of the public at more than 20 educational events across the country.

For more information, please visit williamsinstitute.law.ucla.edu.

“If you want to study cutting-edge issues in sexual orientation and gender identity law, with the top scholars and advocates in the field, there is no better place than UCLA School of Law.”

Brad Sears
Executive Director, The Williams Institute
Robert A. Conroy Scholar of Law and Policy
Assistant Dean of Academic Programs and Centers

Guests gather at the Williams Institute’s annual spring reception, which was held at the Carnegie Institution for Science in Washington, D.C., in May 2015.

Tamika Butler, board co-chair of the National Center for Lesbian Rights, and Williams Institute Executive Director Brad Sears speak about the future of LGBT rights at Independence Hall in Philadelphia on July 4, 2015.
ADDITIONAL RESEARCH CENTERS AND PROGRAMS

BUSINESS LAW

Center for Law and Economics
Deeply engaged in furthering interdisciplinary scholarship in law and economics, the Center for Law and Economics is training a new generation of students and scholars in this important field. The center explores how economics can help us better understand and improve our laws, and co-sponsors the UCLA Law and Economics Workshop. For more information, please visit law.ucla.edu/laweconomics.

UCLA Ziman Center for Real Estate
The UCLA Ziman Center for Real Estate, a joint research center between the law school and the UCLA Anderson School of Management, tackles the most critical real estate challenges facing society today—and formulates strategies for tomorrow. It advances thought leadership through influential research, rigorous educational opportunities and meaningful professional forums. For more information, please visit anderson.ucla.edu/centers/ziman.

CLINICAL AND EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

Negotiation and Conflict Resolution Program
The Negotiation and Conflict Resolution Program promotes the understanding and management of the competition for scarce resources in legal, business and interpersonal settings. The program both promotes the academic study of negotiation and conflict resolution and equips students with the analytical and practical tools necessary to forge mutually beneficial agreements and to resolve conflicts. For more information, please visit law.ucla.edu/negotiation.

ENVIRONMENTAL LAW

UCLA Sustainable Technology & Policy Program (STPP)
The UCLA Sustainable Technology & Policy Program (STPP) is a joint venture of UCLA Law and the UCLA Fielding School of Public Health that champions public health and the environment by seeking to change the way our laws deal with chemicals. STPP is anchored by a renowned faculty with a wealth of professional experience at leading environmental protection agencies, prominent health organizations and distinguished academic institutions. For more information, please visit law.ucla.edu/stpp.

INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES

Empirical Research Group (ERG)
The Empirical Research Group (ERG) is a methodology-oriented research center that specializes in the design and execution of quantitative research in law and public policy. Students enrolled in the Empirical Legal Scholars Program hone skills in research design, statistics and data analysis and produce original research on a topic of their choice. Often hired to staff faculty research projects, these students also have opportunities to work with prominent researchers as part of the UCLA-RAND Center for Law and Public Policy, and to enroll in special empirical courses in bankruptcy, housing and public interest law. For more information, please visit law.ucla.edu/empirical.

Program on Understanding Law, Science and Evidence (PULSE)
The Program on Understanding Law, Science and Evidence (PULSE) explores the complex and multi-faceted connections between law and science, technology and evidence. PULSE engages in cutting-edge and interdisciplinary research and innovative programming to examine how basic “facts” about our world, provided through science and credited as evidence, influence venues of law and policy making. For more information, please visit law.ucla.edu/pulse.

UCLA-RAND Center for Law and Public Policy
The UCLA-RAND Center for Law and Public Policy produces legal scholarship grounded in multidisciplinary empirical analysis to guide legal and public policymakers in the 21st century. A unique partnership of UCLA Law and the RAND Corporation, the center supports collaborative research on topics as varied as medical malpractice, class actions, employment discrimination and institutional reform. For more information, please visit law.ucla.edu/uclarand.

SOCIAL POLICY

Native Nations Law and Policy Center
UCLA Law’s Native Nations Law and Policy Center is a national resource for the support of Native Nations. The center harnesses UCLA Law’s formidable academic resources and knowledge of tribal leaders to address important public policy issues, and works to enhance Indian nations’ laws and governmental institutions while advancing cultural resource protections. For more information, please visit law.ucla.edu/nativenames.

Resnick Program for Food Law and Policy
The Resnick Program for Food Law and Policy studies and advances breakthrough solutions for improving the modern food system. Leveraging its location in Los Angeles, California—a state that grows more food than anywhere else in the world—the program examines the ways in which the modern food system shapes consumers’ physical, economic, social and environmental health. By supporting student development and innovative scholarship, the program helps drive an ambitious agenda for research and reform. For more information, please visit law.ucla.edu/resnick.
FACULTY
Nationally acclaimed scholars with an open door policy
FACULTY

The UCLA School of Law faculty is a treasured asset. Faculty members are leaders in their respective fields and are the mainstay of UCLA Law’s high-quality legal education programs. They are some of the finest teachers in the academy, expanding the frontiers of interdisciplinary legal scholarship.

Each year, the UCLA Law faculty demonstrates the caliber of its intellectual abilities by publishing groundbreaking scholarship in leading academic journals and law reviews, and that work is widely cited. Faculty members also demonstrate their dedication to teaching and genuine interest in their students.

A complete list of faculty bios and publications can be found at law.ucla.edu/faculty.

“We think UCLA School of Law is a very special place. In the six decades since we opened our doors, we have gathered a nationally distinguished faculty and a very high-quality student body, both supported by a superb staff. This mix has resulted in a community full of ideas but not full of itself—engaged, innovative, friendly and unpretentious. Graduates of the law school have gone on to become leaders in a diverse range of professional settings, changing the way lawyers and legislators approach issues, becoming respected judges throughout the country and changing the face of legal service.”

Stephen Yeazell
David G. Price and Dallas P. Price Distinguished Professor of Law Emeritus

“The students and faculty members at UCLA School of Law have varied personal and professional experiences, an extensive array of interests and represent a wide variety of backgrounds. Our students are fully engaged in the law school community as well as in their outside communities, and they thrive on open and rigorous intellectual discussions with their classmates and professors. This diversity of perspectives, combined with myriad class offerings, enriches the educational experience here at UCLA Law.”

Devon Carbado
The Honorable Harry Pregerson Professor of Law
“It makes a difference in students’ legal education to come to a school where law professors are both serious scholars and dedicated teachers. Like my colleagues on the faculty, I enjoy collaborating with my students, both in and out of the classroom. It’s a joy to see them grow into outstanding professionals committed to making a positive impact in the world.”

Laura Gómez
Professor of Law

“UCLA School of Law’s collegial environment fosters an open dialogue among students and faculty members. Professors at UCLA Law don’t just want to educate our students; we want to engage them inside and outside the classroom and get to know them as individuals.”

Eric Zolt
Michael H. Schill Distinguished Professor of Law

“The exceptional scholarly community and rich intellectual environment at UCLA Law is enhanced by the law school’s open and collegial culture. Students not only learn from professors who are at the forefront of legal thought, but they develop mutually rewarding relationships that extend beyond the classroom and continue long after graduation.”

William Warren
Michael J. Connell Distinguished Professor of Law Emeritus
STUDENT LIFE

UCLA School of Law provides students with many opportunities to get involved with the law school community and participate in activities that enhance student life.
UCLA Law’s collegial atmosphere really sets it apart. The nurturing environment, including a diversity of perspectives, fosters truly collaborative relationships among students and the faculty.”

Joseph Holmes J.D. ’16
STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS AND JOURNALS

There is an organization at UCLA Law for almost any interest, as well as numerous student-edited journals. For more information, please visit law.ucla.edu/studentorgs and law.ucla.edu/journals.

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

Advocates for Children and Teens
American Constitution Society of Los Angeles
Animal Law Society
Armenian Law Students Association
Art Law Society
Asian/Pacific Islander Law Students Association
Black Law Students Association
Business Law Association
Christian Law Students Association
Criminal Justice Society
Disability Law Society
Education and Law Society
El Centro Legal
Empirical Legal Scholars Association
Entertainment Law Association
Environmental Law Society
Federal Bar Association
Federalist Society
Food Law Society
Health Law Society
Immigration Law Society
Intellectual Property Law Association
International Human Rights Law Association
International Justice Project
Iranian Law Students Association
Iraq Refugee Assistance Project
Isang Bagsak: Law Students Collective
J. Reuben Clark Law Society
JD/MBA Association
Jewish Law Students Association
La Raza Law Students Association
Law and Entrepreneurship Association
Law and Philosophy Association
Law Student Alliance for Israel
Law Students for Justice in Palestine
Law Students for Reproductive Justice
Law Students in Balance
Law Women of UCLA
LawCapella
Louis D. Brandeis Center for Human Rights Law
Mock Trial Association at UCLA
Moot Court Honors Program
Muslim Law Students Association


Daniel Simkin J.D. ’16

JOURNALS

Asian Pacific American Law Journal
Chicana/o-Latina/o Law Review
The Dukeminier Awards Journal of Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Law
Entertainment Law Review
Journal of Environmental Law & Policy
Journal of International Law and Foreign Affairs
Journal of Islamic and Near Eastern Law
Journal of Law & Technology
National Black Law Journal
Pacific Basin Law Journal
UCLA Law Review
Women’s Law Journal
SERVICES FOR STUDENTS
The Office of Student Services is committed to supporting and advocating for the students at UCLA Law. The office works closely with resources at the law school and across campus to advise current students and make their time at UCLA School of Law as productive and collegial as possible.

SUPPORT FOR ACADEMIC SUCCESS
UCLA School of Law is committed to providing academic assistance to any student with demonstrated academic need. UCLA Law’s Academic Support Program, led by Professor Pavel Wonsowicz, is known across the country as an innovative and effective program. The program incorporates study groups led by second- and third-year students, exam workshops, academic counseling and student mentoring. All admitted students take an intensive, substantive introduction to the study of law during orientation. For more information, please visit law.ucla.edu/academicsupport.

SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES
UCLA’s Office for Students with Disabilities provides a wide range of services to students with documented permanent or temporary disabilities. For more information, please visit osd.ucla.edu.

HOUSING AND TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS
UCLA Law assists students in finding a home on campus or in one of the many attractive neighborhoods nearby. Law students may reside in privately owned or university-owned properties. We also provide a secure website where law students may seek roommates and exchange information. For more information, please visit law.ucla.edu/housing.

While Los Angeles has cultivated a famous car culture, there are excellent alternative means of transportation to the UCLA campus and surrounding neighborhoods. For an in-depth overview of transportation options, please visit law.ucla.edu/transportation.

“UCLA Law has a rich and proud history of opening its doors to talented students who reflect a broad range of backgrounds and experiences. We work to continually enhance the learning climate at UCLA Law and to support all students as they develop the tools necessary to become effective legal professionals.”

Tony Tolbert
Director of Learning Environment and Academic Affairs
Adjunct Faculty
UCLA CAMPUS AND LOS ANGELES

UCLA School of Law benefits from its location both on the UCLA campus and in the vibrant global city of Los Angeles. The law school is located in Westwood, a beautiful and safe residential neighborhood in the heart of Southern California. It is housed on the UCLA campus—the largest campus within the UC system and one of the world’s leading research institutions. Students benefit from unparalleled opportunities for interdisciplinary work and countless ways to reach out across campus and find like-minded organizations and students.

One of the world’s most exciting geographic areas, Los Angeles offers a rich artistic, social and cultural scene, with unparalleled access to world-class museums, theaters, sporting events and live performances. The extraordinary Los Angeles climate allows students to enjoy recreational activities, from surfing to skiing, mountain biking to hiking, all year long. The city also boasts a thriving food scene, from gourmet food trucks to numerous ethnic restaurants, with options to suit every budget.

Los Angeles has a dynamic political, business and legal community that encourages many students to stay after graduation and establish their careers here. The international reach of the city and intellectually stimulating environment contribute to an unparalleled law school experience.
ADMISSION INFORMATION

J.D. PROGRAM APPLICANTS

Applicants for admission to the professional curriculum of UCLA School of Law, leading to the degree of Juris Doctor, must have received a baccalaureate degree from an accredited university or college of approved standing before they begin their work at the law school.

WHEN TO APPLY

The application is available in September. Regular Decision applications must be submitted on or before February 1. The majority of applicants will receive an admission decision by the end of April.

Early Decision applicants must complete the Early Decision Program Agreement and must submit the application and all necessary application materials on or before November 15. All decisions will be made by the end of December.

HOW TO APPLY

All applicants are required to register with the Law School Admission Council (LSAC) Credential Assembly Service (CAS). LSAC/CAS registration forms and other information may be obtained from LSAC at lsac.org or lsacinfo@lsac.org or by calling (215) 968-1001.

For detailed information on how to apply for admission to the first-year class, please visit law.ucla.edu/firstyearadmission. Before applying to UCLA School of Law, please review our admissions policy at law.ucla.edu/admissionspolicy.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

All applicants should follow these application procedures:
1. Take the LSAT no later than February of the year in which they wish to enroll.
2. Register with the LSAC/CAS.
3. Submit the following:
   • Completed application.
   • Personal statement.
   • Current résumé.
   • Two letters of recommendation (submitted through the LSAC Recommendation Service). One evaluation is optional.
   • Official transcripts (sent directly to LSAC).
   • Nonrefundable application fee in the amount of $75.
   • David J. Epstein Program in Public Interest Law and Policy application, if applying to that program.
   • Early Decision Program Agreement, if applicable. Applicants must take the LSAT no later than the September/October administration of the year before they plan to enroll.

For more details on each requirement, please visit law.ucla.edu/firstyearadmission.

METHODS OF SUBMITTING APPLICATIONS

Applicants may complete the electronic application located on the law school’s website at law.ucla.edu/admissions/apply or complete the electronic application through LSAC. For more information, please contact LSAC at lsac.org or lsacinfo@lsac.org or by calling (215) 968-1001.

LL.M. PROGRAM APPLICANTS

The online application for admission is available in October, and the deadline is in February. For further information and application instructions, please visit law.ucla.edu/llm or email llm@law.ucla.edu.

S.J.D. PROGRAM APPLICANTS

Prospective applicants may inquire for admission between November 1 and March 1. For further information and application instructions, please visit law.ucla.edu/sjd or email sjd@law.ucla.edu.
FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION

Approximately 90 percent of students at UCLA Law receive some type of financial aid.

Three types of financial aid are available to students attending UCLA Law:
• Gift Aid – Aid that does not have to be repaid; may be used to pay living expenses. (Includes Need Access grant, merit scholarships and fellowships.)
• Earned Aid – Job opportunities for students wishing to reduce loan indebtedness. (Includes Summer work-study, Teaching Assistantships.)
• Educational Loans – Aid that does have to be repaid. (Includes federal, private and BAR loans.)

Applicants may apply for two beneficial financial aid resources: the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and the Need Access application. While the FAFSA will establish eligibility for federal loans, Need Access is necessary to determine individual law grant awards. Both applications are available online at fasfa.ed.gov and needaccess.org; use UCLA’s federal school code 001315 when submitting the online FAFSA.

UCLA School of Law has established a loan repayment assistance program to increase the ability of its J.D. graduates to pursue public service legal careers. The program seeks to address the increasing debt burdens facing many students and the implications of such burdens on students’ ability to pursue relatively low-paying public service work. For more information, please visit law.ucla.edu/lrap.

For detailed information on tuition and financial aid opportunities and procedures, please visit law.ucla.edu/prospectiveaid.

IMPORTANT FINANCIAL AID DATES
• The FAFSA should be submitted as early as possible after January 1; the priority filing date is March 2. The application is available at fasfa.ed.gov. The UCLA School of Law code is 001315.
• The Need Access grant application priority filing date is March 2. The application can be found at needaccess.org.

“My scholarship has positively impacted my time at UCLA Law. It has allowed me to focus on my studies instead of worrying about financing my tuition. I am deeply grateful for this support.”

Andrea Herrera Bolaños J.D. ’17
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HOUSING SERVICES OFFICE
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