The University of Texas
School of Law

The best place in the world to be a law student
MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN

Welcome

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS SCHOOL OF LAW IS THE BEST PLACE IN THE country to be a law student. We provide a top-tier academic program, great career options, and a commitment to a high quality of life. Here are some specifics:

POWERFUL DEGREE A degree from Texas Law is a powerful credential in job markets all over the country. And we are the #1 supplier of talent to the best employers in a large and growing region of the United States. We have alumni everywhere in the world who want to help their own. We also have an outstanding clerkship program that gives many of our students a chance to start their careers in the chambers of a distinguished federal or state judge. In short, our graduates have great options.

UNBEATABLE CLINICS We have an unbeatable set of clinics — 16 of them — that allow our students to learn by working with real clients on real problems under the supervision of great clinical professors.

PRESTIGIOUS FACULTY Our faculty members are nationally recognized thought leaders in every important legal field, including such expanding areas as energy law, intellectual property, and international law. Above all, our faculty members love to teach.

COLLEGIATE ATMOSPHERE We offer a famously collegial atmosphere in which students support each other and form relationships that last throughout their careers.

WE’RE IN AUSTIN It’s the fastest-growing city in the country, the Live Music Capital of the World, and one of the most popular destinations in America for creative people of every kind.

The combination of these elements is distinctive, and it makes Texas Law the place to be. It was no surprise to our alumni when U.S. News & World Report said we provide a better return on investment than any other law school in America. We are passionate about legal education and we want students who are passionate about making a difference. I invite you to pay us a visit and see for yourself.

Ward Farnsworth
DEAN
THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS SCHOOL OF LAW
Why Texas Law?

Being a law student at the University of Texas School of Law is about much more than taking three years of classes and finding a job. At Texas Law you become part of a community that is bigger than any one student’s experience. You will take all that you learn, the relationships you develop and the contacts you make to form a future with limitless possibilities. A broad network of faculty and alumni will support you as you transition from being a student to a professional.

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Start Learning

WHAT DOES IT REALLY MEAN TO GET A LEGAL EDUCATION? AT THE UNIVERSITY OF Texas School of Law, it means a mastery of many arts: rigorous analytical thinking; rich and resourceful research skills; precision and style in written and oral communication; an integrated understanding of the economic, social, historical and political forces that interact with law; and much more. Our students learn to “think like lawyers,” but not just any lawyers. They learn to think like future leaders of the bench and bar, in keeping with a tradition that dates back to our founding in 1883.

CURRICULUM & FACULTY

FACULTY

THE TRADITION OF EXCELLENCE AT TEXAS

Law begins with our world-class faculty. With more than 105 full-time faculty members and 134 adjuncts, the depth and breadth of our highly decorated team of teachers includes a rich mix of renowned scholars and masters of the practice, who provide coverage across an unusually broad set of topics.

Our faculty members are known for their accessibility and helpfulness to students, and this has practical significance. Knowing the professor’s door is always open for office-hour consultations can make all the difference for a student trying to grasp a difficult concept. Simply put, our students not only have great classroom experiences, they also build relationships with faculty members that play a critical role in career development.

Our students are not simply trained to be prepared for a career, but for all the opportunities their degree will afford across a lifetime.
Our faculty members are deeply engaged in scholarship and public service, and are among leading national figures in an array of academic fields. They advocate for justice, testify before Congress and provide advice to a broad array of public and private entities. They speak out in national and regional media, they blog and they tweet. They embody the dynamism of law, and both reflect and take part in the central role law plays in our society.

FIRST-YEAR COURSES

Texas Law offers the benefits of an expansive school with a rich curriculum and breadth of faculty, and a first-year experience that is characterized by a more intimate experience than most large schools can aspire to provide. We achieve this by dividing the first-year class into four sections, then further divide each section into a much smaller group, and then subdivide each of the smaller groups for purposes of legal research and writing classes.

SECOND- AND THIRD-YEAR COURSES

At the upper levels, the richness of Texas Law’s curriculum provides an astonishing array of options. Students can specialize in particular areas if they wish, or diversify broadly across subjects and methods. Opportunities include 16 clinics, a robust trial advocacy training program and a range of internships.

MEET A FEW 1L FACULTY MEMBERS

LYNN BLAIS
Administrative Law and Property
» Clerked for Hon. Harry A. Blackmun, U.S. Supreme Court; and Hon. William Wayne Justice, U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Texas
» Co-director, Supreme Court Clinic

ROBERT CHESNEY
National Security Law, International Law
» Director, Robert S. Strauss Center for International Security and Law, The University of Texas at Austin
» Founding editor, lawfareblog.com
» Co-host, with Professor Steve Vladeck, of the National Security Law Podcast

MECHELE DICKERSON
Bankruptcy, Civil Procedure
» Nationally recognized consumer law and bankruptcy scholar
» Clerked for Hon. Nathaniel R. Jones, U.S. Court of Appeals, Sixth Circuit

SANFORD LEVINSON
Constitutional Law
» Prolific and colorful constitutional law expert
» Has solely authored five books, edited six books and published countless articles over career

JORDAN STEIKER
Capital Punishment, Constitutional Law
» Clerked for Hon. Thurgood Marshall, U.S. Supreme Court
» Writes extensively on constitutional law, federal habeas corpus and the death penalty
» Co-director, Capital Punishment Center
MASTERING THE ART OF LEGAL WRITING

AT TEXAS LAW, THE CRITICAL SKILLS OF LEGAL writing, research, oral argument and advocacy are not farmed out to professors-in-training — they are taught by a dedicated faculty team organized under the David J. Beck Center for Legal Research, Writing and Appellate Advocacy. The center offers a variety of advanced classes and experiential training at the upper levels and sponsors the law school’s interscholastic moot court teams, which travel to national and international competitions.

EXPAND YOUR LEGAL EDUCATION

TEXAS LAW HAS NUMEROUS CENTERS THAT give students opportunities to explore their special interests through coursework, research, advocacy, events and casework.

Engage With Human Rights

THE BERNARD AND AUDRE RAPPORT CENTER for Human Rights and Justice offers students unique opportunities to collaborate in an interdisciplinary human rights community, engage with some of the world’s leading human rights thinkers and pursue life-changing human rights internships.

“MY WORK IN CAMBODIA — MADE POSSIBLE BY THE RAPPORT CENTER — IS THE BEST THING I’VE EVER DONE.”

CATHERINE WAGNER, RAPPORT CENTER SUMMER FELLOW IN THE OFFICE OF THE CO-PROSECUTORS FOR THE UNITED NATIONS ASSISTANCE TO THE KHMER ROUGE TRIALS
Specialize in Energy

THE KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON CENTER FOR ENERGY, LAW, AND BUSINESS IS AN INTERDISCIPLINARY ACADEMIC CENTER OF THE SCHOOL OF LAW AND THE MCCOMBS SCHOOL OF BUSINESS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN. THE MISSION OF THE CENTER IS TO PROVIDE THE FINEST EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES IN THE U.S. TO STUDENTS WHO WISH TO PURSUE CAREERS IN ENERGY AND TO SERVE AS A NEXUS FOR INCISIVE, UNBIASED AND RELEVANT RESEARCH AND CONFERENCES FOR POLICYMAKERS AROUND THE WORLD, WITH AN EMPHASIS ON LATIN AMERICA.

INTERSECTING DISCIPLINES

TEXAS LAW STUDENTS CAN INTEGRATE THEIR LEGAL STUDIES WITH OTHER AREAS OF INTEREST THROUGH COLLOQUIA AND DUAL DEGREES.

COLLOQUIA COURSES PROVIDE STUDENTS THE OPPORTUNITY TO STUDY WITH SCHOLARS FROM AROUND THE WORLD ON TOPICS AND PROBLEMS AT THE INTERSECTION OF TWO OR MORE DISCIPLINES. IN THIS WAY, STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN THE EVOLUTION OF SCHOLARSHIP IN EMERGING AREAS OF LAW.

THE LAW SCHOOL ENCOURAGES THE PURSUIT OF DUAL DEGREES, AND BECAUSE WE ARE PART OF A LARGE RESEARCH UNIVERSITY, THERE ARE NUMEROUS HIGHLY RANKED PROGRAMS TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF.

- J.D./Master of Public Affairs
- J.D./Master of Business Administration
- J.D./Master of Science in Social Work
- J.D./Master of Global Policy Studies
- J.D./Master of Arts in Latin American Studies
- J.D./Master of Arts in Middle Eastern Studies
- J.D./Master of Arts in Russian, East European and Eurasian Studies
- J.D./Master of Science in Community and Regional Planning

- J.D./Master of Science in Information Studies
- J.D./Ph.D. in Philosophy

ADDITIONAL INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS

J.D./LL.M. Joint Degree Programs

TEXAS LAW STUDENTS CAN EARN THEIR J.D. IN CONJUNCTION WITH A FOREIGN LAW DEGREE FROM THREE APPROVED LAW SCHOOLS IN JUST FOUR YEARS. THE PARTNER SCHOOLS:

- Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México, Mexico City, Mexico
- The University of Nottingham, England
- University of Edinburgh, Scotland

Semester Abroad Programs

STUDENTS WHO WANT TO SPEND THE FALL SEMESTER OF THEIR 3L YEAR ABROAD CAN RECEIVE CREDIT TOWARD THEIR J.D. AT ONE OF MULTIPLE PRE-APPROVED SCHOOLS LOCATED IN EUROPE, AUSTRALIA AND CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA. UPON SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION, STUDENTS SUBMIT THEIR FOREIGN CREDIT FOR CONVERSION TOWARD THEIR TEXAS LAW DEGREE.

Texas Law students can choose from over 33 study abroad programs in 19 countries to learn about foreign legal systems.
EXPERIENTIAL EDUCATION

Start Exploring

EXPERIENTIAL EDUCATION IS THE BRIDGE BETWEEN THE CLASSROOM AND THE practice of law. With one of the largest programs of its kind in the nation, Texas Law offers every student multiple opportunities to gain hands-on experience for academic credit. Our students dive deeply into an extensive array of clinics, internships, advocacy courses and competitions, and pro bono projects that integrate law, theory, strategy and skills. Find opportunities to lead and learn by working alongside attorneys and faculty members on cases and projects that can affect the community, country and world. Virtually all of our students take multiple experiential courses that help prepare them for legal employment.
CLINICS
Students in our Clinics work closely with faculty members and supervising attorneys on complex cases and legal issues in real-world settings. Students assist clients as diverse as victims of domestic violence, prisoners facing the death penalty, neighborhood groups affected by environmental hazards, and clients seeking review of their cases before the U.S. Supreme Court. We offer 16 clinics including the Entrepreneurship and Community Development Clinic, which provides transactional business law representation to entrepreneurs and nonprofits, such as a statewide group working to help employers provide affordable small loans to individuals as an alternative to predatory payday loans, and the Children’s Rights Clinic, through which students represent children in court proceedings related to abuse and neglect.

INTERNSHIPS
Texas Law’s Internships offer students a range of opportunities working with experienced supervising attorneys to develop important legal skills; explore career possibilities; gain insight into legal institutions and the role of lawyers; and serve the public. Students in the Prosecution Internship and the U.S. Attorney Internship work directly with prosecutors on their cases. Students help shape law in the Legislative Internship by working with offices connected to the Texas Legislature. Students also work across the country and the world through the Semester in Practice Internship and the International Internship. Students have interned recently at the Securities and Exchange Commission, Human Rights Watch, the Office of the Texas Attorney General, the U.S. Department of Justice, Legal Aid of Northwest Texas, the American Civil Liberties Union and other judicial, nonprofit, government and legislative offices.

PUBLIC SERVICE ACTIVITIES
Beginning on their first day at Texas Law, our students work to improve access to justice by making a commitment to provide pro bono legal services to those in need. The Richard and Ginni Mithoff Pro Bono Program organizes projects that

“To contribute to the case and to a 9-0 victory was incredible. [Even] most practicing attorneys will never, ever take a case to the Supreme Court and will never get the kind of experience we did.”

LISA ELIZONDO, RECENT STUDENT IN THE SUPREME COURT CLINIC

Twenty-one students from the Supreme Court Clinic worked on, and attended oral arguments for, a United States Supreme Court case that proved victorious in a unanimous 9-0 decision.

CLINICS
- Actual Innocence Clinic
- Capital Punishment Clinic
- Children’s Rights Clinic
- Civil Rights Clinic
- Criminal Defense Clinic
- Domestic Violence Clinic
- Entrepreneurship and Community Development Clinic
- Environmental Clinic
- Housing Clinic
- Human Rights Clinic
- Immigration Clinic
- Juvenile Justice Clinic
- Legislative Lawyering Clinic

INTERNSHIPS
- Government Internship
- International Internship
- Judicial Internship
- Legislative Internship
- Nonprofit Internship
- Prosecution Internship
- Semester in Practice Internship
- U.S. Attorney Internship

Mental Health Clinic
- Supreme Court Clinic
- Transnational Worker Rights Clinic
provide legal services for underserved individuals and communities, creating opportunities for students to build their lawyering skills and leadership abilities.

The Mithoff Program involves faculty and alumni in introducing students to the legal profession’s tradition and ethical obligation of pro bono service.

Texas Law has three academic centers that bring faculty and students together to study issues related to equal access to justice: the Bernard and Audre Rapoport Center for Human Rights and Justice, the Capital Punishment Center, and the William Wayne Justice Center for Public Interest Law.

The school provides widespread financial support to students interested in public service by awarding numerous public interest scholarships, summer stipends, postgraduate fellowships and loan repayment assistance to graduates embarking on public interest careers.

During the most recent Pro Bono in January trip to the Texas Rio Grande Valley, students, faculty, staff, alumni and partner organizations provided free legal assistance to more than 115 clients in underserved communities.

Volunteer Caitlin Machell ’19, helps a high school student in Laredo through a partnership between the Mithoff Pro Bono Program and Texas Rio Grande Legal Aid.

18,064

Pro Bono Hours Volunteered by the Class of 2018
Pro Bono students assisted the South Texas Civil Rights Project with a variety of projects, including helping assemble immigration petitions for victims of domestic violence and drafting wills in communities where multiple informal land transfers have created thorny title issues.

ADVOCACY

The Advocacy Program combines theory and techniques with client and case management skills and practical interdisciplinary training to help students become effective advocates. Students learn through numerous hands-on courses and competitions focused on trial skills, appellate advocacy and transactional work. Since 2000, Texas Law mock trial, moot court and ADR teams have won a combination of 22 national championships and 29 regional championships. The school’s facilities for teaching trial and appellate advocacy include a state-of-the-art courtroom complete with judicial chambers and jury rooms.

Texas Law advocacy students and coaches celebrate their victories in interscholastic advocacy competitions in front of the iconic UT Tower lit orange in their honor.
LIFE OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM

Start Living

Students attending the University of Texas School of Law enjoy a lifestyle that promotes collegiality and community unmatched by any other law school in the country. We benefit from a convenient location on a beautiful campus at the heart of a very desirable city. Austin has a vibrant live music scene, mild and sunny climate, acclaimed cuisine and a range of outdoor attractions. Your intense studies will be balanced with a variety of unique extracurricular activities.

SOCIETY PROGRAM

The Texas Law Society Program — the only program of its kind in the country — provides students with a small community during law school. Each first-year student is assigned to one of eight societies and remains a member of that society throughout law school. The groups meet with faculty advisers and alumni mentors and participate in service and social activities.

DEAN’S FELLOWS

Each first-year student is also assigned to a group led by upper-class law students who serve as advisers and counselors throughout the year. These are the Dean’s Fellows. They welcome incoming first-year law students and host get-togethers prior to orientation. They plan social activities and academic skills sessions throughout the year.

Each fall Texas Law’s eight societies compete in the Society Games, a field day where the students engage in friendly rivalry. Go to youtube.com/utexaslaw to watch a Society Games video.
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LIFE IN AUSTIN

AUSTIN IS ALL ABOUT GREAT CHOICES WHEN IT COMES TO QUALITY OF LIFE. NATIONAL RANKINGS FOR BOTH ITS LEGENDARY BARBECUE AND VEGAN CUISINE ARE TESTAMENT TO WHAT MAKES AUSTIN DISTINCT. FOR BUSINESS, AUSTIN RANKS HIGH ON THE OPPORTUNITY SCALE. FORBES CITES AUSTIN AS THE TOP CITY FOR JOB GROWTH, AND SLATE RANKS AUSTIN NO. 1 FOR DRIVING THE FUTURE.

STUDENT JOURNALS

THE LAW SCHOOL IS HOME TO THE TEXAS LAW REVIEW AND 10 SPECIALTY JOURNALS THAT VARY GREATLY IN LEGAL, POLITICAL AND SOCIAL PERSPECTIVES.

AS AN EXAMPLE OF IMPACT, THE TEXAS JOURNAL OF OIL, GAS AND ENERGY LAW HAS AN IMPRESSIVE READERSHIP THAT REACHES FAR BEYOND ACADEMIA, CIRCULATING AMONG ATTORNEYS AND ENERGY INDUSTRY PROFESSIONALS.

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS AT TEXAS LAW RUN THE GAMUT OF INTERESTS, FROM THE CHICANO/ HISPANIC LAW STUDENTS ASSOCIATION AND THE ENTERTAINMENT AND SPORTS LAW SOCIETY TO ASSAULT AND FLATTERY (A THEATER GROUP) AND THE WOMEN’S LAW CAUCUS. THERE ARE MORE THAN 40 ORGANIZATIONS TO CHOOSE FROM.

FACILITIES

TEXAS LAW IS SITUATED ON THE NORTHEAST QUADRANT OF MAIN CAMPUS, A SHORT WALK TO MUSEUMS, TWO RECREATION CENTERS WITH POOLS AND THE FOOTBALL STADIUM. LAW SCHOOL FACILITIES INCLUDE TWO COURTROOMS, STUDY LOUNGES, STATE-OF-THE-ART CLASSROOMS, A CAFÉ, AND THE TARRANT LAW
Library, one of the largest academic law libraries in the world.

HOUSING

About 95 percent of law students live off campus with access to a myriad of housing options including single-family bungalows in Hyde Park within walking distance of campus, condos downtown close to public transportation, duplexes in trendy neighborhoods such as Crestview and Travis Heights and more. For on-campus graduate student housing, contact the university’s Division of Housing and Food Services.

Texas Law students celebrate the 30th anniversary of Texas Law Fellowships, a student organization that raises money to fund summer public interest fellowships.

STUDENT AFFAIRS OFFICE

The Student Affairs Office, led by Elizabeth Bangs, Assistant Dean for Student Affairs, helps Texas Law students achieve their academic and extracurricular goals. Throughout the year, the office organizes study breaks, works closely with student organizations to plan events and holds academic support and advising sessions. The experienced staff is always available for counseling on academic or personal matters.

The Tarlton Law Library includes in its collections core domestic and foreign legal resources, papers of several Supreme Court justices and an extensive array of rare books and other artifacts.
CAREERS, CLERKSHIPS & NETWORKING

Start Earning

A DEGREE FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS SCHOOL OF LAW kick-starts career opportunities in every legal sector, throughout the country. In fact, “one degree, many paths” is the mantra of our Career Services Office. Our alumni hold judicial clerkships; work at large, midsize and small law firms; serve in policy, government and advocacy positions; and work in the courts and corporations, among other options.

During the past several years, graduates have chosen employment in 35 states.
CAREER SERVICES OFFICE
YOUR ROAD MAP TO PROFESSIONAL SUCCESS starts at our Career Services Office (CSO). Experienced counselors and a dedicated professional development coach (each a licensed attorney) provide students — beginning with guided support your 1L year — and alumni with individualized career planning assistance to prepare for today’s competitive job market. Each year, more than 600 legal employer offices worldwide interview students through on- and off-campus interview programs. Students can participate in more than 20 job fairs held nationwide in cities such as Boston, Chicago, Los Angeles, New York, San Francisco and Washington, D.C. A proven slate of professional development programs, skills-building workshops, networking opportunities, and tailored career counseling ensure our students gain an edge while job-hunting.

CSO offers a range of services, including:
- Texas Law Professional Development Institute
- Fall and Spring On-Campus Interviews
- Public Service Career Fair
- One-on-one career counseling
- Résumé and cover letter workshops
- Career exploration panels with industry experts
- Mock interview programs
- Networking opportunities
- An online job bank exclusive to Texas Law students

More online at www.law.utexas.edu/career.

CLASS OF 2017 EMPLOYMENT OUTCOMES
87% of the Class of 2017 had a full-time, bar passage required / J.D. advantage job within 10 months of graduation.

$119,377 Average salary of the Class of 2017 based on 89% of all full-time, long-term employed grads reporting.
JUDICIAL CLERKSHIPS

TEXAS LAW HAS ONE OF THE MOST AMBITIOUS Judicial Clerkship Programs in the nation. We begin coaching students within the first year of law school to become competitive candidates for coveted positions.

On average, 50 graduates obtain judicial clerkships each year in federal and state courts across the country. The Judicial Clerkship Program, led by faculty members and a staff with decades of experience, includes opportunities to learn writing and analytical skills, and perfect application materials through advising and courses.

Texas Law is one of the top 12 law schools to place clerks on the U.S. Supreme Court.

JOBS FOR J.D.s

CONSISTENTLY, TEXAS LAW IS ONE OF THE TOP law schools that send first-year associates to the largest 250 law firms in the nation. We’re at the top of U.S. News & World Report’s list of law schools where salaries for grads outweigh student debt. And public service-minded graduates have received prestigious fellowships from the Skadden Foundation and Equal Justice Works to make a living while serving in public interest positions. Our graduates land jobs in every region of the country.

“Texas Law has the most impressive clerkship program that I’ve seen.”

CHIEF JUDGE ED CARNES, THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE ELEVENTH CIRCUIT

ALUMNI MENTORS

TEXAS LAW HAS A UNIQUE MENTORING program, with a dedicated Director of Mentoring Programs personally matching first-year students with an Austin-area alumnus/alumna. These matches are made based on personal background and interests, as well as professional goals. In the 2L and 3L years, students are matched with alumni beyond Austin and across the globe, based on career plans. With a network of graduates 26,000-strong, whatever you want to do, wherever you want to do it, there will be a Texas Law alum ready and able to help.
“I fully credit Texas Law with helping me find my dream job. The Judicial Clerkship Program helped me obtain a Texas Supreme Court clerkship, and the energy law curriculum and hands-on trial advocacy program prepared me to succeed once I started practicing law.”

OLGA KOBZAR, ’10, ATTORNEY
SCOTT, DOUGLASS & McCONNICO LLP
Applicant Eligibility

Applicants for admission to the J.D. program at Texas Law must have earned a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university with a minimum undergraduate GPA of 2.2 as calculated by the Law School Admission Council (LSAC) (unless the applicant enrolled as an undergraduate under the Academic Fresh Start Law pursuant to Section 51.931 of the Texas Education Code). Applicants within six semester hours of completing a baccalaureate degree may be eligible for admission on the condition that they earn the degree before beginning the last year of law study.

When to Apply

REGULAR DECISION ADMISSION

The J.D. application is available beginning September 1. Applications for Regular Decision admission must be submitted no later than midnight Central Time on March 1. It is in the applicant’s best interest to apply well in advance of the March 1 deadline. Final decisions on Regular Decision applications will be made by the end of April.

BINDING EARLY DECISION ADMISSION

Applications for Binding Early Decision admission must be submitted no later than midnight Central Time on November 1. The Admissions Committee will attempt to provide a response on all completed Early Decision applications by the end of January. Some applications will be held for...
further consideration and applicants will be notified in writing if their applications are held. If an applicant is denied admission for the Early Decision process, he/she cannot reapply for the March 1 Regular Decision process. Nonresidents admitted by Early Decision receive a Nonresident Tuition Exemption (NRTE) that entitles them to pay tuition at Texas resident rates plus a $1,000 scholarship for each of their three years of law school. Texas residents admitted by Early Decision receive a $10,000 scholarship for each of their three years. By applying for Early Decision, an applicant promises to attend Texas Law, and to withdraw all applications elsewhere, if admitted.

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS**

1. Take the LSAT no later than February of the year of desired enrollment. (Early Decision applicants must take the LSAT no later than the September/October administration of the year prior to enrollment).
2. Register with the LSAC/CAS at lsac.org
3. Submit the following:
   - Completed application
   - Current résumé
   - Personal statement
   - Statements explaining any affirmative answers to Character and Fitness questions (if applicable)
   - At least two letters of recommendation (submitted through LSAC’s Letter of Recommendation Service)
   - Official transcripts (submitted through LSAC)
   - Nonrefundable application fee. For details on application fee waivers, please visit law.utexas.edu/admissions/apply/application-fee-waiver
4. Complete online Admissions interview (if requested)

We expect to accept the GRE in the cycle starting in Fall 2018. For further details on application requirements, please visit our website at law.utexas.edu/admissions/apply/how-to-apply.
IN 2016-17, OVER 90% OF STUDENTS AT TEXAS Law received some form of financial aid. Financial support is available to students attending Texas Law in the following three forms:

1. Federal Educational Loans
   Federal Educational Loans, up to the Cost of Attendance, are available from the U.S. Department of Education.

2. Grants
   Grant funds are awarded based on need on a first-come, first-served basis. Some grants are only available to Texas Residents.

3. Scholarships
   Criteria for scholarship selection include standardized test scores, cumulative undergraduate GPA, leadership experience, extracurricular activities, community service, and other performance criteria. For the Fall 2017 entering class, 73% of all first-year students received scholarship awards, ranging from $1,000 per year to full tuition and fee awards for all three years of enrollment. Some awards include a competitive Nonresident Tuition Exemption (NRTE) that entitles a nonresident applicant to pay tuition at Texas resident rates.

WILLIAM WAYNE JUSTICE CENTER SCHOLARSHIPS

THE EQUAL JUSTICE SCHOLARSHIP covers full tuition and fees for all three years. The scholarship will be awarded to a student with strong academic credentials, demonstrated commitment to public interest law, and a specific desire to serve low-income individuals or groups following graduation. The scholarship recipient must commit to working full-time for three years after law school providing direct legal services to low-income individuals or groups at a public defender office or 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization in the United States.

THE G. ROLLIE WHITE PUBLIC SERVICE SCHOLARSHIP provides $15,000 each year for three years to an entering student with strong academic credentials and demonstrated commitment to public service who plans to pursue a legal career helping the underserved.

THE WAYNE REAUD PUBLIC INTEREST SCHOLARSHIP covers full tuition and fees for three years and includes a $6,000 summer stipend for public interest legal work. Criteria include strong academic credentials, demonstrated commitment to public service, leadership abilities, financial need, and an intent to provide legal assistance to under-served individuals or groups following graduation.

How to Apply for Financial Aid

TO APPLY FOR federal educational loans and grants, applicants must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online at fafsa.ed.gov. Applicants may submit the FAFSA starting October 1, even if they have not yet applied or been admitted to the law school.

All admitted students are automatically considered for merit-based scholarships. No separate application is required. Scholarships awarded to incoming students are automatically renewed for the second and third years of law school enrollment as long as a student remains in good academic standing.

Notifying You of Your Aid

FINANCIAL AID AWARDS CANNOT BE MADE until after admission and are awarded on a first-come, first-served basis until funds have been exhausted. Admitted applicants who submit a FAFSA will receive an Electronic Financial Aid Notification (EFAN) listing the loan and grant amounts for which they are eligible. Scholarship recipients will receive separate notification of their award from the law school via email.
Helpful Contacts

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instagram.com/utexaslaw

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admissions@law.utexas.edu
512-232-1200

Financial Aid Office
lawfinaid@law.utexas.edu
512-232-1130

Career Services Office
cso@law.utexas.edu
512-232-1150
twitter.com/UTLawCSO
UTLawMentor on LinkedIn

Schedule a Visit
law.utexas.edu/admissions/tours

Student Affairs Office
studentaffairs@law.utexas.edu
512-232-1140

Master of Laws Program
llm@law.utexas.edu
512-232-1262

Tarlton Law Library
512-471-7726
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General UT Austin Information
hello@utexas.edu
512-471-3434

Fee billing questions
512-471-4838

Residency Office
residency@austin.utexas.edu
512-475-7391

Services For Students With Disabilities
ssd@austin.utexas.edu
512-471-6259
Video Phone: 512-410-6644

Student Veteran Services
utveterans@austin.utexas.edu
512-232-2835

Student Health Insurance
512-475-8394

University Health Services
512-471-4955

Graduate and International Admissions
512-475-7391

Housing
housing@austin.utexas.edu
512-471-3136

Council on Legal Education Opportunity
240-582-8600

Law School Admission Council
lsac.org
215-968-1001
Experiential Learning and Centers

**Clinics**

law.utexas.edu/clinics

Texas Law offers extensive clinical education opportunities, with sixteen clinics covering a range of legal issues. These exciting and challenging courses allow students to gain meaningful real world experience while still in school. The low student-to-faculty ratios and small size of the clinics ensure that students work closely with experienced faculty and their classmates. Students often describe working on clinic cases and projects as highlights of their time at Texas Law.

- **Actual Innocence Clinic**
- **Capital Punishment Clinic**
- **Children’s Rights Clinic**
- **Civil Rights Clinic**
- **Criminal Defense Clinic**
- **Domestic Violence Clinic**
- **Entrepreneurship and Community Development Clinic**
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- **Housing Clinic**
- **Human Rights Clinic**
- **Immigration Clinic**
- **Juvenile Justice Clinic**
- **Legislative Lawyering Clinic**
- **Mental Health Clinic**
- **Supreme Court Clinic**
- **Transnational Worker Rights Clinic**

**Internships**

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Internships present great opportunities for students to gain hands-on experience, explore areas of practice, improve their knowledge and skills, and build their professional networks. Student interns work closely with experienced attorneys and judges in nonprofit organizations, government agencies, domestic and international courts, and legislative offices. Field supervisors are experienced attorneys and judges committed to helping educate students, and they provide challenging and interesting professional experiences to interns in their offices.

- **Government Internship**
- **International Internship**
- **Judicial Internship**
- **Legislative Internship**
- **Nonprofit Internship**
- **Prosecution Internship**
- **Semester in Practice Internship**
- **U.S. Attorney Internship**

**Centers and Programs**

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Texas Law is home to some of the nation’s leading centers and programs in legal education. From our newest Kay Bailey Hutchison Center for Energy, Law, and Business to our robust Center for Women in Law, our students are surrounded by networks that support their varied interests.

- Bernard and Audre Rapoport Center for Human Rights and Justice
- **Budd Innocence Center**
- **Capital Punishment Center**
- **Center for Law, Business and Economics**
- **Center for Public Policy Dispute Resolution**
- **Center for Women in Law**
- **Center on Lawyers, Civil Justice and the Media**
- **David J. Beck Center for Legal Research, Writing and Appellate Advocacy**
- **Institute for Transnational Law**
- **Kay Bailey Hutchison Center for Energy, Law and Business**
- **Robert S. Strauss Center for International Security and Law**
- **William Wayne Justice Center for Public Interest Law/Richard and Ginni Mitho Pro Bono Program**

**Study Abroad Programs**

- **Argentina**
  - Universidad de Buenos Aires,
  - Universidad San Andres, University of Torcuato di Tella
- **Australia**
  - Bond University, University of Melbourne, University of Sydney, University of New South Wales
- **Brazil**
  - Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Sul, Universidade Federal do Para
- **Chile**
  - Pontificia Universidad Catolica
- **Denmark**
  - University of Copenhagen
- **England**
  - Oxford Brookes University, Queen Mary University of London, University of Nottingham
- **France**
  - Universite Jean Moulin Lyon 3, Sciences Po
- **Germany**
  - Bucerius Law School
- **Ireland**
  - University College of Dublin, University of Limerick
- **Israel**
  - Tel Aviv University
- **Italy**
  - European University Institute
- **Mexico**
  - Instituto Tecnologico Autonomo de Mexico
  - Universidad Panamericana in Mexico City
- **Netherlands**
  - Universiteit Leiden, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam
- **Norway**
  - University of Oslo
- **Scotland**
  - University of Edinburgh
- **Spain**
  - Carlos III de Madrid
- **Sweden**
  - University of Stockholm
- **Switzerland**
  - Universitaet St. Gallen, Universitaet Lucerne
- **Wales**
  - Swansea University

**Journals**

- American Journal of Criminal Law
- Texas Environmental Law Journal
- Texas Hispanic Journal of Law & Policy
- Texas Intellectual Property Law Journal
- Texas International Law Journal
- Texas Journal on Civil Liberties & Civil Rights
- Texas Journal of Oil, Gas, and Energy Law
- Texas Law Review
- Texas Review of Entertainment & Sports Law
- Texas Review of Law & Politics
- The Review of Litigation
Texas Law in the News

1ST
U.S. News & World Report has ranked Texas Law number 1 for best starting salary-to-debt ratio of any law school in the country.

4TH
Ranked by U.S. News & World Report among the top 5 public law schools in the nation.

TOP 15

2017 Entering Class Profile

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Diversity and Geographic Representation

- **52%** Male
- **48%** Female
- **28%** Minority
- **24** Average Student Age
- **36** States
- **124** Undergraduate Schools Represented

Bar Passage Rates

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Employment Snapshot

- **87%** of the Class of 2017 had full-time, bar passage required/ J.D. advantage employment within ten months of graduation.

- **64%** Law Firms
- **14%** Judicial Clerkships
- **11%** Business & Industry
- **4%** Public Interest
- **<1%** Education
- **6%** Government