



*“There are greater expectations on our students to hit the ground running. This new program will help our students meet those expectations.”*

—Heather Kern Slovensky,  
Lawyering: Foundations Program Director

**DEVELOPING SKILLFUL WRITERS:** Smaller sections. More assignments. Individualized feedback. Double the credit hours. Georgia State Law transforms its legal writing program into **Lawyering Foundations** to **mirror the demands of practice**.

*“Writing is fundamental to all courses. Writing cannot be esoteric. It has to be concrete. Our students must be professionals who have the skills necessary to execute the law.”*

—Wendy Hensel, Associate Dean for Research and Faculty Development

The **Lawyering: Foundations Program**, a reimagining of the former Research, Writing and Advocacy course, focuses on developing **writing** and **analysis skills** that prepare students to hit the ground running after graduation. Program highlights include:

- Writing legal memoranda
- Writing trial and appellate briefs
- Conducting witness interviews
- Drafting contracts
- Drafting business emails and client letters
- Smaller courses, breakout workshops with one-on-one feedback
- More credit hours—now six; up from three

**Recurring, smaller scope assignments** reflective of those a young lawyer completes in practice replace the large-scale, infrequent assignments of the past. Classes have been broken down into **30-student sections**, and subdivided into **15-student workshops** throughout the semester to facilitate **one-on-one** and **small group critiques**.

Learn more: [law.gsu.edu/foundations](http://law.gsu.edu/foundations)



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