

At Georgia State Law, you don't just learn the law—**YOU PRACTICE IT.**



IT'S
YOUR
TIME

 Georgia State
University | COLLEGE
OF LAW

DID YOU KNOW?

At the national Duberstein Bankruptcy Moot Court Competition on March 3, Georgia State Law beat 63 other teams. Team members include Paul Shuman (J.D. '14), Clay Roberts (J.D. '14) and Fareed Kaisani (J.D. '14) with student coach Trey Tharpe (J.D. '14).



DID YOU KNOW?

National Jurist magazine has ranked Georgia State Law as a top 5 Best Value school for five consecutive years.

IT'S YOUR TIME

You've got what it takes.
Are you ready to turn your aspirations into real world experience and make an impact?

At Georgia State Law, our students and alumni make an impact in the lives of others by working together and across disciplines to both preserve and invigorate the law. Whether it is educating investors, removing barriers to health care or updating the state code in the legislature, Georgia State lawyers make a difference.

Employers value the skills and dispositions nurtured at Georgia State Law—the ability to think critically and creatively, to analyze and break down a complex problem to present a sustainable solution, and an appreciation for giving back to our community.

Students choose Georgia State Law for its welcoming and supportive faculty and staff, an engaged network of alumni and boundless opportunities for practical experience and mentoring. See their stories at law.gsu.edu/thankful.

Our tuition rate allows you to graduate with a fraction of the debt with which most young lawyers are saddled, and our employment rate remains strong because our students learn the practical skills they need to succeed in their careers.

At Georgia State Law, you get practice, value, access and support—the things you need to make an impact from day one.

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Thirty-two years ago, Georgia State University opened a law school to provide a flexible, accessible legal education in downtown Atlanta. In 2015, the college is poised to transform the landscape of our community—physically and metaphorically—with a new, dedicated facility for the College of Law.

The building will feature 21 state-of-the-art classrooms, multiple courtrooms of various sizes and configurations, a 230-seat appellate courtroom for training and special events. The top two floors will house the law library, featuring quiet and collaborative workspace, as well as an outdoor terrace, café and reading room.

Learn more at building.law.gsu.edu.

Dean's Welcome

CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR ACCEPTANCE

to Georgia State University College of Law. From your first day of classes this fall, you will benefit from hands-on academic programs, state-of-the-art technology and a world-class faculty of scholars who bring an impressive range of talents and practical experiences to the classroom.

You also will find Atlanta to be an access point for legal opportunities at every level of business and government. We see our city and community as a major partner and take pride in the ways we have integrated what our environment has to offer with the teaching of substantive law and practical legal skills.

Diverse and motivated like you, your classmates come from different backgrounds and, through our full- and part-time programs, bring a rich variety of life and work experiences to the law school.

As a Georgia State Law graduate, you will join a community of more than 4,500 alumni in all areas of law, business, government and public service. Our bar passage rate is consistently high, and our alumni have earned a reputation as "smooth and capable" and "rough and ready" to make an immediate impact after graduation.

Welcome to the Georgia State Law community.



Steven J. Kaminshine
Dean and Professor of Law

DID YOU KNOW?

Our bar passage rate is among the state's best, consistently in the mid-to-high 90s.

Class Profile for Fall 2013

Total Applicants	1,944
Class Size	181
Average Age	24
Men	105 (56%)
Women	84 (46%)
Minority Enrollment	47 (25%)
Georgia Residents	173 (92%)

Percentile	LSAT	GPA
25%	157	3.14
Median	159	3.38
75%	161	3.55

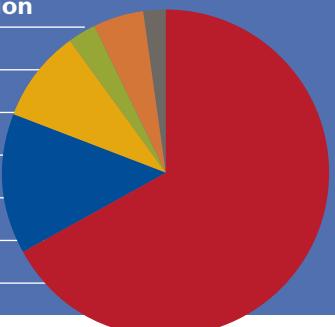
At a Glance

Bar Passage Rate	July 2012, 95%
	February 2013, 92.3%
	July 2013, 94.7%
Student-Faculty Ratio	11 to 1
Full-Time Faculty	63

Class of 2012

Job placement 9 months after graduation

- J.D. Required 67%
- J.D. Advantage 14%
- Professional 9%
- Graduate Degree, Full Time 3%
- Unemployed seeking 5%
- Unknown Status 2%



The flexible curriculum at Georgia State Law integrates theory and practice, giving you a hands-on experience while allowing you to take advantage of numerous opportunities in the legal profession.

Our downtown Atlanta location means that classrooms, courtrooms, business and government are concentrated and accessible to our students. Top-notch faculty members help you develop the knowledge and the skills you need to practice law successfully after graduation.

Practice the law. Get a quality education at a great value. Access opportunities and networks. Get the support you need to succeed. That's the Georgia State Law advantage.

THE GEORGIA STATE LAW ADVANTAGE

Kevin Coleman (J.D./M.B.A. '15)

PRACTICE

“The different student organizations hold panels and networking events that are exposing me to the different kinds of law people practice and the different things I can do with a law degree.”

Sheila Biliomoria (J.D. '15)
Hometown: Macon, Ga.
Undergraduate: University of Georgia



“I chose Georgia State University because I believe an urban environment is the best place to integrate legal theory and legal practice. Plus, I’m getting my education at a great value.”

Mark Bryce (J.D. '14)
Hometown: Born in Queens, N.Y.
Raised in Marietta, Ga.
Undergraduate: Kennesaw State University

ACCESS



JURIS DOCTOR

Since 1982, the college has been educating full- and part-time students pursuing a juris doctor. Courses extensively cover the foundational areas of the law and include an array of flexible elective options that touch on virtually every aspect of public and private practice.

“The student organizations offer both academic and career workshops, and the student members are able to pass along advice that they wish they’d known when they were beginning law school.”

Kevin Coleman (J.D./M.B.A. '15)
Hometown: Atlanta, Ga.
Undergraduate: Morehouse College

SUPPORT

VALUE

“Georgia State is a great school and an incredible deal for aspiring lawyers. As one of the best law schools for the value, I had no reason to attend a college that would put me into hundreds of thousands of dollars of debt.”

Emily Wang (J.D. '15)
Hometown: Duluth, Ga.
Undergraduate: Emory University



PRACTICE

A close-up photograph of a young woman with dark hair and a warm smile, looking upwards and to the right. In the background, a man with a beard and glasses is partially visible, looking towards the camera. The lighting is soft and focused on the woman's face.

Here for you.

You'll have a personal librarian at the Law Library. Your appointed librarian will assist you with specific research and citation requests and help teach you the basics of legal research tools. Learn more on page 21.



student-faculty ratio
for 2013-14

Georgia State Law offers a blended traditional and innovative curriculum designed to meet the needs of our students and reflect the growing reach of technology.

We build on the foundational areas of the law with flexible options and elective opportunities that cover virtually all aspects of public and private law.

In the first year, you will cover civil procedure, contracts, criminal law, property law, torts and our newly reimaged Lawyering: Foundations course, which satisfies the legal writing and research requirement through frequent, simulated real world writing projects such as memos and briefs.

In your second and third years, you'll choose from a wide array of elective courses that give a glimpse into the day-to-day of a working lawyer: counseling, negotiation, legal drafting and alternative dispute resolution, among many others. Varied theory and special interest courses also are available, such as law and religion, arts and entertainment law, or human subjects research, in addition to required courses like Lawyering: Advocacy (a hands-on litigation course), Constitutional Law and Professional Responsibility.

Our flexible program allows you to choose the pace that suits your needs. The accelerated program will allow you to complete the program in just two and a half years, while the part-time program allows additional time for working students to complete their studies.

"You can learn the law to some degree in a classroom and from a book, but once you get out into practice, things are different. These experiences have shown me how different it is and prepared me to go out and begin work immediately."

Gordon Hartman (J.D./M.Tx. '13)
Attorney with Ernst & Young in Atlanta

On his clinical experiences and externships, including the Philip C. Cook Low-Income Taxpayer Clinic, the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Internal Revenue Service.



PRACTICE: Experiential Learning at Georgia State Law

Bankruptcy Assistance and Practice Program

The Bankruptcy Assistance and Practice Program allows second- and third-year students to work with Atlanta Legal Aid Society and low-income Georgians facing debt crisis, foreclosure and bankruptcy.

Capital Defender Clinic

The Office of Georgia Capital Defenders accepts second- and third-year students to assist attorneys in all aspects of preparing indigent clients' death penalty cases for trial in each phase of the case.

Fundamentals of Law Practice

Learn practical skills and ethical decision-making through simulating the work of a small, general practice law firm in Fundamentals of Law Practice. Course work includes simulation exercises and actual client representation in domestic violence cases.

HeLP Legal Services Clinic

The HeLP Legal Services Clinic represents the low-income families of children receiving health care services through Children's Healthcare of Atlanta. Students work with clinical faculty and a variety of partners—including medical schools, social workers and public health educators—to hone skills in client interviewing and counseling, case management and other advanced aspects of health related cases.

Health Legislation and Advocacy

This two-semester clinic examines the process by which legislation is enacted into state law—including drafting, legislative organization and procedure, ethics and lobbying, and the appropriations process. Students work with a community partner organization or agency on upcoming proposed health-related legislation in the Georgia General Assembly.

International Programs

Compare alternate legal systems and societal challenges around the world. Study abroad options include the Summer Academy in International Commercial Arbitration in central Europe and the Summer Legal Study in Rio de Janeiro.

Investor Advocacy Clinic

The Investor Advocacy Clinic trains students in arbitration, negotiation and mediation as they work with investors who have suffered losses resulting from broker misconduct and cannot secure private legal representation because of the size of their claim. Students also provide smart investment education to the public.

Philip C. Cook Low-Income Taxpayer Clinic

Students provide legal representation to low-income individuals during the post-audit stage of their disputes with the Internal Revenue Service. The tax clinic provides professional skills and substantive training on filing status, credits and exemptions, immigration status and collection issues.

Urban Fellows

Urban Fellows is an interdisciplinary initiative of the Center for the Comparative Study of Metropolitan Growth, which connects top graduate students from Georgia State University and Georgia Institute of Technology's School of City and Regional Planning to scholars and leading professionals to study and discuss issues related to urban growth.

INNOVATIVE PRACTICE-BASED CURRICULUM

During your first year, Georgia State Law introduces you to the world of practice through our new course, *Lawyering: Foundations*, which focuses attention on writing, problem solving and advocacy skills. You will learn what lawyering is all about with more assignments, smaller sections and more feedback.

In your second year, you'll build upon your writing and advocacy skills in *Lawyering: Advocacy* – a hands-on litigation course. Students develop the skills needed in representing a client from initial interview to discovery and pre-trial motions, and throughout the trial process.





As you prepare to practice law, you'll find a wide range of purposeful and practical learning experiences at Georgia State. You can choose from externships and clinical courses to apply classroom theories and skills in the world of practice.

Externships

The Externship Program places law students with more than 70 government agencies, nonprofit organizations and judges in Atlanta in virtually every area of the law. You will receive academic credit for work done under the supervision of practicing attorneys and judges at pre-approved externship sites.

Sample of Externship Sites

- ACLU of Georgia*
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
- Offices of District Attorneys, Solicitors & Public Defenders
- Environmental Protection Agency
- Equal Employment Opportunity Commission
- Federal Highway Administration
- Fulton County Landlord-Tenant Mediation
- Georgia Health Association*
- Internal Revenue Service
- Southern Environmental Law Center*
- Southern Center for Human Rights
- U.S. Attorney's Office, Northern District of Georgia
- U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
- U.S. Securities & Exchange Commission

*denotes sites for part-time students

"You want to attend a law school that prepares you for all aspects of real-life practice and can put you in a great position coming out the gate. With a very reasonable tuition rate, strong alumni network, and experienced faculty and staff, Georgia State does just that."

Terrell Thomas II (J.D.'15)

Hometown: College Park, Ga.

Undergraduate: Georgia Southern University

PRACTICE: Degree Programs

The Juris Doctorate

Dual Degrees

Dual degrees with Georgia Institute of Technology and within Georgia State University are available for law students seeking interdisciplinary study. Selected coursework in each program satisfies requirements in the other. Dual programs are offered with:

Andrew Young School of Policy Studies

- J.D./M.P.A.: Master's of Public Administration

Honors College

- B./J.D. Bachelor's and J.D.

J. Mack Robinson College of Business

- J.D./M.B.A.: Master's of Business Administration; choose a focus area of management, e-commerce, computer information systems or marketing
- J.D./M.P.A.: Master's of Professional Accountancy
- J.D./M.S.H.A.: Master's of Science and Health Administration
- J.D./M.B.A./M.H.A.: Master's of Business Administration and Master's of Health Administration

School of Public Health

- J.D./M.P.H.: Master's of Public Health

College of Arts and Sciences

- J.D./M.A. in Philosophy

Georgia Institute of Technology

- J.D./M.C.R.P.: Master's of City of Regional Planning

Learn more about the College of Law's J.D. and dual degrees at law.gsu.edu/degrees



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the number of
degrees Georgia
State Law offers

Co-Curriculars

TRIAL ADVOCACY

Our required Lawyering: Advocacy course offers an intensive skills training experience for all phases of the pre-trial and trial process. Students must conduct a jury trial to complete the course.

MOOT COURT AND MOCK TRIAL

Students compete in moot court and mock trial competitions in the nation and abroad while refining their advocacy skills. Learn more about these programs at law.gsu.edu/stla and law.gsu.edu/mootcourt.



PRO BONO RECOGNITION PROGRAM

Georgia State Law encourages students to develop legal expertise and professional networks through pro bono work. Students who work in the community are recognized at graduation with pro bono distinction. Learn more at law.gsu.edu/probono.

THE LAW REVIEW

The Georgia State University Law Review publishes four times a year and holds an annual symposium. Members contribute to legal scholarship while encouraging local engagement through the Peach Sheets initiative, a legislative history of the Georgia General Assembly. Learn more at law.gsu.edu/lawreview.

DID YOU KNOW?

In fall 2012, our mock trial teams brought home three awards in just one month:

- First place at the National Trial Advocacy Competition at Michigan State University
- Second place in the William Daniel Mock Trial Competition (Atlanta) and the Lone Star Classic Competition (Texas)



Georgia State Law is at the center of Atlanta's legal profession. Students can walk to the state Capitol, state and federal courthouses and government agencies. Catch a MARTA train at the Georgia State Station and you are a short ride away from major law firms in Midtown and Buckhead.

ACCESS: ATLANTA

Georgia State University College of Law is located in the heart of the Southeast's busiest city and just steps from the downtown government center.

Atlanta is a hub for business, health care, research, entertainment and nonprofit organizations, and is home to dozens of Fortune 500 company headquarters including Coca-Cola, The Home Depot, UPS and Newell Rubbermaid.

Atlanta has become a thriving and diverse legal environment for study and practice. Clinical programs and research centers at Georgia State Law partner with groups throughout the metro area to provide information and legal assistance to people in need.

Our students learn from and work with attorneys and staff in the judiciary, at major and boutique firms, and with nonprofits like the Atlanta Legal Aid Society and the Southern Center for Human Rights. From public interest law to business and intellectual property law, Atlanta gives you the access you need to grow your experience and your network.



When you're not hitting the books or pounding the pavement, Atlanta provides a variety of attractions and events to keep you involved and blow off some steam. The city has a vibrant history and exciting future, and is filled with opportunities to get out and have some fun.

AREA ATTRACTIONS

- Alliance Theatre
- APEX Museum
- Atlanta Botanical Garden
- Atlanta Cyclorama and Civil War Museum*
- Atlanta History Center
- Boisfeuillet Jones Atlanta Civic Center
- Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and Museum
- Center for Puppetry Arts
- CNN Center
- Fernbank Museum
- Fox Theatre
- Georgia Aquarium*
- Georgia World Congress Center
- High Museum of Art
- The Martin Luther King Jr. National Historic Site
- National Center for Civil Rights
- Six Flags over Georgia*
- Stone Mountain Park*
- World of Coca-Cola
- Zoo Atlanta*

SHOPPING

- Atlantic Station
- Buckhead
- Lenox Square
- Little Five Points
- Phipps Plaza
- Virginia Highland

SPORTS

- Atlanta Braves*
- Atlanta Dream
- Atlanta Falcons
- Atlanta Hawks*

AREA PARKS

- Atlanta Beltline
- Centennial Olympic Park
- Central Park
- Candler Park
- Freedom Park
- Grant Park
- Hurt Park
- Inman Park
- Piedmont Park
- Woodruff Park

* Discount tickets available for Georgia State University students.

ACCESS: Research and Outreach

Located in the heart of the Southeast's busiest city, Georgia State Law's myriad centers work to improve the community, region and world around them.

Center for the Comparative Study of Metropolitan Growth

The center brings together a professional network of lawyers, planners and engineers who are committed to finding sustainable answers to urban growth challenges. Research and programming focuses on urban planning, land use, water rights and other aspects of environmental law, and provides special opportunities for students to participate in comparative study programs in Brazil and other partner institutions around the world.

law.gsu.edu/metrogrowth

Center for Law, Health & Society

The Center for Law, Health and Society guides the college's No. 3 ranked health law program and aims to improve public health through engaging educational programs, advocacy and community outreach initiatives. The center advances the key role that law plays in promoting the health of individuals, families and communities. law.gsu.edu/clhs

Consortium on Negotiation and Conflict Resolution

The consortium is an inter-institutional, multidisciplinary program for the development of theory and practice in conflict management and resolution. The group provides resources to communities like the Ombuds Network of the University System of Georgia and to practitioners of restorative justice.

law.gsu.edu/cncr

Intellectual Property Program

An engaged alumni advisory board of intellectual property practitioners partners with college faculty and community leaders to develop programs for mentoring, scholarships, writing competitions and job fairs for students interested in pursuing intellectual property law. law.gsu.edu/ip

National Institute for Teaching Ethics and Professionalism

The institute is a consortium of seven centers of research on ethics and professionalism that sponsors several workshops throughout the year, and maintains the International Forum on Teaching Ethics and Professionalism, a database of resources for ethics professors, scholars and practitioners. law.gsu.edu/niftep

DID YOU KNOW?

Our Law Library is the official library of the Supreme Court of Georgia and provides services to legislative offices and government agencies.



Justice Carol W. Hunstein
of the Supreme Court of Georgia



AREA BUSINESSES AND ORGANIZATIONS

- American Cancer Society
- Arthritis Foundation
- AT&T
- Boys and Girls Clubs of America
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
- CARE
- Coca-Cola Co.
- Delta Air Lines
- Environmental Protection Agency
- Federal Aviation Agency
- Federal Highway Administration
- Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta
- Genuine Parts Co.
- Habitat for Humanity
- The Home Depot
- Internal Revenue Service
- Newell Rubbermaid
- Securities and Exchange Commission
- Southern Co.
- SunTrust Banks
- Turner Broadcasting and CNN

• UPS

- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
- U.S. Department of the Interior Office of Regional Solicitor

LEGAL INSTITUTIONS

- American Civil Liberties Union of Georgia
- Atlanta Legal Aid Society
- Atlanta Volunteer Lawyers Foundation
- Cobb County District Attorney's Office
- Cobb County Public Defender Office
- Cobb County Solicitor's Office
- DeKalb County Superior Court
- DeKalb County District Attorney's Office
- DeKalb County Public Defender Office
- DeKalb County Solicitor's Office
- Equal Employment Opportunity Commission
- Federal Defender Program
- Fulton County District Attorney's Office
- Fulton County Public Defender Office
- Fulton County Solicitor's Office
- Fulton County Superior Court
- Georgia Asylum & Immigration Network
- Georgia Court of Appeals
- Georgia General Assembly and State Capitol
- Georgia Innocence Project
- Georgia Lawyers for the Arts
- GreenLaw (Georgia Center for Law in the Public Interest)
- Gwinnett County District Attorney's Office
- Gwinnett County Public Defender Office
- Gwinnett County Solicitor's Office
- Health Law Partnership
- LAMBDA Legal Defense and Education Fund
- Pro Bono Partnership of Atlanta
- Rockdale County District Attorney's Office
- Southern Center for Human Rights
- Supreme Court of Georgia
- Southern Environmental Law Center
- U.S. Attorney's Office for the Northern District of Georgia
- U.S. Bankruptcy Court
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the 11th District
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Georgia

A woman with blonde hair tied back in a bun, wearing a dark blazer over a floral top, is speaking to an audience. She is gesturing with her hands and holding a pen. The background is blurred, showing other people in the audience.

VALUE

DID YOU KNOW?

First-year students can start working with CSO on Nov. 1.

Career Services

In today's market, you must be a competitive candidate with an extensive professional network. The Office of Career Services (CSO) is of great value to both students and alumni providing instruction, tools and resources for them to become and remain competitive. Visiting speakers and guest career counselors supplement the office's regular offerings, which include resume and cover letter workshops, networking events, on-campus interviews and general career guidance.

Throughout the year, events like the Mock Interview Program help students hone their presentation skills before they begin interviewing for job placements.

Career Services offers the following employment and concentrated services:

SPRING AND FALL RECRUITMENT

Businesses, judges, government agencies, organizations and large and small firms visit campus in the spring and fall for on-campus interviews.

CAREER FAIRS

Georgia State Law is affiliated with and offers students access to numerous other career fairs in specialty markets and practice areas throughout the year. Students meet prospective local, regional and national employers.

Each summer, the college also holds the largest IP-focused job fair in the region, the Southeastern Intellectual Property Job Fair. Learn more at sipjf.law.gsu.edu.

JOB POSTINGS

Year-round employment opportunity listings including part-time, summer, temporary and full-time positions are posted online and promoted through regular e-mail communications to students and alumni.

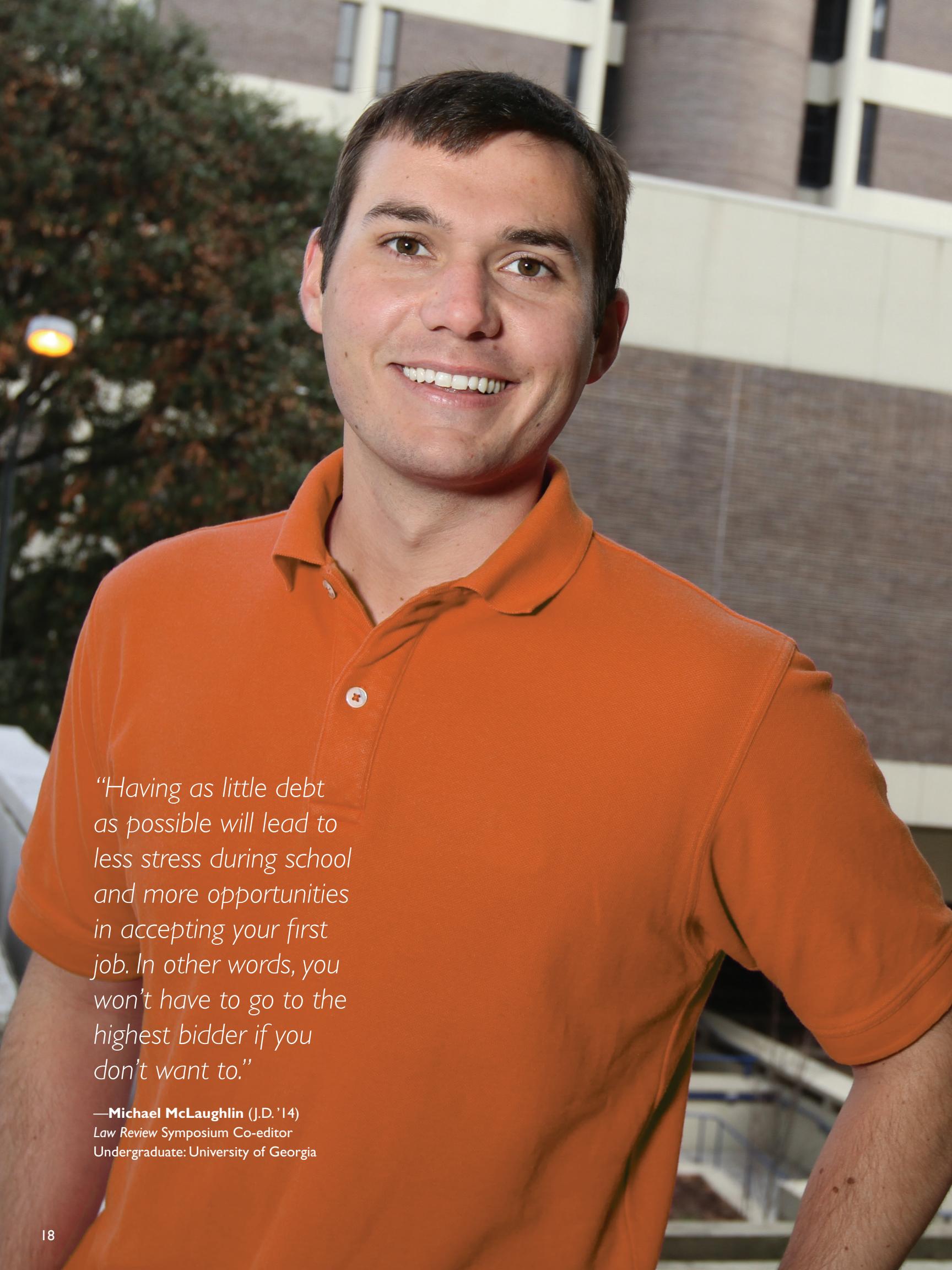
S.H.A.R.P.

The Solo/Small Firm Hiring Assistance and Recruitment Program gives students a chance to get hands-on legal experience by working on paid, short-term research assignments and projects with solo practitioners, small firms and other employers.

MENTOR-SHADOW PROGRAM

This program matches you with attorneys working in your area of interest, and allows you to spend time and work together with the mentor-attorney in his or her work environment.





“Having as little debt as possible will lead to less stress during school and more opportunities in accepting your first job. In other words, you won’t have to go to the highest bidder if you don’t want to.”

—Michael McLaughlin (J.D.’14)
Law Review Symposium Co-editor
Undergraduate: University of Georgia

VALUE

Estimated Expenses

Based on 2013-2014 figures
Tuition and fees are subject to change.

GEORGIA RESIDENTS GOING FULL TIME

Tuition and Fees:	\$16,042
Books and Supplies:	\$1,500
Living Expenses:	\$12,410 *
Transportation:	\$2,070
Loans Fees:	\$120
Total:	\$32,142

GEORGIA RESIDENTS GOING PART TIME

(Based on nine hours)

Tuition and Fees:	\$12,592
Books and Supplies:	\$1,500
Living Expenses:	\$12,410 *
Transportation:	\$2,070
Loans Fees:	\$120
Total:	\$28,692

NON-GEORGIA RESIDENTS GOING FULL TIME

Tuition and Fees:	\$35,722
Books and Supplies:	\$1,500
Living Expenses:	\$12,410 *
Transportation:	\$2,070
Loans Fees:	\$120
Total:	\$51,822

NON-GEORGIA RESIDENTS GOING PART TIME

(Based on nine hours)

Tuition and Fees:	\$27,352
Books and Supplies:	\$1,500
Living Expenses:	\$12,410 *
Transportation:	\$2,070
Loans Fees:	\$120
Total:	\$43,452

*(Costs may vary based on your choices)

Financial Aid

Major sources of funding that may be available include: scholarships, tuition waivers, federal loans and private educational loans. Scholarships and tuition waivers are administered within the College of Law.

For more information on aid programs and eligibility requirements, visit sfs.gsu.edu.

Scholarships, Awards and Tuition Waivers

All students, once accepted for admission to the College of Law, are considered for appropriate scholarships and tuition waivers. Tuition waivers are based on academic achievement and include student employment such as graduate research and teaching assistantships. For a full list of scholarships and available tuition waivers, visit law.gsu.edu/scholarships.

Fees

In addition to tuition, Georgia State charges student fees each semester that are used to implement a variety of programs. As of March 1, these fees total \$1,121 per semester.

Financing Your Legal Education

TUITION	FULL TIME	FULL TIME	PART TIME	FEES
			per semester	per year
Resident	\$6,900	\$13,800	\$575	\$1,121
Nonresident	\$16,740	\$33,400	\$1,395	\$1,121

Applying for Federal Financial Aid

The first step is to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid. This form is available beginning the first week of January each year and should be completed online as early as possible at fafsa.ed.gov, and no later than **Tuesday, April 1**.

- Submit FAFSA
- Submit verification documents if requested
- Look for award notice through PAWS
- Complete Master Promissory Note
- Complete Entrance Loan Counseling

Note: Financial aid is disbursed after the first week of classes. Excess aid is refunded to a student's account two weeks after class begins. Also, tuition and fees are subject to change.

A woman with short brown hair, wearing a black dress and a necklace with large white and gold beads, is speaking on stage. She has her hands outstretched as if gesturing to an audience. The background is dark.

“We go the extra mile to provide total access to all programs and resources for our part-time students, many of whom are working professionals and parents.”

—**Windsor Adams**, Instructor
Lawyering: Foundations

SUPPORT

Committed to Flexible Programs

The Georgia State commitment to flexible programming opens our campus up to a wider variety of students, which brings an added dimension to our community. Whether you just graduated college, took a few years off, have been working in another field for several years or are returning to the work force after a family, military or other hiatus, we can help you get the best legal education on your time.

Our core, full-time faculty members teach equally in both programs; seminars and guest speakers are scheduled for day and evening visits; our externship partners provide placements reserved for part-time students.

"I cannot stress enough how esteemed our professors and administrators are and how much they genuinely care. Their involvement and the opportunities they provide have made all the difference in my law student experience."

Niaa Daniels (J.D. '15)
Hometown: Brooklyn, N.Y.
Undergraduate: University at Albany, SUNY

DID YOU KNOW?

Georgia State Law offers at least 29 externships each semester for part-time students.



A STRONG SUPPORT SYSTEM

The College of Law creates opportunities for every student to develop his or her potential for professional success so you can make the most of your time with us.

ACADEMIC ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

The Academic Enrichment Program provides assistance in selected required classes to help students avoid or overcome academic difficulty. Faculty members lead skill-building workshops, while student tutors follow up with small group review. The program is designed to follow first-year coursework, so students learn study and research skills in context.

FACULTY ADVISEMENT

Every first-year student is matched to a faculty adviser during orientation to help them make the transition into law school, assist them in planning future class schedules and guide them toward appropriate services and support.

MENTORING PROGRAMS

Student organizations like the Student Bar Association offer mentoring programs that match participating students with an upperclassman who shares tips and answers questions about classes, job searches, classroom success strategies and law school in general.

PERSONAL LIBRARIAN

Our exceptional law librarians have developed a program that connects first-year students with a reference librarian to assist with legal research questions throughout your law school career. Your appointed librarian can help with research difficulties or specific research and citation requests, and provide instruction on legal research tools and resources.





DID YOU KNOW?

Georgia State Law has more than 25 student organizations. Each group organizes socials, networking events and public service projects for its members, including helping Books for Africa each fall.



SUPPORT: A Leading Research University

Georgia State University is an integral part of the downtown Atlanta cityscape, bringing diverse students and faculty from across the world with myriad interests, skills and backgrounds. As the university has grown in size and scope, so have campus facilities and services.

When you become a student at Georgia State Law, you have access to everything the university has to offer—services and resources that grow each year, housing and dining options, Panther athletics and intramural teams, the Rialto Center for the Arts, the Student Recreation Center and other services.

STUDENT RECREATION CENTER

- climbing wall
- racquetball and squash courts
- basketball court
- game room with billiard tables, board games, table tennis and darts
- work-out areas for cardio and weight training
- lap and leisure pool
- spa and dry sauna
- large studios for aerobic, dance, and martial art fitness classes, sports clubs and intramural programs

UNIVERSITY LIBRARY

- more than 1.5 million volumes
- 8,000 active serials
- more than 24,000 media materials
- access to electronic periodical and resources
- more than 14,000 electronic journals
- 30,000 e-books

THE RIALTO CENTER FOR THE ARTS

- theatre, dance, spoken word performances
- music performances, including jazz, blues, rock, classical and world artists.
- home to a variety of cultural organizations and host to numerous public and private events
- serves as the primary performance venue for School of Music large ensemble concerts, and the choral, jazz, brass and percussion ensembles

CINEFEST

- student-run movie theatre located on Georgia State campus in the University Center
- Georgia State students, faculty and staff attend showings for free
- popcorn refills are 50 cents

PARKING AND TRANSPORTATION

Georgia State strives to provide parking and transportation options that fit your budget and schedule, as well as support cleaner air and reduced traffic congestion in downtown Atlanta.

Vehicles: Parking decks and lots are available around campus for cars and motorcycles. Monthly unlimited passes and per-park budget permits are available. A valid permit is required for parking in university lots and decks. Discounted permits and charging stations are available for students driving electric cars.

Mass transit: Discounted MARTA cards are for sale at Auxiliary Services. There is easy access to three MARTA stations—Peachtree Center, Five Points and Georgia State—and numerous bus stops.

PantherExpress: Free shuttles move students to and from off-campus parking lots and around campus.

Learn more about university services and facilities at services.gsu.edu.

WELL, ARE YOU COMING?



“You should choose a place where you'll feel comfortable, even on your worst days.”

—Christine H. Lee (J.D. '16)

Norcross, Ga.

Undergraduate: University of Georgia

Now that you've seen what Georgia State Law has to offer, **are you ready to get started?** Reserve your space in the class by sending your \$150 seat deposit with the class selection form.

CHECK LIST: Get Connected!

■ 1. ACTIVATE YOUR CAMPUS ID

Your Campus ID is used to access most systems at Georgia State. Visit campusid.gsu.edu to activate yours.

■ 2. LOG INTO EMAIL

Windows Live, a.k.a. PantherMail, is the platform used by Georgia State for student email. Set up your account at law.gsu.edu/newemail.

■ 3. LOG INTO PAWS

You will use PAWS to register for class, check student accounts and more. Visit paws.gsu.edu and log in using your Campus ID.

■ 4. SEND US YOUR FINAL TRANSCRIPTS

Two copies of official degree-conferring undergraduate transcripts must be sent directly to the College of Law and LSAC before **Monday, Aug. 11.**

Note: LSAC requires that a transcript request form is included with your submission.

LSAC
662 Penn St.
P.O. Box 2000-M
Newtown, PA 18940

■ 5. VERIFY IMMUNIZATION RECORDS

Submit an immunization form before **Tuesday, July 1.**

You will not be registered for classes if your form has not been received. Visit law.gsu.edu/healthforms or call 404-413-1940 for more information.

■ 6. RESERVE YOUR SEAT

A deposit is required to secure your place in the college's entering class. Send in your \$150 tuition deposit with the class selection form to the college (address below) by **Tuesday, April 15.**

■ 7. VERIFY YOUR CITIZENSHIP

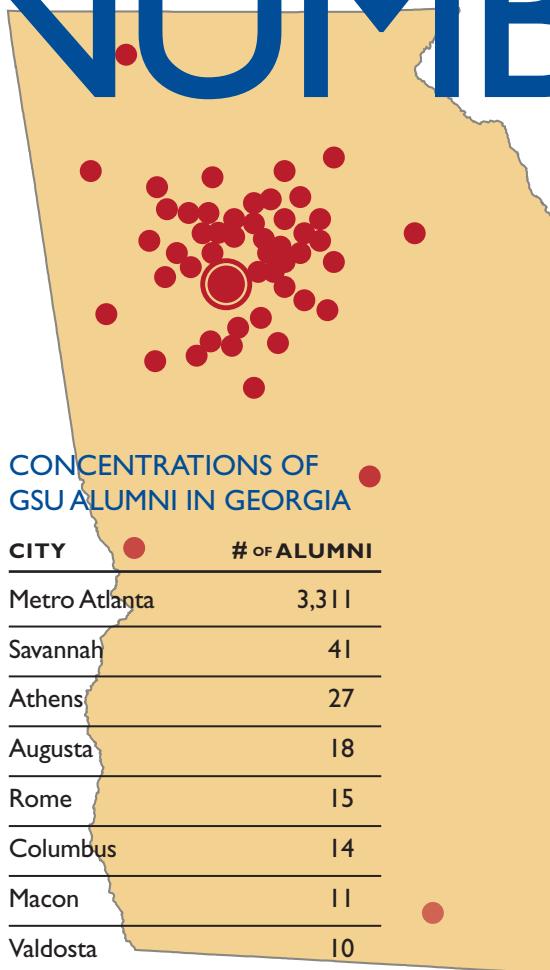
The Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia requires students to provide verification of their lawful presence in the United States before admission is finalized. If your citizenship has not been verified through your FAFSA form, you must submit one of the following to the College of Law's Office of Admissions:

- U.S. Certificate of Naturalization
- Current U.S. passport
- Current Georgia driver's license issued after Jan. 1, 2008
- Current Georgia ID card issued after Jan. 1, 2008
- Permanent Resident Card
- Certified U.S. Birth Certificate (submitted in person)
- Military ID (verified in person)

Students may submit these documents or copies of these documents in person, by mail or via email to sbennett7@gsu.edu.

Georgia State University College of Law
Office of Admissions
P.O. Box 4049, Atlanta, GA 30302-4049
admissions@law.gsu.edu 404-413-9200

BY THE NUMBERS



CONCENTRATIONS OF ALUMNI OUTSIDE GEORGIA

Georgia State Law alumni practice law in 48 of the 50 states. The largest concentration of alumni are in:

Florida	153
North Carolina	70
Tennessee	64
Virginia	64
South Carolina	51
Texas	49
California	47
New York	36
Maryland	32
Colorado	27
Alabama	25
Washington, D.C.	24

Georgia State Law's low tuition rate affords our students the ability to pursue their passions in the legal profession after graduation, whether it is through public service, corporations or business, major firms to small firms or striking out on their own. Our students graduate with the ability to make a difference and an impact from the start.

Of the 76 percent Georgia State Law alumni for whom we have long-term employment data, we know that:

35%

Are employed by small to large locally owned firms in Atlanta, including Swift Currie McGhee & Hiers; Bovis Kyle & Burch; Carlock Copeland & Stair; Drew Eckl & Farnham; Taylor English Duma and Weissman Nowack Curry & Wilco

19%

Work as solo practitioners addressing broad issues in their communities

9%

Work at major firms throughout the southeast, including Alston & Bird; Arnall Golden Gregory; Hall Booth Smith; Kilpatrick Townsend; King & Spalding; McKenna Long & Aldridge; Ogletree Deakins Nash Smoak & Stewart and Troutman Sanders

"The caliber of students in the program, many of whom worked full-time jobs like I did, brought a vast amount of experience to the classroom and made the whole experience much deeper and valuable. In fact, I graduated with a tremendous built-in network because many of my classmates have gone on to successful careers."

Scott Frank (J.D./M.B.A. '94) President, AT&T Intellectual Property

15%

Serve in government agencies at the federal, state, county and city levels.

- 3% state agency employees
- 4% federal agencies
- 22 in the military

4%

Are working in court systems at the federal, state and local levels, including 20 with the federal courts and 46 with the state courts

13%

Hold positions in small and large businesses and corporations, including AT&T; The Coca-Cola Co.; Cox Communications; Ernst & Young; PricewaterhouseCoopers and UPS

76

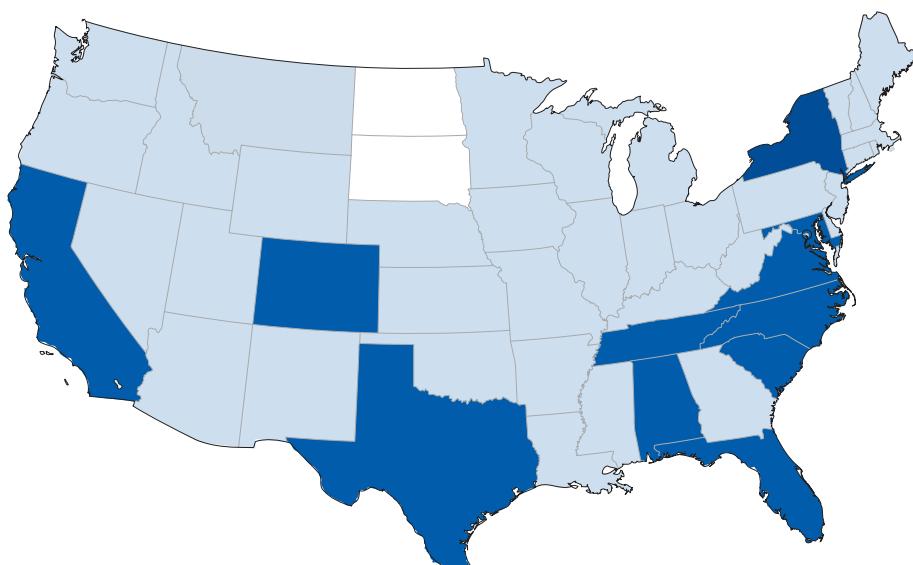
Make a difference in their communities through nonprofits, including the American Civil Liberties Union; Legal Aid Societies and community foundations

4

Serve in churches or religious organizations

84

Work in education, including universities, local schools and their elected boards



THE FINE PRINT

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Hometown: Savannah, Ga.

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Fall 2014

Aug. 11-13	Orientation and classes begin for first-year students
Aug. 18	Fall classes begin for all law students
Sept. 1	Labor Day, university closed
Oct. 14	Midpoint (nonhardship withdrawal deadline)
Nov. 10	Evaluations open on PAWS
Nov. 24-26	No classes; university open
Nov. 27-29	Thanksgiving break; university closed
Dec. 2	Last day of classes and extra Monday to make up for Labor Day
Dec. 3	Reading day / Evaluations close on PAWS
Dec. 4-17	Examinations
Dec. 20-Jan. 4	Winter break, university closed

Spring 2015

Jan. 12	Spring classes begin
Jan. 19	Martin Luther King Jr. Day; university closed
Jan. 20	Fall grades due
March 3	Midpoint (nonhardship withdrawal deadline)
March 16-22	Spring break; no classes
April 13	Evaluations open on PAWS
April 27	Last day of classes and extra Monday to make up for MLK Jr. Day
April 28	Make-up classes
April 29	Reading day / Evaluations close on PAWS
April 30-May 14	Exams
May 15	College of Law Hooding Ceremony

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