

CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA

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Basic Information

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Admissions Profile (J.D. Candidates only)

Applications received	1177
Size of entering class:	138
# of undergraduate colleges represented:	86
# of states represented (incl. D.C.)	22
In-state enrollment:	N/A
Out-state enrollment:	N/A
Foreign countries represented:	3

Grade Point Average / Law School Admission Test

In determining GPA and LSAT averages, are all students included? No
If not, what percentage is not included and why?
Students with GPA from foreign colleges or universities do not have a LSAC reportable GPA.

Contact Information for Other Career Services Staff

Tonya Gaskins, Assistant Dean Kiva Zytznick, Pro Bono Coordinator Laurie Flaherty, Administrative Assistant Darrel Allen, Administrative Assistant

Law School Demographics

		1st Year	2nd Year	3rd Year	4th Year	Total
	Total Class Size	138	101	101	35	375
	Men	55	42	44	17	158
	Women	83	59	57	18	217
Latinx	Men	3	5	1	1	10
Latinx	Women	8	4	2	2	16
White	Men	26	22	16	5	69
White	Women	42	33	26	5	106
Black or African American	Men	2	0	4	1	7
Black or African American	Women	6	4	2	1	13
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	Men	0	0	0	0	0
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	Women	0	0	0	0	0
Asian	Men	0	2	0	0	2
Asian	Women	1	0	1	0	2
Native American or Alaska Native	Men	0	0	1	0	1
Native American or Alaska Native	Women	0	0	0	0	0
2 or more races	Men	0	0	0	0	0
2 or more races	Women	5	4	0	0	9
Persons with Disabilities	Men	1	0	0	0	1
Persons with Disabilities	Women	1	0	3	0	4
LGBTQ	Men	NC	NC	NC	NC	0
LGBTQ	Women	NC	NC	NC	NC	0
Non-Resident Alien	Men	2	0	0	0	2
Non-Resident Alien	Women	2	1	1	0	4

Comments

N/A

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Degree Programs

Number of Students Enrolled:	
Full-Time:	254
Evening:	121
Part-Time:	0
Other:	0
Fields of Study:	
LL.M. Degrees Offered:	Yes
Is LL.M. grading system equivalent to JD system?	Yes
Joint degree programs offered?	Yes
Number of LL.M. degrees awarded in previous year:	3

JD Programs:

Special Training and Certification Programs:

Securities Law Program Comparative and International Law Institute Corporate Compliance Law and Public Policy Program Law and Technology Institute Criminal Litigation Concentration Civil Litigation Concentration Family Law Concentration Intellectual Property Concentration Labor and Employment Concentration Securities Regulation Concentration Interdisciplinary Program in Law and Religion

Is Moot Court a required activity? No

Moot Court Program Description:

Moot Court is one of the larger student groups at the Law School. The various teams, both National Trial and appellate teams, are comprised of students who share a strong interest in oral and written advocacy and competition. Students participate throughout the academic year and board members are selected through an election process. National Trial Team members are eligible for up to 4 credits over the course of their law school careers. Appellate team members are eligible for up to 2 credits over their law school careers.

Explanation of Grading System

Letter Grades	Other Grading System?	Numerical Equivalents
A+	n/a	4.33
A	n/a	4.00
A-	n/a	3.67
B+	n/a	3.33
B	n/a	3.00
B-	n/a	2.67
C+	n/a	2.33
C	n/a	2.00
C-	n/a	1.67
D	n/a	1.00
F	n/a	0.00

Comments:

N/A

Minimum Grade Required to Attain:

Top 10%:	3.681 FT class; 3.523 PT class
Top 25%:	3.444 FT class; 3.474 PT class
Top 33%:	3.394 FT class; 3.465 PT class
Top 50%:	3.169 FT class; 3.099 PT class
Top 75%:	2.952 FT class; 2.781 PT class
Median GPA:	3.169 FT class; 3.099 PT class
Minimum grade required for graduation:	2.50 FT class; 2.50 PT class

Do you have a pass/fail option? Yes

Available only in specific clinical courses and at the discretion of the instructor.

Are students ranked in their class? Yes

If so, how often? Once per year

Will the school verify student grades? Yes

School's Verification Policy

A+ to F grades; Courses of 10 or more students must have a class mean GPA in the 3.0 to 3.30 range.p>

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Pre-Graduation Academic Honors

Graduation Honors

Areas of Practice & Employment

Areas of practice include both legal and non-legal positions: % of employed students with jobs in area	
Private practice	40.62%
Business and industry	19.79%
Government	17.70%
Judicial clerkship	12.5%
Military	3.125%
Public interest organization	4.166
Academic	1.04%
Job category not identified	0%

% of students with known location who are in employment region	
New England (CT,ME,MA,NH,RI,VT)	0
Middle Atlantic (NJ,NY,PA)	7.29
East North Central (IL,IN,MI,OH,WI)	0
West North Central (IA,KS,MN,MO,NE,ND,SD)	0
South Atlantic (DE,DC,FL,GA,MD,NC,SC,VA,WV)	88.54
East South Central (AL,KY,MS,TN)	0
West South Central (AR,LA,OK,TX)	1.04
Mountain (AZ,CO,ID,MT,NV,NM,UT,WY)	0
Pacific (AK,CA,HI,OR,WA)	1.04
Non-US	1.04

Jurisdictions:

D.C., Maryland, and Virginia are three geographic areas employing the largest number of graduates.

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OCI / Job Posting

OCI Reservations

OCI requests accepted by:
Mail - beginning date: 02/18/2019
Phone - beginning date: 02/18/2019
Email to - beginning date: 02/18/2019
Online, URL - beginning date: 02/18/2019:

Any changes in OCI procedures or policies that will be in effect for the first time during Fall 2015:
N/A

OCI Date Assignment Procedure: First come first served
OCI Fee? None
OCI Date Confirmation Sent to Employers: 02/18/2019

If requested, our school will coordinate with:
Any of the Washington, DC area schools

Required Employer Forms:
2019 Symplicity Online Registration

OCI Dates:

August: 08/05/2019-11/01/2019
Fall: 08/06/2018-11/02/2018
Spring: 01/07/2019-04/13/2019
Flyback dates: N/A
Is video conferencing available? Yes
Comments: N/A

Pre-OCI Material Distribution:

Are employers permitted to prescreen? Yes
OCI Drop date: 07/12/2019
Date student materials sent to employer: 07/20/2018
Date interview schedule sent to employer: 07/31/2018
Postage/express mail fee? yes, express mail
Comments: We generally send all documents electronically unless specified by employer.
Do you provide resume collection or direct mail option for employers not participating in OCI? Yes
Are all OCI conducted in campus buildings? Yes

Other Interview Programs

We accept off-campus interview requests for local employers, but treat as OCI.

Diversity Interview Programs

National Black Prosecutors Association Annual Job Fair Annual Bay Area Diversity Career Fair Annual Heartland Diversity Legal Job Fair Akin Gump Interviewing Best Practices for the 1L Bay Area Diversity Career Fair Steptoe & Johnson Mentoring Matters Diversity Program Ballard Spahr Resume Writing and Interviewing Skills Workshop for Diverse 1Ls Just the Beginning Foundation--Summer Judicial Internship Diversity Project Delaware Minority Job Fair DuPont Minority Job Fair Hispanic Bar Association Conference Minnesota Minority Recruitment Conference Rocky Mountain Diversity Legal Career Fair Sidley Austin Diversity Dialogues Summer Scholars Pipeline Program Womble Scholars Program

For Employers who do not interview students on-campus, will you:

send, upon request, one package containing resumes/transcripts? Yes
post a notice directing students to apply directly to employer? Yes

We post positions for graduates on our Symplicity site and send some highlighted opportunities out via newsletters. The graduates follow application instructions set forth by the employer.

Are employers permitted to prescreen? Yes

If no, explain:

First Year Students

The law school supports any guidance that NALP may provide regarding recruitment of first-year law students. First-year students are eligible for spring recruiting and Externship Fair.

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Diversity

Catholic is committed to providing interaction between minority students and alumni as well as placement opportunities. OCPD co-sponsors diversity events and receptions with several employers in the Washington Metropolitan Area.

Pro Bono

We are dedicated to pro bono participation and stress this commitment to community services to our students. Housed in the Office of Career & Professional Development, the program is overseen and managed by the law school's Pro bono Coordinator. The coordinator identifies student volunteer opportunities. Students are able to take part in the "pro bono challenge" where they pledge their time to pro bono projects during their law school career. Students receive recognition based on the number of pro bono hours reported. Additional information is available by calling the office at 202-319-5132.

Student Organizations

Narrative

THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA, COLUMBUS SCHOOL OF LAW Why Choose Catholic University Law? The law school is proud of its curriculum, and particularly its specializations and concentrations in comparative and international law, law and public policy, and securities and corporate law. CUA Law's new Compliance, Investigations & Corporate Responsibility Program (CICR) offers students the opportunity to acquire skills lawyers need to work with government agencies, businesses and not-for-profit entities in the rapidly growing practice areas of legal compliance, internal investigations, and corporate responsibility. CUA Law alumni are already leaders in these cutting-edge fields in law firms, corporate counsel departments, not-for-profit organizations and government agencies as General Counsel, Chief Compliance and Ethics Officers, prosecutors, regulatory counsel, and policy advisors. Many of these alumni have helped to create the program, and several are teaching courses or speaking at upcoming CSL-CSI events. Our program offers an introduction to critical skills and the flexibility to tailor the curriculum to individual interests. THE LAW AND TECHNOLOGY INSTITUTE (LTI) offers an enhanced curriculum to students interested in exploring the many important legal questions and policy debates surrounding evolving technologies. The curriculum equips students with a well-rounded foundation while also allowing them to pursue a particular area of interest, including communications /data privacy law and intellectual property law. LTI students gain practical experience through externships in government, industry, public interest organizations and law firms. Students also have the opportunity to hone their research, writing, advocacy and leadership skills through participation in various co-curricular activities, such as the Catholic University Journal of Law and Technology. THE LAW AND PUBLIC POLICY PROGRAM (LPP) is designed for students interested in careers in the public policy arena. The program offers specialized courses and externships, opportunities for interdisciplinary study, academic counseling, and cocurricular activities designed to expose students to the public policy-making process. The Program trains students in the skills important to lawyers who participate in the development of law and policy in legislative, administrative, and judicial fora. Students in the program observe and participate in the practice of public policy law and study the lawmaking roles played by lawyers. LPP students also do extensive research and writing on public policy issues and engage in hands-on advocacy work. THE SECURITIES LAW PROGRAM is a multi-layered discipline of courses, externships, and co- and extra-curricular activities designed to ensure that its graduates are sophisticated, professional and well-rounded securities practitioners. Securities offerings cover the basics of trading as well as the more specialized matters such as investment management companies, enforcement issues, market regulation, investment advising, banking and securities, corporate finance, derivatives, securitization of assets, securities law research as well as current issues in securities regulation. THE COMPARATIVE AND INTERNATIONAL LAW INSTITUTE exposes students to the public and private fields of international law, international trade, and business and private foreign investment. The school's location in Washington, D.C. - the legislative, judicial and administrative center of the United States and headquarters to the World Bank, International Monetary Fund, International Finance Corporation, United States Agency for International Development, and countless other international government and non-governmental organizations - offers students unique opportunities for fieldwork experience and research in international law. CLINICAL LEGAL EDUCATION AT CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY. Each year, nearly all of Catholic's upper-level students participate in the externship program, simulated courses offered by the school, or a clinical program. Through their extensive practical experience, students develop superior lawyering skills. Student attorneys represent their clients before federal and state courts in the District of Columbia, Maryland and Virginia, as well as administrative agencies at the local and federal level. EMPHASIS ON LEGAL WRITING. In addition to a comprehensive first-year introduction to legal research and writing, each upper-class student must complete at least two substantial writing projects after the first year of law school to be eligible to receive the Juris Doctor degree.

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