

LAW SCHOOL

Overview

Cornell Law School combines inspired teaching with cutting-edge scholarship in a close-knit and collegial intellectual community.

Our faculty have long upheld the principle that law must be studied within the context of its ultimate humanity. As part of a great American research university, they recognize that this principle demands the same dedication, enthusiasm, and critical spirit that infuses all liberal study.

Our students thrive in a diverse and resource-rich atmosphere that is intellectually invigorating, professionally supportive, and forward-thinking. This is precisely why we are known for producing well-rounded lawyers and accomplished practitioners cut from a different cloth – "lawyers in the best sense."

Website: www.lawschool.cornell.edu (<https://www.lawschool.cornell.edu/>)

General Information

Administration

- Jens D. Ohlin, Dean and Professor of Law
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- Akua Akyea, Associate Dean for Career Development
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About the Law School

The Law School prepares attorneys for both public and private practice. Graduates are trained to provide the highest quality professional services to their clients and to contribute to the development and reform of law and legal institutions. The curriculum is designed to prepare students for admission to the bar in all American states and territories. Students who pursue the three-year Doctor of Law degree (J.D.) must have a bachelor's degree or equivalent. Students wishing to concentrate in international law may be admitted to a program leading to the J.D. "with specialization in international legal affairs." The Law School also offers a limited number of students an opportunity to earn both a J.D. degree and an LL.M. (Master of Laws) degree in international and comparative law.

Students may pursue combined graduate degree programs with the Johnson Graduate School of Management; the Department of City and Regional Planning of the College of Architecture, Art, and Planning; the School of Industrial and Labor Relations; the graduate divisions in economics, history, and philosophy of the College of Arts and Sciences; the Université de Paris I (Pantheon Sorbonne); L'Institut d'Etudes Politiques de Paris; and Humboldt University.

Each year students from abroad pursue the LL.M. degree (Master of Laws) and the J.S.D. degree (Doctor of the Science of Law). Additionally, the Law School offers the Tech LL.M. degree to a limited number of students enrolled on the Cornell Tech campus (Master of Laws in Law, Technology, and Entrepreneurship). A small number of law graduates

also may be admitted as special students, to pursue advanced legal studies without seeking a degree. Students in other graduate programs and qualified undergraduate students registered with the university are welcome in many classes with the permission of the instructor. In addition, highly qualified undergraduates in the College of Arts and Sciences may register in the Law School during their senior year.

For further information, refer to the Law School website (<http://www.lawschool.cornell.edu/>), or contact the Office of the Registrar (<http://www.lawschool.cornell.edu/registrar/>), Myron Taylor Hall.

The professional curriculum at Cornell Law School conforms to American Bar Association Standard 302 for Approval of Law Schools. We offer a rigorous program of legal education designed to prepare students, upon graduation, for admission to the bar and for effective, ethical and responsible participation in the legal profession at the highest levels. Upon completion of the program of legal education, Cornell Law School graduates will:

1. possess knowledge of the substantive and procedural law required for effective participation in the legal profession;
2. engage in legal research, analysis, and problem-solving;
3. communicate effectively in both oral and written form as counselors and advocates;
4. possess the practical skills fundamental to exceptional lawyering and client representation; and
5. conduct themselves with the highest moral and ethical standards.

It also offers substantial opportunities for:

1. live-client or other real-life practice experiences, appropriately supervised and designed to encourage reflection by students on their experiences and on the values and responsibilities of the legal profession, and the development of one's ability to assess his or her performance and level of competence;
2. student participation in pro bono activities; and
3. small group work through seminars, directed research, small classes, or collaborative work.

Special Academic Opportunities

Joint Degrees

The Law School offers the following joint degree programs with other Cornell University graduate divisions:

- Juris Doctor/ Master of Business Administration (J.D./M.B.A.)
- Juris Doctor/ Master of Industrial and Labor Relations (J.D./M.I.L.R.)
- Juris Doctor/ Master of Public Administration (J.D./M.P.A.)
- Juris Doctor/ Doctor of Philosophy in Developmental Psychology (J.D./Ph.D.)
- Juris Doctor/ Doctor of Philosophy in other fields of the Cornell Graduate School (J.D./Ph.D. or M.A.)

Admission to these joint degree programs is obtained by applying directly to these other schools. In general, after a student completes their first year of Law School, the second year is completed entirely in the other unit, but some variations on this pattern have been permitted in individual cases. Admissions criteria may be different from Law School admissions criteria. Once a student has been admitted to both programs, it is the student's responsibility to contact the Law School Registrar's Office (160 Myron Taylor Hall, 1-604-255-7190, law.registrar@cornell.edu).

3+3 Pathway

The 3+3 Pathway gives Cornell University, Hobart William Smith Colleges, and St. Lawrence University undergraduates the opportunity to spend their senior year of study at Cornell Law School. Essentially, the first year of law school will satisfy the student's senior year course requirements. This accelerated program allows participants to receive their bachelor's and Juris Doctor degrees in six years.

Programs

- Law (JD) (<https://catalog.cornell.edu/programs/jd/>)
- Law (LLM) (<https://catalog.cornell.edu/programs/llm/>)
- Legal Studies (MS) (<https://catalog.cornell.edu/programs/msls-program/>)
- Law, Technology and Entrepreneurship (LLM) (<https://catalog.cornell.edu/programs/cornell-tech-llm-program/>)
- Law, Tech & Entrepreneurship - International 3 Semester (LLM) (<https://catalog.cornell.edu/programs/law-tech-intnl-llm-program/>)

Dual Degree Programs

- Law and Developmental Psychology (JD/PhD) (<https://catalog.cornell.edu/programs/developmental-psychology-jd-phd/>)
- Management and Law (MBA/JD) (<https://catalog.cornell.edu/programs/dual-degree-program-jd-mba/>)

Administered by the Graduate School

- Law (JSD) (<https://catalog.cornell.edu/programs/law-jsd/>)

Policies and Procedures

Academic Integrity

Academic integrity is a component of receipt of a Cornell Law degree, as well as academic competence. In addition, the Dean of the Cornell Law School certifies to bar examiners that a graduate possesses the good character necessary to be a member of the bar. The Law School's Code of Academic Integrity and the Campus Code of Conduct are included in this Student Handbook and available under Policies and Requirements on the Registrar's website.

Class Attendance

Regular and punctual class attendance, beginning on the first day of the semester, is required of all students. Faculty members monitor attendance and may enforce the rule by reporting the student to the Dean of Students; by removing a student from the course or excluding a student from an exam (after reasonable written warning); or by another mechanism announced in the course syllabus prior to the end of the add/drop period. If a student is excluded from an exam, a grade of F is entered, or in the case of a clinical course, the student may receive a lowered grade or a grade of U. Faculty members are encouraged to utilize photo seating charts which will be prepared at instructor request by administrative assistants. Students who are ill or have another valid reason for missing class are encouraged to contact the instructor directly. Students are required to notify the Dean of Students, if they miss three or more days of class.

Class Recordings

Students are not allowed to record classes using a computer or any other device without the instructor's express permission. Recordings of classes arranged by the Law School's IT Department will only be released to students in the event of unavoidable absences and only with the professor's express permission. Students do not have permission

to disseminate classroom recordings. The availability of classroom recordings does not alter Cornell Law School's or the ABA's policies.

Students seeking classroom recordings as a disability accommodation must do so by coordinating with the Dean of Students, Registrar's Office, and Student Disability Services Office subject to approved accommodations.

Policy on Student Complaints Relating to ABA Program of Legal Education Standards

The Cornell Law School invites students to share any concerns they might have about the Law School's program of legal education as it relates to matters that directly connect to ABA Standards. Students having such a concern should submit the concern, in writing, to the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs. The student's written complaint should identify the ABA accreditation standard that is at issue and must be signed by the student. The Associate Dean for Academic Affairs will work with the appropriate administrator to investigate the issue and if possible, to address the concern. The Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, as appropriate, shall keep a record of all such complaints and of follow-up action taken for eight years. The student who filed the complaint will be provided with a written update on the response within 30 days of receipt of the complaint.

Incomplete Grades

An incomplete grade for a law course may be submitted by an instructor only if the student has substantial equity at a passing level in the course with respect to work completed and also has been prevented by circumstances beyond the student's control from completing all course requirements on time. An incomplete grade must be removed by the student:

1. at the next regular examination in the subject (providing such examination is taken within one calendar year from the entry of the incomplete grade), or
2. in the case of courses in which the grade is based in whole or in part on written work, no later than the end of the semester following that in which the incomplete was entered.

Failure to remove the incomplete grade within the specified time limit will result in an automatic entry of an F on the student's transcript.

Faculty

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