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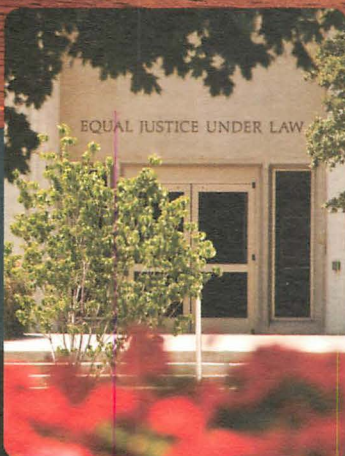
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The Tennessee Advantage



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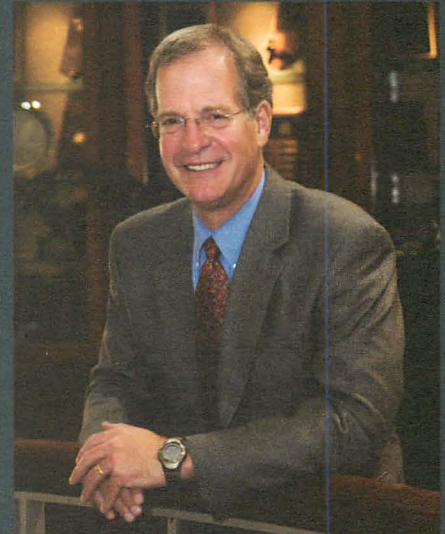


From the Dean

The University of Tennessee College of Law is exceptional. We are grateful to have a talented faculty committed to an innovative curriculum that masterfully bridges the gap between

theory and practice to promote professional excellence. We are able to attract a diverse group of exceptionally bright students committed to learning in a supportive, collaborative environment. I am very pleased you are considering joining us.

Many of our faculty bring to the classroom years of professional experience in a variety of settings—national and international law firms, state and federal courts, government agencies, legal service programs, and public interest groups. The faculty have a lot to share, and they do so eagerly, both in and out of the classroom. Our clinical program, which earned a top twelve national ranking in the 2012 *U.S. News & World Report*, provides students with the opportunity to inter-



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view, counsel, mediate, negotiate, and even try cases on behalf of actual clients that include children, small businesses, victims of domestic violence, citizens accused of crime, and families facing eviction. We have created two innovative centers, one for advocacy and one for business, designed to better prepare our graduates for the specific legal challenges they will face in practice.

We know what we are doing. The College of Law has been educating lawyers for more than 100 years. Our Legal Clinic is the oldest continuously operating law school clinical program in the nation. But we are constantly exploring better ways to help our students graduate as competent and ethical attorneys. Our goal is to produce lawyers who possess the skills and knowledge to become leaders in the profession and in their communities. And we take that responsibility very seriously.

To that end, we have created a law school environment where students, faculty, and staff can engage with mutual respect in lively intellectual exchange and growth. We have consciously fostered a diverse community committed to the fair and just treatment of everyone. This is indeed a special place and special learning environment devoted to our students' professional success.

If you have questions, call the Law Admissions Office. Better yet, come and visit. Talk with our students, faculty, and staff. We have an on-campus Student Host Program to help you experience first-hand the day-to-day life at the College of Law. Look at us closely. You will like what you see.

Douglas A. Blaze



Doug Blaze, the Art Stolnitz and Elvin E. Overton Distinguished Professor of Law, was named dean of the College of Law in August 2008. After graduating summa cum laude from the Georgetown University Law Center, Professor Blaze practiced with the firm of Fennemore Craig in Phoenix, Arizona. He joined the faculty of the Arizona State College of Law in 1986 before coming to the UT College of Law in 1993 as director of clinical programs. He has also served as director of the Center for Advocacy and Dispute Resolution and interim associate dean for academic affairs.

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The Tennessee Advantage

Most sound decisions in life are made after comparing the pros and cons of the available choices. Here are some things you should know about the University of Tennessee College of Law as you consider your options.

- Nationally recognized professors are **focused on teaching**. In addition to contributing to academia through scholarly works, they are primarily committed to ensuring their students' readiness—with skills, substance, and ethics—to begin successfully practicing law after graduation.
- With average class size of twenty-five in upper division courses and fifty to sixty in first-year sections, UT has one of the **lowest student-to-faculty ratios among top-ranked law schools**.
- An exceedingly **friendly, open, warm, and supportive** environment.
- **Diversity** is a strength at the UT College of Law. UT students have a reputation of quality, which is enhanced by learning through interactions with fellow students from diverse backgrounds.
- An **intellectually stimulating environment** offering—in addition to regularly scheduled classes, an abundance of exciting speakers, colloquia, symposia, and other events—many programs and opportunities for hands-on community service.
- A **state-of-the-art building** that rivals the facilities of even the most heavily endowed private law schools.
- **Reasonable tuition and the low cost of living** in Knoxville allow students to get a first-rate education without oppressive financial burdens.
- UT has the **oldest continuously operating law school clinical program** in the United States, providing students with the unique opportunity to “learn by doing.”
- **Concentrations in advocacy and dispute resolution and in business transactions** provide students with practical, applied lawyering skills in addition to a core of substantive and theoretical legal doctrine.

The Law School Community

The UT College of Law will provide you with a unique environment in which to live and learn. Tennessee has a relatively small law school; entering classes in the 150- to 170-student range allow for a favorable student-to-faculty ratio. The entire student body has fewer than 500 students. First-year sections of fifty to sixty students are comparatively small, and students at Tennessee are even better positioned for personal attention in their second- and third-year classes. Upper-division classes average twenty-five students per class, and several special interest seminars are conducted with one faculty member and fewer than ten students.

The phrase “law school community” refers to a way of thinking, planning, and communicating that emphasizes partnerships among students, faculty, and staff. It is as simple as doing things together. Students work with professors as research assistants. Faculty members work with students individually to assist them in projects and activities that spotlight individual interests. The Moot Court Program draws in virtually every faculty member in some way. Faculty members help students hone their skills so teams may represent the College of Law in interschool competition. Students, faculty, and staff serve together on major committees. Law students choose from a variety of student programs, activities, publications, and organizations to enhance their classroom experience. As in any type of community, involvement is the key to success, and plenty of room for involvement exists in the UT College of Law community.

And it’s not all serious. Members of the law school community also have fun together with such activities as town meetings, open forums, the long-standing tradition of Chilla at Halloween, committee meetings over pizza, banquets to honor student achievements, and parties to celebrate the beginning and the end of the year. Each year ends with an auction to raise money for the Student Bar Association’s student emergency loan fund, and each year’s graduating class appoints a development council that plans a class project to leave a lasting gift to the college.

The mission of the UT College of Law is to be a preeminent state-supported law school where faculty, staff, and students devoted to teaching, scholarship, and service thrive.



The College of Law could be considered a well-kept secret. Upper-division classes average twenty-five students per class, and several special interest seminars are conducted with one faculty member and fewer than ten students.

The Academic Program

Doctor of Jurisprudence Degree

The curriculum leading to the Doctor of Jurisprudence (J.D.) degree prepares students for the practice of law. The College of Law curriculum combines training in substantive law, procedure, ethics, and professionalism, with particular emphasis on analysis and reasoning, research, problem solving, writing, planning and drafting, business transactions, advocacy, and dispute resolution.

Basic Facts

The J.D. program is a full-time three-year academic program. A class of about 150 to 170 students enters the college each fall semester. Eighty-nine semester hours of credit are required for the J.D. degree. A typical class load is approximately thirty hours per academic year, accomplished in two semesters. A student may not be employed more than twenty hours per week while enrolled as a full-time student. The College of Law does not offer part-time or evening programs. Students may choose to attend summer semester classes. Students are required to abide by all academic policies as noted on the College of Law website.

A Typical Entering Class

150–170 students

1,300–1,500 applicants

25%–29% admitted

LSAT profile: 50% between 156 and 162

UGPA profile: 50% between 3.4 and 3.8

15 to 20 states and 75 to 80 undergraduate schools represented

Orientation and the Introductory Period

Each August, new law students (1Ls) meet their classmates, second- and third-year law students, student advisors, and the faculty in several social settings and events sponsored by the law school. 1Ls attend orientation, followed by mini-courses on the Civil Litigation Process and Case Analysis and Briefing. They complete their first week by attending their first law school classes in Contracts, Criminal Law, and Torts. Participation in Orientation and Introductory Period activities is mandatory for all entering students.

The First Year

The first-year course of study is designed to provide students with a solid theoretical and analytical foundation for upper-division elective courses. Since the first-year course work is fundamental to a solid legal education, the curriculum is mandatory. Course descriptions are located on the College of Law website.

Fall Semester	Credit Hours	Spring Semester	Credit Hours
Civil Procedure I	3	Civil Procedure II	3
Contracts I	3	Contracts II	3
Criminal Law	3	Legal Process II	3
Legal Process I	3	Property	4
Torts I	3	Torts II	3
TOTAL	15	TOTAL	16

The Second Year

Required courses in the second year:

Fall Semester	Credit Hours	Spring Semester	Credit Hours
Legal Profession	3	Constitutional Law	4



ISABEL ARCHULETA

*B.F.A., University of Oklahoma
School of Drama*

Summer 2011 Employment:
Clerk for Judge Violet Otero, District
Judge, 13th Judicial District of New
Mexico, and Tennessee Law Scholar
Research for Professor Paula Schaefer

On the Stage and Screen: Growing up in Los Lunas, New Mexico, Isabel Archuleta knew from an early age that she was destined to be on stage. She followed her dream to the University of Oklahoma School of Drama where she earned her bachelor of fine arts in Acting Performance. She performed many of her dream roles on stage including the lead in a four-woman show at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. After graduation she moved to Los Angeles, California, where she took classes at the Actor's Studio and was cast in various film roles, thriving in one of the world's most competitive businesses.

A Different Stage: However, there was another "stage" that caught Archuleta's interest—one where she could write her own script and determine her own endings. The decision to attend law school seemed natural and attending UT Law was a perfect fit.

"Deciding to leave Los Angeles and go to law school was a difficult decision but choosing UT was easy," says Archuleta. "UT Law welcomed me with open arms and encouraged me to use the talents and skills I developed throughout my life in my path to becoming an outstanding lawyer."

Learning her Craft: With a legal education, Archuleta will have the necessary tools to become an activist for her own causes. As a 1L she has put her communication and acting skills to good use in the Phi Alpha Delta National Mock Trial Competition where her team placed fourth in the nation.

Elective Courses

Second- and third-year students choose from more than ninety upper-division elective courses. Each of the courses listed on pages eight and nine is scheduled for at least one of the next two academic years. However, not all elective courses may be offered during the two years in which electives may be taken. Full course descriptions are available at www.law.utk.edu.

Other Requirements

Students must satisfy the following requirements at some time prior to graduation:

- Perspective Course
- Expository Writing
- Planning and Drafting

These requirements may be met through successful completion of any number of elective courses. The requirements reflect the faculty's conviction that each student should develop essential lawyering skills and the ability to view law and the legal system in broad perspective.

Core Strengths of the UT College of Law

The University of Tennessee College of Law has a productive, collegial, and engaged faculty and student body: low student-faculty ratios; a modern, technologically advanced facility; and an integration of substantive legal theory, practical law, and strong teaching skills across its curriculum. It is an intellectually stimulating environment where people can learn to be excellent lawyers.



Course Offerings

Administrative and Legislative Process

Administrative Law
Legislation
Non-Profit Corporations

Business Organizations

Antitrust
Business Associations
Corporate Finance
Introduction to Business Transactions
Representing Enterprises
Securities Regulation

Commercial Law

Commercial Law
Contract Drafting
Debtor-Creditor Law
Negotiable Instruments
Secured Transactions
Workouts and Reorganizations

Constitutional Law and Individual Rights

Advanced Constitutional Law
Civil Rights Actions
Constitutional Law
Discrimination and the Law
Supreme Court Decision Making

Criminal Law and Procedure

Adjudicatory Criminal Procedure
Advanced Criminal Law
Criminal Law Seminar
Investigatory Criminal Procedure
Post-Conviction Relief

Domestic Relations Law

Children and the Law
Family Law

Environmental and Resource Law

Environmental Law and Policy
Environmental Law Seminar
Natural Resources Law

History, Theory, and Interdisciplinary Study of Law

American Legal History
Jurisprudence
Law and Economics
Law and Literature

International and Comparative Law

International Business Transactions
International Human Rights
International Intellectual Property Law
International Religious Freedom
Global Constitutionalism
Public International Law

Labor and Employment Law

Employment Discrimination
Labor Relations Law
Law of the Workplace

Legal Clinic

Advocacy Clinic
Business Clinic
Domestic Violence Clinic
Judicial Externship
Mediation Clinic
Prosecutorial Externship
Public Defender Externship
Wills Clinic
Wrongful Convictions Clinic

Practice and Procedure

Advanced Trial Practice
Alternative Dispute Resolution
Complex Litigation
Conflict of Laws
Evidence
Federal Courts
Interviewing and Counseling
Negotiation and Dispute Resolution
Pretrial Litigation
Remedies
Trial Practice

Property

Estate Planning
Gratuitous Transfers
Land Acquisition and Development
Land Finance Law
Land Use Law
Ownership and Justice

Specialty Courses

Advanced Ethics
Community Development
Community Legal Education
Copyright Law
Disability Law
Entertainment Law
Health Care Law
Health Care Policy
Intellectual Property
Internet Law
Jury System
Law and Medicine
Law, Science and Technology
Media Impact on Justice
National Security Law
Not-For-Profit Corporations
Ownership and Justice
Patent Law
Patent Prosecution
Problem-Solving Courts
Public Defender Externship
Public Interest Law
Space Law
Women and the Law

Taxation

Fundamental Concepts of Income Tax
Income Taxation of Business Organizations
Taxation of Real Property Interests
Tax Theory
Transactional Tax Planning
Wealth Transfer Taxation

Torts and Compensation Systems

Business Torts
Insurance Law

Topics Courses

Issues in the Law

Independent Work

Directed Research
Field Placement
Independent Study
Law Review
Moot Court

Course Offerings Subject to Change

The necessity of adjustments to accommodate changing conditions may dictate modifications in the course offerings and other features of the program described above. Accordingly, the College of Law reserves the right to make such variation in its program as circumstances may require. Prospective students who are interested in the precise course offerings at a given time or who desire other special information should make inquiry in advance.

Course descriptions are available at www.law.utk.edu.

Legal Writing Program

Lawyers are professional writers. Whether they act as advisors, advocates, or drafters of statutes and contracts, lawyers serve their clients by analyzing real-life problems in terms of legal principles and communicating that analysis effectively. A strong foundation in legal writing and research skills is essential to professional success.

The legal writing program in the college, which is ranked twenty-second nationally and eighth among public law schools for 2012, is one of the cornerstones of the college's academic program and demonstrates its commitment to teaching and training students to be excellent lawyers.

The writing program includes both required and elective courses. In required courses, students create documents that give advice, present arguments on behalf of clients, specify the terms of contracts or other instruments, and present scholarly analysis of legal issues. In elective courses throughout the curriculum, students prepare professional documents of all types. By writing, students learn how to use legal authorities to answer clients' questions; they learn to recognize, present, and respond to various kinds of legal arguments in the precise language that law demands; and they learn to produce professional-quality documents.

Legal Process I and Legal Process II are gateway first-year courses taught by full-time law professors and practicing attorneys. Working closely with classroom teachers, a writing specialist helps each student identify strengths and weaknesses. Individual tutoring and workshops are offered to all students who wish to improve their writing skills. In the first semester, Legal Process I introduces students to the structure of legal analysis and the lawyerly use of legal authorities. Students learn how to find, choose, and use legal authorities to solve legal problems and to write legal memoranda like those used in law offices. In Legal Process II, students acquire more advanced research techniques and learn how to make persuasive legal arguments in trial and appellate briefs and in oral arguments.

After the first year of law school, students continue to develop their writing and research skills through two upper-level writing requirements. In the Planning and Drafting requirement, students learn to plan and draft documents, such as contracts, governing the future conduct of clients and others. The Expository Writing requirement focuses on developing analytical skills through researching and writing a scholarly paper on a subject chosen by the student. Students may satisfy the upper-level writing requirements through a variety of courses and independent projects. Many students elect to take more than one course to satisfy each of these requirements.



TERRENCE L. HARVEY
B.S., *University of Florida*

Employment: University of
Tennessee Office of Student
Judicial Affairs

Giving Back: Florida native Terrence Harvey decided early in his undergraduate career at the University of Florida that he wanted to pursue a law degree in order to give back to his community by helping others set and realize their own goals. A natural leader, Harvey served as a minority ambassador for the Office of Admissions, a career ambassador at the Career Resource Center, and president of Progressive Black Men. As a McNair Scholar, he presented at the Twenty-Third Annual Ronald McNair National Research Symposium and is scheduled to present at the International Communication Conference in Boston, Massachusetts, in May 2011.

The Volunteer Spirit: UT Law is the perfect place for his volunteer spirit to thrive. Harvey is the Community Service Chair of the Black Law Student Association and a volunteer with Street Law, Inc., a nonprofit organization dedicated to providing information about law, democracy, and human rights to the community. He is also publications editor for *Tennessee Law Review* and managing editor for *Transactions: Tennessee Journal of Business Law*. Since April 2010, he also has served as a judicial advisor in the Office of Student Judicial Affairs.

Becoming a Vol: "UT Law is the ideal place to obtain my legal degree," says Harvey. "The professors, students, and staff all contribute to make the learning environment enjoyable. From workshops on solo practice to panel discussions on judicial clerkships, UT Law has many opportunities for you to learn more about your degree and the opportunities available to you."



TODD SKELTON

B.A., University of Tennessee

Employment: Public Company Accounting Oversight Board, Division of Enforcement, Washington, D.C.

Torchbearer: Todd Skelton's passion for international travel began as a competitive distance runner in high school when he was selected to represent the United States Junior Team at the World Mountain Running Trophy in Italy.

His passion grew deeper still while he studied abroad in France and England and taught English in China while completing his undergraduate work at UT with the College Scholars Program.

Skelton was active in the Chancellor's Honors Program as president of the Honors Council and founder and chair of the Honors Ambassadors Program.

He also found time to serve on many advisory boards and university search committees, participate in the Student Government Association, and serve as editor-in-chief of *Pursuit*—UT's undergraduate research journal. As a result, Skelton was named a Torchbearer, the Chancellor's highest student honor award at UT.

Leading the Way: His loyalty to his alma mater led him to choose UT Law for his legal education, and Skelton says it has been a perfect fit. During his first semester, he was elected 1L Representative to the Student Bar Association. He also is president of the Graduate Student Senate. Skelton has continued to serve as the student representative on several university committees and works for the Knox County Audit Committee.

"UT's resources have allowed me to challenge myself academically and also have helped me to develop as a student leader," he says. "The law school's staff and faculty are excellent, and the curriculum allows students with diverse interests to thrive."

Focusing Your Studies: Concentrations

Concentration in Advocacy and Dispute Resolution

The College of Law provides an opportunity for students who wish to pursue a course of academic study geared toward a career in advocacy and dispute resolution. The concentration complements the College's strong curriculum in lawyering skills and its nationally acclaimed clinical programs. Students who choose this concentration begin the curriculum in the fall semester of their second year by taking integrated courses in advocacy evidence and trial practice.

After this introduction, students in the concentration then select other courses from a wide variety of courses that emphasize various aspects of advocacy and dispute resolution, including pre-trial litigation, negotiation and dispute resolution, interviewing and counseling, advanced trial practice, and advanced appellate advocacy. Students may also select traditional courses that expose them to particular legal areas, such as federal courts, complex litigation, remedies, and investigatory or adjudicatory criminal procedure. As a final requirement, students in the concentration participate in one of several legal clinics or externships, which give them the opportunity to represent clients in various tribunals. Students who complete the concentration requirements are acknowledged as having completed the J.D. degree with a concentration in advocacy and dispute resolution.

Concentration students benefit from a highly respected and experienced faculty, which includes full-time professors with diverse professional backgrounds and adjunct faculty consisting of members of the state and federal bench and bar. In addition, the concentration takes advantage of the college's exceptional facilities, which include several trial and appellate courtrooms and advanced classroom technology. The students' classroom experiences are enhanced by the work of the University of Tennessee Center for Advocacy and Dispute Resolution, which seeks to improve the quality of justice through interdisciplinary and professional programs and faculty and student scholarship.



Concentration in Business Transactions

Since a high proportion of legal work, both in Tennessee and across the nation, involves the representation of businesses, the concentration in business transactions allows second- and third-year students to focus on the legal aspects of business and finance, emphasizing the needs of business concerns both large and small. This concentration provides a strong base from which to begin a career in business law, whether as a commercial litigator or as a transactional lawyer.

Many of our faculty members have practiced with business law groups in prestigious law firms, and they are uniquely qualified to

The Clayton Center for Entrepreneurial Law is a leading center for teaching, scholarship, and service.

mold a curriculum that will give students practical experience in the field. In part, this concentration was created to take advantage of these real-world experiences. The concentration is part of the college's Clayton Center for Entrepreneurial Law.

Following this course of study helps students develop competence in the kinds of transactional matters lawyers handle or litigate daily, such as planning and carrying out business transactions, drafting and negotiating deal documentation, counseling clients about compliance with laws and regulations, and pursuing commercial litigation. The curriculum provides a rich educational opportunity for students who choose to prepare for practice in this field. Skills and simulation courses in business transactions, contract drafting, and representing enterprises complement courses like fundamental concepts of income taxation, taxation of business organizations, land finance law, business associations, and secured transactions. The concentration's curriculum is a gateway to additional upper-division courses in areas such as corporate finance, tax, restructuring, and intellectual property. Students who meet the requirements of this concentration and the other requirements of the college will be acknowledged as having completed the J.D. degree with a concentration in business transactions.



ANGELICA FORTNEY
B.A., Vanderbilt University

Summer 2011 Employment:
Bradley Arant Boult Cummings
and Tennessee District Attorney's
Office, 20th Judicial District,
Nashville, Tennessee

Getting Involved: Community involvement and leadership have been recurring themes in Angelica Fortney's life. As she pursued a bachelor of arts in political science at Vanderbilt, she found time to serve as president of the Vanderbilt Black Student Alliance, hold office in her sorority, and participate in the Vanderbilt Voices of Praise choir and step team. She also served the Nashville community as a tutor and mentor to young people through a tutoring program at a local high school, the YMCA, and Big Brothers Big Sisters.

Outside the Comfort Zone: "Coming to UT was a personal choice for me, and the rewards have been just as personal," says Fortney. "I decided to attend UT to challenge myself to step outside my comfort zone and to be closer to my fiancé."

Fortney's location change hasn't stopped her from using her time to benefit others and acquiring the skills she needs to be an advocate. Her dedication to public service is evident in her activities during her first year at UT Law. She is volunteering with Street Law, Inc., UT Pro Bono, and serving on the community service committee for Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity. Next year, she will continue to develop her leadership skills by serving as vice president of the Black Law Students Association.

Getting Motivated: "Since coming to UT I have been motivated by faculty, staff, and other students alike to actively pursue the wealth of resources and opportunities available here to reach my full potential," says Fortney. "In the next few years I look forward to continuing to develop my legal skills and expanding my professional network."



SYE HICKEY

B.S., University of Kentucky, Gatton College of Business and Economics

Summer 2011 Employment:
Hall Booth Smith & Slover, P.C.
Nashville, Tennessee

Life Experiences: Sports, writing, traveling and politics are all interests Sye Hickey lists on his résumé—and he has managed to incorporate all of them into his life experiences. At the University of Kentucky, he covered men's basketball and football games for *Sports Illustrated on Campus* and conducted interviews with ESPN College Game Day personalities.

As a sports marketing intern with Big Blue Sports Marketing, Hickey helped conduct halftime promotions at UK men's basketball games and worked with various franchises to formulate game-day promotional items.

Academically, he served as deputy chief of staff for the Student Government Association, in which he worked with various media outlets as a spokesperson and oversaw the promotions and public relations departments.

After graduation, Hickey's passion for politics led him to Washington, D.C., where he served as a Congressional Intern. Helping legislative assistants with research and conducting letter-writing campaigns strengthened his resolve to attend law school.

Into the Orange: Although Hickey doesn't bleed orange yet, his commitment to the UT Law community is evident in his involvement with student organizations and his outreach to others who are considering UT Law.

"As an out-of-state student, I was concerned about meeting people and fitting in, but after the first day of orientation, I knew I was right at home. UT has a talented and diverse student body and many student organizations, making it easy to get involved and meet people."

Dual Degree Programs

The University of Tennessee has approved dual degree programs in

- law and business
- law and public administration

J.D./M.B.A. Program

The College of Business Administration and the College of Law offer a credit-sharing program leading to the conferral of both the Doctor of Jurisprudence and the Master of Business Administration degrees. Applicants for the dual degree program must make separate application to and must be competitively and independently accepted by the College of Law for the J.D. degree and by the Graduate School and the College of Business Administration for the M.B.A. program.

The UT M.B.A. degree focuses on essential skills for the business manager of the future, regardless of the functional area of emphasis, by integrating the management of information, relationships, supply chains, and resources. The M.B.A. program has received numerous accolades, including a ranking of forty-second in the 2010 *Forbes Magazine* listing that includes both public and private institutions. The supply chain management and logistics program is tenth in the *U.S. News & World Report* 2012 rankings.

For more information about the UT M.B.A. program, go to mba.utk.edu.

J.D./M.P.A. Program

The College of Law and the Department of Political Science in the College of Arts and Sciences offer a coordinated program that enables students to earn the Master of Public Administration and the J.D. degrees in about four years rather than the five years that would otherwise be required. Students in the dual degree program should plan to be enrolled in course work or an internship for one summer term in addition to taking normal course loads for four academic years.

The M.P.A. is a professional degree program designed to prepare men and women to assume responsible positions in public service through a program of study that integrates the theory and practice of public administration. The M.P.A. curriculum at UT aspires to produce graduates who are literate in the field of public administration, have the skills to be effective managers of organizational resources, and possess the analytical abilities to be creative problem solvers.

For more information about the M.P.A. program, visit <http://web.utk.edu/~polisci/mpa.html>.

Learning by Doing: The Clinical Programs

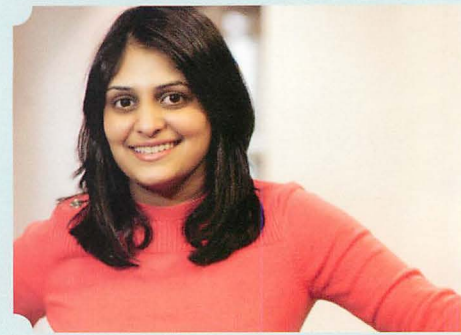
The College of Law's legal clinics provide law students with opportunities to learn by doing—representing clients and helping resolve legal disputes. UT's Advocacy Clinic is the longest continuously operating for-credit clinic in the country and remains one of the most successful programs of its kind. *U.S. News & World Report* ranked UT's clinical program twelfth nationally among the more than 180 clinical programs considered for 2012. We are extremely proud of the breadth and excellence of our clinical programs. The university's preeminence in clinical legal education speaks volumes about the importance we place on teaching students how to practice law, as well as our commitment to public service and the community.

Advocacy Clinic

The Advocacy Clinic functions much as a real law firm does. Third-year students work with faculty members on several different types of cases, including criminal, housing, juvenile, and unemployment matters. The entire "firm" meets weekly to discuss cases, tactics, and strategy. Students develop skills in fact investigation, negotiation, case development, interviewing witnesses, use of expert witnesses, drafting and arguing motions, and presentation of evidence. Students also learn to work holistically with clients and to think outside the legal box. Students begin to develop professional judgment and the skills necessary for effective client representation. All cases handled by students are real cases with real consequences.

Business Clinic

In the Business Clinic, students and faculty represent for-profit and nonprofit organizations in the Knoxville area. Students provide valuable service to the community and, at the same time, develop skills in interviewing, client counseling, document drafting, business planning, and the intricacies of a business practice. Business Clinic students counsel small start-up businesses on choosing a



AMY RAO MOHAN

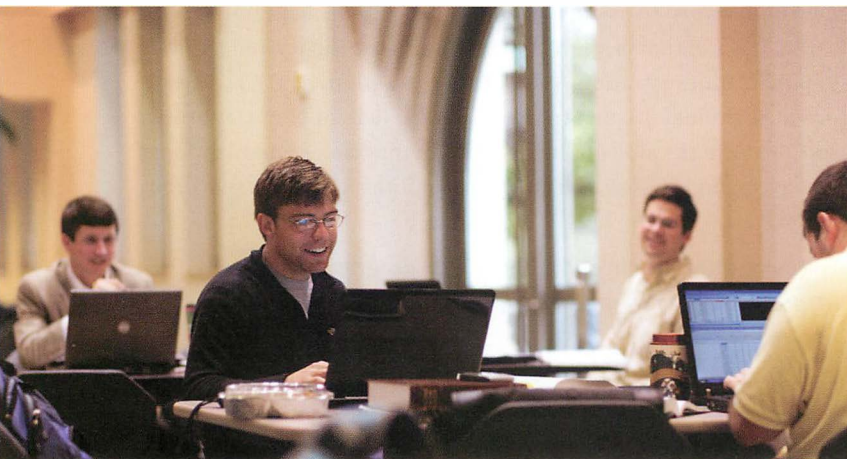
B.S.J., Northwestern University, Medill School of Journalism

Summer 2011 Employment: Sherrard & Roe, Nashville, Tennessee;
Bass, Berry and Sims, Nashville, Tennessee

Newsroom to Classroom: As an Emmy Award-winning television reporter, Amy Mohan has witnessed life-changing events that most people only see in condensed form on the nightly news. As she sought to tell interesting stories of people in crisis, Mohan ventured behind bars to interview incarcerated women and accompanied a team of doctors to South India in the wake of the devastating tsunami in 2004. Her desire to affect social change through her journalistic endeavors morphed into a desire to study law and become a part of the justice system as a means of changing lives.

Rewarding Career: Mohan has been just as busy at UT Law as she was in the newsroom. She placed first in the 2010 1L Advocacy Idol Competition, participated in a National Moot Court Team that placed second in the nation, and currently serves as a staff editor for the Tennessee Journal of Law and Policy.

"The University of Tennessee College of Law has given me a chance to embark on a challenging and rewarding second career," says Mohan. "I am excited to combine the passion and skills I developed working in the media with the breadth of knowledge I am obtaining in my legal education. I love being back in school and have truly enjoyed the experience so far."





KARINA XART

B.A., Boston College School of Education

Summer 2011 Employment:
Florida Immigrant Advocacy Center,
funded by a TAPIL Grant from UT Law
Miami, Florida

The Language of Learning: Karina

Xart expected to find a different world when she left her hometown of Miami to attend Boston College. Instead, she found that her special skills and her concern for others were needed just as much in Boston as they were in Miami. Raised in a bilingual household, she got her first view of the legal world by working for Legal Aid of Miami as a translator at court, in office appointments, and at mediation.

At Boston College she served as Chief Justice of the Boston College Undergraduate Government and on the Student Judicial Board. She also worked as a translator at Harvard Law School Legal Aid Bureau.

Reaching Out to Those in Need:

Her bilingual skills continue to allow her opportunities for service. At UT Law, Xart works as a translator in the Legal Clinic. She also founded Enlace, the Latino Law Student Association, and works as a candidacy process editor and research assistant on the Tennessee Journal of Law and Policy.

"The supportive faculty and staff at UT Law make this school special," Xart said.

"In my first month here they helped me start, fund, and promote a new organization, Enlace, the Latino Law Student Association."

legal entity, forming corporations and LLCs, and other aspects of creating successful businesses. Students also represent community groups in forming nonprofit corporations and obtaining tax-exempt status.

Domestic Violence Clinic

Students in the Domestic Violence Clinic represent victims of domestic violence in gaining orders of protection and related matters. Students have actual clients and contested hearings and trials in Knox County's Fourth Circuit Court, where Judge Swann has started calling the DV Clinic students the "dream team" because of their exceptional preparation and results.

Environmental Law Clinic

The Environmental Law Clinic offers students a unique opportunity to affect environmental law and policy in Tennessee. Students help local governments, state agencies, landowners, and non-profit organizations develop quality land use and growth management policies and practices. The clinic coordinates its efforts with graduate students from ecology, environmental design, wildlife ecology, and other disciplines. This allows students and faculty to work with other disciplines in integrated decision-making and problem-solving, thus improving their ability to understand, communicate with, and influence other disciplines.

Innocence/Wrongful Convictions Clinic

This clinic represents convicted, but potentially innocent, prisoners in Tennessee and provides pro bono legal and investigative assistance. Students have the unique opportunity to investigate cases, talk to witnesses, gather and challenge old evidence, and consider DNA and other scientific evidence. Clinic students also pursue new post-conviction cases for those clients with viable claims.

Mediation Clinic

Mediation is a process by which a neutral attorney helps clients resolve their differences by agreement. The Mediation Clinic provides law students with opportunities to learn by serving—mediating actual disputes instead of acting as advocates. Students enrolled in the clinic receive intensive training in mediation techniques from a supervising faculty member and then work in pairs to mediate civil and criminal cases in Knox County General Sessions Court and in such agencies as the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

Wills Clinic

In 2008, the American College of Trusts and Estates Counsel funded one of the very first wills clinics in the country at the University of Tennessee. Students in the clinic represent indigent clients in types of trusts and estates matters. Students interview clients, draft wills, living wills, trusts, and other documents, and may even handle cases in probate court.

Externships

Students can also take advantage of three externships—judicial, prosecutorial, and public defender. In the judicial externship, law students work as clerks for state and federal judges, assisting in all aspects of the judge’s work and learning invaluable lessons.

In the prosecutorial externship, students are placed in the office of the Knox County District Attorney General. Working under the supervision of experienced assistant attorneys general, students prosecute real cases on behalf of the state, handling all phases of the criminal process including case development and investigation, preliminary hearings, plea negotiations, and trial.

In the public defender externship, students are placed in the Knox County Public Defender’s office and work under experienced public defenders. They regularly appear in court to represent clients in all aspects of their cases, including trials.

Each of the externships also includes a classroom component with supervising law faculty.

Apply for Admission Questions? Call (865) 974-4131 to speak to admissions staff.

- UT’s electronic application is available at www.lsac.org or you can link to the Flex-app from the College of Law website, www.law.utk.edu.
- Subscribe to the Law School Admission Council’s Credential Assembly Service.
- For detailed information about the application process, go to www.law.utk.edu/prospective



Faculty and Administration

The quality of a higher learning institution can best be evaluated by the quality of its faculty. As you choose a law school, consider the varied roles that faculty play in influencing the quality of the education you will receive.

Teaching. In the classrooms, in the hallways, after class, and in their offices—our faculty know that teaching and learning do not stop after a professor’s notebook is closed for the day. The College of Law is fortunate to have a group of professors who are not only knowledgeable and experienced practitioners, but also effective, caring teachers who make themselves available outside the classroom.

Service. A commitment to service—to the profession, the University, and the community—keeps our faculty in contact with legal problems and issues that reach far beyond the College of Law.

Scholarship. It is impressive to take a course under a law professor who has—literally—written the book. The college is fortunate to have several professors who hold the distinction of authorship of legal texts, casebooks, and treatises.

Our faculty is an interesting mix of personalities and experiences. UT has professors who have spent most of their careers teaching and engaging in the kinds of scholarly research that characterize a distinguished law faculty. Many faculty members have come from notable careers in private practice, government, or corporate law.

This publication highlights the commitment to teaching, service, and scholarship of just a few of our faculty. Biographical information about the entire faculty is available on our website at www.law.utk.edu/faculty.

Information about our administrative staff is available on our website at www.law.utk.edu/administration/index.shtml.



Faculty Profile



Karla McKanders, associate professor of law

B.A., Spelman College; J.D., Duke University

Specialty: Civil Rights; Immigration and Asylum Law; and Policy

Becoming an Advocate: While growing up in Michigan, Karla McKanders listened intently to stories told by her grandparents, who had lived through the turbulent civil rights movement in the 1950s and '60s.

In the two and a half years she has been a member of the UT College of Law faculty, McKanders has quickly developed a national reputation for her research about issues affecting the nation's growing immigrant community. Her work has reached as far as Central America and Africa.

Converging Interests: Even as a clerk for a federal judge in her home state, immigration cases were of interest to McKanders, as was working side-by-side with students. "I saw too many badly written briefs and bad arguments—you name it," she says. "I decided I wanted to have an impact on students."

In 2006 McKanders became a Reuschlein Clinical Teaching Fellow at Villanova University where she worked with Asylum, Refugee and Emigrant Services, which handles asylum cases before immigration judges, asylum officers and the Board of Immigration Appeals. She joined the UT clinical faculty in 2008.

"Tennessee has a national reputation for its clinical programs, and I liked the fact there is no divide between the clinical faculty and doctrinal faculty," she says.

Teaching through Advocacy: While at UT, McKanders' students have helped Knoxville-area immigrants with various issues. "The best thing about working with students is being there when they have their first practical experience and seeing the light bulb go on," McKanders says.

Faculty Profile



Michael Higdon, associate professor of law

*B.A., Erskine College; M.A., J.D., University of Nevada, Las Vegas
Specialty: Family Law; Sexuality, Gender and the Law; and Legal Writing*

Coming to UT: Professor Michael Higdon was attracted to the solid reputation of the University of Tennessee College of Law when he traveled cross-country to join the UT faculty in 2009.

"This is a great law school," said the South Carolina native who had spent the previous five years on the faculty of the University of Nevada, Boyd School of Law. "The strong academic programs were hard to overlook, and the collegial atmosphere here is fantastic—everyone seems to get along well with everyone else."

Foundations: Higdon graduated first in his UNLV law school class and received the James E. Rogers Award for Outstanding Academic Achievement. While in law school, he served as editor-in-chief of the Nevada Law Journal. He went on to clerk for Judge Procter Hug, Jr., on the U.S. Court of the Appeals for the Ninth Circuit.

Legal Writing: Higdon has been published in several journals, including the U.C. Davis Law Review, the Wake Forest Law Review, and the Kansas Law Journal. He also serves as member of the national Board of Directors for the Legal Writing Institute.

"I have been impressed with the emphasis UT places on legal writing," Higdon said. "We emphasize teaching skills that students actually need to practice law."

UT College of Law Ranked Among Top 30 Public Schools of Law by *U.S. News*

For 2012, the College of Law accelerated to 27th on the list of all public universities and 56th among law schools nationally.

The College of Law's clinical training program ranked 12th in the country and sixth among public universities, jumping six spots. The college was recognized for its legal writing, ranking 22nd nationally and eighth among public universities. For the first time, the College of Law also was recognized for its diverse student body, ranking 21st among all public law programs.

"We are pleased with this recognition of the continued improvement and strength of both our overall law program and our clinical offerings," said Douglas Blaze, dean of the College of Law. "The jump of our clinical programs to 12th nationally and sixth among public universities showcases the strong connection between legal theory and actual practice at UT Law. This training means that our graduates enter the legal community well prepared."



Facilities

The Law Center and the Joel A. Katz Law Library

The 110,000-square-foot center completed in 1997 blends the old and the new into an exceptional setting for legal education. The law center is located in the heart of campus on Cumberland Avenue, just four blocks from downtown Knoxville.

Features of the Law Center

Wireless campus community

Eleven classrooms and courtrooms, equipped with audiovisual equipment, permitting teaching and learning in the format most suitable for the instructional methodology of the course

Seminar and discussion space

The Legal Clinic outfitted as a modern law firm

Expanded space for student meetings, organizations, relaxation, and study, including a spacious indoor commons area adjoining an outdoor courtyard

Features of the Joel A. Katz Law Library

More than 571,000 volumes and microform volume equivalents

Selective depository for federal documents

Online automated catalog system

Centers for use of the WESTLAW and LEXIS legal database retrieval systems

Computer laboratories and CD-ROM stations

Reading rooms and study carrels

Student Publications

Tennessee Law Review. This journal is published quarterly by the students of the College of Law. Members are selected from the rising second-year class on the basis of writing ability and scholarship. Third-year students may be chosen to serve on the editorial board or may participate as staff members.

The law review offers an excellent opportunity for law students with an aptitude for legal research and writing at a professional level. It publishes articles on important legal topics written by legal scholars and practitioners throughout the country. Members of the law review also write notes and comments for publication.

Members of the *Tennessee Law Review* receive one hour of ungraded academic credit for each semester in which they satisfactorily perform their duties.

Transactions: The Tennessee Journal of Business Law. A semiannual publication of the Clayton Center for Entrepreneurial Law, this journal, carried by law libraries nationwide, is run by students with assistance from the college faculty. *Transactions* covers legal developments of interest to the business bar as well as the center's activities and faculty achievements.

Tennessee Journal of Law and Policy. This is a student-produced journal that began quarterly publication in the fall of 2004.

Student Programs

Study Abroad: Cambridge

The UT College of Law, in conjunction with several other law programs, offers a study abroad program that allows students to earn class credit during the summer while studying and traveling for a month. The Cambridge program features courses on various topics in international and comparative law and are ABA accredited.

For more information about the Cambridge Summer Session at Downing College, please visit www.law.olemiss.edu/lsp_cambridge.html.

Student Bar Association

The UT Student Bar Association is the representative voice of College of Law students. Elected officers serve on the Dean's Advisory Council, and members organize activities for the benefit of the law school community. All students may join the SBA and participate in its activities.

The SBA supervises the locker rental program and operates the SBA Book Exchange through which law students may buy and sell used law books at discounted prices. The SBA also administers the Alan Novak Memorial Emergency Loan Fund, which provides short-term interest-free loans to law students in need.

Moot Court Program

The Moot Court Board plays a vital role in the College of Law's appellate and trial advocacy programs. It is composed of second- and third-year students who have demonstrated excellence in advocacy through various inter- and intraschool competitions. The Board develops legal problems for the two intraschool competitions held each year—the Advocates' Prize and the Jenkins Competition—and is involved in the selection of students who will represent the university in interschool competitions. The Board is committed to increasing the level of interest, participation, and excellence in advocacy in the College of Law.

Student Organizations

Student organizations in the college provide opportunities to develop common interests and explore law-related topics. Check the Student Affairs website at www.law.utk.edu/current/organizations.shtml for the most current list of student organizations. An Organizations Fair is held each fall semester to acquaint students with the choices in activities.

The College of Law sponsors teams in most major national competitions, including

National Moot Court
two-time national champion
2011 national runner-up

National Trial

Ray H. Jenkins Trial Competition

Advocates' Prize Moot Court
Competition

Jerome Prince Evidence
Moot Court
three-time national champion

Constitutional Law Moot Court

Trademark Moot Court

Environmental Moot Court

Frederick Douglass Moot Court

Black Law Student
Association Trial



Pro Bono and Public Interest Law

Through a student-driven Pro Bono program, as well as funding opportunities for students who engage in public interest work, the College of Law is committed to expanding opportunities in public service. This dedication is manifested in the UT Pro Bono Pledge, active student involvement, faculty support, and a staff position dedicated to enhancing access to justice issues at the College of Law.

UT Pro Bono is a student-directed, community service organization at the College of Law. The program strives to partner law students with area attorneys and nonprofit organizations to provide service to the traditionally underserved and underrepresented. The organization consists of multiple projects dedicated to serving distinct community needs, and the projects vary from year to year. Currently active in UT Pro Bono are the following projects:

Animal Law Project

The Animal Law Project's current goals are to (1) compile a complete reference detailing all the laws that relate to animals in the Federal and Tennessee judicial systems; (2) create appendices to increase the utility of the materials for use by individuals not familiar with legal terminology; and (3) discuss with the Tennessee Judiciary the interpretation of animal laws.

Homeless Project

This project allows students to assist in the legal representation of individuals who are temporarily or permanently displaced. Topics frequently addressed in this project are Social Security benefits, subsidized housing, family law, and minor criminal offenses.

Faculty Profile



Alex Long, associate professor of law

*B.A., James Madison University; J.D., College of William & Mary
Specialty: Torts, Employment Law, and Professional Responsibility*

Shifting Focus: Professor Alex Long joined the UT College of Law faculty in 2007 with a well-deserved reputation in employment discrimination law—particularly the Americans With Disabilities Act—as well as law regulations in the workplace, invasion of privacy, wrongful discharge, and tort claims in the workplace.

“I took a course in employment law my second year of law school and was fascinated by it,” says Long, a 1998 graduate of the William & Mary School of Law. “After law school I practiced in the labor and employment law area, so when I got into teaching this was the area I wanted to pursue.”

In recent years, Long's focus has shifted to professional responsibility. His scholarship has been published in numerous journals, including the *Minnesota Law Review*, *Washington Law Review*, *Washington & Lee Law Review*, and the *Georgetown Journal of Legal Ethics*. He is a coauthor—with UT Professor Judy Cornett and former faculty member Carl Pierce—of the book *Professional Responsibility in the Life of the Lawyer*.

Upholding the Mission: “I came to appreciate the subject matter (of professional responsibility) because it is relevant to students' professional lives,” says Long. “I try to include a lot of ethical issues and professional responsibility in my employment classes. I want to introduce the idea that they will be held to a set of rules when they beginning practicing.”

Long greatly admires the high quality of the UT student body. “We have the perfect kind of students—those who actually want to go out and be lawyers but still have the intellectual curiosity to explore esoteric issues and ideas along the way. I can present material in different ways, and I always have a perceptive audience.”

Immigrant Assistance Project

The Immigrant Assistance Project is dedicated to assisting those who cannot obtain access to justice due to immigration status and/or language barriers. This project typically works to provide translation services and research materials to those who would not otherwise obtain legal services, and members of this project frequently work with other UT Pro Bono projects.

Saturday Bar Project

The Saturday Bar Project provides student volunteer assistance to legal aid organizations in Knoxville and surrounding counties. The project is an excellent opportunity for students to interact with area attorneys by providing students with the occasion to interview prospective clients, identify the legal issues applicable to the clients, and then assist attorneys in talking with the clients about their legal situation.

Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA)/International VITA

VITA is a volunteer outreach program funded and managed by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). The VITA mission is to help disabled, elderly, and low-income taxpayers file their returns electronically. The College of Law VITA program is run completely by student volunteers who are trained at the beginning of each tax season in basic tax law and mechanics, as well as the use of tax preparation software. The International VITA program has the same mission with the caveat that student volunteers in this program seek to help those who may be working in the United States as part of visiting student or visiting faculty program.

Street Law Program

The Street Law Program aims to make issues in the law relevant and relatable to students at K-5 and adolescent levels. Serving as instructors, members of Street Law research and prepare weekly lessons on topics ranging from First Amendment rights to Tennessee drug and gang laws. The sessions present opportunities for K-5 and adolescent students to engage in critical thinking and communication about how the law impacts their everyday lives.

Vols for Vets Program

Vols for Vets seeks to provide information and services to military veterans and their families about the benefits and services available to those who sacrifice so much for the United States.

Alternative Spring Break

Alternative Spring Break provides law students with the opportunity to get involved in both pro bono and public service activities over spring break. Student participants have rendered service ranging from working in legal

aid offices, to delivering meals to the elderly, to performing online research from the beach, to giving educational presentations at local community centers.

Public Interest Law

The College of Law supports students who are interested in pursuing public interest careers by providing information sessions related to public interest careers, public interest funding and loan repayment assistance programs. Additionally, the College of Law provides funding to multiple students each summer who participate in internships with public interest organizations.



Financing Your Legal Education

Tuition and Fees

The value of your legal education at the University of Tennessee College of Law compares very favorably with that available at other state-supported and private institutions.

University tuition and fees are determined by the Board of Trustees and are subject to change each year. The costs for the 2011–2012 academic year (fall and spring semesters) are estimated as follows:

For Tennessee Resident Students \$15,090

For Out-of-State Students \$34,456

Total Expenses

The estimated Financial Aid budgets for the 2011-2012 academic year for a student living on or off campus are outlined here to give you an idea of the total cost of attending the University of Tennessee College of Law.

Candidates for admission can estimate the cost of attendance for the three-year period by anticipating an 8 to 10 percent increase for the second and third years of law school.

Please refer to the College of Law website for current information on tuition, fees, and expenses.

Estimated Expenses: 2011-12 Academic Year

(Independent law student living on or off campus)

	<i>In-State</i>	<i>Out-of-State</i>
Tuition and Fees	\$15,090	\$34,456
Room and Board	11,040	11,040
Books	1,846	1,846
Transportation	1,654	1,654
Miscellaneous	4,054	4,054
TOTAL	\$33,684	\$53,050

Seat Deposits

All applicants admitted to the College of Law who plan to enroll in the fall must pay two nonrefundable seat deposits to reserve a place in the entering class. The total amount of the deposits will be credited to semester fees.

Return on Investment

The historic recession of the late 2000s has prompted many to re-examine the “return on investment” of law school. While this can really only be accomplished with a lifetime of earnings to evaluate and in the context of career satisfaction, there are signals you can consider to evaluate the proposition of law school attendance. Law schools should provide information about the average indebtedness of their recent graduates, as reported to the American Bar Association, so you can consider this information in the context of typical salaries of the legal positions that interest you and the cost of law school attendance at that school.

Return on Investment of Law School

Average Borrowed for Legal Education

	CLASS OF 2010	CLASS OF 2009	CLASS OF 2008	CLASS OF 2007
UT	\$65,082	\$53,751	\$57,064	\$53,767
Public Law Schools	not available	\$66,045	\$59,324	\$57,170

Financial Aid

Candidates for admission to the College of Law may be eligible for financial assistance. In-depth information about the types of financial aid available, the processes for applying, important deadlines, a list of scholarships, and other information is available at www.law.utk.edu/prospective/financial-services.shtml.

Scholarships

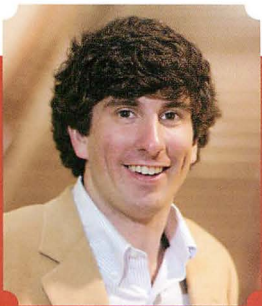
The college awards a number of scholarships as part of the admissions process. Selection may be based on a number of factors: academic credentials (LSAT score and UGPA), records of leadership and community service, and other factors as established by the scholarship donor. Several scholarships may be awarded for which financial need, as established by the university after the FAFSA process is complete, is a primary criteria. Candidates for admission should complete the FAFSA as soon as possible after the first of the year in order to be considered for scholarships in which financial need is a factor.

Admitted candidates will automatically be considered for all scholarships for which they are eligible. Scholarship awards are made on a rolling basis, so admitted candidates who applied early may have an advantage.

Descriptions of scholarships and the selection criteria are included in the "Prospective Student" section of the College of Law website (www.law.utk.edu).

Tennessee Law Scholar Graduate Research Assistant Program

Several law students are selected to serve as graduate research assistants for faculty members during their three years of study. Candidates offered positions as Tennessee Law Scholars and Research Associates will work under the supervision of law professors for an average of 10 hours each week during fall and spring semesters for three years.



ALUMNUS PROFILE

John Rader '10

Policy and Legal Analyst, Office of the Governor, State of Tennessee

To the Capitol: John Rader's dedication to government service and passion for law has taken him from the UT College of Law to the office of the governor in Nashville. He was appointed as policy and legal analyst in the office of newly elected Governor Bill Haslam in January 2011.

Preparing for Service: Rader received his bachelor of arts, summa cum laude, in College Scholars from the University of Tennessee, Knoxville. He served as student body president and received the "Torchbearer" award for overall excellence. As an undergraduate, he also was selected Phi Beta Kappa, Top Collegiate Scholar, Baker Scholar, and was a Rhodes Scholar finalist.

Following his graduation, Rader continued pursuing his interest for the law and government at the UT College of Law. During summers, he interned for Tennessee Supreme Court Justice Gary R. Wade and Justice Sharon G. Lee. He also interned with Judge Harry S. Mattice, Jr., of the Eastern District of the United States District Court as well as Judge Julia S. Gibbons of the United States Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals.

Making his Mark: In his final semester, Rader served as acting assistant district attorney in the 13th Judicial District under District Attorney General Randall A. York. In December 2010, he received his J.D., magna cum laude, while also serving as acquisitions editor for the Tennessee Law Review.

"The University of Tennessee College of Law provided me with the opportunities and the legal education necessary to succeed at the next level," Rader says. "I cherish my time at the University of Tennessee and the College of Law, and I will forever be proud of the experiences that UT Law has prepared me for and provided for me."



Melvin J. Malone '89

Miller & Martin, PLLC (Nashville/Chattanooga/Atlanta)

Building a Career: Melvin Malone has worked diligently since leaving the College of Law to make his way in his chosen profession. He has been a member of Miller & Martin, PLLC, since 2002, and has served as managing member/chair of the firm since November 2009.

He has successfully litigated on behalf of a regional financial institution, a global wireless communications company, the nation's largest three-service public utility, a national automotive finance company, and a coalition of Tennessee telephone cooperatives.

He served as a commissioner and chairman of the Tennessee Regulatory Authority and legal counsel to Tennessee Governor Don Sundquist. Malone also has provided counsel for builders, startup companies, retail merchants, religious organizations, professional athletes, and nonprofits.

Laying the Foundation: It's not only his career that began at the UT College of Law. Malone says he, "could not be more grateful" for the years he spent at law school because those years helped him lay a foundation for his life.

"In many ways, my time at the College of Law laid the foundation for my life—personally, spiritually, and professionally. Still today, some of my closest friends and most influential mentors are persons that I met during my law school years. Also, it was during my first summer of law school that I embarked upon my first missionary trip outside of the United States."

Compensation includes a full tuition waiver (in-state or out-of-state) and a monthly stipend. Please see the law school application packet for detailed information and an application form.

Tennessee Law Scholars will be chosen from admitted candidates who express an interest in this position during the admissions process. Academic qualifications, research and writing experience, and other factors considered in the admissions process will also be considered in this selection process.

Loans

Applicants must complete the FAFSA (*Free Application for Federal Student Aid*) in order to be considered for federal loans and need-based scholarships.

Several different loan programs are available to help students finance their legal educations:

- Federal Perkins Student Loan Program
- Subsidized or Unsubsidized Stafford Loans
- Grad Plus Loans

Detailed information about each loan option can be found on the College of Law website (www.law.utk.edu) in the section for prospective students.

Black Law Student Association

The UT chapter has twice been recognized as the Southern Region Chapter of the Year for its dedication to community service and the advancement of minority law students. BLSA's main purpose is to serve as a catalyst to minority student success in the law school community, both academically and socially. The organization fulfills this purpose through many community service and social activities as well as the Julian Blackshear Scholarship Gala. The Blackshear Gala celebrates the achievements of our graduating members and serves as a reminder of our greater responsibility to the community as members of the legal profession. BLSA also inaugurated Celebration of Diversity Week on campus, which serves as a device to recognize and embrace all cultures and organizations at the University of Tennessee.

point of pride

The Bettye B. Lewis Career Center

Recruiting and hiring practices across the legal job market require law students to approach career decisions through an ongoing, developmental process that begins in the first year of law school and continues even after graduation. Career Center staff helps students acquire the skills and knowledge necessary for a successful job search and provide information on the many professional areas in which a law degree can provide a career advantage.

Career Strategy

Admitted candidates are introduced to general career development strategies and complete the Center's Career Assessment instrument before classes begin. Individual "Getting To Know You" career planning meetings begin in early November. Students begin developing their Job Search Tool Kit, learning to research legal employers, learning the standards for contact between students and employers, and developing their Career Strategic Plan. Spring semester features mock interview training with local attorneys, spring interviews, and employer outreach planning for summer and fall.

Employment Opportunities

Students meet legal recruiters who hire summer and year-round law clerks and entry-level attorneys through the Career Center's formal recruitment programs. Students apply for jobs posted through the

Center's Symplicity database—summer positions and single-project or temporary assignments from area attorneys.

Each year, the Career Center hosts approximately 100 employers from throughout the Southeast in its fall and spring on-campus interview programs. Employers from across the U.S. also solicit résumés from UT students interested in their practices and geographic locations. UT law students participate in off-campus job conferences co-sponsored by the Career Center. These include

- Spring Southeast Legal Hiring Conference (Atlanta)*
- Equal Justice Works Career Fair (Washington, D.C.)*
- Judicial Clerkship Program (sponsored by the ABA, Chicago)*
- Mid-Atlantic Legal Recruiting Conference (Washington, D.C.)*
- Nashville Bar Association 1L Hiring Conference (Nashville)*
- Patent Law Interview Program (Chicago)*
- Southeastern Intellectual Property Job Fair (Atlanta)*
- Southeastern Minority Job Fair (Atlanta)*
- Southeastern Law Placement Consortium (Atlanta)*
- Tennessee Bar Association Diversity Job Fair (Nashville)*

Type of Employment Accepted, Classes of 2009–10 (average)

Private Practice	58%
Judicial Clerk	12%
Government	11%
Business & Industry	9%
Military	4%
Academic	3%
Public Interest	3%

Tennessee Graduates Succeed in Job Market

Before you decide which law school to attend, it only makes sense to look at the cost of attendance at that school in relation to the average salaries that graduates from that school have accepted.

While the majority of the college's graduates practice law in Tennessee, alumni are found in forty-nine states and ten foreign countries. In addition to traditional legal careers as attorneys, prosecutors, and judges, UT alumni work in a wide range of nonlegal and law-related jobs. Our graduates have forged successful careers in such areas as corporate management, medicine, entrepreneurial enterprises, public service and government, teaching, and educational administration.

The University of Tennessee College of Law joins other top law schools with a very high percentage of graduate employment.

Law Graduates Employed Nine Months After Graduation

	All ABA Accredited Law Schools	The University of Tennessee
Class of 2010		90%
Class of 2009	88%	96%
Class of 2008	90%	96%
Class of 2007	92%	99%
Class of 2006	91%	99%

Many students serve as volunteer interns with public interest organizations, government agencies, and judges during the school year or summer months. Volunteering can pay rich dividends, such as practical work experience, the chance to be of service to legal offices not usually funded for clerkships, and the opportunity to develop contacts and mentors who can assist you throughout your career.



Salary Profile, Classes of 2009 and 2010

Average Starting Salaries (average)	
All Job Types, All Locations	\$68,750
All Job Types in Tennessee	\$65,150
All Job Types, Other States	\$86,950
All Law Firms, All Locations	\$80,800
Law Firms in Tennessee	\$75,750
Law Firms, Other States	\$106,950
All Locations	
Government	\$53,450
Business & Industry	\$55,200
Public Interest	\$44,800
Class of 2010 Salary Range	\$37,000–\$145,000

ALUMNUS PROFILE

Whitney Johns Martin '81

Texas Women Ventures Fund

Breaking Ground: Whitney Johns Martin feels her UT law degree gave her the critical thinking skills she needed to cofound the Texas Women Ventures Fund (TWVF), a Texas-based firm which invests capital in woman-led companies in Texas and the Southwest. Prior to moving to Texas, Martin created the first Small Business Investment Company in Nashville, with its focus also on woman-led companies.

Secret to Success: Martin attributes much of her success to the rigors of law school.

“My UT law degree has been one of the secret elements to my success—it has been an invaluable tool,” Martin says. “Tennessee is a tough law school. They don’t just pass you. You have to earn your way through.”

Knowledge to Succeed: She says law school taught her to be a critical thinker and that has come in handy when deciding whether or not to invest a million dollars in a company. Reviewing companies and their management teams and forecasting what the future holds for a business or industry are key elements in decisions made daily by TWVF.

“Knowing how to think about a deal and knowing what to watch out for when drafting documents, knowing how to be a problem solver when problems do arise—these are all things I learned at the UT College of Law,” Martin says.

“I love my UT law degree because it was a great bargain for the level of training I received.”



Sampling of Employers of Current Students and Recent Graduates

Adams and Reese (Nashville, TN; Birmingham, AL)
 Alston & Bird (Atlanta, GA; Charlotte, NC)
 American Civil Liberties Union (nationwide)
 Anderson Mori & Tomotsune (Tokyo, Japan)
 Apple, Inc. (Arlington, VA)
 Arent Fox (Washington, D.C.)
 Baker Donelson Bearman Caldwell & Berkowitz (Memphis, Nashville, Knoxville & Chattanooga, TN; Birmingham, AL; Jackson, MS; New Orleans, LA; Washington, D.C.)
 Balch & Bingham (Birmingham, AL)
 Bass Berry & Sims (Nashville, Knoxville & Memphis, TN)
 BBC Chartering (Leer, Germany; Houston, TX)
 Bradley Arant Boult Cummings (Nashville, TN; Huntsville, AL)
 Bronx Community Solutions (Bronx, NY)
 Brooks Pierce McLendon Humphrey & Leonard (Greensboro, NC)
 Burch Porter & Johnson (Memphis, TN)
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 Butler Vines & Babb (Knoxville, TN)
 Burr & Forman (Nashville, TN; Birmingham, AL)
 Cadwalader Wickersham & Taft (Charlotte, NC; New York, NY)
 Chambliss Bahner & Stophel (Chattanooga, TN)
 Clayton Bank & Trust (Knoxville, TN)
 Community South Bank (Knoxville, TN)
 Conservation Law Foundation (Boston, MA)
 Cornelius & Collins (Nashville, TN)
 Davis Agnor Rapaport & Skalny (Columbia, MD)
 Defender Association of Philadelphia (Philadelphia, PA)
 Deloitte (Atlanta, GA)
 Dick, Riggs, Miller & Stem (Huntsville, AL)
 Dickstein Shapiro (Washington, D.C.)
 Dinsmore & Shohl (Lexington & Louisville, KY; Cincinnati, Columbus & Dayton OH)
 Dorsey & Whitney (Minneapolis, MN)
 Downey & Cleveland (Marietta, GA)
 Drew Eckl & Farnham (Atlanta, GA)
 Duncan Hatcher & Hixson (Chattanooga, TN)
 Egerton McAfee Armistead & Davis (Knoxville, TN)
 Equal Justice Works Fellowships for Equal Justice (Washington, D.C., & nationwide)
 Farris Bobango Branan (Memphis & Nashville, TN)
 Federal & Hasson (Atlanta, GA)
 Federal Bureau of Investigation (nationwide)
 Federal Defender Services of Tennessee (statewide)
 Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (nationwide)
 Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Washington, D.C.)
 Florida State Attorney's Office (Jacksonville, FL)
 Flaherty Sensabaugh & Bonasso (Charleston, WV)
 Ford & Harrison (Atlanta, GA; Washington, D.C.)
 Frequentis, U.S.A. (Columbia, MD)
 Frost Brown Todd (Nashville, TN; Lexington & Louisville, KY; Cincinnati & Columbus, OH)
 Gearhiser Peters Lockaby & Tallant (Chattanooga, TN)
 Georgia Justice Project (Atlanta, GA)
 Georgia Legal Services (Atlanta, GA)
 Gess Mattingly & Atchison (Lexington, KY)
 Gideon, Cooper & Essary (Nashville, TN)
 Glankler Brown (Memphis, TN)
 Glassman Edwards Wade & Wyatt (Memphis, TN)
 Governor's Office of Planning and Budget (Atlanta, GA)
 Grant Konvalinka & Harrison (Chattanooga, TN)
 Gray Layton Kersh Solomon Sigmon Furr & Smith (Gastonia, NC)
 Gullett Sanford Robinson & Martin (Nashville, TN)
 Hagood Tarpay & Cox (Knoxville, TN)
 Hall Booth Smith & Slover (Nashville, TN; Atlanta, GA)
 Hare, Wynn, Newell & Newton (Birmingham, AL)
 Harwell Howard Hyne Gabbert & Manner (Nashville, TN)
 Hays & Porter (Atlanta, GA)
 Hedrick Eatman Gardner & Kinchele (Charlotte, NC)
 Henry, McCord, Bean, Miller, Gabriel & LaBar (Tulahoma, TN)
 Hodges Doughty & Carson (Knoxville, TN)
 Holbrook Peterson & Smith (Knoxville, TN)
 Holland & Knight (Atlanta, GA)
 Holrob Investments (Knoxville, TN)
 Hopping Green & Sams (Tallahassee, FL)
 Hughes & Luce (Dallas, TX)
 Hunter Smith & Davis (Kingsport, TN)
 Hutton & Williams (Richmond, VA; Atlanta, GA; New York, NY)
 Husch Blackwell Sanders (Chattanooga, TN; St. Louis and Kansas City, MO)
 IdleAire Technologies Corp (Knoxville, TN)
 Internal Revenue Service (nationwide)
 International Justice Mission (Mumbai, India)
 International Paper Company (Memphis, TN)
 James McElroy & Diehl (Charlotte, NC)
 Jenner & Block (Chicago, IL)
 Johnston Barton Proctor and Rose (Birmingham, AL)
 Kaye Scholer (New York, NY)
 Kelley Drye & Warren (Washington, D.C.; Parsippany, NJ)
 Kennerly Montgomery & Finley (Knoxville, TN)
 Kentucky Department of Public Advocacy (statewide)
 Kilpatrick Townsend & Stockton (Atlanta, GA; Charlotte, NC)
 King & Ballou (Nashville, TN)
 King & Spalding (Atlanta, GA; Houston, TX)
 Kinnard Clayton & Beveridge (Nashville, TN)
 K&L Gates (Charlotte, NC)
 Kramer Rayson (Knoxville, TN)
 Legal Aid of East Tennessee (Knoxville, Johnson City, Morristown & Chattanooga, TN)
 Legal Aid Society of Middle Tennessee and the Cumberlands (Nashville, Clarksville, Cookeville, Columbia, Tullahoma & Oak Ridge, TN)
 Leitner Williams Dooley & Napolitan (Chattanooga, Knoxville, Memphis & Nashville, TN)
 Lewis Glasser Casey & Rollins (Charleston, WV)
 Lewis Johs Avallone Aviles (New York & Long Island, NY)
 Lewis King Krieg & Waldrop (Knoxville & Nashville, TN; Atlanta, GA)
 Littler Mendelson (Atlanta, GA)
 London & Amburn (Knoxville, TN)
 Luedeka, Neely & Graham (Knoxville, TN)
 Manier & Herod (Nashville, TN)
 Martin Tate Morrow & Marston (Memphis, TN)
 Mayer Brown Roe & Maw (Chicago, IL)
 Maynard Cooper & Gale (Birmingham, Huntsville, Mobile & Montgomery, AL)
 McGugin Leader & Carlson (Nashville, TN)
 McGuire, Wood & Bisette (Asheville, NC)
 Memphis Area Legal Services (Memphis, TN)
 Metro Legal Department (Nashville, TN)
 Miller & Martin (Chattanooga & Nashville, TN; Atlanta, GA)
 Moore Ingram Johnson & Steele (Knoxville, TN; Marietta, GA)
 Moore & Van Allen (Charlotte, NC)
 Mouldoux, Bland, Legrand & Brackett (New Orleans, LA)
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 Myers Bigel (Raleigh, NC)
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 New Mexico Court of Appeals (Santa Fe, NM)
 Nexsen Pruet (Greenville, SC)
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 Ogletree Deakins Nash Smoak & Stewart (Nashville, TN; Columbia, SC)
 O'Neil Parker & Williamson (Knoxville, TN)
 Ortale Kelley Herbert & Crawford (Nashville, TN)
 Paine Tarwater Bickers & Tillman (Knoxville, TN)
 Parker Poe Adams & Bernstein (Charlotte and Raleigh, NC)
 Peck Shaffer & Williams (Cincinnati, OH)
 Penn Stuart & Eskridge (Bristol, TN; Bristol & Abingdon, VA)

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 Pite Duncan (San Diego, Cal.)
 Poyner & Spruill (Charlotte, NC)
 The Presidential Management Fellows Program (nationwide)
 PricewaterhouseCoopers (nationwide)
 Pryor, Flynn, Priest & Harber (Knoxville, TN)
 Rainey Kizer Reviere & Bell (Jackson, TN)
 Refugee Family Services (Atlanta, GA)
 Riley Warnock & Jacobson (Nashville, TN)
 Ritchie, Dillard & Davies (Knoxville, TN)
 Roberts & Stevens (Asheville, NC)
 Robinson Bradshaw & Hinson (Charlotte, NC)
 Rosen Rosen & Hagood (Charleston, SC)
 The Rutherford Institute (Charlottesville, VA)
 Schell Bray Aycock Abel & Livingston (Greensboro, NC)
 Sherrard & Roe (Nashville, TN)
 Sirote & Permutt (Birmingham, AL)
 Skadden Arps Slate Meagher & Flom (New York, NY)
 Smith Cashion & Orr (Nashville, TN)
 Smith Currie & Hancock (Atlanta, GA)
 Smith Debnam Narron Wyche Saintsing & Myers (Raleigh, NC)
 Smith Gambrell & Russell (Atlanta, GA)
 Southern Environmental Law Center (Charlotte, NC)
 Southern Sun Asset Management (Memphis, TN)
 Spicer Rudstrom (Memphis, Nashville, Knoxville & Chattanooga, TN)
 Squire, Sanders & Dempsey (Cleveland, OH)
 Stites & Harbison (Nashville, TN; Atlanta, GA; Jeffersonville, IN; Frankfort, Lexington & Louisville, KY)
 Stokes, Williams, Sharp & Davies (Knoxville, TN)
 Sutherland (Atlanta, GA)
 Swift Currie McGhee & Hiers (Atlanta, GA)
 Temple Mann Briggs & Hill (Greenville, SC)
 Tennessee Attorney General's Office (Nashville, TN)
 Tennessee Court of Appeals (statewide)
 Tennessee Court of Criminal Appeals (statewide)
 Tennessee District Attorneys Offices (statewide)
 Tennessee Public Defenders Offices (statewide)
 Tennessee Supreme Court (statewide)
 Thomason Hendrix Harvey Johnson & Mitchell (Memphis, TN)
 Troutman Sanders (Atlanta, GA)
 U.S. Air Force Judge Advocate Generals Corps (worldwide)
 U.S. Army Judge Advocate Generals Corps (worldwide)
 U.S. Attorneys Offices (nationwide)
 U.S. Bankruptcy Courts (Tennessee & nationwide)
 U.S. Circuit Courts of Appeals (Tennessee & nationwide)
 U.S. Coast Guard Judge Advocate Generals Corps (nationwide)
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 U.S. Department of the Interior (nationwide)
 U.S. Department of Justice (Washington, D.C.)
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 Waller Lansden Dortch & Davis (Nashville, TN)
 West Tennessee Legal Services (Jackson, TN)
 Williams Mullen (Raleigh, NC; Charlottesville, VA)
 Wilson & Ratledge (Raleigh, NC)
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 Wood, Herron & Evans (Cincinnati, OH)
 Woodcock Washburn (Philadelphia, PA)
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 Wyatt Tarrant & Combs (Memphis & Nashville, TN; Louisville, KY)

Distinguished Alumni

The College of Law is proud of its more than 7,000 alumni living and working across the United States and the world. Several alumni are profiled in this publication and on the College of Law website. Notable names include:

The Honorable Howard H. Baker Jr.

Former U.S. Ambassador to Japan and former U.S. Senator, Tennessee

The Honorable Saxby Chambliss

U.S. Senator, Georgia

James L. Clayton

Chairman, Clayton Bank and Trust; Founder and Former CEO, Clayton Homes and Vanderbilt Mortgage and Finance

Wendy Goggin

General Counsel, U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency

Joel A. Katz

Founding Shareholder, Chair, Global Media and Entertainment Practice, Greenberg Traurig LLC, Atlanta

Lowry F. Kline

Chairman and CEO (Retired), Coca-Cola Enterprises

The Honorable Sharon Lee

Justice, Tennessee Supreme Court

The Honorable Gary Wade

Justice, Tennessee Supreme Court

Robert Alderson

CEO, Kirklands, Inc.

James E. Hall

Former Chairman of National Transportation Safety Board

Chuck Fleischmann

U.S. House of Representatives



Privileges. Law students have the same privileges and responsibilities and are subject to the same regulations as other university students.

Pre-Enrollment Advising. We want you to choose the law school that is right for you, considering your geographic preferences, your interests in particular academic programs, your career ambitions, and your financial concerns. Consultations with staff, in person or by phone, can help you evaluate whether Tennessee is a good match for you.

Orientation and Introductory Period. You will spend much of your first week as a law student at Tennessee in classes and in co-curricular and social activities designed to help you

bridge the gap between college or career and law school.

College and University Student Services

Law students can claim the best parts of two worlds. They are part of a small academic unit with strong personal relationships, yet they have all the resources of a comprehensive research university. The total enrollment at the University of Tennessee,

Knoxville, is approaching 27,000 students. Students come from all 50 states and approximately 100 different countries; approximately 15% are students of color. The College of Law enrolls fewer than 500 students, all studying in a self-contained building in the heart of campus—compact and separate, yet closely connected to the campus and the community. Law students can interact with the larger campus as much or as little as they choose.

For more information about the services listed here and many others, go to the UT Knoxville website at www.utk.edu or the College of Law website at www.law.utk.edu.

Academic Advising. First-year law students have faculty and student advisors. You should consult early and often with these advisors about the transition to the law school environment, adjusting to law school teaching and learning, balancing your time and your life, choosing classes, finding your way around Knoxville, and other issues of concern. The assistant dean for student affairs can also advise you in these and other areas.

Academic Success Program. During fall semester, the college offers a series of lectures on law school survival skills such as time and stress management, synthesis of law materials, note taking, outlining, and examination skills. An intensive tutorial program is available for any student experiencing academic difficulty.

Student Counseling Center. The Student Counseling Center provides psychological and psycho-educational services through consultation and training to help students reach their potential.

Student Health Service. The Student Health Service provides quality medical care on an outpatient basis. Most services are covered by the student activity fee. A health insurance plan is available for enrolled students.

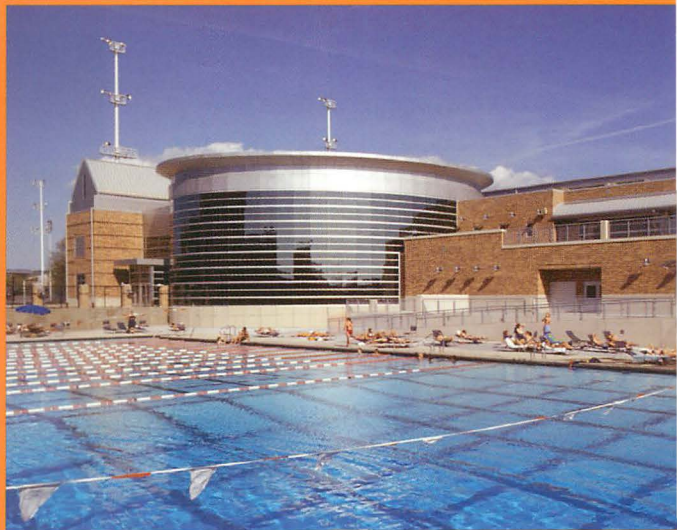
Disability Service. The College of Law works closely with the university's Office of Disability Services to eliminate barriers individuals may encounter and to work with them to achieve and maintain individual autonomy. Admitted students with disabilities are encouraged to contact the assistant dean for student affairs as soon as possible so that their needs can be evaluated and accommodated.



Transportation. The “T” bus system provides free transportation across the campus, and a free trolley system connects the university with downtown Knoxville. In addition, the T:Link is an on demand shuttle service providing safe, nighttime transportation linking UT’s Main and Ag Campuses and the Ft. Sanders area as far as Grand Avenue (excluding the Cumberland Avenue Strip). See www.ridethet.com.

Housing. Law students have a wide variety of private and university-owned housing options near campus and throughout Knoxville. Volunteer Hall, adjacent to the College of Law, offers 2, 3 and 4 bedroom apartments and town homes for sophomores through graduate students.

Parking Permits. Permits may be purchased by students living on or off campus who want to park in surface lots and garages near the law school. Parking is also available in private lots surrounding the law school, and metered parking is occasionally available on the street.



Cultural Programming and Entertainment. Law students can take advantage of the museums, art galleries, performances, films, exhibits, lectures, plays, and other forms of entertainment continually available on campus.

Sports and Recreation. Student tickets to Tennessee Volunteer football games, Lady Volunteer and Volunteer basketball games, and other intercollegiate sports events are available to law students. The student activity fee includes use of the TRECS student recreation center for sports and fitness activities.

Carolyn P. Brown University Center. Directly across Cumberland Avenue from the College of Law, the University Center provides a post office, travel agency, cafeteria and food court, computer store, the university’s book and supply store, lounges, conference areas, and a bowling alley and game room.



Location, Location, Location

Knoxville is an excellent place to call home while attending law school. The UT Knoxville campus, located near the heart of the city, is the flagship public research institution of Tennessee and readily draws business and entertainment

to the region. Loft living and a vibrant urban environment have made downtown Knoxville a destination of choice. Consistently ranked among the best cities under 1,000,000 population in the United States, Knoxville boasts extensive cultural attractions, quaint shops and coffee houses, superb restaurants, fine nightlife, and proximity to the Great Smoky Mountains National Park and major cities like Nashville, Atlanta, Charlotte and Birmingham—all the while retaining the southern charm of a smaller city. Whatever you like to do, you're sure to find it in Knoxville.



“Go Big Orange!”

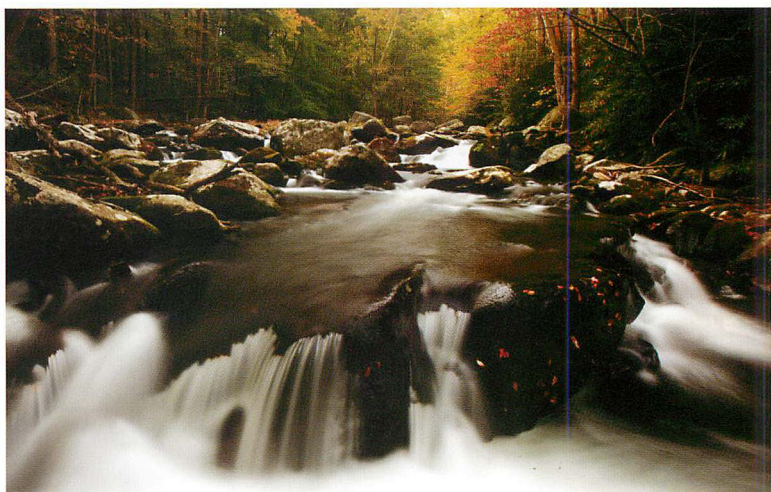
This phrase is one you'll repeat many times during your law school experience. For all you sports fans, Knoxville is a “one-stop shop” with several nationally recognized sports teams. Neyland Stadium, the nation's second largest collegiate football stadium and home to nearly 108,000 cheering UT fans, is right down the street from the College of Law. Coach Pat Summitt's eight-time NCAA championship Lady Vols and Coach Cuonzo Martin's men's team play basketball to packed houses at Thompson-Boling Arena.

The Icebears professional hockey team and the Smokies minor league baseball team call the Knoxville area home. Don't forget the Women's Basketball Hall of Fame in downtown Knoxville. For all sports action, there's no place greater than Knoxville.

The Great Outdoors

If you feel the call of the wild, there are many places in and around Knoxville where you can get your fill. Lace up your boots and head forty-five minutes east or southeast to the Great Smoky Mountains for a day of hiking. The Ocoee River, site of the 1996 Atlanta Olympics canoe and kayak slalom races—rated one of the ten best whitewater rivers in the country by *Canoe* magazine—provides the exciting challenge of raging rapids. For boating and fishing enthusiasts, seven TVA lakes are within a thirty-minute drive of Knoxville.

Volunteer Landing, Knoxville's riverfront development, boasts a marina, visitor center, restaurants, and “dancing” fountains and waterfalls. Animals of all types from around the world reside at the Knoxville Zoo.



Cultural Life

Knoxville is home to numerous cultural attractions appealing to a variety of tastes. World-class art exhibits are showcased at the Knoxville Museum of Art and the McClung Museum on campus. The restored historic Tennessee Theatre is home to the “Mighty Wurlitzer” organ, popular concerts, and the Knoxville Symphony Orchestra. Knoxville also boasts the Appalachian Ballet Company, several modern dance companies, Knoxville Opera Company, Beck Cultural Exchange Center, and several historic places of interest, including the James White Fort and Blount Mansion. The redevelopment of the downtown Market Square area provides an eclectic array of cafés, boutiques, and a pavilion that is home to Knoxville’s summer concert series, Sundown in the City. On campus, the Clarence Brown Theatre produces a full season of plays and musicals annually, and the Cultural

Attractions Series offers an outstanding line-up of music and dance performances.

Access

Interstates 40, 75, and 81 converge near Knoxville to offer easy access to surrounding states. McGhee Tyson Airport, located just twenty minutes from campus, provides over 130 arrivals and departures each day on several major airlines, which include Continental, Delta, United, American US Airways, and several low-cost carriers.

Weather

Knoxville enjoys four very distinct seasons. Winters tend to be short and mild, and spring usually arrives by mid-March—although February’s sometimes-mild temperatures may fool you into thinking spring has sprung early! By the time summer rolls around, temperatures hover in the 80s, making for lazy summer days. Fall, a brilliant burst of color in east Tennessee, arrives in October and brings welcome, cooler temperatures. Fall melds into winter in late November.



Population...

City of Knoxville	178,874
Knox County	432,226
Metro Area	702,729

Distance to...

Atlanta	214 miles
Nashville	180 miles
Charlotte	243 miles
Birmingham	257 miles

Knoxville’s diversity affords law students the opportunities of a major metropolitan area with convenient access to the beauty of the Appalachian region.

Knoxville blurs the line between small town and big city, and UT law students find that characteristic very appealing. We think you will, too. For links to information about the Knoxville area, go to www.utk.edu/knoxville.



Knoxville: A City on the Rise

Knox County led the state in population growth, showing the most growth of any metropolitan area in Tennessee, according to 2010 U.S. Census data.

Knoxville ranked number nine among midsize cities in Forbes’ 2011 “Best Cities for Jobs,” list.

Visit the College of Law

Student Host Program

Many schools offer limited visitation days with activities mapped out for you. We recognize that all candidate's interests, concerns, and travel schedules are not the same. The Office of Admissions and Financial Aid and the Student Bar Association customize prospect visits through our Student Host Program, available Monday through Friday during fall and spring semesters and as student availability allows during the summer semester.



To schedule a visit, contact Carolyn Dossett Karstrom, senior admissions specialist, or Phyllis Brewer, admissions/recruitment assistant, in the Admissions Office at (865) 974-4131, or by e-mail at lawadmit@utk.edu.

Please call us at least a week before you plan to visit to allow time to schedule the activities you select, which can include the following:

- Tour the College of Law building
- Attend a law school class
- Speak with

A professor in your area of interest

Admissions staff about admission or financial aid questions

Career Center staff about career planning and job prospects

A student about life in Knoxville and at the College of Law

Tours of the University of Tennessee campus can be arranged through the Office of Undergraduate Admissions website: admissions.utk.edu/undergraduate/visit.shtml.

Regrettably, the College of Law does not have funding to reimburse prospects for campus visits.

UT Law Ambassadors

The UT Law Ambassadors Program was created by the McReynolds Chapter of Phi Alpha Delta to better inform prospective students about the College of Law and the Knoxville area. Ambassadors give personal advice to their soon-to-be peers on many topics, including academics, diversity, extracurriculars/involvement, housing, law school community, Knoxville community, out of state concerns—even to UT undergraduate students considering law school. Law Ambassadors give real, practical advice to prospective students while providing the first introduction to the law school's welcoming, accepting student body.

You may e-mail the ambassadors at <http://www.law.utk.edu/pad/ambassadors/labels/ambassadors2.html>.

Questions about likelihood of admission, wait-list status, scholarships/financial aid, deposits/attendance, or residency requirements should be directed to the Admissions Office at lawadmit@utk.edu.

Parking for Visits

Parking is most readily available in the University Center garage on Philip Fulmer Way, just behind the University Center and across Cumberland Avenue from the College of Law. We can validate your garage parking to reduce the cost; just bring the parking receipt with you to the Admissions Office. However, the College of Law cannot be responsible for parking violations issued by the city of Knoxville or by the university.

How to Find Us

Maps are available at <http://www.utk.edu/maps> to help you plan your route to campus. You can also request an access map or directions when you arrange your campus visit.

Use this address to locate the College of Law using GPS or Google Maps:

1505 W. Cumberland Avenue, Knoxville, Tennessee 37996

Hotels

Several hotels are within a few blocks or a short drive from campus. Be sure to ask about discounted rates for UT visitors.

On Campus

Four Points by Sheraton
Cumberland House
1109 White Avenue
(865) 971-4663
(four blocks from the college)

Downtown, Near Campus

Crowne Plaza Hotel
401 Summit Hill Drive
(865) 522-2600

Hampton Inn Downtown
618 West Main Street
(865) 622-6944

Hilton Knoxville
501 West Church Avenue
(865) 523-2300

Knoxville Marriott Hotel
500 Hill Avenue SE
(865) 637-1234

Many chain hotels in the suburbs of Knoxville also offer reasonable rates. Areas with easy access to campus include Cedar Bluff, West Town, and Turkey Creek to the west; Merchants Drive and Emory Road to the north; and the airport and Strawberry Plains areas to the south.

Apply for Admission

- UT's electronic application is available at www.lsaac.org or you can link to the Flex-app from the College of Law website, www.law.utk.edu.
- Subscribe to the Law School Admission Council's Credential Assembly Service.
- For detailed information about the application process, go to www.law.utk.edu/prospective

Questions? Call (865) 974-4131 to speak to admissions staff.

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