We are deeply committed to creating a fair, just and vibrant society, locally and globally.

We believe in the power of a high-quality legal education, not just for the benefit of the individual, but for the countless people each lawyer — including you — will serve during your lifetime.

We are dedicated to creating a safe and welcoming learning environment so that all students thrive.

We are innovative, compassionate and skilled problem solvers. Our community looks forward to helping you channel your incredible assets to become leaders in law, business and public policy.

The University of Washington acknowledges the Coast Salish peoples of this land, the land which touches the shared waters of all tribes and bands within the Suquamish, Tulalip and Muckleshoot nations.*

* The language we use to honor place was developed over the course of several years by the UW Tribal Liaison with input from tribal leaders, elected tribal leaders, streams of the Annual UW Tribal Leadership Summit, the Affiliated Tribes of the Northwest, Indians, UW Native American Advisory Board and others across our community. This language template is spoken by UW leadership during events to acknowledge this our campus, sits on occupied land, we recognize that this is unceded, shared and treaty land, and we thank the original caretakers of the land.
The world needs professionals with deep legal expertise to navigate uncertain times and foster innovation. We look forward to helping you become those professionals.”

MARIO BARNES
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BECOMING A LAWYER IS ABOUT MAKING A DIFFERENCE AND CREATING IMPACT.

THAT IMPACT STARTS HERE

UNPACK YOUR IMPACT

At UW Law, you will set new standards for excellence and innovation in the legal community and, in the process, make a positive and lasting impact in Washington and the world. Your success in law school is critical to this work, and we are dedicated to doing all we can to help you be successful.
EVERY STEP OF THE WAY

I love working with and advocating for our students. I am here to help you get what you need to be successful in law school.”

ANNA ENDTER
ASSOCIATE DEAN
FOR STUDENTS

The Office of Law Student Life has a dedicated team that is here to assist you with all matters related to student life at UW Law.

Students can receive support related to academic, personal and administrative issues from the Associate Dean for Students, the Manager of Student Life and the Mental Health Therapist. The Law Student Life team serves as liaisons between students and the UW Law administration and faculty to ensure a positive student experience. Students are encouraged to reach out to lawstudentlife@uw.edu with any question or concern they may have about their law school experience, including:

• Academic support
• Adjusting to law school
• Course selection
• Managing stress and mental health concerns
• Referrals for disability accommodations
• Student leadership
• Wellness and self care

ACADEMIC SUCCESS PROGRAMS

UW Law’s Academic Success Programs support the academic development of all students from the moment they begin preparing for a successful start to law school all the way through licensing. Our programs work with learners and teachers to ensure the academic achievement of all of UW Law’s aspiring legal professionals by offering services designed to address diverse student learning styles, experiences and skill sets.

BAR SUPPORT PROGRAM

UW Law’s bar support program is designed to give the foundation you need to approach the exam with confidence. Our comprehensive portfolio of bar-required courses prepares students to meet the requirements necessary to take the Washington and New York state bar exams. We also offer a specialized bar preparation course that provides students with an early opportunity to learn helpful bar exam strategies.
RESPONSIVE CURRICULUM

With almost 200 courses and seminars in specialized areas of the law, our students learn both the law and the intellectual skills necessary for a successful legal career that supports the evolving needs of the community.

We emphasize thorough analysis of cases, statutes and other legal materials, as well as an in-depth understanding of the structure and operation of the legal system.

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UW Law examined the COVID-19 global pandemic’s impact on the law, as well as the role law can play in shaping society’s response to the crisis.

A new course showed that law can be a positive force in a time of crisis. Students explored how to use legal tools to mitigate impacts of COVID-19, safeguard American democratic institutions and break down barriers to legal services.

The course surveyed legal issues at play in managing or reacting to the global pandemic. The course featured public panels on various political, constitutional and legal principles involved in short- and long-term crisis response efforts, ultimately focusing on students’ opportunities to learn about and help Seattle’s most vulnerable communities.

It is one example of how UW Law will help you ensure you have the tools you need to make a difference and lead change.
Did you know?
Collaborating with partners across multiple disciplines and industries, UW Law is influencing how global business is conducted, transforming legal education, protecting the environment, influencing policy and procedure and working toward a more just society.

PUBLIC INTEREST LAW
As a public institution, UW Law promotes social justice and equity, engaging in today's pressing issues across the landscape of law, business and public policy. Advancing access to justice and opening opportunity is integral to who we are.

The William H. Gates Public Service Law Program, named in honor of William H. Gates Sr. and his commitment to public service, is the central hub for public service and public interest law at UW Law. The program encompasses events and programming, career coaching and academic advising, pro bono service and leadership development.

Our students have many opportunities to help reduce the barriers in access to justice and build the foundation to a career in public service, including:

- Clinical Law Program
- Pro Bono Program
- Externship Program
- Moderate Means Program
- Public Service Graduation Requirement
- Public Service Law Concentration Track
- Gates Public Service Law Scholarship Program

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND TECHNOLOGY LAW
The UW School of Law is located in one of the world's premier regions for intellectual property production. From aviation to software industry pioneers, from biomedical research centers to game developers, Seattle is a hub for creative minds and entrepreneurial spirit.

UW Law's IP program provides specialized training in intellectual property law, training lawyers to provide legal counsel for scientists, engineers, computer programmers, artists, musicians and writers who hope to change the world through creative work. Students gain expertise in protecting inventions, works of authorship, trademarks and trade secrets, while acquiring advanced skills in advising clients in commercializing intellectual property and litigating intellectual property cases.

UW Law's Technology Law and Public Policy Clinic offers students the opportunity to write laws, compose policy papers, meet with stakeholders and provide legislative testimony.

Our IP concentration track offers students deep knowledge in one of these core areas: patent, copyright, trademarks or trade secrets.

NATIVE AMERICAN LAW
The UW Law Native American Law Center promotes the development of Indian law and encourages Native Americans and others with an interest in Indian law to attend law school. We also act as a resource to Indian tribes as well as other governments and individuals in the Pacific Northwest, Alaska and across the country. In addition to a challenging and prestigious academic program, we are part of an extensive network of scholars, practitioners and students dedicated to the field of Indian law.

Washington is home to 29 federally recognized tribes — many located in close proximity to the city of Seattle. We offer several courses in Indian law topics, encourage internships related to Indian law and environmental law and also offer the chance to work closely with faculty on matters selected by students. Our Tribal Court Public Defender Clinic puts students in tribal court under the supervision of a seasoned faculty member as defense counsel for tribal members. It is the only clinic of its kind in the country.

LEADERS IN MANY FIELDS
Aerial photo of William H. Gates Hall, home to UW School of Law
**SUSTAINABLE INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

UW Law’s Sustainable International Development program trains lawyers to be active problem solvers and leaders prepared to help in times of crisis, such as we are facing with the global pandemic, which threatens the stability of economies worldwide and livelihoods of people across the planet. The program focuses on law and policy that will help the private sector, government institutions and civil society, to achieve responsible sustainable growth in the face of challenges to global health, food security, the environment and global trade and supply chains.

Students learn through an innovative, hands-on and practical program, with a variety of clinical and collaborative opportunities designed to build the skills needed to face modern international development challenges.

Sustainable International Development students analyze strategies for development and promotion of the rule of law in a dynamic academic setting and engage with peers from around the world who possess a range of law, policy and advocacy experience.

**TAXATION**

In the UW Law Taxation program, we do more than just teach tax law: we train tax lawyers. As the economy becomes more global and sophisticated, tax lawyers must have the knowledge and expertise to serve both individuals and entities. Our program teaches the necessary skills for innovative tax planning in all areas — federal, state and local, international and estate, gift and trust tax.

The Taxation program is uniquely situated in the Pacific Northwest, home to some of the world’s largest non-profit organizations and leading corporations such as Microsoft, Starbucks, Amazon and Expedia. We draw faculty from a dynamic legal community. Our instructors are nationally recognized scholars and leading practitioners in their areas of specialty, who bring cutting-edge practice experience to the classroom. Our program also offers several experiential learning opportunities, including the Federal Tax Clinic, the Entrepreneurial Law Clinic, the Rural Alaska Tax Assistance Program and externships.

**HEALTH LAW**

The UW Law Health Law program provides students with an interdisciplinary curriculum in U.S. health law and policy, covering topics, such as telemedicine and FDA law, competition in health care, medical malpractice, bioethics, health care employment law, and Medicare and Medicaid fraud.

Our students focus their studies in U.S. health law, global health, sustainable international development, genomics and biotechnology, or a combination of these areas. The majority of our health law faculty have one or more concurrent appointments in schools and departments across the University.

Our instructors bring a deep level of expertise and access to opportunities generated by Seattle-based health leaders, including PATH, Seattle Children’s Hospital and UW Medicine, the only health system in Washington with an inseparable connection to medical education and research. Students may also augment their course of study by taking classes at other UW graduate schools, including public health, medicine, pharmacy and public policy.
MASTER OF JURISPRUDENCE
The M.J. is a flexible master’s degree program designed to provide non-lawyers with a strong fundamental legal education, while offering specialization in concentration tracks or through an individually tailored curriculum. Full- and part-time options are available.

Students learn to recognize, analyze and respond to legal, regulatory and policy issues in their chosen field, while taking most of their courses with J.D. and LL.M. students. Students receive individualized academic counseling and opportunities that will further their professional aims.

China M.J.
This curriculum is designed in collaboration with the Health Human Resources Development Center (HHRDC) of the National Health Commission of the People’s Republic of China and the Asia Pacific Health Corporation. This program is focused on current and future Chinese health care administrators and managers and is designed as a one-year program that will incorporate intensive English language instruction, as well as knowledge and education with respect to transnational law and practice.

Ph.D.
The Ph.D. in Law program prepares law scholars for global leadership in the judiciary, academia, business and government. Our graduate students receive individualized attention and guidance in a program that offers a global focus and an innovative approach to integrating legal scholarship within the humanities and social sciences, medicine and global health, business and technology, and environmental and public policy.

The Ph.D. program is designed to provide a rich and thorough foundation in research methodologies, jurisprudence, legal theory, policy, dissertation preparation and ready access to specialized elective coursework from within the law school and university-wide research centers, institutes and schools.

The Ph.D. program requires a minimum of three years’ study. Doctoral dissertation committees are led by faculty experts from UW Law and include members with deep knowledge and expertise from across the university. Students can customize their studies with interdisciplinary coursework, independent study, field research, global internships and externships. The program will not accept new applicants for the 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 academic years.

ONE SCHOOL
FOUR DEGREES

J.D.
Our J.D. program provides a rich and rigorous intellectual experience coupled with collegiality and hands-on education. The program provides a real-world learning environment that offers the kinds of programs and partnerships crucial to a successful legal career. With numerous concentration areas, concurrent degrees, experiential learning opportunities and hundreds of courses to choose from, you will be able to tailor your education to fit your practice interests.

J.D. students gain hands-on experience that draws connections between theory and practice through clinics and externships, skills courses and pro bono opportunities.

Learn more about our J.D. class profile:

LL.M.
Our Master of Laws (LL.M.) programs focus on many of the most compelling and challenging areas of advanced study for lawyers. The LL.M. programs at UW Law allow both foreign-trained lawyers and domestic students holding a J.D. to deepen their knowledge and expand their proficiency. UW Law has been a leader in advanced legal education with its teaching, research and public policy work. Specialty tracks include:

- Asian & Comparative Law
- Global Business Law
- General Law
- Health Law
- Intellectual Property Law and Policy
- Sustainable International Development
- Taxation

Ph.D.
UW Law is the only law school in Washington state to award four different legal degrees and offers the most LL.M. programs in the Pacific Northwest.
MAKE YOUR IMPACT NOW

OUR STUDENTS REGULARLY PURSUE PASSION PROJECTS WHILE AT UW LAW, MANY OF WHICH HAVE IMPACT ACROSS THE GLOBE.

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Laya Madhavan ’21 (General Law LL.M.) wanted to be a lawyer since she was nine years old. Years later, she was a part of a historic case that demonstrated the full power of the law.

YouTube Playlist
Watch Laya’s video and others on our Student Spotlight playlist highlighting the impact UW Law students make throughout the world.

“"I hope to utilize my experience and learn more about the intersection between technology and law in order to do my part in bridging that gap – without stifling innovation.”

Katie Chang, a 2020-21 Gregoire Fellow, worked at laboratories and research institutes, including The Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Laboratory. She was a research scientist at Harbor Labs, where she worked on projects involving the security of medical devices, helping to ensure that patient data and well-being were protected.

“"Did you know? You can be part of a community with similar interests. UW Law has dozens of student organizations that will help you meet other passionate law students.
At UW Law, we actively encourage students to explore their passions and equip them with the tools, connections and hands-on legal experience they need to pursue the career they want.

Plan your career path, meet prospective employers and build effective skills and strategies that will serve you throughout your career. Student & Career Services helps students succeed by providing:

- Academic advising
- Access to subscription-based job-search tools
- Career coaching
- Judicial clerkship assistance
- Networking opportunities to create and promote new relationships among attorneys, alumni and UW law students
- On-campus interview programs
- Participation in national and regional career fairs
- Professional development programming
- Recruiting opportunities and events

**MENTOR PROGRAMS**
Seattle's diverse legal community provides UW law students with outstanding opportunities to learn about their many legal career options. You will have many opportunities to meet and work with practicing professionals and judges in the Seattle area.

- **The Professional Mentor Program** pairs J.D. students with professional legal mentors.
- **The Faculty Mentor Program** matches first-year J.D. students with UW Law faculty members.
- **The Mock Interview Program** helps J.D. and graduate students prepare for future job interviews.
- **Speed Mentoring** events cover quick questions and provide guidance in a 15-20 minute rotation format with students from all class years.
- **Coffee with Counsel** meetings pair mentors with a small group of students in a casual setting to help students explore career paths and practice networking.

**Did you know?**
UW Law graduates secure employment in law firms, government, clerkships, public interest, business and education.

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**HELP SECURING A JOB YOU LOVE**

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**Josh Colangelo-Bryan** '99 filed a personal injury suit against the Republic of Turkey for its involvement in a 2017 attack on a peaceful protest in Washington, D.C., that left 20 people with injuries.

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**Adaobi Egboka** SID LL.M. '18, is leading the development of innovative pro bono programs in Africa while empowering the next generation of attorneys.

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**Ian Warner** '11 brings a wealth of experience in litigation, government and public policy to his current role at Zillow Group, where he leads efforts to address fair housing and lending issues disproportionately impacting communities of color.
UW Law is dedicated to providing an intellectually rigorous learning environment to support your legal education throughout your career.

Content delivered via CLE events, conferences, symposia and seminars leverages the interdisciplinary strengths of the University of Washington and capitalizes on the unique opportunities of the Pacific Northwest. These opportunities are available to UW Law students, in addition to attorneys, legal professionals, legal scholars and policy makers.

You will continue to learn about recent developments in the law, emerging legal trends and innovative legal scholarship to better support the evolving needs of your community, long after graduation.
As one of the world’s most innovative universities, UW is proud to deliver on our mission of education, discovery and public service.

Set in an amazing urban center, UW Law is located in one of the most innovative and livable regions of the country. Thanks to Seattle’s innovative spirit, our students have the opportunity to network with, and learn from, top practitioners in startups, law firms, NGOs and global corporations. Here are a few of our partner organizations.

Amazon  
Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation  
Boeing  
Costco  
Good Wright-Trethewy Esplaza  
Facebook Seattle  
Foster Garvey  
K&L Gates  
Microsoft  
Nintendo of America  
Nordstrom  
PATH  
Perkins Coie  
REI  
Starbucks  
Swedish Health Services  
Weyerhaeuser

**PRIDE POINTS**

- **#1 FASTEST-GROWING BIG CITY**  
  Census Bureau

- **#1 MOST INNOVATIVE PUBLIC UNIVERSITY IN THE WORLD**  
  Reuters Top 100: The World’s Most Innovative Universities

- **#1 BEST PLACES FOR BUSINESS AND CAREERS**  
  Forbes

- **#2 BEST GLOBAL UNIVERSITIES RANKING AMONG AMERICAN PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS (#8 OVERALL)**  
  U.S. News & World Report

A WORLD-CLASS EDUCATION IN A WORLD-CLASS CITY

CLOCKWISE FROM TOP: Evening view looking southeast with historic Denny Hall in foreground and Lake Washington in the distance; nighttime view of Drumheller Fountain with Mt. Rainier; afternoon view looking southwest with Portage Bay, Lake Union and Downtown Seattle.
At UW Law, we believe a strong alumni network built on enduring relationships among our alumni is critical to the success of our school and future generations of lawyers. Our alumni equip students with intellectual tools and hands-on legal experience in their journey to become practice-ready lawyers able to work in any field they choose. Alumni also inform the public about UW Law’s remarkable achievements and serve as ambassadors to the legal community and beyond.

We hope to provide a place to network with your fellow UW Law colleagues, connect with your classmates and remain in touch with the school as you begin your career.

NATHAN BARNES ’12
MINDY LONGANECKER DERANEK ’10
CO-CHAIRS, ALUMNI ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE

YOUR UW LAW CONNECTION DOESN’T END WHEN YOU LEAVE CAMPUS

Did you know?
The UW Law alumni network has over 11,000 alumni, representing more than 1,200 U.S. cities and 200 international cities.
Education at UW Law is deeply personal. Students work together in small classes and have remarkable access to some of the brightest minds in the legal field.

We are committed to empowering students with the education and opportunities to thrive in whatever legal, business or public service field they choose. Armed with a belief in the possible, students develop into graduates who are problem solvers, innovative thinkers and skilled doers.

If you are looking for a collegial, intellectually challenging learning environment and want to grow alongside inspiring peers, we invite you to apply to UW Law.

Ready to apply? Visit:

[law.uw.edu/admissions]

GET IN TOUCH

We understand that a visit to UW Law is an important part of your decision-making. Our hope is that your visit will be both informative and productive. For those visiting Seattle for the first time, we strongly encourage you to visit the many sites and attractions throughout the city that make our location a wonderful place to live.

Make an appointment to speak with an Admissions representative.

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Graduate Program: gradlaw@uw.edu
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