If you are ready to succeed, Duquesne University School of Law is ready for you.

**Why launch your legal career here?**

Duquesne Law is located in the heart of Pittsburgh, within walking distance to externships, clerkships, and job opportunities. We are on the move – advancing in *U.S. News & World Report* rankings four times in four years and attracting a record number of applicants. Our legal research and writing program continues to be a national leader. And we offer extensive hands-on experience and a special focus on ethical training found nowhere else.

Be in the right place at the right time.
U.S. News & World Report ranks Pittsburgh as one of the most affordable places to live in the U.S.
Position yourself for success at Duquesne Law.
Welcome

If the standard of a law school's greatness is the caliber of its students, the success and respect given its graduates, and the dedication of its faculty, then there is no doubt that the Duquesne University School of Law stands among the nation's best.

We seek the best and brightest students to join our community of scholars, and we prepare you, our students, for success every step of the way.

You cannot get lost here. The deans and professors will know you from the day you walk in the front door, and you will know them. Classes are small. Professors are easily accessible to students and are available to support you. Also, you can meet with any of the deans, including me, on a drop-in basis.

Together we learn, we produce scholarly works, and we make a difference in our community and in our world.

There is an important factor that distinguishes our law school, and that, quite simply, is the fact that we are part of Duquesne University, a Catholic institution dedicated to moral, ethical, and spiritual values. In an era when ethical concerns are among the most important questions facing the legal profession, the School of Law has, for a century, reflected Duquesne's unique emphasis on values, justice, and service to others.

This rich combination of attributes, along with the convenience of full-time and part-time day and evening programs and a competitive tuition rate, leads a large number of talented students to apply for admission to our School of Law each year. We invite you to be part of a highly accomplished class with students from a variety of diverse backgrounds and experiences.

We welcome you as you consider joining us in our tradition of success!

Sincerely,

The Hon. Maureen Lally-Green, (ret.), L’74
Interim Dean

“The School of Law reflects Duquesne’s emphasis on values, justice, and service to others.”
Vibrant Pittsburgh

Looking to make the most of your law school experience? Duquesne Law students say being in the heart of Pittsburgh is an important key to success.

Duquesne Law is located steps from Pittsburgh’s legal epicenter, so gaining experience in the area’s firms, courts, businesses, and agencies is convenient. And Pittsburgh’s eclectic neighborhoods and competitive cost of living make it an attractive place to study, work, and live.

Major-league sports teams play within a mile of campus at the Pittsburgh Pirates’ PNC Park and the Pittsburgh Steelers’ Heinz Field. CONSOL Energy Center — home of the NHL Pittsburgh Penguins, concerts, and shows — is just across the street.

The cultural district, with world-class theater, ballet, and symphony performances, is within walking distance. And we haven’t even mentioned the food.

Whether you are new to the region or a native, you will find favorite new restaurants every month.

Visit Duquesne Law and we can tell you more about what Pittsburgh has to offer you. Learn more at duq.edu/law/pittsburgh.
Near Downtown Courthouses and Agencies

1. City-County Building
2. Allegheny County Courthouse
3. Orphans Court
4. Allegheny County Family Law Center
5. U.S. Bankruptcy Court
6. U.S. District Court
7. Federal Building

And many law firms and businesses
Juris Doctor Degree

Full-Time Day
Our three-year curriculum in residence is designed for students who can devote full-time effort to the study of law.

Part-Time Evening
Working professionals can apply to the part-time evening program of study leading to graduation after four years. Courses are scheduled Monday through Friday evenings and occasionally on Saturdays.

Part-Time Day
Duquesne also offers a unique program for students to pursue legal studies on a part-time day schedule within four years.

Admission criteria and performance standards are the same for all J.D. students.

Learn more at duq.edu/law/jurisdoctor.

LL.M. for Foreign Lawyers
Duquesne Law offers a one-year Master of Laws for Foreign Lawyers degree to candidates who have fulfilled the educational requirements for admission to the practice of law in their own countries, and candidates attending foreign institutions with joint LL.B./LL.M. degree agreements with Duquesne Law.

Both general studies in American law and a bar track curriculum are available.

For more details, visit duq.edu/law/llm.

Joint Degrees
Duquesne Law also offers joint degree programs with select graduate programs.

• Juris Doctor/Master of Business Administration
  School of Law/John F. Donahue Graduate School of Business

• Juris Doctor/Master of Science in Environmental Science and Management
  School of Law/Bayer School of Natural and Environmental Sciences

• Juris Doctor/Master of Divinity
  School of Law/Pittsburgh Theological Seminary

• Juris Doctor/Master of Arts in Healthcare Ethics
  School of Law/McAnulty College and Graduate School of Liberal Arts

• Juris Doctor/Master of Arts in Philosophy
  School of Law/McAnulty College and Graduate School of Liberal Arts

Upon admission, the student consults with each school to plan the course of study. For details, visit duq.edu/law/jointdegrees.

Practice-Ready

Academics

The Travel Channel says Pittsburgh is "...bubbling over with young people helping to redefine the city."
Melissa Lewis
Class of 2018
Pittsburgh, Pa.
Evening Program
Phi Alpha Delta
Practice-area interests: criminal law, litigation, arbitration, and mediation

Filip Rams
Class of 2017
Katowice, Poland
Duquesne Law Review
Appellate Moot Court Board
Practice-area interests: corporate law, tax law, and estate planning
“As part of Duquesne’s commitment to have graduates practice-ready, our faculty are providing more real-world training, more skills training, and more ethics training through our doctrinal curriculum.”

Jane Campbell Moriarty
Carol Los Mansmann Chair in Faculty Scholarship
Professor of Law
Education: J.D., Boston College Law School
B.A., Boston College
Courses: Law and Neuroscience; Evidence; Expert Evidence
Senior Advisor: Duquesne Law Review
Experienced Faculty

At Duquesne University School of Law, we provide our faculty with a rich environment for teaching, research, scholarship, and service. You will benefit from their expertise from day one.

Here you will find inspiring teachers and caring mentors who will help you to achieve your best. You will get to know your professors in the classroom, in selecting concentrations, in scholarly research, and as you develop your career.

As a graduate, you will continue to work with your instructors in new ways through bar associations, law firms, business groups, and the community at large.

Meet the people who will inform your future. Learn more about the School of Law faculty at duq.edu/law/faculty.

ONLINE COURSES
Duquesne Law offers select courses online, in full or in part, including:

- Climate Change Law
- Food Law and Policy
- Constitutional Law II
- Advanced Constitutional Law: Current Issues
- Research for Law Practice
- Sales
“Expect engaged, supported learning — and inspiration.

“In my classes, you’ll wrestle with complex ideas, interact with classmates, and apply concepts in real-lawyer style exercises — all with hypos spiced with humor.”

Steven Baicker-McKee
Assistant Professor of Law

Education: J.D., William and Mary Law School
B.A., Yale University

Courses: Advanced Pretrial Litigation;
Civil Procedure and Drafting I;
Civil Procedure II; Energy Law

Advisor: Energy and Mineral Law Society
Joule – Duquesne Energy & Environmental Law Journal
Comprehensive Bar Prep

Duquesne Law’s bar preparation program offers you comprehensive instruction, mentoring, and support so that you can face the bar examination with confidence.

The program builds through every year of study. Your professors will be with you every step of the way, teaching you the law tested on the exam, coaching you on legal reasoning skills, and advising you on bar exam strategies.

Throughout your years here, you will benefit from orientation lectures, academic excellence programs, course review materials, an Advanced Legal Reasoning course, and four intensive upper-level courses.

After graduation, the prep continues with KickStart lectures by law faculty and intensive individual tutoring for select students. Plus each year, Duquesne Law teams up with the Allegheny County Bar Association’s Young Lawyers Division to offer the Duquesne Bar Roundtable, which brings lawyers to campus to share advice.

As you prepare for the bar exam, Duquesne Law is behind you. Learn more about our wide-ranging bar services at duq.edu/law/barservices.

Concentrations

Optional concentrations allow our students to pursue a focused curriculum that corresponds to their particular areas of interest in the law.

- Business Law
- Civil Litigation
- Criminal Law
- Energy and Environmental Law
- Family Law
- Government and Public Interest Law
- Health Law and Science
- Intellectual Property Law
- International and Comparative Law
- Labor and Employment Law
- Real Property Law
- Religion and Moral Life
- Tax and Estate Planning Law

Learn more by visiting duq.edu/law/concentrations.

Best Value Private Law School

National Jurist magazine
October 2015
Legal Research and Writing

As a first-year student, you will gain fundamental hands-on training through Duquesne Law’s Legal Research and Writing Program. Beginning with orientation and progressing through the fall semester in class sections with fewer than 25 students, you will learn essential techniques for legal analysis, research, and objective writing.

You will then devote the spring coursework to additional research skills, as well as persuasive writing and oral advocacy techniques.

Oral arguments before a panel of alumni judges, following an appellate advocacy assignment, will be a highlight of your first year of study. Learn more at duq.edu/law/legalwriting.

Academic Excellence Program

Our Academic Excellence Program is available to help you during all of your years of legal education. Enroll in any Academic Excellence workshop or course, attend a structured study group, borrow materials from the Study Room, or request a one-on-one appointment at any time.

During your first semester, you can take Legal Skills I, an optional course that provides a legal system overview and exposes you to case briefing and legal analysis, as well as course outlining and exam prep. Legal Skills II will then guide you on rule synthesis, legal application, and time management.

During your second year, we also offer you in-depth training in legal reasoning for law school exams, the bar exam, and legal practice.

Finally, you can use peer tutors, who hold weekly study groups, and make individual appointments throughout the academic year and summer. Learn more at duq.edu/law/academicexcellence.
"A personal touch is what separates Duquesne Law from other law schools.

"Your education here will be enriched by the personal relationships you develop with your peers, teachers, and administrators."

Rona Kaufman Kitchen
Associate Professor of Law

Education: LL.M., Temple University
J.D., University of Arizona
B.A., University of Pittsburgh

Courses: Contracts; Employment Discrimination; Family Law

Advisor: Jewish Law Students Association;
Labor and Employment Law Society;
Women's Law Association
Clinical education is one of Duquesne Law’s instructional cornerstones. Our students work with real clients in real cases through:

- Clinics
- Practicums
- Externships
- Fellowships
- Pro Bono Programs

Full-time law professors direct the in-house clinics and practicums and provide practical and ethical training. Students also learn from experienced local attorneys and specialists in clinic classrooms and at on-site program locations.

[duq.edu/law/clinics](http://duq.edu/law/clinics)

Did you know that we have our own clinical building, within blocks of downtown courthouses, public agencies, and law firms?

Along with client meeting rooms and classrooms, the building features a mock courtroom equipped with microphones and cameras so you can record practice sessions and play them back on smartphones, iPads, and laptops.

Money Magazine says Pittsburgh is a high-tech magnet and ranks as the Northeast’s Best Place to Live.
Clinics and Practicum

**Family Law Clinic**
Students work under the supervision of a family law attorney to represent income-qualified clients with cases involving domestic abuse, divorce settlement, child support, and child custody, among other family law issues.

**Veterans Clinic**
Students assist veterans charged with offenses adjudicated through the Allegheny County Veterans Specialty Court program. During the clinic, students prepare and present cases for disposition in the Court of Common Pleas and stay in touch with veterans following court-ordered substance abuse or mental health treatment plans offered as alternatives to incarceration.

**Civil Rights Clinic**
Students work with the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission, Pittsburgh Commission on Human Relations, and Pittsburgh chapter of the NAACP on matters involving employment, housing and public accommodation discrimination, and civil rights advocacy.

**Education Law Clinic**
Students focus on helping youth in the juvenile delinquency system navigate school disciplinary, suspension, and expulsion hearings as well as alternative education placements. Referrals come from Family Court and Duquesne Law’s Juvenile Defender Clinic.

**Federal Litigation Clinic**
Students provide legal representation in criminal and civil rights matters for indigent prisoners with trials before the U.S. District Court for Western Pennsylvania and appeals before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit.

**Juvenile Defender Clinic**
Students support children in Allegheny County’s juvenile delinquency court, assisting with every aspect of cases including pretrial motions and litigation, investigation, admission or trial, disposition, and post-disposition motions and hearings. The clinic is the county’s only no-cost provider of expungement and protection from abuse services for juveniles.

**Unemployment Compensation Clinic**
Students assist low-income clients with unemployment compensation matters and receive hands-on training reviewing claims, preparing appeals, appearing before administrative judges, and drafting appellate briefs.

**Urban Development Practicum**
Students provide legal services to nonprofit community development organizations, municipal corporations, and government agencies working in distressed communities.
Fellowships

Interested in exploring government or public interest law?

Duquesne Law offers two prestigious fellowship programs that can support your work.

McGinley Public Service Fellowships support students working in executive, legislative, or judicial branches of government. Public Interest Law Association Fellowships support students working with organizations that provide direct legal services to low-income and underserved clients.

Fellows are selected based on a competitive application process. The fellowships provide up to $3,000 to fund living expenses during summer placements.

22 Number of public interest/public service fellowships awarded for summer 2016

Eduardo J. Benatuil, Class of 2018, recently interned with the Supreme Court of Costa Rica as a McGinley Public Service Fellow.

Externships

Each year, our Clinical Legal Education program places students in dozens of externship sites that offer practical legal experience and professional mentorship.

Clinical professors help students select externship programs or one-semester or summer placements that fit particular interests and schedules.

Externship Programs

Pennsylvania Innocence Project offers externship and volunteer opportunities in the program’s only western Pennsylvania office, located in the Tribone Center. Students investigate innocence claims and pursue judicial appeals while gaining skills in interviewing and legal writing, as well as an understanding of scientific evidence and admissibility rules.

Public Defender Adult Program allows students to work with the Office of the Public Defender to represent adults accused of crimes. Through classroom instruction and client work, students learn the stages of a criminal case; prepare, file, and argue motions; and handle preliminary hearings before district justices.

Public Defender Juvenile Program provides students with opportunities to work within the juvenile justice system and learn how juvenile cases progress through the court system. Experiences include conducting client interviews, developing defense strategies with attorneys, drafting motions, and representing clients in detention, disposition, and review hearings.

Criminal Prosecution Program offers externship opportunities with the District Attorney’s Office and classroom instruction covering all facets of criminal law, from a suspect’s arrest through the trial and post-trial stages.

One-Semester and Summer Externships

Students can also pursue one-semester and summer externship placements in county, state, and federal judicial offices; city, state, and federal government agencies; and legal aid and nonprofit organizations. Placements can be arranged with or without credit.
Duquesne Law has more than 300 externship placement sites in the U.S. and abroad, including:

- U.S. Department of Justice, Civil Division, Commercial Litigation Branch – Washington, D.C.
- U.S. Attorney's Office, Criminal Division – Atlanta, Ga.
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit – Pittsburgh, Pa.
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Ohio, Magistrate Judge Limbert – Youngstown, Ohio
- Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, Justice Donohue and Justice Wecht – Pittsburgh, Pa.
- Laurel Legal Aid – Greensburg, Pa.
- Cuyahoga County Department of Law – Cleveland, Ohio
- U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Immigration Review – Houston, Texas
- And dozens of other placement locations

Pro Bono Program

Our Pro Bono Program provides a structure through which students serve the public interest while developing new professional skills under the supervision of licensed attorneys.

All placements are based on students' individual interests and availability and are arranged by Duquesne Law. Current placement sites include the Disabilities Law Project and Education Law Center, among many others. Students are recognized for their service hours.

Alexandra Murray
Class of 2017
Chicago, Ill.

Duquesne Law Ambassador
Allegheny County Bar Association
1L Summer Clerkship

Practice-area interests: health law, elder law, and criminal law
Launch Your Legal Career

Career Services

As legal markets continue to evolve, Duquesne Law offers career services that address ever-changing needs.

Our Career Services Office is a dynamic place. Here current students find career counseling and new opportunities to gain practical experience, graduating students find assistance securing employment in their chosen areas of practice, and employers find students and alumni prepared to assume professional positions.

For First-Year Students
Our Career Services Office will help you hit the ground running. Before you even start your studies, you will learn about the comprehensive slate of services for students and young alumni. Orientation will give you a preview of the 1L Job Search Series, which includes sessions on the 1L summer search, crafting a legal resume, preparing a cover letter, fall recruiting, and other topics.

Employment Statistics
Check out Duquesne Law’s profile card for a snapshot of our latest employment statistics. Complete employment report at 10 months after graduation is available via duq.edu/law/career-services.

Lawyers on Location
Duquesne Law students and graduates find employment in small, mid-size, and large firms; government agencies; corporations; and numerous other locations.

Throughout the year, our Career Services Office creates opportunities for you to meet attorneys from many different types of employers.

Our Lawyers on Location program, for instance, recently featured these employers:
- Buchanan Ingersoll & Rooney
- Eckert Seamans
- KPMG
- MSA – The Safety Company
- Pietragallo Gordon Alfano Bosick & Raspanti
- Thomson Rhodes & Cowie
- U.S. District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania
Students take part in networking and career programs year-round through our collaboration with alumni and bar association groups.

Maria D. Comas, J.D.
Director of Career Services

Samantha H. Coyne, M.B.A.
Employer Outreach Manager

This document does not include all data that the School of Law discloses under ABA Standard 509. The complete data can be found at duq.edu/law/career-services.
Global Perspective

Summer Study of Law and Externships Abroad

Duquesne Law offers summer study abroad to enhance your legal education. The three-week programs vary each year, and all offer ABA-approved credit and unforgettable educational experiences at value prices. Optional externships are available in a number of countries.

China Summer Study of Law
Duquesne was the first American law school to establish a summer program in Beijing, China. Now Duquesne Law offers the opportunity to study in Beijing, Chongqing, and Hangzhou through a program co-sponsored with two of the country’s top universities: Southwest University of Political Science and the Law and Zhejiang University Guanghua Law School. The intensive three-week curriculum provides unique insight into the ancient yet changing legal landscape in the world’s most populous nation. Topics include comparisons of intellectual property law as well as environmental and energy law in coursework approved for five hours of ABA credit.

European Summer Study of Law
Through a partnership between the law faculty of Duquesne Law and the University of Cologne, students take classes in Germany and make professional visits to European Union courts and legislatures in such places as Belgium and Luxembourg. The program includes a number of cultural excursions in Cologne and elsewhere in Europe. Following the three-week, 4.5 credit-hour program, students may work for two weeks or more in an international law office through an optional externship for 1.5 credits.

Ireland Summer Study of Law
The Summer Study of Law in Ireland program, often co-hosted with the University College Dublin Faculty of Law and the Queen's University, offers modules in the Law of the European Union, International Arbitration and Dispute Resolution, and Human Rights Laws. In addition to the classroom program, a number of professional and cultural excursions are included. Students take a comprehensive written examination at the completion of the three-week, 4.5 credit-hour program.

American Bar Association-approved summer study in
- Beijing/Chongqing/Hangzhou
- Cologne/Brussels/Luxembourg
- Dublin/Belfast

“The program in Europe was filled with once-in-a-lifetime opportunities. My externship in Berlin was amazing. I'm grateful to have had the chance to participate, as it was absolutely one of the best decisions I've ever made.”

Katherine Enright
Class of 2018
Limerick, Pa.
“You cannot really begin to appreciate the law in the United States until you see how other systems of law work. Participating in the study abroad program gave me a new perspective on the U.S. system, while allowing me to experience some fascinating alternatives.”

Grant Olson
Class of 2018
Wexford, Pa.

Externship opportunities following summer study may include:

- Cologne law firms – DLA Piper, Oppenhoff and Partner, Osborne Clarke
- Duesseldorf law firms – Mayer Brown LLP, von der Frecht LLP
- Berlin, Munich and Frankfurt law firm – Pöllath and Partners
- Munich legal research institute – Fraunhofer Institute
- Sarajevo, Bosnia-Herzegovina law firm – Office of Mirna Milanovic-Lalic
- Ljubljana, Slovenia firm – Deloitte Touche
- Ljubljana, Slovenia Business School and Law School – University of Ljubljana
- Maribor, Slovenia Law School – University of Maribor

Foreign language skills are not required for externship placement.
“Why should you get involved?

“Leadership in student organizations builds skills you’ll need in practice.”

Seth C. Oranburg
Assistant Professor of Law

Education: J.D., University of Chicago Law School; B.A., University of Florida

Courses: Contracts; Corporations

Advisor: Corporate Law Society; Duquesne Business Law Journal; Federalist Society; Jewish Law Students Association
Find Your Passion

Student Life

You have your own amazing story and interests to broaden. Do it here at Duquesne Law. Organize a panel discussion. Invite a speaker for a lunch-and-learn. Get your fellow students to do a service project. Lead a chapter of a national organization. The opportunities are endless.

Trial Advocacy Program
Duquesne Law offers you a nationally recognized Trial Advocacy Program. Through comprehensive coursework and competition experience, you can develop skills in case analysis, trial preparation, effective communication, witness preparation, and case presentation. Read about Duquesne Law's record of trial advocacy wins and learn how you can become a courtroom-ready advocate at duq.edu/law/trialadvocacy.

Appellate Advocacy Program
Participate in our Appellate Moot Court Board and you will develop new legal research, writing, and advocacy skills and have opportunities to compete in appellate moot court, arbitration, and negotiation competitions across the country. Learn about the many national and regional wins by our student-run Appellate Moot Court Board at duq.edu/law/appellateadvocacy.

Hillary Weaver and Luke Watterson took third place overall in the Federal Bar Association's Thurgood Marshall Memorial Moot Court Competition in Washington, D.C., and Watterson was named Best Oralist.

Our dozens of student-run organizations include:

- African and Islamic Law Society
- American Constitution Society for Law and Policy
- Black Law Students Association
- Corporate Law Society
- Duquesne Intellectual Property Law Association
- Energy and Mineral Law Society
- Environmental Law Society
- Federalist Society
- Health Law Society
- Sports and Entertainment Law Society

Learn more at duq.edu/law/organizations
**Student Publications**

Through your years here, you can participate in a number of online and print publications. Find out how you can enhance your research and writing skills and contribute to professional discourse on cutting-edge legal issues through our publications.

**Duquesne Law Review**

The *Duquesne Law Review* is the flagship journal of Duquesne Law. The scholarly journal is entirely student-run and publishes works by legal professionals and academics twice a year. Membership can be obtained by participating in the annual write-on competition upon completion of the first year of full-time studies or second year of part-time studies. Membership is awarded based upon students’ class ranking and performance in the write-on competition.

**Duquesne Business Law Journal**

The *Duquesne Business Law Journal* focuses not only on topics that affect the world of business but also on evolving Supreme Court case law and influential persons in the business community. Articles written by students, faculty, alumni, and practicing attorneys deal with issues involving securities, contracts, and international business.

**Joule**

*Joule: Duquesne Energy & Environmental Law Journal* serves as a forum for students and professionals to discuss legal concepts related to energy and environmental law. *Joule* features a collection of commentaries and blogs as well as full-length articles offering in-depth analysis.

**Juris Magazine**

*Juris* publishes articles on substantive areas of the law and issues of local and national interest. Students strengthen a range of writing, editing, and production skills by working on the magazine and blog.

**DuqCrim**

*DuqCrim* is a public source for all things related to criminal law. Duquesne Law professors and students track breaking criminal law stories and provide timely legal commentary through a blog. Students also provide summaries of developing case law from courts throughout the country.
Technology at your fingertips

**Law Libraries**

Duquesne University offers two law library facilities:

**Duquesne Center for Legal Information**

The Duquesne Center for Legal Information is located on three floors in the School of Law. Staffed by law librarians and information science professionals, the library offers comprehensive resources on-site and online. As a student you will be able to access legal databases, the SOLCAT catalog, reserve materials, interlibrary loans, e-reference assistance, library blogs, and e-news publications. Here you will also find the Center for Legal Writing, a computer lab, and study rooms for private and group use. The circulation desk can offer you copies of textbooks and current semester materials.

As a first-year student you can receive targeted assistance with your Legal Research and Writing courses, among other services. Learn more at [duq.edu/law/library](http://duq.edu/law/library).

**Allegheny County Law Library**

You will also have full access to the Allegheny County Law Library — located on the ninth floor of the City-County Building in downtown Pittsburgh — thanks to a model partnership developed by Duquesne Law. Here you will find access to a Pennsylvania legal collection, federal government depository collection, rare book collection, extensive microform collection, and all of the same research assistance available to the region’s legal community.

Graduating students receive a year of free membership with access to Westlaw and Lexis, borrowing privileges, and study room use for bar preparation. Learn more at [duq.edu/law/library/acll](http://duq.edu/law/library/acll).
Duquesne Law has more than 7,700 graduates practicing in every field of law. Duquesne-educated lawyers are partners and associates in law firms of every size, from large multinational offices to small solo practices. They work as corporate counsel to Fortune 500 companies and entrepreneurial ventures. They are directors of government agencies and public interest organizations, serve as district attorneys and public defenders, and teach at law schools throughout the United States.

An impressive number of Duquesne graduates are judges on the local, state, and federal levels, including the highest courts, intermediate appellate courts, and trial courts in more than 20 states. Duquesne has produced a significant number of judges seated on the Superior Court, Commonwealth Court, and Courts of Common Pleas. Duquesne Law alumni have also served as judges on the United States Court of Appeals and the Federal District Courts.

The School of Law has always enjoyed the warm and generous support of its graduates and the Duquesne Law Alumni Association. Learn more at duq.edu/law/alumni.

Duquesne Law alumni:
- Support scholarship funds
- Mentor students
- Sponsor career programs
- Serve as moot court judges
- Serve as externship supervisors
- Serve as adjunct faculty

The Duquesne Law Alumni Association developed endowed funds for:
- Student scholarships
- Excellence in legal writing awards
- Bar preparation programs
- Career programs for students and young alumni
Duquesne University School of Law alumni include:

**Honorable Max Baer, 1975**
Justice, Supreme Court of Pennsylvania

**Alan N. Braverman, 1975**
Vice President and General Counsel, The Walt Disney Company

**Nicholas J. Deluliis, 2002**
President and CEO, CONSOL Energy, Inc.

**Honorable Christine Donohue, 1980**
Justice, Supreme Court of Pennsylvania

**Logan Fisher, 2009**
Associate, Bressler, Amery and Ross, PC, New Jersey/New York

**Marie Milie Jones, 1987**
Founding Partner, JonesPassodelis, PLLC Chairman of the Board, Duquesne University

**Brian K. Parker, 1993**
Partner, Parker Poe, Charlotte, N.C.

**Arthur J. Rooney, II, 1982**
President, Pittsburgh Steelers Of Counsel, Buchanan Ingersoll and Rooney, PC

**Travis Williams, 1996**
Chief Operating Officer, Pittsburgh Penguins

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**Adam Palmer, 2000**
Manager, Global Cybersecurity, Government Affairs and Policy FireEye, Munich, Germany

**Gabriela Steier, 2012**
Co-founder, Food Law International

**Alka Patel, 2001**
Director, Risk and Regulatory Innovation Carnegie Mellon University

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### Top 20 States where Duquesne Law Alumni Live and Work

- [ ] Pennsylvania
- [ ] New York
- [ ] California
- [ ] Texas
- [ ] Illinois
- [ ] Florida
- [ ] Virginia
- [ ] New Jersey
- [ ] Ohio
- [ ] Georgia
- [ ] North Carolina
- [ ] Michigan
- [ ] Maryland
- [ ] Massachusetts
- [ ] Washington
- [ ] Colorado
- [ ] Arizona
- [ ] Nevada
- [ ] Indiana
- [ ] South Carolina
Convenient, Affordable Housing

Unlike many law schools, Duquesne offers two convenient, affordable housing options on campus for law, graduate, and upperclass students.

**ON-CAMPUS**

Vickroy Hall – Suite-Style Accommodations
- Furnished single- or double-room suites
- Utilities, cable, Internet, and laundry included
- Large, new common kitchen area
- Quiet study spaces, lounge areas
- Small fitness facility
- 24-hour security
- Meal plans available
- Academic-year leases (August-May) range from $6,730 for a double to $9,984 for a single

Brottier Hall – Apartments
- Furnished studio, one-bedroom and two-bedroom apartments
- Full kitchen and private bath(s)
- Utilities, cable, Internet, and laundry included
- Optional on-site, underground parking available
- Study lounge with computers
- Fitness facility in the building
- Meal plans available
- 12-month leases (August-July) range from $15,370 for a studio to $26,830 for a two-bedroom unit

View on-campus housing rates for law students at duq.edu/room-and-board-rates.

**OFF-CAMPUS**

South Side Neighborhood
Pittsburgh offers you numerous off-campus housing options in vibrant neighborhoods near campus, including Downtown, Uptown, South Side, Oakland, Shadyside, and Squirrel Hill.

Living costs are generally less expensive in Pittsburgh than in other major cities. Recent examples on Zillow.com include a one-bedroom unit in Oakland for $675 per month and a two-bedroom apartment on the South Side for $1,350 per month.

A number of law students take advantage of Duquesne’s affordable shuttle service between the campus and the South Side.

For more information about housing off-campus, visit duq.edu/off-campus-housing.
Duquesne’s campus offers the best of two worlds — a secure, private enclave for academic pursuits, steps from Pittsburgh’s vibrant urban center.

As a law student here you will have access to all of the amenities on the 50-acre campus, including extensive recreation and fitness facilities in the Power Center, a full-size swimming pool in Duquesne Towers, multiple dining options in the Duquesne Union, a Barnes & Noble bookstore, and two Starbucks locations.

The School of Law offers two floors of state-of-the-art classrooms, moot courtrooms, and a law library. After class, you can relax at the Coffee Tree Roasters coffee shop and adjacent student lounges. Plus, on the lower level, you have access to student lockers and a suite of student organization offices.
Ready to Apply

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3/3 Early Admissions Program

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Application Procedure
Candidates should apply online at lsac.org.
Applications for admission are accepted beginning September 1 for the following academic year. Before any applicant can be considered, all of the following items must be submitted to the Office of Admissions:

1) Online Application (LSAC)

2) Law School Admission Test (LSAT)
   All applicants are required to take the LSAT. The Admissions Committee reviews all scores and dates taken, but considers the highest score for reporting purposes. Scores that are more than five years old will not be considered. Applicants are encouraged to take the LSAT no later than February of the year in which they plan to enroll.

3) Law School Admissions Council (LSAC) Credential Assembly Service (CAS)
   All applicants are required to subscribe to the CAS. Official transcripts from each college or university attended and letters of recommendation must be sent directly to LSAC. Registration materials for CAS are available online at lsac.org.

4) Letter of Recommendation
   One letter of recommendation is required. Two additional letters may be submitted for consideration. A recommendation should be submitted by a college or university professor familiar with the applicant's academic work. Applicants who have been out of school for some time may submit a letter from an employer.

5) Personal Statement
   A one- to two-page typed essay must be submitted. There is no required topic, but applicants should view the personal statement as an opportunity to provide the Admissions Committee with more information about themselves beyond their transcripts and LSAT scores. Applicants often address their backgrounds and why they want to practice law. Students may also submit an optional one-page essay about why they are interested in attending Duquesne Law.

6) Resume
   Applicants must submit a current resume or CV with their application.

7) Character and Fitness Disclosures
   The School of Law application requests information regarding the applicant's character and fitness. Any false or misleading statement, incomplete or inaccurate information, omission of required information, or failure to update changes in information in this application may cause the applicant to be denied admission; or, if admitted, to be dismissed from the School of Law or cause the applicant's degree to be revoked, and may jeopardize licensure with Boards of Bar Examiners. Complete and accurate information is essential. Applicants should
U.S. Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas (center) was a guest of Duquesne University School of Law in 2013. More than 1,200 people attended the event, and C-SPAN taped and aired the program for a national audience. The following day, Justice Thomas met with School of Law students and taught the upper-level Constitutional Law course. Justice Thomas is shown here with Duquesne University President Ken Gormley (then dean of the School of Law) and Judge Thomas Hardiman.

retain copies of all items submitted as part of the admission application. These materials become the property of Duquesne University and will be neither reproduced nor returned to the applicant.

Graduates of Duquesne University School of Law are eligible to take bar examinations in all jurisdictions of the United States. In planning their courses of study, students are advised to consult with bar examiners in the state in which they wish to practice to determine whether specific curricular criteria or registration requirements exist for admission to the bar in that jurisdiction. Applicants who intend to practice law should also be aware that admission to the bar in all states involves character, fitness, and other qualifications. Applicants are encouraged to determine what those requirements are in the state(s) in which they intend to practice by consulting the website of the National Conference of Bar Examiners at ncbex.org.

Duquesne Law does not accept students who have been dismissed from other law schools for academic reasons.

Deadlines
Applications for all three divisions are accepted after September 1 for the following academic year. The priority consideration deadline for all applications is March 1. Prospective students applying through the binding Early Decision Program must apply by December 15.

It is the applicant’s responsibility to ensure that his or her file is complete for Admissions Committee consideration and that all required documents have been received by the Office of Admissions. Applicants can check their status in real time via the online status check.

Notification of Decision
An Early Decision Program applicant is guaranteed a decision before December 31. All other applicants are considered on a rolling basis and should allow 6-8 weeks for a decision after the application is complete. The Admissions Committee reviews applications as they become complete and typically begins to notify applicants of acceptance in November. The application review process may take several weeks. The Committee may request supplemental information before making a final decision. Once a decision is made, the applicant is notified via email and online status check.

Applicants who are denied admission in one division are not eligible to be subsequently considered for other divisions.

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Accepted Students

Accepted applicants are required to pay a nonrefundable $500 enrollment deposit within the time designated in the written notice. The deposit will be credited toward the first term tuition if the student registers at the time designated for entering students; otherwise, the deposit is forfeited. Failure to pay the deposit in full by the designated date may result in a forfeiture of a student’s place in the class and any financial awards.

Accepted students have a continuing obligation to notify Duquesne Law immediately if any of the following events occur:

1) You are apprehended, cited, arrested, taken into custody for, charged with, indicted or tried for, or plead guilty or no contest (nolo contendere) to the commission of any crime, except for summary traffic violations unrelated to the use of intoxicants;
2) You are found guilty of an honor code violation at any institution of higher learning;
3) You are subject to disciplinary action by any educational institution or governmental or administrative agency (including any branch of the Armed Forces); or
4) You are notified of any misconduct or irregularity by the Law School Admissions Council (LSAC).

Duquesne Law reserves the right to dismiss or revoke one’s acceptance based on the nature of the event.

Foreign-Degree J.D. Applicants

Applicants who have completed the equivalent of a baccalaureate degree at an institution outside of the United States are eligible to be considered for admission to the J.D. program. Foreign-degree applicants must complete all requirements for domestic applicants and submit credentials to LSAC for evaluation.

Law School Admission Council
662 Penn Street
Box 8502
Newtown, PA 18940
lsac.org

Foreign-degree candidates whose primary language is not English must take the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL). The TOEFL should be taken by March 1 of the year in which the student plans to enroll. The Admissions Committee will generally consider a TOEFL score of 100 internet-based to be minimally acceptable.

The deadline to submit the application is the same as that for new domestic applicants, but it is suggested that foreign-degree candidates apply as early as possible to allow sufficient time for credentials evaluation.

LL.M. for Foreign Lawyers Applicants

Duquesne University School of Law offers a Master of Laws for candidates who have fulfilled the educational requirements for admission to the practice of law in their own country, including a law degree from an institution recognized by the competent accrediting agency of the government of that country, and candidates attending a foreign institution with a joint LL.B./LL.M. degree agreement with Duquesne University.

The program is completed in one academic year. Both a general curriculum in American law and a bar-track curriculum are available. Students may only begin the LL.M. program in the fall semester.

To be considered for admission to the LL.M. program for foreign lawyers, English language ability must meet or exceed a 90 TOEFL examination score, or an IELTS score of 7, and candidates must successfully complete a telephone interview in order to establish the necessary fluency in English. Candidates with a TOEFL score between 85 and 89 or an IELTS score of 6.5 may be conditionally admitted pending a satisfactory phone interview with the Office of Admissions.

The application deadline is May 30 of the year in which a candidate wishes to enter the program. The application is available online at lsac.org. For more information, visit duq.edu/law/admissions/international-students.
**Transfer Students**

Students may apply for transfer admission to Duquesne Law. Transfer applicants must present satisfactory evidence of having been in regular attendance at an ABA-approved law school, and must be in good standing and unconditionally eligible to return to studies at that school. Credits earned at another law school will be accepted as set forth in the Transfer Credit Policy, which can be found at [duq.edu/law/registrar](http://duq.edu/law/registrar).

Before a transfer application will be considered, the applicant must have completed the equivalent course requirements of a first-year student at the Duquesne University School of Law. Transfer applicants must meet all requirements for a first-year student and must submit the application along with the following:

1) A Credential Assembly Report from LSAC (a copy from the current law school is acceptable);
2) An official transcript of all completed law school work; and
3) A letter from the law school attended certifying that the applicant is in good standing and is eligible to return there. The letter should not be written until the student successfully completes all of the academic work in which he or she is currently enrolled.

Transfer applicants should apply by July 1. Decisions on transfer applicants are made in mid-July.

**Visitor/Non-Matriculating**

A student currently enrolled at another ABA-accredited law school may apply as a visiting/non-matriculating student. The application for admission, transcript, and a letter from the current law school giving approval for visiting status must be submitted to the Admissions Office. The applicant should also indicate specific reasons for wishing to attend Duquesne Law.
Scholarships and Financial Aid

Incoming Student Scholarships
Duquesne Law has dedicated a considerable amount of scholarship support for highly credentialed incoming students. All accepted students are automatically considered for merit-based scholarships awarded by the School of Law. These awards are made each year to the most qualified applicants based on their records of achievement, aptitude for the study of law, and general background. A small number of dean’s scholarships are also awarded.

Scholarships are renewed annually, provided the student remains in good academic standing and maintains appropriate progress toward the degree. It is recommended that interested students submit their admission applications by early January. Duquesne Law does not award conditional scholarships.

Continuing Student Scholarships
Full tuition scholarships are awarded to students who achieve the first, second, and third highest cumulative GPA at the conclusion of their first or second year as full-time day division students.

Seventy-five percent tuition scholarships are awarded to the students with the first, second, and third highest cumulative GPA at the conclusion of their first, second, or third consecutive year as part-time evening students.

In addition, each year Duquesne Law distributes a number of endowed scholarships from a wide array of endowed funds. Application procedures are distributed to current students in the spring term.

To view a complete listing of scholarship funds, visit duq.edu/law/scholarships.

More Financial Assistance
A number of School of Law work-study grants-in-aid for salary or partial tuition credit are available. Recipients of such grants-in-aid work as School of Law library aides, faculty research assistants, or administration aides for five to 10 hours per week during the academic year. In return, students are paid or receive a designated amount of tuition assistance that is directly applied to their accounts.

Accepted students may request a grant-in-aid application from the School of Law’s Dean of Students after matriculation. Final decisions on grant-in-aid awards are usually made in August of each year.

Financial Aid Application Procedure
Financial assistance is processed centrally through Duquesne University’s Financial Aid Office. This includes Federal Stafford Unsubsidized Loans, Federal Graduate PLUS Loans, and private educational loans. The School of Law does not process this aid.

Applicants must be in the process of applying for admission or be currently enrolled. Incoming students should not wait for official acceptance to the School of Law before applying for financial assistance.

Applicants should complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) no later than May 31 online at fafsa.ed.gov. Be sure to list Duquesne University’s school code 003258.
Tuition
A competitive tuition rate and generous scholarships and financial aid make Duquesne University School of Law affordable. National Jurist recognized Duquesne University School of Law as a “Best Value” private law school in 2016. The publication considered academic and financial variables, including tuition, student debt, employment success, bar passage rate, and cost of living.

The 2016-2017 tuition for the full-time day division is $40,438 per year. Part-time evening and day tuition is $31,076. Tuition for the LL.M. program is $23,350 per year.

For current fees, estimated costs, and additional information on financial aid opportunities, visit duq.edu/law/admissions.

For financial aid information and forms, contact:
Duquesne University
Office of Financial Aid
600 Forbes Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15282
Phone: 412.396.6607
Email: faoffice@duq.edu
duq.edu/financialaid

A few of our favorite...

Pittsburgh stats
- The Three Rivers Heritage Trail runs for 25 miles, often on both sides of the rivers, offering spectacular views of the city.
- The downtown area alone has 200 restaurants.
- The city has nine theaters within a 14-block cultural district.
- Pittsburgh is only a four-hour drive from Washington, D.C., and a six-hour drive from nine states and Canada.

Source: VisitPittsburgh.com

Pittsburgh blogs
- NextPittsburgh.com
- EatPgh.com
- BikePgh.org
- FriendsoftheRiverfront.org
Schedule a Visit

Applicants are encouraged to visit Duquesne Law while classes are in session, September through April. Student-guided tours are available weekdays at noon and can be combined with class visits.

Duquesne Law admissions representatives travel to colleges and universities across the country each fall.

To view the recruitment calendar, register online for an Information Session, or schedule a tour, visit duq.edu/law/admissions.

Information Sessions

- September 6, 2016
- November 17, 2016
- December 21, 2016
- January 5, 2017
- February 20, 2017