

School of Law

Welcome to the IU School of Law - Indianapolis!

Situated at the intersection of education and experience, the IU School of Law-Indianapolis offers students the sought-after combination of academic excellence and professional opportunity that only a metropolitan location can provide. Inlow Hall, the home of the law school, is just steps away from everything a major urban environment affords: business, government, life sciences, medicine, sports, and the arts. You will make connections that will prepare you for a wide array of careers.

We're the largest law school in Indiana, one of two at Indiana University, offering the greatest opportunity for hands-on experience in our urban setting. But while we have an enrollment of nearly 1,000, each student gets the kind of hands-on attention you might expect from a small school. Our culture is a blend of Midwestern friendliness and metropolitan energy, characterized by personal attention from faculty and staff.

Overview

Opportunity

The IU School of Law-Indianapolis prepares students for a wide range of diverse and exciting careers. From practicing law to managing corporations, the school's nearly 10,000 graduates excel not only in Indiana, but across the country and around the world. Law school alumni have served in the highest offices in government, including the U.S. vice presidency, the Senate, and the House of Representatives.

The Indianapolis legal and business communities offer opportunities for connections that no other law school in the state can provide. Many of the school's adjunct professors come from some of the most prestigious law firms in the state. Additionally, an attorney-student mentor program allows students to meet a variety of area attorneys, judges, and business and government leaders in an informal setting.

Externships are available in a vast array of institutions, including banks, corporations, and government offices. Many externships also are available with local, state, and federal courts. The school also offers clinical programs designed to complement traditional legal education with experience beyond the classroom. With faculty supervision, students represent real clients in actual cases before Indiana courts through clinics in Criminal Defense, Civil Practice, Disability Law, Immigration Law and Appellate Practice.

Faculty and Curriculum

Faculty members hold Doctor of Jurisprudence, master's, and doctoral degrees from more than 50 different schools, offering students extensive and diverse views on the law and its career possibilities. Assembled from across the country, the faculty has distinguished itself with a wide variety of scholarly publications related to state, national, and international legal matters.

Refined analytical acumen, well-honed communications skills, highly developed ethical sensibilities: these are the hallmarks of an IU Law-Indianapolis graduate.

Required courses are complemented by a vast array of in-depth, innovative seminars and specialized classes, designed to prepare students to be exceptional problem solvers, effective mediators, and persuasive advocates.

Our legal writing program was ranked 8th in the nation in 2009. This unique program is a comprehensive series of courses that lays the foundation for all of our students' legal studies and professional work.

A student may pursue a J.D. degree on a full-time basis in the school's day division or on a part-time basis through the evening program. Typically, a full-time student will complete the 90 required hours within three years, while a part-time student will do so within four years.

Facilities

Campus Visits and Additional Information

We encourage you to visit us and meet with our staff and students. To arrange for a visit or request an application, please write or call our Admissions Office, IU School of Law-Indianapolis, 530 W. New York Street, Indianapolis, IN, 46202-3225; telephone (317) 274-2459; or e-mail lawadmit@iupui.edu. Web site: indylaw.indiana.edu. We look forward to hearing from you.

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Admission

Pre-Law Program

While law schools do not require a specific undergraduate major or a specific set of undergraduate courses as prerequisites for admission, they do urge students to take additional writing and public speaking courses, as well as courses involving research and analysis. The Department of Political Science in the School of Liberal Arts and SPEA provide pre-law advising and a series of courses related to the law and government that are attractive to students interested in the study of the law. Other schools also offer courses of relevance to students considering the study of the law.

For more Admission information please see: <http://indylaw.indiana.edu/admissions/>

Graduate Programs

To obtain more in-depth information regarding the IU School of Law - Indianapolis programs of study, please refer to the following website: <http://indylaw.indiana.edu/courses/>

Joint Degree and LL.M. Programs

Joint degree programs are offered in cooperation with Indiana University's Kelley School of Business, School of Public and Environmental Affairs, School of Liberal

Arts, School of Library and Information Science, School of Social Work and School of Medicine. These include:

- J.D. and Master of Business Administration
- J.D. and Master of Public Affairs
- J.D. and Master of Public Health
- J.D. and Master of Science in Health Administration
- J.D. and Master of Library Science
- J.D. and Master of Social Work
- J.D. and Master of Philosophy (with a concentration in health law and bioethics)

The school also offers a Master of Laws (LL.M.) degree program with five possible tracks of study:

- American Law for Foreign Lawyers
- Health Law, Policy, and Bioethics
- Intellectual Property Law
- International and Comparative Law
- International Human Rights Law

Departments & Centers

Research Centers and Programs

From technology to teaching, innovation infuses all aspects of the law school. Its centers and programs are among the most respected in the country, enhancing a diverse and demanding curriculum with hands-on opportunities for research and experience.

The need for lawyers with special expertise in health law is acute, and the school's William S. and Christine S. Hall Center for Law and Health is at the forefront of providing students with an outstanding education in health law. The center is repeatedly ranked as offering one of the top health law programs in the country, offering interdisciplinary opportunities for students and serving as an information resource on health care issues for the legal and medical communities.

The Center for International and Comparative Law provides administrative guidance for the school's foreign study programs as well as other international activities, including the Master of Laws track in International and Comparative Law. Each year the center sponsors a variety of programs, including hosting speakers of international renown, and sponsoring students in international moot court competitions. Foreign study programs include:

- The Program in International Human Rights Law, which is designed to promote legal study and scholarship in international human rights and to facilitate the placement of students as legal interns at international human rights organizations in this country and overseas. Since 1997, the program has coordinated 90 student placements in 46 countries.
- The Chinese Law Summer Program at Renmin (People's) University of China School of Law in Beijing includes comparative aspects of Chinese and American law and features trips to local courts and nearby points of interest.
- The Central and Eastern European Law Summer Program is based in Dubrovnik, Croatia, a beautiful seaside resort on the Mediterranean. The program addresses the transition of legal systems in Central and Eastern Europe.

The Center for Intellectual Property Law and Innovation was established in 2004 as a resource for education and research in intellectual property law-particularly as it applies to the life sciences. The center is designed to produce graduates in law with a strong knowledge of intellectual property law, a solid foundation in business development, and sound transactional skills in all matters relating to intellectual property law.

The Program on Law and State Government enhances the ties between the academic community and state government offices, providing a means of exchange of ideas on issues facing state governments, as well as creating opportunities for internships for students within Indiana state government.

For more information, visit our Web site: <http://www.indylaw.indiana.edu>.

Student Organizations & Services

Student Programs

The school's three law reviews, the Indiana Law Review, Indiana International and Comparative Law Review, and the Indiana Health Law Review, provide invaluable opportunities for training in the analysis of legal problems and presentation of legal issues.

The Moot Court Program encourages the development of skills in oral advocacy. The Order of Barristers is composed of the best students in the program, and its members serve on regional and national teams, where they have achieved prominence in competitions.

Established in 1993, our school's Pro Bono Program provides opportunities for students to assist low-income Indianapolis residents and community groups in need of assistance. Since the program's inception, students have contributed more than 70,000 volunteer hours for the good of the community.

The school also sponsors a variety of student organizations that focus on a number of discrete legal areas of interest to students. Additionally, the school invites a number of distinguished and well-known speakers to the school. Students hear lectures by legal scholars, historians, distinguished practicing attorneys, and jurists from around the country. Five Justices of the United States Supreme Court have delivered lectures at the law school, including Chief Justice John G. Roberts.

Academic Policies & Procedures

Please refer to <http://indylaw.indiana.edu/students/codeofconduct.htm> for appropriate IU School of Law - Indianapolis policies.

Faculty

To obtain in-depth information regarding the IU School of Law - Indianapolis faculty, please refer to the following website: <http://indylaw.indiana.edu/people>.