

## CLASS OF 2024 BY THE NUMBERS

**156**  
MEDIAN LSAT  
**153-159**  
25th - 75th Percentile

**3.58**  
MEDIAN UGPA  
**3.35-3.78**  
25th - 75th Percentile

**158/152**  
MEDIAN GRE  
VERBAL/QUANT. REASONING

**4.5**  
MEDIAN GRE  
ANALYTICAL WRITING

THINK BIG.  
TAKE ACTION.  
DRIVE CHANGE.

**157**

STUDENTS ENROLLED

**\$25,410\***  
IN-STATE  
**\$30,250\***  
OUT-OF-STATE

\* Tuition does not include fees and additional expenses.

**79%**

INCOMING STUDENTS  
RECEIVING SCHOLARSHIPS

**19%**

ETHNIC DIVERSITY  
INCLUDING INTERNATIONAL  
STUDENTS

Data as of September 1, 2021.



## A MESSAGE FROM DEAN AVIVA ABRAMOVSKY

Now is an important time to consider a legal education. As we face new challenges and confront long-existing societal issues, the need for skillful lawyers and strong advocates is great.

There is no better place to pursue your law degree than at UB School of Law. When I first arrived in Buffalo four years ago, I immediately recognized the rich sense of community and shared passion for creating change. I am proud to be part of a diverse and vibrant environment where all students are encouraged to think big, express themselves creatively, and prepare for their future with purpose.

Whether you plan to conquer the courtroom, close major real estate deals, or advocate for low-income clients, here, you will learn to be a skilled litigator, a strong negotiator, and a champion for justice.

I invite you to begin your journey with us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Aviva Abramovsky".

Aviva Abramovsky



## From the start, you will acquire the skills you'll need in a profession like no other

You stand at the threshold of a life-changing experience that will transform your thinking and open new worlds of opportunity.

But first: Books. Classes. Finding your way around.

Don't worry – we've got you covered.

Here you'll find a **collegial environment** that brings out the best in you and those on the journey with you. Many students make lifelong friendships that nourish their careers as well. Your professors and the law school staff make it their mission to help you succeed, whether it's wrestling after class with a difficult point, or helping to set up your daily schedule.

In your first year at UB School of Law, you will start to think like a lawyer, with **small classes and one-on-one coaching** through our Legal Analysis, Writing and Research (LAWR) program. And you'll be challenged by world-class legal training in doctrinal courses that continually evolve to stay relevant to what lawyers actually do in practice.

Here you will also gain the **global perspective** that's increasingly vital in today's legal world. UB School of Law is well-known for faculty who bring their expertise in other academic disciplines – from anthropology to zoology – to the study of law, giving you an interdisciplinary as well as an international and

multicultural lens for understanding the way law works in the real world.

And even in the first year, you'll find opportunities to go boldly into this new future by being part of student organizations as diverse as our student body. You will also begin to meet and network with our **highly engaged alumni** who will help you gain a foothold in the legal community.

Like all important work, that first year is a challenging one. But you'll come out of it with the confidence that you're on your way to making a difference in the community, the nation and the world.



Our students enjoy small and collaborative classes.



The First Year

BE *Transformed*

# Here is how you'll succeed from day one

As the law school's vice dean for academic affairs, **Professor S. Todd Brown** does a lot of deep thinking about top-quality legal education.

"The law and the legal profession are ever-changing," he says, "and UB's curriculum reflects those changes." But it's not all about what's on the course schedule. It's also about making your first year the best it can be. That's why the faculty have taken a series of steps to make sure that you succeed from Day One.

It starts with our cutting-edge **Legal Analysis, Writing and Research** program, two semesters of intensive instruction in the tools that lawyers use every day. An emphasis on the basics early in the first year – organizing your thoughts, crafting a killer argument, writing clearly and persuasively – means that you can build on those skills faster in every course you take.

Two initiatives also provide plenty of hands-on help.

Teaching assistants are assigned to classes – typically students who already excelled in the class and are ready to share their knowledge.

The other is a student advisement program. You'll be assigned a **faculty adviser** with whom you'll meet at least four times over the year, checking in on how it's going, helping to plan your classes, and guiding you as you look to your future as a legal professional.

Says Brown, **"In Buffalo, we don't leave you on your own."**



Professor S. Todd Brown speaking to students.

## EXPLORE YOUR INTERESTS

Our diverse clubs, associations, societies, boards and activities provide students an opportunity to contribute time and talent in ways that are both personally and professionally gratifying. Participation becomes a vital avenue of self-expression and socializing.

Here are some of the ways you can get involved outside the classroom:

- Alternative Dispute Resolution Society
- American Constitution Society for Law and Policy
- Black Law Students Association
- Buffalo Moot Court Board
- Buffalo Public Interest Law Program
- Buffalo Sports and Entertainment Law Society
- Domestic Violence Task Force
- Federalist Society
- First-Generation Law Students Association
- Intellectual Property Law Society
- International Law Students Association
- Jessup International Moot Court Board
- Latin American Law Students Association
- National Lawyers Guild
- Outdoors Club
- OUTLaw
- Phi Alpha Delta
- Student Animal Legal Defense Fund
- Student Bar Association
- Student Wellness Society
- Thurgood Marshall Moot Court Board
- Tortfeasors



## The First Year

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Alonni Reid on the power of a law degree

## Taking her next step as an advocate

Back in high school, **Alonni Reid '24** had an internship in Buffalo City Court. The legal profession intrigued her. So, a few summers later, as an undergraduate at the University of Rochester, she took advantage of UB School of Law's Discover Law program for promising undergraduates who are underrepresented in the field. That intensive introduction to law school life and the legal community, she says, made all the difference.

"It was a great experience for me," says Reid, who also has a master's degree in education policy. "It was immersive, it was intense, and it really helped us step up to the challenge and navigate what a legal career would look like."

Now, as a first-year UB School of Law student, she'll explore the intersection of law and education policy. "In order to do any sort of policy, it is important to understand how the law works as well," Reid says.

As someone who has hearing loss, she's also deeply interested in disability justice. "There's a lot of stigma and injustice with regards to disabilities," she says. "A law degree will enable me to address discrimination and contribute to advancing the rights of individuals with disabilities."

Toward that end, she has worked as a legal assistant with Freedom Mapping, which provides consulting and education to clients around disability and other social justice areas. And she has an entrepreneurial streak as well, partnering with her sister to run a heritage-focused online clothing retailer called Ethnic Lines.

4+

How many times you'll meet with your faculty adviser in your first year

5.6:1

Faculty to student ratio

20+

Number of student clubs and associations you can join

# Here is how to be part of a city ever on the rise.

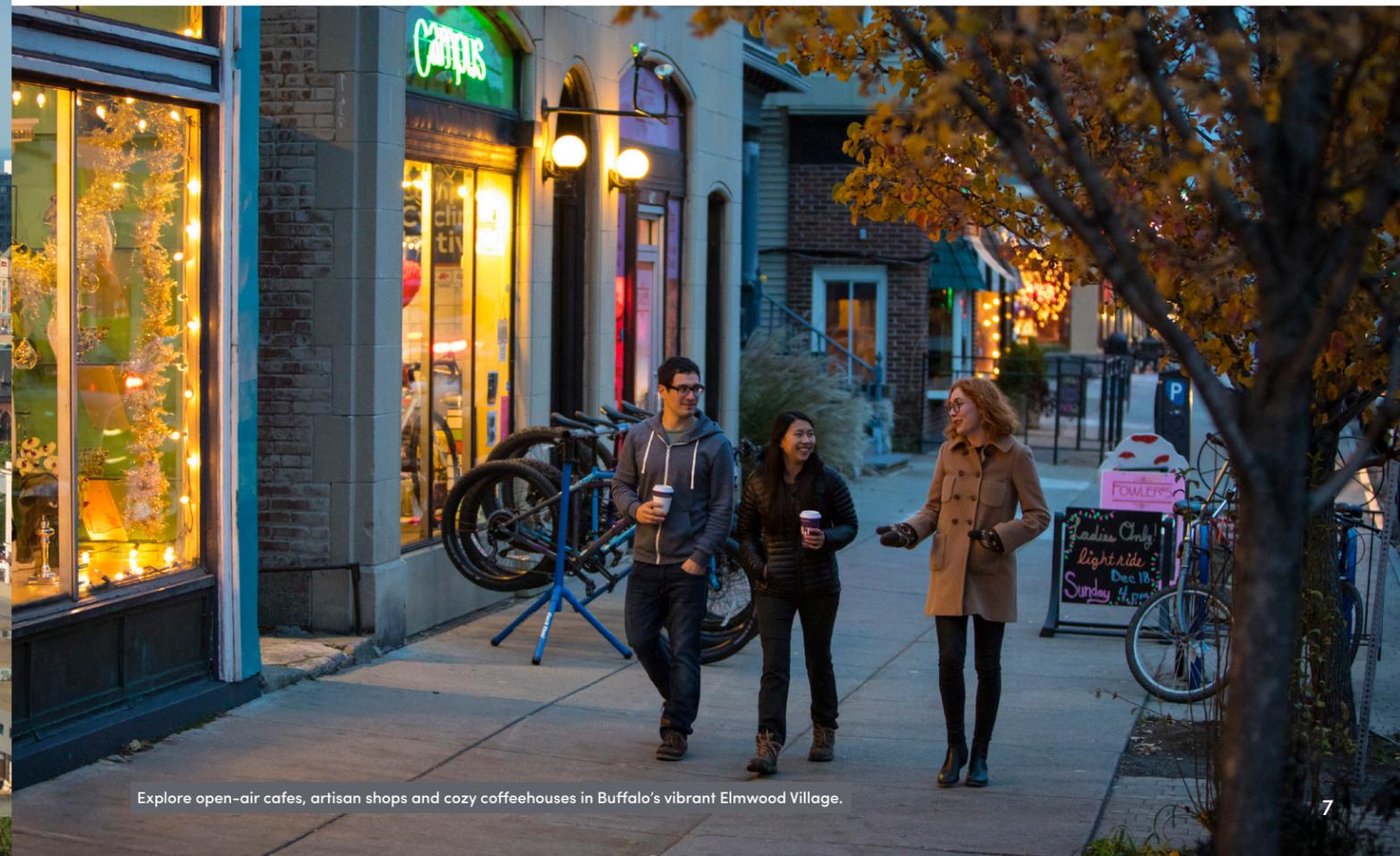
## Everything you could want, close to everywhere:

By bus, train, car or air, you're less than 90 minutes away from some of North America's most exciting cities, including Toronto, New York, Boston, Philadelphia and Washington, D.C.



## NINE FUN FACTS ABOUT BUFFALO

- 1 Giant silos**—Once they transformed the global grain market. Now Silo City attracts art shows, pop-up dinners and fans of really big things.
- 2 Bikes and more bikes**—By commute or Slow Roll, cyclists rule 300+ miles of lanes, paths and frozen canals. (Yes, ice bikes are a thing here.)
- 3 Amazing architecture**—The muse of America's great planners and architects, Buffalo is practically the Greatest Hits of Cities.
- 4 Lively living**—From Allentown to the Elmwood Village, Buffalo is also the City of Good Neighborhoods.
- 5 The waterfront**—In Buffalo, "the lake effect" means four full seasons of waterfront festivals and cultural events.
- 6 Foodie heaven**—Grown, brewed or baked right here, or imported via dozens of immigrant communities, Buffalo cuisine is way more than wings.
- 7 Good sports**—Bisons baseball. Bandits lacrosse. Buffalo FC soccer. Queen City Roller Girls roller derby. The Sabres, Bills and Bulls are in great company.
- 8 History everywhere**—Workers flocked here. Inventors thrived here. Tycoons got rich here. What are your plans?
- 9 New everywhere**—Business incubator 43North is catalyzing dreamers and inspiring doers, helping make Buffalo the next big thing it's always been.



Explore open-air cafes, artisan shops and cozy coffeehouses in Buffalo's vibrant Elmwood Village.



The Second and Third Years

BE Engaged

## The Second and Third Years

# You'll finish strong, building a knowledge base that will last your whole life

In your second and third years at UB School of Law, it all comes together. You know how to think like a lawyer. Research like a lawyer. Write like a lawyer. **Now it's time to engage the world of law with all your passion.**

That means taking advantage of some of the ways you can build your skills in specialized programs. Like the **New York City Program in Finance and Law**, in which you spend an intensive semester in the Big Apple learning the high-stakes world of finance from practitioners on the front lines. Like the **Advocacy Institute** that focuses instruction in the skills of oral advocacy and mediation, invaluable for legal practice in any professional situation. Like UB's **Center for the Advancement of Sport** where you learn the industry through externships at local or even national athletics organizations. Or our **Entrepreneurial Law Center** where you'll work on the frontline with startups, fueling innovation and growth in our community.

You might find your passion in one of our **eight dual degree programs**, such as Law and Social Work, building your expertise and your marketability at the same time. Or maybe you'll find yourself drawn to cross-border and international law, another strength of UB School of Law with our **location on an international border.**

Our extensive and flexible curriculum makes it easy to craft a course of study that's yours alone. And our diverse faculty and student body makes for a lively exchange of ideas, from class discussions to informal debates in the student lounge.

Underlying all of these options is a commitment we all share: to make the law work for those who need it most, and to work for social justice. The American ideal of equal justice under the law, and equal access to that justice for everyone, is present in everything we do. If you're committed to that noble ideal, we are right there with you.



Professor of Practice Matthew Pelkey with his startup law class at UB's downtown campus.

“It was clear as day: UB was the school that was going to help get me to where I want to go.”

Michael Perlo on choosing the right law school



## Taking caring to the next level

**Heather Bashaw '22** loved her work in health care. Most recently she coordinated clinical research trials at a major cancer center. But she came to a stark realization: “You can help individuals, but I’ve found that a lot of health care policies, even with good intentions, don’t help people as much as they might.”

She knew she could change more people’s lives by advocating for equitable and effective policies. And the best route to becoming that advocate, she figured, was a law degree.

Now a third-year student at UB School of Law, Bashaw says her studies have shown how law and lawmaking translate into health and healing. And her real-world experience as a summer intern with the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has brought those lessons to life.

That work has touched on tuberculosis prevention, the role of medical examiners and coroners, and the occupational hazards of certain chemicals. “Advocacy groups and lawmakers need that information to help with policies that can affect people’s lives,” she says.

At the law school, Bashaw is all in—serving as Student Bar Association president and helping to run the school’s popular moot court competitions. “I wanted to use this as an opportunity to be as involved as possible,” she says. “UB has a great network of alumni, and I see every day how willing they are to step up for students and the community. That’s something we as students can do as well.”

## Behind the scenes of America’s game

**Michael Perlo '23** was sure he could do better as general manager of the New York Mets than the person in charge. But he was just a kid. He later studied labor relations and finance at Cornell University—useful knowledge in a big business, like baseball.

Now in his second year of law school, he’s studying sports law and making contacts in professional baseball. For someone who played throughout high school and college, it’s exciting work.

He just completed an internship with Major League Baseball’s headquarters in New York City, working with a group that manages on-field operations and oversees player discipline issues. “I always had it in the back of my mind that a law degree would be really valuable,” he says. “I knew it would broaden my opportunities in business, investments, and of course the labor and employment side of sports and entertainment.”

And when he was looking at law schools, he narrowed his choice to two. A call to UB Law Professor Helen “Nellie” Drew made the decision easy. “I thought it was really unique for somebody to take an hour out of their day to talk about the Sports Law program and all the experiences it can give you,” Perlo says. “It was clear as day: UB was the school that was going to help get me to where I want to go.”



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Heather Bashaw on the UB Law alumni network

# Here is how you will distinguish yourself in the marketplace

Selecting one of **nine optional curricular concentrations and programs** will deepen your understanding of the work lawyers do and train you how to approach complex legal problems. You will be equipped to work on major issues and transactions from the start of your legal career.

Completion of the requirements of a concentration or program will distinguish you as someone with an unusual level of knowledge and mastery in your field.

**9** CONCENTRATIONS & PROGRAMS

**8** DUAL DEGREES

**8** LEGAL CENTERS

## CURRICULAR CONCENTRATIONS

Concentrations consist of a sequence of required and elective courses selected from a substantial menu of course offerings in the chosen field.

### Advocacy

The concentration in advocacy provides students with significant hands-on experience in trial advocacy, appellate advocacy, and alternative dispute resolution. It incorporates doctrinal courses and clinical service, ensuring that students have exposure to both important black-letter law and experience in representing real-world clients.

### Criminal Law

With a blend of lecture courses, seminars, practice and simulations, students acquire skills in the practical and theoretical aspects of modern criminal law. The concentration includes courses on topics like trial technique, white collar crime, child abuse and neglect, federal pre-trial criminal procedure, and mental illness and the law.

### Cross-Border Legal Studies

This concentration capitalizes on our border location to provide students with classroom and on-the-ground exposure to a wide range of cross-border legal issues including international business transactions, immigration, international trade and tax. Students also complete a capstone experiential course which pairs them with local cross-border law practitioners.

### Family Law

The concentration in family law introduces students to the breadth of family law beginning with three required doctrinal courses, an experiential learning component, and a substantial writing project. Through additional elective courses and practice experiences, students round out their education in the family law area.

## Intellectual Property & Privacy Law

The law is evolving to address rapid changes in technology, from computers and e-commerce to copyright, trademark, and patents. In this concentration, students examine issues of ownership, use and control of technological innovations, information and knowledge.

## International Law

Lawyers must understand and interpret events in countries that may have different legal systems. This concentration prepares students for careers in private or public international law. Traveling seminars offer students the opportunity to observe foreign legal systems in their native setting under expert faculty guidance. International externships are also available.

## Sports Law

This program takes advantage of the many offerings in our sports law curriculum, ranging from broad survey courses to a hands-on mock NHL arbitration seminar and externship opportunities with local college athletic departments. Students research issues in sports law and contribute articles to the UB Law Sports and Entertainment Forum blog, which serves as an online community for students and alumni who share an interest in these fields. Our vibrant Buffalo Sports and Entertainment Law Society (BELS) supports a variety of extracurricular activities throughout the year.

## LAW JOURNALS

The School of Law's wide array of scholarly law journals provides students with the opportunity to develop research and writing skills and make important contributions to legal scholarship.

- Buddhism, Law & Society
- Buffalo Environmental Law Journal
- Buffalo Human Rights Law Review
- Buffalo Law Review

## The Second and Third Years

## CURRICULAR PROGRAMS

Programs are designated in fields in which the law faculty offers an exceptional degree of strength and expertise and a rich variety of courses. Programs culminate in a small, intensive capstone or senior colloquium course designed to pull together students' knowledge and experience.

### Environmental Law

This program prepares students for environmental law practice, whether advocating for a public interest group, a corporate client, a government agency or a private citizen. Beginning with a series of core courses taught by a combination of academic and practitioner experts, students may also enroll in skills courses, cutting-edge seminars and the Environmental Advocacy Clinic.

### Finance and Development

This program offers students the opportunity to focus on finance and the role of lawyers in business transactions, including courses focused on economic, commercial and residential development. The concentration provides a valuable foundation for students seeking to pursue careers in corporate law, financial services, regulation and compliance, and private or nonprofit development.

## CENTERS

- The Baldy Center for Law and Social Policy
- Buddhism Law and Society Center
- Buffalo Criminal Law Center
- Buffalo Human Rights Center
- Center for the Advancement of Sport
- Cross-Border Legal Studies Center
- Entrepreneurship Law Center
- Jaeckle Center for Law, Democracy and Governance

# Here is how you will learn from experience

The **Advocacy Institute** and our extensive **Clinical Legal Education Program** will give you an opportunity to develop and sharpen your practical legal skills through the guidance of distinguished members of the local bar and bench.

- 10 MOCK TRIAL TEAMS
- 6 MOOT COURT TEAMS
- 5 ADR/MEDIATION TEAMS
- 10 CLINICS
- 100+ EXTERNSHIPS

## ADVOCACY INSTITUTE

Our Advocacy Institute is dedicated to helping students cultivate the skills, discipline, and ethics necessary to become creative and principled litigators. In our popular **Trial Technique** classes, students prepare and try a civil or criminal case under the tutelage of highly experienced trial lawyers and judges. Students can put those skills to the test against other law schools in nationwide scrimmages and competitions through our **Trial Advocacy** or **“Trial Team”** classes.

The art of **Appellate Advocacy** is taught in an Introduction to Appellate Advocacy class, which includes participation in our intramural Charles S. Desmond Moot Court Competition. Based on that experience, students are selected to represent the law school on teams that participate in prestigious national appellate moot court competitions.

Future practitioners in the growing field of **Alternative Dispute Resolution** can hone their advocacy skills by taking part in our intramural Representation in Mediation Competition. Select students represent our law school in national and international mediation, negotiation, and arbitration competitions.

UB School of Law hosts **two national competitions** – the Buffalo Niagara Mock Trial Competition, one of the largest in the nation, and the Herbert J. Wechsler National Criminal Moot Court Competition.

## EXTERNSHIPS

Law students work for academic credit in a variety of placements in the judiciary, government, and non-profit organizations. Students learn from practice at their placements, as well as a seminar focused on practice skills and ethics. Most externships are in Western New York, but remote and summer options have allowed students to work in Rochester, New York City, Philadelphia, Chicago, Seattle, and overseas.

## CLINICAL LEGAL EDUCATION

Our clinics offer diverse and sophisticated practice opportunities to second and third year as well as LL.M. students working closely with skilled supervising attorneys. Our clinical offerings involve cutting-edge issues and complex matters in which creativity and innovation play key roles in serving clients effectively.

- Access to Justice Hybrid Clinic
- Animal Law Clinic
- Civil Rights and Transparency Clinic
- Community Engagement Legal Clinic
- Criminal Justice Advocacy Clinic
- Entrepreneurship Law Center Clinic
- Environmental Advocacy Clinic
- Family Violence and Women’s Rights Clinic
- Mediation Clinic
- Puerto Rico Recovery Assistance Legal Clinic

## The Second and Third Years

## PRACTICA

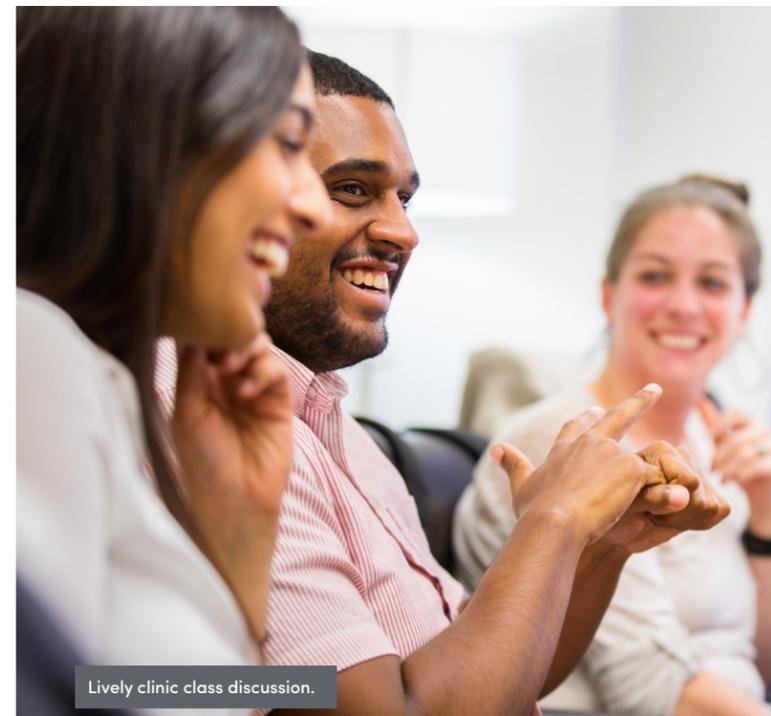
Practicum courses combine the study of a substantive area under a full-time professor with service learning alongside practicing lawyers. These multi-credit courses are based on in-field work assisting and observing practicing attorneys, while completing weekly classroom work exploring the substantive law in depth and reflecting on the process of becoming an attorney.

- Practicum in Sports Law
- Veterans Legal Practicum

## PRO BONO PROGRAMS

Students are required to perform 50 hours of pro bono legal service as a prerequisite to admission to the New York State bar. Our highly competitive **Pro Bono Scholars Program** gives select third-year law students the opportunity to take the New York State Bar Exam in February before they graduate. They then work full time in a pro bono placement during their final semester of law school, where they explore access to justice issues while developing their lawyering skills and fulfilling their service requirement.

Students may also accrue pro bono experience to satisfy the New York State requirement through a variety of opportunities, both live and remote. These opportunities include credit-bearing clinics and externships, volunteer work with legal services agencies or at Court help desks, summer legal service fellowships, or placements as judicial law clerks or at government law offices.



# The Second and Third Years

## OUR SEMESTER-LONG NEW YORK CITY PROGRAM IN FINANCE AND LAW\*

Taking advantage of easy access to New York City, students from the School of Law and the School of Management, including those in the joint J.D./MBA program and the Advanced Standing Two-Year J.D. program, can spend a semester living in New York while studying finance and law. Courses are taught by professors from both schools. Students also benefit from presentations and case studies by UB School of Law alumni and other practitioners from major firms and corporations. In addition, interested students may participate in externship positions in the Metro New York area, working with executives from top financial institutions and law firms.

\*Subject to public health restrictions.

## Here is how you earn a J.D. with more ROI and less IOU

Our graduates practice in the most prominent law firms and public interest settings across the nation and around the world. They hold leadership positions at all levels of private industry and in the government, and our Career Services Office helps them get there.

### Transitioning to Practice

Career guidance services include resume, cover letter and interview workshops, practice interviews, career panels, and individual coaching.

### Mentoring Programs

Every member of the first-year class is matched with one of more than 200 mentors who are practicing lawyers or judges, and the relationship is expected to continue throughout their law school years. Our Career Services Office is ready to help you make individual connections through our extensive global network of alumni at any time during your law school career. Or take advantage of our Career Connectors Network, our online mentoring platform.

### A Focus on Public Interest

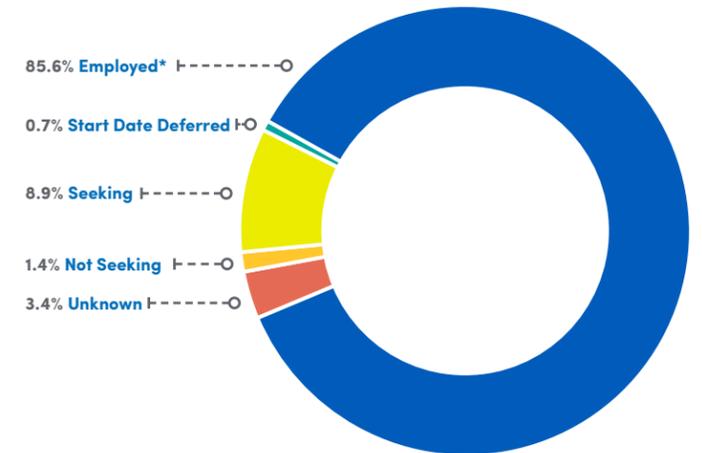
As part of a public law school, our faculty and students value government and public interest work. Each year a large percentage of our graduates are employed in public interest and government organizations.

Through the vigorous fundraising of our student-run Buffalo Public Interest Law Program, as well as the support of our alumni and friends, **a variety of fellowships** are available to all of our law students who wish to advocate for justice in a typically unpaid summer position. These substantial stipends help cover summer living expenses so that qualified and committed students have an opportunity to work in the public sector or at a prestigious judicial clerkship, providing them with invaluable, practical experience to jump-start their legal careers.

# The Second and Third Years

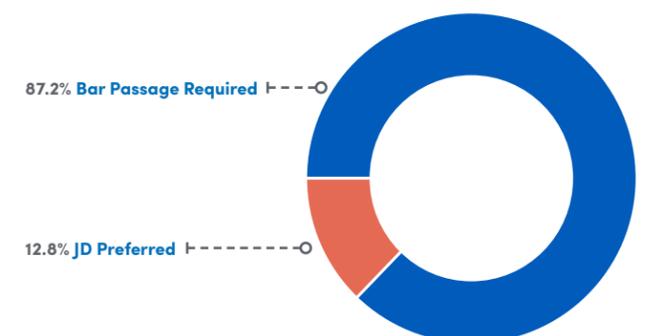
## Class of 2020 Employment Rate

10 MONTHS AFTER GRADUATION



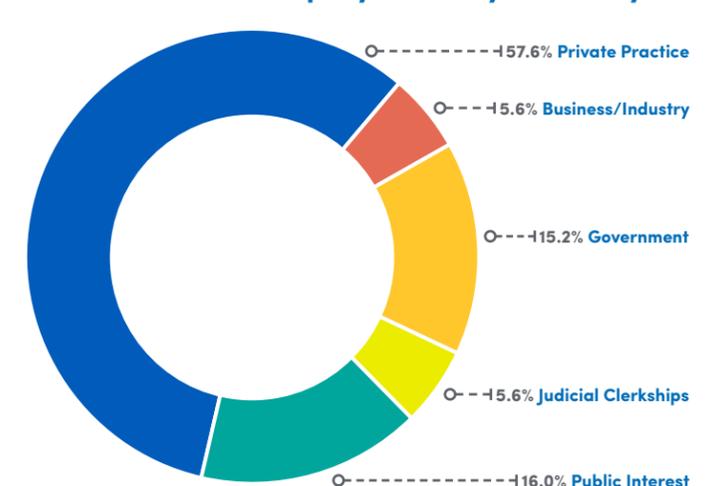
\* 83.6% employed in full-time, long-term positions requiring bar passage or JD advantage

## Class of 2020 Employment by Job Type\*



\* Includes short-term and part-time positions

## Class of 2020 Employment by Industry\*



\* Includes short-term and part-time positions



## Graduation and Beyond

# BE Bold

Celebrating their accomplishments at law school graduation.

## With alumni connections and new-found confidence, you're poised to be the best

Your connection with the University at Buffalo School of Law doesn't end at graduation. Our **alumni are fiercely loyal** to their alma mater, and they want to stay connected—both to the law school and to new alums making their way in the legal world.

That means you can expect guidance, mentorship and connection with some of the best lawyers you could ever hope to meet. They will help you find your place, whether it's in the Western New York legal community, in New York City, Washington, D.C., or abroad, and whether your passion is for non-profits, for corporate work or for the courtroom.

We are proud of our extraordinary alumni, who are thought leaders in so many areas of public concern, as well as prominent leaders in the area and state legal communities.

Make no mistake: our extensive alumni network and exceptional value will give you every advantage in beginning your career. We're proud that our

relatively low tuition and **generous scholarship support** mean that you will graduate without crippling law school debt. That makes it possible to **pursue your passion** – you won't be boxed into chasing lucrative corporate positions because of those monthly payments that amount to a mortgage, but without the house.

A life in the law can be immensely gratifying. Lawyers earn a good living and they have career flexibility, including the freedom to serve their community in volunteer positions. And increasingly, the legal profession is recognizing the need for a **healthy balance** between work and family.

Just maybe that life is for you.

## Graduation and Beyond

# 5 WAYS ALUMNI WILL HELP YOU LAUNCH YOUR CAREER

- 1 **A community partnership.** UB School of Law graduates make up **more than 87%** of all attorneys in the surrounding county, and they have an active role in your law school experience. They teach skills-based classes, coach trial teams, and participate on career panels and at student events to connect you from the start with the Western New York legal community.
- 2 **An extensive global network.** Our alumni network extends around the world with **close to 13,000 graduates** who work at firms and agencies in Buffalo, Tokyo, New York City, Washington, D.C. and other major cities. You'll find a UB connection wherever you choose to begin your legal career.
- 3 **Watch and learn.** With **close proximity to the downtown courts and major law firms**, you'll have plenty of opportunities to learn from the best. Many of our students obtain summer positions with our community partners.
- 4 **Meet your match.** Every law student is **matched with an attorney mentor** who will guide you along the way as you prepare for your future as a legal professional. From what to wear at your first interview to what to expect at your first deposition, your mentor will answer those questions you might not ask in the classroom.
- 5 **Guidance from the GOLD Group.** Our Graduates of the Last Decade (GOLD) Group takes a special interest in our newly minted alumni, **helping you bridge the gap between school and practice.** The GOLD Group organizes social, educational and networking events designed to give you every advantage as you enter your new profession.



Our mock interview program in Manhattan led by our New York City Alumni Chapter.



First year students connect with alumni at our 1L Mentor Reception.



Students are welcomed to Washington by our D.C. Alumni Chapter.

# DEGREE PROGRAMS

## Juris Doctor Degree

The Juris Doctor is the basic U.S. law degree, and is held by the vast majority of practicing U.S. lawyers, as well as business people, policy makers, academics and other professionals. A comprehensive range of optional programs and concentrations will distinguish you in the global marketplace.

### DUAL DEGREES

Many of our students simultaneously pursue both the J.D. degree and a Ph.D. or master's degree. There are several advantages. First is the opportunity to acquire a broad understanding of the functions of law in society by integrating different disciplinary perspectives.

Second, students can count some courses toward both programs and reduce the total time required to earn both degrees by up to a year.

- Law and Applied Economics (JD/MA)
- Law and Doctor of Pharmacy (JD/PharmD)
- Law and Legal Information Management and Analysis (JD/MS)
- Law and Management (JD/MBA)
- Law and Ph.D. (JD/PhD)
- Law and Public Health (JD/MPH)
- Law and Social Work (JD/MSW)
- Law and Urban Planning (JD/MUP)

### 3+3 ACCELERATED BA/JD PROGRAM

Our 3+3 Program is a unique opportunity for undergraduate students at partner institutions to accelerate their course of study by completing their baccalaureate degree and Juris Doctor in just six years of full-time study, saving students one year's worth of time and tuition.

### OUR PARTNER SCHOOLS INCLUDE:\*

- |                       |                         |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| Alfred University     | Niagara University      |
| Buffalo State College | St. John Fisher College |
| Canisius College      | SUNY Canton             |
| Le Moyne College      | SUNY Potsdam            |
| Medaille College      | University at Buffalo   |
| Nazareth College      |                         |

\* Check with our partner institutions for major requirements.

### ADVANCED STANDING TWO-YEAR J.D. FOR INTERNATIONALLY TRAINED LAWYERS

This innovative program is intended for students who already hold a law degree from a jurisdiction outside the United States, who would like to earn a Juris Doctor degree from the University at Buffalo School of Law, and who want to seek admission to the New York State Bar. You will be a part of the J.D. class but with advanced standing so that you can finish your J.D. degree in just two years.

### LL.M. Programs

Students who already have a first degree in law may pursue a Master of Laws or LL.M. degree. Our four LL.M. programs provide highly specialized courses of study designed to match a student's intellectual interests and advance their career to the next level.

- General LL.M.
- Criminal Law LL.M.
- Cross-Border Legal Studies LL.M.
- Environmental Law LL.M.

### J.S.D. Program

The Doctor of Juridical Science (JSD), the law school's most advanced degree, is for lawyers throughout the world interested in analyzing, understanding, assessing and using law as a mode of social organization and an instrument of governance. The JSD makes full use of our creative and interdisciplinary faculty to prepare students for careers as law professors, judicial and other public offices, as well as high-level policy positions in international organizations.

# GUIDANCE FOR GETTING IN

Our admission process is selective and is based on both quantitative and qualitative criteria. The qualitative criteria we use are:

1

Achievements or activities that indicate a high probability of scholastic excellence and intellectual contributions in law school.

2

Achievements or activities arising from work, life experience or community service that indicate a potential for contributing to the enrichment of the School of Law.

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Special factors in your background that may have impeded your educational opportunities, including discrimination based on race, religion, gender, disability or national origin; and special economic or social impediments.

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Students enjoying a lecture outside.

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