

Discover Law Undergraduate Scholars Program



Harnessing the power of diversity

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A Bridge to Law School

How can we make the legal profession look more like America?

Invite more talented people of color to consider legal education and a legal career – and support them to make that dream a reality. Our Discover Law program is doing just that, giving dozens of bright young scholars a taste of law school life and opening their imaginations to the rewarding possibilities of a legal career. Focusing on students of color who have completed one or two years of college, the program is helping to diversify law school classes, and eventually the profession, one promising young person at a time.







An immersive experience

Our 2021 Discover Law Program will be a four week virtual program. A cohort of approximately 20 promising underrepresented students will take rigorous courses taught by law professors, enjoy virtual networking with law firms and lawyers from across the country, learn about the law school admissions process, and gain a number of skills that will position them for success in their pursuit of a career as an attorney.

A new set of skills

Students build and refine abilities in areas such as:

- Critical thinking, close reading and legal analysis
- Writing and oral advocacy skills
- Practical strategies for doing well on the LSAT
- Successfully navigating the law school admissions process

A community of support

Since 2012, in collaboration with the Minority Bar Foundation, the Minority Bar Association and Hodgson Russ LLP, Discover Law has been made possible through the law school's partnership with its alumni and the legal community who are invested in the success of our scholars. Throughout the program, students are matched with volunteer mentors who provide support and encouragement that often continues long after the program ends.



Our Record of Success

As of Fall 2020

- Scholars have completed the program
 - Past participants enrolled in law school, graduated from law school or planning to apply
 - Past participants pursuing other graduate degree programs
 - Past participants graduated from **UB School of Law**

Recognized
in 2015 by the
New York Law
Journal as a
Diversity
Initiative
Honoree

Discover Law "was really a turning point for me. It gave me the information I needed to get through law school – an understanding of the kind and amount of work and preparation it would take.

The intensity of the program prepared me, so in that first week of law school, when everyone was shocked that we had 100 pages of reading to do, I wasn't surprised at all."



Nintereste Jean Pierre '16
Associate
Nixon Peabody LLP
2012 Discover Law
participant



Apply Now

Through the generosity of community and UB sponsors, there is no cost for participants in our Discover Law program. Preference is given to:

- Academically promising underrepresented and first generation college students
- Students with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 and above

Discover Law is intended for undergraduate students who have completed freshman or sophomore year, but who will not begin their junior year prior to the end of the program. Favorable consideration is given to students who can demonstrate a record of academic achievement in spite of economic challenges, social or cultural disadvantages, linguistic barriers, extraordinary family circumstances, or personal responsibilities.

For more information including program dates and deadlines, visit • - ¬

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