



# PennState Law



## LEGAL EDUCATION FOR A CHANGING SOCIETY



## UNIVERSITY PARK, PA

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Penn State Law will provide you with a legal education to prepare you for success in a rapidly changing legal profession. Technology, globalization, and the need for crosscutting knowledge are transforming our society and how legal services are provided. We are innovating and providing individualized mentoring and career support to help you develop and achieve your goals.

At Penn State Law, you will have all the resources of a world-class public research institution with small classes taught by a faculty of prominent legal scholars and leading practitioners. You can choose to focus your studies in one of our many areas of strength, including advocacy and litigation; antitrust and competition law; arbitration, mediation, and negotiation; corporate law and practice; energy and environmental law; health law; intellectual property; international, foreign, and comparative law; law, science, and technology; national security, military, and veterans; and more. We also prepare our students to lead by exposing them to cutting-edge technology through our Legal-Tech Virtual Lab.

We recognize the importance of learning by doing and treat the broader world as our classroom. Our nine clinics and practicum provide you with a wealth of opportunities to explore practice areas and help underserved communities. Our students have worked on cases considered by the U.S. Supreme Court and have honed their advocacy skills through national and international moot court and trial competitions, including winning the 2019 world championship in the Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot in Vienna. Our home, the state-of-the-art Lewis Katz Building, allows you the freedom to explore the world virtually from our classrooms and interview rooms. Our innovative Externships Everywhere program lets you pursue career opportunities anywhere in the world while participating via our advanced distance-learning technology in classes in University Park.

From the moment you choose Penn State Law, you join the Penn State community and have the resources of one of the world's leading research universities at your fingertips. You can take graduate-level courses, develop an individualized joint degree with one of Penn State's many nationally ranked graduate programs, or participate in dozens of active law school organizations or hundreds of university-wide student groups. The School of International Affairs is co-located with us in the Katz Building, providing unparalleled opportunities for you to connect your legal education to a cutting-edge global community.

You will launch your career with the support of the world's largest alumni network, more than 700,000 strong all over the globe. We will connect you to that network through our comprehensive mentoring program, which begins during the admissions process and continues through graduation, and the individualized support of our professional Career Services staff. Our aim is to help you shape a fulfilling career. And when you need a break from studying hard, you can unwind with NCAA Division I and intramural sports, convenient fitness facilities, outdoor activities, arts and cultural events, Penn State Berkey Creamery ice cream, and a welcoming environment of more than 46,000 enthusiastic and friendly Penn State students from around the world. Our community truly deserves its name of "Happy Valley."

I invite you to explore our program further in the pages that follow, on our website, [pennstatelaw.psu.edu](http://pennstatelaw.psu.edu), or in person through a visit. If you have additional questions, please don't hesitate to contact our Admissions Office at [admissions@pennstatelaw.psu.edu](mailto:admissions@pennstatelaw.psu.edu). We look forward to welcoming you to Penn State Law in University Park.

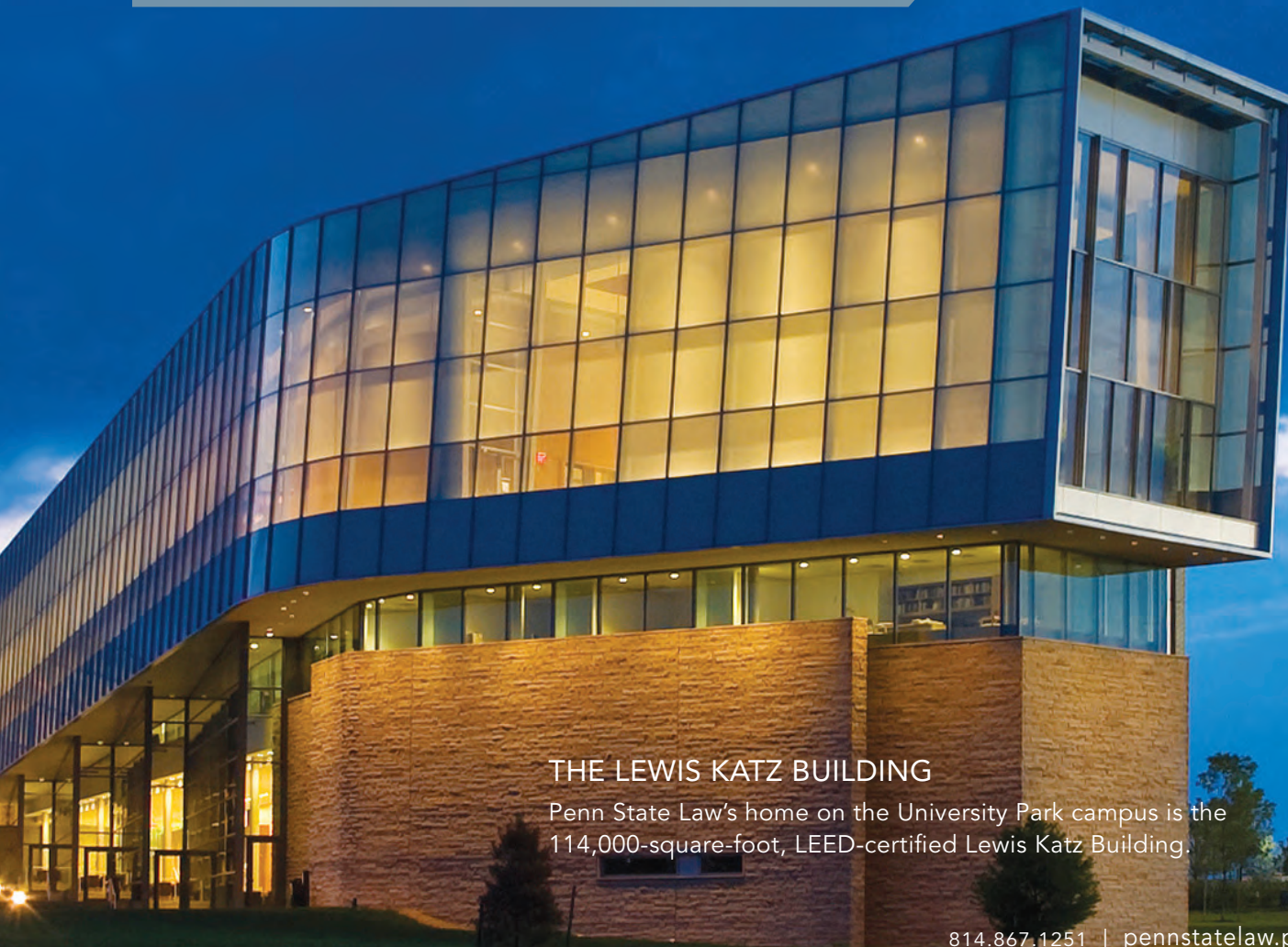
Hari M. Osofsky  
Dean, Distinguished Professor of Law, Professor of International Affairs, and Professor of Geography





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### THE LEWIS KATZ BUILDING

Penn State Law's home on the University Park campus is the 114,000-square-foot, LEED-certified Lewis Katz Building.



## Legal education for a changing society

Penn State Law is focused on providing students with a legal education that will prepare them for success in the legal jobs of tomorrow.

### About Penn State Law

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Penn State Law, located on Penn State's University Park campus in State College, Pennsylvania, offers all of the resources of a world-class, public research institution together with challenging and innovative classroom study and ample opportunities for learning by doing. A Penn State Law legal education comprises:

- Traditional doctrinal law courses as well as innovative courses that reflect the changing legal landscape
- The ability to participate in one of the school's nine innovative law clinics and practicum
- Interdisciplinary study opportunities on the campus of one of the world's leading research universities
- Comprehensive mentoring that begins as soon as you choose Penn State Law
- Personalized career support to help students identify their goals and accomplish them
- Exposure to emerging technologies in the legal field and the legal questions posed by new technology
- The opportunity to complete an externship in practically any location around the world
- Membership in a built-in professional network of more than 700,000 Penn State alumni worldwide







## The Penn State Law J.D. Program

The J.D. program at Penn State Law is a three-year, six-semester course of study that provides a comprehensive foundation in law and reflects the broad research and practice expertise of its faculty. In the first-year curriculum, all students take courses that form the core of knowledge in the legal profession and develop basic legal writing and analysis skills. Upper-level students choose among elective courses to further individual professional goals.

### First-Year Courses Include:

- Applied Legal Analysis and Writing
- Civil Procedure
- Constitutional Law
- Contracts
- Criminal Law
- Legal Research Tools and Strategies
- Criminal Procedure
- Property
- Torts

### FACULTY INSIGHT



“Law school is an opportunity to unlock a treasure trove of interdisciplinary learning, while thinking deeply about our legal system’s macro and micro operations. As a Penn State graduate (BA ’90), I believe our law school offers the perfect space to engage in a uniquely loyal community with global reach. My students learn about social justice and power structures along with practical problem-solving approaches to help their clients meet their goals.”

Jill C. Engle  
Associate Dean for Academic Affairs  
Professor of Clinical Law, Penn State Law



# FACULTY

## Teaching from EXPERIENCE

The Penn State Law faculty is a group of diverse scholars, engaging teachers, and dedicated contributors to the legal profession and society. They are seasoned attorneys and judges, accomplished researchers, and authors—all experts in their fields, and all passionate about teaching the next generation of lawyers.



## Commitment to EXCELLENCE

A strong faculty forms the foundation of a great law school. The best teachers transform the lives of students by leading them on a journey of rigorous and critical thinking, writing, and speaking about law in preparation for a lifetime of success in the legal profession.



## PENN STATE LAW'S DEDICATED FACULTY INCLUDES:

- the authors of more than 12 textbooks used in law school classrooms across the country;
- two sitting federal appeals court judges, including the chief judge of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit;
- a former vice admiral and the 41st judge advocate general of the U.S. Navy;
- legal scholars with dual appointments at leading European law schools;
- a former general counsel to the U.S. House of Representatives;
- the general counsel of Penn State;
- former partners in top law firms; and
- consultants, advisers, and former attorneys for the U.N., the European Union, the U.S. Department of Justice, the Environmental Protection Agency, and the Federal Trade Commission.



**JAMISON COLBURN***Joseph H. Goldstein Faculty Scholar, Professor of Law*

"Healthy businesses and communities continuously strive to improve their environmental performance. Law can be a powerful tool to help them. But it can also frustrate good intentions. What makes the difference is careful attention to the real-time interaction of markets, governance, and laws. That kind of broad focus is a critical skill for lawyers and essential to the success of sustainability initiatives."

Professor Colburn has published articles and books on public lands management, administrative law, wildlife habitat, and other environmental topics. His latest book, *Law and the Transition to Business Sustainability*, considers the interdisciplinary dimensions of sustainability strategies.

**SHOBA SIVAPRASAD WADHIA***Samuel Weiss Faculty Scholar, Clinical Professor of Law, and Director of the Center for Immigrants' Rights Clinic*

"In my classroom, students learn the immigration statute and how the immigration process works, but acquiring knowledge is not my only goal. I want students to understand the human dimension of immigration law and use the law as a tool to improve individual access to justice and for broader social change."

Professor Wadhia is one of the nation's leading scholars on the role of prosecutorial discretion in immigration law. She teaches courses in immigration and asylum and refugee law, and is the founding director of the Center for Immigrants' Rights Clinic. She frequently consults with the media and policymakers regarding immigration issues.

**KIT KINPORTS***Polisher Family Distinguished Faculty Scholar, Professor of Law*

"I am committed to teaching and trying to use the law to make a difference in the lives of real people. When I come into the classroom each day, my goal is to engage my students and encourage them to participate in the discussion so that they can teach themselves and each other how to 'think like lawyers.'"

Professor Kinports, a former clerk for Justice Harry Blackmun of the U.S. Supreme Court and Judge Abner Mikva of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit, is a leading scholar of feminist jurisprudence, criminal law, and federalism, and is an award-winning teacher.

**SAMUEL THOMPSON JR.***Arthur Weiss Distinguished Faculty Scholar, Professor of Law*

"Most law students are surprised to learn that the study of federal tax law is not about accounting. It requires careful analysis of tax laws, regulations, and judicial opinions, guided by an understanding and evaluation of the policies behind the laws."

Professor Thompson is working to shape our tax laws as the author of 16 books and more than 75 articles on corporate and international tax, corporate governance, and antitrust law. His teaching interests focus on the corporate, securities, tax, and antitrust aspects of mergers and acquisitions as well as international tax, investment banking, taxation of business entities, and economic growth policy.

**MEGAN WRIGHT***Assistant Professor of Law, Medicine, and Sociology*

"There is an urgent need for skilled health lawyers and policymakers. In my student-centered health law classes, we address the legal, policy, and ethical issues in the rapidly changing field of healthcare finance and delivery."

Professor Wright joined Penn State from Weill Cornell Medical College, where she was a postdoctoral associate of medical ethics. Concurrently, she served as a research fellow and senior adviser to the Consortium for the Advanced Study of Brain Injury Project at the Solomon Center for Health Law and Policy at Yale Law School.

**FACULTY INSIGHT**

"I draw on my experience as a corporate criminal defense and constitutional lawyer to advocate for fairness in the justice system. Students in my classes learn to understand the law and its inequities. I teach the importance of being both a zealous and ethical advocate."

Katrice Bridges-Copeland  
Professor of Law

# SPECIALIZED FIELDS OF STUDY

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Penn State Law students gain core knowledge and basic skills in the first-year curriculum, and students in their second and third year have the option to concentrate their studies in one or more specialized fields of study.

## Administrative Law and the Regulatory State

Penn State Law's administrative law offerings allow students to explore the powers granted to regulatory agencies and put that knowledge to work in a variety of clinics and in externships, including in Washington, D.C., positioning them for jobs in government agencies and in administrative law practice.

### SELECTED COURSES:

- Administrative Law
- Asylum & Refugee Law
- Center for Immigrants' Rights Clinic
- Civil Rights Appellate Clinic
- Federal Courts
- Federal Regulatory & Legislative Practice Seminar
- Federal Securities Regulation
- Federal & State Externships
- Telecommunications Law & Regulation
- Veterans & Servicemembers Legal Clinic
- Veterans Benefits Law

## Advocacy and Litigation

Effective advocacy requires a robust knowledge of the law, but even the sharpest legal minds need to be able to successfully advocate their clients' positions. To prepare Penn State Law students to be compelling advocates and litigators, they learn basic legal communication skills in their first year—and put these skills into practice in the 1L Mock Trial Competition—then have the opportunity to continue with upper-level coursework, advocacy in law clinics, and Moot Court and Mock Trial Competitions.

### SELECTED COURSES:

- Advanced Criminal Procedure
- Class Actions
- Civil Pre-Trial Practice & Advocacy
- Electronic Evidence
- Federal Courts Practice
- Global Lawyering in the 21st Century
- International Litigation & Arbitration
- Law & Medicine
- Law Firm & Legal Careers
- Policy Issues in Corporate Crime
- Representing the Professional Athlete
- Trial Advocacy
- Winning Written Advocacy

## Antitrust and Competition Law

Through Penn State Law's antitrust curriculum, law students will explore how laws and policies in the United States and around the world set the rules for fair competition, leading to careers in policy and antitrust litigation. The law school also offers research opportunities in the Center for the Study of Mergers and Acquisitions and externships through the Semester in Washington, D.C.

### SELECTED COURSES:

- Administrative Law
- Antitrust
- Business Planning for Mergers & Acquisitions
- Copyrights
- Copyrights
- Federal Court Practice
- Federal Securities Regulation
- International Trade Law
- Legal & Business Issues in Sports Marketing
- Sports Entertainment Law
- Telecommunications Law

## Arbitration, Mediation, and Negotiation

Penn State Law's curriculum in alternative dispute resolution prepares students to represent clients in a host of non-judicial resolution proceedings, from mediation to international commercial arbitration. Experiential opportunities abound in the form of the Arbitration Law Review, the Willem C. Vis Moot Court Team, the Institute for Arbitration Law and Practice, Penn State Law International Arbitration Day, and numerous clinics and externships.

### SELECTED COURSES:

- Global Lawyering in the 21st Century
- International Commercial Arbitration
- International Litigation & Arbitration
- The U.S. Law of Arbitration
- Negotiation & Dispute Resolution Design
- Mediation of Environmental & Public Conflicts

## Arts, Sports, and Entertainment Law

Providing legal counsel to artists, entertainers, and athletes requires an understanding of the fundamentals of law, plus specialized knowledge of how the law impacts clients in these industries. In addition to coursework in this area, Penn State Law offers an Arts, Sports, and Entertainment Law Clinic, research opportunities with the Institute for Sports Law, Policy, and Research, and an active student organization.

### SELECTED COURSES:

- Introduction to Intellectual Property
- Law of Artistic Persons & Properties Seminar
- Sports Law
- Representing the Professional Athlete
- Sports and Entertainment Law
- Legal & Business Issues in Sports Marketing Seminar
- Trademarks



## Banking and Financial Regulation

Penn State Law's banking and financial curriculum explores how laws, policies, and regulations are designed to balance healthy business growth with protecting the economy and consumers. Students who wish to combine their law degree with more advanced business studies can pursue a joint J.D./M.B.A. with the Penn State Smeal College of Business.

### SELECTED COURSES:

- Bankruptcy
- Business & Financial Concepts
- International Commercial Arbitration
- Federal Securities Regulation
- International Financial Law Seminar
- Law & Finance
- Payment Systems & Financial Transactions
- Regulation of Financial Institutions

## Commercial Law

Penn State Law students learn about laws governing business transactions and how lawyers help their clients—whether they're global corporations or fledgling startups—solve problems to increase the value of their businesses. Then they assist in the Entrepreneur Assistance Clinic, Intellectual Property Clinic, International Sustainable Development Projects Clinic, and Rural Economic Development Clinic.

### SELECTED COURSES:

- Bankruptcy
- Business & Financial Concepts
- Federal Securities Regulation
- Law Firm & Legal Careers
- Payment Systems & Financial Concepts
- Representing the Entrepreneur
- Sales
- Secured Transactions

## Corporate Law and Practice

Penn State Law's corporate law curriculum explores the creation and maintenance of various business entities, from the buying and selling of corporate shares and assets to tax consequences and ethical issues. Students gain practical research experience in the Center for the Study of Mergers and Acquisitions and assist early-stage ventures in the Entrepreneur Assistance Clinic.

### SELECTED COURSES:

- Business & Financial Concepts
- Business Planning for Mergers & Acquisitions
- Comparative Corporate Law
- Corporate & Partnership Tax
- Corporate Social Responsibility
- Corporations
- Federal Securities Regulation
- Law Firm & Legal Careers
- The Modern In-House Counsel
- Policy Issues in Corporate Crime Seminar

## Constitutional Law and Civil Rights

Few areas of the law are as pervasive as constitutional law, and Penn State Law students in this field of study explore some of the most important issues facing our nation today. Opportunities to practice take the form of the Center for Immigrants' Rights Clinic and the Civil Rights Appellate Clinic, externships with federal judges and Penn State's general counsel, and the Semester in Washington, D.C.

### SELECTED COURSES:

- Constitutional Interpretation Seminar
- Constitutional Law I & II
- The Constitutional Law of Religion
- Election Law
- Employment Discrimination
- Federal Courts
- The Government Independent Counsel
- Higher Education Law & Practice
- Jurisprudence Seminar
- Street Law
- The Supreme Court Seminar
- Winning Written Advocacy

## Criminal Law

An understanding of criminal law is crucial for any future attorney, but for aspiring prosecutors and defense attorneys, Penn State Law offers classroom and clinical work—including through the Indigent Criminal Justice Practicum—that opens doors to law firms and district attorney and public defender offices.

### SELECTED COURSES:

- Advanced Criminal Procedure
- Criminal Law
- Criminal Procedure
- Cybercrime
- Indigent Criminal Justice Practicum
- International Criminal Law
- International Justice Externship
- Policy Issues in Corporate Crime Sector
- White-Collar Crime

## Energy and Environmental Law

Penn State Law's energy and environmental law policy courses include offerings that emphasize the interdisciplinary and international nature of the field. Law students can flex their new knowledge with work in the Center for Agricultural and Shale Law, Center for Energy Law and Policy, and externships in Pennsylvania's booming energy sector—including with federal and state environmental agencies—and gain exposure to Penn State's Institutes of Energy and the Environment.

### SELECTED COURSES:

- Energy Law & Policy
- Environmental Law
- Law & Policy of Shale Gas Development
- Mediation of Environmental & Public Conflicts
- Oil and Gas Law
- Rural Economic Development Clinic
- Water Law & Policy

# SPECIALIZED FIELDS OF STUDY

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## Families, Children, and the Law

Penn State Law provides a robust curriculum in family law, which has a strong commitment to addressing domestic violence, and offers students the opportunity to put their newfound knowledge to use representing real clients in the Family Law Clinic.

### SELECTED COURSES:

- Children and the Law
- Children's Law Externships
- Domestic Violence Law Externships
- Family Law
- Family Law Clinic
- Family Law Externships
- Law & Sexuality
- Semester in Washington, D.C.
- Wills, Trusts, & Estates

## Health Law

With several joint J.D./master's degree programs, uniquely focused specialty coursework, and growing collaborations with the Penn State Colleges of Medicine and Nursing, Penn State Law is preparing students to fill the increased demand for professionals in compliance, legal, policy, and regulatory positions in the health care field.

### SELECTED COURSES:

- Bioethics & Law
- Food & Drug Regulation
- Insurance Law
- Introduction to Health Law
- Law & Medicine
- Public Health Law

## Immigration and Migration

The demand for immigration attorneys has never been greater as courts, law enforcement, policymakers, and citizens and noncitizens grapple with immigration laws. Penn State Law offers relevant coursework and a clinic dedicated to immigrants' rights to position law graduates for careers in immigration law.

### SELECTED COURSES:

- Asylum & Refugee Law
- Immigrants' Rights Clinic
- Immigration Law
- International Criminal Law
- International Human Rights

## Intellectual Property

As technology and globalization rapidly alter how we communicate, do business, and live our lives, the need to protect intellectual property grows considerably. Penn State Law's IP curriculum and Intellectual Property Clinic prepare students in this growing field.

### SELECTED COURSES:

- Advanced Topics in Global Patent Prosecution
- Copyrights
- Entrepreneur Assistance Clinic
- Internet Law
- Introduction to Intellectual Property
- Licensing of Intellectual Property
- Patent Law
- Representing the Entrepreneur
- Trademarks

## International, Foreign, and Comparative Law

For law students who are interested in careers in international public policy or business, Penn State Law offers a curriculum that explores how the laws of global governing bodies and sovereign states interact and differ worldwide. The law school's close connection to the School of International Affairs (SIA) means law students can easily take SIA courses or pursue a joint J.D./Master of International Affairs.

### SELECTED COURSES:

- Comparative Corporate Law
- Conflict of Laws
- European Union Law
- Global Lawyering in the 21st Century
- International Criminal Law
- International Development Clinic
- International Financial Law
- International Human Rights
- International Litigation & Arbitration
- International Tax
- International Trade Law
- Multinational Corporations

## Labor and Employment Law

Penn State Law offers a variety of coursework, programming, and experiential learning opportunities for students who want to pursue a career in labor and employment law, including a joint J.D./M.S. degree program in human resources and employment relations as well as an appellate legal clinic that deals primarily with labor issues before the federal courts.

### SELECTED COURSES:

- Civil Rights Appellate Clinic
- Employment Discrimination
- The Employment Relationship
- Labor Law
- Law & Sexuality
- Workers' Compensation Law



## Law, Science, and Technology

Innovation in science and technology is changing our society and changing the practice of law, and Penn State Law is on the leading edge of these advancements with its Legal-Tech Virtual Lab and a course of study that explores the interconnections of science, technology, and the law.

### SELECTED COURSES:

- Bioethics & Law
- Cybercrime
- Electronic Evidence
- Law & Medicine
- Information Security
- Internet Law
- Telecommunications Law & Regulation

## National Security, Military, and Veterans

Penn State is renowned for the work it does on behalf of the military and our veterans, and at Penn State Law that takes the form of a robust national security curriculum, deep connections to the Armed Forces JAG Corps, and a veterans law clinic that fights for the rights of those who serve our country.

### SELECTED COURSES:

- The Military, Law, & National Security
- National Security Law (Foundations)
- National Security Law (Simulation)
- Veterans & Servicemembers Legal Clinic
- Veterans Benefits Law

## Public Interest Law

Penn State Law's public interest curriculum provides students with training in the substance and skills necessary to advocate for the civil, political, and economic rights of individuals on a local, national, and international scale. The law school also supports students who pursue public interest and nonprofit externships through the Public Interest Law Fund.

### SELECTED COURSES:

- Asylum & Refugee Law
- Center for Immigrants' Rights Clinic
- Children and the Law
- Civil Rights Appellate Clinic
- Constitutional Law I & II
- Critical Race & Feminist Legal Theory
- Employment Discrimination
- Family Law
- Family Law Clinic
- Immigration Law
- Indigent Criminal Justice Practicum
- International Human Rights
- International Development Clinic
- Law & Sexuality
- Public Health Law
- Public Interest Externships
- Rural Economic Development Clinic
- Street Law
- Veterans & Servicemembers Legal Clinic

## Taxation

Penn State Law students examine an array of transactions for which the tax consequences are significant, including mergers and acquisitions, international business contracts, and internal corporate and partnership restructuring. In the Center for the Study of Mergers and Acquisitions, students can dig deeper into how tax laws affect business transactions.

### SELECTED COURSES:

- Basic Federal Income Taxation
- Business Planning for Mergers & Acquisitions
- Corporate & Partnership Tax
- Federal Taxation of Domestic & International Business Transactions
- International Tax
- Tax Policy Seminar
- Wills, Trusts, & Estates

## STUDENT INSIGHT



"This summer I had the opportunity to work in the litigation and international arbitration department of DLA Piper in New York City. Through my mentor, Professor Catherine Rogers, and a Career Services advisor, I secured an externship with White & Case in Paris for the Fall of 2019. My success at Penn State Law has been the result of a combination of hard work, strategic positioning, brilliant mentorship, and a propulsive verve of ambition. Each of these factors find their root in the values I've learned here, at Penn State Law. I'm proud to have received an offer to return to DLA Piper as an associate in 2020."

Alice Gyamfi '20  
Extern, Fall 2019  
White & Case (Paris, France)

# EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

## Clinics and Practicum

Through Penn State Law's legal clinics, in which students work on real legal matters under the supervision of faculty members, second- and third-year students can earn academic credit and hone their practice skills. Several of the law school's clinics leverage the interdisciplinary strengths of Penn State by partnering with other Penn State schools to replicate the true multidisciplinary nature of legal practice.

### Arts, Sports & Entertainment Law Clinic

Students provide free services, including educational information and legal representation, to individuals in arts, sports, and entertainment fields.

### Center for Immigrants' Rights Clinic

Students provide individual representation to non-citizens, engage in community outreach, and produce educational materials for client organizations.

### Civil Rights Appellate Clinic

Students conduct research, plan appellate strategy, draft briefs, develop legal positions, and assist in oral argument preparation in noncriminal civil rights cases before the U.S. Supreme Court and federal and state appellate courts.

### Entrepreneur Assistance Clinic

Embedded in the Happy Valley LaunchBox, Penn State's business incubator, this clinic allows students to work with entrepreneurs, startups, and nonprofit organizations, providing legal assistance at every stage of the entrepreneurial process.

### Family Law Clinic

Students provide intensive counseling, case strategy, and negotiation for victims of domestic abuse and other individuals with family disputes, including divorce and child custody cases.

### Indigent Criminal Justice Practicum

Students represent indigent criminal defendants accused of misdemeanor offenses in the Centre County Court of Common Pleas under the guidance and supervision of attorneys from the Centre County Public Defender Office.

### Intellectual Property Clinic

The IP Clinic is a key component of Penn State's business incubator, the Happy Valley LaunchBox, and has students engage in docketing, patent and other intellectual property searching and evaluation, and filing applications in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

### International Sustainable Development Projects Clinic

Students collaborate with educational, nonprofit, and for-profit organizations to provide legal services and operational due diligence for projects and ventures in humanitarian engineering, global health, entrepreneurship, and capacity building.

### Rural Economic Development Clinic

Students typically provide legal representation to individual clients and organizations in the agricultural, food, and energy sectors on a wide range of issues including entity formation, contract preparation, and more.

### Veterans and Servicemembers Legal Clinic

Students primarily handle Veterans' Benefits appeals, conducting research, drafting briefs, attending mediation, and conducting oral arguments before the U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans' Claims. They also collaborate with nursing students to integrate legal and health support for veterans.

Visit [pennstatelaw.psu.edu/clinics](http://pennstatelaw.psu.edu/clinics) for more information on the clinics and their most recent accomplishments.

## ALUMNI INSIGHT

"If you want to make it happen, Penn State Law will help you put it together. My yearlong externship with the Blair County District Attorney's Office that I was able to create with the help of the Career Services Office was hands-on experience that really set me apart. At Penn State, you have the ability to take advantage of every opportunity that you want."

Thomas Finnegan '17  
Assistant District Attorney  
Philadelphia County District Attorney's Office  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania





## Law Review and Journals

Law Review and Journal service provides students with invaluable experience in substantive law and legal research, writing, and analysis. In addition to researching and writing their own articles, students work closely with leading academics on their scholarly articles. Penn State Law students edit and publish three scholarly publications:

- The Penn State Law Review
- The Arbitration Law Review
- The Penn State Journal of Law and International Affairs

## Moot Court

Penn State Law students compete in a variety of moot court and oral advocacy competitions across the U.S. and internationally:

- National Black Law Students Association's Frederick Douglass Moot Court Competition
- John J. Gibbons National Criminal Procedure Moot Court Competition
- International Law Students Association's Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition
- National Environmental Law Moot Court Competition
- Tulane University Law School's Mardi Gras Sports Law Invitational
- Robert F. Wagner National Labor & Employment Law Moot Court Competition
- Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot in Vienna, Austria
- American Bar Association National Appellate Advocacy Competition

### Penn State Law Captures Championship @ 2019 Willem C. Vis International Moot

The Penn State Law Vis Moot team, competing against 372 teams from 87 countries, took top prize in the international commercial law and arbitration moot court competition—**the first time in 15 years that a U.S. team has emerged victorious.**



## National Trial Competitions

Penn State Law students have the opportunity to develop and hone their advocacy skills through faculty-directed participation in a variety of national, local, and intra-school mock trial competitions. The top student advocates, selected from the intra-school competition, are invited to represent Penn State Law in competitions, including:

- National Trial Competition, hosted by the American College of Trial Lawyers
- Trial Advocacy Competition, hosted by the American Association for Justice

## Research Centers

Penn State Law's research centers engage faculty, students, and practitioners in the study of law and policy, allowing students to gain advanced knowledge in specific areas of the law.

- The Center for Agricultural and Shale Law
- Law, Policy and Engineering
- The Center for the Study of Mergers and Acquisitions
- The Institute of Arbitration Law and Practice
- The Institute for Sports Law, Policy, and Research

# EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

*At Penn State Law, you can extern anywhere in the world!*

## Externships Everywhere

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Through Penn State Law's unique Externships Everywhere program, law students can spend a semester working in an approved externship anywhere in the world without interrupting their studies or delaying graduation.

The program provides second- and third-year law students the opportunity to spend a semester away from University Park, working and learning under the remote supervision of Penn State Law faculty. Participating students will earn up to 12 credits for working up to 40 hours per week at an approved externship with a state or federal judge, government agency, public interest/nonprofit organization, business, or law firm. Plus, participants may have the opportunity to earn up to three more credits through independent study or digital learning, with administrative approval.

## Traditional Externships

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Penn State Law also offers an array of pre-approved externship programs that allow students to continue taking courses while gaining vital practical experience outside of the classroom. Externship opportunities include:

- Federal Government Placements
- Federal Judicial Placements
- NCAA Compliance
- Penn State Administration Placements
- Public Interest and Nonprofit Placements
- State Government Placements
- University General Counsel





## Semester in Washington, D.C.

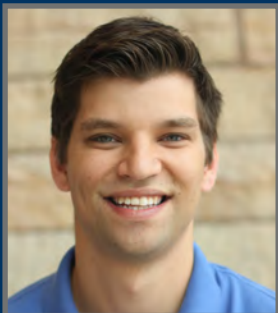
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Penn State Law students who participate in the Washington Program work approximately 35 hours per week at an approved externship and attend a weekly seminar on federal regulatory and legislative practice. Students are encouraged to identify externships related to their prior studies at the law school and their future career goals. The program is facilitated by Stanley Brand, Distinguished Fellow in Law and Government at Penn State Law and a prominent Washington attorney. Brand previously served as general counsel to the U.S. House of Representatives and, in private practice, he has had a succession of high-profile political and public corruption cases and clients. The weekly seminar course meets in Brand's office building in downtown Washington.

### Potential Externship Placements Include:

- AARP Legal Counsel for the Elderly
- American Bar Association, Government Affairs Office
- Department of the Interior
- Department of Justice
- Department of State
- Department of Treasury
- Environmental Protection Agency
- Equal Employment Opportunity Commission
- Federal Communications Commission
- House Committee on Means and Ways
- Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law
- National Labor Relations Board
- Public Defender Service for the District of Columbia
- Securities and Exchange Commission
- U.S. Office of Special Counsel
- U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Columbia

### STUDENT INSIGHT



"In both internships, the judge was not extremely explicit in what should go into an internal memo and how it should be formatted. Upon my first memo assignment, I immediately went back and looked at my Applied Legal Analysis & Writing internal memo assignment and used it as a starting point. It was extremely

helpful and was critical to building my confidence in my externship."

David Reimel (Graduating in 2020)  
Intern for the Office of the Colorado State Public Defender  
Denver, Colorado



# INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDY AT PENN STATE

Customize your legal education with courses, and graduate and postgraduate degrees from across University Park

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## Complement Your Law Degree with Graduate Coursework

Penn State Law students can customize their legal education by applying up to 12 course credits from any graduate discipline toward their J.D. requirements. Penn State's renowned graduate programs in business, education, engineering, science, information technology, health and human development, agriculture, and many others are all just steps away from Penn State Law.

## Joint Degree Programs

Penn State Law has partnered with the University's Graduate School in a program that allows law students to craft an **individualized joint degree** that combines a J.D. with potentially any master's degree at Penn State. In addition, Penn State Law offers several joint degree programs that allow students to earn a J.D. and a master's or Ph.D. The established and individualized joint degree programs generally allow students to complete the two degrees on an accelerated timeframe. Opportunities include:

### Donald P. Bellisario College of Communications

J.D./Master of Arts in Media Studies

### College of Education

J.D./Master of Arts in Educational Theory and Policy

J.D./Doctor of Educational Theory and Policy (Ph.D.)

J.D./Master of Education in Higher Education

J.D./Doctor of Higher Education (Ph.D./D.Ed.)

J.D./Master of Educational Leadership

J.D./Doctor of Educational Leadership (Ph.D./D.Ed.)

### College of Health and Human Development

J.D./Master of Health Administration

### College of the Liberal Arts

J.D./Master of Science in Human Resources & Employment Relations

### Smeal College of Business

J.D./Master of Business Administration

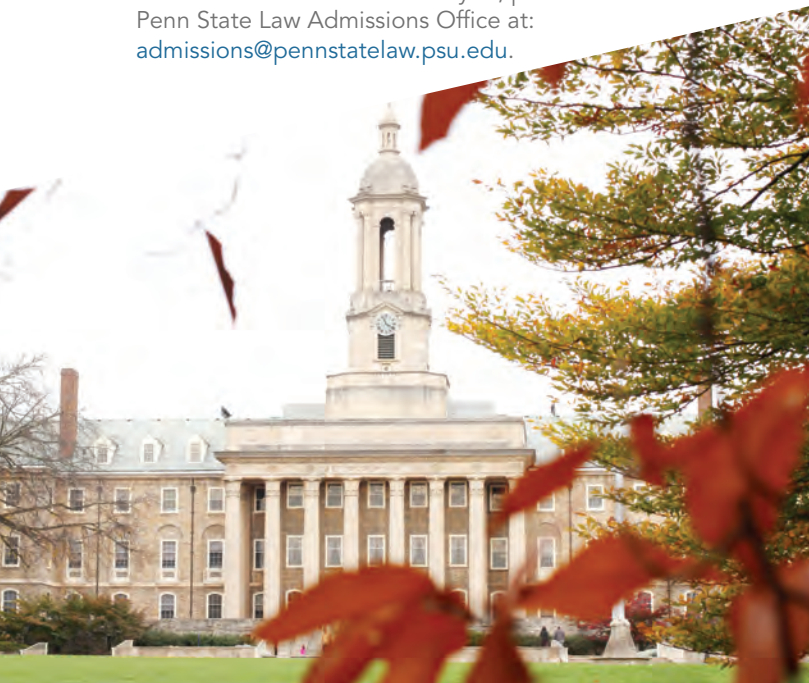
### School of International Affairs

J.D./Master of International Affairs

## Further Interdisciplinary Opportunities

For more information about opportunities to study in a law-related area of interest to you, please contact the Penn State Law Admissions Office at:

[admissions@pennstatelaw.psu.edu](mailto:admissions@pennstatelaw.psu.edu).



## STUDENT INSIGHT

"There are many benefits to a joint J.D./M.I.A. degree, but the biggest benefits are the intangible ones. I'm learning to think like both a lawyer and a diplomat. I'm learning the logic of law and how it relates to the complexity of international business and geopolitics. And when I graduate, I'll walk away with two sets of skills: those of a lawyer, and those of a scholar and practitioner of international affairs."

Chuck Deibel '20  
Current Joint Degree Student





# STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

Student organizations shape the Penn State Law experience by sponsoring social activities, volunteering with community organizations, bringing guest speakers to campus, and allowing students to explore shared interests and advance common causes.

Penn State Law has student organizations for nearly every affinity and interest, and the Student Bar Association is flexible in launching new groups. A sampling of student organizations include:

- Advocacy and Litigation Society
- Alternative Dispute Resolution Society
- Asian Pacific American Law Students Association
- Black Law Students Association
- Criminal Law Society
- Environmental Law Society
- Family Law Society
- International Law Society
- Latinx Law Students Association
- Military Law Caucus
- OutLaw
- Penn State International Arbitration Group
- Phi Alpha Delta
- Phi Delta Phi
- Public Interest Law Fund
- Sports and Entertainment Law Society
- Trial Advocacy Board
- Women's Law Caucus

For a complete list of Penn State Law student organizations, visit:

[pennstatelaw.psu.edu/studentorgs](http://pennstatelaw.psu.edu/studentorgs)



Black Law Students Association



Diversity Banquet



Public Interest Law Fund Auction



Vis Moot Competition



# INTERNATIONAL STUDY



Penn State Law offers a variety of courses and programs for students to gain a global perspective on law.

## Penn State School of International Affairs

The Penn State School of International Affairs (SIA) is located in the same building as Penn State Law, so law students can conveniently take SIA courses or pursue a joint J.D./Master of International Affairs.

## *Penn State Journal of Law & International Affairs*

The *Penn State Journal of Law & International Affairs* (JLIA) is a digital, interdisciplinary, peer-reviewed journal, jointly published by Penn State Law and the School of International Affairs.

## Semester Study and Work Abroad

Penn State Law students may pursue Fulbright-funded study abroad or choose from several semester study or work abroad programs offered in collaboration with leading universities in China, Hungary, India, Italy, Norway, and more.

## Foreign Language Study

Law students can master a foreign language through Penn State courses or free online language immersion courses in more than 20 languages. Spanish-proficient students can acquire the skills necessary for bilingual legal practice in the course in *Spanish and Bilingual Communication for Lawyers*.

## A Global Community

Penn State Law's LL.M. program attracts accomplished lawyers from all over the world and they are fully integrated into the learning community and their presence enriches the global perspectives of all students.

## ALUMNI INSIGHT



"I came to law school with the goal of best preparing myself to become a good international business transactions lawyer. The courses provided at Penn State Law and my summer work experiences at international law firms allowed me to reach this goal."

Monika Oyama '13  
Associate  
Masuda Funai  
Chicago, Illinois

# LEGAL TECHNOLOGY



Penn State Law is at the forefront of the legal-tech movement, with an innovative lab that teaches law students how technology is changing legal practice, and advanced audiovisual telecommunications tools to allow for distance learning.

## Legal-Tech Virtual Lab

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Drawing on Penn State's extensive strengths in cyber, information sciences, and technological advancement, **Penn State Law's Legal-Tech Virtual Lab trains law students in groundbreaking technologies** being implemented in today's legal practice, while exploring the legal questions surrounding emerging technologies in society.

Working with leading legal-tech companies, law firms, and other corporate partners, the lab offers Penn State Law students hands-on experience in emerging legal technology, such as AI-powered legal research and contract drafting tools. It also helps students assess and develop their basic technology skills and learn to use client management systems and eDiscovery tools. **The lab prepares our law students to lead** by providing them with practical experience that sets them apart in the eyes of employers and enhances their ability to thrive in a rapidly changing practice environment.

## State-of-the-Art Telecommunications

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Every classroom, interview room, and nearly every meeting space in Penn State Law's Lewis Katz Building is equipped with modern, high-definition teleconferencing technology, allowing Penn State Law students to access a world of information and connections from University Park. This technology allows law students to:

- beam into classes while completing externships away from campus;
- interact with guest speakers from around the world;
- interview remotely with employers; and
- reference lecture recordings to review what happened in class.



# CAREER SERVICES

## Partners in Your Success

Penn State Law's Career Services Office offers a dynamic menu of programs and individual counseling sessions to assist students in identifying and achieving their career goals.

- Individualized career counseling
- On-campus interviews with top law firms
- Job fairs in major regional markets
- Interview prep
- Special events on campus for students/employers
- Résumé review
- More than 1,500 job postings annually

## Comprehensive Mentoring

From the time they commit to Penn State Law, incoming students are matched with mentors in the legal field so they can immediately begin making professional connections and learning from successful practitioners before setting foot on campus. The **Mentorship Program** refines these mentorship matches throughout law school so that students launch their careers through connections with professionals working where they want to live and in their practice areas of interest. The **Minority Mentor Program** matches students from groups that are typically underrepresented in law school with Penn State Law faculty and administrators as well as practicing attorneys to help the students achieve academic success and emotional well-being during law school.

# STUDENT SUCCESS

## BAR PASSAGE:



### 87.4%

grads who took the bar exam for the first time in any jurisdiction in 2018 passed.



### 100%

bar passage in New York, New Jersey, and Virginia.

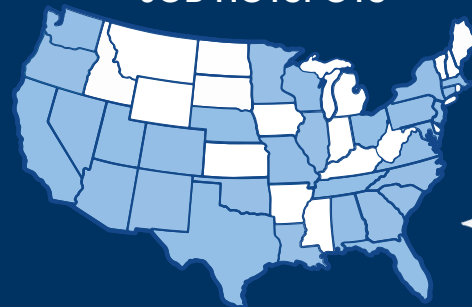


### 86.6%

first-time test takers in July 2018; **second highest pass rate in Pennsylvania.**

## EMPLOYMENT DATA\*

### JOB HOTSPOTS



States where our graduates are working (2015-2018).



### INDUSTRY PROFILE

Private Practice	43%
Judicial Clerkships	16%
Government	21%
Public Interest	9%
Business/Industry	6%
Academia	6%



### 79.2%

of the class of 2018 **secured full-time, long-term employment within 10 months of graduation** that either requires a J.D. or in which a J.D. is preferred.



## Employers 2015-2018

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Penn State Law graduates pursue careers in a vast array of fields. Here is a snapshot of where some members of our classes of 2015, 2016, 2017, and 2018 began working after graduation\*:

- Large law firms like Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom, WilmerHale, Reed Smith, K&L Gates, Dechert, Dickinson Wright, Latham & Watkins, Husch Blackwell, Squire Patton Boggs, and Fangda Partners in locations like Dallas, Las Vegas, New York, Orange County (Calif.), Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, St. Louis, Washington, D.C., Wilmington, and Beijing and Shanghai, China.
- Mid-sized law firms in California, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, and Washington, D.C.
- Small law firms in California, Colorado, Delaware, Florida, Michigan, Missouri, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Texas, Utah, Virginia, and Washington, D.C.
- Positions in the government, including with the Office of the Colorado State Public Defender, State of Delaware, Federal Communications Commission, New York City Law Department, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, State of Texas, military JAG Corps, the U.S. Department of Justice, the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, and District Attorneys' Offices in Denver, the five Boroughs of New York City, and Philadelphia, among other jurisdictions;
- Federal and state judicial clerkships in Delaware, Guam, Maryland, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, Oregon, Pennsylvania, and Texas;
- Fortune 500 companies including Bank of America Merrill Lynch, Chevron, and PNC;
- Big Four accounting firms like Deloitte, Ernst & Young, KPMG, and PricewaterhouseCoopers;
- Corporate, business, and in-house positions in California, Colorado, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, and Texas, as well as China and The Netherlands;
- And public interest organizations in California, Maryland, New York, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and Washington, D.C.

\* From 2015-2017, data was created from surveys administered to University Park graduates in the formerly unified Penn State Dickinson School of Law. This information represents employment ten months after graduation. For more employment data, visit [pennstatelaw.psu.edu/employmentdata](http://pennstatelaw.psu.edu/employmentdata).





# DIVERSITY

Diversity enriches every aspect of life at Penn State, and Penn State Law supports initiatives that foster understanding and acceptance of differences—differences in thought, background, age, life experience, gender, race, abilities, religion, and culture. Students, faculty, and staff from diverse backgrounds and experiences enrich the Penn State Law learning community by providing multiple perspectives and divergent views. We believe in facilitating open discussions, integrating diversity into coursework, and celebrating our differences.

## AT PENN STATE LAW, STUDENTS:

- meet bright and accomplished people from all walks of life;
- share classes with LL.M. students from around the world;
- may choose courses taught by professors who research civil rights, equality, and diplomacy;
- have the opportunity to work on causes and movements that interest them; and
- are supported by classmates from diverse races, genders, religions, sexual orientations, and socioeconomic backgrounds.

## Minority Mentor Program

Penn State Law's Minority Mentor Program offers law students who identify as members of groups that are typically underrepresented in law schools and in the legal profession the opportunity to establish a mentoring relationship with both faculty members and legal professionals. The program complements our Comprehensive Mentoring Program and provides students with the support to achieve academic success and emotional well-being during law school and after entering the legal profession. Participating students are matched with two mentors—one alumnus and one member of the campus community—during their first year of law school.

## Student Organizations

Reflecting their diverse backgrounds, beliefs, and passions, Penn State Law students explore shared interests and advance common causes through student affinity groups and organizations that include:

- Asian Pacific American Law Students Association
- Black Law Students Association
- International Law Society
- J. Reuben Clark Law Society
- Jewish Legal Society
- Latinx Law Students Association
- Minority Law Students Association
- Muslim Student Society
- OutLaw
- Women's Law Caucus

## Connect

For more information contact Associate Dean for Diversity and Inclusion Dara E. Purvis at [dpurvis@psu.edu](mailto:dpurvis@psu.edu).

## FACULTY INSIGHT



"Diversity at Penn State Law is about making every student feel equally welcome and supported. Each unique perspective on a case helps a class better understand the law, and cultural competency is an incredibly important skill for practicing attorneys. And part of what makes our students such a close-knit community is that they appreciate their differences while working toward shared goals like studying for the bar exam or writing their first brief."

Dara E. Purvis  
Associate Dean for Diversity and Inclusion  
Professor of Law



# VALUES

## Integrity, Ethics, and Professionalism

All members of the Penn State Law community are called upon to conduct themselves in an ethical and professional manner. Faculty and students are governed by University conduct rules. Law students pledge to comply with the law school's Honor Code and participate as members of the Honor Code Committee. Every J.D. candidate completes a three-credit course that focuses on the ethical challenges faced by lawyers and teaches rules of professional conduct and ethical aspects of legal practice. Faculty and staff members who are attorneys are subject to the rules of professional responsibility that govern all lawyers and take seriously their responsibility to model professional conduct for students.

### ALUMNI INSIGHT



"Penn State Law was instrumental in molding me into who I am today. There is always room here to explore what you want to do, and there are so many people that will help you get to where you want to be."

Quandalasha Fambro '17  
Attorney, Criminal Defense Practice, Bronx Defenders  
New York, New York



"I honestly don't think my federal judicial clerkship would've happened for me at any other law school. For one, I don't know any other school with two sitting Third Circuit judges on the faculty. All the professors I've had have been invaluable. I've used every lesson from my courses, received so much support from the faculty, and gotten such great advice from nationally recognized litigators and scholars. Without Penn State Law, I doubt I would've been fortunate enough to have this incredible opportunity."

Tom Brier '17  
Judicial Clerkship  
Judge Thomas Vanaskie, U.S. Third Circuit Court of Appeals  
Scranton, Pennsylvania



# PENN STATE'S UNIVERSITY PARK CAMPUS

Penn State Law is located on Penn State's 13-square-mile University Park campus in State College, Pa. University Park is the largest of Penn State's campuses and is the academic home of a diverse population of about 46,000 graduate, undergraduate, and professional students, including approximately 7,500 international students. University Park houses Penn State's central administration, its renowned graduate and undergraduate programs, and its NCAA Division I Athletics Department.

On fall weekends, more than 100,000 Penn State alumni and fans flock to campus to tailgate in the athletic fields outside of the law school and cheer on the Nittany Lions football team in Beaver Stadium. In winter, the Bryce Jordan Center hosts men's and women's Big Ten basketball and the annual Penn State IFC/Panhellenic Dance Marathon, the world's largest student-run philanthropy, which has raised more than \$168 million since 1977 for the fight against pediatric cancer.







In addition to intercollegiate sports, the Penn State Athletics Department provides dozens of opportunities for students to stay active through an abundance of intramural offerings, state-of-the-art fitness centers, pools, and an array of athletic fields and courts. University Park students also enjoy a lively music and arts scene and a wide range of other entertainment—from national concert tours and Broadway shows to local film festivals and art exhibits.

The University Park campus is pedestrian- and bike-friendly and hosts an eclectic mixture of historic classroom buildings, cutting-edge, modern architecture, and beautiful urban landscape.

Penn State Law's Lewis Katz Building is situated on the west side of campus, offering law students spectacular views of the Arboretum at Penn State, Beaver Stadium, and Mount Nittany. The building is across the street from a recently renovated student intramural sports and fitness center and just a few blocks from central campus and downtown State College.







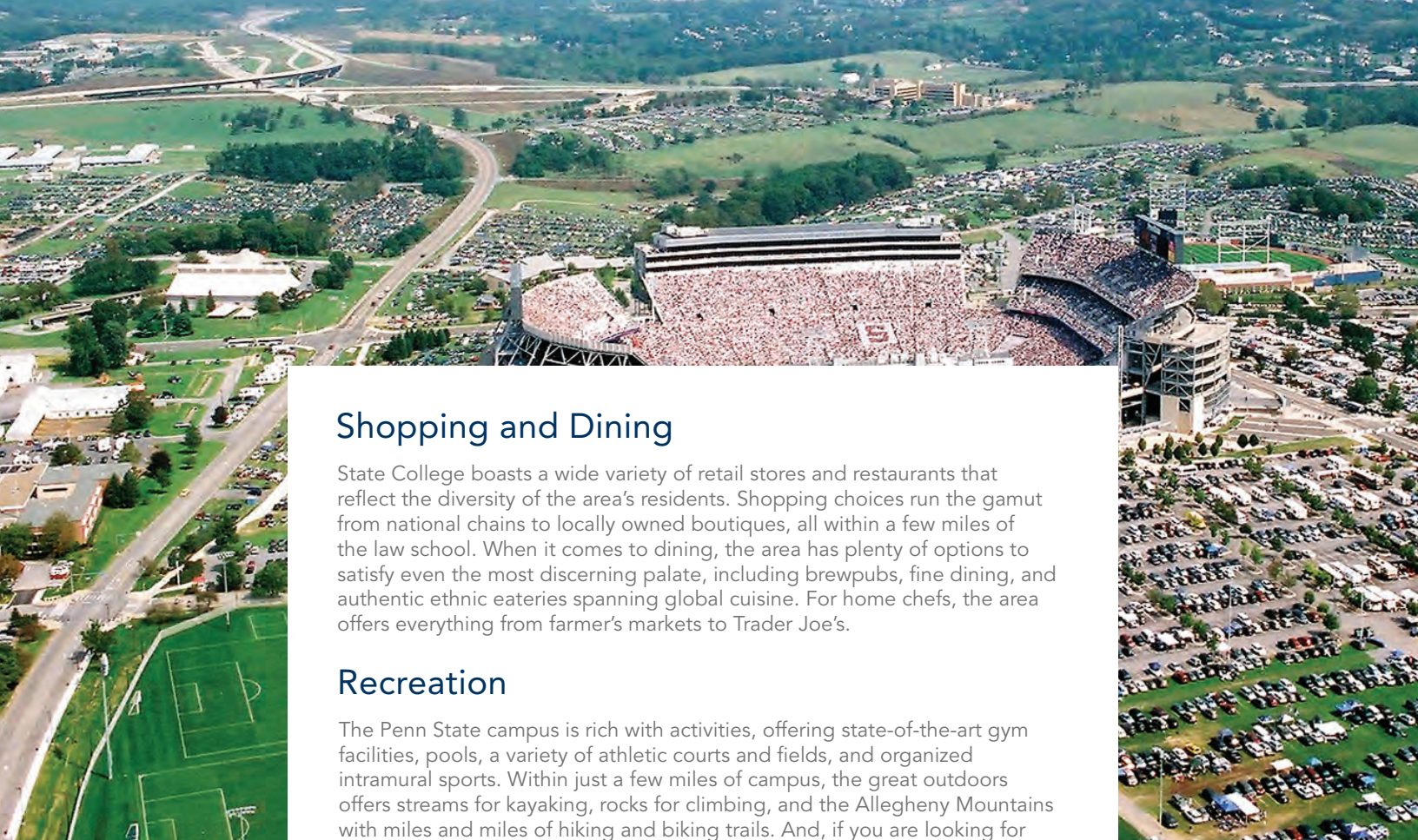
## HAPPY VALLEY

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Perhaps better known as Happy Valley, State College is a quintessential college town that offers students many of the amenities of a major metropolitan area in a clean, safe, and welcoming setting. State College is consistently ranked among the nation's smartest, safest, and most livable cities by a variety of organizations and publications.







## Shopping and Dining

State College boasts a wide variety of retail stores and restaurants that reflect the diversity of the area's residents. Shopping choices run the gamut from national chains to locally owned boutiques, all within a few miles of the law school. When it comes to dining, the area has plenty of options to satisfy even the most discerning palate, including brewpubs, fine dining, and authentic ethnic eateries spanning global cuisine. For home chefs, the area offers everything from farmer's markets to Trader Joe's.

## Recreation

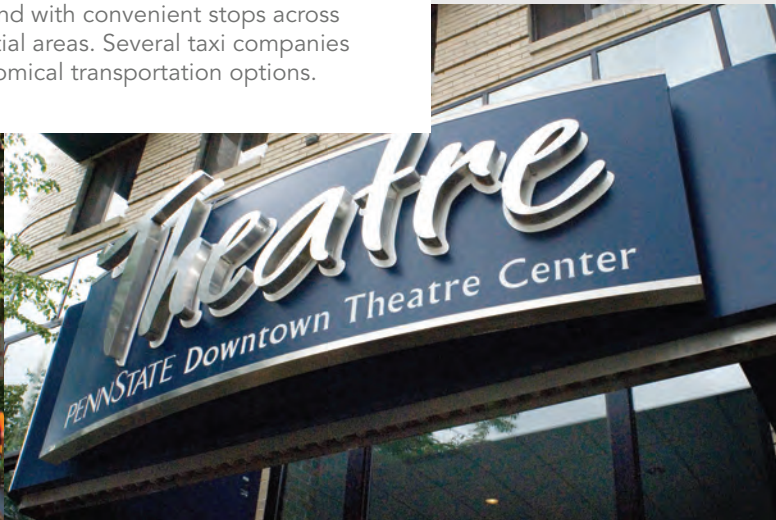
The Penn State campus is rich with activities, offering state-of-the-art gym facilities, pools, a variety of athletic courts and fields, and organized intramural sports. Within just a few miles of campus, the great outdoors offers streams for kayaking, rocks for climbing, and the Allegheny Mountains with miles and miles of hiking and biking trails. And, if you are looking for nightlife, downtown State College has something for everyone.

## Getting Here

State College is within a few hours' drive of New York, Washington, D.C., Philadelphia, Baltimore, Cleveland, and Pittsburgh. The University Park airport, located 10 minutes from the law school's Lewis Katz Building, offers direct flights to Chicago, Detroit, Orlando, Philadelphia, Tampa, and Washington, D.C., with convenient connections to other major cities. The State College bus terminal provides convenient access to Greyhound's nationwide bus routes and Megabus offers direct or continuing service from State College to Harrisburg, New York, Philadelphia, and Pittsburgh.

## Getting Around

Getting to class, a campus event, or heading out for the evening is easy and convenient in Happy Valley. Downtown State College and its shopping, dining, and residential districts are all within walking distance of the law school. The area has been rated "Very Bikeable" by Walk Score, with miles of bike paths and plenty of bicycle parking. With little to no traffic congestion, getting around the area by car is convenient and hassle free. The region's bus service is designed with students in mind with convenient stops across campus and in major business and residential areas. Several taxi companies and Lyft and Uber provide additional economical transportation options.





A wide-angle, low-perspective shot of a modern law library interior. The space is characterized by a high ceiling with a curved wooden slat design and large windows on the right side that let in bright natural light. A curved wooden walkway with a glass railing leads up a set of stairs in the center. To the right, there are wooden study carrels with bookshelves. A person is seated in one of the carrels. On the left, there are wooden tables and blue armchairs. The overall atmosphere is bright and airy.

## THE H. LADDIE MONTAGUE JR. LAW LIBRARY

Located in the Lewis Katz Building, the library provides access to legal resources and a range of services that support the law school's curriculum.

# FINANCIAL AID

Penn State Law's Financial Aid Office works with admitted students to identify resources and obtain the necessary funds to finance their legal education. Regardless of personal family income or year in school, students are welcome to apply for financial assistance at any point during their legal education at Penn State.

## Penn State Law Scholarships

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All applicants to Penn State Law are automatically considered for school-funded scholarships. These awards may range in amount up to full tuition. Scholarships are renewable in the second and third years, provided the student remains in good academic standing. Admitted applicants are notified whether they have been awarded any Penn State Law scholarships or grants upon admission.

## Need-Based Grants

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Through the generosity of alumni and other donors, need-based grant funds are awarded to incoming students primarily based on demonstrated financial need. Need-based grants are especially valuable to first-year students who are expected to devote more time and energy to academic efforts and are discouraged from working, when possible.

In order to be considered for need-based grants, all students must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). The FAFSA form can be completed online at [fafsa.gov](https://fafsa.gov). Students wishing to be considered for Need-Based Grants must also complete the Penn State Law Financial Aid Application, available online at [pennstatelaw.psu.edu/financial-aid](https://pennstatelaw.psu.edu/financial-aid).

The priority deadline for financial aid applications is March 1 for prospective students. While the law school will accept applications after the priority deadline, submitting applications by the priority deadline, regardless of your admission status at that point, will yield your best opportunity to be awarded a need-based grant. Please note that the federal school code for all Penn State locations is 003329.

## Outside Scholarships

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In addition to federal and institutional financial aid, incoming students should consider seeking scholarships from outside providers. The Penn State Law Office of Financial Aid maintains a list of outside scholarships available to Penn State Law students. Students may also wish to sign up for the Fastweb ([fastweb.com](https://fastweb.com)) scholarship search service or review the options available on the College Resource Network ([collegeresourcenetwork.com/scholarships/majors/law](https://collegeresourcenetwork.com/scholarships/majors/law)).

## Connect

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For more information on financial aid options at Penn State Law, please contact Director of Financial Aid Susan Bogart at [sab36@psu.edu](mailto:sab36@psu.edu).



# THE PENN STATE ALUMNI NETWORK

## Penn State Grads are Everywhere

Graduates of Penn State Law instantly join a powerful network of more than 700,000 Penn State alumni around the world. With alumni working and living in all 50 states and more than 160 countries, you can find Penn Staters everywhere. Our alumni share cherished memories of their student experience, extraordinary loyalty to their alma mater and each other, and an unrivaled commitment to expanding opportunities for their fellow graduates.

### ALUMNI INSIGHT



"The faculty at Penn State Law are the reason I am serving in the U.S. Navy JAG Corps today. The mentorship and opportunities provided to me by Vice Admiral Houck and Professors Foreman and Vollmer, in particular, helped me hone my legal skills and determine I could best utilize those skills by pursuing a career in public service. I will forever be grateful for their assistance and encouragement during my time at Penn State."

Lt. SaraAnn Bennett '14  
JAGC, U.S. Navy  
Bremerton, Washington



"I came to Penn State Law because of its connection to the larger Pennsylvania State University, a university with a significant reputation and following around the globe. That connection to a tier-one institution with significant resources and opportunities allows you to craft the education you want beyond the standard J.D."

Zachary Brecheisen '12  
Associate  
Jones Day  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

# OUR BUILDING

## THE LEWIS KATZ BUILDING

The 114,000-square-foot Lewis Katz Building is the home of Penn State Law. Completed in 2009, the structure features a glass-walled library, a modern “smart” courtroom, a Panera Bread café, comfortable classrooms, and indoor and outdoor student and study spaces.

Penn State Law classrooms are equipped with high-definition audio-visual equipment that allows real-time audio and video connection to programs and speakers around the globe as well as lecture recording so students can review later what happened in class. The Katz Building is accessible and LEED-certified with a number of green features, including a green roof, bike racks, abundant use of natural light, and locally sourced materials.

### Contact Us

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Direct all inquiries regarding the nondiscrimination policy to Rebecca Ciani, Human Resources Coordinator, Penn State Law, Pennsylvania State University, Lewis Katz Building, University Park, PA 16802-1017; Tel (814) 863-0125.

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