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MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN

Welcome to Loyola University Chicago School of Law

Congratulations on your admission to Loyola University Chicago School of Law and welcome to our community!

Based on our careful review of your application materials, we sincerely believe that you have the talent and character to excel in law school and make a wonderful contribution to our University and the legal profession.

At Loyola, we take the admissions process very seriously. We are committed to ensuring that you thrive as a law student and beyond, and we will support you every step of the way.

As dean of the School of Law, I am confident that you will find your law school experience rich, exhilarating, and filled with countless opportunities to explore a variety of interesting courses, seminars, global field studies, externships, clinics, and other experiential learning offerings.

In your first year, you will have the opportunity to work closely with your professors to learn the art of legal analysis and the foundations of the United States legal system. You may also choose from a host of elective courses that will inspire you to approach the study and practice of law from diverse perspectives.

You will find that your professors at Loyola are not just renowned legal scholars and experts in their fields, they are caring educators who will inspire you to learn. Following your first year of law school, you will have an opportunity to enhance your professional development by working as an extern for a state or federal judge. We offer more than 100 externship placement sites and a variety of live-client litigation and transactional clinical experiences. Loyola University Chicago is one of only a handful of law schools to ensure that students gain invaluable work experience before graduation from either a legal practice or clinical setting.

You will also benefit from Loyola’s nationally recognized Centers of Excellence in children’s law and policy, criminal justice, health law, and advocacy, and from our school’s renowned specialty programs in public interest, business and antitrust, and international law and human rights.

As you begin your legal studies at Loyola, I wish you all the best in this exciting new stage of your professional development. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

With warm personal regards,

MICHAEL J. KAUFMAN
Dean and Professor of Law
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

At Loyola University Chicago School of Law, we will try to do everything we can to help you secure financial support for your legal education. Incoming students may be eligible for one or more of the following sources of financial assistance, including Loyola institutional aid and federal loans:

(1) Sources of Loyola institutional aid
- Merit scholarships
- Fellowships
- Specialized scholarships
- Need-based scholarships, and

(2) Sources of federal loans
- Federal Direct Unsubsidized Stafford Loans
- Federal Direct Graduate PLUS Loans

Merit Scholarships
Loyola offers merit scholarships to several members of the entering class. Merit scholarships are awarded based on academic record and background. Consideration is given to all admitted students and no separate application is required. Renewal of this scholarship is automatic in subsequent years.

Specialized Scholarships/Fellowships
Loyola offers several special interest scholarships and fellowships to entering students.
- Joseph Bernstein Scholarship Program – A three-year scholarship for an individual with demonstrated financial need.
- Circle of Advocates Scholarship – A scholarship awarded to an outstanding candidate with debate, moot court or mock trial experience.
- Judge William H. Campbell Public Interest Scholarship – A scholarship awarded for trial experience.
- Child, Law, Health, Law, and Intellectual Property Fellowships

Application requirements for scholarships and fellowships can be found on the law school website under financial aid. There is a March 1 deadline for consideration.

Need-Based Scholarships
Loyola offers a limited number of need-based scholarships to students who qualify. Candidates are required to complete the FAFSA (school code: 001710) and submit a fully completed Loyola University Chicago School of Law Financial Aid Application, prior to March 1 for consideration.

Due to limited funding, admitted students who receive a merit scholarship of $15,000 or above, will not be eligible for need-based scholarship consideration.

Need-based scholarships will be renewed annually, as long as the recipient retains the same need and files the FAFSA by April 1 each year.

Six foolproof steps to securing your financial aid
1. Complete the FAFSA (fafsa.gov). All graduate students are considered “independent” and therefore are not required to provide any parent/guardian information when completing the FAFSA. The school code is 001710. Please file the FAFSA as soon as possible.
2. Complete the Loyola University Chicago School of Law Financial Aid Application if you are eligible to be considered for need-based scholarships. Deadline: March 1
3. Apply for Child, Law, Health, Law and Intellectual Property Fellowships and specialized scholarships. Deadline: March 1
4. Research external law student scholarship opportunities.
5. Review your credit report at annualcreditreport.com in order to correct potential credit issues that may affect your ability to obtain the Federal Direct Graduate PLUS loan.
6. Create a budget that includes expected resources (scholarships, loans, savings, etc.) and expenditures (tuition, fees, housing, etc.) to better plan and afford the expected costs of attendance.

Financial aid timeline
February:
- We recommend filing the FAFSA (fafsa.gov) by February 15. The FAFSA is required for need-based scholarship consideration and for federal loan eligibility.

March:
- Financial aid award letters are sent. Financial aid awards will detail the cost of attendance established by the University, and will include your eligibility for merit scholarships, need-based scholarships, and loans.
- Loyola fellowships and specialized scholarships are awarded.

June/July:
- Apply for federal loans (studentloans.gov). Details will be provided.

Financial Aid Policies
All institutional funding with a renewal clause is intended for the academic year only and cannot be used for summer school or study abroad programs. Scholarship amounts will be adjusted if students change divisions or reduce their class hours in any given year. Students enrolled in dual degree programs will receive funding for the first nine hours of study in the other program.

Determining your financial aid needs
While tuition and fees are fixed costs, it is important to compare each with every school you are considering. Scholarship awards should be subtracted from tuition to determine the net cost of tuition. It is also important to consider your lifestyle choices while in law school. The cost of attendance will include a budget for living expenses. However, you should determine whether you can reduce some of your personal costs. This can be accomplished in a variety of ways. You can work part-time, which may help you lower your monthly cost for rent. Residing in a less expensive neighborhood is another way to reduce your expenses. Purchasing used books or renting books is another option for cutting costs. Most of our law students live below the budget allocated, and further reduce their loans with part-time employment in their upperclass years.

Financial Literacy Programming
The decision to attend Loyola University Chicago School of Law is a substantial investment that promises many rewards. As the cost of professional education continues to rise, many more students are turning to federal loans to help finance their education. It is our hope that our law students will make a concerted effort to learn about managing your finances. Our office will provide workshops for entering students and continue this financial literacy initiative throughout your time here.

Loan Repayment Assistance Program (LRAP)
Loyola University Chicago School of Law offers a Loan Repayment Assistance Program (LRAP) to ease the burden for its recent graduates who are engaged in full-time public service employment. Assistance awarded under the LRAP program is in the form of a forgivable loan. Awarded loans can receive up to three years of awards, which need not be in consecutive years, within seven years after graduation. More information is available at LUC.edu/law/LRAP.

To learn more, please visit LUC.edu/law/FA.
VISITING THE SCHOOL OF LAW

Discover Loyola admitted student programs enable our potential students to take a closer look at Loyola’s academic and extracurricular offerings. You are encouraged to attend one of these comprehensive, half-day programs, which include law school hours; a mock class; current student panel; and an opportunity to interact with administrators, faculty and staff.

A formal Discover Loyola invitation along with registration information will be sent separately.

If you are unable to attend one of our Discover Loyola programs, you may schedule an individual visit to the Philip H. Corboy Law Center to tour our facilities, observe a first-year class, or meet with a member of the law admissions staff. We invite you to schedule a visit through our website for admitted students.

WATER TOWER CAMPUS

FIRST-YEAR CURRICULUM GUIDE

Our curriculum will provide you with the opportunity to specialize in cutting-edge areas of the law and to develop the real-life lawyering skills necessary for success. First-year students are required to take substantive courses that provide the essential building blocks for the study and practice of law. In addition, full-time students take an elective class in the spring of their first year, an early opportunity to begin exploring areas of particular interest.

Because hands-on learning is a necessary component in the preparation for practicing law, students are required to take at least two experiential learning courses. Your options for this valuable experience include our seven live-client clinics, a vibrant externship program and a variety of simulation-based courses. Also, the School of Law faculty highly recommends that students enroll in the following core foundational courses as soon as practical in their law studies.

- Administrative Law (3 credit hours)
- Business Organizations (4 credit hours)
- Evidence (4 credit hours)
- Federal Income Tax (3 credit hours)

Full-time JD program:
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FACULTY HIGHLIGHTS

School of Law faculty members are active in research, public speaking, consulting, and mentoring. The following short profiles highlight a few of our many accomplished professors:

Dean Emerita NINA S. APPEL is the only individual to have received this title in the long history of Loyola University Chicago. She is the longest-serving female law school dean in the United States, having led Loyola’s School of Law from 1983-2004, a period of notable growth and expansion. She has served as member and chair of the ABA Council on Legal Education and Admission to the Bar, the accrediting agency for all ABA-approved law schools, and has participated as professor-reporter in many annual programs for the Illinois judiciary. Dean Appel earned her undergraduate degree at Cornell University and her JD degree at Columbia University. She teaches Administrative Law, Evidence, Perspectives in Tort Law, Products Liability, and Torts.

Professor JOHN C. DEHN served over 23 years in the US Army before joining the Loyola faculty. He had a successful early career that included participation in Hurricane Andrew relief and the 1994 Haiti operations. After graduating from law school with highest honors, he served for over 15 additional years as an Army judge advocate in positions ranging from chief prosecutor for a military installation to faculty member at West Point. He holds a BS degree from the United States Military Academy at West Point, a JD degree from the University of Oklahoma, and LLM degrees from Columbia Law School and the Judge Advocate General’s Legal Center and School, US Army. Professor Dehn teaches Criminal Law; Criminal Procedure I: Investigations; Military Law; National Security Law and International Law.

CYNTHIA M. HO is the Clifford E. Vickrey Research Professor and Director of the Intellectual Property Program. She has written articles on various aspects of intellectual property law that have appeared in major law reviews and been cited in intellectual property and patent law casebooks and international reports. Professor Ho actively mentors students seeking opportunities in intellectual property law and she works with the Career Services Office to prepare students for the Loyola Patent Interview Program, the largest national interview program for patent jobs. She holds a BA degree from Boston University and a JD degree from Duke University. Professor Ho teaches Civil Procedure; Comparative Perspectives on Patent Law, Policy, and Health Care; Global Access to Medicine: Patent Perspectives; Intellectual Property Law; and Patent Law Seminar.

ACCOMPLISHED PROFESSORS

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Dean and Professor of Law MICHAEL KAUFMAN has published dozens of books and countless articles on education law and policy, securities regulation and litigation, civil procedure, and jurisprudence. Dean Kaufman is a public arbitrator for securities disputes and delivers bar examination review lectures for students throughout the country in the areas of civil procedure, federal jurisdiction, agency, and business organizations. He holds a BA degree from Kenyon College, and MA and JD degrees from the University of Michigan. Dean Kaufman teaches Business Organizations, Civil Procedure, Comparative Education Law, Education Law and Policy, Education Law Practicum, Securities Litigation Seminar, and Securities Regulation.

Professor JUAN F. Perea’s areas of expertise include race and race relations, constitutional law, employment law, and professional responsibility. He has written extensively on racial inequality, immigration history, and the civil rights of Latinos in the U.S., and his current research interests include the critical theory of history and historiography. Professor Perea has testified as an expert before the U.S. Senate, the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, and the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights. He earned his BA degree from Boston College and his JD degree from the University of Maryland. Professor Perea teaches Professional Responsibility, Advanced Constitutional Law, Critical Theory Seminar and Employment Law and Critical Race Studies.

NEW YORK TIMES REVIEWER writes that Professor Perea’s...
STUDENT GROUPS AND ACTIVITIES

Student Bar Association (SBA)
Loyola strives to provide every student with a legal education grounded in scholarship and complemented by practical experiences and opportunities.
To round out your law school career, the SBA provides a variety of social programs and events, addresses student concerns to the administration, and works with other student organizations to ensure each student has many opportunities outside the classroom to grow as a student and a person. Represented by two elected members of each class section, the SBA stays engaged throughout the year to make sure you have the best law school experience possible. We hope you will take advantage of the many opportunities offered through the SBA and other student organizations.

Other student activities
Organizations
The School of Law’s 30+ student organizations offer a broad scope of opportunities for professional growth, from general participation in the profession of law to involvement in specialized areas of professional interest to membership in religious and ethnic-based associations.

Journals
Our students serve in an editorial or business capacity on the seven academically significant journals published by the School of Law:
- Annals of Health Law
- Children’s Legal Rights Journal
- ChildLaw and Education Forum
- Loyola Consumer Law Review
- Loyola University Chicago International Law Review
- Loyola University Chicago Law Journal
- Public Interest Law Reporter
- Loyola University Chicago Journal of Regulatory Compliance

Competitions
In keeping with the School of Law’s nationally renowned advocacy programs, our students continually bring home international, national, and regional honors in moot court, mock trial, and alternative dispute resolution and skills competitions.
For details on organizations, competitions, and other aspects of student life, visit LUC.edu/law/resources.
Many of Chicago’s cultural and recreational activities are low-cost...or free.

On-campus graduate housing
The Rev. Raymond C. Baumhart, S.J., Residence Hall and Terry Student Center, a 25-story high-rise on Loyola’s Water Tower Campus, opened in 2006. Located at 26 East Pearson Street—just across the street from the law school and law library—the building is named after a past president of the University. Students who choose to live here enjoy fully furnished apartments with spectacular city views, steps from public transportation, shopping, restaurants, and museums. Visit LUC.edu/reslife/halls/baumhart to learn more.

Weekend JD students have access to Baumhart Hall residences for a special rate available each weekend courses are held. In addition, discounts are available at hotels within walking distance to the law school.

Off-campus housing
If you choose not to live on campus, our website for admitted students provides tips on neighborhoods, apartment size, and price, and offers useful resources, including online listings, rental services, ads, and information on the Loyola Law Roommate Network. In addition, Loyola law students share their own tips for finding your perfect Chicago home and choosing the neighborhood that’s right for you.

Getting around
As a major metropolis, Chicago offers a variety of options for traveling around the city:
• Loyola full-time law students receive the Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) Ventra U-Pass, a cashless pass to unlimited rides on the CTA’s extensive rail and bus network.
• A free University bus shuttles students, faculty, and staff between the Water Tower and Lake Shore campuses multiple times daily. This option is particularly useful for law students who choose to live near the Lake Shore Campus.
• There is an evening shuttle bus that travels to Union Station and Ogilvie Transportation Center from the Water Tower Campus at 9:05 p.m. Monday through Friday during the academic year.

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LIVING IN CHICAGO

The Chicago metropolitan area is home to more than 8 million people, with 2.7 million residing within city limits. The legal community here is large and diverse, offering our students unique opportunities to form connections with practicing attorneys.

This dynamic, world-class city is a major draw for our students—and for our alumni, many of whom stay to practice in the metropolitan area after graduation. Our loyal alumni are invested in the life of the law school, serving as adjunct professors, guest speakers, coaches, and mentors, as well as offering externships and post-graduation employment to many of our current students.

The innumerable treasures of Chicago
Our city is home to several world-class museums; hundreds of theaters, concert venues, and art galleries; thousands of restaurants; an infinite variety of shopping; and numerous professional and semiprofessional sports teams. Visit our website for admitted students to learn more about the rich cultural and recreational options waiting for you in Chicago, including a list of restaurants, pharmacies, banks, and other necessities located near the law school.

• Loyola offers validation for several non-University parking lots near the law school. Visit LUC.edu/campustransportation.
• Chicago has two popular car sharing programs, Enterprise CarShare (enterprisecarshare.com) and Zipcar (zipcar.com), for people who want to have access to a car without owning or renting one.
• Divvy (divvybikes.com) bike sharing system has hundreds of stations and is a fun, affordable option for short trips around the city.

A WORLD-CLASS CITY
Important dates for admitted students

February 15
Recommended FAFSA deadline

March 1
Deadline for special scholarship and fellowship applications

April 15
First seat deposit deadline ($250 non-refundable payment online)
*You may elect to pay a one-time $700 non-refundable seat deposit by this date. If so, your deposit responsibilities will be met.

June 15
Second seat deposit deadline ($500 non-refundable payment online)

August 1
Final transcript from degree-granting institution showing degree conferral date must be submitted to LSAC.

August 31
Final transcript from degree-granting institution showing degree conferral date must be on file with LSAC for the law school’s retrieval.

Continuing Duty to Disclose

As an admitted student, you have a continuing responsibility, prior to enrollment and throughout your legal education, to disclose matters that may affect your answers to questions asked in the Character and Fitness portion of the Loyola University Chicago School of Law application for admission. Please contact the Law Admission Office to make any amendments to your application.

Bar Admission Requirements

In addition to a bar examination, there are character, fitness, and other qualifications for admission to the bar in every U.S. jurisdiction. Applicants are encouraged to determine the requirements for any jurisdiction in which they intend to seek admission by contacting the jurisdiction. Addresses for all relevant agencies are available through the National Conference of Bar Examiners.

Upcoming Loyola School of Law Events

The Office of Admissions encourages you to see firsthand the opportunities Loyola has to offer. For event information, check out our calendar of events and admissions blog on the website for admitted students.

Learn more online

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