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Comments of Professor Jeffrey L. Kwall on Loyola's Tax Program*

Loyola University Chicago School of Law offers students a unique opportunity to receive an outstanding education in tax law. Loyola's J.D. tax curriculum is among the deepest and most comprehensive of any U.S. law school. We have full-time faculty members devoted to teaching tax law to J.D. students along with a number of accomplished adjunct professors and a strong Federal Tax clinic.

Loyola's tax curriculum was designed to provide a comprehensive foundation for students who ultimately enter a corporate law, tax law, estate planning, or general business practice. Enrollment in both basic and advanced tax courses is extremely high. In light of the depth of the tax curriculum and the high student interest in tax law, since 2000 Loyola has offered a Tax Certificate to students who complete a fourteen-credit core tax curriculum. In recent years, ten to twenty percent of the graduating class has earned the Tax Certificate. Loyola also offers Tax Certificate holders the opportunity to pursue an accelerated LL.M. in Tax by completing twelve additional hours of post-J.D. study.

Loyola's Federal Tax Clinic represents low-income clients who are engaged in income tax controversies with the Internal Revenue Service. It was created to help taxpayers who otherwise might be without representation due to their limited means. The Clinic provides an opportunity for students to gain practical experience in tax law.

Helping our students to learn, grow, and succeed has always been a tradition at Loyola University Chicago School of Law. We are proud of the Law Journal for hosting the Tax Symposium and hope you enjoy this special issue of the Loyola Law Journal.

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