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# IU School of Law—Indianapolis

At the Indiana University School of Law—Indianapolis, we create an environment that encourages and inspires our students to make a difference. From involvement in international human rights programs to service in the courts and state legislature; from leadership positions in law firms and corporations to *pro bono* work, our faculty, students, and alumni are using their legal expertise to improve the world in which they live. With an enrollment of more than 1000 students, IU Law—Indianapolis is the largest law school in Indiana, and it offers the benefits of its location in the heart of Indiana's state capital, a vibrant urban community. The law school is next door to the halls of government, businesses, and law offices—and to the myriad cultural and sports offerings of the city.

## Opportunity

The IU School of Law—Indianapolis prepares students for a wide range of diverse and exciting careers. From practicing law to managing corporations, the school's more than 9,000 graduates excel not only in Indiana, but across the country and around the world. Law school alumni have served in the highest offices in government, including the U.S. vice presidency, the Senate, and the House of Representatives.

The Indianapolis legal and business communities offer opportunities for connections that no other law school in the state can provide. Many of the school's adjunct professors come from some of the most prestigious law firms in the state. Additionally, an attorney-student mentor program allows students to meet a variety of area attorneys, judges, and business and government leaders in an informal setting.

Internships are available in a vast array of institutions, including banks, corporations, and government offices. Many internships also are available with local, state, and federal courts. Because of its location in an urban setting, the school is able to offer clinical programs designed to complement traditional legal education with experience beyond the classroom. With faculty supervision, students represent real clients in actual cases before Indiana courts through the Criminal Defense, Civil Practice, Disability Clinics, Immigration and Appellate Practice Clinics.

## Faculty and Curriculum

Faculty members hold Doctor of Jurisprudence, master's, and doctoral degrees from more than 50 different schools, offering students extensive and diverse views on the law and its career possibilities. Assembled from across the country, the faculty has distinguished itself with a wide variety of scholarly publications related to state, national, and international legal matters.

Because an attorney must possess highly refined analytical skills, the ability to communicate effectively, and a sensitivity to ethical responsibilities, our faculty has developed a curriculum rich both in theory and technique. Simultaneously responsive to societal and legal change while upholding the best traditions of

generations of legal scholars, the curriculum equips students with a thorough understanding of the law and prepares them to become exceptional problem solvers, persuasive advocates, and effective mediators. In addition to the fundamental required courses, such as civil procedure, contracts, and torts, the school offers a unique program in legal analysis, research, and communication that encompasses not only research and writing, but advocacy skills as well. Elective courses include a wide array of in-depth seminars, special courses, and internships.

A student may pursue a J.D. degree on a full-time basis in the school's day division or on a part-time basis through the evening program. Typically, a full-time student will complete the 90 required hours within three years, while a part-time student will do so within four years.

## Joint Degree and LL.M. Programs

Joint degree programs are offered in cooperation with Indiana University's Kelley School of Business, School of Public and Environmental Affairs, School of Liberal Arts, School of Library and Information Science, School of Social Work and School of Medicine. These include:

- J.D. and Master of Business Administration
- J.D. and Master of Public Affairs
- J.D. and Master of Public Health
- J.D. and Master of Science in Health Administration
- J.D. and Master of Library Science
- J.D. and Master of Philosophy  
(with a concentration in health law and bioethics)
- J.D. and Master of Social Work

The school also offers a Master of Laws (LL.M.) degree program with five possible tracks of study:

- American Law for Foreign Lawyers
- Health Law, Policy, and Bioethics
- Intellectual Property Law
- International and Comparative Law
- International Human Rights Law

## Research Centers and Programs

From technology to teaching, innovation infuses all aspects of the law school. Its centers and programs are among the most respected in the country, enhancing a diverse and demanding curriculum with hands-on opportunities for research and experience.

The need for lawyers with special expertise in health law is acute, and the school's William S. and Christine S. Hall Center for Law and Health is at the forefront of providing students with an outstanding education in health law. The center is repeatedly ranked as offering one of the top health law programs in the country, offering interdisciplinary opportunities for students and serving as an information resource on health care issues for the legal and medical communities.

The Center for International and Comparative Law is for students with interests in international law. The center provides administrative guidance for the school's foreign study programs as well as other international activities and the Master of Laws track in International and Comparative Law. Each year the center sponsors a variety of programs, including hosting speakers of international renown, hosting the International Judge-in-Residence Program, and sponsoring students in international moot court competitions. Foreign study programs include:

- The Program in International Human Rights Law, which is designed to promote legal study and scholarship in international human rights and to facilitate the placement of students as legal interns at international human rights organizations in this country and overseas. Since 1997, the program has coordinated 110 student placements in 50 countries.
  - The Chinese Law Summer Program at Renmin (People's) University of China School of Law in Beijing includes comparative aspects of Chinese and American law and features trips to local courts and nearby points of interest.
  - The European Law Summer Program is offered in Strasbourg, France, at Robert Schuman University, and includes course work in European Union law, English law, and continental legal systems. Students participate in field trips to legal institutions in five countries.
  - The Central and Eastern European Law Summer Program is based in Dubrovnik, Croatia, a beautiful seaside resort on the Mediterranean. The program addresses the transition of legal systems in Central and Eastern Europe.
  - The Latin American Law Summer Program is centered at the Institute of Latin American Integration of the Faculty of Juridical and Social Sciences at the Universidad Nacional de La Plata in La Plata, Argentina. Courses introduce students to the laws of Latin American free trade areas, as well as to the civil law legal systems of Latin America. The Center for Intellectual Property Law and Innovation was established in 2004 as a resource for education and research in intellectual property law—particularly as it applies to the life sciences. The center is designed to produce graduates in law with a strong knowledge of intellectual property law, a solid foundation in business development, and sound transactional skills in all matters relating to intellectual property law.
- The Program on Law and State Government enhances the ties between the academic community and state government offices, providing a means of exchange of ideas on issues facing state governments, as well as creating opportunities for internships for students within Indiana state government.

For more information, visit the school's Web site: [www.indylaw.indiana.edu](http://www.indylaw.indiana.edu).

## Student Programs

The school's three law reviews, the *Indiana Law Review*, *Indiana International and Comparative Law Review*, and the *Indiana Health Law Review*, provide invaluable opportunities for training in the analysis of legal problems and presentation of legal issues.

The Moot Court Program encourages the development of skills in oral advocacy. The Order of Barristers is composed of the best students in the program, and its members serve on regional and national teams, where they have achieved prominence in competitions.

The school also sponsors a variety of student organizations that focus on a number of discrete legal areas of interest to students. Additionally, the school invites a number of distinguished and well-known speakers to the school. Students hear lectures by legal scholars, historians, distinguished practicing attorneys, and jurists from around the country.

## Campus Visits and Additional Information

We encourage you to visit us and meet with our staff and students. To arrange for a visit or request an application, please write or call our Admissions Office, IU School of Law—Indianapolis, 530 W. New York Street, Indianapolis, IN, 46202-3225; telephone (317) 274-2459; or e-mail [lawadmit@iupui.edu](mailto:lawadmit@iupui.edu). Web site: [indylaw.indiana.edu](http://indylaw.indiana.edu). We look forward to hearing from you.