



UNIVERSITY OF
BALTIMORE

School of Law

2019 ADMISSIONS VIEWBOOK

START MAKING A DIFFERENCE



91.6%

of the UB School of Law's
2018 graduates were employed
10 months after graduating.



MORE THAN
1/3

of the judges currently
serving the state of
Maryland are UB School of
Law alumni.



A MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN

Greetings from the University of Baltimore School of Law! We're proud to introduce you to our school; to the rigorous, fast-paced legal education we provide; and to our state-of-the-art law center in which that education takes place.

Our extraordinary, light-filled building makes a physical statement about this law school's vision for the future: We aim to prepare students for the 21st-century legal marketplace, and we continue to innovate to meet the challenges of a rapidly evolving profession.

For more than 90 years, the University of Baltimore School of Law has been graduating excellent, practice-ready lawyers. That excellence has been recognized nationwide: This year, our clinical program is ranked 15th in the nation by *U.S. News & World Report*, and our part-time program came in at No. 25. In addition, of those employed, more than one-third of the Class of 2018 graduates landed state judicial clerkships, a rate that exceeds the national average of 10 percent.

Our world-class faculty guides students through the study of legal doctrine and contemporary legal theory. Meanwhile, from an early stage of their careers here, UB law students confront the real-world challenges of legal practice by participating in our clinics and externships across the Baltimore-Washington, D.C., region.

The UB School of Law will train you to write, reason and advocate as an attorney. A UB legal education will equip you with the knowledge and skills you need to attain your professional goals and to help expand access to justice in our community and around the world.

Thank you for your interest in the University of Baltimore School of Law. Please visit us and ask questions to find out if UB is the right law school for you.

Ronald Weich
Dean

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M Weich". The signature is fluid and cursive, written in a professional style.

START BUILDING YOUR FUTURE.

■ YEAR ONE AT UB:

YOUR FIRST-YEAR, FULL-TIME DAY CURRICULUM INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- Civil Procedure I
- Civil Procedure II
- Constitutional Law I
- Contracts I and II
- Criminal Law
- Introduction to Advocacy
- Introduction to Lawyering Skills
- Property
- Torts

YOUR FIRST-YEAR, PART-TIME EVENING CURRICULUM INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- Civil Procedure I
- Contracts I
- Contracts II
- Introduction to Advocacy
- Introduction to Lawyering Skills
- Torts

Learn about your first year at law.ubalt.edu/firstyear.

At the UB School of Law, faculty will teach, guide, inspire and mentor you. With distinguished credentials and wide-ranging experience, they are scholars, judges and practitioners who are dedicated to you and to your legal education.

This education will take place in the John and Frances Angelos Law Center, a LEED Platinum-certified model of innovative architecture. You will learn the law in energizing classrooms full of natural light and leading-edge technology. These dynamic spaces enhance engagement and collaboration among students, faculty and staff, producing confident, skilled leaders in the legal community.

You're eager to dive in and make your mark as a lawyer.

The process begins with foundation courses in year one, after which you can pursue a more customized course of study to meet your career goals. Soon enough you will begin your practical learning in the community and participation in law school organizations, such as the *Law Review* and UB Students for Public Interest, to deepen your connections to the law and to your classmates.

In your first year at the UB School of Law, you will build a strong foundation in legal doctrine and theory. In subsequent years, you can focus your studies through one

of nine concentrations or six dual-degree programs. Each concentration requires you to participate in at least one related experiential course or activity, through which you'll apply what you've learned in the classroom to a real-world setting.

Dual-degree programs—in areas such as taxation, business, public policy and criminal justice—allow you to take an interdisciplinary approach to the law while working toward an additional graduate degree.

Need more options? Combine courses to build your own individualized curriculum.

The UB School of Law ranks

No. 3

in the nation for its
placement of graduates
in judicial clerkships.

CONCENTRATIONS AND PRACTICE TRACKS

Students can choose a concentration or a practice track or take courses to customize their focus. Our goal is to help you shape your law school experience to support your personal and professional goals.

A concentration comprises substantive or doctrinal courses in a particular area of the law. A practice track combines courses with practical activities like externships, moot court and co-curricular pursuits to develop the skills necessary for practice in a particular area of the law.

CONCENTRATIONS

- Business Law
- Criminal Law
- Estate Planning
- Family Law
- Intellectual Property
- International Law
- Litigation and Advocacy
- Public Service
- Real Estate Practice

Learn more about concentration options at law.ubalt.edu/concentrations.

PRACTICE TRACKS

- Bankruptcy Law
- Business Law
- Civil Litigation
- Criminal Law
- Environmental Law
- Estate Planning
- Family Law
- Government Service and Regulatory Institutions
- Health Care Law
- Immigration Law
- Intellectual Property
- International Law
- Labor and Employment
- Mediation
- Public Interest Law
- Real Estate Law
- Solo Practice
- Sports Law
- Tax Law

Learn more about practice track options at law.ubalt.edu/practicetracks.

FACULTY SPOTLIGHT



KIMBERLY WEHLE
PROFESSOR OF LAW

B.A., magna cum laude, Cornell University; J.D., cum laude, University of Michigan Law School

Wehle joined the UB School of Law faculty in 2009. She teaches administrative law, federal courts and civil procedure. She is the author of *How to Read the Constitution – and Why* and the forthcoming *What You Need to Know About the Right to Vote – and Why*, both from HarperCollins.

She is also a legal analyst and commentator for CBS News, a contributor for BBC World News and BBC World News America on PBS, and a contributor for *The Bulwark* and *The Hill*. She has regularly appeared as a guest legal analyst on various media outlets regarding the structural Constitution and the Trump administration, including CNN, MSNBC, NPR's *Morning Edition*, the *PBS NewsHour* and Fox News. Her articles have also appeared in *The Baltimore Sun*, *The Los Angeles Times* and NBC News' *Think*.



F. MICHAEL HIGGINBOTHAM
DEAN JOSEPH CURTIS PROFESSOR OF LAW

A.B., Brown University; J.D., Yale University; LL.M., Cambridge University

Higginbotham joined the faculty at the UB School of Law in 1988. He is the co-founder of the Fannie Angelos Program for Academic Excellence and a former interim dean of the law school. He teaches constitutional law.

He is the author of *Ghosts of Jim Crow: Ending Racism in Post-Racial America* and a frequent guest on CNN and other media outlets.

“Going to law school while working full time in a demanding career is a challenge. UB has been welcoming and accommodating of my multiple priorities, giving me scheduling options that allow me to balance them all.”

— **JOSHUA PERRY**
CURRENT STUDENT

WHILE AT UB

fixed-income asset portfolio manager, Brown Advisory; member, National Black Law Students Association; board member, The Walters Art Museum; board member, Calvert School

B.S.E., Princeton University; MBA, University of Chicago, Booth School of Business

DUAL-DEGREE PROGRAMS

Obtain a second advanced degree while earning your J.D. at UB. For these programs, other than the LL.M. in Taxation, students should apply during their first year of law school. The LL.M. in Taxation can be pursued upon completion of the J.D. program.

J.D./LL.M. in Taxation

If you have an interest in taxation, you can pursue both a Juris Doctor and a Master of Laws in Taxation at the UB School of Law. The LL.M. degree can be earned by taking as few as 15 additional credits in the Graduate Tax Program.

J.D./MBA

Through this joint program, you can earn a Juris Doctor and a Master of Business Administration degree in an integrated sequence of courses over three to four years. The MBA program, offered by UB's Merrick School of Business, is accredited by AACSB International. Online MBA courses provide flexibility and convenience.

J.D./M.P.A.

The Juris Doctor/Master of Public Administration program is ideal if you want to work in federal, state or local government agencies as well as in nonprofit or quasi-governmental organizations.

The M.P.A. program in UB's College of Public Affairs is accredited by the Network of Schools of Public Policy, Affairs and Administration. Online M.P.A. courses provide you with flexibility and convenience.

J.D./M.S. in Criminal Justice

The joint Juris Doctor/M.S. in Criminal Justice program combines the J.D. with study of the criminal justice system. Since criminal justice students come from many backgrounds—including law enforcement, field administration, planning, research and casework—you will gain insight into the criminal justice system from your classmates as well as from faculty.

J.D./M.S. in Negotiations and Conflict Management

This dual Juris Doctor/M.S. in Negotiations and Conflict Management provides you with a thorough understanding of what conflict is, why it happens and how to manage it. The M.S. program in UB's College of Public Affairs will teach you how to facilitate understanding, mitigate destructive aspects of conflict, and mediate and implement structured resolutions.

J.D./M.P.P. or Ph.D. in Public Policy

This dual degree is ideal if you are interested in using your law degree to influence public policy. The graduate program is offered at the University of Maryland, Baltimore County and is accredited by the Network of Schools of Public Policy, Affairs and Administration.

Learn more about dual-degree programs at law.ubalt.edu/dualdegree.



START GAINING VALUABLE EXPERIENCE IN YEAR ONE.

FIRST SUMMER, FIRST HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE

At UB, opportunities for practical experience are woven throughout your education, beginning with your first summer. UB's Experience in Legal Organizations (EXPLOR) program places you in a legal setting during the summer after your first year of law school. For more than 25 years, EXPLOR students have worked in government agencies, judges' chambers, law firms and public-interest and nonprofit organizations, where they gain valuable legal experience. Flexible hours allow you to work and attend summer classes, if you wish.

WORK WITH ACTUAL CLIENTS

We're serious about preparing practice-ready attorneys. During your legal education at UB, you are required to complete 6 experiential learning credits, which allow you to gain experience while earning your law degree. You must earn 3 of those credits from work in a clinic or an externship, helping real clients with real legal issues. The other 3 credits may also come from work in a clinic or from certain externships, workshops or simulation courses.

Externships are supervised by a licensed attorney or judge in the workplace and are combined with a classroom component. The class allows you to discuss your experiences and observations with your classmates. UB offers attorney, judicial and corporate-counsel externship programs.

“Practical experience is an essential part of your law school career. As a judicial intern at the Maryland Court of Special Appeals, I draft memos and opinions and conduct substantive legal research.”

— ISABEL JORRIN GARCIA
CURRENT STUDENT

WHILE AT UB

President, Latin American Law Student Association; student organization liaison, Women's Bar Association; UB representative, Maryland Hispanic Bar Association

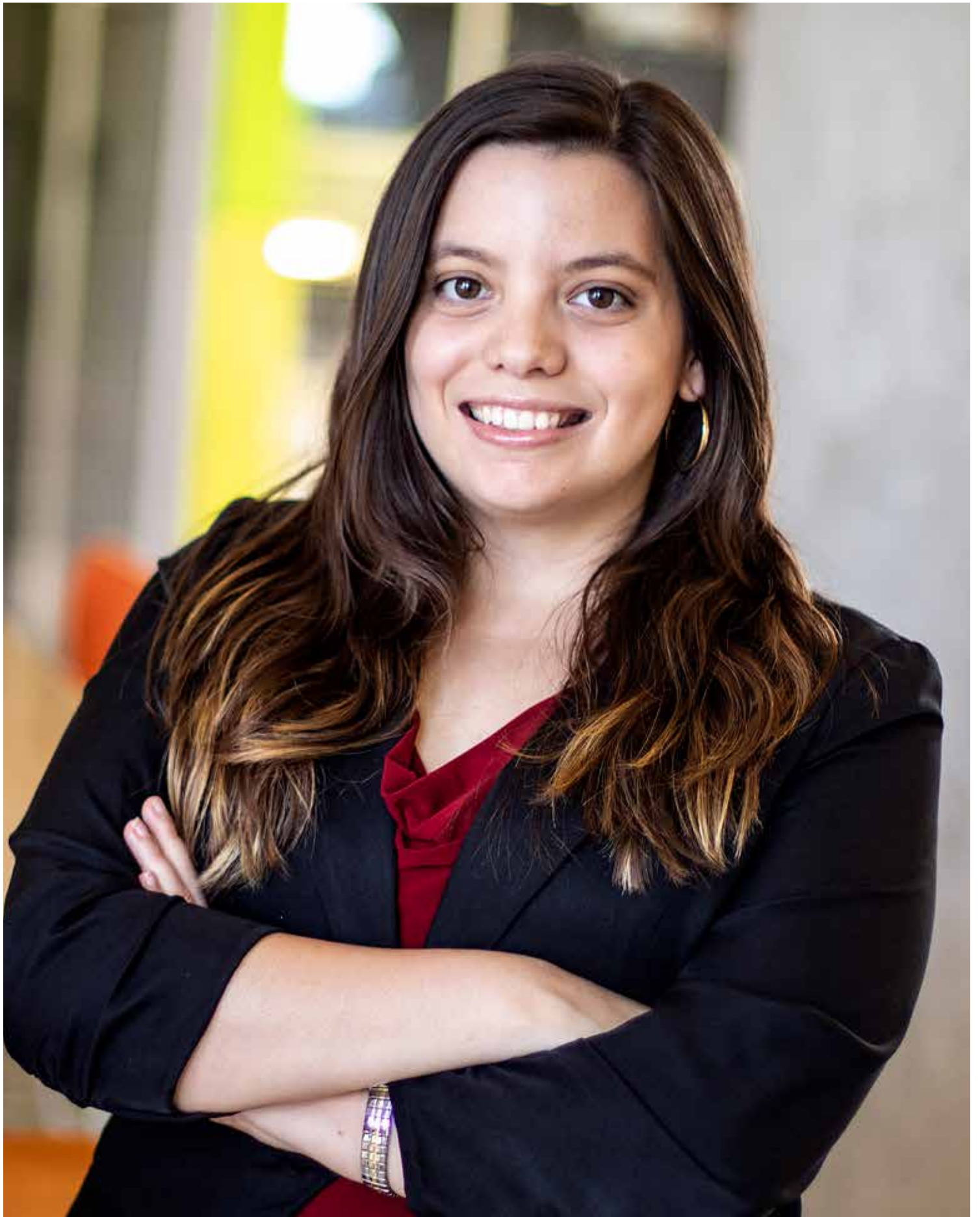
B.A., University of Maryland, College Park (citation in Public Leadership)

Hands-on learning is central to the UB School of Law curriculum. We seek to ensure that each graduate is ready to make a smooth and successful transition from law student to law practitioner.

GAIN ADDITIONAL LEGAL EXPERIENCE

UB School of Law students are ambitious. Often, they seek practical experiences beyond externships or clinics. Some of our day students work part time while carrying

a full course load; class schedules allow you to work up to two full days a week. We want you to gain as much legal experience as possible while you're in law school and to work with organizations that are meaningful to you. In fact, as your legal education progresses, you can combine day and evening classes to create a customized law school experience that matches your specific goals and ambitions.



CLINICAL EDUCATION: STUDENT-ATTORNEYS REPRESENTING CLIENTS

The clinical
program at the
UB School of Law
is ranked

15TH

in the nation by
*U.S. News
& World Report.*

Under Maryland Rule 19-27, University of Baltimore clinic students lead strategy and representation of clients at trial and in hearings, ably supported by our world-class clinical faculty. When you enroll in the clinical program, you'll learn to be a lawyer in ways you couldn't through classroom work alone. You will meet with clients, draft pleadings and memos, research their cases and represent them in court.

CLINICS AT THE UB SCHOOL OF LAW

The Bob Parsons Veterans Advocacy Clinic students help veterans obtain benefits and assist them with other service-related legal needs. You will develop essential lawyering skills through direct representation, community outreach projects and legislative advocacy.

In 2018-19: Student-attorneys continued to advocate for more veterans treatment courts in Maryland. Additionally, students represented veterans in VA benefits appeals, focusing on veterans with mental health issues. In one case, a veteran with severe depression was discharged after attempting suicide. Student-attorneys drafted a petition to upgrade her discharge from General to Honorable, which the Navy granted, making her eligible for educational benefits.

Bronfein Family Law Clinic students learn multidimensional lawyering through litigation, legislative advocacy and community-based projects. You will represent clients in court seeking civil-protection orders in cases of domestic violence and family law orders, including divorce, child custody, child adoption, child support and name changes.

In 2018-19: Clinic student-attorneys represented low-income clients in civil domestic violence cases and in complex divorce, child-custody, child-support and paternity cases as well as in Special Immigrant Juvenile Status cases. The student-attorneys conducted trials and hearings, drafted motions and complaints, and conducted innumerable interviews and legal counseling sessions. Working with the Reproductive Justice Inside coalition, they researched and wrote a model policy on reproductive health care and menstrual products for Maryland's correctional facilities.

The **Community Development Clinic** provides a wide variety of transactional legal services to and advocacy for historically underserved communities in Baltimore. You will provide legal representation about matters including business formation, operations and financing, land use and real estate acquisition to community associations, nonprofit organizations and small-business owners.

In 2018-19: Student-attorneys assisted an urban farming nonprofit in revising its bylaws and establishing employment policies, advised an educational entrepreneur about small-business formation options and helped a disaster relief organization comply with benefit organization laws. To create systemic change, student-attorneys provided legal and policy support to community residents affected by Baltimore's water crisis. Student-attorneys prepared and presented "know your rights" materials to



Clarence Shipley Jr., at left, leaves the Baltimore City Courthouse with his lawyer, Michele Nethercott, of the University of Baltimore Innocence Project Clinic, after being exonerated of a crime he did not commit. He served 27 years in prison.

community organizations and provided pro bono legal advice to prevent tax sales in collaboration with local legal aid organizations.

The **Criminal Practice Clinic** places you in a state's attorney's or public defender's office. Under the supervision of an assistant state's attorney or an assistant public defender, you will prosecute or defend people charged with crimes.

In **2018-19**: Student-attorneys interviewed witnesses, investigated charges, negotiated pleas and argued motions in court for cases that involved drug possession, drunken driving, domestic violence and disorderly conduct, among other crimes.

In the **Human Trafficking Prevention Project**, student-attorneys work to reduce the collateral consequences of criminal legal involvement for survivors of human trafficking and those populations made most vulnerable to exploitation. Students

also advocate for systemic criminal legal reform at both the state and federal level, as well as provide support for the legislative efforts of partnering agencies that are working to dismantle other oppressive systems impacting clients.

In **2018-19**: Clinic student-attorneys represented survivors of human trafficking in expungement, vacatur and federal commutation cases. Clinic student-attorneys filed the clinic's first presidential pardon application, and the first vacatur case ever submitted in Baltimore County in an attempt to set aside the prostitution convictions of a trafficking survivor who had been exploited since the age of 11.

In addition, the clinic worked with numerous organizational partners to submit written and oral testimony before the Maryland General Assembly in support of nine bills, several of which became law.

HELPING CHANGE LIVES THROUGH THE INNOCENCE PROJECT CLINIC

Clarence Shipley Jr. had a very special Christmas last year. That's because on Dec. 18, 2018, after spending 27 years in prison—more than half of his life—he was exonerated on all charges against him and left the Baltimore city courthouse a free man.

In front of a packed courtroom, a judge granted a petition for writ of actual innocence that was submitted by the University of Baltimore Innocence Project Clinic and the State's Attorney for Baltimore City. After waiting anxiously for more than an hour, Shipley's family members wept and cried out at the joyous news.

Shipley, now 47, was convicted of first-degree murder in 1992, based on the testimony of an eyewitness who selected his photo from a photo array a week after the crime occurred. He had been falsely implicated in the murder by a jailhouse informant who provided the information after being arrested for a series of car thefts in Baltimore.

Shipley's was the first of two exonerations the clinic helped obtain in 2018-19. In May 2019, after serving 25 years in prison following wrongful convictions for conspiracy to commit murder, brothers Kenneth "J.R." McPherson, 45, and Eric Simmons, 48, were fully exonerated and went home to their families.

The exonerations came following investigations by the University of Baltimore Innocence Project Clinic, which handled Simmons' case, and the Mid-Atlantic Innocence Project, which represented McPherson.

MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN THE IMMIGRANT RIGHTS CLINIC.

Students in the Immigrant Rights Clinic help Latinx immigrants as part of an outreach program at Johns Hopkins Hospital called Centro SOL. The clinic's student-attorneys offer free legal advice to patients who visit the Hopkins clinic for health care. While waiting for their appointments, the students interview the patients about their immigration history and later counsel them on their options.

"The individuals we encountered at the clinic endured abuse, violence, trauma, grief and hardship that would shock any listener," says Stephen Gaines, one of the clinic's student-attorneys. "Some have cried telling their fears of threats and the dreadful conditions in their home country. Many have been persecuted because of their identity as a homosexual, as a political dissident, as a person living with HIV, or for being part

of some afflicted social group. Often, the government either inflicts the harm or is unable or unwilling to protect the persons who are being harmed because of their identity in their particular group.

"Over the course of the semester," he continues, "I came to appreciate my role in these immigrants' journeys. As a student-attorney working in the clinic, I saw that my time at the hospital served as the connection that allows the immigrant to exchange heartache for a fresh start."

"I have committed to practicing immigration law in the future. I have chosen to practice immigration law because it is an area of law that actively animates one of America's core values: diversity. Immigration law allows me to personify the value of increasing the vibrancy of America's cultural fabric."

Immigrant Rights Clinic student-attorneys represent low-income immigrants in court and before the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Citizenship and Immigration Services. Caseloads are diverse, as are the clinic's clients. During your clinical experience, you will touch on many areas of immigration practice— asylum law, family reunification, detention, naturalization and more—while representing clients from all over the world.

In **2018-19**: Clinic student-attorneys represented asylum-seekers from Central America who had fled gang violence and domestic violence. Some clients were families who had been separated and detained at the border. Other clients came from East Africa, Southeast Asia and the Middle East. Student-attorneys interviewed clients and witnesses; counseled clients on case strategy; gathered evidence to prove their clients' claims; addressed family members' immigration options; and argued the cases in legal briefs, at the asylum office and in court.

Innocence Project Clinic students learn client-centered lawyering, primarily through investigation and litigation. You will represent clients claiming factual innocence and will be involved in client, witness, fact and paper investigation; draft motions and briefs; and negotiate and argue in trial courts throughout Maryland.

In **2018-19**: Clinic student-attorneys investigated more than 20 cases of factual innocence, filed multiple DNA testing petitions in court and presented two cases of factual innocence to the Baltimore City State's Attorney Conviction Integrity Unit. In December 2018 and again in May 2019, the clinic, in connection with the Conviction Integrity Unit, secured the exoneration of clients who had spent 27 and 24 years, respectively, in prison for crimes they did not commit.

Beginning in **spring 2020**, we will offer a new clinic, **Legal Data and Design**. Its purpose is to help students better understand the rapidly changing field of technology in the context of criminal justice, data privacy and other areas of the law. Effective lawyering requires technological literacy, being comfortable with a variety of data platforms and even knowing how to write computer code

to better manage and interpret data. The clinic will address the practice of law through this technological lens.

In the **Low-Income Taxpayer Clinic**, student-attorneys represent taxpayers in federal tax disputes. Cases involve administrative controversies before the IRS and the state comptroller's office as well as litigation in federal courts. You will be responsible for all aspects of representing clients, including interviewing and counseling clients, developing case strategy, engaging in fact investigation and discovery, drafting documents, negotiating with adversaries and conducting hearings and trials.

In **2018-19**: The clinic's student-attorneys filed its first three tax-refund suits in U.S. District Court, obtaining concessions from the U.S. Department of Justice in two of the three. The clinic's student-attorneys also litigated more than 12 cases in U.S. Tax Court, obtaining favorable settlements or concessions in most.

As a student in the **Mediation Clinic for Families**, you will represent clients in the mediation process, co-mediate family law disputes and engage in projects designed to improve the practice of family mediation. Student mediators and



Student-attorneys in the Innocence Project Clinic gather outside the Baltimore City Courthouse following an exoneration the clinic helped secure for a man who served 25 years in prison for a crime he did not commit.

FACULTY SPOTLIGHT



MARGARET E. JOHNSON

ASSOCIATE DEAN FOR EXPERIENTIAL EDUCATION

DIRECTOR, BRONFEIN FAMILY LAW CLINIC

CO-DIRECTOR, CENTER ON APPLIED FEMINISM

B.A., Dartmouth College; J.D., cum laude, order of the coif, University of Wisconsin Law School

Johnson, who joined the faculty in 2006, focuses her scholarship on issues relating to domestic violence, property, menstrual justice, feminist legal theory and clinical legal education. She co-directs the Center on Applied Feminism, which applies the insights of feminist legal theory to legal practice and policy. She teaches family law, property law and special topics in applied feminism.

“In our clinics, you are not a law clerk. You are the lead counsel in your cases and are licensed to practice law under the supervision of our faculty. There is no other setting in which a law student can assume this level of responsibility.”

– Dean Margaret Johnson

attorneys often appear in cases before the Family Division of the Baltimore City Circuit Court, but they also may be involved in mediation in other contexts, such as cases in the Maryland Court of Special Appeals and in international abduction mediations under the Hague Convention.

In **2018-19**: Clinic student-attorneys represented clients in mediation and mediated family disputes in the Circuit Court of Baltimore City. Student-attorneys also made presentations about mediation and conflict resolution as part of the Center for Urban Families’ STRIVE Future Leaders Program, which focuses on enhancing career readiness for Baltimore youth.

Students enrolled in the **Mental Health Law Clinic** represent and advise children and adults facing involuntary psychiatric civil commitment within the Sheppard Pratt Health System. Student-attorneys handle cases, including the initial interviews of clients, witnesses and experts; case preparation; and investigation.

In **2018-19**: Students met with many adults and children, advising them of the right to postpone cases or to admit themselves

voluntarily, and preparing for representation at commitment hearings. Student-attorneys successfully argued for the release of individuals in cases in which procedural errors occurred and in cases on which the merits were at issue.

In the **Saul Ewing Civil Advocacy Clinic**, you will represent low-income clients in civil litigation. Caseloads are diverse and cover many areas of civil practice, including housing, employment, consumer rights, education and public benefits. Under faculty supervision, you will engage in the full range of activities involved in representing clients in litigation. The clinic also takes part in law reform projects to enhance civil legal policy and practice affecting low-income families and children.

In **2018-19**: Clinic student-attorneys advocated for low-income individuals facing incorrect debt collection actions, tenants living in substandard conditions, and individuals seeking to expunge criminal records so they can obtain employment.

Learn more about UB’s clinical law program at law.ubalt.edu/clinics.

CENTERS: CUSTOMIZE YOUR LEGAL EDUCATION

The UB School of Law's centers are designed to help you customize your legal education and allow you to pursue work you're passionate about while enriching your knowledge of the law. Our centers foster academic leadership, community engagement and advocacy for innovative legal policy.

By participating in a center's work, you will help effect change in the legal system. You'll also have the opportunity to enhance your oral advocacy and writing skills by competing for a spot on one of the law school's advocacy teams or by joining a student-run journal.

The **Center on Applied Feminism** works to apply the insights of feminist theory to create social change and to reform law. In addition to holding conferences and regular colloquia on emerging legal areas that intersect with feminism, the center sponsors the Special Topics in Applied Feminism course and helps students plan for careers in feminist advocacy.

In **2018-19**: The center co-sponsored with the UB *Law Review* the 11th Feminist Legal Theory Conference: "Applied Feminism and #MeToo." The conference mixed activism and scholarship focusing on sexual harassment and gender-based violence law. Sixteen scholars and practitioners presented papers concerning a wide array of legal topics, from sexual assaults during police searches to the credibility of survivors in courtrooms.

The keynote speaker was Debra Katz, the lawyer who represented Christine Blasey Ford during the confirmation hearings for now-Justice Brett Kavanaugh. In addition, hotel workers from a union presented about being sexually harassed and their

campaign to end such treatment in hotels. Center members continued to work with UB law students and the Reproductive Justice Inside coalition to create model policies for reproductive health care and menstrual hygiene product access for Maryland correctional facilities.

The **Center for International and Comparative Law** studies human rights, democratic institutions, international trade, international courts and the legal basis of international relations. It also sponsors learning opportunities involving a broad range of international law topics for students, staff and faculty at the law school. The center houses the Secretariat of the American Society of Comparative Law and directs the publication of its book series, *ASCL Studies in Comparative Law*. The center also directs the publication of the series *ASIL Studies in International Legal Theory for the American Society of International Law*.

In **2018-19**: Center members engaged in public outreach activities, including panels involving comparative perspectives on the

#MeToo movement, feminist approaches to international adjudication, and gender and racial diversity before international courts and tribunals. The center hosted Richard Verma, former U.S. ambassador to India, as the John Sumner Stead Lecturer this past year. It also organized a field trip to the Organization of American States and the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights for three law school courses, which involved a simulation on migrant children separated at the U.S.-Mexico border.

The **Center for the Law of Intellectual Property and Technology** promotes research, education and legal practice in three intertwined areas of law. One aspect of the center's focus is intellectual property law, including copyright law, patent law, trade secret law and trademark law. The center also examines and publicizes legal issues stemming from the use of cutting-edge technologies. Finally, it supports the use of technology to understand the law.



Students in the Law and Human Rights and International Law courses enjoyed a visit to the Organization of American States in Washington, D.C., to learn about global human rights.

The **Center for Sport and the Law** sponsors academic symposia, generates scholarship and engages in community partnerships. It provides students with an enhanced understanding of the legal structures and institutions that shape various athletic contexts and offers opportunities for real-world application of their knowledge in the increasingly complex sports industry.

In **2018-19**: The 12th Annual UB Sports Law Symposium, "So You Want a Job in Sports Law?," featured talks by prominent football agents Tom Condon, J.D. '81, and Tony Agnone, J.D. '78; Nicholas B. Hawkins, J.D. '15, of Under Armour, and Brandon Etheridge, general counsel of the Baltimore Ravens. Numerous university athletic and NCAA compliance directors and other professional sports officials also spoke and answered student questions.

The **Sayra and Neil Meyerhoff Center for Families, Children and the Courts** is a national leader in promoting family law and family court reform that

incorporates therapeutic jurisprudence and the ecology of human development. The center is committed to ensure that the family justice system in Maryland, the nation and the world improves the lives of children and families and the health of communities.

In **2018-19**: The center's Truancy Court Program operated in five Baltimore City public schools. Its 11th annual Urban Child Symposium, "Housing and the Urban Child: Exploring the Landscape," attracted national scholars and featured a keynote address by Peter Edelman, a professor at Georgetown University. The center also completed a project to develop a model unified family court for Douglas County, Nebraska, and continued to lead the implementation of the nation's first Post-J.D. Certificate in Family Law, now offered online.

Learn more about the UB School of Law's centers at law.ubalt.edu/centers.

LEARNING ABOUT HUMAN RIGHTS AT THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES

Students taking International Law or Law and Human Rights courses joined students in the Immigrant Rights Clinic on a trip to the Organization of American States in Washington, D.C., in April 2019. The students met with dignitaries from the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights and learned about its role in international human rights law.

Following the discussion on the organization's history and principles, students engaged in a discussion with an ambassador from Chile. He highlighted that "democracy is the principle of human rights and security," and that at the core of his job, he strives to establish responsibility of states, to work cooperatively in negotiations to ensure justice is served and to further the principles of diplomacy for regional protection of human rights throughout the Americas.

According to student Ryan Frace, "This experience provided an extraordinary opportunity to hear from the perspective of a prominent international lawyer and helped encourage students to involve themselves in the creation of a culture where human rights are the foremost concern of international law. ...

"Field trips are not an integral part of law school curricula," he continues. "Nevertheless, they provide a break from the confines of a classroom and offer an unparalleled learning opportunity for students to engage in and align with the practical realities of their education. The trip reinforced the principles of human rights we learned in class, provided students access to methods of activism within global organizations and enhanced our knowledge of different cultures and perspectives.

"Despite the progress made on various fronts," he writes, "situations persist that present challenges for human rights at the global level and in the Americas. We all left more determined to carry out our duties as aspiring lawyers."

TRIAL ADVOCACY AND MOOT COURT

Advocacy teams and competitions accustom you to the etiquette and environment of a courtroom while sharpening the skills you need to build a persuasive argument. The UB School of Law offers two types of advocacy activities:

MOOT COURT TEAMS

UB sponsors several moot court teams. Students who participate in these teams build their written and oral advocacy skills by composing briefs and making appellate oral arguments in regional and national competitions. The Byron L. Warnken Moot Court Competition is held each year to select students for UB's moot court teams.

The UB School of Law **Tax Moot Court Team** was named second runner-up for oral argument in the 2019 National Tax Moot Court Competition. The UB team made the semifinals of the competition four out of the past five years and was named second runner-up for the past three years.

The UB School of Law's **Inter-American Court of Human Rights Moot Court Team** won the award for best brief in English at the 2018 Inter-American Court of Human Rights moot court competition.

TRIAL TEAMS

Trial teams conduct full trials in a competitive atmosphere. Students who participate in these teams learn how to present a case to a jury using persuasive trial tactics. UB sponsors teams in four trial competitions:

- American Association for Justice Student Trial Advocacy Competition
- American Bar Association Section of Labor and Employment Law Student Trial Advocacy Competition
- National Black Law Student Association Thurgood Marshall Mock Trial Competition
UB School of Law student Adanna Smith, J.D. '19, won Best Oral Advocate at the National Black Law Student Association's Thurgood Marshall Moot Court Competition in March 2019. She also won first place and Best Oral Advocate at the regional competition in February 2019.
- National Trial Competition.

STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

As a member of a student-run law journal, you will gain experience in research and writing and work closely with your peers to produce a scholarly publication. Journal members solicit articles from law faculty across the country and also write comments on topics of their own choosing.

University of Baltimore *Law Review*

The University of Baltimore *Law Review*, the law school's flagship journal, publishes three issues a year under the direction of its student-led executive board. Each issue provides in-depth analyses of issues of current concern to the legal community. *Law Review* membership reflects a student's academic excellence and top-notch skills in legal analysis, research and writing. The spring 2020 issue will include articles on immigration law.

In November 2019, the *Law Review* will present a two-day symposium, "400 Years: Slavery and the Criminal Justice System." The symposium will use the history of American enslavement as a lens to discuss slavery's evolution and its effects on our criminal justice system.

University of Baltimore *Law Forum*

Founded in 1970, the University of Baltimore *Law Forum* is an award-winning legal journal featuring articles and news of recent developments in the law. *Law Forum* membership reflects a student's excellence in scholastic achievement, as well as strong capabilities in legal analysis, research and writing. The *Law Forum* is published under the direction of a student editorial board and staff.

To learn more about these journals, visit law.ubalt.edu/academics/publications.

“*Law Review* provides an invaluable opportunity to polish the skills invaluable to lawyering: the ability to write well, edit one's own work and the work of others, and improve your ability to research effectively.”

– Prof. Audrey McFarlane, associate dean of faculty research & development and *Law Review* faculty adviser



“Moot court was the closest I came to actual lawyering. I did so much research and writing, and arguing and switching my argument. All of these skills were transferable when I worked at firms or for judges. Moot court made me a fierce competitor in law school and in the legal profession.”

— **ADANNA SMITH**
J.D. '19

WHILE AT UB

Research assistant, Prof. Phil Closius; National Black Law Students Association Thurgood Marshall Mock Trial Competition; member, Black Law Student Association; student-attorney, Criminal Practice Clinic: State's Attorney's Office Juvenile Division

B.S., University of Dayton



Living and studying in Baltimore will expose you to diverse legal opportunities, including an extensive range of government and nonprofit organizations in Maryland and nearby Washington, D.C. No matter what type of law you want to practice, you'll find your best legal education right here.

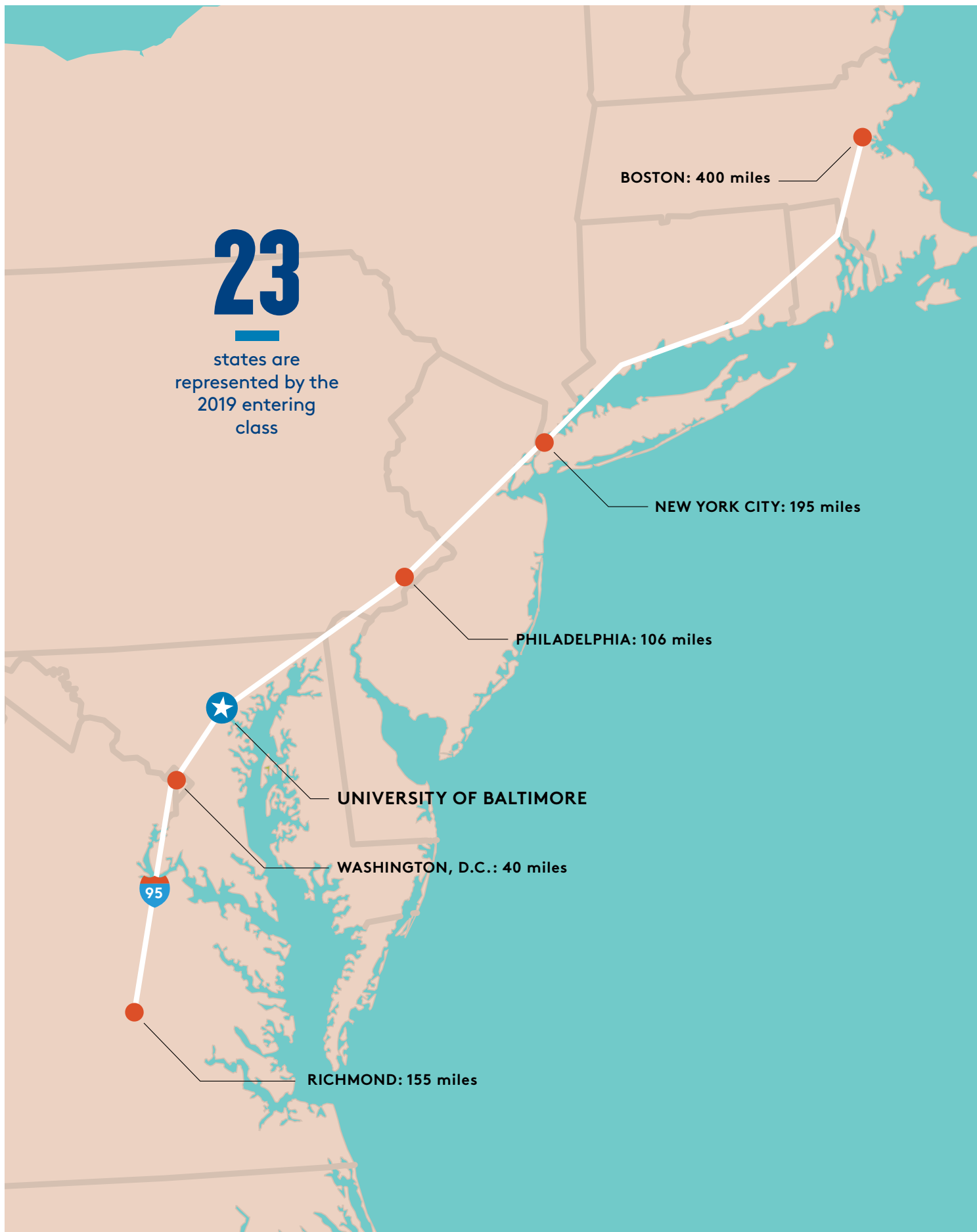
Your UB School of Law education will teach you to appreciate all angles and perspectives on issues and to collaborate with others to achieve the best results. You can gain experience by working with legal organizations, doing pro bono work, joining student groups and organizations or participating in programming sponsored by the law school. The UB School of Law brings members of the legal community to campus for panel discussions, symposia and mentoring while also placing students with practitioners in the field to ensure a dynamic, interactive and well-rounded legal education.

GETTING TO AND FROM THE LAW SCHOOL COULDN'T BE EASIER.

The main entrance to our building is just one block from Penn Station, on the Amtrak rail line. The University is also just a few blocks from Light Rail and subway stops. The Jones Falls Expressway (Interstate 83), which runs through the heart of Baltimore, has two exits serving the UB campus.

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states are represented by the 2019 entering class



PUT YOUR LAW DEGREE TO WORK. BECOME PART OF THE NETWORK.

The Maryland and Washington, D.C., area is home to nearly 10,000 UB School of Law alumni, many of whom enthusiastically mentor UB law students and enjoy cultivating success in new generations of UB-trained lawyers. In Baltimore alone, the legal community boasts nearly 3,000 UB alumni who are ready to support you as you embark on a legal career.

Students pursue a legal education often with the intention of practicing law. Others may not intend to practice law but know a law degree will help them achieve their career goals. A UB School of Law education will prepare you for whatever career path you choose.

According to the National Association for Law Placement, of the UB School of Law Class of 2018 graduates, 70.4 percent found employment in positions for which bar admission was required. An additional 13.8 percent of the Class of 2018 found employment in positions for which a J.D. was required or preferred by the employer. Alumni from the UB School of Law are employed in law firms, business and industry, the judiciary and public-interest organizations, as well as in government and public policy.

JUDICIAL CLERKSHIPS

The University of Baltimore School of Law has a demonstrated record of success in preparing students for highly prestigious post-graduate judicial clerkships. In fact, the UB School of Law ranks third in the nation* for the number of graduates securing judicial clerkships, consistently sending between 20 and 25 percent of each graduating class into these coveted positions at both trial and appellate courts.

It helps, of course, that so many UB School of Law alumni are represented in the Maryland judiciary—many serving on the bench and working behind the scenes. One-third of Maryland's current sitting judges are UB School of Law alumni.

Through judicial clerkships, our students develop a mentoring relationship with a judge, gain hands-on courtroom and chambers experience, and build the professional credentials that give them a competitive edge when applying for post-graduate positions with the region's leading law firms, public interest organizations and government agencies.

** according to Law.com's Law Grads Hiring Report for 2018*

MORE THAN 90 PERCENT

of Class of 2018 UB School of Law graduates found jobs within 10 months of graduation.

The organizations at which they work include:

- Alexander & Cleaver
- Baltimore City Department of Law
- Baltimore City State's Attorney's Office
- Baltimore County State's Attorney's Office
- Council, Baradel, Kosmerl & Nolan
- Eccleston and Wolf
- Erickson Immigration Group
- Homeless Persons Representation Project
- House of Ruth
- Internal Revenue Service
- Maryland General Assembly
- Maryland Legal Aid
- Maryland Office of the Public Defender
- Maryland state trial and appellate courts
- Miles & Stockbridge
- Montgomery County Public Schools
- National Security Agency, Office of General Counsel
- PayPal
- Pessin Katz Law
- Pillsbury
- Saul Ewing Arnstein & Lehr
- Semmes, Bowen & Semmes
- Social Security Administration
- Stein, Sperling, Bennett, DeJong, Driscoll & Greenberg
- U.S. Capitol Police
- U.S. Department of Defense
- U.S. Department of Homeland Security
- U.S. Department of Justice
- U.S. Department of State
- U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, Board of Veterans Appeals
- U.S. District Court, District of Maryland
- U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
- Venable
- Whiteford, Taylor & Preston
- Wise Law.

10-MONTH SURVEY OF 2018 GRADUATES

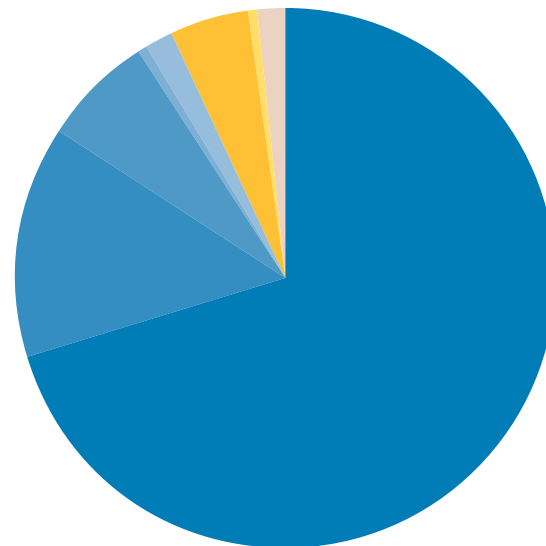
These charts are based on the 99.5 percent of the Class of 2018 who reported their employment status.*

EMPLOYMENT



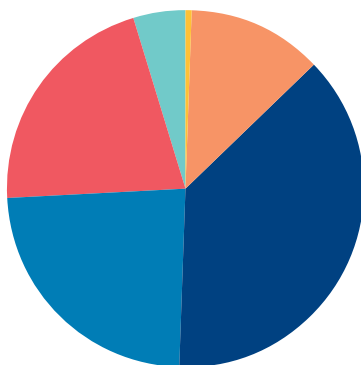
■ Employed (91.6%)

KNOWN EMPLOYMENT STATUS



- Employed—bar passage required (70.4%)
- Employed—J.D. Advantage** (13.8%)
- Employed—other professional (6.9%)
- Employed—nonprofessional (0.5%)
- Employed—start date deferred (1.5%)
- Unemployed—seeking employment (4.9%)
- Unemployed—not seeking employment (0.5%)
- Pursuing an additional full-time degree (1.5%)

PRACTICE SETTINGS OF EMPLOYED GRADUATES



- Academic (0.5%)
- Business or industry (12.4%)
- Judicial clerkships (37.6%)
- Private practice (23.7%)
- Government (21%)
- Public interest (4.8%)

*The employment information presented is self-reported by UB School of Law graduates. We regularly collect employment information from our most recent graduating class, following guidelines established by the National Association for Law Placement and the American Bar Association.

**The National Association for Law Placement (nalp.org) defines the J.D. Advantage category as the following: "Jobs in this category are those for which the employer sought an individual with a J.D., and perhaps even required a J.D., or for which the J.D. provided a demonstrable advantage in obtaining or performing the job, but are jobs that do not require bar passage, an active law license or involve practicing law. Examples of positions for which a J.D. is an advantage include a corporate contracts administrator, alternative dispute resolution specialist, government regulatory analyst, FBI agent, and accountant."

WHAT'S NEXT?

JUST A FEW STEPS STAND BETWEEN YOU AND THE BEGINNING OF YOUR LAW CAREER.

FALL 2019 ENTERING CLASS*

DAY PROGRAM

- Median GPA: 3.19
- Median LSAT: 153
- Gender: 50% male | 50% female
- Median age: 24

EVENING PROGRAM

- Median GPA: 3.18
- Median LSAT: 153
- Gender: 37% male | 63% female
- Median age: 27

ETHNICITY

- Asian: 6.73%
- Black/African American: 13.45%
- Caucasian/White: 59.64%
- Hispanic/Latino: 11.66%
- Identify with two or more ethnicities: 5.83%
- Not specified: 2.69%

Students represent 99 undergraduate institutions and 23 states.

*data as of 8/6/2019

GETTING STARTED

- Visit the Law School Admission Council online at lsac.org. There, you'll find our application, information about the LSAT and a guide to the law school application process.
- First-year and transfer applicants are required to register for the Credential Evaluation Service.
- Applicants for all programs are encouraged to apply through the LSAC. If you need to use a paper application, you may download the 2019 application at law.ubalt.edu/applynow.
- The UB School of Law admits students on a rolling basis. First-year applications are accepted for the fall semester only.

ANNUAL TUITION AND FEES (2019-20)

In-state full-time: \$32,850

In-state part-time (9 credits per semester): \$24,518

Out-of-state full-time: \$47,958

Out-of-state part-time (9 credits per semester): \$33,878

Learn more about tuition and fees at ubalt.edu/tuition.

Regional Rate

Some students who are not Maryland residents may still be eligible for in-state tuition rates. You may qualify for Maryland in-state tuition if you live in:

- Washington, D.C.
- Northern Virginia: Arlington, Clarke, Culpeper, Fairfax, Fauquier, Loudoun, Prince William, Rappahannock, Spotsylvania, Stafford and Warren counties as well as the cities of Alexandria, Fairfax, Falls Church, Fredericksburg, Manassas and Manassas Park

- Pennsylvania: Adams, Chester, Lancaster and York counties
- Delaware: all counties.

Please complete the regional rate section of the application to apply for the regional rate.

SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS

At the UB School of Law, we offer scholarships and grants to as many of our most qualified applicants as possible. The School of Law offered scholarships or grants to 70.2 percent of fall 2019 admitted applicants. The average offer to admitted applicants was \$16,500 for Maryland applicants and \$24,800 for out-of-state applicants. For the fall 2019 entering class, 56.8 percent of enrolled students received scholarships or grants.

Out-of-State Grants

Some students who do not qualify for in-state tuition may receive a special out-of-state grant of up to \$14,000 for their first year. Grants are based on your LSAT score and undergraduate GPA. Contact the Office of Law Admissions for details.

Scholarships for Maryland Residents

You are automatically considered for Maryland Higher Education Commission scholarships if you complete the FAFSA by May 1, are a Maryland resident and meet need-based requirements.

Scholarships for Academic Excellence

Upper-level students who excel academically in law school are eligible for scholarships through the Royal Graham Shannonhouse III Honor Society.

Learn more about these scholarships at law.ubalt.edu/scholarships.



VISIT US

The Office of Law Admissions can help you explore the opportunities offered by the UB School of Law. Schedules for classroom visits and counseling appointments can be found at law.ubalt.edu/admissions.

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