

# WELCOME TO CAPITAL LAW



As someone who recently went through the law school application process, I know that the journey to law school can be both exciting and stressful. However, finding and choosing Capital for my legal education has made it all worthwhile. I assure you that choosing Capital Law will be one of the best decisions you will make. At Capital, you will find a supportive, close-knit community that is dedicated to your success and willing to support you every step of the way.

Capital's strong reputation and supportive community are distinct. Choosing Capital Law means joining a family where you will be encouraged and supported to achieve your fullest potential. Capital offers a flexible and enriching experience that caters to your individual needs. In my time here, I've taken advantage of the student experience by serving as vice-president of the Corporate and Business Law Association and president of the Student Bar Association – and I've formed lasting friendships and invaluable connections along the way.

As president of Capital Law's SBA, I hope to contribute a strong sense of community where every student feels welcomed and supported. I am committed to ensuring that all students have access to the resources they need to be successful, both academically and personally. I look forward to welcoming you into our vibrant and inclusive Capital Law family.

Justin Fink
Student Bar Association President
Class of 2025

## A STEP ABOVE

At Capital Law, we know that becoming a lawyer requires you to not only learn the law, but also learn how to practice law. Our curriculum is designed to graduate legal professionals who are practice-ready; lawyers who are prepared to be successful and make a contribution their first day on the job. All students — full time and part time — are offered a practical education that is centered on experiential learning courses, externships, and clinical opportunities.

Here is a snapshot of the path at Capital Law:

#### First-Year Law

All 1L students work closely with the Office of Professional Development to identify one of four areas in which they would like to focus their studies: Business & Finance, Government & Public Policy, Public Interest & Justice, or Family & Estates. Students are matched with a faculty mentor who will guide their post-1L year course selection, allowing them to concentrate their learning in a specific area of legal study.

#### **Professional Pathways**

Law students have the option to explore a Professional Pathway and choose classes that focus on discrete areas of the law. Capital offers Professional Pathways in three areas: Compliance, Employment Law, and Intellectual Property. Each pathway integrates foundational knowledge, practice tools, and hands-on experiences.

#### COMPLIANCE

This suite of courses is an introduction into concepts that are found and practiced in human resources, policymaking, governmental regulation, and more.

#### Courses:

Capstone

- Survey of Government's Regulatory Environment
- Regulatory & Compliance Law
- Privacy & Data ProtectionAnalysis of Compliance Program

#### **EMPLOYMENT LAW**

In this pathway, classes and discussions focus on federal and state laws, draft complaints, contract negotiations, and non-compete agreements. Additionally, coursework explores the legality of discrimination, retaliation, the hiring process, employment claims, and workplace conduct.

#### Courses:

- Employment Law Foundations
- Employment Counseling Practicum
- Contractual Employment Practicum

#### INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

This pathway includes many parts of the law, allowing students to have the option to choose any or all three options. While Patent Law tends to suit those with STEM-backgrounds best, Trademark Law and Copyright Law are available and suited to all.

#### Course Areas:

- Trademark Law
  - Copyright LawPatent Law
  - racticum Patent





At Capital Law, we promote a skills-based, practical education. This comes from a strong balance of legal theory taught in the classroom and the application of law in applied learning experiences. Beginning in your first year, you'll work with the Office of Professional Development and participate in 1:1 assessments, career planning, and job search strategies. Throughout law school and with the collaboration of the Office of Professional Development, you'll continue to explore externships, internships, clinical opportunities, and future employment.

#### INTERNSHIPS

The Office of Professional Development posts 1100+ student and graduate positions annually. Many of our law students work for local government agencies, small and large law firms, and corporations. Examples include:

- Franklin County Prosecutor's Office
- Franklin County Public Defender's Office
- Columbus City Attorney's Office
- Nationwide Insurance

- Hilton Parker
- Frost Brown ToddCPS Solutions
- Ohio Public Defender

#### **EXTERNSHIPS**

Our location in Columbus offers opportunities for the Law School to develop an extensive externship base and partner pool. Capital collaborates with more than 50 local organizations, including:

- Franklin County Probate Court
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of Ohio
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Sixth Circuit
- Supreme Court of Ohio
- Franklin County Court of Common Pleas Domestic and Juvenile Division
- Ohio Attorney General's Office
- Nationwide InsuranceColumbus City Schools
- Legal Aid Society of ColumbusNationwide Children's Hospital

#### CLINICS

During the third year of law school, students can represent real clients by participating in Capital University Law School's Legal Clinic. Students will serve clients and participate in true-to-life solutions that make an impact. Capital Law Clinics help you develop essential lawyering skills in interviewing, negotiation, client counseling, legal research, case management, and drafting legal documents — just to name a few. Students are assigned cases in the following areas:

- Criminal Defense
- Criminal Prosecution
- Domestic Relations

- Estate Planning
- Civil Matters
- Family Advocacy



## RAISING THE BAR

All incoming students participate in Fall Semester Launch activities offered through the Academic Success Program. Students engage in workshops, academic coaching, and individual skills instruction that provide them with tools they need to be successful throughout law school.

The Academic Success Program also offers training in case reading and briefing, exam writing, and note taking. Capital Law's Bar Success Program, offered to third-year law students, is designed to familiarize students with bar exam formats and test-taking techniques that will help them succeed in any jurisdiction.

#### DIVERSITY. EQUITY. AND INCLUSION

Capital Law's Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion plays a vital role in fostering a supportive learning environment on campus. We believe that a diverse and inclusive legal community leads to greater knowledge and empathy, and ultimately, better legal practitioners. We understand that navigating law school can be challenging, particularly for students from underrepresented backgrounds. The Office of DEI offers a range of services and activities designed to ensure that all students have the resources to succeed. Students who are interested in performing DEI work on campus are invited to join the Dean's Advisory Council on Inclusion, Diversity, and Equity.

Capital Law has been recognized as a criminal law leader as well as a leader in family law and alternative dispute resolution, earning an "A-" ranking for family law and alternative dispute resolution.

PreLaw Magazine, Spring 2024 (alternative dispute resolution); PreLaw Magazine, Fall 2024 (family law and criminal law).

### A CAPITAL DISTINCTION

Founded in 1903, Capital University Law School is located in Columbus, Ohio, home to state and local government offices and thriving legal, business, and non-profit communities. From the beginning, our mission has been to extend equality and access to education regardless of race, sex, or social strata. Our graduates emerge practice-ready and are making an impact as attorneys, judges, and elected government officials in Ohio, across the nation, and throughout the world.



mission. We offer part-time and full-time programs for maximum flexibility. We continue to invest in our legal community and partnerships that create opportunities for learning and practice. At Capital, we never charge an application fee. In 2024, 100% of the incoming class received a scholarship, with a

Today and looking forward, we

remain committed to living our

minimum guaranteed scholarship amount of \$5,000. And while we're proud of our history, we're equally excited about our future. We hope you see your future with us at Capital Law.

#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

Columbus is home to the Supreme Court of Ohio. the Tenth District Court of Appeals, Franklin County Court of Appeals, and the Ohio Attorney

Columbus is home to a vibrant arts community, four professional sports teams, 230+ miles of multi-use recreational trails, the Arena and Brewery districts, and historic German Village.



CAPITAL LAW HAS OVER

LIVING ALUMNI — 4700 RESIDE IN CENTRAL OHIO

FORTUNE 1000 COMPANIES ARE HEADQUARTERED IN COLUMBUS

OF OUR ALUMNI WORK IN THE COLUMBUS AREA

LOCAL EXTERNSHIP PLACEMENTS

CITY FOR NEW GRADUATES AND A TOP TECH TALENT MARKET LEARN

GET TO KNOW US BY EXPLORING OUR WEBSITE OR TAKING A VIRTUAL TOUR.

### VISIT

WE'D LOVE TO WELCOME YOU HERE! SCHEDULE A PERSONAL VISIT, ATTEND AN OPEN HOUSE, OR SIT IN ON A CLASS.

### **APPLY**

WANT TO JOIN THE CAPITAL LAW COMMUNITY? OUR APPLICATION IS ALWAYS FREE — APPLY NOW!

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### **ELaw School**

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#### ACCREDITATION

Capital University Law School is approved by the Council of the Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar of the American Bar Association, 321 North Clark Street, Chicago, IL 60654, 312-988-6738

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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 bar admission agencies are available through the National Conference of Bar Examiners. Applicants can also find detailed information in the Comprehensive Guide to Bar Admission Requirements, published by the National Conference of Bar Examiners. Acceptance by Capital University Law School does not guarantee certification by any state's Board of Law Examiners.

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# **ELaw School**



# 2024 INCOMING CLASS\*

**INCOMING STUDENTS** 

30 PART-TIME / 149 FULL-TIME

**ULTIMATE BAR PASSAGE RATE ACTUAL IS 91.53%** 

STATES REPRESENTED

(AND CANADA)

**AVERAGE AGE** 

MEDIAN LSAT

MEDIAN GPA

UNDERGRADUATE MAJORS REPRESENTED

**ELECTIVE COURSES** \*Class profile as of August 12, 2024. OFFERED Visit law.capital.edu/required-disclosures for final 2024 statistics.

