EDUCATING THE WHOLE LAWYER
Think of this book as your introduction to how we approach law school. It has all the facts and figures you need, but it also shows there will be many dimensions to your time at Quinnipiac University School of Law—and to your future life as a lawyer. You will find stories of recent graduates who are forging their paths, as well as the professors who taught and mentored them during their time here. You will learn about life both inside and outside of the classroom, and opportunities in the field. It’s a point-counterpoint look at life at Quinnipiac Law and what distinguishes us from other law schools.
IT’S ALL ABOUT YOU.

Your time. Your effort. Your willingness to dive deep into the law, ask questions, hit dead ends, find a glimmer of light, emerge a better thinker—and a prepared lawyer.

IT’S NOT ALL ABOUT YOU.

It’s about the law—the Constitution and its infinite interpretations. It’s about the clients—understanding who they are and why they need you. By thinking fully about your clients, you will be the best lawyer you can be.
We educate the whole lawyer.

“Think like a lawyer, but feel like a human being.” That’s a quote from Dean Jennifer Gerarda Brown on what she sees as the goal for graduates of Quinnipiac Law. It is a philosophy centered around educating the “whole lawyer,” which means law students should retain their personal values and sense of self while becoming skilled practitioners of the law.
The whole lawyer works to understand the whole client.

Whole lawyers think holistically about their clients by considering the complexity of their needs and situations—using their deep understanding of the law to have a greater impact, time and time again.
The whole lawyer embodies personal and professional values.

Bring every part of yourself to Quinnipiac Law. All that you’ve learned, experienced, and been taught has shaped you. We will help find ways to deeply connect who you are with the professional you want to become, and the impact you can have on your clients and the world. Within this book, you will find stories of our students who have taken this approach to heart and found themselves in rewarding careers after graduation. We are excited to see where your journey as a lawyer will take you.
BE YOURSELF.

You have experiences, viewpoints, and passions that are respected here. Bring your unique story with you.

BE A LAWYER.

The law is complex, nuanced, and ever-changing. To earn the distinction of “lawyer,” you must know, respect, and honor the law.
Julie Altimier ‘17

Asylum Officer
U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services
Arlington, VA

Julie Altimier learned firsthand about international human rights law during a Quinnipiac Law externship in South Africa with the country’s Human Rights Commission. That experience helped her land a job with the U.S. Department of Justice, just outside Washington, D.C., which in turn led to her current post as an asylum officer with U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services.

Julie interviews asylum seekers from around the world, hearing their difficult stories and adjudicating their cases. The role has enormous challenges and profound rewards, she says, and calls for respect across the board—for the system and for the individual. “It is a privilege being able to listen to what people have gone through,” says Julie, speaking of her admiration for individuals determined to protect themselves and their families despite terrible circumstances. “Just seeing the resiliency of the human spirit is the flip side of any challenge.”

At Quinnipiac Law, she found the support and preparation she needed. “I left Quinnipiac confident that I had the skills necessary to successfully perform the job,” she says simply. “QU taught me how to be a good lawyer.”

Be the type of lawyer this world needs.

Lawyer—it is a title that carries weight. Yet it also carries deep responsibilities. Who you are and what you stand for will define the lawyer you will be.

At Quinnipiac University School of Law, we are focused on finding your interests and seeing how to translate them into your career. With true passion, you can represent clients, work to advance social justice, impact legislation, fight for those without a voice, and help businesses succeed and communities flourish. So find your inspiration and you will find your path to becoming a lawyer.
Passion becomes discipline.

POINT OF DISTINCTION
At Quinnipiac Law, you can personalize your studies through coursework, engagement with faculty, and meaningful practical experiences that reflect your individual passion, while building foundational knowledge and true expertise. Our JD program offers rich opportunities to focus on individual interests, and our eight concentrations (listed on page 62) allow you to delve deeply into particular areas of the law.

Be inspired:
Public Service
Families
Social Justice
Entrepreneurship
Creative Expression
Civil Rights
Health & Wellness
Education
Immigrant Rights
Business
Innovation
Sports & Entertainment
Communities
International Relations
Technology
Commerce
Environment
Fontaine Chambers ’24 says “advocacy is part of my core”—and it shows. Even before law school, she sought out opportunities to make a difference, from providing resources to Syrian refugees in London as an undergraduate study abroad student to advocating for local residents as the former co-chair of the Greater New Haven NAACP Legal Redress Committee. At the law school, where she is in the part-time program while working full time, she has taken on roles that position her to effect meaningful change, including vice president of the Quinnipiac Law chapter of the Black Law Students Association (BLSA) and Connecticut sub-regional director for the Northeast Region of the National Black Law Students Association (NEBLSA). She is particularly interested in employment and corporate law, and has a passion for civil rights and issues of diversity, equity, and inclusion. She is also a believer in the power of mentorship. “Creating equitable opportunities and providing enriching experiences for communities where hope is absent, and access is nearly nonexistent, is one reason I applied to law school.”
Ryann Glushek ’23 presented undergraduate research in Croatia about the impact of culture, corruption, and wealth on a country’s contract enforcement, and she’s following her interest in global business at the law school with a focus on international and transactional law. She has stepped up to leadership with law school groups that dovetail with her interests: Society for Dispute Resolution, Business Law Society, and International Human Rights Law Society. She also loves to share her knowledge of Quinnipiac—her undergraduate alma mater—working as a graduate assistant in the university’s admissions office and volunteering as an ambassador for the law school.

Kevin Black ’21 concentrated on criminal law and procedure, with a focus on Fourth and Fifth Amendment issues. He went for the total immersion approach, with leadership roles in the law school’s Mock Trial Society as vice president for external affairs, and Moot Court Society as vice president for external competitions and financial director. He also worked with the law school’s Prosecution Appellate Clinic. His main interests? Litigating and the role of the prosecutor. He is clearly comfortable in the courtroom, and that just might run in the family—his dad is a Quinnipiac Law Class of ’92 grad.
Scarlett Lara-Alcantara ’23 says tax law is her top interest at the law school right now, and she’s excited about putting her learning into practice in the Quinnipiac Tax Law Clinic. As a law student, she finds diving into complex concepts challenging but rewarding, and points to Professor Stephen Gilles’ Constitutional Law class as a favorite. Also rewarding is involvement with the Latinx Law Student Association (LLSA), she says. When it’s time to get away, Scarlett, who is from Alabama, loves exploring the sights—and flavors—of the Northeast from her convenient Quinnipiac home base.

Hugh Sokolski ’23 is focusing on workplace law, where he believes his ability to connect with people will help him be effective. Working with in-house counsel at a corporate internship, he assists in arbitrations, negotiations, and union matters. Other activities reflect his passions: exploring environmental justice issues, mentoring a child of incarcerated parents, and taking on leadership roles with the Student Bar Association and OutLaws. His personality and spirit of fun also come through in his activities: he’s live auction chair of the Public Interest Law Project and secretary of the law school’s Trivia Club.
INHALE.
Take it in. The courtroom is full. A jury sits to one side. Your opposition sits across from you, and the judge sits in front.

EXHALE.
You are prepared for the moments ahead. You have studied and dug deep into the issues. You are ready.
Take a few steps into our grand Ceremonial Courtroom and you’ll feel a range of emotions: excited, nervous, a sense of opportunity. It has been meticulously designed as a state-of-the-art courtroom, and that detail helps ensure our students are ready for their first case.

To practice law, first you have to practice.
Our commitment to preparation is intrinsic to a curriculum that blends the theoretical and the practical throughout, and which gives you the foundation of law—research, writing, analysis—combined with experiences like mock trials, externships, student groups, and more.

POINT OF DISTINCTION
Professor Brad Saxton leads his Employment Discrimination class in a thoughtful roundtable discussion. After the 1L year, the average class size is just 18 students, which sets the stage for deep engagement, dialogue, and personal connection.
Prepare to be immersed:

Opportunities to build your professional expertise begin as soon as you step through the door of our law center. Starting in your 2L year, you will be able to represent real clients through our externships and legal clinics, working under the guidance of a supervising attorney.

Connecticut’s generous student-practice rule allows supervised law students to represent actual clients after their first year—gaining exceptional practical experience ahead of students in many other states. You will strengthen your skills, broaden your knowledge, and explore what it means to be part of the legal profession.

Throughout your Quinnipiac Law experience, you also will have the chance to engage with professionals from across the legal spectrum who visit our campus for panels, workshops, and conferences, building your network and expanding your worldview.

Professional Development

You will learn early how attorneys and judges process the challenges of day-to-day practice through hands-on exercises, including Gateway to Practice, an immersive two-day experience for 1Ls. During the program, students work in mock law firms alongside practicing attorneys drawn from the ranks of the area’s legal professionals, taking on all aspects of a case for a fictional client.

Our programs prepare you for the many dimensions of actual practice—and the complex situations faced by your future clients. No matter which area of the law you pursue, you will need to understand the financial drivers and challenges your clients face, and as a 2L you will get a grounding in business and financial literacy during Business Concepts Boot Camp. You can also explore the business and organizational aspects of the field during the Transition to Practice Workshop offered in the spring.

Externships

Your 2L year opens the door to externships, one of the foremost ways to build real-world experience. At Quinnipiac Law, you can choose from more than 350 externship field sites in corporations, government, nonprofits, and private practice in a range of legal areas. During your externship, you might engage in a variety of practical skills and experiences, from working with in-house counsel at area corporations to interviewing witnesses and preparing trial strategy, from representing adults and children in alternative dispute resolution settings to assisting executive branch lawyers at the State Capitol.

Legal Clinics

Starting as a 2L, you can also make a powerful difference in the lives of others—and learn invaluable lessons in real-world practice—through work in our legal clinics, representing clients who otherwise may not be able to afford an attorney. Learn to gather and analyze evidence, prepare legal memoranda and briefs, testify at the state legislature, or argue before judges on behalf of clients working in our Civil Justice Clinic. Represent low- and moderate-income individuals in administrative and court proceedings before the IRS working in our Tax Clinic. In our Defense Appellate Clinic, you may represent indigent criminal defendants and argue appeals before the Connecticut Supreme Court.

Competition Teams

You will find challenging opportunities to test your abilities in competitive and collegial settings like those provided by our stellar competition teams, Mock Trial, Moot Court, and the Society for Dispute Resolution. Students who participate on these teams discover an extraordinary training ground for courtroom and collaborative skills as they compete against law students from around the country.

See page 63 for a complete list of externship categories and clinic practice areas.

→ POINT OF DISTINCTION

Every Quinnipiac Law student is guaranteed participation in one of our clinic or externship programs, and many take part in more than one. These experiences help students put theory into practice, preparing them to step into the profession. Here, graduates Greg Jones ’17 and Alma Nunley ’14 are in discussion at the Connecticut Supreme Court, where both served in the prestigious role of law clerk to justices on the Court. Alma is now an assistant attorney general for Connecticut and Greg is an attorney at Fazzano & Thomasiewicz, LLC.
Faculty members at Quinnipiac Law are exceedingly accomplished, bringing diverse backgrounds and perspectives to every classroom. Yet our faculty are extremely approachable. They build relationships that go beyond the classroom and become mentors for years to come.
POINT OF DISTINCTION
Quinnipiac’s innovative Day One Mentoring program provides students with guidance and support from the very start. Students are paired with a peer mentor from the 2L or 3L class and are also encouraged to participate in the optional faculty mentoring component. Day One is something of an understatement—your first engagement with peer and faculty mentors is often in the lead-up to the start of classes, even before you have arrived on campus.

Personal mentoring begins before your first class.

We could tell you about our professors, but it’s better to hear it from the people who were in your shoes not very long ago.

Professor Joseph Olivenbaum, director of the law school’s academic support programs, meets with a student.
“The first thing that stands out to me about Professor Saxton is how enthusiastic he is about teaching. He is incredibly knowledgeable—excited about what he is teaching and dedicated to helping students pick up the material.”

NICHOLLE MAILLE ‘20

“Professor Thomas welcomed me into the QU Law family a few days prior to orientation and I later found out he would be my Civil Procedure professor in the spring semester! He made learning civil procedure very practical and simple, incorporating various learning styles into his teaching process. He met with me on a weekly basis to go over the material, making sure I had the resources to succeed.”

KAYDEEN MAITLAND ‘21

“Judge Grossman bridges the gap between theory and practice, plain and simple. She is a fun and energetic professor who takes a personal interest in her students, drawing on her extensive experience as a litigator and judge to shape her students into the types of attorneys who will one day find success in the courtroom.”

KEVIN BLACK ‘21
“Professor Feigenson brings a genuine spirit and passion for teaching to each class and meeting. During my first semester of law school, his support was invaluable—meeting with me regularly to discuss class concepts, providing individualized guidance, and challenging me to utilize different perspectives when analyzing the law.”

JENNIFER GUZZARDI ’23

“Professor Farrell is warm and sociable—beloved by the law school. He loves teaching and is knowledgeable and approachable. An ardent supporter of the Public Interest Law Project (PILP), every year he auctions off an evening in his home for an Irish sing-along. It’s so much fun and shows what a genuine and friendly person he is.”

SARAH MARKHAM ’21

“Professor Herbst help me learn the complex subject of Civil Procedure, but she always made time to talk outside of class—whether about a specific class topic, other interesting areas of law, career advice, or life generally.”

NIKO DIMOPOULOS ’21

“Professor Ford’s classes are so enjoyable and informative—she is a great person and a great teacher. I often find myself telling my family and others about her and my experience with her classes.”

MARK A. O’CONNOR ’23
Professor and Associate Dean Jeffrey Cooper enjoys the annual Spring Fling on the law school lawn.

An engaged professor:

- listens
- supports
- shares
- plays to your strengths
- understands
- challenges
- has connections
- grabs coffee
- brings lessons to life
- answers text messages
- adapts
- takes the law seriously
- grows your network
You are embarking on a journey. You will pack a lifetime of questions and answers into your time at Quinnipiac Law. You’ll look at the law—and the world—in ways you had never considered before. And the fascinating, interesting people who make up our law school community will challenge and support you along the way.

It is a community that looks out for one another—supports and accepts one another. It is a community that comes from all over the country and has an impact across the globe.
Become part of a community, not just a class.

Students seek out Quinnipiac University School of Law because of our standard of excellence and strong sense of community. Your future classmates will come from all over the country and will bring their own unique experiences and perspectives with them. And they will eventually become part of your professional network after graduation.

**STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS**

More than 30 student organizations, many focused on different areas of the law, will help you find peers with similar interests, who will become lifelong friends. You’ll grow as a lawyer and a person.

- Asian Pacific American Law Students Association (APALSA)
- Black Law Students Association (BLSA)
- Business Law Society
- Christian Legal Society
- Criminal Law Society
- Family and Juvenile Law Society
- Federalist Society
- Health Law Society
- Hockey Society
- Human Trafficking Prevention Project (HTPP)
- Intellectual Property Law Society
- International Human Rights Law Society
- Italian American Law Students Association
- Jewish Law Society
- Latine Law Student Association (LLSA)
- Military Law Society
- Mock Trial Society
- Moot Court Society
- National Lawyers Guild, QU Chapter
- OutLaws (LGBTQ and allies)
- Phi Alpha Delta Legal Fraternity
- Public Interest Law Project (PILP)
- QU Law Soccer
- QU Law Softball
- Quinnipiac Health Law Journal
- Quinnipiac Law Review
- Quinnipiac Probate Law Journal
- Society for Dispute Resolution (SDR)
- Sports and Entertainment Law Society
- Student Bar Association (SBA)
- Tax Law Society
- Trivia Club
- Women’s Law Society
Nathan Schaller ’23
MINDEN, NEVADA
“This is my first New England community, and I found a small college feel without compromising the value of networking or opportunity. The law school’s social events were a wonderful way to get to know other students and faculty. Friendly faculty and peer mentors—I felt I could ask for advice without feeling intimidated.”

Samantha Figueroa ’21
BRONX, NEW YORK
“There were multiple moments throughout my first year that made Quinnipiac feel like home to me. One of the first times was when I met my mentors. Having upperclassmen be there to help me with whatever I needed and showing their full support at orientation really put me at ease.”

Ryan Bentz ’21
EPPING, NEW HAMPSHIRE
“When I first stepped foot into the law library I was surprised by the similarity it shared with the ideal picture of law school that I had in my mind. The Quinnipiac community is a close-knit and collaborative one that has allowed me to make the most out of law school.”

Why Quinnipiac?
In the last three years alone, our incoming students hailed from 28 states along with international locations. Our alumni can be found in 48 states, Washington, D.C., and abroad.

Diana Lamb ’21
ROWLAND HEIGHTS, CALIFORNIA
“Quinnipiac is located in a state and area that has so much history. It is a train ride from NYC and a lot of opportunities. Moving across the country was a big change, but the Quinnipiac community made me feel welcome on day one. The faculty and staff care about our success and are very supportive.”

Taylor Wilcox ’20
AUBREY, TEXAS
“Quinnipiac Law instantly made me feel like family. I was so confident in my decision that I committed without ever seeing the campus or even visiting Connecticut. I have never regretted my decision. The faculty, the administrative offices, and the law school strive for excellence and encourage each of their students to achieve their potential.”

Meagan Corugedo ’21
MIAMI, FLORIDA
“I went to the Admitted Student Open House and it felt like a perfect fit. The size of the school makes a perfect setting for really focusing in on the field. It’s so welcoming, with so much to do and so many groups to join.”

Akua-Aferba Ashong ’21
MICKLETON, NEW JERSEY
“It’s a tight-knit family and there is a lot of support from peers and faculty. I was surprised at how the professors were so willing to help the students and really made themselves available whether it was during office hours, email, or by phone.”

Patrick Hoerle ’21
ALAMOGORDO, NEW MEXICO
“Everyone is supportive of each other and really has an ‘all for one and one for all’ mindset. The amount of student-run groups gives a variety of experiences that students can try during their time at Quinnipiac.”
Quinnipiac’s location offers the comfort of a smaller campus with access to the Northeast power corridor. Being located in Connecticut provides opportunities to work on cases and interact with clients as early as your second year, while our location also means plenty of nearby networking opportunities. New Haven is an eclectic and progressive city and surrounding region where PhDs rub elbows with CFOs, creating an environment of opportunity and imagination that few places can match. Nearby Hartford, Stamford, and Bridgeport also bustle with life—and vast externship potential. Both Boston and New York are easy train rides away.
Play.

Our law school community takes full advantage of dynamic New Haven, one of southern New England’s liveliest centers for arts, dining, and entertainment. With a diverse music scene, acclaimed theaters, and reputation as an adventurous dining destination, New Haven delivers. When the outdoors beckons, you can wander along the shoreline, rent a kayak, canoe, or stand up paddleboard, bike along miles of linear trail, or hike a nearby hill to catch a view of Long Island Sound. And when the road beckons, head in almost any direction for all that the Northeast offers—from the big cities of Boston and New York to the mountains of northern New England or the Atlantic beaches—all within easy reach of Quinnipiac Law.

Quinnipiac Law students (above) take a break from their studies at BAR in downtown New Haven. In a city where pizza is legendary, upstart BAR has earned plenty of buzz with wood-fired mashed potato pizza and live DJ nights. Along with great food, nightlife, and music venues, the New Haven area offers up a lively array of events, concerts, and festivals. Sometimes, though, a long run along a leafy trail (below) is just the thing—and there are plenty of those to be explored, too.
PASS THE BAR.

You will be prepared for the exam of all exams. Our bar pass rate speaks to that.

RAISE THE BAR.

Your impact will go beyond an exam, or even your first job. We create lawyers whose impact will be felt for life.
Not only is Denia Perez the first DACA recipient to be admitted to practice law in the state of Connecticut, she worked to amend the language regarding qualifications in the Connecticut Practice Book to make it a reality.

At Quinnipiac Law, Denia used her time to understand the deeper complexities of the law, finding an environment that welcomed “long and nuanced conversation about relevant and controversial topics.” She also found experiences that connected theory and practice. “I was getting trained in deportation defense by some of the most creative and intellectually apt immigration attorneys in the country,” she says of an internship with a San Francisco non-profit during her 2L year.

Since graduation, Denia has served as policy advisor in the NYC Mayor’s Office of Immigrant Affairs and as an Immigrant Justice Corps Fellow with Make the Road New York. Recently, she took on her newest role as legal services manager for Immigrants Rising, an organization based in San Francisco that provides resources and support for undocumented young people.

Your story begins much like their stories.

They were once 1Ls, putting in long hours at the library and digging into Civil Procedure. Speak to a graduate of Quinnipiac University School of Law, and you will find a passionate, successful practitioner of law. But you won’t find them in one particular area or limited by one discipline, because our alumni find themselves across the country, around the globe, and in the middle of all types of interesting careers. Here are just a few of our recent alumni success stories.
Stefan Savic ‘13
Co-founding Partner
SavicFoley P.C., New York, NY

After growing up in Belgrade, Serbia, and attending Columbia University in New York, when it came time to find a law school, Stefan Savic wanted a place that could help him escape the grind of New York to focus on his studies. “I wanted to be somewhere still close to New York, but quiet enough so I wasn’t distracted.” Quinnipiac’s surroundings worked for him, but it was the community that helped him grow into the lawyer he is today.

Stefan worked at a civil litigation firm in lower Manhattan after graduation, and later joined Shipkevich PLLC, a small boutique firm, bringing with him his expertise as a litigator and establishing a litigation department at the firm. Earlier this year, Stefan co-launched a new firm, SavicFoley, taking his career to the next level.

“Quinnipiac taught me the practical ways of how to run a firm, deal with clients, and run a business,” says Stefan. Now a founding partner in his own firm, he still stays in touch with his classmates and professors, and is grateful to have people around the world whose opinions he values—many of whom trace back to his time at Quinnipiac Law.

Geraldo Parrilla ’19
Litigation Associate
Wheeler Trigg O’Donnell LLP, Denver, CO

As Geraldo Parrilla prepares for his new job at a litigation boutique in Denver, he reflects on what he has gained in his current post as a judicial law clerk at the U.S. District Court in New Haven. “I’ve improved as a writer, a legal thinker, and in my research ability.” Serving as a law clerk also prepared him to work at a rigorous pace. “You’re moving as quick as your docket,” he laughs.

Geraldo hadn’t originally planned on applying for a clerkship, but a passion for Moot Court and encouragement from professors, friends, and colleagues brought that path into view. “I wouldn’t trade the experience for anything,” he says.

Now he’s ready for his next step. “I really want to litigate, do trial work, argue motions—go to court and be on my feet.” His new job as a litigation associate at Wheeler Trigg O’Donnell LLP, which focuses on defensive litigation across multiple practice areas, checks a lot of those boxes.

Through it all he praises Quinnipiac Law professors and the dean as making a difference in his overall development. “The faculty really stand out—how available, present, reassuring, and validating they can be.”
Denise Krall ’15
Associate Attorney
Quinn McCabe LLP, New York, NY

An interview held at Quinnipiac Law put the wheels in motion for Denise Krall’s career. It was through that interview that she landed a summer intern position at a firm in Bridgeport, Connecticut. The work ethic she forged at the law school was noticed, as the firm brought her on full time after graduation. Eventually, she moved on to a role as an associate at Quinn McCabe LLP in New York City, where she currently works on building and construction transactions and litigation.

She traces her success to connections made at Quinnipiac Law. “From my first year on campus, I found 2L and 3L students who would mentor me and guide me forward. I don’t think you see that at many places. It’s competitive, but not cutthroat.”
At the end of the day, our job is to make you the most prepared lawyer possible, and our bar pass rate, job placement rates, and student success reflect that.

The numbers tell the story, but just as important, our students continue to create their own unique impact on their field of study. Our numbers are impressive, but you will never be a number; you will be a student of the law.
Total number of first-year students enrolled

129

Total number of first-year students enrolled

Data as of August 13, 2021

Employment Rate*

90%
2018

81%
2019

90%
2020

*Percent of QU Law graduates (classes of 2018, 2019, 2020) employed 10 months after graduation.

Employment by Industry**

Private Law Firms: 51%
Business & Industry: 20%
Government: 9%
Judicial Clerkship: 12%
Education: 3%
Public Interest: 1%

**QU Law Class of 2020. Comprehensive employment outcomes for the Quinnipiac Law Class of 2020 can be found at qu.edu/law/abaemployment

Ultimate Bar Passage***

88.5%

***Percent of QU Law graduates who passed the bar within two years of graduation, per the American Bar Association (ABA).
Programs and Opportunities

Programs
JD
JD/MBA (Master of Business Administration)
JD/MSW (Master of Social Work)
LLM in Health Law
JD/MELP* (Master of Environmental Law & Policy)
JD/MERL* (Master of Energy Regulation & Law)
JD/MFALP* (Master of Food and Agricultural Law and Policy)

*with Vermont Law

Concentrations
Civil Advocacy & Dispute Resolution
Criminal Law & Advocacy
Family Law
Health Law
Intellectual Property

Exterships
Business
Corporate Counsel
Criminal Justice
Employment & Labor
Environmental & Energy
Family & Juvenile
Health
Immigration
Intellectual Property
Judicial
Legal Services
Legislative
Mediation
Private Practice
Probate Law
Public Interest
Sports & Entertainment
Tax
Transaction Law

Clinic Practice Areas
Constitutional Law
Criminal Defense
Appellate Practice

International Law & Policy
Tax Law
Workplace Law

Criminal Prosecution
Appellate Practice
Employment Law
Family Law
Human Trafficking Prevention Project
Immigrants’ Rights Policy
Immigration & Refugee Law
Juvenile Justice
Mediation
Medical-Legal Partnership
Negotiation
Prisoner Reentry
Prisoners’ Rights
Tax
Transgender Rights
Veterans Advocacy
Veterans Benefits & Status Law
Women’s Rights

Journals
Quinnipiac Law Review
Health Law Journal
Probate Law Journal

JD program offered full time and part time.

Empowering individuals and communities
Quinnipiac Law students have had an impact in recent years on issues from death penalty reform to gender identity protections, working with individual clients and partnering with broad coalitions. One example is the all-out effort of the law school’s Human Trafficking Prevention Project’s partnership with the Connecticut Bar Association Committee on Human Trafficking and local nonprofits to advance an important anti-trafficking statute. The new legislation was signed into law this spring.

Advocating for justice and compassion
Legal clinic students take on cases that are life changing—even lifesaving. Professor Sarah Russell led a Quinnipiac Law team in litigating a class-action suit filed on behalf of people incarcerated at the Federal Correctional Institution in Danbury, Connecticut, calling for an improved response to COVID-19, including review of medically vulnerable individuals for release to home confinement. Following a settlement agreement, Quinnipiac students have been busy communicating with clients, participating in hearings, and reviewing medical records as cases are considered. Another effort, the Mediation Clinic’s Homelessness Mitigation Mediation Project, expanded the types of cases handled to include individuals displaced following the moratorium on evictions.

Practicing real-world resilience
Innovation was everywhere this year, from the law school’s first-of-its-kind virtual Negotiation Clinic engaged in Conscious Contracts work, which is a values-driven approach to business deals, to an exciting expansion of probate opportunities, including a new option that allows students to work with both a probate judge and probate lawyer to experience this area of law from both sides. Students in the field saw history unfold—judicial externs had a ringside seat to how a whole court system can change seemingly overnight to continue administering justice in the face of a public health crisis.

Developing a wider view
The law school will continue to offer ways for students to engage more broadly, including involvement in the ABA Legal Education Police Practices Consortium, an initiative that will leverage the expertise of the ABA and law schools to collaborate on projects to develop better police practices. Students also benefit from opportunities for international engagement. Examples from recent years: World Summit of Nobel Peace Laureates, Oxford Consortium on Human Rights and Humanitarian Action, service trips to Guatemala, and summer study at Trinity College in Dublin.
Great lawyers have questions. So ask us anything.

Admissions Information
Applicants aspiring to join our community must have earned a bachelor’s degree from an accredited college or university and have completed the Law School Admission Test (LSAT) and writing sample. The two most important criteria for selection are undergraduate scholastic record and LSAT score. The Faculty Admissions Committee also considers factors such as advanced degrees, work experience, extracurricular activities, and writing skills. We welcome applications from students of color, nontraditional students, and all students who add to the diversity of our student body because we believe that diversity enhances our dynamic learning environment.

Quinnipiac Law has a priority application deadline of March 1 for optimal fall admission and scholarship consideration. We encourage you to apply early; however, we operate on a rolling admissions basis and accept applications until August 1.

We attempt to review applicants’ files as soon as they are complete and to notify applicants of the Committee’s decision as soon as possible. However, in an attempt to enroll the best possible class, many decisions are not finalized for the fall semester until March or April.

In addition to the full-time day program that begins each fall, we also offer fall enrollment for students who wish to study on a part-time basis in the evening. The part-time program typically takes four years to complete. Part-time students may transfer into the full-time program after successfully completing two semesters, potentially earning the JD degree in three years.

Learn more, or apply online:
qu.edu/law/admissions

Financial Aid & Scholarships
Tuition for the 2021-2022 academic year is $51,780 for full-time students and approximately $36,200 for part-time students, based on an average of 10 credits per semester at $1,810 per credit. Students incur additional expenses for housing, food, transportation, and books. Financial assistance is available to students through federal and private loans, scholarships, and Federal Work-Study. Approximately 92 percent of all enrolled students receive funding through these sources.

Dean’s Fellows
Full-tuition scholarships
$1,500 educational stipend
Opportunity for work as a faculty research assistant
Special networking opportunities

Merit Scholarships
$5,000 to $40,000

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