

\rightarrow POINT OF DISTINCTION

Our campus is a state-of-the-art center for study and collaboration—equipped to support your growth as a professional, designed to inspire you on that journey. It is also an emerging destination for the wider legal community to gather for professional meetings, conferences, speakers, even visiting sessions of the State Supreme Court. The law school is located on Quinnipiac University's beautiful North Haven Campus along with the Frank H. Netter MD School of Medicine and graduate programs from a variety of disciplines—a vibrant and connected academic community offering interprofessional opportunities.

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.

IT'S NOT 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 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.







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.

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Quinnipiac Law students have a stunning array of opportunities that challenge them to think like lawyers, testing themselves and building the capacity to meld knowledge, composure, and skill on behalf of clients. Here, Caitlin Murphy '20 makes her case during a Mock Trial competition in the law school's Ceremonial Courtroom. In spring 2020, Caitlin placed 7 out of 170 law students from 67 law schools across the country in the first National Online Trial Advocacy Competition, showing skill and professionalism as competitions pivoted to a virtual format.



BE YOURSELF.

BE A LAWYER.



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

The law is complex, nuanced, and ever-changing. To earn the distinction of "lawyer," you must know, respect, and honor the law.





Be yourself:

outgoing empathetic respectful leader

George Morgan Jr. '21 stepped into his role of Student Bar Association (SBA) president in spring 2020 as students grappled with the realities of the pandemic and continued issues of racial injustice in our country. He made listening to his fellow students a priority, working to get answers to their questions and pulling together meaningful community conversations. "My goal with SBA is that every student feels like they have a forum where they can be heard," he says. George, who also serves as chair of the Northeast Region of the National Black Law Students Association (NBLSA), is focusing on the International Law and Policy concentration at the law school, a reflection of his desire to push the envelope in understanding others. "When you're on the outside, you just can't get it," he says of his determination to experience other cultures. "That's what makes me step outside my comfort zone." He credits the law school for providing support and opportunities: "Quinnipiac Law has definitely been a home for me. It's genuinely hard to picture myself at another school."









INHALE.

EXHALE.



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.

You are prepared for the moments ahead. You have studied and dug deep into the issues. You are ready.





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 ILs. 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. Later, you can explore the keys to running a successful law practice during the Business of Law Workshop for 3Ls and 4Ls.

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 300 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 legislature, or argue before judges on behalf of clients working in our Civil Justice Clinic. Represent low- and moderateincome individuals in administrative and court proceedings before the IRS working in our Tax Clinic. In our Defense Appellate Clinic, you might 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 62 for a complete list of externship categories and clinic practice areas.





SCHOLAR. ESTEEMED PROFESSOR.

MENTOR. COLLEAGUE.



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.





"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

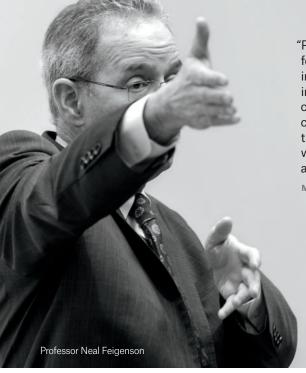
"Professor Thomas welcomed me into the QU Law family a few days prior to orientation and I later found out he would be my Civil Procedure professor in the spring semester! He made learning civil procedure very practical and simple, incorporating various learning styles into his teaching process. He met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

KAYDEEN MAITLAND '21

"Judge Grossman has greatly impacted my law school experience, both in and out of the classroom. From learning practical legal skills to organizing the International Human Rights Law Society trip to Nicaragua, she has shown me what it means to embody the whole lawyer."

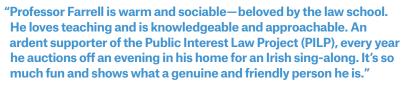
KATE MORGAN '19





"Professor Feigenson's enthusiasm for the subject matter was evident in his course, Visual Persuasion in the Law. Reaching far beyond the constraints of a typical law school course, students were challenged to tap into their creativity and intuition while creating courtroom visual aids and video closing statements."

MERYL GERSZ '19

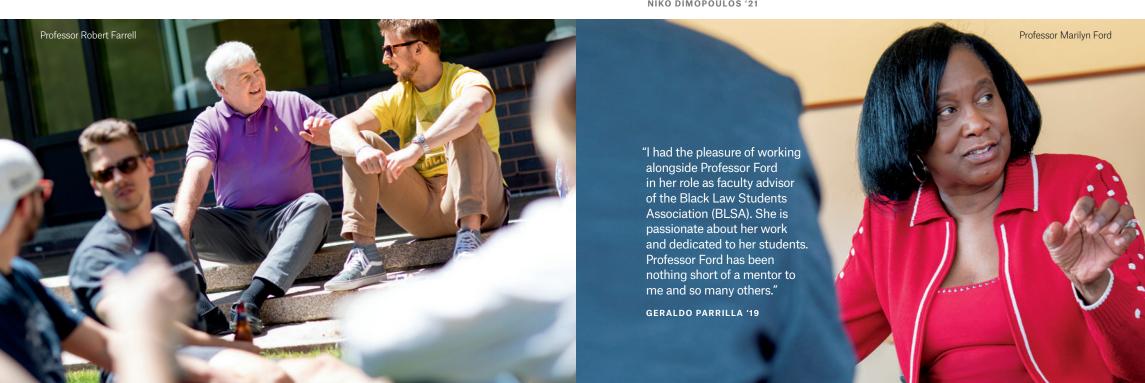


SARAH MARKHAM '21



"Not only did 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





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



CLOSE KNIT.

FAR REACHING.



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 that 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) 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

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

Latino Law Student





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."

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."



"When I first stepped foot into the law

that I had in my mind. The Quinnipiac

one that has allowed me to make the

most out of law school."

library I was surprised by the similarity it shared with the ideal picture of law school

community is a close-knit and collaborative

Ryan Bentz '21 EPPING, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Why Quinnipiac?

In the last three years alone, our incoming students hailed from 26 different states along with international locations. Our alumni can be found in 48 of the 50 states, Washington, D.C., and abroad.



Quinnipiac University

Brandy Parry '20

LAKEWOOD, COLORADO

"I was looking for a law school with smaller class sizes. I didn't want to be another face in the crowd—I really wanted to build that bond. The community at Quinnipiac Law is really close. And Connecticut is beautiful! When fall hits, it's incredible to be in a place with four seasons."

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."

Olivia Pesch '20

GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA

"Quinnipiac has a nice small town feel. However, it is only a two-hour train ride away from New York. It's the best of both worlds! The beauty of the campus makes you want to be here."

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."



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



Downtown New Haven

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.

RAISE THE BAR.



You will be prepared for the exam of all exams. Our bar pass rate speaks to that. Your impact will go beyond an exam, or even your first job. We create lawyers whose impact will be felt for life.



Your story begins much like their stories.

They were once ILs, 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

Partner Shipkevich PLLC, 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 graduating from Quinnipiac Law. He later joined Shipkevich PLLC, a small boutique firm, bringing with him his expertise as a litigator and establishing a litigation department at the firm. "Quinnipiac taught me the practical ways of how to run a firm, deal with clients, and run a business," says Stefan.

Now a partner at Shipkevich, he still stays in touch with his classmates and professors, and is grateful to have people around the world whose opinions he values—and they all trace back to his time at Quinnipiac Law.

Edward Duarte '19

Law Clerk Hunterdon County Superior Court of New Jersey, Family Division

The opportunity for personal connection is a big reason Ed Duarte chose Quinnipiac Law, and it was a law school connection that helped him land a prestigious clerkship for a family law judge in New Jersey. His peer mentor at the law school had clerked for the same judge, and when the opening came up, she encouraged Ed to apply. "It was the connections I made at Quinnipiac that helped me get where I am now," he says.

As a judicial law clerk, Ed writes motions, reviews pleadings, and provides legal analysis to the judge. He has also served as the court-trained settlement facilitator. He is struck by the impact family law has on all involved: "It's a powerful thing that has ripple effects," he says. The clerkship has been "an invaluable experience," helping him build expertise and forge relationships, just as he did in law school.

"Quinnipiac taught me how to make those connections—and use those connections and networking opportunities to find the next step."





FACTS.

FIGURES.



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.

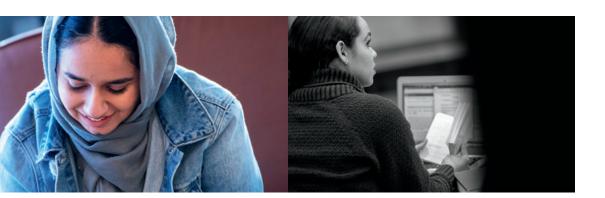
Our numbers are impressive, but you will never be a number; you will be a student of the law.

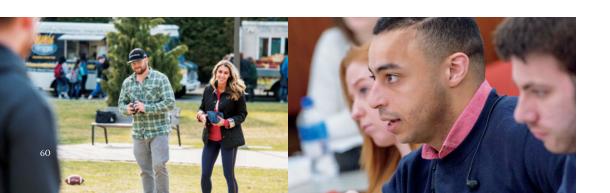






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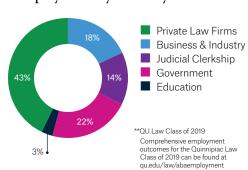


Employment Rate*

90%

*Percent of 2019 QU Law graduates employed 10 months after graduation.

Employment by Industry**



Three-year Bar Pass Rate***

77% 70%

QU Law graduates

All test takers statewide

***Rates reflect three-year totals for first-time test takers of the CT bar exam, 2017, 2018, 2019.

Student/Faculty Ratio

9:1



LLM in Health Law Health Care Compliance

Certificate

ID/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

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

Clinic Practice Areas

Constitutional Law Criminal Defense Appellate Practice Immigration & Refugee Law

Juvenile Justice

Mediation

Medical-Legal Partnership

Prisoner Reentry Prisoners' Rights

Tax

Transactional Practice

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.

Practical Impact

Quinnipiac Law students take on cases and advocate for policy initiatives on behalf of clients in our on-campus legal clinics, spread out across the region and beyond in a range of professional settings through our externships, and engage in activities that broaden their global perspective.

Empowering individuals and communities

Quinnipiac Law students have had an impact on issues from death penalty reform to gender identity protections, working with individual clients and partnering with broad coalitions to effect legislation and change lives. The law school's student-led Human Trafficking Prevention Project, for example, has been expanding its efforts, this year partnering with the Connecticut Bar Association Committee on Human Trafficking and working with the state legislature's Judiciary Committee toward proposing an important new anti-trafficking amendment.

Advocating for justice and compassion

Legal clinic students take on cases that spotlight the challenges of low-income individuals, and how crucial legal representation can be to providing second chances. Case in point: working with their supervising attorney, law students assisted in securing compassionate release for a prisoner suffering from a spine injury whose treatment could have been delayed due to COVID-19 disruptions.

Practicing real-world resilience

From corporate legal departments to community health care, and with federal judges to legal aid attorneys, externship students learn skills—and how to innovate. One such moment: Quinnipiac Law students externing with a major Hartford insurance company were working on cases involving the California wildfires when the pandemic disrupted in-person work, so they packed up, shifted to virtual and never missed a beat-learning lessons of professionalism and perseverance.

Developing a global view

Quinnipiac Law students gain understanding of global issues and the complexity of working across cultures through a slate of international opportunities. Recent examples: World Summit of Nobel Peace Laureates, Oxford Consortium on Human Rights and Humanitarian Action, service trips to Guatemala, individual externships, and summer legal 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 1st 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 1st.

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

Priority application deadline

March 1 (rolling admissions)

Application deadline for Dean's Fellows Awards February 1

For more information

Call the Office of Admissions: 203-582-3400 or email us at law@qu.edu

Financial Aid & Scholarships

Tuition for the 2020–2021 academic year is \$50,510 for full-time students and approximately \$35,300 for part-time students, based on an average of 10 credits per semester at \$1,765 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 the work-study program. Approximately 97 percent of all enrolled students receive funding through these sources.

Dean's Fellows

Full-tuition scholarships
Opportunity for work as a faculty
research assistant
Special networking opportunities

Legal Scholar Awards

Full-tuition scholarships

Merit Scholarships

\$5,000 to \$40,000

Distinguished Scholar Awards

Diversity-based awards Awards range from \$10,000 to \$40,000

Financial Aid

Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) Our FAFSA federal school code is: 001402

Learn More

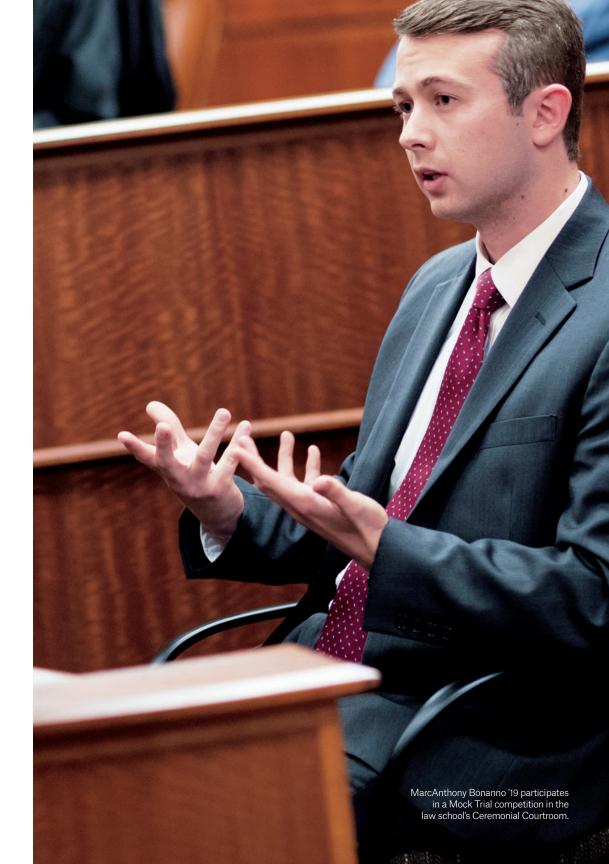
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For the latest on offerings and programs at Quinnipiac University School of Law, including updates and information on the university's COVID-19 response, visit law.qu.edu.

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