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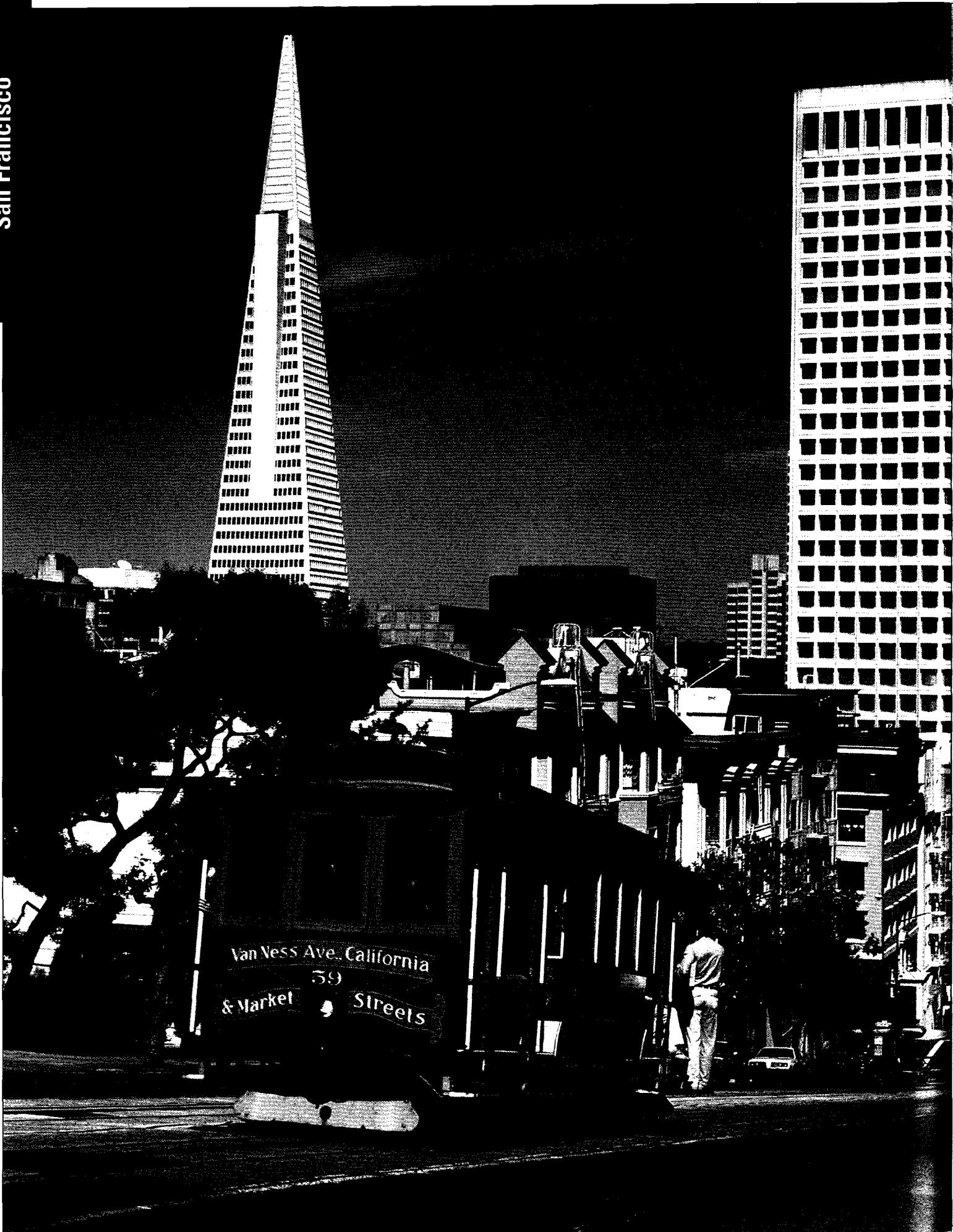
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Golden Gate University School of Law



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“Golden Gate emphasizes practical legal education. Students . . . work in law firms, government agencies, and corporations. They interact with clients, litigate in court, face judges, and get to know other lawyers”

Dean's Message

Learning to be a lawyer at Golden Gate is a dynamic process alive with exciting and challenging experiences. Our education has a great many unique and superb qualities, just as, in the same way, the incomparable, breathtaking beauty of the surrounding San Francisco Bay Area is itself unique. Professors and students teach and learn in the heart of downtown San Francisco, in the vibrant cultural, commercial, and legal center of one of the world's greatest cities.

Golden Gate University School of Law is legal education at its best. The school has unsurpassed talent in teaching and in scholarship. At other law schools, students often feel abandoned and set adrift, without anybody to care about them. But at Golden Gate, our professors form close bonds with students and care about their success. Students can be secure in knowing that they have concerned, effective mentors who will enthusiastically cheer them on and guide them through their law school years.

Best of all, Golden Gate emphasizes practical legal education. Students learn both legal theory and how to be lawyers. They work in law firms, government agencies, and corporations. They interact with clients, litigate in court, face judges, and get to know other lawyers. They perfect their lawyering skills while they study law. Perhaps most valuable from a career standpoint, students develop a personal legal network in the outside world. The result is that Golden Gate University law graduates hit the ground running.

Come join us. Guarantee yourself a successful and personally fulfilling legal career by becoming a lawyer at Golden Gate University School of Law.

Peter G. Keane, Dean

The University and the Law School

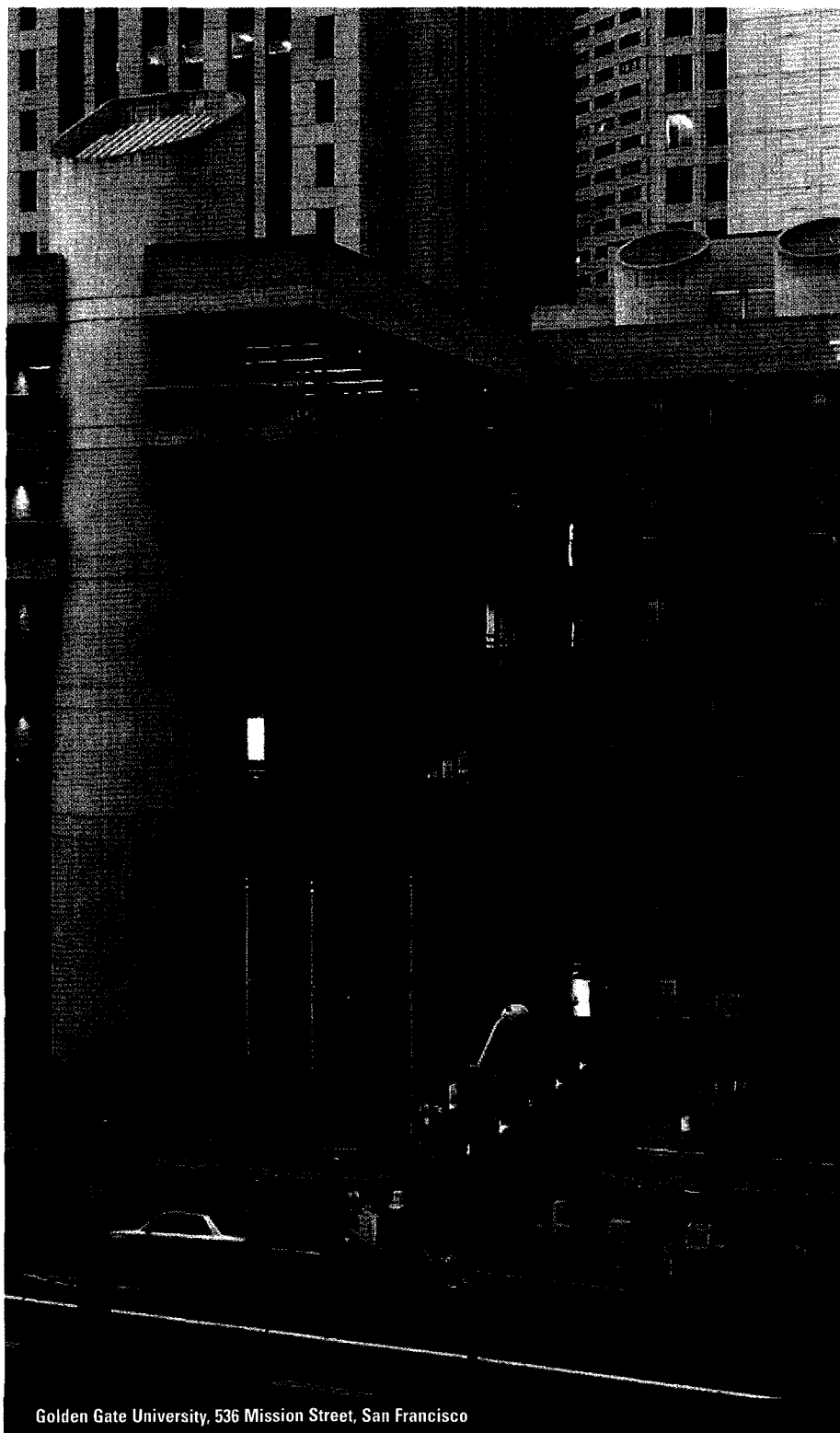
Golden Gate University School of Law is located in the heart of downtown

San Francisco, gateway to the Pacific Rim and one of the most beautiful cities in the world.

Golden Gate University is a private, nonprofit institution of higher education and a major center for professional study in the fields of law, business, information technology, and tax. It is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges.

The School of Law, founded in 1901, is fully accredited by the American Bar Association and the Committee of Bar Examiners of the State of California and is a member of the Association of American Law Schools. Graduates qualify to take the bar exam in all 50 states and in the District of Columbia. The school offers a full-time day program and a part-time evening program leading to the Doctor of Jurisprudence (J.D.) degree. Combined degrees and graduate degrees are also awarded.

Golden Gate's 750 law students include working professionals and recent college graduates from more than 100 undergraduate and graduate institutions. They come from across the United States and from a number of foreign nations, and they represent a wide spectrum of ethnic, economic, and cultural backgrounds.



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The History of Golden Gate Law

Golden Gate University School of Law recently celebrated its centennial, its first 100 years of meeting the needs of law students and the legal community.

Early Years

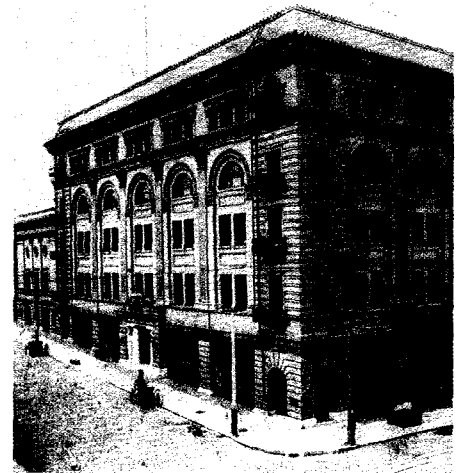
The history of Golden Gate University School of Law is as dynamic as the city in which it thrives. The School of Law traces its roots to a movement within the Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA) in the late 1800s. In 1883, the San Francisco branch started the YMCA Evening School for working adults. In the nineteenth century, law school was only an option for wealthy students who could attend classes full time. At the turn of the twentieth century, in a number of great cities in the United States, the YMCA created evening law schools in downtown urban centers so that working people

would have a path of entry into the legal profession. In October 1901, the YMCA Evening Law School opened in San Francisco.

On the morning of April 18, 1906, the great earthquake hit San Francisco, and between the trembling of the earth and the ensuing fire, the city was devastated. Although the YMCA building was destroyed, the organization was undaunted. It immediately set up tents and rented spaces in other buildings to hold classes and other activities.

The general secretary of the YMCA, Henry J. McCoy, traveled to the East Coast to raise funds for a new building. He eventually raised \$500,000 from donors that included John D. Rockefeller and J.P. Morgan. Located at 220 Golden Gate Avenue, the new building, which housed the Evening Law School for 57 years, opened in 1910.

In 1923, the educational arm of the YMCA changed its name to Golden Gate Evening College, a new name suggested by Charles Pool, a law student. The college was incorporated in that same year, but it maintained close ties with the YMCA for 40 more years.



The YMCA building at Mason and Ellis Streets opened in 1894. YMCA Evening Law School classes began here in 1901.

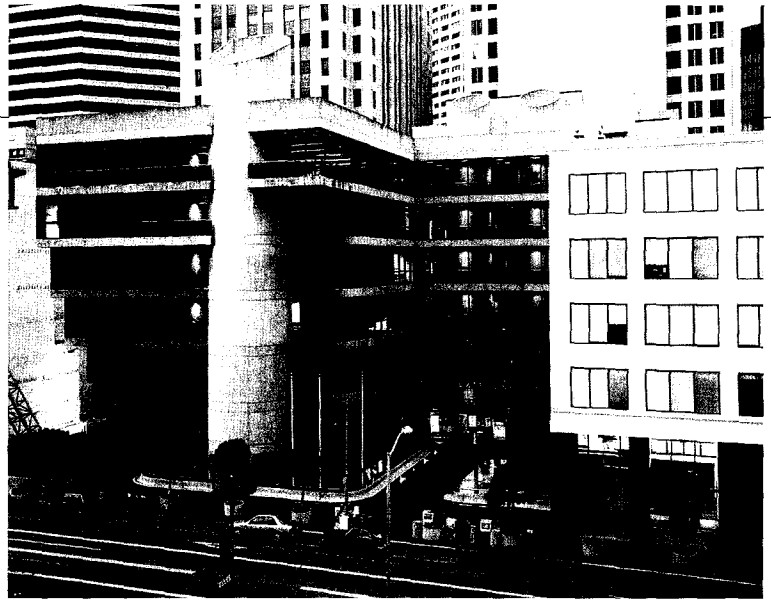
Accreditation and Growth

In 1937, the State Bar of California adopted its first accreditation standards for law schools. Golden Gate met the new requirements and was accredited in 1939. In 1956, the School of Law was given provisional accreditation by the American Bar Association. (Full accreditation was granted in 1971.) In 1980, the School of Law joined the Association of American Law Schools (AALS).

The 1928 graduating class included two women.



Golden Gate University completed the western addition to the building in 1977.



The YMCA building was destroyed in the 1906 earthquake and fire.



After the 1906 earthquake and fire, classes were held in tents.



The new YMCA building at 220 Golden Gate Avenue opened in 1910.

Groundbreaking Events

Throughout its first century, Golden Gate University School of Law has been a groundbreaking institution.

- It was northern California's third law school.
- It was northern California's first evening law school.
- As early as 1928, two women were in the school's graduating class.
- It was the first exclusively part-time evening law school west of St. Paul to receive ABA accreditation.
- Judith McKelvey, appointed dean in 1973, was only the second woman in the United States to serve as dean of an ABA-accredited law school.

Meeting Needs

The School of Law has a history of developing a practical and flexible set of programs to meet the needs of law students, the community, and the legal profession. These programs include the Public Interest Scholars Program (founded in 1997); the Women's Employment Rights Clinic (1993); the Environmental Law and Justice Clinic (1994); and graduate programs in taxation (1978), international legal

studies (1995), environmental law (1998), U.S. legal studies (1998), and intellectual property law (2002).

In 1998, the School of Law established the unique Honors Lawyering Program through which students participate in two semester-long apprenticeships in law firms, government offices, or other legal organizations.

Entering the Second Century

Golden Gate University School of Law looks ahead to meeting new challenges in training lawyers who effectively deliver legal services to the community. During 2001-02, the School of Law undertook an \$18 million renovation of its physical facilities, turning the school into a state-of-the-art legal center that will be a national model for the teaching of law. These enhanced facilities, together with the continued focus on meeting student and community needs, set the School of Law apart in its second century.

Come visit "The First 100 Years" timeline on the walls of the second floor of Golden Gate University and take a historical and photographic journey through our first century.

In 1964, Golden Gate College bought its own building at 536 Mission Street. At that time, the School of Law began a full-time day program in addition to its part-time evening program. In 1972, Golden Gate College became Golden Gate University and in 1977, built a new "west wing," which became the university's main building.

Golden Gate University School of Law began as a YMCA night law school with a noble mission: to provide to working people, for whom the path into the legal profession through full-time study was closed, a way to become lawyers . . .

What We Stand For

The ethic we share at Golden Gate University School of Law is that lawyering is an honorable profession, worthy of the public's trust. Toward that end, we provide students with a solid foundation in legal theory and the skills necessary to practice law successfully.

Professional Skills Development

Clinical Programs. With three on-site clinics and ten field-placement clinics, Golden Gate University School of Law has one of the most extensive clinical programs in the country. You gain valuable legal experience while you earn law school credits.

Specializations. We offer certificates of specialization in business law, criminal law, environmental law, intellectual property law, international law, labor and employment law, litigation, public interest law, and real estate law.

Honors Lawyering Program. Students in this unique program participate in two semester-long professional apprenticeships, applying classroom experiences to solve the problems of real clients.

Joint Degrees. You may earn a combined J.D./M.B.A., studying in the heart of San Francisco's legal and business district. Or, you may earn a J.D./Ph.D. in clinical psychology, combining great skills for a career that combines both disciplines.

Law Library. Our Law Library houses the largest law collection in the financial district of San Francisco and offers access to essential online research services.

Law Journals. Our students have opportunities to work on the *Golden Gate University Law Review* (three to four issues per year), *The Intellectual Property Law Journal*, and the *Annual Survey of International and Comparative Law*.

Faculty

You will be taught by an accomplished, diverse faculty who practiced law before teaching. They are experts in a wide range of legal areas—from litigation to labor law, corporate law to criminal law, property development to public interest, environmental law to entertainment law, international law to intellectual property law—and much more.

Our student-to-teacher ratio is 18 to 1, and our professors are committed to being accessible to students.

Public Interest

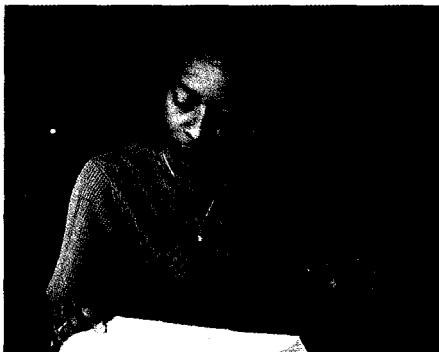
Golden Gate has a special commitment to public interest. In addition to a strong public interest curriculum, the School of Law offers financial assistance to students who pursue careers in public interest law, and our in-house clinics provide legal assistance to underrepresented populations.

Diversity

You will practice law in a complex world. Golden Gate students reflect a wide variety of ages; work experience; and cultural, ethnic, and religious backgrounds. Our more than 20 student organizations address the many interests of our diverse student population.

Personalized Career Services

Our Law Career Services Office provides you with ongoing support from the time you enter law school through graduation and beyond.



2003–04 Academic Calendar



“The faculty and students make Golden Gate a great place. Teachers know students by name, remember questions we have in class, and make sure we understand the legal concepts they are teaching. Everyone, from the dean to classmates, is a peer. There is competition among the students, but we also help out one another. These days, I wear my Howard University sweatshirt, advertising where I got my undergraduate degree. Soon I’ll be out there in the legal community wearing a GGU sweatshirt to advertise that this is a great place.”

Blaine Jones (Class of 2003)

Fall Semester 2003

First-year orientation and registration	Aug. 11–13
Transfer, visitor, and special registration	Aug. 18–25
First-year instruction begins	Aug. 14
Upper div. instruction begins	Aug. 25
Labor Day holiday*	Sept. 1
First-year midterm exam period	Oct. 14–17
Thanksgiving holiday*	Nov. 27–28
First-year instruction ends	Nov. 26
First-year examination period	Dec. 4–15
Midyear recess	Dec. 22–Jan. 11
Honors Lawyering Program apprenticeships end	Dec. 26

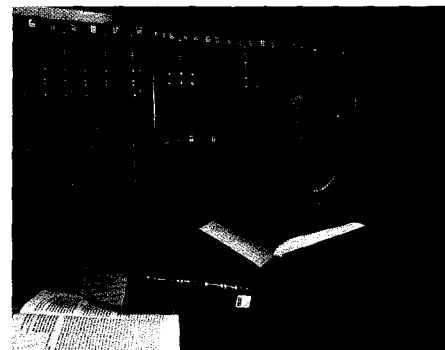
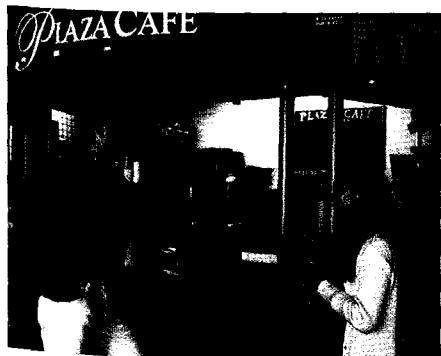
Spring Semester 2004

General registration	Dec. 8–Jan. 12
Transfer, visitor, and special registration	Jan. 5–12
Midyear Admission night student orientation and registration	Jan. 7–9
Midyear Admission day student orientation and registration	Jan. 8–9
Instruction begins	Jan. 12
Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday*	Jan. 19
Presidents’ Day holiday*	Feb. 16
Mid-semester recess	Mar. 1–5
Instruction ends	Apr. 27
Examination period	May 1–12
Graduation	May 15

Summer Session 2004

General registration	May 3–June 1
Memorial Day holiday*	May 31
Instruction begins	June 1
Independence Day holiday*	July 5
Instruction ends	July 20
Examination period	July 23–26
Honors Lawyering Program instruction ends (tentative)	Aug. 14

*The Law School and the Law Library will be closed on these days.



Juris Doctor Program

Full-Time Day Program

The full-time day program normally takes three years, but students can complete it in two and one-half years by enrolling year-round. Class sizes are small, ranging generally from 20 to 85 in the first year and from 15 to 75 in the remaining years, depending on the course.

Part-Time Evening Program

The part-time evening program normally takes four years, but students can complete it in three and one-half years by enrolling year-round. Students attend class four nights per week during their first year. Thereafter, they attend three or four nights per week and attend one or two eight-week summer sessions.

Students may transfer from the part-time to the full-time program (or vice-versa) after their first year.

The Honors Lawyering Program

In this honors program, students integrate classroom learning with actual legal experience by participating in two semester-long professional apprenticeships. See page 11.

Specialization Certificates

Specialization certificates are awarded in:

- Business Law
- Criminal Law
- Environmental Law
- Intellectual Property Law
- International Law
- Labor and Employment Law
- Litigation
- Public Interest Law
- Real Estate Law

Requirements for the areas of specialization vary, but students generally complete coursework and clinical practice to earn a certificate.

Combined Degrees

See page 10 for information about the J.D./M.B.A. and J.D./Ph.D. programs.

Summer Programs

Golden Gate University School of Law offers an eight-week summer session, open to students from Golden Gate and other ABA-approved law schools. Most classes are scheduled in the evening.

The School of Law also offers the Bangkok summer abroad program, an opportunity to study international law in Thailand.

Required Courses	
<p>Required First-Year Courses (Full-Time Day)</p> <p>Civil Procedure I, II Constitutional Law I Contracts I, II Criminal Law Property I Torts Writing & Research I, II</p>	<p>Other Required Courses*</p> <p>Appellate Advocacy Constitutional Law II Corporations Criminal Procedure I Evidence Professional Responsibility Property II Solving Legal Problems Wills & Trusts</p>
<p>Required First-Year Courses* (Part-Time Evening)</p> <p>Civil Procedure I, II Contracts I, II Torts I, II Writing & Research I, II</p>	<p><small>*Part-time students are also required to take Constitutional Law I, Criminal Law, and Property I in their second year.</small></p> <p><small>A sample schedule for midyear admission students appears on the facing page.</small></p>



Midyear Admission Program

Golden Gate University School of Law is the only law school in northern California to offer a Midyear Admission Program. Instead of waiting until August, students may begin law school in January and still complete the J.D. program in three years. Midyear Admission students may earn a J.D. in two and one-half years by attending two summer sessions, or transfer to the part-time program and take up to five years to graduate.

Applying to the Program

Midyear Admission students must take the LSAT by October and apply by November 14.

Features of the Midyear Admission Program

- Classes start in January.
- Smaller classes provide greater opportunities for individualized instruction.
- A specially-designed seminar integrates new students into the law school environment.
- The program is flexible to meet student needs.

“By completing an entire year of Writing & Research and Contracts in the first semester, I was able to compete for summer internships normally open only to law students who had completed a full year. Plus, instead of only two summers of work during law school, I have three. I received more practical experience, and my résumé looks great.”

*Jim Mitchell (Class of 2000)
Deputy Prosecutor, Pierce County,
Washington*

Sample Schedule

Sample First-Year Schedule for Midyear Admission Students

Spring (14 units)	
Course	Units
Contracts I and II	6
Midyear Admission Seminar	1
Property I	4
Writing & Research I and II	3
Fall (14–16 units)	
Course	Units
Civil Procedure I	3
Criminal Law	3
Property II	2
Torts	4
(elective or upper div. course)	2–4

Combined Programs

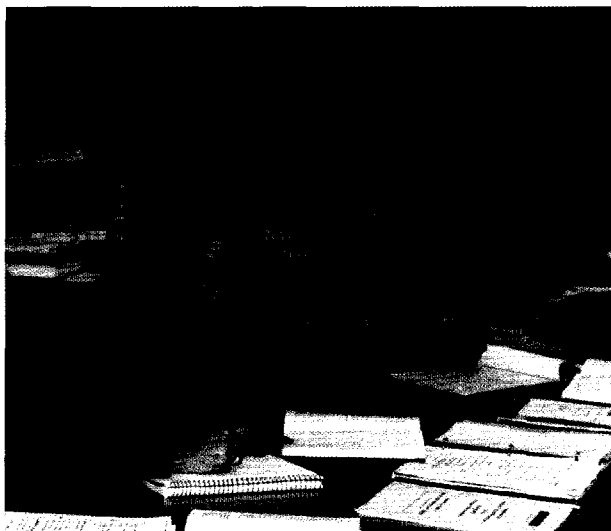
Combined J.D./M.B.A. Program

At Golden Gate, students can earn both the J.D. and the M.B.A. with a concentration in law.

In both programs, a student first applies to and is accepted by the Law School and normally does not need to take the GMAT or GRE for the master's program. After the first year of law school, and after verification of good academic standing, the student applies to the Master's program. The combined program begins after the student's first year of law school.

Students may apply 12 units of their second and third year law coursework toward the M.B.A. Depending on prior coursework, students can complete the combined J.D./M.B.A. in as little as 94 units, compared to 118 units if pursued separately.

The faculty at Golden Gate University's law and business schools offer the best of both worlds. Both programs build on a rigorous intellectual foundation and add practical experience to help students apply theory to current, real-life problems.



For more information about the M.B.A. requirements, contact:

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J.D./Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology

This integrated program leads to a J.D. from Golden Gate University and a Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology from the Pacific Graduate School of Psychology (PGSP) in Palo Alto, California.

Each program requires a separate application. Applicants need to take the GRE to gain admission to the Ph.D. program. Admission to both programs is required.

The combined program has three major purposes:

1. Train attorneys who can read sophisticated social science research;
2. Educate highly trained attorney-psychologists who can contribute to the advancement of forensic psychology;
3. Produce attorney-psychologists who can participate in the development of mental health policy in the legislature and the courts.

Students follow a seven-year course of study to achieve both degrees. Below is the program schedule:

- Year 1: Classes at Golden Gate only
- Year 2: Classes at PGSP only
- Years 3, 4: Equal time at both schools, then graduation from Golden Gate
- Years 5, 6: Classes at PGSP and dissertation
- Year 7: Clinical psychology internship

PGSP is accredited by the American Psychological Association. For more information, call PGSP at (650) 843-3419 or (800) 818-6136 or send an email to admissions@pgsp.edu.

Honors Lawyering Program

The Honors Lawyering Program is a challenging alternative for students who want to maximize their legal experience while in law school.

Summer Programs

The Honors Lawyering Program includes intensive academic and skills training during both summers.

During the first summer, students learn in an on-campus simulated law firm. Substantive law and skills courses are integrated; student “associates” learn to analyze legal issues from a practice-based perspective. After just a few weeks, students meet real clients and begin representing them under the direct supervision of practicing attorneys, all within the context of their academic courses.

The second summer offers more advanced training, building on the skills and knowledge acquired during the students’ first two years in law school.

Both summers emphasize practical training in legal writing, research, client counseling, and professional responsibility.

Fall Professional Apprenticeships

During the fall semesters of their second and third years, Honors students work in apprenticeships, performing legal work in private firms, government agencies, nonprofit organizations, corporations, and courthouses.

We work with Honors students as they research and select apprenticeships that fit their professional goals. We help students identify experienced, committed supervising attorneys who can provide students with maximum responsibility and support. Employers compensate students in accordance with their ability to pay. Some jobs are volunteer; others are paid by the employers and/or subsidized by Golden Gate and financial aid funds.

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How Is the Program Different?

Honors Lawyering students

- Spend the fall semesters of their second and third years as legal apprentices
- Participate in two innovative summer programs to develop their critical thinking skills and prepare them for their apprenticeships
- Enjoy smaller classes during the summers, fostering close relationships among faculty and fellow students
- Attend special events and workshops to expand their legal knowledge and training
- Complete law school in three years, pay the same tuition, and complete all but one (Solving Legal Problems) of the same required courses as students in the standard curriculum
- Are eligible for merit and endowed scholarships, as well as opportunities to participate in law school programs

Honors Lawyering Program Schedule

1st Year

Fall

Foundational Courses (15 units)

Civil Procedure I, Contracts I, Criminal Law, Torts, Writing & Research I

Spring

Foundational Courses (14 units)

Civil Procedure II, Contracts II, Constitutional Law I, Property I, Writing & Research II

Summer

11-Week Session (12 units)

Appellate Advocacy, Constitutional Law II, Evidence, Lawyering Skills—team-taught in a simulated law firm setting

2nd Year

Fall

Professional Apprenticeship (plus up to 5 units of approved courses)

(2nd Year) Spring

Required and Elective Courses (15 units)

Summer

11-Week Session* (12 units)

Advanced Legal Practice Training (Professional Responsibility, Remedies, Wills & Trusts)

3rd Year

Fall

Professional Apprenticeship* (plus additional course units)

Spring

Required and Elective courses (15 units)

*Because some students desire greater flexibility in structuring their programs, students may choose a part-time option (8 units) during the second summer and a part-time option (25 hours per week) for the second apprenticeship.

Honors Lawyering Program (cont.)

"The professors' enthusiasm and energy are contagious. The amount of thought and time they've put in shows vividly in the quality of the program."

Lubna Jahangiri (Class of 2001)
Law Offices of Lubna K. Jahangiri
Business and Real Estate Practice



How to Apply

To apply for the Honors Lawyering Program, check the appropriate box on the J.D. application. Acceptance to the program is competitive and will be based on information in students' application packets. The admissions process may include a telephone interview.

For more information about the Honors Lawyering Program:

Call: (415) 442-6624

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Email: honorslaw@ggu.edu

Recent Apprenticeship Placements

In the San Francisco Bay Area

Private Law Firms and Corporations practicing in a variety of fields including

- civil litigation
- commercial transactions
- environmental law
- family law
- immigration law
- intellectual property law
- international law
- labor and employment law

Judicial System including:

- federal trial and appellate courts
- state trial and appellate courts

Federal, State, and Local Government Agencies including:

- California Attorney General's Office
- Equal Employment Opportunity Commission
- National Labor Relations Board
- San Francisco City Attorney's Office
- San Francisco Human Rights Commission
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
- U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission

Public Interest Organizations including:

- ACLU of California
- Asian Law Caucus
- Bay Area Legal Aid
- California Lawyers for the Arts
- Earthjustice
- Equal Rights Advocates
- Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights

Criminal Law Offices including:

- Federal Public Defender's Office
- San Francisco District Attorney's Office
- U.S. Attorney's Office, Criminal Division

Outside the Bay Area

While many of the placements are in the San Francisco Bay Area, the administrative director works with students to develop placements across the country and around the world.

Business & Commercial Law

J.D. students wishing to pursue careers in business or commercial law have many unique opportunities at Golden Gate University.

Business Law

Students can earn a specialization certificate in business law by completing 6 to 9 units of core business law courses, plus three additional courses from one of two core areas: domestic law and international law.

Corporate and Tax Law

Students can earn J.D. credit by taking specialized tax courses offered through the LL.M. in taxation program. Those interested in international commerce can also take courses such as International Business Transactions, Asian/Pacific Trade Seminar, and International Trade and Environmental Protection, offered through the LL.M. in international legal studies program.

J.D. students wishing to earn an advanced degree (LL.M.) in taxation can apply up to 9 units of related tax coursework to the LL.M. in taxation program.

J.D./M.B.A.

Students choosing the combined J.D./M.B.A. program take certain courses that are applied to both program requirements, thus saving both time and money. For more information on the J.D./M.B.A. program, see page 10.

Intellectual Property

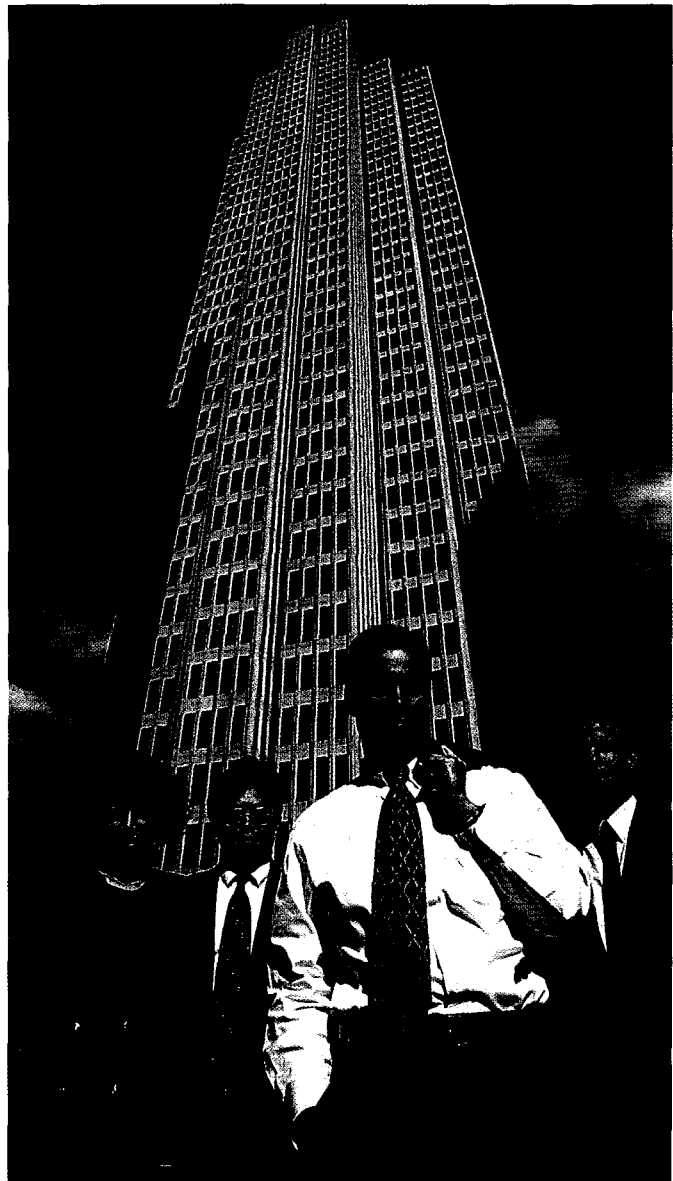
The intellectual property (IP) law field covers patent, trademark, copyright, Internet, entertainment, and related areas of law. J.D. students can earn a specialization certificate by completing 14 units of IP electives. See page 20 for information on the IP program.

Labor and Employment Law

Students can earn a specialization certificate in labor and employment law by completing 10 units of core courses and electives, plus clinical practice and a research paper. Past students have earned clinical credit by working in the on-site Women's Employment Rights Clinic; working in placements that include the National Labor Relations Board, San Francisco Neighborhood Legal Assistance, Employment Law Center, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission; and working as law clerks in firms practicing employment, labor, or sports law.

Property Development and Real Estate

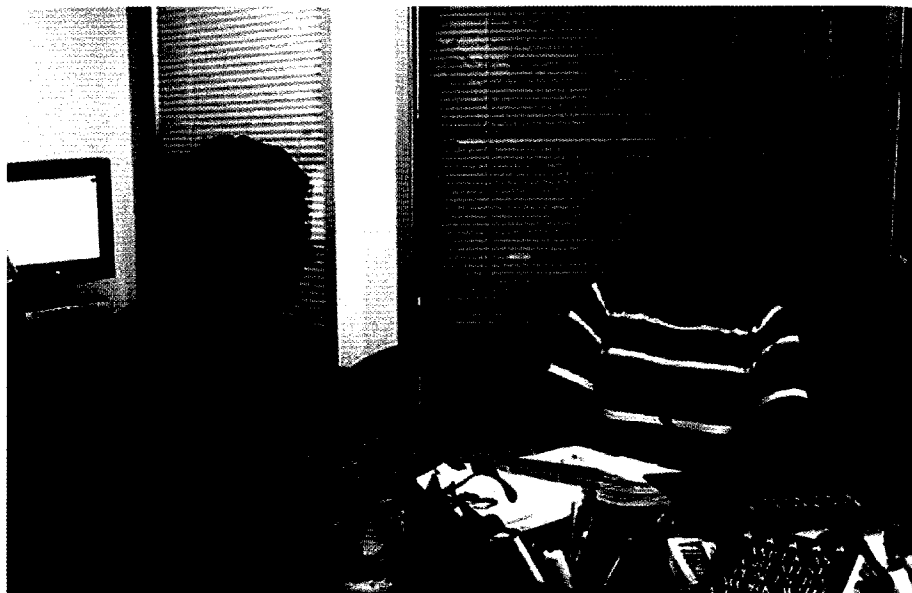
Students can earn a specialization certificate in real estate law by completing 13 units of electives in this area, plus clinical practice and a research paper. Certain taxation and environmental law courses may be applied to the certificate. Clinic placements are through the Landlord-Tenant Law Clinic or the Real Estate Clinic.



Clinical Programs

Golden Gate has one of the most extensive clinical legal education programs

in the country. Students earn academic credit while working under the supervision of a full-time faculty member or a practicing attorney.



Associate Professor Helen Kang and Professor Alan Ramo. Professor Kang directs the Clean Air Accountability Project. Professor Ramo directs the Environmental Law and Justice Clinic.

On-Site Clinical Programs

The on-site clinics operate as law offices within the School of Law, providing legal representation to low-income individuals and community groups who would not otherwise be able to afford legal counsel.

Environmental Law and Justice Clinic

Clinic director: Professor Alan Ramo
Supervising attorneys: Professors Helen Kang and Clifford Rechtschaffen

Students provide direct representation to community groups and environmental organizations in low-income and minority communities disproportionately impacted by environmental degradation.

Women's Employment Rights Clinic (WERC)

Clinic director: Professor Marci Seville
Supervising attorney: Visiting Professor Doris Ng

Students represent clients in employment disputes including unemployment insurance appeals, race and sex discrimination, sexual harassment, family and medical leave, and wage and hour claims.

Innocence Project

Clinic director: Professor Susan Rutberg

In response to letters from California prisoners asserting actual innocence, supervised students conduct initial investigations into the viability of claims and, when appropriate, work to bring the claim to court. Affiliated with the Santa Clara Law School Northern California Innocence Project (NCIP) and the National Innocence Network.

Field Placement Clinics

In field placement clinics, students work under faculty supervision and the supervision of judges and attorneys in government agencies, law offices, counsel offices, and judges' chambers. Students also attend a class to share experiences and insights and to focus on the substantive nature of their work.

Civil Practice Clinic

Faculty supervisors: Associate Dean Susan Schechter and Adjunct Professor Cheryl Stevens

Students work in private law offices or corporate counsel offices as law clerks, working on civil litigation or engaging in transactional work. In the past, students have worked in corporate law, commercial law, entertainment law, family law, intellectual property law, international law, and personal injury law.

Criminal Litigation Clinic

Clinic director: Professor Susan Rutberg
Faculty supervisor: Adjunct Professor Julie Traun

Students work as law clerks in prosecutor and public defender offices supervised by an experienced criminal lawyer and faculty. Students certified by the California State Bar may appear in court and argue a case.

Environmental Law Clinic

Clinic director: Professor Clifford Rechtschaffen
Faculty supervisor: Adjunct Professor Richard Drury

Students are placed in government agencies, public interest groups, or environmental organizations engaged in environmental practice.

Family Law Clinic

Faculty supervisors: Associate Dean Susan Schechter and Adjunct Professor Cheryl Stevens

Students work as law clerks in private, public interest and governmental offices that focus on family law issues. Students may do litigation, transactional, and/or a wide variety of tasks depending on the placement and the students' interests.

Immigration and Refugee Policy Clinic

Faculty supervisors: Adjunct Professors Mark Silverman and Sara Campos

Students work on an asylum case, which involves research, preparing the application, preparing documentation, or preparing a brief for the hearing or appeal.

Judicial Externships

Faculty supervisor: Assistant Dean Susanne Aronowitz

Students selected for the judicial externship program work in judges' chambers at all levels of state and federal courts with a full range of judicial assignments including courts handling civil trials, family and juvenile law, bankruptcy, law and motion, criminal law, and appellate matters.

Landlord-Tenant Law Clinic

Faculty supervisor: Professor Myron Moskovitz

Students work as law clerks for attorneys specializing in landlord-tenant issues.

Lawyering Skills: Client Advocacy

Faculty supervisor: Adjunct Professor Yvonne R. Mere

Students learn counseling, interviewing, and negotiating skills through simulations, then act as advocates for real clients through the Homeless Advocacy Project, which is sponsored by the Bar Association of San Francisco.



Public Interest/Government Counsel Clinic

Faculty supervisors: Associate Dean Susan Schechter and Adjunct Professor Cheryl Stevens

Students work at public interest and public sector (government) agencies. Sample organizations include Bay Area Legal Aid, California Department of Justice, California Lawyers for the Arts, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, and San Francisco City Attorney's Office.

Real Estate Clinic

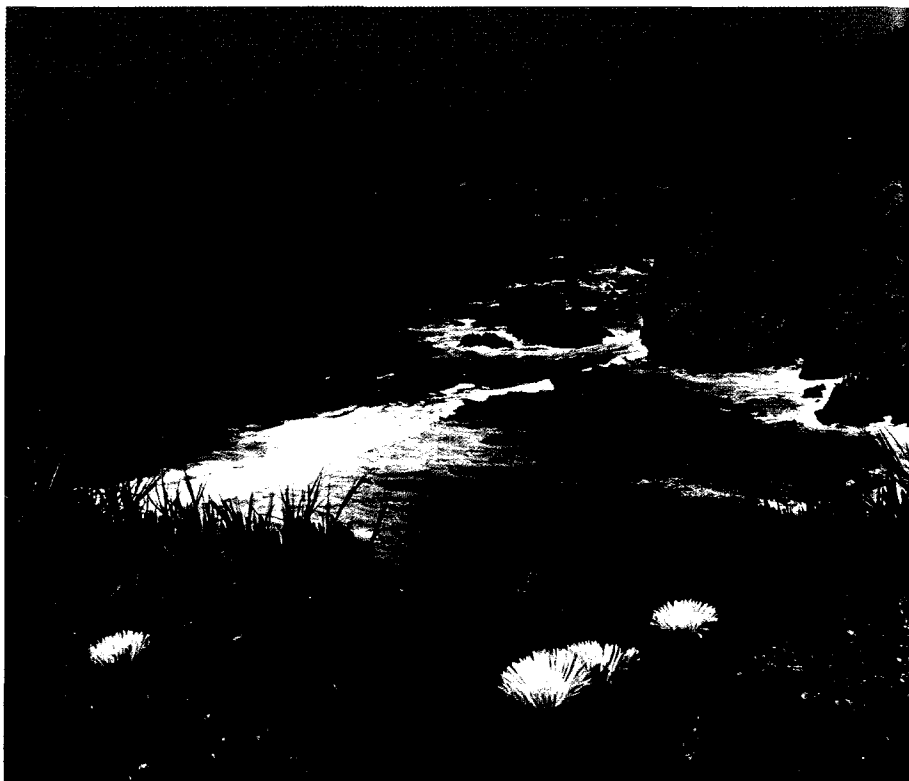
Faculty supervisors: Professor Roger Bernhardt and Adjunct Professor Christine Tour-Sarkissian

Students are placed in law firms that specialize in, or do considerable work in, real estate. Working under the direct supervision of attorneys, students interview clients, draft pleadings and motions, and participate in trial preparation and trials. On the transactional side, they draft provisions for leases, sales contracts, closing papers, loan documents, and other real estate instruments.

Environmental Law

The Golden Gate University
Environmental Law Program
provides a unique

opportunity for students to combine
study of U.S. and international
environmental law with the
practical experience of handling
complex environmental cases
through our innovative
Environmental Law and Justice
Clinic. The program features a
blend of academic study, writing,
and practical skills training.



Beyond the Basics

In addition to courses in environmental law, students can participate in a range of advanced seminars and activities or can combine their interest in environmental law with other specialties. For example, International Trade and Environmental Protection combines study of environmental issues with international law. Other specialized courses include Energy and Environmental Law, Urban Environmental Law and Policy, and Regulatory Takings and Environmental Law.

Since California is at the forefront of many environmental issues with laws that frequently set national trends, Golden Gate offers a special seminar in California Environmental and Natural Resources Law.

Other Features of the Program

- **Environmental Law Symposium.** Each year, the School of Law holds a daylong symposium on current environmental law issues.
- **Competitions.** Students may participate in the National Environmental Law Moot Court competition.
- **Student Organization.** Through the student-run Environmental Law Society, students engage in a variety of activities including organizing symposia on environmental issues.
- **Law Review.** Annually, one issue of the *Golden Gate University Law Review* is devoted to environmental law.

Specialization Certificate

The requirements for a specialization certificate in environmental law include classwork, a research paper, and clinical practice. Students also work on actual cases handled by the School of Law's two environmental law clinics (see facing page).

Environmental Law and Justice Clinic

In addition to planning for cleaner communities, specialists in environmental law are working to remedy harms resulting from policies that placed a disproportionate share of pollutants in disadvantaged communities and communities of color, and to prevent such injustices in the future.

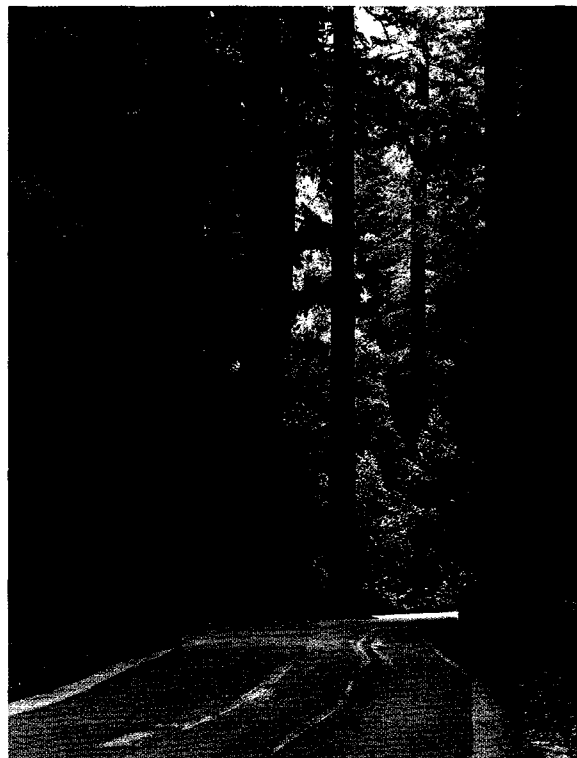
Golden Gate was one of the first law schools to establish an Environmental Law and Justice Clinic. Working with Professors Ramo, Kang, and Rechtschaffen from offices at the School of Law, students represent environmental organizations and community groups in low-income and minority communities. The clinic has received grants from the U.S. Department of Education, the Corporation for National Service, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the American Bar Association, As You Sow Foundation, The Rose Foundation, and the San Francisco Foundation.

Environmental Law Clinic

Through this field placement clinic, students work in the regional office of the Environmental Protection Agency, for state and county environmental agencies, or for national and local environmental organizations, many of which are headquartered in the San Francisco Bay Area.

Graduate Program

Law graduates may continue their environmental law studies by enrolling in the LL.M. in environmental law program. For more information, see page 30.



Students in the Environmental Law and Justice Clinic take a field trip with Professor Ramo to a nearby power plant in San Francisco.

"I highly recommend the environmental law program at Golden Gate. The program was very rewarding and the clinic work especially stimulating. The clinic professors gave me exposure to real client issues and meaningful opportunities for involvement in environmental law cases and policy-making decisions."

*Joe Como (Class of 1999)
Deputy City Attorney, San Francisco*

International Legal Studies

The Center for Advanced International Legal Studies at Golden Gate provides students with knowledge of the fundamental principles and rules of international law including the current practice and evolving procedures that govern their application. The international legal studies program provides in-depth coverage of specialized areas of public and private international law, as well as international trade law and comparative law. The program emphasizes the legal, cultural, sociological, and business activities within and affecting the Pacific Rim, the United States, the European Union, and other regions of the world as they interact with Europe, Asia, Africa, Latin America, and the United States.

Specialization Certificate

J.D. students may earn a specialization certificate by completing a core curriculum and electing J.D. and LL.M. courses from the international legal studies program.

Graduate Programs

Law graduates may continue their studies and earn an LL.M. or S.J.D. in international legal studies. For more information on graduate programs, see pages 30–31.

Overseas Programs

Golden Gate sponsors a summer law study program in Bangkok, Thailand. Now in its twelfth year, this program offers courses on international contract and Pacific Rim issues and includes internships in Bangkok, Kuala Lumpur, and Hanoi. We also co-sponsor a program in Istanbul, Turkey.

"I could see the whole world in my LL.M. classes. It was exciting to share different views on a subject with students from all over the world coming from different legal systems."

*Srivalli Avala (India)
LL.M. in International Legal Studies
(Class of 2001)*

International Scholarship

Each year, international visiting scholars come to Golden Gate to teach, lecture, and participate in conferences. At the heart of the visiting scholar program is the exchange of information about how various national legal systems operate.

In recent years, the School of Law has hosted visitors from more than 50 countries.

The American Bar Association and the Council for the International Exchange of Scholars have sponsored visits to Golden Gate by Eastern European and African scholars studying the U.S. legal system. The People's Republic of China has sent members of its judiciary to study Golden Gate's clinical programs. Since 1997, the Chinese Ministry of Justice has sent more than 50 attorneys from provinces throughout China to Golden Gate to learn about the U.S. legal system. In addition, faculty exchanges have been implemented with the University of Paris X (Nanterre) and the University of Amsterdam.

The School of Law hosts the annual Regional Meeting of the American Society of International Law and the Annual Fulbright Symposium, which bring together international law scholars and practitioners from many nations. The International Law Student Association sponsors an International Speakers Forum.

The School of Law publishes the *Annual Survey of International and Comparative Law*. Students assist in translating and editing articles and reviews.



Golden Gate University sponsors a summer study abroad program in Bangkok, Thailand.

Overseas Exchange Programs

Golden Gate University School of Law has exchange agreements with the University of Paris X (Nanterre) and the University of Heidelberg. The Paris program permits a limited number of Golden Gate law graduates to spend a year studying in Nanterre, earning a Diploma of European Law. Those graduates who complete a full year and an internship can qualify for a Diplôme d'Etudes Supérieures Spécialisées (DESS) degree. The Heidelberg program enables a limited number of law students to spend a semester in Heidelberg, Germany.

Student Employment

Students are assisted in finding summer employment overseas and internships with international organizations in the United States. Golden Gate students have been admitted to internship programs in Belgium, France, Italy, several Asian/Pacific countries, with UNIDROIT in Rome, and with the United Nations in Bangkok, Geneva, New York, and Vienna, as well as with tribunals in Arusha and East Timor.

"American law is a drop of water in the ocean of law. The whole world is so rich in legal traditions that we will be well served to begin to understand other approaches."

Professor Sompong Sucharitkul, director of the international legal studies programs

Competitions

Each year, the School of Law participates in the Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition and the Manfred Lach International Space Law Moot Court Competition. Golden Gate University teams have received numerous awards.

Graduate Student Organization

The Golden Gate Association of International Lawyers (GGAIL) is the student organization for graduate students majoring in international legal studies. This group sponsors symposia and workshops that enhance the academic and professional opportunities available to members. GGAIL also arranges many social functions for students.

Professor Sompong Sucharitkul

Associate Dean and Distinguished Professor of International and Comparative Law Sompong Sucharitkul directs the Golden Gate LL.M. and S.J.D. programs in international legal studies, the Center for Advanced International Legal Studies, and the summer program in Bangkok. He has served as Thailand's ambassador to Japan, several European nations, the European Community, FAO, and UNESCO. He represented Thailand in the U.N. General Assembly for almost 30 years and served as the special rapporteur of the International Law Commission for nine years. In 2001, he was appointed by the president of the International Court of Justice to serve as one of three members on the first ASEAN Investment Dispute Arbitral Tribunal; he was subsequently elected president of the tribunal. Professor Sucharitkul brings a wealth of knowledge of private and public international law to the international legal studies program, which has attracted faculty and students from more than 40 nations.



Intellectual Property Law

The twenty-first century is the information age. Intellectual property has become one of the most valuable assets in this new millennium. Lawyers increasingly find that the needs of their clients call for legal advice regarding the development and protection of those assets. The intellectual property law program at Golden Gate University School of Law prepares our students, through practice-oriented courses, to meet that need.

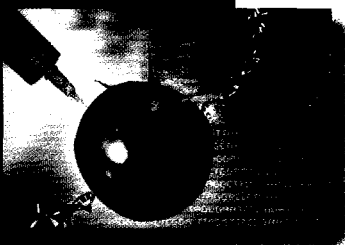
The J.D. Curriculum in Intellectual Property (IP) Law

Golden Gate University offers students a comprehensive array of courses in IP law. Students begin with the IP survey course and from there can follow their interests in patent, trademark, and copyright law through more extensive courses in the domestic and international aspects of these subjects. More specialized courses in entertainment law, information technology law, and related litigation skills are also offered. At present, the courses available to J.D. students include:

- Art and the Law
- Biotechnology Law
- Content Licensing
- Copyright Law of the U.S.
- E-Commerce Law
- Entertainment Law
- Film and Television Law
- Intellectual Property Law Moot Court Competition
- Intellectual Property Law Survey
- Intellectual Property Litigation: Copyright and Trademark
- International Intellectual Property Law
- International Patent Law
- Internet and Software Law
- IP Law Online Journal (see facing page)
- Negotiating and Drafting Contracts in the Entertainment Business
- Patent Law of the U.S.
- The Patent Application Process From A to Z
- Patent Litigation
- Sports Law
- Trademark Law of the U.S.
- Trademark Practice: Trial and Appeal Board



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Certificate of Specialization

Students may earn a specialization certificate by completing 14 units of focused course work, which can include a clinical experience or a supervised research project.

The Online Journal

The Intellectual Property Law Journal is an online journal made available to more than 2,000 IP lawyers and professors nationwide. Edited by students, the journal contains short and long articles with a practical focus, dealing with significant IP issues. Students are selected for the IP journal as part of the general *Golden Gate University Law Review* selection process.

Annual IP Conference

Each year, Golden Gate sponsors a conference addressing issues of interest and concern to the IP legal and business community. The conference features panels of educators and practitioners addressing key issues in IP law.

The LL.M. in IP Law

The LL.M. in intellectual property law program features individual counseling and a number of additional courses, as well as access to all of the J.D. courses in IP law. For more information, see page 30.

Is IP Law Exclusive of Other Areas of Law?

A concentration in IP law does not preclude a student from specializing in other areas of the law, as well. IP issues permeate the law and arise in the context of most other areas of legal study. For example, students will find that IP law dovetails well with public interest law. IP lawyers are frequently called upon to deal with issues relating to free speech, privacy, and numerous employment law issues, ranging from email policies to employment covenants not to compete.

The study of comparative and international law is perhaps the area in which the greatest overlap occurs with IP law—particularly with respect to cyberlaw. The absence of geographic boundaries in the online and Internet environment mandates that IP students have an understanding of the numerous treaties and international efforts to adapt to this new medium of communication.

In short, very few areas of the law are not touched by IP law. The challenge is not to exclude these areas of law in our new IP program—the challenge is how best to incorporate them.

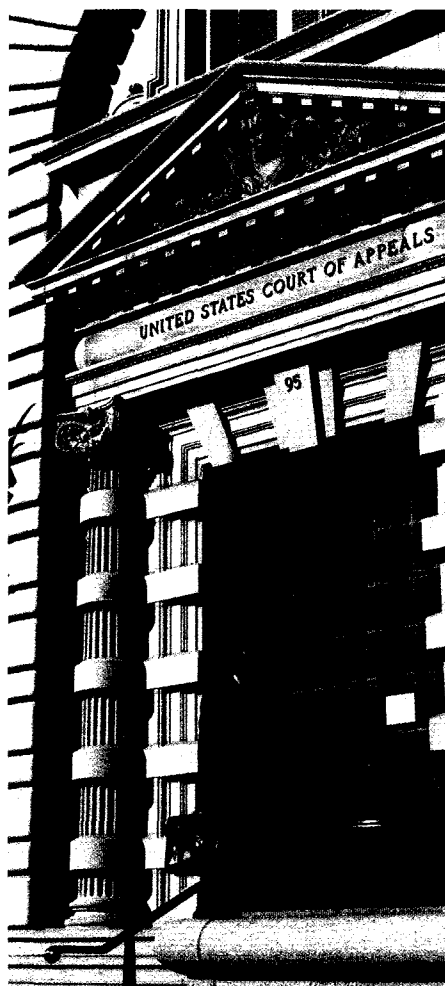


"The intellectual property program provides excellent preparation for work as an IP and entertainment lawyer. The survey courses give a practical overview of the issues, and the in-depth courses focus on skills that have proven invaluable in my practice. Also, the networking opportunities give students the chance to meet and interact with the Bay Area's IP/entertainment legal community."

*Patricia De Fonte (Class of 2002)
Associate, Idell, Berman & Seitel*

Public Interest Law

At Golden Gate, public interest law is not just a series of classes; it's an attitude. The School of Law's curriculum and programs integrate public interest law with service to the community.



Public Interest Law Specialization

Students may earn a public interest specialization certificate by completing 14 units of approved elective courses, 150 hours of supervised legal work in a public interest or government setting, and 25 hours of work on behalf of a campus or community group.

Loan Repayment Assistance Program (LRAP)

Golden Gate is proud to support its graduates who pursue public interest careers. Alumni may apply for LRAP funding which is granted annually on the basis of financial need to help repay educational loans.

Public Interest Work-Study Program

Students who qualify for federal work study may apply to this unique program, which permits students to gain valuable paid work experience with government agencies and public interest offices that cannot otherwise afford to hire law students. Golden Gate pays the qualifying employer's portion of the student's work study award.

Field Placement and On-Site Clinics

Public interest law is the main focus of the three on-site clinics at Golden Gate: the Environmental Law and Justice Clinic, the Innocence Project, and the Women's Employment Rights Clinic. See pages 14-15 for information about the clinics.

PSLawNet

Golden Gate is a member of PSLawNet, which maintains a national Internet database to help students find paid and volunteer public interest employment locally, nationally, and internationally.

PI/PS Day

Each year, Golden Gate participates in the Northern California Public Interest/Public Sector Legal Careers Day through which many of our students have found employment.

Equal Justice Works

The School of Law is a member of Equal Justice Works, a national organization that organizes, trains, and supports public service-minded law students and is the national leader in creating summer and postgraduate public interest jobs.

"I chose to go to GGU because of its commitment to public interest law. The LRAP grant gave me the opportunity to pursue my goal of working with a non-profit legal services agency without worrying as much about repaying law school loans."

*Chun-Ling Ng (Class of 2001),
Asian Pacific Islander Legal Outreach*

Public Interest Scholars Program

Each year, the School of Law accepts five entering students into the public interest scholars program. The benefits of this program are:

Scholarships

Public interest scholars receive a \$5,000 scholarship. The scholarships are renewable and may be combined with other forms of financial assistance.

Salary Assistance

The School of Law guarantees that continuing scholars receive funding for one employment placement with a public interest office or government agency.

Mentoring

Every public interest scholar has a faculty mentor and an alumni mentor. These mentors provide guidance and insight into public interest issues and careers.

Advising

The School of Law's public interest adviser provides individualized guidance and insight into public interest issues and careers.

Loan Repayment Assistance Program (LRAP)

Public interest scholars are eligible to apply to LRAP (see facing page).



"Golden Gate University provides the perfect training ground for public interest lawyers by integrating excellent legal education in the classroom with real-life experiences at internships. The public interest programs have helped me to advance my goal of working to protect our nation's natural resources."

Kristin Henry (Class of 2002) was a GGU public interest scholar. She is currently an environmental law fellow at the Sierra Club and an adjunct professor at Golden Gate University School of Law.

How to Apply for the Public Interest Scholars Program

To apply for the public interest law scholars program, check the PISP box on the J.D. application. You must also attach a list of public interest activities in which you have participated and a two-page (double-spaced) essay describing your current and future interest in, and commitment to, public interest law. The essay should include a statement about how you plan to pursue public interest law during and after law school.

Best in the West

High Ratings for the Public Interest Law Program

In a recent nationwide survey of law schools published by *The National Jurist*, Golden Gate University School of Law ranked the highest among schools in the western United States in its commitment to public interest law. Out of 167 law schools surveyed, Golden Gate ranked tenth.

Professional Skills

Golden Gate University bases its J.D. curriculum on a multifaceted view of the lawyer as someone who must be skilled in writing, interviewing, counseling, negotiating, and analyzing, as well as someone who understands the ethical, political, social, and economic policies that underlie the law.

Litigation

In the past, lawyers learned trial skills through on-the-job training after completing law school. Most of those opportunities to learn are no longer available. Today's graduates must have learned to meet the challenges of the courtroom through training in law school.

Golden Gate offers one of the most intensive and comprehensive litigation training programs in the country. Classes are small, so every student is able to practice skills such as cross-examining, interviewing clients, negotiating, making objections, delivering opening and closing arguments, making motions, and more. Most courses in the litigation program are taught by full-time faculty members who have extensive trial and appellate experience as well as classroom experience.



After completing the basic litigation courses, many students put their skills to use in clinical placements, working under the supervision of practicing attorneys, such as district attorneys and public defenders, as well as faculty members and civil lawyers.

A student who is serious about a career as a litigator can earn a litigation specialization certificate, the equivalent of a major in litigation. To earn the certificate, a student must take 13 units from among the courses in the litigation curriculum including Trial Advocacy, Mock Trial, and Civil or Criminal Litigation. Students may choose the remaining 5 units from a large selection of litigation courses.

Writing and Research

Because good lawyering demands good writing, the School of Law requires that all students take three writing courses. First-year students take Writing & Research I and II, second-year students take Appellate Advocacy, and students in their final year take Solving Legal Problems. Any student requiring extra support in developing legal writing skills may take part in the Academic Support Program (see page 29).

On-Site Clinics

Golden Gate University School of Law has one of the most extensive clinical programs in the country. Through legal clinics, students get extensive experience working with real clients on real cases. We offer three on-site clinics and nine field-placement clinics, as well as judicial externships. For more information, see pages 14–15.

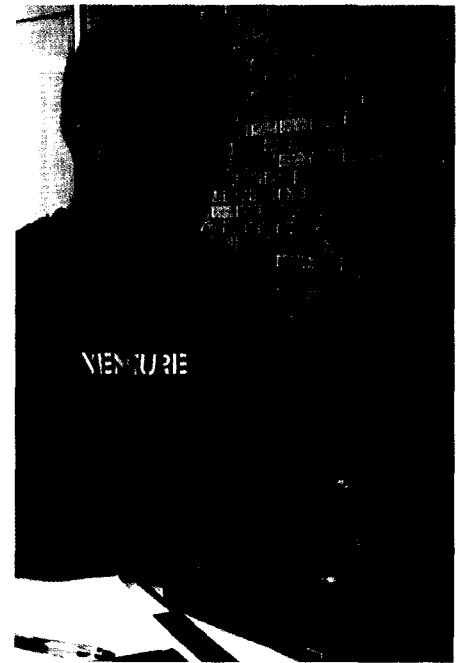
Competitions

Students can hone their skills in trial advocacy and appellate competitions. Golden Gate participates in more than ten major competitions each year, including the

- National Mock Trial Competition
- Association of Trial Lawyers of America Competition
- Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition
- ABA National Appellate Advocacy Competition
- National Environmental Law Moot Court Competition

Highlights of Recent Litigation Competitions

- In 2002, Golden Gate was the first American law school to host a regional meeting of the European Law Competition.
- In 2001, a Golden Gate University team was the first American law school team invited to the Lisbon Regional Final of the European Law Moot Court competition. The team made it to the semi-finals, and a GGU student won best individual advocate in the regional competition.
- The GGU team went undefeated at the 2001 Northwestern Regional of the ABA Mediation Advocacy Competition.
- A GGU mock trial team captured first place at the first Mock Trial Competition of the San Francisco Trial Lawyer Association.
- GGU students received outstanding oralist honors at the Environmental Moot Court Competition, the Pacific Regional of the Jessup International Moot Court Competition, and the Pace University Environmental Law Moot Competition.
- In recent years, GGU mock trial teams have won eight regional championships in trial competitions and were semifinalists in six others.



Publications

The *Golden Gate University Law Review* is written and edited by students who are selected on the basis of academic standing or a writing competition. Four issues of the *Law Review* are published annually:

- A survey of cases from the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals
- A law and social change forum
- A business and technology forum
- An environmental law forum.

Students interested in international legal studies may work on the *Annual Survey of International and Comparative Law*.

Students interested in intellectual property law may participate in editing the *The Intellectual Property Law Journal*, an online journal available to more than 2,000 IP lawyers and professors nationwide. The journal contains practical articles that focus on significant IP issues. Students are selected for the IP journal as part of the general law journal selection process.



Student Life

Law Student Services Office

From the moment you enter law school (and sometimes before) until the moment you graduate (and sometimes after), the Law Student Services Office staff is available and eager to work with you on a variety of issues including easing your transition to law school, helping you with challenges that arise while you are in law school, and making sure everything moves smoothly so you can graduate.

The office provides a high level of service and responsiveness to create a professional academic environment.

Academic Advising

The associate dean for law student services is available to meet with law students to help them plan their academic careers. This includes ensuring they are moving forward with their required courses and balancing them with electives, including many skills and substantive courses.

Personal Counseling

Students with personal issues that may affect their academic performance are encouraged to meet with the associate dean for law student services to develop a plan and a strategy to balance the demands of law school and life issues.

For issues that require more than informal counseling, students are referred to the university's counseling services, which are available to students and alumni for a reasonable fee. The associate dean is available for outside referrals as well.

Academic Standing and Scholarships

The Law Student Services Office handles issues that arise around students' academic progress, as well as continuing student merit scholarships and special (memorial or endowed) scholarships for students who are beyond their first year. See the list of scholarships on pages 53–54. To the extent that funds are available, the School of Law may provide small loans to students in their last semester to offset the cost of bar examination review courses.

Law Registrar

The Law Registrar's Office handles course registration, grading, academic progress evaluations, processing of State Bar certifications, law degree verifications, and enrollment verifications. Requests for transcripts are handled by the university records office.

Health Insurance

Two health insurance plans are available for law students: ABA Law Student Division Group Health Insurance Plan and the Student Accident and Sickness Medical Expense Insurance.

Examinations/Evaluations

The Law Student Services Office coordinates all exams including the use of ExamSoft, the computerized software available for students interested in typing their exams.

Lockers

To the extent space is available, every law student is entitled to a locker while enrolled in the School of Law.

Drug Awareness Program

To comply with federal laws, Golden Gate University maintains a drug abuse awareness and prevention program. Information may be obtained from Golden Gate University's Office of Faculty and Staff Human Resources.

Policies and Procedures

Each student is provided with a copy of the *Student Handbook*, which includes the rules that govern students, the academic program, and the School of Law community. All students are responsible for the information in the *Student Handbook*.

Housing and Transportation

Because it is located in San Francisco's downtown business area, Golden Gate University has no residence hall or student housing. The Law School Admissions and Financial Aid Office publishes an annual *Housing Resource Guide*, and all admitted students have access to the School of Law's roommate locator service.

Public transportation in and around San Francisco is excellent. The school is located one block from MUNI (city buses and trolley cars); BART (underground); and the San Francisco Transbay Terminal, which serves outlying counties. Nearby ferries and train service also help make the commute to Golden Gate one of the easiest in the Bay Area.

Athletics/Recreation

Private health clubs and a modern YMCA facility are available within walking distance of the School of Law. Through the Student Bar Association, subsidized memberships are available for 24 Hour Fitness, which has facilities throughout the San Francisco Bay Area.

Accommodations

The Law Student Services Office works with students who have documented disabilities by coordinating their accommodations. Students should contact the department's program coordinator before they arrive on campus to ensure that the coordinator is aware of their potential needs. Every semester, students with documented disabilities are required to work with the coordinator to ensure that their needs are being met. All university facilities are accessible and available for students with disabilities.

Student Organizations

Student Bar Association (SBA)

The SBA, funded by student fees, coordinates student activities and events. Its officers and representatives are elected by students in accordance with SBA procedures each spring.

Other Student Organizations

Student organizations at the School of Law serve the interests of a diverse student body. Student organizations are assigned space on bulletin boards for posting announcements. Meetings are also publicized in the dean's weekly newsletter, *Law School News*.

To speak with a member of a student organization, contact the Admissions and Financial Aid Office at lawadmit@ggu.edu or (415) 442-6630. We will take your name, telephone number, and the name of the organization. A student representative will contact you to answer your questions.

The American Bar Association Law Student Division (ABA/LSD) seeks to further academic excellence by encouraging law students to participate in the efforts of the organized bar in the formation and revision of standards of legal education.

The Asian Pacific American Law Students Association (APALSA) provides support (including academic support) to students of Asian descent. Its other goals are to encourage and foster greater minority enrollment at the School of Law and to teach awareness of issues surrounding the Asian community.

The Association for Communication, Sports, and Entertainment Law (ACSEL) promotes interest in the legal aspects of these areas of law.

The Association of Trial Lawyers of America (ATLA), Golden Gate University Chapter, promotes interest in litigation, trial advocacy education, and interaction with other Bay Area law school ATLA chapters. Each year, Golden Gate Chapter members compete in the ATLA National Student Trial Advocacy Competition.

The Black Law Students Association (BLSA) is a national organization dedicated to the recruitment, support (including academic support), and development of black law students.

The Employment Law Association (ELA) is designed for students who are interested in employment and labor issues. Members promote employment and labor law, uncover the hot issues in this area, and build a network together.

The Environmental Law Society (ELS) discusses current developments in environmental law and works to further the goals of protecting the environment and securing placement in the field. ELS also participates in the annual Earth Day cleanup and sponsors a symposium every year dealing with emerging issues in environmental law.

The Federalist Society is a nationwide organization of conservative and libertarian law students, lawyers, and members of the judiciary. The society is founded on principles of individual liberty, limited government, and the rule of the law.

The Golden Gate Association of International Lawyers (GGAIL) provides activities for students earning LL.M. and S.J.D. degrees in International Legal Studies and in U.S. Legal Studies, as well as for J.D. students working toward a specialization in international law. GGAIL is independent of the International Law Society, but the organizations are not mutually exclusive.

The Intellectual Property Law Association (IPLA) seeks to forge and maintain relationships among students and the Law School and firms, corporations, businesses, and other organizations involved in intellectual property law.

The International Law Society (ILS) promotes the understanding of substantive and procedural areas of the law via an international perspective.

The Jewish Law Students Association (JLSA) advocates for students within and outside the Law School through educational and social activities, and it organizes socially aware programs related to Judaism.

The Latino Law Students Association (LALSA) seeks to represent and advocate issues that affect Latino students and to provide mutual support (including academic support) for its members. LALSA members hope to increase representation in legal education and the legal profession.

LEGALS is concerned with individual rights and legal issues affecting lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people in the judicial system and society. Members are committed to playing an active part in legal and social reform. LEGALS also engages in a mentor program with Bay Area attorneys through Bay Area Lawyers for Individual Freedom (BALIF).

The Middle Eastern Law Organization (MELO) was founded to serve as a catalyst for information sharing and collaboration among law students of Middle Eastern background. It was also formed to build a strong alliance with other law school associations. The group strives to foster a greater understanding between Middle Eastern and non-Middle Eastern law students.

The National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers (NACDL) student chapter organizes education programs about current criminal law issues and sponsors speakers who are prominent criminal defense lawyers and members of NACDL.

The National Lawyers Guild (NLG) is an organization of lawyers, law students, and legal workers who identify with the American left. It provides legal support for workers and for persons who are racially, sexually, or politically oppressed.

The purpose of **Phi Delta Phi**, which is open to all students, is to form a strong bond uniting law students and professors with members of the bench and bar in a fraternal fellowship designed to advance the ideals of justice and community service.

The Public Interest Law Foundation (PILF) is dedicated to advancing the public interest through law. PILF helps students find public interest legal employment and involvement opportunities. It also provides forums for discussing public interest issues and helps administer the Public Interest Loan Assistance Program, which provides grants to help public interest graduates repay educational loans. Additionally, each spring, PILF awards summer grants to current students.

The Women's Law Association (WLA) is dedicated to educating and fostering dialogue about issues that impact women's rights, especially in the legal field.

Learning Resources



Email and the Internet

GGU Online! is the free Golden Gate University student email and electronic bulletin board system. Every law student receives a free account and email address at registration.

Skills Training, Simulations, and Problem Solving

One effective way to learn how to do what a lawyer does is to practice in hypothetical situations. These experiences may be as straightforward as two students being called upon to argue opposing sides of a case during class. They may involve writing

assignments: a memorandum of law discussing the issues raised by a case; a demand letter asking for what a client seeks; a complaint, following the form preferred in a local court; a simple contract; or a will.

Simulation exercises involve role-playing in mock mediation, arbitration, negotiation, settlement conference, and trial situations. Some professors use the problem method, whereby whole areas of the law are approached through consideration of a hypothetical case. The traditional Socratic method demands analytic and reasoning skills. Professors at the School of Law use and combine many of these methods in their teaching.

Law Library

The Golden Gate University Law Library houses the largest law collection in the San Francisco financial district—more than 270,000 volumes. Its holdings include a comprehensive collection of case law reporters, statutes, digests, encyclopedias, periodicals, and treatises dealing with American law; a strong tax collection; a microforms collection; and a growing body of work in environmental law, law and literature, intellectual property law, and international law. International law holdings target selected Pacific Rim countries and English, Canadian, and Commonwealth materials.

The Law Library is a selective depository for both federal and California state documents. It is a member of the Online Computer Library Center, a national consortium for the online exchange of bibliographic information and interlibrary loans. It is a charter member of the Consortium of

Academic Law Libraries of San Francisco, an interlibrary loan and cooperation program.

Electronic Research

All first-year students complete training in the use of the LEXIS and Westlaw online databases, as well as other computer-assisted legal research services. Students may take a course in Electronic Legal Research or California Legal Research to sharpen their legal research skills and gain a better understanding of how to use the Law Library. Computer labs in the Law Library provide access to LEXIS and Westlaw, the Internet, the Golden Gate University email system (see at right), Computer-Assisted Legal Instruction, and word processing and spreadsheet applications. Many of the study carrels in the Law Library are hardwired for Internet connection, or students may purchase a wireless card to access the Internet through our wireless network.

Academic Support Program

The academic support program is designed to enhance student performance throughout law school. Through workshops and individualized assistance, the program assists students in maximizing their academic potential.

First-Year Students

The program's offerings begin at orientation with introductory workshops and assignment to peer mentors. Peer mentors are second- and third-year students, who are available to assist incoming students in becoming familiar with law study in general, and Golden Gate in particular. The peer mentors remain available to students throughout the first year.

During the first year, the program provides a series of skills-based workshops, including

- Case reading and briefing
- Synthesis
- Course outlining
- Organization and time management
- Exam preparation and performance

Additionally, during the first year, student teaching assistants conduct review sessions and help professors administer and review practice exams relating to the first-year curriculum.

Related First-Year Classes

Certain classes offered in the first year are designed to develop skills relating to successful academic performance.

Legal Analysis is a required course for day students with grade point averages below a determined level, based on first semester grades. Class size is limited, so students have opportunities to strengthen skills through in-class and take-home exercises with substantial and frequent feedback.

Legal Reasoning is a skills-based class that is highly recommended for students in their second or third semester of law school who seek to understand and improve legal reasoning and related skills.

Upper Division Students

The academic support program remains available to students after the first year. Students may receive individualized assistance relating to their academic needs. The program also offers workshops to assist students with academic planning and bar preparation.

In addition to the services offered through the academic support program, the School of Law offers a series of pre-bar review workshops with Professor Emerson Stafford. To obtain the full benefits of the workshops, students should plan to participate for two semesters. (The workshops are offered without charge to students, and they do not receive academic credit for participation in this useful workshop.) The workshops are recommended for any student preparing to take the bar examination.

Related Upper Division Classes¹

Legal Methods is a required course for continuing second-year students based on their cumulative grade point average at the end of the first year. The class intends to improve students' academic performance by closely examining the skills involved in legal decision-making processes.

Special Problems classes provide opportunities for students to receive additional review in specific legal subject areas. These courses are limited in size to permit individualized assessments and feedback.

Advanced Legal Writing is an elective course for students seeking to improve their legal writing skills.



¹ Pursuant to the School of Law's academic rules and regulations, certain students may be required to enroll in these classes. The student handbook outlines academic rules and regulations.

Graduate Legal Programs

After earning their J.D., students can attend Golden Gate University School of Law to earn a graduate degree. The School of Law is a center for graduate legal education, offering five master of laws (LL.M.) degrees and one doctor of juridical science (S.J.D.) degree.

Features

- Students may attend full-time or part-time.
- To earn an LL.M., a student must complete 24 semester units (26 for the tax program) with a grade point average of at least 2.5.
- J.D. students planning to earn an LL.M. may be permitted to apply 6 to 9 units of approved coursework to that program.
- In some cases, graduate students have the option of earning two LL.M. degrees at one time by applying 6 to 9 related units from one LL.M. program toward another program.
- Students enrolled in J.D. or LL.M. programs may be eligible to participate in exchange programs with foreign university law schools, subject to American Bar Association guidelines.

Visit our website:
www.ggu.edu/law

Environmental Law

The LL.M. in environmental law features a blend of academic study, writing, and clinical training. Graduate environmental law students work closely with Golden Gate faculty and practicing attorneys to research, investigate, and prepare publishable papers on leading environmental issues. They also have the option of working in one of two prestigious environmental law clinics on cases chosen specifically for them.

For more information

To review the program's requirements, see our website or request a copy of the LL.M. in environmental law bulletin.

Phone: (415) 369-5356 or
(415) 442-6638

Fax: (415) 543-6680

Email: envirolaw@ggu.edu

Intellectual Property Law

The study of intellectual property law has been characterized as the hottest area of law in the new millennium. A thorough knowledge of intellectual property law is vital for lawyers in all areas of practice. To meet this need, Golden Gate University School of Law created the LL.M. program in intellectual property (IP) law.

All courses in this program are taught by experienced, leading practitioners in IP law and focus on a mixture of theory and practice, with an emphasis on teaching techniques that will enhance practitioners' skills.

For more information

To review the program's requirements, see our website or request a copy of the LL.M. in IP bulletin.

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International Legal Studies

In 1994, Golden Gate University School of Law introduced the LL.M. in international legal studies program, which has attracted hundreds of students from more than 40 foreign nations. The program provides in-depth coverage of specialized areas of international and comparative legal studies, with an emphasis on the legal, cultural, sociological, and business activities of the Pacific Rim, the United States, the European Union, and of other regions of the world as they interact with Europe, Asia, Africa, Latin America, and the United States.

Building on the success of the LL.M. program, the School of Law also offers an S.J.D. (doctorate) in international legal studies. This program allows LL.M. graduates to expand their knowledge of the critically important and constantly widening field of international legal studies. Students entering the S.J.D. program must already have an LL.M. degree. To earn the S.J.D., a student must complete at minimum of 8 units, spend at least two semesters in residency, complete a dissertation, and defend the dissertation through an oral presentation.

For more information

To review the program's requirements, see our website or request a copy of the LL.M./S.J.D. in international legal studies bulletin.

Phone: (415) 442-6607

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Taxation

The Golden Gate University LL.M. in taxation program is among the oldest and most respected in the nation. Since its inception in 1978, this program has attracted both recent law graduates and practicing attorneys. Golden Gate draws on the thriving local legal community to attract experienced practitioners who are experts in their respective specialties and masters in the classroom.

To earn the LL.M. in taxation, a student must complete 26 units with a minimum 2.5 cumulative grade point average.

For more information

To review the program's requirements, see our website or request a copy of the LL.M. in taxation bulletin.

Phone: (415) 442-6605

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United States Legal Studies

The LL.M. in U.S. legal studies program serves law graduates and attorneys from the United States and abroad. These law graduates and attorneys may study to gain a basic understanding of U.S. sources of law and legal methods or may specialize in a particular area of law. Students may earn a concentration in

- Corporate and Commercial Law
- Immigration Law
- Labor and Employment Law
- Litigation and Lawyering Skills
- Property Development/Real Estate Law
- U.S. Legal Practice

For more information

To review the program's requirements, see our website or request a copy of the LL.M. in U.S. legal studies bulletin.

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"With students from Asia, Europe, Africa, Australia, Latin America, as well as the United States, almost every corner of the world is represented in our classrooms. But the tolerance among ourselves and the intimacy disproved all differences. . . . In today's troubled world, this experience of blending in with cultural differences could lead us to a harmonious place."

Zakia Afrin, LL.M. in international legal studies

From her speech to students at graduation, May 2003

Law Career Services

The Law Career Services Office (LCS) provides a wide variety of services, resources, and programs to guide students and graduates through the career planning process. By combining knowledge of the legal employment market and strong connections to the legal community, the LCS staff offers comprehensive services and support from the time you enter law school through graduation and beyond.

“Cheresh Finer (Class of 1995) from Ernst & Young was very helpful during the mock interview. She seemed interested in me and my interviewing skills. She gave me several ideas about how I might improve my résumé, cover letter, and responses to questions. She was great!”

*Jakob Lipman (Class of 1998), Attorney,
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Benefits to Students

Law Career Services maintains a strong presence on campus and collaborates with student groups to present programs and provide opportunities for students to interact with legal professionals. For example, in cooperation with the Golden Gate Women’s Law Association and the Employment Committee of Queen’s Bench, a local bar association, LCS sponsors Legal Career Options Day, an annual information program and reception for students to meet with several dozen attorneys working in diverse fields.

Another annual event, the Career Focus Forum, is cosponsored by the School of Law’s minority law student associations and LCS. This event highlights the achievements of minority attorneys and includes a reception with representatives from local minority bar associations.

Services for All First-Year Students

- An online job search guide with comprehensive information on planning a legal job search, creating résumés and cover letters, developing interviewing techniques, and using other career planning resources
- A one-on-one orientation session
- Workshops on résumés and cover letters

Services for All J.D. and LL.M. Students and Graduates:

- Print and online job listings for current employment positions, summer associate and school-year clerkships, judicial externships, and clinical and work-study positions
- Presentations by graduates on their career experiences
- Individual and small-group career counseling
- Job search skills workshops
- Résumé and cover letter review
- Mock interviews with alumni working in various fields of the legal profession
- Panels and events highlighting the career paths of Golden Gate alumni and other attorneys
- Fall and spring recruitment programs
- Specialty area and regional job fairs
- Access to PSLawNet, a national database of public interest and government opportunities for law students
- Job Fairs/consortia

LCS participates in a variety of job fairs and consortia including:

- Northern California Public Interest/Public Sector Day
- San Francisco Intellectual Property Law Association Job Fair
- Northwest Minority Job Fair
- National Association for Public Interest Law Job Fair
- Patent Law Interview Program

Resource Library

The ever-expanding resource library contains legal newspapers, law career books, general career guides, newsletters, directories, employer information files, professional development materials, job listings, and videotapes of previous LCS programs. Students also have access to the Internet, LEXIS, and Westlaw for their job searches.

Career Search Publications and Affiliations

The LCS office contributes a column to *Law School News*, the weekly student newsletter, and posts announcements online.

LCS staff participate in the National Association for Law Placement, National Association for Public Interest Law, Bay Area Legal Recruitment Association, Bar Association of San Francisco, and minority and specialty bar associations.

Faculty and Alumni Involvement

Law School faculty and alumni actively participate in the career planning process by serving on panels, talking with students about their legal specialties, and conducting mock interviews that provide practical experience. Many faculty and alumni are also available for informational interviews to provide students with guidance regarding career options.

Benefits to Graduates

The next two pages describe the services that are available to graduates of Golden Gate University School of Law.



Jobs After Graduation

Below is a partial list of the employers that have recently hired graduates of Golden Gate University School of Law:

Alameda County District Attorney's Office
Alameda County Public Defender's Office
Bradley, Curley, Asiano & McCarthy
Brobeck, Phleger & Harrison
Burnham Brown
California Rural Legal Assistance
Center on Race, Poverty, and the Environment
Charles Schwab
Coblentz, Patch, Duffy & Bass
Contra Costa County Superior Court
Cooley Godward
Deloitte & Touche
Fliesler, Dubb, Meyer & Lovejoy LLP
Goldstein, Gellman, Melbostad, Gibson & Harris
Gordon & Rees
Hassard Bonnington
Idell Berman & Seitel
Kazan, McClain, Edises, Simon & Abrams
Laughlin Falbo Levy & Moresi

Legal Aid Society of New York
Legal Aid Society of San Francisco
Lynch, Gilardi & Grummer
Marin County District Attorney's Office
Meyers, Nave, Riback, Silver & Wilson
Milberg Weiss Bershad Hynes & Lerach
Perkins Coie
P G & E
PricewaterhouseCoopers
Ropers, Majeski, Kohn & Bentley
San Fernando Valley Legal Services
San Francisco Trial Courts
Sedgwick, Detert, Moran & Arnold
Stanislaus County District Attorney's Office
Townsend and Townsend and Crew
Trucker Huss
U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit
U.S. Department of Justice, Immigration Court
U.S. Department of Justice, Taxation Division
U.S. Dept. of Labor, Office of Administrative Law Judges
Van Bourg, Weinberg, Roger & Rosenfeld
Wells Fargo Bank

Law Alumni Services

The connection between Golden Gate University School of Law and its

students does not end with graduation. The Law School sponsors and supports a variety of programs designed specifically for alumni.

Staying in Touch

The Law Alumni Relations Office helps graduates stay in touch with the school and other alumni members by

- Hosting class reunions and regional events
- Providing free continuing legal education programs
- Offering various gatherings for alumni

Law Alumni Relations also maintains a database of School of Law graduates through which office staff can help alumni find former classmates.

Launched in 2002, our online alumni directory is available to all law graduates. This resource allows alumni to search by name, specialty, class year, degree type, and geographic location.

Alumni Award

Each year, the School of Law selects one graduate to receive the Judith G. McKelvey Outstanding Alumnus/a of the Year Award. The award recognizes a graduate for his or her achievements and commitment to the legal profession and to the School of Law.

Alumni Publications

- The magazine *Class Action*, published twice a year, offers articles highlighting School of Law activities, students, and alumni.
- *GGU Magazine*, produced three times a year by Golden Gate University, provides an overview of university alumni and activities.
- The Law Alumni Relations Office sends periodic messages through *Law eNews*, an electronic newsletter with regular updates on School of Law news, events, and MCLE offerings.



"Working with GGU students in the mock trial program is rewarding because it allows me to have firsthand experience watching them grow and blossom as trial attorneys."

*Shahrad Milanfar (Class of 1998), Attorney
Becherer, Kannett, & Schweitzer*

Career Planning

Law Career Services (LCS) continues to help alumni at different stages of their careers. All graduates are eligible for free career counseling services, which are conducted in person or over the telephone. Career counselors can help attorneys revitalize their job searches, learn more about the employment market, and present their credentials in the strongest possible light. LCS also conducts periodic workshops specifically for Golden Gate Law graduates to help demystify the job search process.

To inform alumni of job opportunities, LCS posts job listings online for free at www.eAttorney.com. Alumni may also subscribe to www.emplawyernet.com at a discounted rate.

Graduates may check out many of the books and videotapes in LCS's extensive resource library. Alumni may also use resource library computers, which provide access to a host of online career resources.

Other job search services include

- Career counseling
- Résumé/cover letter review
- Workshops
- Printed and online job listings
- For out-of-town alumni, access to other career services offices around the country

Law Library

Use of the Law Library is free to graduates for the first two years after graduation. (Alumni may continue their library membership for a small fee.) Membership includes borrowing privileges, plus access to the print and microform collections, CD-ROM databases, reference services, and online public access catalog. The Law Library houses the largest law collection in the San Francisco financial district—more than 270,000 volumes.

Volunteer Opportunities

Graduates often return to Golden Gate to share their experiences and help students understand how classroom lessons relate to career goals. Volunteer opportunities include:

Mock Interviews

Graduates help current students practice their presentation techniques.

Career Panels and Brown Bag Lunches

Graduates describe and discuss their career experiences with students.

The Law School Alumni Association (LSAA)

LSAA is dedicated to promoting programs and events designed for personal and professional enhancement. All alumni are automatically members.



Volunteer Judges and Advisors

Golden Gate alumni serve as judges and advisors for appellate and mock trial competitions.

Law School Recruiting

Graduates talk with prospective applicants to answer questions about law school and the GGU experience.

Regional Alumni Receptions

Graduates work with the alumni office to host various events, from informal barbecues to formal reception dinners.

Twice a year, the Golden Gate University School of Law Alumni Association hosts a swearing-in ceremony and reception for alumni who have passed the California State Bar Examination.



Course Concentrations

Required Courses

Appellate Advocacy
Civil Procedure I, II
Constitutional Law I, II
Contracts I, II

Corporations
Criminal Law
Criminal Procedure I
Evidence

Professional Responsibility
Property I, II
Solving Legal Problems
Torts

Wills & Trusts
Writing & Research I, II

Business/Commercial Law

Specialization Certificate offered in Business Law*

LL.M. in Taxation offered

Students may also choose from dozens of advanced tax classes offered as part of our LL.M. Tax program.

Accounting for Lawyers
Advanced Bankruptcy Law
Alternative Dispute Resolution
Antitrust
Aviation Law
Banking & Financial Institutions Law
Bankruptcy Law
Business Immigration Law
Business Planning
Commercial Finance
Contracts
Corporate Governance & Securities Regulation
Corporations
Debtors' Rights & Creditors' Remedies
Federal Income Taxation
Insurance Law
Mergers & Acquisitions
Negotiable Instruments
Products Liability
Sales
Securities Regulation

Civil Practice Clinic

Criminal Law

Specialization Certificate offered*

Comparative Criminal Procedure
Criminal Law
Criminal Litigation
Criminal Procedure
Domestic Violence Seminar
Evidence
Law & Social Change
Trial Advocacy
Competition: Mock Trial

Criminal Litigation Clinic
Innocence Project

Environmental Law

Specialization Certificate offered*

LL.M. in Environmental Law offered

Administrative Law
California Environmental & Natural Resources Law
Clean Air Act Seminar
Energy, Electricity Deregulation, & Environmental Law
Environmental Law & Justice Seminar
Environmental Law & Policy
Environmental Practice
Federal Wildlife & Endangered Species Law
Global Climate Change
Global Warming Seminar
International Environmental Law Seminar
International Trade & Environmental Protection
Land Use Regulation
Public Natural Resources Law & Policy
Regulatory Takings & Environmental Law Superfund
Toxics Law & Policy
Urban Environmental Law & Policy
Water Law
Competitions
Environmental Law Moot Court
Environmental Negotiation

Environmental Law Clinic
Environmental Law & Justice Clinic

Family Law

Children & the Law
Community Property
Community Property Advanced Drafting Workshop
Domestic Violence Seminar
Elder Law
Family Law
Family Law Practice
Mediation Skills Training
Sexual Orientation & the Law
Wills & Trusts
Women & the Law

Civil Practice Clinic
Family Law Clinic

Intellectual Property Law

Specialization Certificate offered*

LL.M. in Intellectual Property Law offered

Art & the Law
Biotechnology Law
Content Licensing
Copyright Law of the U.S.
E-Commerce Law
Entertainment Law
Film & Television Law
Intellectual Property Law Moot Court Competition
Intellectual Property Law Survey
Intellectual Property Litigation: Copyright & Trademark
Intellectual Property Online Journal
International Intellectual Property Law
International Patent Law
Internet and Software Law
Negotiating and Drafting Contracts in the Entertainment Business
Patent Law of the U.S.
The Patent Application Process from A to Z
Patent Litigation
Sports Law
Trademark Law of the U.S.
Trademark Practice: Trials & Appeals Board
Competition: IP Moot Court

Civil Practice Clinic

*See faculty adviser for specific course requirements for the specialization certificate.

International Law

Specialization Certificate offered*

LL.M. in International Legal Studies offered

Admiralty & Maritime Law
Air, Space, & Telecommunications Law
Asian/Pacific Trade Seminar
Comparative Corporate Governance & Securities Regulation
Comparative Criminal Procedure
Comparative Legal Systems
European Union Law
Immigration & Refugee Policy Seminar
International Business Transactions
International Development Law
International Dispute Resolution
International Economic Law: Special Topics
International Environmental Law Seminar
International Human Rights Seminar
International Intellectual Property Law
International Investment Law
International Law
International Organizations
International Patent Law
International Security & Globalization
International Trade & Environmental Protection
International Trade Regulation
Law of International Armed Conflicts
Law of Japan
Law of the Sea Seminar
Pacific Settlement of Disputes Between States
Private International Law
Western Hemisphere Trade Seminar

Competitions:

Jessup International Law Moot Court
Manfred Lach International Space Law Moot Court

Immigration & Refugee Policy Clinic

plus courses offered in summer overseas programs

Labor/Employment Law

Specialization Certificate offered*

Administrative Law
Advanced Seminar in Labor/Employment Law
Alternative Dispute Resolution
Business Immigration Law
Comparative Employment Discrimination
Employment Discrimination
Employment Law
Employment Litigation Workshop
Entertainment Law
ERISA: A Labor Law Perspective
Federal Courts
Labor Law
Sports Law
Workers' Compensation

Civil Practice Clinic

Public Interest/Government Counsel Clinic
Women's Employment Rights Clinic

Lawyering Skills

Advanced Legal Research—eSearch
Alternative Dispute Resolution
California Legal Research: eSearch
Courtroom as Theatre
Graduate Legal Research
Law Practice Technology
Lawyering Skills
Lawyering Skills: Client Advocacy
Mediation Skills Training
Professional Responsibility
Solving Legal Problems
Writing & Research

Litigation

Specialization Certificate offered*

Appellate Advocacy
Civil Litigation: Pretrial Phase
Civil Procedure
Conflict of Laws
Courtroom as Theatre
Criminal Law
Criminal Litigation
Criminal Procedure
Electronic Evidence
Evidence
Federal Courts
Judicial Decision Making
Law & Social Change
Law Practice Technology
Trial Advocacy

Competitions:

ABA Mediation
Advanced Mock Trial
Mock Trial
Traynor Moot Court

Civil Practice Clinic

Criminal Litigation Clinic
Innocence Project
Landlord-Tenant Law Clinic

Property Development / Real Estate

Specialization Certificate offered in Real Estate Law*

Construction Law
Federal Income Taxation
Fair Housing Law
Land Use Regulation
Property
Public Natural Resources Law & Policy
Real Estate Development
Real Estate Finance
Real Estate Litigation Seminar
Real Estate Transactions Seminar
Remedies

Landlord-Tenant Law Clinic
Real Estate Clinic

Public Interest/Human Rights

Specialization Certificate offered in Public Interest Law*

Administrative Law
Alternative Dispute Resolution
Animal Law Seminar
Children & the Law
Comparative Constitutional Law
Constitutional Law
Disability Rights Law
Elder Law
Fair Housing Law
Federal Courts
Federal Indian Law
Federalism Seminar
Film & the Law
Health Care Law
Immigration & Refugee Policy Seminar
Immigration Law
International Human Rights Seminar
Labor Law
Law & Social Change
Lawyering Skills: Client Advocacy
Legislative Process
Literature & the Law
Mental Disorders & the Law
Privacy, Defamation, & Other Relational Torts
Privacy Law Seminar
Products Liability
Race & Civil Rights Seminar
Sexual Orientation & the Law
Street Law
Toxics Law & Policy
Women & the Law

Criminal Litigation Clinic

Environmental Law & Justice Clinic
Innocence Project
Judicial Externships
Landlord-Tenant Law Clinic
Public Interest/ Government Counsel Clinic
Women's Employment Rights Clinic

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Faculty



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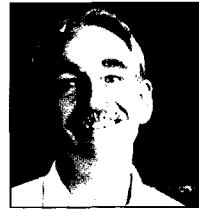
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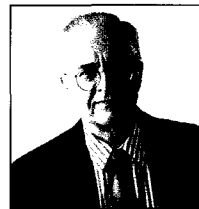
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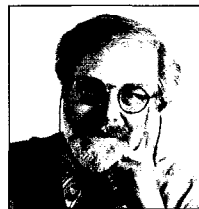
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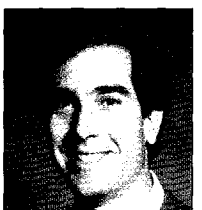
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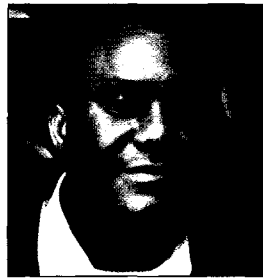
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Applying to the Law School

Golden Gate University School of Law seeks students from diverse backgrounds with the potential to succeed in law school and become active members of the legal community.

You must hold a baccalaureate degree or its equivalent from an accredited college or university when you register for School of Law courses. No specific major or undergraduate course of study is required, but we encourage you to take a well-rounded program that includes courses from the humanities and the sciences. Because the study and practice of law require clear thinking and communication, we suggest you take undergraduate courses that develop your writing and analytical reasoning skills.

The admissions committee considers academic achievement, performance on the Law School Admission Test (LSAT), the personal essay, letters of recommendation, work experience during and after college, community activities, and other life experience.

The School of Law encourages applicants to visit our classes. If you would like to tour the campus or attend a first-year class, contact the Admissions and Financial Aid Office.

Golden Gate University School of Law is a private institution strongly committed to promoting diversity. In order to ensure a diverse student body, we consider race, ethnicity, disability, socioeconomic status, sexual orientation, and other factors.

LSAT/Law School Data Assembly Service

All applicants for admission to the J.D. program must take the Law School Admission Test (LSAT), which is administered by the Law School Admission Council (LSAC). Applicants must have taken the LSAT within five years of the date of application. Detailed information about the test is in the *Law Services Registration and Information Book*. Golden Gate University School of Law does not mail this information, but you can obtain it at any local college, university, or law school.

You may also contact LSAC directly: Law School Admission Council, Box 2000, Newtown, PA 18940-0998, (215) 968-1001, or www.lsac.org.

The School of Law also requires that U.S. and Canadian applicants participate in the Law School Data Assembly Service (LSDAS), which collects and analyzes the academic and test records of law school applicants. Be sure to submit transcripts of all college work to LSAC as early as possible. If you are a college senior, do not wait for final grades before submitting transcripts to LSAC.

International Applicants

Applicants who completed their undergraduate degrees outside of the United States or Canada should not submit their transcripts to LSAC. These applicants should have foreign transcripts formally evaluated, then send both the transcripts and the evaluation (in English) directly to Golden Gate University School of Law. (See page 50 for a list of credential evaluation services.) Applicants who earned their degrees in Canada should check with LSAC, which does evaluate some Canadian transcripts.



For foreign applicants, Golden Gate University School of Law requires a complete and detailed report including course breakdown, grade evaluation, and degree equivalency. A report of basic equivalency is *not* sufficient information. See page 50.

Applicants with foreign undergraduate transcripts should register for the Law School Admission Test only. Although international applicants do not need to formally register for LSDAS, they must obtain an identification number from LSAC. For more information, see page 50.

Law School Admission Test

The Law School Admission Test (LSAT) is given four times each year at test sites throughout the United States and abroad. LSAT dates for 2003–04 are October 4, 2003; December 6, 2003; February 7, 2004; and a June 2004 date to be determined.

Transfer or Visiting Students

If you are a transfer or visiting student, please request "Application Materials for Transfer and Visiting Students" by contacting the Admissions and Financial Aid Office.

Transfer Students

If you have successfully completed at least one full year at another ABA-approved or any state bar-approved law school, and you are in the top 20% of your class, you may apply to transfer to the School of Law.

Visiting Students

If you have successfully completed at least one full year at another ABA-approved or a state bar-approved law school, you may apply to attend the School of Law as a visiting student. You may attend Golden Gate University School of Law for one or more semesters, but you will receive your degree from your current law school.

8 or Fewer Units

If you are attending an ABA-approved or any state bar-approved law school and wish to take 8 or fewer units at Golden Gate University School of Law, you need not apply for visiting status. Instead, contact the School of Law Registrar's Office at (415) 442-6620.

Application

You may use the application at the back of this bulletin or the one on our website at www.ggu.edu/law.

Golden Gate University School of Law also accepts applications that have been prepared using the Law School Admission Council's LSACD or LSACD on the Web. Print out your completed application and send it directly to us, or use the LSACD on the Web to electronically transmit your law school application to LSAC, which will send both printed and electronic versions of your application to us. Applications submitted to LSAC for transmission to Golden Gate University School of Law will be considered postmarked on the day they are electronically submitted. For more information, see www.lsac.org.

Submitting Your Application

You must answer all questions. If your answer is "no" or "none," or if the question is "not applicable," please state so. Failure to complete the form fully or to furnish supporting documents will delay the processing of your application.

Your application and all supporting documents, with the exception of your LSDAS report, must be postmarked by the appropriate deadline. (See chart on page 48.)

Notify the Admissions and Financial Aid Office in writing of any address changes immediately. Include your full name, social security number, current and former address, and current and former telephone numbers.

Application Fee

Your application must be accompanied by a \$55 fee. Checks or money orders should be made payable to Golden Gate University. Be sure to write your name and social security number on the front of your check or money order. The application fee is nonrefundable.

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Fee Waiver

Applicants with financial hardship may request a waiver of the application fee. To request a waiver, include with your application a letter describing your financial hardship and asking for a waiver of the application fee. You *must* also include one of the following documents in support of your request: a current income tax return, a current undergraduate financial aid award letter, or a fee waiver from LSDAS.

Personal Essay

The required personal essay is your opportunity to address the Admissions Committee. Your personal essay is a writing sample and should be polished, well organized, and no longer than four pages typed (double-spaced, preferably in 12-point font). Do not submit books, pictures, tape recordings, plays, theses, dissertations, or other such materials; the Admissions Committee will not evaluate them.

Your personal statement should highlight your strengths and describe experiences that have helped you develop the skills necessary for success in law school. The statement should also distinguish you from other applicants by including background information that makes you unique, such as personal accomplishments, extracurricular activities, career experience, or socioeconomic background. Returning students who have been out of school for some time often discuss their experiences raising families and/or working in diverse disciplines.

You may choose one of two forms for your required personal essay:

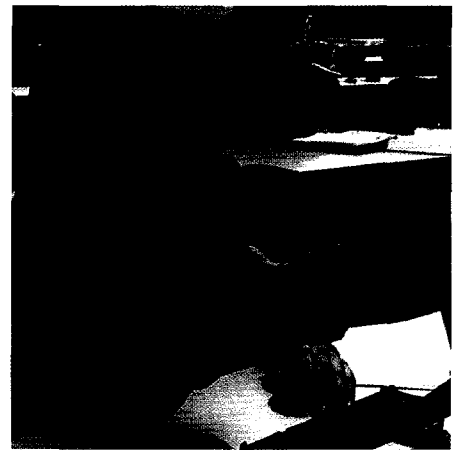
1) An essay that answers these questions: Why do you want to study law? What special skills, attributes, and experiences will you bring to the law school community? What strengths and experiences illustrate your development of the writing, research, and analytical thinking skills necessary for success in law school?

OR

2) An essay that describes a decision you made that had a significant impact on you or someone else. Looking back, would you have made the same decision? Why or why not? (**Please do not use your decision to apply to law school as your topic.**)

Optional Essay

The Admissions Committee takes into account an applicant's ethnicity, race, employment history, volunteer experience, sexual orientation, and socioeconomic and cultural backgrounds. If you want the Admissions Committee to consider your background and heritage, please submit an optional essay. This essay may include a description of your community involvement, as well as any social, economic, or educational factors that influenced your desire to pursue a career in law.



Letters of Recommendation

You must submit at least two letters of recommendation. Each letter you submit should be written by someone who knows your academic ability or is in a position to assess your potential for success in law school. We strongly discourage your obtaining letters of recommendation from friends, acquaintances, and/or family members.

Golden Gate University School of Law no longer accepts letters of recommendation directly. All letters of recommendation must be submitted to the Law School Admission Council. This service is a part of the LSDAS registration subscription. Your letters will be copied and sent to us along with your LSDAS report. To use this service, follow the directions outlined in the *2003-04 LSAT/LSDAS Registration and Information Book*. Be sure to fill out and give each recommender a letter of recommendation form from the *LSAT/LSDAS Registration and Information Book*.

Application Deadlines

All deadlines are postmark deadlines.

Program	Application Deadline	LSAT Test Date	Priority Financial Aid
January 2004 Midyear Admission Program	November 14, 2003	October 4, 2003	November 15, 2003
Fall 2004 Day Program	April 15, 2004	February 7, 2004	April 15, 2004
Fall 2004 Evening Program (part-time)	June 2, 2004	February 7, 2004	June 2, 2004
January 2005 Midyear Admission Program	November 13, 2004	October 2, 2004	November 13, 2004

The Application Process

A complete application file consists of:

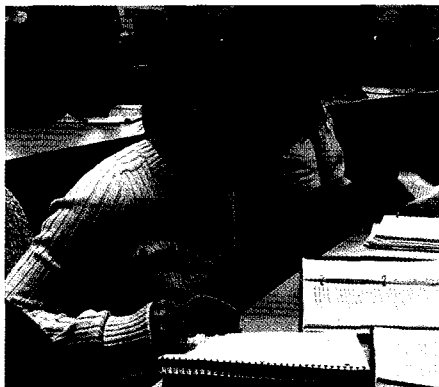
- Application for admission
- Personal essay
- LSDAS report
- Letters of recommendation
- Application fee or fee waiver request

No admission decision can be made until the School of Law Admissions and Financial Aid Office has received the application and all supporting documents. If you indicate on your application form that you plan to retake the LSAT, the admissions committee will not consider your application complete until we receive the subsequent LSAT score. It is your responsibility to ensure that we receive all documents in a timely manner. Admission decisions are made on an ongoing basis. As seats are limited, it is advantageous for you to apply early.

When your application file is complete, we forward it to the Admissions Committee, which thoroughly reviews each application. Please note that all admission decisions are final.

Please note that all materials submitted to the School of Law as part of your application are considered property of the School of Law and will not be photocopied or returned.

If you have questions about Golden Gate University School of Law, you may call for an appointment with a member of the Admissions staff. We will be happy to meet with you, but this meeting will not be considered part of your application process. The volume of applications received by the Admissions Office precludes granting personal interviews for admission purposes.



Special Programs

Honors Lawyering Program

If you are interested in applying to the Honors Lawyering Program (described on pages 11–12), please check the appropriate box on the application.

Minority Scholarship

If you would like to be considered for the Minority Scholarship, check the appropriate box on the application, complete the ethnic survey question, and attach a separate statement describing your commitment to your community.

Public Interest Law Scholars Program

If you wish to apply to the public interest scholars program (see page 23), please check the appropriate box on the application. You must also attach a separate essay describing your interest in public interest law, as well as a list of public interest activities in which you have participated.

Combined J.D./M.B.A. Program

If you wish to apply to the J.D./M.B.A. program (described on page 10), please check the appropriate box on the application.

Combined J.D./Ph.D. Program

If you wish to apply to the J.D./Ph.D. in clinical psychology program (described on page 10), please check the appropriate box on the application. Note: You must apply separately to the Ph.D. program.

Acceptance Deposit

Upon notification of admission to the School of Law, you will be required to pay a deposit to secure your seat in the entering class. Later, you may be asked to reconfirm your intent to matriculate. The deposit will be credited toward your initial tuition payment.

Re-application

The School of Law retains application files, including all supporting documents, for two years, but you need to submit a new application form and application fee to reapply. We recommend that you submit a new personal essay, an improved LSAT score (if appropriate), graduate transcripts (if new information exists), new letters of recommendation, an updated resume, and other evidence demonstrating your potential success in law school.

Auditing Courses

Members of the bar, Golden Gate University School of Law alumni, graduates of other law schools, and members of foreign bars may request to audit courses. To make a request, contact the associate dean for student services (or the LL.M. program director for LL.M. courses) and explain why you want to audit a particular course. Documentation regarding your professional and/or academic status is required. Permission of the course instructor is required for anyone wishing to audit a course. Once you have received all necessary approvals, contact the Law Registrar's Office to register for the course as an auditor. Auditors are charged two-thirds the tuition of matriculated students. Payment is due at registration.

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Foreign Educated Students

If you are from a country outside the United States and/or have earned your undergraduate degree in another country, you must include the items described on this page in addition to the required materials already specified on page 46.

Visa Status

You must indicate your visa status on your application. The Admissions and Financial Aid Office will send the appropriate immigration documents to you to facilitate your matriculation. You must comply with U.S. immigration laws and regulations. It is your responsibility to obtain any required visas. Please contact International Student Services (ISS) upon arrival to learn about your immigration responsibilities and benefits.

Health Insurance

Non-U.S. students in F-1 and J-1 immigration status are required to have health insurance. Students who have a comparable policy can apply for a waiver during the first 14 days of each semester. Waivers and health insurance information are provided through the Office of International Student Services. For more information, please contact the Golden Gate University Office of International Student Services.

Graduate Law Degrees

If you hold a law degree from outside the United States or Canada and want to earn an LL.M., please consult our LL.M. bulletins for admissions information or send an email to lawgrad@ggu.edu.

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Test Scores

If your native language is not English, regardless of your citizenship, you will need to submit proof of English language proficiency. This requirement may be met in a number of ways:

- TOEFL score of 550 or higher
- TOEFL waiver
- Completion of English 1A and 1B courses at a regionally accredited U.S. college/university with a grade of B or better in each course
- Bachelor's degree from regionally accredited U.S. college/university (or equivalent from recognized college/university in another English-speaking country)* with at least 60 units (or equivalent) completed at the U.S. college
- Master's degree from regionally accredited U.S. college/university (or equivalent from recognized college/university in another English-speaking country)*

*NOTE: Not all English-medium educational systems fulfill this requirement. Countries that qualify are Australia, Anglophone Canada, Great Britain, Ireland, and New Zealand.

Certification of Finances

If you plan to enroll at Golden Gate University School of Law with an F-1 (student) or J-1 (visiting scholar) visa, you and your financial sponsor(s) must complete and sign the GGU Certification of Finances (see page 67) and have the financial information you provide certified by a bank officer. The bank officer must sign and stamp the Certification of Finances form itself or write a separate letter (on bank letterhead) confirming the amount of money that is available to you for your first year of study at GGU, along with the name of the account holder(s). Bank statements or copies or faxes of financial documentation that is more than one year old, are not acceptable.

The Certification of Finances and bank certification are required even if you plan to live with a family member while you study. The student and all sponsors must sign the Certification of Finances, and bank certification is required for all sponsors.

Transcripts

Official transcripts from all undergraduate or graduate course work are required. Professional English translations are mandatory for all documents not issued in English. Below is a list of credential evaluation services we accept:

- ✓ • World Educational Services (WES)
- ✓ • International Educational Research Foundation
- International Credential Evaluation Service (ICES)
- AUAP Credential Evaluation Services
- Global Credential Evaluators
- National Association of Credential Evaluators (NACES)

If you plan to submit an academic document in an envelope sealed by your university, and this document needs to be translated, do not open the sealed envelope yourself. Submit the university-sealed envelope to the Law School Admissions and Financial Aid Office. We will open it, and if a translation or evaluation is needed, we will contact you.

Financial Aid

Golden Gate University School of Law administers a full range of programs to help students who need financial assistance. The Admissions and Financial Aid Office provides budget and debt management counseling, evaluates students' financial needs, and determines financial aid awards. The Admissions and Financial Aid Office is also responsible for maintaining standards and procedures that comply with federal regulations, donor restrictions, and University policies, and that most equitably help meet students' financial needs.

Financial Aid Eligibility

To be eligible for assistance from federal and campus-based financial aid programs at Golden Gate University School of Law, you must meet the following requirements:

- Admission into the J.D. program
- Enrollment in the School of Law (at least a half-time unit load)
- U.S. citizenship or proof of permanent residency or other eligible alien status
- Satisfactory academic progress
- Registration with the selective service, if required by federal law
- No default on any Title IV loan and no refund owed on any Title IV grant
- Demonstration of financial need, as determined by an analysis performed by the federal processor
- Completion of a financial aid file (You should apply for financial aid even if you have not been notified of your admission status.)

Financial Aid Application Forms

A separate application is not required for financial aid. You must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or, if you received financial aid for the previous academic year, the Federal Renewal Application. Send this application in the self-addressed envelope included with it or apply online at www.fafsa.ed.gov and

mail the signature page to the Federal Student Aid Programs Processor (FSAP). The FAFSA or Federal Renewal Application should be received by the FSAP processor on or before the priority deadline (March 11 each year). Please be sure to indicate in Section H on the FAFSA form that Golden Gate University is the college you plan to attend. Golden Gate University School of Law's Title IV Institutional Code is 001205.

Approximately four to six weeks after the federal processors receive your application, you will receive a Student Aid Report (SAR). The SAR summarizes the information you provided on your FAFSA (or Federal Renewal Application). You should review the SAR carefully and make any necessary corrections. If you need to make corrections, return your form to the FSAP processors. If your form requires no changes, retain the SAR for your records. The School of Law will receive the information directly from the federal processor.

In addition to the SAR, you may be asked to submit additional documents. The School of Law Admissions and Financial Aid Office will notify you accordingly and provide a limited amount of time for you to submit the necessary documents. Be sure to retain a copy of your most recent W-2 and federal income tax return in case they are requested later.

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Financial Aid Application Procedure—At a Glance

1. Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or the Federal Renewal Application and send it to Federal Student Aid Programs or apply online at www.fafsa.ed.gov. Golden Gate University School of Law's Title IV Institutional Code is 001205.

2. When you receive your Student Aid Report (SAR), review it carefully and make corrections. If your form requires no changes, retain the SAR for your records. The Law School will receive the information directly from the FSAP processor.

3. Submit any additional requested documents (verification documents, tax forms, etc.), as requested by the Law Admissions and Financial Aid Office.

Financial Aid (cont.)

Financial Aid Awards

Once you have been accepted for admission to the School of Law and your financial aid file is complete, you will receive an award letter stating the amount of financial aid you are eligible to apply for, the sources of financial aid funds, and an estimate of expenses for the academic year.

Along with your financial aid award letter, you will receive notification of any remaining documentation (such as loan applications) that must be completed and returned to the School of Law Admissions and Financial Aid Office in order for you to receive the financial aid funds.

You may choose to apply for subsidized and unsubsidized Stafford Loans, if you are eligible. In addition, you may apply for privately funded loans in order to meet your financial needs.

Financial Aid Resources

Federal Stafford Loans

Depending on your eligibility and on the financial need analysis, you may borrow up to \$8,500 through the Subsidized Stafford Loan Program for each academic year of study (usually two semesters) from a bank or financial institution that participates in the Stafford Loan program. Repayment begins six months after you graduate or cease to be enrolled at least half-time.

If you do not have financial need, you may borrow up to \$18,500 through the Federal Unsubsidized Stafford Loan Program, which replaced the Federal Supplemental Loan for Students (SLS). An unsubsidized Stafford Loan has the same terms and conditions as a Stafford Loan, except that the borrower is responsible for interest that accrues during in-school deferment periods. **Students may borrow up to \$18,500, less the amount of any subsidized Stafford Loan eligibility.**

The maximum amount that you may borrow through the Federal Stafford Loan Program is \$138,500. This amount

includes any unpaid Stafford Loans previously borrowed for undergraduate and/or graduate studies.

Loans are disbursed in two equal checks: the first at the beginning of the loan period, and the second in the middle of the loan period. As a new borrower at Golden Gate University, you must complete the online loan entrance counseling session, following the instructions in your financial aid award letter, before any Stafford Loan checks will be released.

Campus-Based Financial Aid

The Campus-Based Financial Aid (CBFA) program for law students consists of the Federal Perkins Loan and Federal Work-Study programs. It is funded annually by the federal government, the University, loan repayments from alumni, and wages from agencies that provide jobs.

Federal Perkins Loan

The amount of a Perkins Loan varies but seldom exceeds \$5,000 per year. Loans are repayable at a five percent annual interest rate, beginning nine months (for new borrowers) after a student ceases to be enrolled at least half-time. As a new borrower, you may take up to ten years to repay the loan at a minimum of \$40 per month, depending on the amount owed. The maximum amount that you may borrow through the Perkins Loan program for graduate and professional study at all institutions is \$18,000.

Federal Work-Study (available only after completion of the first year)

The Federal Work-Study (FWS) program was designed by the federal government to expand part-time employment opportunities for students who demonstrate financial need. Besides providing a means of financial assistance for the student, an FWS job is intended to complement the student's educational program or career goal. Most jobs developed under this program are intended to serve the public interest and meet the needs of

the community or the university; thus, most off-campus job providers are nonprofit agencies.

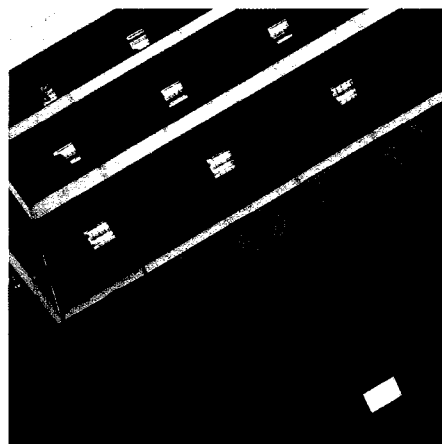
If you receive an FWS award, you are allowed to earn a specified amount in an FWS job. The employer and the federal government each pay a portion of your earnings. Award amounts may range from \$1,500 to \$6,000 for the academic year, including fall, spring, and summer semesters.

Private Loans

You may be eligible for private loans to meet the cost of your education. You must demonstrate credit worthiness to the lender or financial institution. Interest, fees, grace periods, and other terms vary slightly between private loan programs. Repayment begins six to nine months after you have graduated or are no longer enrolled at least half-time, depending on the lender. Contact the Admissions and Financial Aid Office regarding these loans.

Veterans' Benefits

If you qualify for Veterans Administration Educational Assistance programs, you may use your benefits at Golden Gate University School of Law. You should request advance payment of your veterans' benefits by submitting a written request to the Law School Admissions and Financial Aid Office. Be sure to notify the office of any changes in your academic program.



Scholarships

Golden Gate University School of Law offers a variety of scholarships to entering and continuing students.

Entering Students

Merit Scholarships

To attract a highly qualified student body, the School of Law awards to entering students a number of full-tuition and partial-tuition scholarships based solely on academic merit. Criteria include past academic achievement and LSAT results. Last year, a significant number of entering students received merit scholarships. **There is no formal application for merit scholarships.**

Minority Scholarships

The Law School awards minority scholarships of \$5,000 to entering students of all races and ethnicities who have, through past efforts, demonstrated a substantial and meaningful commitment to serve minority communities. Commitment can be demonstrated in a collegiate, professional, or community environment. To apply, please check the appropriate box on the application and provide an essay describing your community involvement and/or professional experience, including how it has benefited one or more minority communities. You must also attach a list of the specific agencies, programs, and projects for which you have worked or with which you have been involved. This scholarship is awarded for one year only.

Public Interest Scholars Program

Entering students who are interested in careers in public interest law will be considered for the public interest law scholars program. Participants are offered a \$5,000 stipend each year as long as they remain in good academic standing. The program provides scholarship assistance, a guaranteed summer employment stipend with a public interest agency, and faculty and alumni mentors.

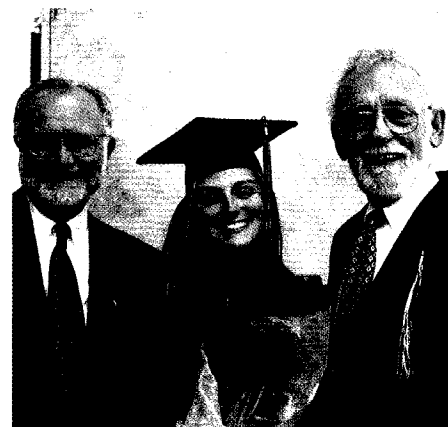
First-Year Endowed Scholarships

All eligible first-year students are considered for the following scholarships:

The Anne Marie Bourgeois Memorial Endowed Law Scholarship was established in memory of a 1989 graduate. It is awarded to women students with prior experience in the legal field.

The Louis Garcia Memorial Endowed Scholarship Fund was established in memory of a 1952 graduate and the first Latino judge to serve in San Francisco. The primary objective of this fund is to assist minority students.

The Diana Richmond Endowed Scholarship Fund for African Americans was funded with a major gift by Diana Richmond, a 1973 graduate and an established family practice lawyer in San Francisco. This award is given to African-American law students.



Renée R. Ross, winner of the 2002-03 Michael A. Zamperini/W. Clay Burchell Endowed Scholarship, with Professor Michael Zamperini (left) and W. Clay Burchell (right).

Continuing Students

Golden Gate University School of Law offers continuing students merit scholarships and other grants and loans based on academic achievement and/or financial need. The funds listed below provide special scholarships to continuing law students.

The Alumni Association Endowed Scholarship is awarded to law students in the top fifteen percent of their class who have demonstrated leadership. The selection committee may also consider financial need.

The Leon A. and Esther F. Blum Foundation Loan and Scholarship Program provides financial aid to worthy students attending accredited law schools in the city and county of San Francisco.

The Lawrence A. Cowen Scholarship Fund, created by a bequest from one of the School of Law's earliest graduates, provides scholarships to students based on financial need and other factors.

The Anthony J. Pagano Dean's Merit Scholarship, named for a former dean of the School of Law (1988-1998), is awarded at the discretion of the current dean to any law student with financial need who demonstrates outstanding achievement during law school.

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Scholarships (cont.)

Continuing students are also encouraged to apply for the following scholarships:

The Frederick W. Bradley Endowed Scholarship, named for a 1966 graduate of the School of Law, is awarded solely on the basis of financial need.

The Phillip Burton Endowed Law Scholarship, named in memory of the former U.S. congressman and 1953 School of Law graduate, is awarded on the basis of financial need.

The Linda Caputo Memorial Scholarship was established by the friends, family, law school faculty, and classmates of Linda Caputo, who graduated from the School of Law in 1987 and struggled all her life with spina bifida. This scholarship is awarded to students who have overcome significant obstacles to obtain a legal education.

The Martin S. Cohen Endowed Memorial Scholarship, named for a former student, is awarded to Jewish students with demonstrated financial need and good academic standing.

The Kevin J. Connell J.D. Memorial Endowed Scholarship Fund was established in memory of a third-year student who died in spring 1995. The scholarship is awarded to students in good academic standing with demonstrated financial need, with preference given to veterans of the U.S. Armed Forces.

The Environmental Law Scholarship is awarded to a student who has completed his or her second year of law school and has a demonstrated commitment to, and record of, achievement in environmental law. An essay is required with the application.

The Helen A. and John A. Gorfinkel Endowed Scholarship was established in memory of John Gorfinkel, a former professor and dean, and is awarded on the basis of financial need and academic achievement.

The Richard W. Johnson Memorial Endowed Scholarship was created and funded by classmates and friends of a 1965 graduate of the School of Law. This scholarship, given to a student who has shown great academic improvement since starting law school, is awarded at the start of a student's third year.

The Paul S. Jordan Endowed Law Scholarship is named for a School of Law faculty member, dean, and university trustee. Preference is given to students who demonstrate scholastic excellence and financial need.

The Hugh Geoffrey Major Endowed Women's Law Scholarship was established by Patricia Carson (1952) and named for her son. The scholarship is awarded to women law students with financial need and good academic standing.

The Barbara M. Mathews Educational Scholarship provides annual support for two women students who majored in humanities as undergraduates and who demonstrate financial need.

The Masud Mehran Endowed Fellowship is named for a member of the University Board of Trustees since 1986. The fellowship is awarded to students in good academic standing with demonstrated financial need. Preference is given to individuals displaying entrepreneurial spirit and initiative.

The Joseph R. and June B. Rensch Endowed Scholarship is awarded to upper-division students on the basis of financial need, academic achievement, and potential for business leadership.

The Kathryn E. Ringgold Endowed Scholarship is awarded to students with demonstrated financial need and solid academic standing, with preference given to women or African Americans.

The San Francisco Legal Auxiliary awards a scholarship, based on academic achievement and financial need, to students who graduated from Bay Area high schools and plan to practice in the Bay Area.

The Louie Sbarbaro Endowed Scholarship Fund is named for a longtime bon vivant and raconteur who resided in Siskiyou County, California. This is a need-based scholarship, with preference given to students who resided in the northern part of California before entering law school.

The Catherine Sherburne-Thompson Endowed Scholarship Fund is named in memory of a 1956 School of Law graduate and its first female faculty member. This fund provides assistance to part-time women students in their third or fourth year.

The Professor James B. Smith Memorial Endowed Scholarship is given to part-time women students with significant financial need or to older students of either gender.

The Brad Swope Scholarship is offered by the San Francisco Rotary Club to full-time or part-time law students who demonstrate academic excellence, leadership potential, contributions to the School of Law and the legal community, and financial need.

The Michael A. Zamperini/W. Clay Burchell Endowed Scholarship is awarded to gay or lesbian students who are beginning their final fall semesters of law school. This scholarship is awarded based on overall academic achievement and academic performance in the Writing & Research courses. An essay is required with the application.

The Joseph and Ruth Zukor Memorial Scholarship was endowed by Ruth Zukor in memory of her husband, who graduated from the School of Law in 1956. This scholarship is awarded to students who have demonstrated financial need and are in good academic standing.

Tuition & Fees/Payment Information

Tuition for 2003–04

Tuition (per unit) \$877
(88 units required for the J.D.)

Nonrefundable Fees for 2003–04

Per Term

Registration	\$40
Student Bar Association Fee (Fall and Spring only)	\$20
Materials ¹	
Fall and Spring Semesters	\$50
Summer Session	\$10
Public Interest Program (Fall and Spring only)	\$10

Per Occurrence

Application for Admission	\$55
Late Registration Fee ²	\$85
Installment Payment Fee	\$50
Late Payment Fee	\$30
Returned Check Service Charge	\$25
Transcript Fee	\$5
Duplicate Diploma Fee	\$25
Student ID Replacement Fee	\$10
Corporate Reimbursement Payment Plan Fee	\$100

For Foreign Students

International Student Services (per term)	\$90
Student Health Insurance (See note 3)	

Notes

1 Special Materials Fees will also be assessed in courses that require an excess amount of duplicated materials, use of audio-visual equipment, or rental of off-campus facilities. These fees will be announced prior to registration each semester.

2 Law students who complete their paperwork late will be charged a Late Registration Fee of \$85 in addition to the \$40 Registration Fee.

3 Contact the Office of International Student Services for current fees.

General Policies

- Auditors pay two-thirds the tuition of matriculated students.
- An installment (deferred) tuition payment plan is available to students in good financial standing.
- A corporate reimbursement plan is available. Qualifying students whose employers provide tuition-reimbursement may register for courses and postpone their tuition payment.

Withdrawal and Tuition Adjustment Policies

Notification of withdrawal from a course must be in writing and may be delivered in person, by standard mail, by fax, or by electronic mail from the email address on record with the Law Registrar's Office. Oral notification is not sufficient.

Regular Courses

Regular courses are those that generally meet for the entire length of the term. Tuition will be adjusted as shown below. Fees other than special materials fees are not reversible, except when a course is canceled by the School of Law. The first week of the term begins on the day "instruction begins" per the academic calendar for the term and extends through the following four business days.

Official withdrawal before the term start date: 100% reversal

Official withdrawal during the first or second week of term: 100% reversal

Official withdrawal during the third week of term: 75% reversal

Official withdrawal during the fourth week of term: 50% reversal

Official withdrawal after the fourth week of term: No reversal

Intensive Courses

Intensive courses are those that are shorter than four weeks in length and generally meet more than once a week. Tuition will be adjusted as follows. Fees other than special materials fees are not reversible, except when a course is canceled by the School of Law.

Official withdrawal before the first class meeting: 100% reversal

Official withdrawal after the first or second class meeting: 100% reversal

Official withdrawal after the third class meeting: 75% reversal

Official withdrawal after the fourth class meeting: 50% reversal

Official withdrawal after the fifth class meeting: No reversal

W Grades

Courses dropped after the last day of instruction, as indicated in the academic calendar, will be marked with a "W" for withdrawn and will appear on the student's academic transcript. "W" courses do not affect GPA.

Financial Aid Recipients Who Withdraw Completely from All Courses

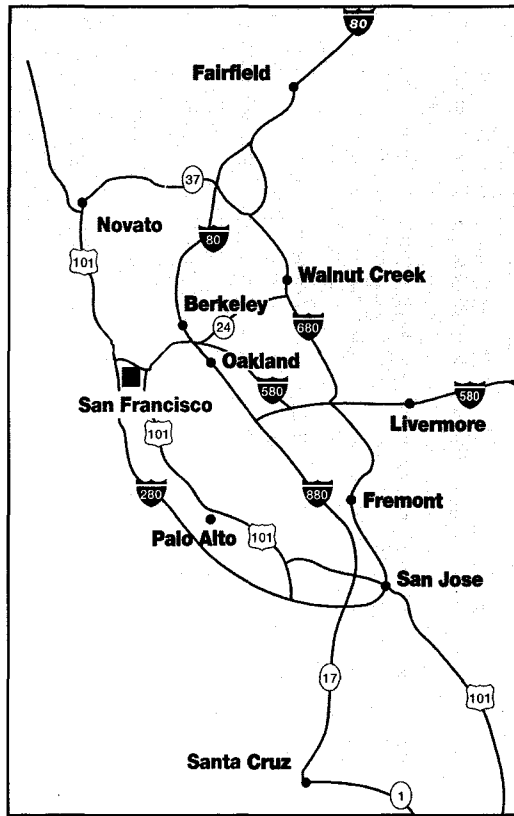
Up through the 60 percent point in each enrollment period, a pro rata schedule is used to determine the amount of Title IV funds (i.e., Stafford and Perkins loans) the student has earned at the time of withdrawal. After the 60 percent point of the enrollment period, a student has earned 100 percent of the Title IV funds, and no return of federal student aid will be processed.

The school must return the lesser of: the amount of Title IV funds that the student does not earn or the amount of institutional charges that the student incurred for the payment period or period of enrollment multiplied by the percentage of funds that was not earned.

Continuing Title IV recipients receive the larger of the refunds resulting from either the federal refund policy or the established Golden Gate University School of Law withdrawal and tuition adjustment policies.

These and other Golden Gate University policies are discussed in full in the Student Handbook.

Maps and Directions



Directions to Golden Gate University

By Car

From the North: Golden Gate Bridge and Highway 101 to Van Ness Avenue. Left on Bush Street. Cross Market Street to First Street. One block on First Street to Mission Street. Right on Mission Street. One-half block on Mission Street.

From the South: Highway 101 to 80 (Bay Bridge/Downtown) to Fourth Street exit. One block on Bryant Street. Left on Third Street, right on Mission Street. Two blocks on Mission Street.

From the East Bay: Bay Bridge to Fremont Street exit. Left on Fremont Street, then left on Mission Street. One block on Mission Street.

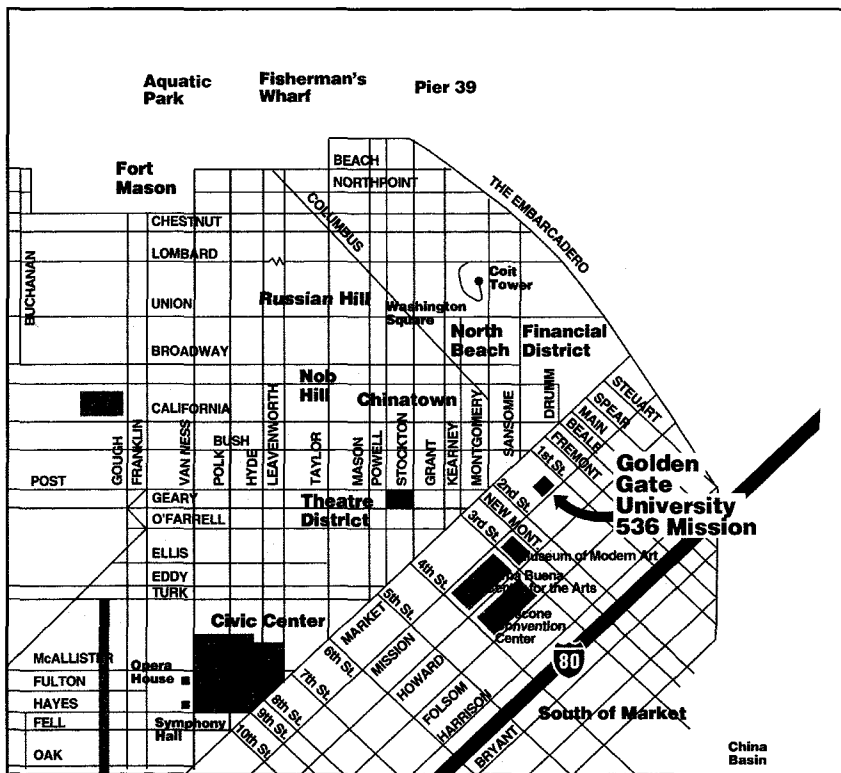
By Public Transit

- One block on Mission Street from Transbay Terminal at First and Mission Streets.
- BART and MUNI Metro, Montgomery Street exit: Walk on Second Street one block from Market Street to Mission Street. Left on Mission Street. One-half block on Mission Street.

- From CalTrain depot at Fourth and Townsend Streets: Take #10 Townsend bus to Fremont and Mission Streets. Walk west on Mission Street one and one-half blocks.

OR

Take the N Judah streetcar line to Montgomery Station, walk south from Market Street to Mission Street. Golden Gate University is on Mission Street between First and Second Streets.



Top: The San Francisco Bay Area

Bottom: The GGU campus location in San Francisco's Financial District

J.D. Application

GOLDEN GATE UNIVERSITY

School of Law
536 Mission Street
San Francisco, CA
94105-2968

Note: Do not use this application if you are a transfer or visiting student. Instead, contact the Admissions and Financial Aid Office to request "Application Materials for Transfer and Visiting Law Students."

Personal Information *(Please type or print in ink.)*

Social Security Number _____

Name Last: _____ First: _____ Middle: _____

Mailing Address

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: (____) _____ Work Phone: (____) _____

Email: _____ Fax: (____) _____

Date of Birth: _____

Gender: Male Female Title: Miss Mrs. Ms. Mr. Dr. Other _____

Citizenship/Residency Status *(This section must be completed.)*

City of Birth: _____ Country of Birth: _____

Country of Citizenship: _____

If not a U.S. citizen, what is your visa status? U.S. Permanent Resident/Green Card F-1 J-1 Other _____
(Please specify)

Native Language: _____

Ethnic Survey. Check all that apply:

- | | | |
|--|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> African American/Black | <input type="checkbox"/> Caucasian/White | <input type="checkbox"/> Puerto Rican |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Alaskan Native or American Indian | <input type="checkbox"/> Chicano/Mexican American | <input type="checkbox"/> Decline to state |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Asian or Pacific Islander | <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify) _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Canadian/Aboriginal | <input type="checkbox"/> Middle Eastern | |

Program: You must select a term and a division.

General:

I plan to begin in: Spring, beginning January or Fall, beginning August Year: _____

Division: Full-Time Day or Part-Time Evening

Where did you get this application? _____

Have you ever applied to GGU School of Law before? Yes No If yes, please indicate the term and year: _____

Special:

Check the appropriate box if you would like to be considered for any of the programs listed below. For further information on any of these programs, please consult the descriptions in this catalog, visit the website at www.ggu.edu/law, or contact the Admissions and Financial Aid Office. **Priority application filing deadline: February 1.**

Honors Lawyering Program (HLP)

Admission to the Honors Lawyering Program is competitive and will be based on information contained in your LSDAS report, personal essay(s), and letters of recommendation.

The following programs and/or scholarships require additional documentation and/or applications. Please put the program title at the top of each statement (e.g., "PISP Statement").

Public Interest Scholars Program (PISP)

Please include a *SEPARATE STATEMENT* describing your interest in Public Interest Law and attach a list of public interest activities in which you have participated. Also list public interest organizations with which you are affiliated.

Minority Scholarship

Please include a *SEPARATE STATEMENT* describing your commitment to one or more minority communities and attach a list of community involvement or volunteer experiences.

Special Programs (continued)

J.D./M.B.A.

Check this box if you are interested in pursuing a J.D. and an M.B.A. Selection for the M.B.A. program will occur after successful completion of your first year in the J.D. program and after a meeting between the dean of student services and the academic adviser of the M.B.A. program.

J.D./Ph.D. in Psychology

In addition to the J.D. application, a **SEPARATE APPLICATION** must be submitted to the Pacific Graduate School of Psychology. You must be admitted to both programs.

Academic Background:

List all colleges, universities, and law schools attended and degrees conferred. If you attended but did not earn a degree from an institution, state total number of units completed.

COLLEGE (list most recent first)	LOCATION	DATES ATTENDED (or expected date of conferral)	MAJOR	DEGREE
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Has any college, university, or law school ever *dismissed, disciplined, or disqualified* you for academic or behavioral reasons? If the answer is "yes," attach a statement giving details. Yes No

Have you previously attended any law school? Yes No

If yes, indicate which school and the year(s) of attendance: _____

Submit official law school transcripts. Also, attach an explanation as to why you are no longer attending law school.

Law School Admission Council (LCAS)

All applicants must take the Law School Admissions Test (LSAT) and have an official score report sent to the School of Law through LSDAS.

I took the LSAT on: _____

I will take the LSAT on: _____

If you believe that your LSAT score and/or cumulative grade point average does not accurately reflect your potential to succeed academically in law school, please explain on a separate sheet. (See "Optional Essay" on page 4 of this application.)

All letters of recommendation (two are required) must be submitted to LSAC. We no longer accept letters of recommendation directly from applicants.

Personal History:

Have you ever been *charged or convicted* of a crime, including expunged offenses other than minor nonalcohol-related traffic violations, or are any charges pending? If any such charge or conviction occurs between your submission of this form and registration, or during your enrollment at Golden Gate University School of Law, you are expected to inform us. If the answer is yes, give dates and explain the circumstances fully on a separate sheet. Yes No

As a member of, or applicant to, any profession or organization, or as a holder of any office, license, or credential, have you ever been disciplined or had a license or credential suspended, revoked, or denied? If the answer is yes, please attach a statement providing full details, identifying the license or credential involved, and providing the dates, details of the matter, final disposition, and the name and address of the authority in possession of the records. If any such charge or conviction occurs between your submission of this form and your registration at Golden Gate University School of Law, you are expected to inform us. Yes No

If you are related to any Golden Gate University alumni, please provide their name(s), relationship(s) to you, and program(s) attended:

NAME	RELATIONSHIP	PROGRAM
NAME	RELATIONSHIP	PROGRAM

Consult the rules and regulations of the Committee of Bar Examiners of the state in which you intend to practice to determine whether or not there is anything that might affect your eligibility for admission to the bar and whether you are required to register with the bar of that state when you commence the study of law.

Employment History:

Did you work while in college? Yes No

If answer is "yes," please complete the following:

POSITION(S) HELD	NO. OF HOURS PER WEEK
Senior year: _____	_____
Junior year: _____	_____
Sophomore year: _____	_____
Freshman year: _____	_____

State positions of employment after college, indicating employer, dates of employment, and reasons for leaving, or attach a résumé.

EMPLOYER (list most recent first)	DATES	POSITION	REASON FOR LEAVING
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Student Groups:

Please indicate your interest in any of the following:

- American Bar Association/Law Student Division (ABA/LSD)
- Asian Pacific American Law Students Association (APALSA)
- Association for Communication, Sports, and Entertainment Law (ACSEL)
- Association of Trial Lawyers of America (ATLA)
- Black Law Students Association (BLSA)
- Employment Law Association (ELA)
- Environmental Law Society (ELS)
- Federalist Society
- Golden Gate Association of International Lawyers (GGAIL)
- Intellectual Property Law Association (IPLA)
- International Law Society (ILS)
- Jewish Law Students Association (JLSA)
- Law Students Association (LALSA)
- LEGALS (lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender students)
- Middle Eastern Law Organization (MELO)
- National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers (NACDL)
- National Lawyers Guild (NLG)
- Phi Delta Phi
- Public Interest Law Foundation (PILF)
- Women's Law Association (WLA)

1. Personal Essay

Each new applicant is required to submit a personal essay, which should be no longer than four pages typed, double-spaced. Do **not** include photographs, books, videos, etc. as part of your application. These items will be removed and will not be considered by the Admissions Committee. Please choose one of the following for your essay:

(a) A personal statement that answers these questions: Why do you want to study law? What special skills, attributes, and experiences will you bring to the law school community? What strengths and experiences illustrate your development of the writing, research, and analytical thinking skills necessary for success in law school?

OR

(b) Describe a decision you made that had a significant impact on you or someone else. Looking back, would you have made the same decision? Why or why not? (We prefer that you **not** use your decision to apply to law school as your topic.)

2. Optional Essay

The Admissions Committee takes into account an applicant's ethnicity, race, sexual orientation, and socioeconomic and cultural backgrounds. If you want the Admissions Committee to consider your background and heritage, please submit an optional essay. This essay may include a description of your community involvement, as well as any social, economic, or educational factors that influenced your desire to pursue a career in law. Please limit this essay to two double-spaced, typed pages.

Other Information

List other law schools to which you are applying:

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

A nonrefundable \$55 application fee or a fee waiver request must accompany this application.

Please ensure that your name and address are clearly printed on your check or money order.

If you are applying for a fee waiver, in addition to your request you need to submit one of the following: your current undergraduate award letter, fee waiver from the Law School Admission Council, or current tax return.

I certify that the above application is correct in all aspects according to my best knowledge and belief, and I understand that if admitted to Golden Gate University School of Law, I must abide by the rules and regulations of the university and the School of Law. I understand that knowingly providing false or inaccurate information in admission and/or financial aid application materials is grounds for denial of admission or, if discovered after admission, for revocation of any offer of admission or, if discovered after matriculation, for immediate dismissal from the School of Law.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT: _____ DATE: _____

GOLDEN GATE UNIVERSITY WELCOMES APPLICANTS REGARDLESS OF RACE, SEX, CREED, RELIGION, AGE, COLOR, DISABILITY, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, GENDER IDENTIFICATION, ANCESTRY, NATIONAL/ETHNIC ORIGIN, NATIONALITY/CITIZENSHIP, POLITICAL AFFILIATION, MARITAL STATUS, MEDICAL CONDITION, OR ANY OTHER STATUS PROTECTED FROM DISCRIMINATION BY FEDERAL, STATE, OR LOCAL LAW.



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FOREIGN APPLICANTS ONLY: INSTRUCTIONS FOR CERTIFICATION OF FINANCES

The Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services (BCIS) of the U.S. Government requires Golden Gate University to certify the financial resources of all international applicants who will be applying for the F-1 and J-1 visas. Admission to Golden Gate University's Legal Program **is not dependent** upon your finances; however, GGU is unable to issue your Student Visa Request Form without financial certification.

The estimated costs for two academic terms and nine months of living expenses (listed below) are for all programs at Golden Gate University School of Law during **academic year 2003–2004**. You are required to certify that you have the amount shown for the academic program you plan to enter. If you have a spouse, children, or other dependents who will be accompanying you to the United States, you must also certify an additional US \$5,400 per academic year for each dependent.

When you apply for the student visa at the U.S. Embassy/Consulate, you will be required to prove that you have sufficient funds to study at Golden Gate University. We suggest that you make copies of this form and other related sponsorship documents (or get two originals) to present to U.S. Embassy officials.

SECTION A: MUST BE COMPLETED BY THE APPLICANT. Please list the estimated amount of money (in U.S. dollars) that will be available to you for your first year of study at Golden Gate University. This amount must be equal to or greater than the amount shown below—related to your degree program of interest. Please print the name(s) of your sponsor(s) and his/her/their relationship to you in the spaces provided. If you are sponsoring yourself, please print "*Myself*" in the space provided for "*Name of Sponsor*."

SECTION B: MUST BE COMPLETED BY THE APPLICANT. You must certify that, to the best of your knowledge, the total amount of funds listed in Section A is available to you for each year of study at Golden Gate University. Also, provide your signature and the date in the appropriate spaces.

SECTION C: MUST BE COMPLETED BY THE SPONSOR(S). Your sponsor(s) is required to certify that the total funds in Section A are available and will be provided to you as necessary. Your sponsor(s) is required to print his/her name and relationship to you, and to sign and date the form in the appropriate spaces. Instead of completing this section, your sponsor may submit: an original "Affidavit of Support" statement **or** an original letter promising to provide your financial support for as long as you are a student at Golden Gate University. If you are sponsoring yourself, please print "*I am sponsoring myself*" and sign your name in the space provided.

SECTION D: MUST BE COMPLETED BY THE SPONSOR'S BANK. A bank official at your sponsor's banking institution must certify that the funds listed in Section A are currently available. **Please be sure to obtain an original bank seal or stamp.** You may submit an original letter from your sponsor's bank indicating the total amount of money that is currently on deposit **or** an original letter stating that in the bank's opinion, your sponsor is financially capable of supporting you—**for an amount equal to or greater than the total cost listed below**. If you are sponsoring yourself, please have the bank complete this section **or** you may submit an original letter from the bank.

DEPENDENT INFORMATION: On the attached sheet for dependent information, please print your name, as well as the name, relationship to you (husband, wife, son, daughter, etc.), date of birth, country of birth, country of citizenship, gender, and city of birth of each dependent who may accompany you to the United States.

MINIMUM ESTIMATED EXPENSES FOR TWO SEMESTERS AND NINE MONTHS OF LIVING EXPENSES IN THE SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA

	J.D. Programs	LL.M. Programs*	S.J.D. Program (2 semesters in residence)
Tuition/Fees (US\$)	29 units @\$25,433	24 units at \$21,048	\$25,000
Living Expenses & Fees	\$15,510	\$13,500	\$13,500
TOTAL COSTS	\$40,943	\$34,548	\$38,500

*LL.M. Tax Program is 26 units

IMPORTANT: Living Expenses are *estimates* and are based on shared living arrangements to include rent, meals, utilities, personal expenses, health insurance, etc. These figures do **not** include travel within the United States or the cost of international airfare. Nor do they include the costs of owning and operating an automobile or the tuition costs of attending the university during the summer.

SPECIAL NOTE: If you are being sponsored by your government, employer, or other organization/agency, you are **not** required to complete this form. Instead, send an original sponsorship letter from the appropriate organization or government agency. If you have been awarded a scholarship from an outside organization or foundation, please be sure to include a copy of the award letter with this form.

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Please carefully read the instructions on page 65. This form must be completed in full to qualify for the Student Visa Request Form. If you are accepted for regular admission, the university will issue the Student Visa Request Form for you to apply for the student visa. Documents submitted in support of this form must be originals or certified true copies of the originals. Photocopies or fax transmissions are not acceptable. Also, all financial documents must be less than one year old.

Student's Name _____ Date of Birth _____
FAMILY NAME FIRST MIDDLE MONTH/DAY/YEAR

Social Security/Student ID Number (if known) _____

Country of Birth _____ Country of Citizenship _____

City of Birth _____

SECTION A: Sources of Financial Support

Name of Sponsor _____ \$ _____ per year

Relationship to Student _____

SECTION B: Student Certification

I certify that I have read the instructions on the reverse side of this form, and that, to the best of my knowledge, the total amount listed in **Section A** is available to me for each year of study at Golden Gate University.

Student's Signature _____ Date _____

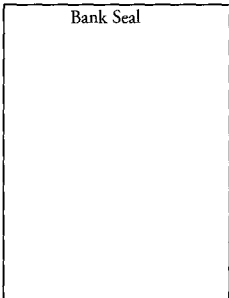
If accompanied by dependents, attach information including names, relationships, countries of birth, and dates of birth.

SECTION C: Sponsor Certification

The undersigned certifies that he/she has read the information given by the applicant on this form, that it is true and accurate, and that the funds are available and will be provided as needed.

Sponsor's Signature _____ Date _____

Sponsor's Name (print) _____ Relationship to Student _____



SECTION D: Bank Certification

The undersigned certifies that he/she has read the information given by the applicant on this form, that the information given above is accurate, and that the funds noted are expected to be available. No responsibility is assumed by the bank in giving this opinion. Note: Section D must include an original bank stamp or seal. See instructions on the back of this form.

Bank Official's Signature _____ Date _____

Bank Official's Name & Title (please print) _____

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Addendum to Certification of Finances: Dependent Information

Provide information for only those dependents accompanying you to the United States. Please print your name, as well as the name, relationship to you (husband, wife, son, daughter, etc.), date of birth, country of birth, country of citizenship, gender, and city of birth of each dependent who may accompany you to the United States.

Student's Name _____
FAMILY FIRST MIDDLE

Number of Dependents: _____

FAMILY NAME: _____ **GIVEN NAME:** _____

Relation to Student: _____

Date of Birth: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

Country of Birth: _____ Country of Citizenship: _____ Gender: _____

City of Birth: _____

FAMILY NAME: _____ **GIVEN NAME:** _____

Relation to Student: _____

Date of Birth: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

Country of Birth: _____ Country of Citizenship: _____ Gender: _____

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