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A photograph of a library study area with several students sitting at long wooden tables. The room is filled with bookshelves and study lamps. A woman in the foreground is seen from behind, looking towards a group of students. One student on the right is wearing a dark jacket and a cap, looking towards the camera. A laptop is open on the table in front of her.

PART-TIME EVENING PROGRAM

GOLDEN GATE UNIVERSITY

School of Law



FOUNDED IN 1901, THE PART-TIME EVENING PROGRAM AT GOLDEN GATE LAW SERVES A DIVERSE AND PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY OF LAW STUDENTS.

Located in the heart of San Francisco's financial and legal district, the Golden Gate Law campus is easily accessible by car or public transportation from anywhere in the Bay Area. Because all of our classes are offered at night, the part-time evening program makes it possible for students to obtain a Doctor of Jurisprudence (JD) degree in four years while working during the day, caring for children

or other family members, or simply taking fewer units per semester to lower the annual cost of attendance.

Classes are taught by Golden Gate Law's exceptional full-time faculty, representing expertise in the practice of law across a broad range of academic fields and areas of legal study. If you are just beginning to explore your career interests, our curriculum gives you the flexibility to select from a wide variety of electives, clinical programs, and practical training opportunities that are designed to help you shape your professional path. Part-time evening students may also pursue a joint JD/MBA degree, participate in Law Review, obtain any one of our ten specialization certificates and develop lawyering skills through our renowned on-site legal clinics.

Graduates of Golden Gate Law's part-time evening program can be found working in virtually every area of legal practice, including large corporate law firms, non-profit advocacy organizations, government agencies and the judiciary.

Student Life

Golden Gate Law facilitates opportunities for students to become involved in the legal community both on and off campus. Our very active Student Bar Association supports student organizations and activities across many different practice areas, political affiliations, and ethnic/cultural identities. Offices for Law Student Services, Law Career Services and Bar Exam Services offer essential training and programming, all of which are carefully designed to accommodate the needs of our part-time evening students.

Upper-year Peer Mentors are also available to help students acclimate to law school and offer guidance on balancing the demands of a legal education with work and family obligations.





Schedule

Students in the part-time evening program at Golden Gate Law matriculate in mid-August. In the first year of the program, classes are typically held four evenings per week, Monday through Thursday, from 6:30 – 9:10 p.m. Thereafter, part-time evening students can take classes three or four evenings per week and may choose to enroll in day classes if their schedules permit. Many part-time students elect to enroll in summer courses in order to lighten their course loads in the fall and spring. Part-time evening students usually graduate after four years, but in some cases the program can be completed a semester early. With the approval of the Associate Dean for Law Student Services, students may transfer from the part-time evening to the full-time day program (or vice-versa) after their first year of study.

Scholarships and Financial Aid

Golden Gate Law offers financial assistance programs to help cover the cost of a legal education. Full and partial tuition merit scholarships are

awarded to entering students whose application materials demonstrate outstanding achievement in one or more of the following areas: academic record, LSAT scores, writing ability, professional experience, volunteer service and community leadership.

Merit scholarships can be renewed after the first year by maintaining a 3.0 GPA. Moreover, government and private loans can fund the entire cost of attendance, including room and board. For more information, contact the Office of Financial Aid at lawfaa@ggu.edu.

First Year Fall	First Year Spring
Civil Procedure I (3 units)	Civil Procedure II (3 units)
Contracts I (3 units)	Contracts II (3 units)
Torts I (4 units)	Writing and Research II (3 units)
Writing and Research I (2 units)	First-Year Elective (2 units)*
Upper-Year Required Courses	
Appellate Advocacy (2 units)	Evidence (4 units)
Business Associations (4 units)	Practical Legal Writing (2 units)
Criminal Law (3 units)	Professional Responsibility (2 units)
Criminal Procedure I (3 units)	Property I & II (6 units)
Constitutional Law I and II (6 units)	Wills and Trusts (4 units)

* First-Year electives introduce students to the basics of legal practice and reinforce analytical skills using simulations and real-world problems. For more information about the part-time evening curriculum and recommended schedules, visit www.ggu.edu/law.

“Golden Gate Law’s supportive culture made it possible for me to balance the responsibilities of parenthood with the challenges of being a law student.”

Jennifer Torres O’Callahan
(JD 09)



FALL 2009 ENTERING CLASS STATISTICS

- Class Size: 44
- Total Number of Applications: 349
- Median LSAT/GPA: 154/2.90
- 75th % LSAT/GPA: 155/3.18
- 25th % LSAT/GPA: 151/2.63
- Minority Students: 34%
- Women: 46%
- Average Age: 29
- Tuition: \$25,620
- Receiving Scholarship: 32%
- Average Scholarship: \$10,803

"The part-time evening program has enabled me to obtain a law degree while working full-time as an environmental scientist and continuing to advance my career. Golden Gate Law's central location and exceptionally talented faculty and staff have made it easy for me to be successful."

Genevieve Coyle (JD 12)

"I was a lobbyist and community organizer for 14 years before I started law school. I now work as a political and media consultant while also serving as Editor-in-Chief of the Golden Gate University Law Review."

Jon Golinger (JD 10)

"Golden Gate Law is cultivating one of the most robust Intellectual Property programs in the country. Our course and clinical offerings provide the tools our students need to thrive in this critically important and ever-expanding area of practice."

Chester Chung, Associate Professor

DEADLINE TO APPLY FOR FALL 2010 IS JUNE 1, 2010.

To apply, please visit www.ggu.edu/law

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