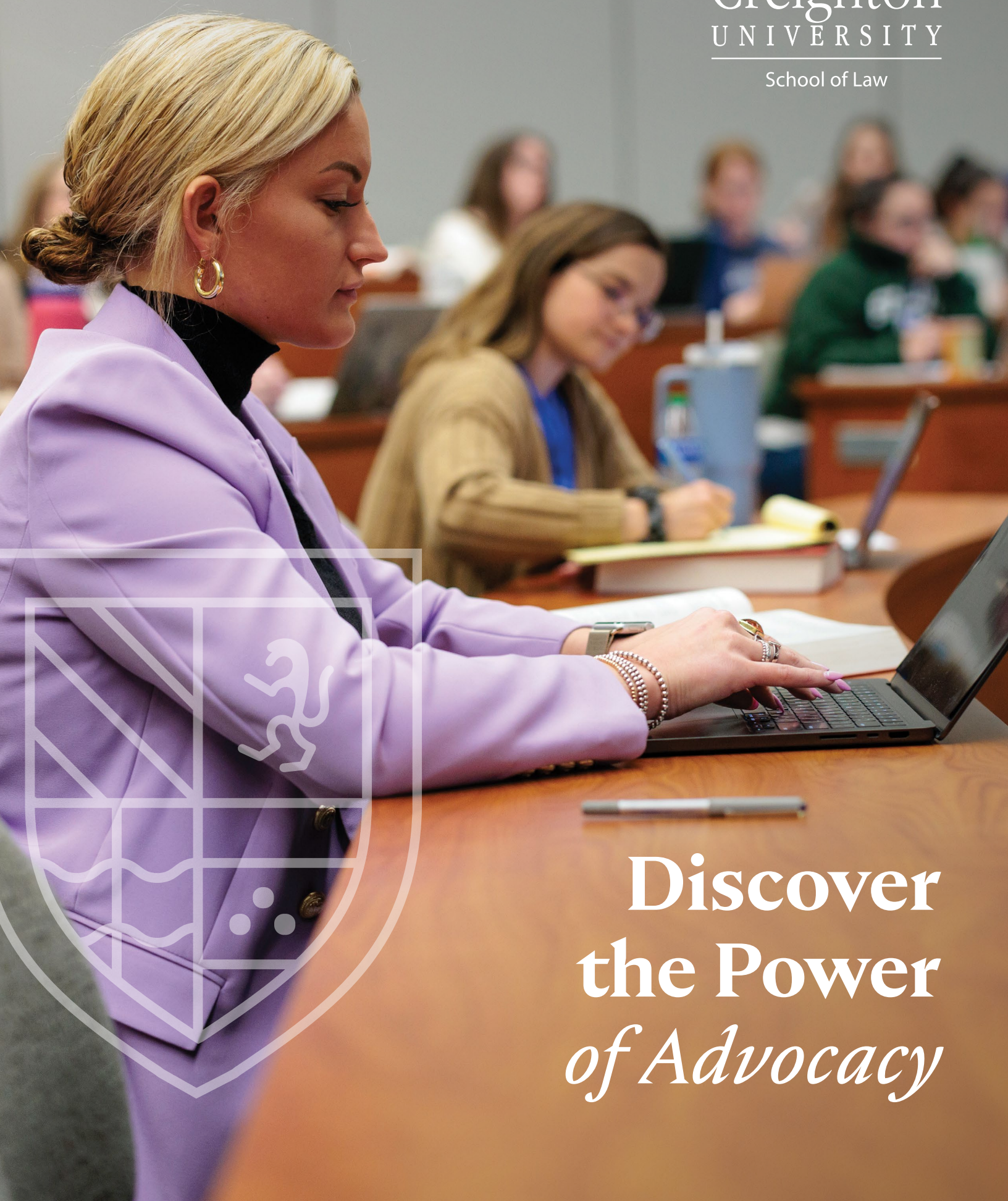


Creighton  
UNIVERSITY

School of Law



**Discover  
the Power  
of Advocacy**

# Shape your Future in Law *with a Transformative JD Experience*

Forge a future of justice at Creighton Law. Rooted in Jesuit, Catholic principles, our exceptional academic programs empower students to become legal professionals with a passion for change in the world. Our community invests in your success, with flexible options, externships, dual-degree programs and nine concentrations, you are empowered to chart your own path. Join us and be part of a transformative journey.

- **Traditional Full-Time JD Program**  
Embrace a comprehensive three-year program starting each fall, with summers free for experiential learning through externships and internships.
- **Two-Year Accelerated JD Program**  
Fast-track your law degree in an intensive program. Take classes year-round in summer, fall and spring, completing your JD in just two years.
- **Part-Time JD Option**  
Balance your busy life with our flexible part-time option. Join full-time students in classes, tailoring your course load to fit your schedule and completing your JD in four to six years.

**Choose the pathway that suits you and pave the way to a rewarding legal career.**



“When I first decided to go to Creighton Law, I was really nervous because as a non-traditional student, I wasn’t sure if I would fit in or not. But as I progressed through school I found that everyone welcomed me, and I met so many friends I will keep in touch beyond school. I found study groups and bonded with the other students, and I wouldn’t take back any of the experience I had while attending.”

—Jean Soares, JD’23





# Outstanding Faculty Focused on You

At Creighton Law, our faculty members are more than experts—they are mentors, supporters and champions for your success. In small classes, you'll build meaningful connections with professors who genuinely care about your growth and development. They contribute to the national conversation, whether on expert testimony, the impact of gambling on sports or the buzz about a certain pop star's legal situation. They're eager to share their wisdom to inspire your curiosity. With our unmatched open-door policy, they're ready to challenge your thinking, have a friendly chat or offer a helping hand. At Creighton Law, you belong.

## 28

Full-time  
faculty

## 41

Adjunct faculty, including  
judges and working attorneys  
(2023–2024)

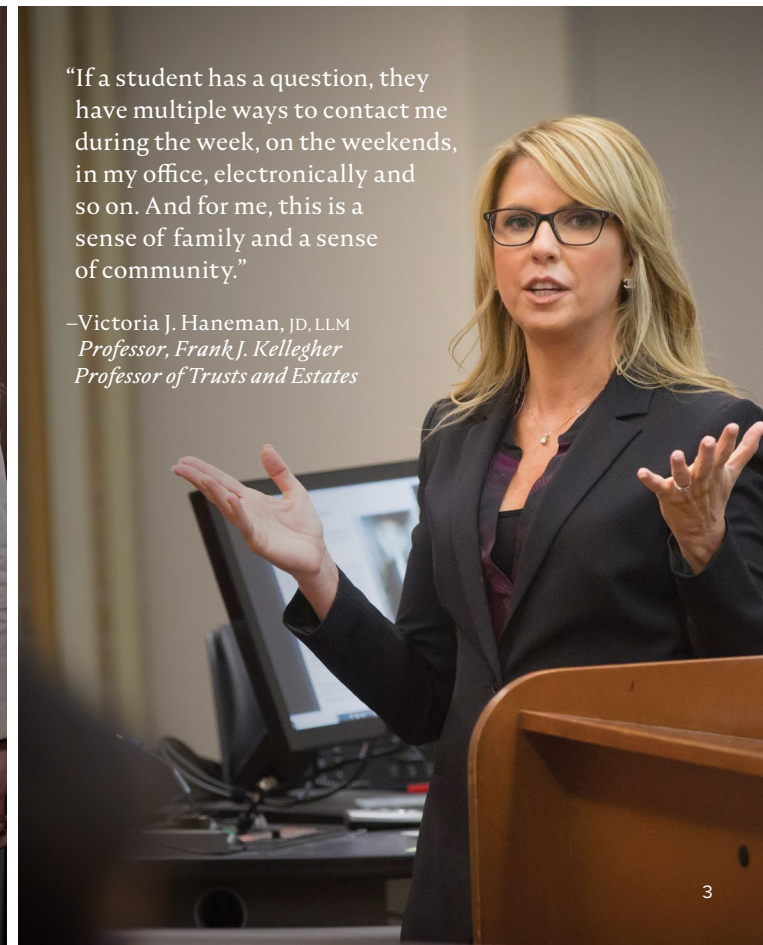
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Student-to-faculty  
ratio



“The more lives you touch, the more people you heal and the more people you care for, the better. We know they pay you to be a lawyer. But if you do it right, it's also fulfilling. Not just because you get to make money but because you're providing a service, and it becomes part of what's in your heart.”

—R. Collin Mangrum, JD, SJD  
*Professor, Advisor of the Litigation concentration  
and A.A. and Ethel Yossem Endowed Chair in Legal Ethics*



“If a student has a question, they have multiple ways to contact me during the week, on the weekends, in my office, electronically and so on. And for me, this is a sense of family and a sense of community.”

—Victoria J. Haneman, JD, LL.M.  
*Professor, Frank J. Kellegher  
Professor of Trusts and Estates*

# The Path to Making a Difference

## School of Law Curriculum

Students must complete 90 credit hours to graduate. That means an average of 15 credit hours each semester for those on the traditional 3-year path.

### FIRST YEAR

#### Fall Semester

- LAW 103 Civil Procedure I (3 credits)
- LAW 111 Contracts I (3 credits)
- LAW 117 Legal Research and Writing I (2 credits)
- LAW 125 Property (4 credits)
- LAW 131 Torts (4 credits)
- LAW 141 1L Seminar (0 credit)

#### Spring Semester

- LAW 104 Civil Procedure II (3 credits)
- LAW 107 Constitutional Law (4 credits)
- LAW 112 Contracts II (3 credits)
- LAW 115 Criminal Law (3 credits)
- LAW 118 Legal Research and Writing II (3 credits)

### SECOND YEAR

*Required upper-level courses are listed below. Students may take these courses during either semester of their second or third year. (limit of 18 credits per semester)*

- Law 203 Professional Responsibility (3 credits)
- Law 205 Legal Research and Writing III (3 credits)\*
- Law 335 Business Associations (4 credits)
- Law 341 Criminal Procedure (3 credits)
- Law 355 Evidence (3 credits)
- Law 429 Commercial Law (3 credits)
- Law 457 Trusts and Estates (3 credits)

\* Must be taken during second year

### EXTERNSHIPS

Externships offer Creighton law students the opportunity to earn credit for unpaid work in the public sector. You'll earn at least three credit hours and be graded on a satisfactory/unsatisfactory basis.

Visit [creighton.edu/law/externships](http://creighton.edu/law/externships) to view our list of externship opportunities—available in Omaha, across the country and worldwide.

### THIRD YEAR

LAW 302 Comprehensive Review (3 credits)\*

\* LAW 302 Comprehensive Review is recommended for all students. It is required for students in the bottom 1/3 of the class.

### CROSS-CULTURAL COMPETENCY REQUIREMENT

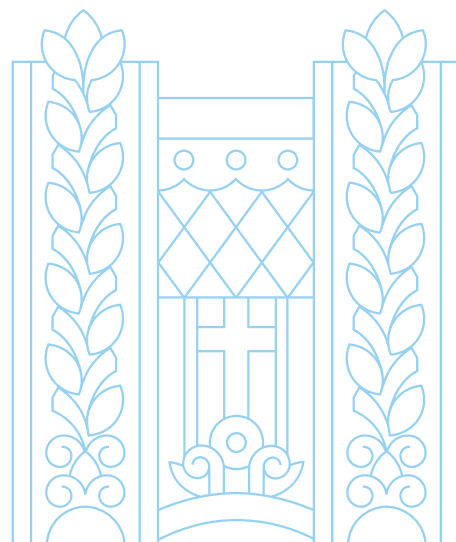
Embrace the importance of diversity and gain a global perspective through our cross-cultural competency program. You'll participate in a variety of experiences, including a workshop during orientation, a module in the 1L seminar and a 3L workshop. Additionally, you'll complete an upper-level cross-cultural competency course. It will equip you to thrive in a diverse world while positively impacting inclusivity and understanding.

### EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING COMPONENT

Experiential Learning in second or third year (6 credits).  
*Can be satisfied in clinics, externships and other experiential elements.*

### SECOND AND THIRD YEAR ELECTIVES

Select credits needed to reach 90 total credits. No more than 18 of the 90 credits may be in non-classroom hours.





## Get to know your professors.

Interaction is common and consistent at Creighton. Thanks to an open-door policy, it's easy to get extra help or just converse with your professors. Building those relationships opens doors to new opportunities and provides the support students need to succeed.

## Academic Support

At Creighton Law, our students' success is our top focus, and we provide several academic support resources to help you thrive.

### Law School First-Year Seminar

The Success Center has partnered with Creighton Law to provide a legal-focused program to help students make a successful transition from undergraduate to legal study, it includes:

- A seminar that explores effective learning and academic management strategies
- Professional coaching
- Focused academic coaching, as needed
- Bar exam preparation

### Legal Writing Center

Become a skilled legal writer—a vital skill for every lawyer, by elevating your ability at our Legal Writing Center. You'll benefit from experienced writing associates, handpicked from third-year students and supervised by the director of legal writing. Our dedicated team is committed to helping you take this important step and unlock your full potential in legal writing.

### Mentor Program

Embark on your legal journey with the best guides by your side. A student mentor will show you the ropes, while your faculty mentor will support you throughout law school, helping you shape your path with tailored course advice. Let our mentors help guide you to success!

### Exam Preparation

We believe in supporting first-year law students on their journey. Our students take midterm exams, which account for a small portion of their final grade. These exams serve as a valuable tool for self-assessment, helping students gauge their progress. Additionally, all first-year law students participate in a seminar that equips them with the skills to excel in law school exams. We're dedicated to ensuring our students are well-prepared.

## Concentrations

Law students wishing to specialize may pursue an area of emphasis as part of a JD degree. When you focus your education with a concentration option, you address the type of law you're most passionate about. Tailor your legal education and take classes that prepare you for your future. And set yourself apart in a competitive job market.

You'll complete a substantial project at the end of your studies: writing a paper, participating on a trial team or a moot court team, preparing a portfolio of legal documents or working in our legal clinics.

### Concentrations offered:

- **Business, Commercial and Tax Law**  
Prepare for the demands and intricacies of a modern economy—whether you enter employment law, banking, real estate or business law fields.
- **Criminal Law and Procedure**  
A career focused on issues of security, personal liberty and constitutional rights, defending the rights of an individual or prosecuting on behalf of the victim.
- **Dispute Resolution**  
With less than 1% of civil cases going to trial, this concentration prepares you to resolve legal disputes outside the court room through arbitration, mediation and negotiation.
- **Energy, Environmental and Sustainability Law**  
Gain the expertise to address today's critical environmental challenges and shape future sustainable development. Develop skills in renewable energy, clean air and water, resource development, climate change and affordable energy access.
- **Family Law**  
Prepare for a career in child law, divorce, elder law, estate planning or juvenile justice. Gain lawyering skills and develop a portfolio of professional documents in a capstone course that equips you for a fulfilling family law practice.
- **Health Law**  
Whether you want to represent health systems, the pharmaceutical industry, individual providers or shape policy as a government regulator, there's a place for you in health law.
- **International and Comparative Law**  
Whether you want to change the world through diplomacy, litigation or legislation, this concentration empowers you to engage on behalf of social justice around the globe
- **Litigation**  
Focuses on learning how to represent parties in trials, hearings, arbitrations and mediations before local, state, and federal courts.
- **Sports Law**  
College and professional sports have unique and exciting possibilities; sports agent, licensing professional and compliance at the college or pro ranks.

**Students have the option of earning more than one concentration. What type of law will you practice?**

# Enrichment Beyond the Classroom

Choose from dozens of vibrant student organizations spanning politics, service, women’s groups and a variety of cultural interests. Uncover your passions at the Student Organization Fair in the fall.



During school, law students have the **opportunity to get involved in a variety of externships and judicial clerkships**, thanks to the extensive alumni and legal network Creighton has built over the years.

## Competition Teams

Competition teams expose students to legal experiences like trial practice mediation, client counseling, arbitration and negotiation and serve as a valuable skill builder. You will build the confidence needed to succeed in competitions. Additionally, you will have opportunities to network with students from other law schools, attorneys and judges.

The National Trial Competition is led by Professor R. Collin Mangrum, who coaches third year students in Advanced Trial Practice with courses in expert testimony, arbitration and trial theory. “There are a lot more moving parts in a trial than people realize. Even if you have what you think of as a plan for a trial, it never goes as planned,” Mangrum says. “So being a trial attorney, you must be agile, proficient and professional. We give students unusual opportunities to develop each of those attributes and become a more effective trial attorney.”

## The Werner Institute

The Werner Institute for Negotiation and Conflict Resolution, a top 20 nationally ranked program in dispute resolution, equips students with skills to resolve disputes outside the courtroom through negotiation, mediation and arbitration. In the classroom and through in-person and virtual competitions, students build and practice foundational skills central to their law abilities.

## Pro Bono Certification

Unleash your passion for justice and community service through our Pro Bono Service Program. As a law student at Creighton, you’ll make a real difference while honing your professional skills. By dedicating 50 hours or more of qualifying service, you’ll earn a Pro Bono Service Distinction on your transcript, a commemorative certificate and a distinguished honor cord at graduation. Your accomplishments will be recognized by the Nebraska Supreme Court’s Access to Justice Commission and the Nebraska State Bar Association. Join us in creating a brighter future for those in need.

## CURRENT SCHOOL OF LAW STUDENTS

Students come from ...

**28**  
**states**  
AND ONE COUNTRY

PERCENTILE	LSAT	GPA
<b>75<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>156</b>	<b>3.73</b>
<b>50<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>152</b>	<b>3.41</b>
<b>25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>149</b>	<b>3.01</b>

*The above chart represents the current class percentiles average LSAT and GPA scores as of July 16, 2024.*

**63%**  
**from states**  
**other than**  
**Nebraska**



# Chart Your Own Course with Our Dual Degrees

## JD/MBA

Unleash your full potential with a JD plus a MBA. Merge your passion for law with your fascination for business. In as little as three years, earn both degrees, building a rock-solid foundation in law and business. Experience small classes, fostering close interaction with professors and peers. Step outside the classroom for real-world exposure through externships and networking opportunities. You'll be equipped for boundless success with a JD/MBA from Creighton!

Learn more: [creighton.edu/law/jd-mba](https://creighton.edu/law/jd-mba)



## JD/MS in Government Organization and Leadership (GOAL)

Chart your path to a leadership profession. With a JD and an MS in Government Organization and Leadership (GOAL), you're prepared for impactful roles in government and organizations that work with them. Our program blends practical legal experience with essential professional insights, setting you up for success like no textbook can. Experience the thrill of a practicum semester in Washington, D.C., where you'll work and earn credits towards your degree. Seize the opportunity to make a lasting difference through leadership.

Learn more: [creighton.edu/law/GOAL](https://creighton.edu/law/GOAL)



# Expand Your Perspective with Study Abroad Opportunities

Embrace a global perspective in your legal study at Creighton Law. Immerse yourself in other legal systems and cultures through an enriching study-abroad or service-learning program. Expand your legal understanding and broaden your perspective in our interconnected world.

## Spain Student Exchange Program

As a Jesuit institution, Creighton Law leverages that connection to our sister Jesuit law school in Spain, Universidad Pontificia de Comillas. It allows our law students to study for an entire semester in Madrid alongside Spanish and European Union law students. During this semester abroad, Creighton students immerse in Spanish culture while expanding their international and comparative law horizons.



## Ronald Volkmer Dominican Republic Immersion Trip

Experience the power of service learning at Creighton Law. Join our Dominican Republic Immersion Trip during Winter Intercession. Explore the Dominican justice system, engage in meaningful service projects, deepen your faith and embrace Dominican culture. Accompanied by one of our professors, you'll visit the Dominican Supreme Court, tackle service projects and embark on eye-opening field trips throughout the city and country. This unforgettable journey will enrich your legal education and broaden your horizons.



## Nuremberg to The Hague Program

GERMANY SUMMER PROGRAM

Creighton Law's summer abroad program in Germany and the Netherlands, "Nuremberg to The Hague," tracks the birth of International Criminal Law as a legal discipline at the end of World War II. Former Nazi leaders stood trial for their roles in the atrocities committed by the Third Reich. Today's international criminal tribunals prosecute dictators and despots for war crimes, genocide and crimes against humanity. Creighton Law students spend time in Nuremberg, Germany, studying the historical development of this field of law, and in The Hague, Netherlands, home to the U.N.'s International Court of Justice. We'll attend current war crimes trials, speaking with judges and prosecutors about their cases and courts.

The Holocaust was the most significant organized crime perpetrated against a civilian population and was prosecuted during the Nuremberg trials. With support from the Jewish Federation Foundation, students have an immersive experience in Krakow, Poland. During this program, students spend a day at Auschwitz to understand the Jewish experience in Krakow during the war.

Another aspect of Creighton Law's summer abroad is a moot court program where students represent the United States at an international tournament. The final arguments are made before actual judges and traditionally held in Courtroom 600 at the Nuremberg Palace of Justice—the site of the Nazi war crimes trial.

### Requirements

Creighton's Germany Summer Program is open to law students, graduate and upper-level undergraduate students.

## Top-5 Best Excursion Programs

the National Jurist  
THE HEALTHIER FOR LAW STUDENTS







# Say Hello to Omaha

**Welcome to Omaha, the vibrant home of Creighton University!** Omaha offers the perfect blend of cosmopolitan sophistication and suburban relaxation. Omaha boasts a thriving economy with a population of nearly 1 million in the metro area. The city is home to four Fortune 500 companies, making it a major regional economic hub. Omaha's finance and insurance sectors and booming information industry have outpaced national economic growth for the past five years.

Despite that, Omaha remains incredibly affordable, with the cost of living 8% lower than the national average. Most attractions, including the airport, are less than a 20-minute drive from Creighton.

Omaha offers many amenities, from a thriving food scene, entertainment districts, all new RiverFront, the renowned Henry Doorly Zoo and Kiewit Luminarium. Creighton Bluejays men's basketball team calls CHI Health Center Omaha "home court," and nearby Charles Schwab Field, where Bluejay baseball and the NCAA College World Series play, is "home field."

Creighton Law exerts significant legal influence over Omaha, offering a plethora of employment prospects, and boasts a community of graduates who both reside in and contribute to the region's workforce.

Omaha boasts world-class health care and excellent public and private schools throughout the city. We're on the "Best" lists for affordability, livability and opportunity. Whatever you're seeking, you'll find it in Omaha.



#1 Best City to  
move to *Forbes.com, 2024*



# Expect Great Things

*The Career Development Office will help you get there.*

Unleash your future with Creighton Law's Career Development Office (CDO), your ultimate career and professional growth resource.

Our personalized services include on-campus interviews, resume and cover letter reviews and our exclusive Lawyer Lunch series, where you'll connect with practitioners in your field. Our expert faculty and staff, with extensive legal experience, set the bar high in counseling, responsiveness and market analysis.

We're proud to feature an Interviewing Skills Panel, where local hiring attorneys tell you how to stand out.

We're dedicated to helping you achieve your career goals, whether at a law firm, public interest or in non-traditional legal positions. Trust the CDO to guide you on a path to success.

## 87.7%

of 2023 graduates were employed, in graduate school or not seeking a job within 10 months after graduation

## 97.1%

of the jobs held by our 2023 graduates required or strongly preferred a JD degree

## Legal Clinics Provide Real-World Experience, While Doing Real-World Good

Transform your legal education with our hands-on legal clinics. Upper-level students manage real cases and clients, as authorized by the Nebraska Supreme Court, with faculty and staff supervision. Gain invaluable experience and provide access to justice as you impact lives. Make a difference in the community, shaping your future and serving others.

### **Milton R. Abrahams Legal Clinic**

The Abrahams Legal Clinic has a dual mission to teach law students through practice and serve Douglas County residents of limited means. Second- and third-year law students may enroll in the Clinic to assist clients in domestic violence, housing law and simple estate planning cases under the supervision of licensed attorneys.

The clinic experience incorporates critical thinking, effective communication and commitment to serving the community. Senior certified law students negotiate settlements and appear in both County and District Courts. Students practice the various skills necessary to represent and protect clients and their families from physical and emotional harm, loss of housing and more.

### **Juvenile Justice Legal Clinic**

The Juvenile Justice Legal Clinic (JJLC) fills a vital need in the Omaha community—dedicated, holistic legal representation of youth in Douglas County.

Clinic participants receive intensive training to advocate effectively for their clients in court, at school and in the community. Creighton Law operates the JJLC because our commitment to improving outcomes for youth in Douglas County aligns with our Jesuit values. The grant-funded clinic provides free legal services for 11- to 19-year-olds with open cases in the Juvenile Court as well as wider community education on prevention from system-involvement. It's an opportunity for students to gain insight into the legal profession through supervised practice and serve the youth of Omaha.

### **Bankruptcy Legal Clinic**

The Bankruptcy Clinic creates an opportunity to serve disadvantaged individuals needing bankruptcy protection. The clinic and our students, assist the most vulnerable members of our community and equips clients with legal protections and a path to financial stability.

Clinic students are assigned a bankruptcy client and work with them to gather and analyze their personal and financial histories, draft bankruptcy petitions and schedules, plus represent their clients at initial creditor meetings. The students rely on their training in consumer bankruptcy law, including state law judgment collection, relevant exemptions and the Chapter 7 and 13 bankruptcy processes.



# Application Process and Scholarships

Creighton University School of Law enrolls two first-year JD classes (one Accelerated JD program that starts in May and one traditional JD program that begins in August) each year. Applicants to Creighton Law have several options to choose from when applying. Each option has its own requirements and characteristics.

Please see [creighton.edu/law](https://creighton.edu/law) for more information.

## For an application to be complete, it must include:

- All transcripts from post-secondary schools attended
- LSAT score
- A personal statement
- Resume
- Explanations for affirmative answers to any character and fitness questions
- Your signature or electronic certification on the completed application
- Letters of recommendation
- Supplemental statements—such as explanation of low GPA or LSAT score (optional)

*Documents must be submitted through LSAC. Our application for fall enrollment opens at the beginning of September each year.*

## To be considered timely, an applicant for regular admission must:

1. Take the Law School Admission Test (LSAT) no later than **March** of the entering year for Accelerated JD applicants and **June** for traditional applicants. (Later tests will be considered, when possible.)
2. Register with the Law School Admission Council (LSAC) Credential Assembly Service (CAS). This includes applicants presenting foreign credentials.
3. Complete the LSAC Electronic Application.
4. Submit your application by **March 31** of the entering year for priority scholarship consideration. The final application deadline is **July 1**.



“In the days leading up to graduation, I knew that Creighton had been the right place for me. While the law is inherently adversarial and competitive, a sense of community remained. Rather than tearing each other down just to get ahead, we supported and pushed each other to be the best that we could be.”

—Joseph Laurita, JD'22



“My experience in the law program has been nothing short of exceptional. The faculty, students and upperclassmen have all been gracious, welcoming and encouraging. I am confident I chose the correct school to begin the process of achieving my childhood and lifelong dream.”

—Abigail Hayes, Class of 2026

# Bluejays Don't Fly Alone

*Be a part of 7,600+ strong law alumni network in all 50 states,  
the District of Columbia and 17 countries.*



*Map represents top legal markets of more than 100 alumni actively living and working.*

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