The longest-serving justice on the California Supreme Court graduated from Southwestern.

1st
- Female public defender in the nation
- Female African-American judge in California
- Female African-American appellate justice in the nation
- Latina trial court judge in the nation
- Chinese-American federal district court judge in the continental U.S.
- Native-American judge in California

...all Southwestern graduates have served as mayors of: Arcadia, Calabasas, Culver City, Goleta, Lancaster, Los Angeles (3), Pasadena, Temple City, and Tustin (2).

12

Southwestern graduates have served on the California Supreme Court.

3

Number of years Southwestern alumni served as the Los Angeles County District Attorney.

11

Number of years Southwestern grads served as the Mayor of Los Angeles (1953-1993).

40
YEARS

L.A.’s longest-serving and only African-American mayor was a Southwestern graduate.
Southwestern’s rank in the number of partners in the Los Angeles offices of the nation’s 100 largest law firms (Journal of Legal Education) 8th

147 Southwestern graduates serving as Deputy District Attorneys in Los Angeles County

112 Southwestern graduates serving as Public Defenders in Los Angeles County

109 Southwestern graduates serving as sitting judges in California

$4.9 BILLION
The largest personal injury and product liability verdict in U.S. history—the plaintiff’s attorney was a Southwestern graduate

In recent years, Southwestern graduates were honored as
- LACBA Defense Lawyer of the Year (2)
- LACBA Prosecutor of the Year (3)
- California Lawyer Criminal Attorney of the Year
- California Lawyer Personal Injury Attorney of the Year
- California State Bar Public Lawyer of the Year

Over the past several years, Southwestern has had the most new graduates chosen for prestigious ABOTA trial fellowships of any L.A. law school

#1
COMMUNITY

IN THE TOP 25
Southwestern deans and faculty have been listed in the “Top 25 most influential people in legal education” 5 years in a row (National Jurist)

8TH
in the nation among ABA law schools for DIVERSITY (National Jurist)

1ST
in the Law School Admission Council’s 2018 Diversity Matters Justice Award

#1
More Mexican American Bar Foundation Scholarships than any other L.A. law school

ONLY
law school to receive the National Higher Education Excellence in Diversity Award 7 years in a row (INSIGHT Into Diversity)

460+
Number of externship, clinical and practicum placements annually

20,000+
Number of volunteer pro bono hours performed by Southwestern students in the local community

Number of years Southwestern has worked with Hoover Elementary School through Mock Trial/A.D.R. programs, annual clothing and holiday toy drives

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INNOVATION

#1 in LawStreetMedia.com list of the “Top 10 Law Schools for Entertainment Law”

1st J.D./M.B.A. Program with The Drucker Graduate School of Management in Claremont

1st Entertainment and Media Law LL.M. program in the U.S.

5 J.D. Programs
- 3-year full-time day
- 4-year part-time evening
- 4-year part-time day
- 2-year accelerated
- Concurrent J.D./M.B.A. and Executive M.B.A. programs

1st Amicus Project of its kind in a U.S. law school

Ranked nationally in the TOP 20 for curricular innovation (National Jurist)

IN THE TOP 10 of The Hollywood Reporter’s roster of “America’s Top Entertainment Law Schools” eight years in a row
Writing Center
Writing experts provide individualized assistance and specialized workshops

30+
 student organizations as well as Peer Mentors and Dean’s Fellows who guide new students through their first year

Bison Boot Camp
helps students bridge the gap between undergraduate and legal studies and is free to entering students

Counseling Center
A welcoming place for personalized counseling and academic planning in the Dean of Students and Diversity Affairs Office

10,000 square-foot fitness center with a complete range of exercise equipment and is free for students

Bison Strong
Activities and events to support the well-being of the Southwestern community

Up to 3 Free, on-campus counseling sessions with a licensed psychotherapist each semester

Comprehensive Bar Prep programming to support students’ success