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# Los Angeles Laws School



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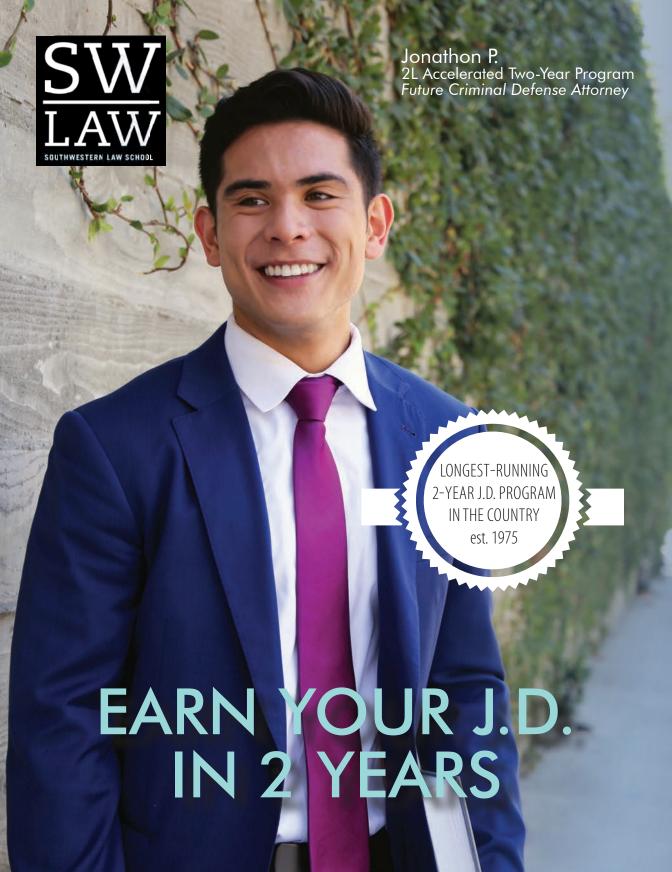
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www.swlaw.edu/scale

# ACCELERATED TWO-YEAR J.D. PROGRAM

Southwestern's SCALE® program is the first ABA-approved two-year J.D. curriculum in the country. SCALE offers a select group of bright, diverse, and highly-motivated students a skills-centered curriculum teaching core legal doctrine and essential lawyering skills. SCALE starts in June and students complete eight 10-12-week periods with a mandatory summer session between the first and second years.

### SCALE features include:

- a guaranteed externship
- flexibility to pursue a concentration or create a focus area (entertainment, business, international, public interest, or criminal law)

**Note:** Visit www.swlaw.edu/scale for detailed information on curricular requirements and focus area requirements.









With faculty and staff that truly support and care for their students, SCALE is one of the best programs in the country.

While a 2-year program may seem daunting, it is very manageable while still allowing room for students to pursue their interest with electives, externships, and the honors programs. Nothing is cut short with SCALE. If you want to become a great attorney in a fraction of the time, SCALE is a choice you won't regret."

### **JONATHON PERLISS**

'20, Accelerated Two-Year Program Trial Advocacy Honors Program Member





# FULL-TIME DAY J.D. PROGRAM



Southwestern's traditional full-time day program is ideal for students who are able to make law school their primary focus. Many students enrich their law school experience by participating in student organizations, honors programs, public interest activities, clinics, and alumni-student networking events.

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STUDENT TO FACULTY RATIO

14K
ALUMNI NETWORK

46% ETHNIC/RACIAL DIVERSITY

**63** FULL-TIME PROFESSORS

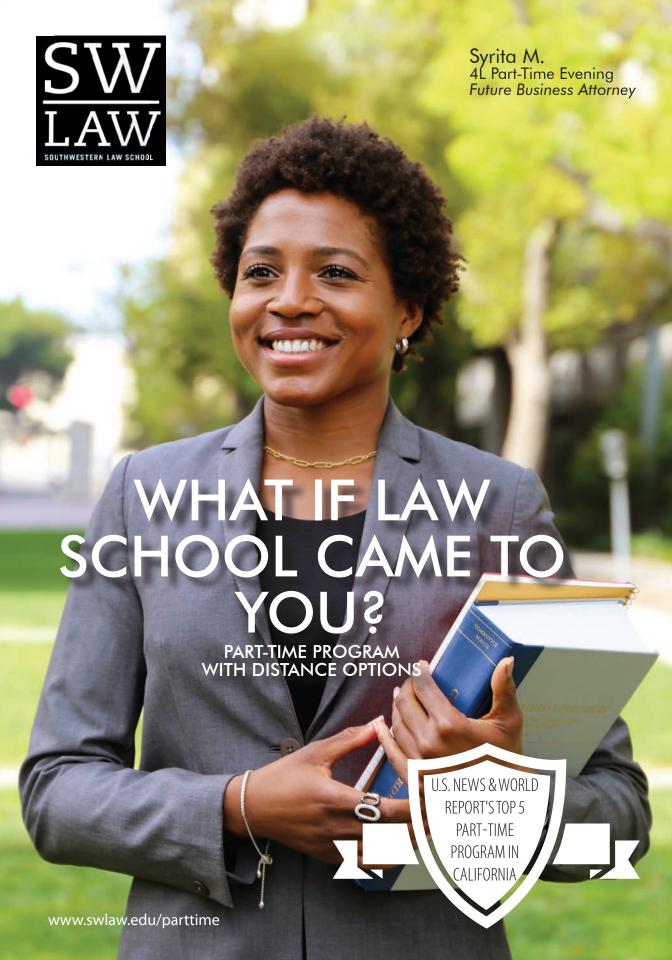
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I am a first-generation Mexican-American and the first in my family to graduate from college and pursue a law degree. I chose Southwestern for its supportive environment where diversity is celebrated. Southwestern has provided me with unparalleled academic and professional opportunities."

### **NATALIE REYNOSO**

'19, Full-Time Day Program President, Women's Law Association



# PART-TIME J.D. PROGRAM



Southwestern exceeds my expectations.

I feel supported and encouraged to thrive. I'm living a balanced life and having the law school experience of my dreams. I have co-taught a mock law class to minority students at a local high school and encouraged students to consider pursuing a legal career path one day. I'm inspired by the many accomplished alumni and the school's positive impact on the community."

### **SYRITA MORGAN**

'21, Part-Time Evening Program Chair, ABA Law Student Division Mental Health Caucus



Southwestern's part-time programs allow students to attend law school while working or attending to family and other obligations.

- Access to the same services and resources as their full-time counterparts
- Eligibility to participate in externships, clinics, practica, and honors programs

### **Part-Time Day Programs**

### Standard Part-Time Day

Designed for students with evening employment or other obligations.

# PLEAS (Part-Time Legal Education Alternative at Southwestern)

Designed for students with child- or elder-care responsibilities.

For the first two academic years, PLEAS students attend morning classes and have their afternoons open to care for loved ones.

### **Part-Time Evening Program**

Designed for working professionals.

Part-Time Evening students attend classes two nights a week on campus and one or two nights a week online.



# ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS

### 3+3 B.A./J.D. Degree Program

Cal State University Northridge and Southwestern Law School have established an accelerated multiple-degree program through which students can earn both their Bachelor of Arts and Juris Doctor degrees in six years, rather than the usual seven. CSUN students' first year of law school counts as their fourth undergraduate year.



- Priority registration for three years of undergraduate school
- Mentorship from a CSUN faculty advisor and a Southwestern dean
- Substantial merit-based scholarships available during law school portion

### J.D./M.B.A. Degree Programs

- J.D./M.B.A.
- J.D./Executive M.B.A. for students with at least five years of midto senior-level management experience

These joint degree programs offered through the Drucker School of Management and Southwestern Law School enable students to acquire the combination of legal training and management skills that is increasingly in demand in a complex global environment. By allowing students to engage in the institutions' unique curricula, the collaboration reflects the core values of both Drucker and Southwestern, as well as the genuine desire to prepare graduates for fulfilling careers that will make a positive difference in society.





**Certificate Program** 

### Certificate in Bioscience Industry Law and Practice

Southwestern Law School has partnered with the Keck Graduate Institute Riggs School of Applied Life Sciences, part of the Claremont Colleges, to offer a Certificate in Bioscience Industry Law and Practice.

Southwestern students participating in the certificate program can take courses at KGI in the areas of technology management, entrepreneurship, and bioscience-related industry dynamics.



# **CONCENTRATIONS**

A concentration is similar to an undergraduate major. There are required courses, a minimum number of applicable units, and a notation on your transcript.



# CIVIL LITIGATION & ADVOCACY

### **Externship Examples**

American Civil Liberties Union California Attorney General's Office Federal and State Courts Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles Los Angeles City Attorney's Office U.S. Attorney's Office Select law firms

### **Clinic Opportunities**

Appellate Litigation Clinic



# CRIMINAL LAW & ADVOCACY

### **Externship Examples**

California Court of Appeal California Superior Court Federal Public Defender Los Angeles County District Attorney Los Angeles County Public Defender

### **Clinic Opportunities**

Appellate Litigation Clinic Children's Rights Clinic Street Law Clinic



# ENTERTAINMENT & MEDIA LAW

### **Externship Examples**

Directors Guild of America Paramount Pictures SAG-AFTRA ViacomCBS

Warner Bros.

William Morris Endeavor

### **Clinic Opportunities**

Entertainment & the Arts Legal Clinic I & II



# LABOR & EMPLOYMENT LAW

### **Externship Examples**

Bet Tzedek EEOC LA City Attorney's Office SAG-AFTRA



### PUBLIC INTEREST LAW

### **Externship Examples**

Children's Law Center Los Angeles Dependency Lawyers Public Counsel

### **Clinic Opportunities**

Appellate Litigation Clinic Children's Rights Clinic Community Lawyering Clinic Family Law Clinic Immigration Law Clinic Street Law Clinic



# TECHNOLOGY LAW & ENTREPRENEURSHIP

### **Externship Examples**

AT&T Ent. Group & Directv GDC Technology Internet Brands, Inc. LeadsMarket NFL Digital Media TechStyle Fashion Group





# **ENTERTAINMENT CONNECTIONS**

Film, television, music, theater, advertising, sports, news media, fashion, digital media, and technology generate a steady demand for future lawyers. Taking full advantage of being in the heart of the global entertainment industry, Southwestern established the **Donald E. Biederman**Entertainment and Media Law Institute in 2000 to help connect our students to these opportunities.

Southwestern is continually recognized as a top school for entertainment, intellectual property, and music law. Our entertainment and media curriculum is the most comprehensive in the United States, bar none!

Max L. 2L Accelerated Two-Year Program Future Entertainment Attorney





Entertainment Law
School by The Hollywood
Reporter for nine years

# TOP IN ENTERTAINMENT

BY THE HOLLYWOOD REPORTER AND BILLBOARD MAGAZINE

# ACADEMIC SUCCESS/BAR PREP

Southwestern provides a number of Academic Success and Bar Preparation resources designed to help students thrive in law school. Through courses, workshops, and individual counseling, students gain competencies and confidence while honing the skills necessary to succeed in law school, on the bar exam, and in practice.



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



### DEAN'S FELLOWS PROGRAM

Dean's Fellows are upper-division students serving as teaching assistants for the Academic Success and Bar Preparation Office. They are hand-picked based on their academic success and ability to individually guide new students through their first year of law school.

### THE WRITING CENTER

The Writing Center welcomes students at any stage of writing—from brainstorming to polishing. Faculty provide individualized feedback and advice and conduct workshops on writing composition, citation, and grammar. The Center assists students with specific assignments such as legal memos, priefs, seminar papers, clinical work, externship assignments, law review or journal notes, cover letters, and writing samples.

### **BAR PREPARATION**

Southwestern's innovative Bar Readiness Curriculum ensures students are well prepared for the rigors of the bar exam. As students near graduation and through bar preparation after graduation, our extensive Bison Bar Pass programming supports students with workshops and access to a vast collection of bar study materials. Students receive individual attention including customized study schedules, feedback on written practice assignments, and coaching with a bar prep expert.



### **ASHLEY K.**

'20, Full-Time Day Program Biederman Scholar



# **FACULTY**

Southwestern's full-time faculty members are nationally recognized experts in their respective fields—from immigration law to entertainment law, from national security law to criminal law. They are accessible to their students and have earned Southwestern a reputation for faculty/student interaction that is second to none.















Regardless of what subject I'm teaching, I hope to help students organize material, identify legal issues, achieve depth in their factual analysis, and present their ideas in a coherent fashion."

### **JOHN HEILMAN**

Professor of Law, Former Mayor of West Hollywood



# EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

Some of the most rewarding hours in law school are those spent applying what you have learned in your classes to a real-world environment. These valuable and practical hands-on experiences are provided through an abundant variety of externships, public interest opportunities, practica, and clinics.

### **EXTERNSHIP PROGRAM**

Externships give students the opportunity to apply what they learn in the classroom to real cases and issues in a wide variety of supervised placements, including paid positions. Southwestern students participate in approximately 350 externships each year—in the public as well as the private sector. About three-quarters of our students complete at least one externship, and more than a quarter complete two. Part-time students who work can take advantage of limited-commitment or remote externships to accommodate their schedules.

### A SAMPLING OF EXTERNSHIP PLACEMENT **OPPORTUNITIES**

### **Entertainment**

CMG Worldwide **Escape Artists** Motion Picture Association of America Paramount Pictures SAG-AFTRA Universal Music Group ViacomCBS Warner Bros. Warner Music Group

### Government

California Attorney General City Attorney's Office District Attorney's Office Federal Trade Commission Los Angeles Unified School District Public Defender's Office Securities and **Exchange Commission** U.S. Attorney's Office

### **In-House Corporate** Counsel

AT&T Ent. Group & Directv Anthem Blue Cross, Inc. California Association of Realtors TechStyle Fashion Group

### Judicial

California Court of Appeal California Superior Court California Supreme U.S. Bankruptcy Court U.S. Court of Appeals U.S. District Court

### **Public Interest**

ACLU of Southern California Alliance for Children's Rights Asian Americans Advancing Justice Bet Tzedek Legal Services California Women's Law Center Central American Resource Center Children's Law Center Inner City Law Center LevittQuinn Family Law Center Los Angeles LGBT Center Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles Neighborhood Legal Services

### And Select Law Firms

**Public Counsel** 

### PUBLIC SERVICE PROGRAM

As part of the legal profession's responsibility to ensure equal access to justice for all communities, students are encouraged to complete a minimum of 75-hours of pro bono service throughout their law school experience. Through initiatives sponsored by the Public Service Program, students have opportunities to apply practical lawyering skills almost immediately after joining Southwestern and in a wide variety of settings and contexts.

### JUDGE HARRY PREGERSON PUBLIC SERVICE FELLOWSHIPS

Made possible by the Rodan Family Foundation, the Judge Harry Pregerson (JHP) Public Service Programs at Southwestern include "Harry's Boot Camp," a full-day program of service community building and specialized skills training for students. Southwestern also offers the JHP Public Service Fellowships, our premier summer fellowships awarded to select students most likely to dedicate their careers to working on behalf of underserved communities and causes.

### **PRACTICA**

Southwestern's Amicus Project Practicum and Immigration Appeals Practicum allow students to gain invaluable educational experiences through real-life practice, under the close supervision of faculty and practitioners.



# I FGAL CLINICS

Clinic students develop as professionals and learn the importance of access to justice. Closely supervised, students strategize and execute an array of legal matters while maintaining client confidentiality, civility, and a duty to the court. Students gain practical lawyering skills while providing pro bono representation to community members with limited access to the justice system.

# APPELLATE LITIGATION CLINIC

Students work with a professor in litigating a pro bono appeal in the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, up to and including oral argument before the court.

# CHILDREN'S RIGHTS CLINIC

Students represent lowincome children in school discipline proceedings or children with disabilities in special education proceedings and work with community groups to advocate for equitable educational opportunities.

# COMMUNITY LAWYERING CLINIC

Students staff the legal clinic at California State University, Northridge, provide representation in immigration matters, conduct community presentations, and engage in policy advocacy.

# ENTERTAINMENT AND THE ARTS LEGAL CLINIC\*

# HFPA

Students provide production business and legal affairs services on independent documentary and feature films under the supervision of faculty.

### **FAMILY LAW CLINIC**

Students help protect victims of domestic violence, improve the well-being of children in poverty, empower people in need, and ensure meaningful access to the courts.

# IMMIGRATION LAW CLINIC

Students represent children and adults in immigration matters where clients have been abused, neglected or abandoned, or have been victims of a crime.

# REMOVAL DEFENSE CLINIC

Students represent lowincome clients in removal proceedings before the Executive Office of Immigration Review/ U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services.

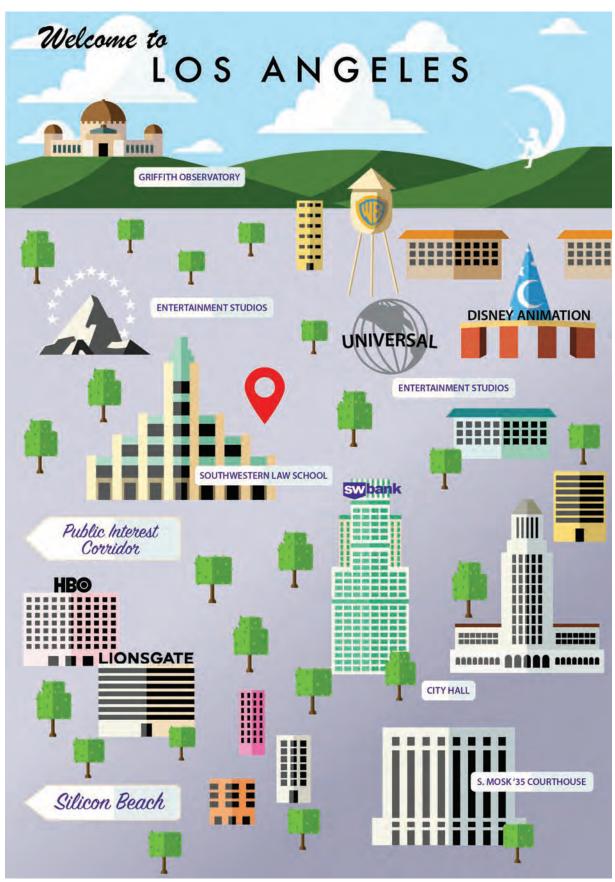
### **STREET LAW CLINIC**

Students teach at-risk teenagers about their rights and provide legal information and resources to help them successfully transition to independent living.

# YOUTH OFFENDER PAROLE CLINIC\*\*

Law students represent clients in specialized parole hearings for individuals convicted of serious offenses when they were under the age of 23.

<sup>\*</sup>The clinic is generously supported by The Hollywood Foreign Press Association.
\*\*The clinic will not be offered during the 2021-2022 academic year.



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### RELATIONSHIPS THAT LAST A LIFETIME

# Student Life and Housing

Encompassing nearly two city blocks, Southwestern's campus includes the extraordinary Bullocks Wilshire landmark, elegant dining facilities, indoor and outdoor student lounges, the second-largest California academic law library, three state-of-the-art courtrooms, and a 10,000 square-foot fitness center.

Southwestern's on-campus housing, The Residences at 7th, is move-in ready and includes:

- Full energy star kitchen
- In-unit washer and dryer
- 42" high definition television
- Basic cable, phone, and hard-wired and wireless internet
- Air conditioning system, heating, and ventilation
- 24-hour security officer on premises

### PEER MENTOR PROGRAM

Peer mentors help students navigate their first year of law school by directing them to academic and social resources and helping each student create a great law school experience.

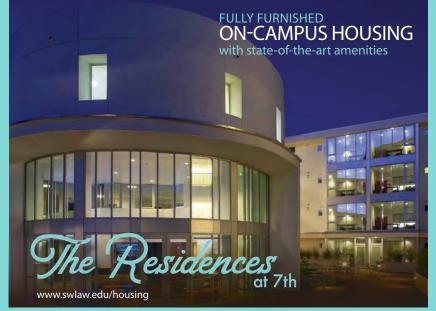
### STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION

The Student Bar Association promotes student interests, provides extracurricular activities for the student body throughout the year, and encourages community service.

### **WELLNESS PROGRAMS**

Southwestern presents wellness events throughout the year, including stress-management and fitness programs. The Dean of Students Office and on-campus licensed psychotherapist are also available to counsel students who have personal issues that may affect their academic success or general well-being.











Latino Law Students Association

Armed Forces Law Society Armenian Law Students Association Asian Pacific American Law Student Association BISONG A Capella Group Black Law Students Association Christian Legal Society Consumer Law Society Criminal Law Society Delta Theta Phi Law Fraternity **Entertainment Law Society Environmental Law Society** Homelessness Prevention Law Project Immigration Law Students Association Intellectual Property Law Society International Law Society Jewish Growth Society Jewish Law Students Association Labor & Employment Law Association

Law and Medicine Society Law Commentator Mass Incarceration Law Society Mindfulness in Law Society Music Law Society National Lawyers Guild **OUTLaw** Persian Law Students Association Public Interest Law Committee Southwestern Golf Society Sports Law Society Student Animal Legal Defense Fund Student Bar Association Students for Technology Law & Entrepreneurship Tax Law Society Teen Court The Southwestern Golf Society Video Game Law Society Women's Law Association

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS



# **HONORS PROGRAMS & JOURNALS**





CALIFORNIA AI TORNEYS
FOR CRIMINAL JUSTICE
NATIONAL CRIMINAL TRIAL
ADVOCACY COMPETITION





NELSON MANDELA INTERNATIONAL NEGOTIATIONS COMPETITION

### TRIAL ADVOCACY HONORS PROGRAM

Southwestern's Trial Advocacy Honors Program (TAHP) is ideal for developing the skills necessary to excel in any litigation practice area. TAHP members (or advocates) learn to perform confidently in a mock trial atmosphere by examining witnesses, presenting opening statements and closing arguments, and mastering the rules of evidence.

### MOOT COURT HONORS PROGRAM

The Moot Court Honors Program helps students hone their research, writing, and advocacy skills. Students conduct legal research on hypothetical appeals, draft appellate court briefs, and present oral arguments before panels of justices in competitions across the nation.

### **NEGOTIATION HONORS PROGRAM**

Negotiation Honors Program (NHP) students compete against law schools across the country. Most recently, a NHP team competed in the ABA National Negotiation Competition and was named the National Champion by a unanimous vote. NHP is ideal for students interested in litigation, entertainment, business, or almost any practice area.

### **Journals**

OR NEGOTIATION)

### SOUTHWESTERN LAW REVIEW

Students ranked in the top 10%, as well as students in the top 30% who excel in the annual Write-On Competition, are invited to participate in the Law Review. Recent volumes have examined the preemption of generic drug claims, a socio-legal view of the wrongful conviction process, religious liberty in a secular age, and civil discovery and social networks. Law Reviewsponsored symposia have explored prosecuting women, class stratification in contemporary global societies, and 40 years of LGBTQ+ legal activism.

# SOUTHWESTERN JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL LAW

Law Journal complements the law school's extensive course offerings and faculty expertise in international and comparative law. Students compete in the Write-On Competition to earn a place on the Law Journal staff. Recent volumes have examined future trends in international law, immigration and human rights, and international crime. Law Journal-sponsored symposia have explored such subjects as the future of children in international law, transnational litigation and civil procedure, and the global struggle for women's equality.

### THE JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL MEDIA AND ENTERTAINMENT LAW (JIMEL)

This journal is published by Southwestern's Biederman Entertainment and Media Law Institute in association with the American Bar Association's Forums on Communications Law and the Entertainment and Sports Industries. The JIMEL Board of Editors includes prominent legal practitioners and scholars. Students can apply to serve as Student Editors and assist with the publication of journal issues covering topics such as online privacy, criminal defamation, and judicial interpretations of art.







PRELAW MAGAZINE'S BEST LAW SCHOOL FOR ASIANS



NATIONAL JURIST'S HONOR ROLL FOR MOST DIVERSE LAW SCHOOL IN THE U.S.



ABOVE THE LAW'S TOP LAW
SCHOOLS WITH THE MOST
DIVERSE GRADUATES



CHINESE-AMERICAN

DISTRICT COURT JUDGE IN THE CONTINENTAL U.S.

**Diversity Awards** 

At Southwestern, we deeply value diversity, and we have the trailblazers, the student community, and the external recognition to prove it. The law school has received numerous awards for its emphasis on diversity from a variety of organizations. Among the most recent are:

- The American Bar Association's Law Students Division, Dean Henry J. Ramsey Jr. Diversity Award
- California State Bar Organizational Diversity Award only law school to receive the honor
- Higher Education Excellence in Diversity (HEED) Award from INSIGHT Into Diversity - only law school to receive the award 7 years in a row
- preLaw Magazine's Top 25 for all 3 categories of best law schools for Asians, Hispanics, and African-Americans
- Top 25 Law Schools by Hispanic Outlook in Higher Education for Hispanic enrollment and degrees awarded
- California Minority Counsel Law School Racial and Ethnic Diversity Award

# **ALUMNI** NETWORK



### Brian Panish '84

Mr. Panish has obtained more than 250 verdicts and settlements exceeding \$1 million, more than 75 verdicts exceeding \$10 million, and more verdicts exceeding \$50 million than any other California attorney. He has served as a plaintiffs' counsel in numerous mass torts and major disaster cases, including train crashes, pharmaceuticals, and defective product cases.



### Hon, Deborah Brazil '96

"Teaching Trial Advocacy allows me to show students that they have many skills, aside from legal knowledge, that will help them succeed in the practice of law. It is exciting to teach trial advocacy skills by challenging students to refine the communication skills they use in daily life and then apply them to a transactional or litigation setting."



### Hon, Robert G. Chu '05

Prior to taking the bench in Fall 2018, Judge Chu served as a deputy public defender and supervising deputy public defender at the Los Angeles County Public Defender's Office.

"Southwestern's Trial Advocacy Honors Program prepared me to deal with real-world courtroom scenarios and gave me confidence as I stepped into the courtroom for the first time."



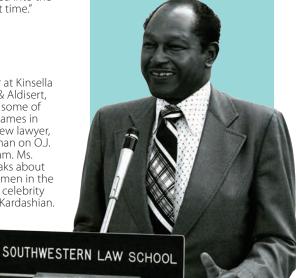
### Shawn Holley '88

Ms. Holley is a partner at Kinsella Weitzman Iser Kump & Aldisert, where she represents some of the most renowned names in entertainment. As a new lawyer, she was the only woman on O.J. Simpson's defense team. Ms. Holley frequently speaks about high-profile cases, women in the law, and representing celebrity clients including Kim Kardashian.



CALIFORNIA SITTING JUDGES





# **CAREER & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**



Students are introduced to the Career Services Office in their first semester and subsequently participate in:

- individualized career counseling and planning
- informational seminars and skill-building workshops on interviewing techniques and résumé and cover letter drafting
- lunch & learn series on a wide range of practice areas
- recruitment programs and job fairs
- professional development series

Recruitment platforms include OCI (on-campus interview programs), the Fall Firm Reception, and the Public Interest/Public Sector Career Day. Students have year-round access to an extensive listing of current job openings via Symplicity, as well as innovative career-building programs and resources. Active employers include law firms and business organizations; local, state, and federal government agencies; local and national public interest organizations; and local, state, and federal judiciaries.

# **COURSES** AT A GLANCE

### Full-Time Day Program - Required Courses

FIRST YEAR	FALL		SPRING
Courses	Units		s
Civil Procedure I and II	2		3
Contracts I and II	3		2
Criminal Law	3		-
Elective <sup>1</sup>	-		3
Foundations of Law and Practice	-		1
LAWS I and II <sup>2</sup>	3		3
Torts or Property	4		4
TOTAL	15		16
SECOND YEAR	FALL		SPRING
Business Associations	4	or	4
Constitutional Law I and II	3		3
Evidence	4	or	4
FIRST <sup>3</sup> , SECOND, OR THIRD YEAR	FALL		SPRING
Constitutional Criminal Procedure <sup>4</sup>	3	or	3
Experiential Requirement <sup>5</sup>	To	otal c	of 6
Legal Profession <sup>4</sup>	3	or	3
Upper-Division Writing Requirement	2 or 3	or	2 or 3

- Elective choices include such courses as Constitutional Criminal Procedure, Copyright Law, and Legal Profession
- 2 Legal Analysis, Writing, and Skills
- 3 Spring semester
- 4 If not taken as an elective in first year (required for graduation)
- 5 Students must take a minimum of six credit hours of coursework that has been specifically approved and designated as meeting the Experiential Requirement

### Bar Readiness Curriculum

The Bar Readiness Curriculum helps students build a strong foundation in the law and develop the skills necessary to be successful in their legal studies and on the bar exam. Students are generally required to complete the Bar Readiness Curriculum prior to their graduation.<sup>1</sup>

SECOND OR THIRD YEAR DAY <sup>2</sup> AND SECOND, THIRD, OR FOURTH YEAR PART- TIME DAY OR EVENING <sup>3</sup>	FALL		SPRING
Courses		Uni	ts
Cal Bar Writing: Skills and Strategies	3	or	3
Community Property	2	or	2
MBE: Skills and Strategies	3	or	3
Remedies	2	or	2
Wills and Trusts	4	or	4

- At the end of the second year, students with a GPA of at least 3.33 in subjects tested on the bar exam may opt out
- 2 For full-time students, the bar-tested courses used to calculate the opt-out eligibility GPA include: Contracts I/II, Criminal Law, Civil Procedure I/II, Torts, Property, Constitutional Law I/II, Evidence, and Business Associations
- 3 For part-time students, the bar-tested courses used to calculate the opt-out eligibility GPA include: Contracts I/II, Criminal Law, Civil Procedure I/II, Torts, Property, Constitutional Law I/II

### Part-Time Programs - Required Courses\*

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FIRST YEAR PART- TIME DAY/PLEAS	FALL	SPRING
Courses	Units	
Contracts I and II	3	2
Criminal Law	3	-
LAWS I and II <sup>1</sup>	3	3
Foundations of Law and Practice	-	1
Torts	-	4
TOTAL	9	10
FIRST YEAR EVENING	FALL	SPRING
Contracts I and II	3	2
Criminal Law	3	-
LAWS I and II <sup>1</sup>	3	3
Torts	-	4
TOTAL	9	10
SECOND YEAR PART- TIME DAY/PLEAS OR EVENING	FALL	SPRING
Civil Procedure I and II	2	3
Constitutional Law I and II	3	3
Electives <sup>2</sup>	2	2 to 5
Property	4	-
TOTAL	11	8 to 11
THIRD YEAR PART- TIME DAY/PLEAS OR EVENING	FALL	SPRING
Business Associations <sup>3</sup>	-	4
Evidence <sup>3</sup>	4	-
SECOND, THIRD, OR FOURTH YEAR PART- TIME DAY/PLEAS, OR EVENING	FALL	SPRING
Constitutional Criminal Procedure <sup>4</sup>	3	or 3
Experiential Requirement <sup>5</sup>	То	tal of 6
Legal Profession <sup>4</sup>	2 or 3	or 2 or 3
Upper Division Writing Requirement	2 or 3	or 2 or 3
SUMMER OPTIONS		
Electives		2 to 6

- Note: Part-Time Day/PLEAS Program required courses are similar to the Evening, but may differ slightly by semester in the second, third, and fourth years
- 1 Legal Analysis, Writing, and Skills
- Elective choices include such courses as Constitutional Criminal Procedure, Copyright Law, and Legal Profession
- 3 Part-Time Day/PLEAS Program students have Fall or Spring options for these courses
- 4 If not taken as an elective in second year (required for graduation)
- 5 Students must take a minimum of six credit hours of coursework that has been specifically approved and designated as meeting the Experiential Requirement

### **SCALE Two-Year Accelerated Program**

SCALE I	
Courses	Units
PERIOD 1 (11 weeks)	
Contracts I	3
Foundations of Law and Practice	-
Introduction to Lawyering	-
LAWS I <sup>1</sup>	3
Torts	4
PERIOD 2 (12 weeks)	
Contracts II	2
Criminal Law	3
Evidence Law and Practice I	3
Foundations of Law and Practice	1
Legal Profession	3
PERIOD 3 (11 weeks)	
Civil Litigation	3
Evidence Law and Practice II	3
Property	4
PERIOD 4 (11 weeks)	
Copyright, or Negotiation and Dispute Resolution	2 or 3
Criminal Procedure	3
Jurisdiction	3
LAWS II*1	2
Lecture Series on the Profession	-
Remedies	2
SCALE SUMMER SESSION (10 weeks)	
Independent Study on the Profession <sup>2</sup>	2
Options:	4 to 6
Summer Abroad Program	
Summer Elective Course(s)	
Summer Externship	

SCALE II	
PERIOD 5 (10 weeks)	
Cal Bar Writing: Skills and Strategies	3
Community Property	2
Constitutional Law I	3
Legislation, International Business Transactions, or Traditional Elective	2 to 3
PERIOD 6 (10 weeks)	
Business Associations	4
Constitutional Law II	3
MBE: Skills and Strategies	1
Required Traditional Fall Elective in lieu of Legislation or International	2
Business Transactions	
Traditional Fall Elective	2
PERIOD 7 (10 weeks)	
Intersession Course <sup>3</sup>	1 to 2
MBE: Skills and Strategies	1
Representing Entrepreneurs or Traditional Spring Elective	3
Wills and Trusts	4
PERIOD 8 (10 weeks)	
Mandatory 8-week Externship	5
MBE: Skills and Strategies	1
Required Spring Elective⁴	2 to 3
Trial Advocacy* or Spring Elective	2 to 3

- \* The bulk of the course is completed in the prior period but culminates in the designated period
- 1 Legal Analysis, Writing, and Skills
- 2 Units for the Independent Study Paper satisfy two units of the six-unit Summer Session
- 3 Two units, if needed to meet the 87 unit requirement
- 4 During periods 7 and 8 for students who did not take a required Fall elective

# COURSES

### ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Alternative Dispute Resolution International Litigation and Arbitration Interviewing, Counseling, and Negotiating Negotiation and Dispute Resolution

### **BUSINESS LAW**

Agency and Partnership Antitrust Law Bankruptcv Business Associations<sup>1</sup> Cannabis Law (Evolution of) Cvberlaw Cybersecurity Law Drafting Business Contracts Drafting Technology Agreements Employment-Based Immigration Law<sup>3</sup> Entertainment Business Affairs Negotiation Federal Corporate Taxation Gambling Law Insurance Law International Business Transactions Lahor Law Mergers and Acquisitions: Law, Strategy, and Finance<sup>D</sup> Products Liability Representing Entrepreneurs (Capstone) Securities Regulation Strategic Alliances<sup>3</sup> Video Game Agreements

### CHILDREN'S RIGHTS AND FAMILY LAW

Children and the Law

Children's Rights Clinic

Community Lawyering Clinic Community Property Disability Law Family Law Family Law Clinic Family Law Procedure and Practice Immigration Law Immigration Law Clinic Special Education Law Seminar Street Law Clinic Youth at Risk

### **CIVIL LITIGATION AND ADVOCACY** Advanced Legal Research

Advanced Legal Writing

Alternative Dispute Resolution Amicus Project Practicum Animal Law Appellate Litigation Clinic Appellate Process and Brief Drafting Art of Persuasion<sup>3</sup> California Civil Discovery California Civil Procedure Children's Rights Clinic Civil Litigation Civil Pre-trial Practice Civil Procedure I and II1 Communication Tools for New Lawyers<sup>3</sup> Contracts Courtroom Procedure 101<sup>3</sup> Defamation, Privacy, Publicity

Employment Law (Capstone) Entertainment and Media Litigation Evidence<sup>1</sup> Family Law Insurance Law International Litigation and Arbitration Interviewing, Counseling, and Negotiating Jurisdiction Legal Analysis, Writing, and Skills I ánd II Mass Tort Litigation (Capstone) Medical Malpractice Practical Legal Research Products Liability Trial Advocacy
Foundations of Tort Law

### **CONSTITUTIONAL LAW**

Seminar

Asian-American Civil Rights Constitutional Law I and II<sup>1</sup> Critical Race Theory Seminar Defamation, Privacy, Publicity Employment-Based İmmigration Law<sup>3</sup> First Amendment Seminar Gambling Law Immigration Law Law and Religious Institutions Seminar Mass Media Law Prison Law and Mass Incarceration Special Education Law Seminar

### CONTRACTS AND COMMERCIAL LAW

Antitrust Law Bankruptcy Contracts Í and II1 Cyberlaw **Drafting Business Contracts** Drafting, Negotiating, and Understanding Real Estate Transactions Drafting Technology Agreements Gambling Law Insurance Law International Business Transactions Mergers and Acquisitions: Law, Strategy, and Finance<sup>D</sup> Music Industry Contracts Sales Securities Regulation Video Game Agreements

CRIMINAL LAW AND PRACTICE Advanced Criminal Procedure Antitrust Law Asian-American Civil Rights California Evidence and Sentencing Law Cannabis Law (Evolution of) Communication Tools for New Lawyers<sup>3</sup> Complex Criminal Litigation (Capstone) Constitutional Criminal Procedure<sup>1</sup> Criminal Law<sup>1</sup> Criminal Law in Action3

Criminal Law Seminar: Contemporary Issues Criminal Law Seminar: Sex Crimes Criminal Litigation in Practice Criminal Procedure Crimmigration Law Seminar DUI: Prosecution & Defense Evidence1 Habeas Corpus Litigation Immigration Law Immigration Law and Crimes<sup>3</sup> Immigration Law Clinic International Criminal Law Prison Law and Mass Incarceration Restorative Justice Securities Regulation Selected Problems in Evidence Lab<sup>3</sup> Trial Advocacy White Collar Crime Wrongful Convictions

### **EMPLOYMENT LAW**

Youth at Risk

Employment-Based Immigration Law<sup>3</sup> Employment Discrimination Law Employment Law (Capstone) **Employment Law Survey** Immigration Law International Labor and **Employment Law Seminar** Labor Law Wage Theft: Underground Economies Workers' Compensation Law and Practice Writers Guild: Agreements and Negotiation<sup>3</sup>

### **ENTERTAINMENT AND MEDIA LAW** Advanced Entertainment Law

Seminar

Amateur Sports Law BEMLI Externships Chain of Title Comparative Media Law Copyright Law Cyberlaw Defamation, Privacy, Publicity Drafting Business Contracts Drafting Entertainment Industry Contracts Drafting Technology Agreements Entertainment and Media Litigation<sup>3</sup> Entertainment and the Arts Legal Clinic Entertainment Business Affairs Negotiation Entertainment Industry Guilds Entertainment Law Fashion Law Financing and Distributing Independent Films Information Privacy Law Intellectual Property Licensing: Law and Practice International and Comparative Copyright Law International Art Law<sup>2</sup>

International Comparative

Intellectual Property Law

International Entertainment Law<sup>2</sup> International Sports Law Law and Literature Seminar Mass Media Law Motion Picture Production Law Music for Film and Television Music Industry Contracts Music Publishing Industry Negotiating and Drafting International Entertainment Sports Law Television Production Law Trademark Law Unscripted Television Production Law Video Game Agreements Writers Guild: Agreements and Negotiation3

### **EXPERIENTIAL COURSES** Advanced Legal Writing

Alternative Dispute Resolution

Amicus Project Practicum Appellate Litigation Clinic Appellate Process and Opinion Drafting<sup>3</sup> Big and Medium Law Firm Practice Children's Rights Clinic Civil Pretrial Practice Communication Tools for New Lawyers<sup>3</sup> Community Lawyering Clinic Complex Criminal Litigation (Capstone) Constitutional Criminal Procedure and Advocacy Construction Law, Drafting, and Negotiation Courtroom Procedure 1013 Criminal Law in Action<sup>3</sup> Criminal Law Practice Criminal Litigation in Practice Cybersecurity Law Drafting Business Contracts Drafting Entertainment Industry Contracts Drafting Technology Agreements Entertainment and the Arts Legal Clinic Entertainment Business Affairs Negotiation Estate Planning and Drafting Evidence (blended course) Externships Family Law Clinic Family Law Procedure and Practice Immigration Law Clinic Intellectual Property Licensing in the Technology Industry Intellectual Property Licensing: Law and Practice Interviewing, Counseling, and Negotiating Mass Tort Litigation (Capstone) Moot Court Honors Program Negotiation Honors Program Negotiating and Drafting International Entertainment Contracts Negotiation and Dispute Resolution Patent Preparation and Prosecution Public Interest Law Practice

Representing Entrepreneurs (Capstone) Selected Problems in Evidence Lab<sup>3</sup> Small Law Practice Management Street Law Clinic Trial Advocacy Trial Advocacy Honors Program Video Game Agreements

### **HEALTH LAW**

Cannabis Law (Evolution of) Insurance Law Medical Malpractice

## INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY Advanced Entertainment

Law Seminar Copyright Law Defamation, Privacy, Publicity Drafting Technology Agreements Entertainment and Media Litigation Entertainment and the Arts Legal Clinic Entertainment Law Fashion Law Intellectual Property Licensing in the Technology Industry Intellectual Property Licensing: Law and Practice International and Comparative Copyright Law International Art Law<sup>2</sup> International Comparative Intellectual Property Law International Entertainment Law<sup>2</sup> Motion Picture Production Law Music Industry Contracts Music Publishing Industry Patent Law Patent Preparation and Prosecution Television Production Law Trademark Law Video Game Agreements

# INTERNATIONAL AND COMPARATIVE LAW

Immigration Law
International and Comparative
Copyright Law
International Art Law²
International Comparative
Intellectual Property Law
International Criminal Law
International Entertainment Law²
International Labor and
Employment Law Seminar
International Sports Law²
National Security Law
Public International Law

### JURISPRUDENCE AND LEGAL HISTORY

American Legal History
Law and Literature Seminar
Law and Social Change
- Obstacles and
Opportunities
Legal Arguments about Moral
and Political Issues Seminar
Legislation
Trial of Jesus Seminar

# PROFESSIONAL SKILLS/LAWYERING SKILLS/SIMULATION COURSES

Alternative Dispute Resolution

Advanced Legal Research

Advanced Legal Writing

Amicus Project Practicum Appellate Litigation Clinic Appellate Process and Brief Drafting Art of Persuasion<sup>3</sup> Big and Medium Law Firm Practice Cal Bar Writing: Skills and Strategies Children and the Law Children's Rights Clinic Communication Tools for New Lawyers<sup>3</sup> Community Lawyering Clinic Complex Criminal Litigation (Capstone) Construction Law, Drafting, and Negotiation Courtroom Procedure 1013 Criminal Law in Action<sup>3</sup> Criminal Litigation in Practice Drafting Business Contracts Drafting Entertainment Industry Contracts Drafting, Negotiating, and Understanding Real Estate Transactions Drafting Technology Agreements Employment Law (Capstone) Entertainment and Media Litigation<sup>3</sup> Entertainment and the Arts Legal Clinic Entertainment Business Affairs Negotiation Estate Planning and Drafting Externships Family Law Clinic Family Law Procedure and Practice Foundations of Law and Practice Gambling Law Immigration Appeals Practicum Immigration Law Clinic Intellectual Property Licensing in the Technology Industry Intellectual Property Licensing: Law and Practice Interviewing, Counseling, and Negotiating Legal Analysis, Writing, and Skills (LAWS) I1 Legal Analysis, Writing, and Skills II: Appellate Advocacy Legal Analysis, Writing, and Skills II: Negotiation Legal Analysis, Writing, and Skills II: Trial Practice Legal Profession MBE: Skills and Strategies1 Moot Court Honors Program Music Industry Contracts Patent Preparation and Prosecution Practical Legal Research Public Interest Law Practice Refining Your Legal Writing Remedies<sup>1</sup> Removal Defense Clinic Representing Entrepreneurs (Capstone) Selected Problems in Evidence Lab<sup>3</sup>

Small Law Practice Management Street Law Clinic Television Production Law Trial Advocacy Trial Advocacy Honors Program Video Game Agreements Writers Guild: Agreements and Negotiation

### PUBLIC INTEREST/CIVIL RIGHTS/ CIVIL LIBERTIES

Alternative Dispute Resolution Amicus Project Practicum Animal Law Appellate Litigation Clinic Asian-American Civil Rights Cannabis Law (Evolution of) Children and the Law Children's Rights Clinic Community Lawyering Clinic Constitutional Law I and II1 Crimmigration Law Seminar Critical Race Theory Seminar Defamation, Privacy, Publicity Disability Law **Employment Discrimination Law** Employment Law Survey Entertainment and Media Litigation Environmental Law Externships Family Law Clinic Immigration Appeals Practicum Immigration Law Immigration Law and Crimes<sup>3</sup> Immigration Law Clinic International Protection of Human Rights Seminar Information Privacy Law Labor Law Land Use Planning Law and Social Change Obstacles and Opportunities Local Government Law Prison Law and Mass Incarceration Public Interest Law Practice Removal Defense Clinic Restorative Justice Street Law Clinic

# REAL PROPERTY/ENVIRONMENTAL LAW/LAND USE

Women and the Law Seminar

Wage Theft: Underground

Economies

Youth at Risk

Wrongful Convictions

Animal Law
Community Property¹
Construction Law, Drafting,
and Negotiation
Drafting, Negotiating, and
Understanding Real Estate
Transactions
Environmental Law
Land Use Planning
Property¹
Real Estate Transactions

### TAXATION

Estate and Gift Taxation Estate Planning and Drafting Federal Corporate Taxation Survey of Federal Income Tax Taxation of Business Entities Wills and Trusts¹

# TECHNOLOGY LAW AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Antitrust Law Copyright Law Cyberlaw Cybersecurity Law Drafting Business Contracts Drafting Technology Agreements Entertainment Law Externships Information Privacy Law International Comparative Intellectual Property Law International Business Transactions Interviewing, Counseling, and Negotiating Intellectual Property Licensing: Law and Practice Mass Media Law Mergers and Acquisitions: Law, Strategy, and Finance<sup>D</sup> Negotiation and Dispute Resolution Net Neutrality Patent Law Patent Preparation and Prosecution Representing Entrepreneurs (Capstone) Securities Regulation Survey of Federal Income Tax Law Trademark Law Video Game Agreements

### TORTS AND COMPENSATION SYSTEMS

Alternative Dispute Resolution
Defamation, Privacy, Publicity
Foundations of Tort Law
Seminar
Insurance Law
Mass Tort Litigation (Capstone)
Medical Malpractice
Products Liability
Remedies'
Tort Litigation Seminar
Torts'
Workers' Compensation Law
and Practice

- 1 Required courses
- 2 Offered in Summer Abroad Program
- 3 Offered in the January Intersession
- D Offered with The Drucker School

Note: This list reflects courses offered during the current academic year and the past two years. Course selection is subject to change. Some elective courses are not offered every year, and seminar topics vary from year to year. Course descriptions are available online at

## www.swlaw.edu/curriculum/courses.

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### **Application Components**



- ☐ LSAC Credential Assembly Service Report\*
- ☐ Law School Admissions Test (LSAT) Score\*
- ☐ LSAT Writing Sample\*
- ☐ Transcripts\*
- ☐ Letters of Recommendation\*
- ☐ Personal Statement\*
- Résumé
- ☐ Diversity Statement

<sup>\*</sup>Required. An interview is also required for SCALE applicants. Full application details at www.swlaw.edu/application-process.



### **Financial Aid**

Southwestern Law School offers various forms of financial aid including scholarships, loans, and work-study. Financial aid counselors help students design a financial aid plan that meets their needs and allows them to focus on their law school education.



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### TRADITIONAL PROGRAMS TUITION

	FALL	SPRING	TOTAL TUITION
Full-time	\$27,658	\$27,658	\$55,316
Part-time	\$18,447	\$18,447	\$36,894*

### \*Not including required Summer Sessions.

# TIPS FOR NAVIGATING THE FINANCIAL AID PROCESS AT SOUTHWESTERN

- ① Don't wait to be admitted before you complete your FAFSA—**APPLY NOW, it's FREE.**The official deadline is June 1st.
- ② The FAFSA (**www.studentaid.gov**) is the only required application. Available October 1st.
- (3) Southwestern's federal school code is **GØ1295** (G zero 1295).

### **SCALE PROGRAM TUITION**

	PER PERIOD	PERIODS PER YEAR	SUMMER	TOTAL TUITION
Year 1	\$19,428	4	n/a	\$77,712
Year 2	\$19,428	4	\$7,372*	\$85,084

<sup>\*</sup>SCALE II students are charged for the first four (4) summer units taken.

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