The UC Davis School of Law building is dedicated to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

King Hall stands as a tribute to Dr. King’s effort to achieve social and political justice by lawful and orderly means.
AT A GLANCE

PROGRAMS AT KING HALL
Three-year full-time J.D. Program
One-year LL.M. Program
Certificates in Public Interest Law, Environmental and Natural Resources Law
Pro Bono Program

Areas of Concentration
Business Law
Criminal Law and Procedure
Environmental and Natural Resources Law
Health Care Law and Bioethics
Human Rights and Social Justice Law
Intellectual Property Law
International Law
Public Interest Law

Joint Degree Programs
JD/MBA • JD/MA • JD/MS

Clinicals: Civil Rights
Family Protection and Legal Assistance
Immigration Law
Prison Law

Externships: Administration of Criminal Justice
Employment Relations
Environmental Law
Federal Taxation
Judicial
Legislative Process
Public Interest Law

THE LAW SCHOOL
Established: 1965
Accreditation: ABA/AALS
Faculty: Student Ratio: 1:12

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OUR MISSION

OUR MISSION AT UC DAVIS SCHOOL OF LAW IS TO OFFER, IN A PUBLIC UNIVERSITY SETTING, A LEGAL EDUCATION THAT IS SECOND TO NONE. WE ARE A NATIONALLY AND INTERNATIONALLY RECOGNIZED LEADER IN THE DEVELOPMENT AND DISSEMINATION OF LEGAL KNOWLEDGE, TRAINING OUR STUDENTS TO BECOME SOCIALLY RESPONSIBLE LAWYERS COMMITTED TO PROFESSIONAL EXCELLENCE AND HIGH ETHICAL STANDARDS. WE ARE DEDICATED TO THE IDEALS OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EQUALITY ESPoused BY DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., TO WHOM KING HALL IS DEDICATED, AND TO SERVING THE GREATER GOOD THROUGH LAW REFORM, COMMUNITY SERVICE, AND OTHER ACTIVITIES. KING HALL FACULTY, STUDENTS, AND GRADUATES SEEK TO HELP SOLVE THE COMPLEX LEGAL PROBLEMS CONFRONTING OUR WORLD AND WORK TOWARD THE MORE JUST, EQUITABLE SOCiETY DR. KING ENVISIONED.
As Dean of UC Davis School of Law, I have the distinct privilege of welcoming you to one of the world’s leading law schools. We are extremely proud of the excellent record of scholarship, teaching, and service we have achieved since our founding more than 40 years ago, and we are extremely pleased you are considering joining the King Hall community. Please explore this booklet, log on to our web site (www.law.ucdavis.edu), and visit us in person to discover the many ways in which we can help you realize your dreams of a career in law.

At UC Davis, our outstanding ranking, small size, and unusually accessible and dedicated faculty of internationally renowned scholars provide a uniquely supportive learning environment. There is really no other law school like it in the United States! Each of our faculty members is truly committed to teaching, and together they offer a challenging academic program with diverse specialties including, but not limited to, business law, environmental law, international and comparative law, intellectual property, immigration law, constitutional law, and public interest law.

UC Davis School of Law moved up to 28th in the latest U.S. News & World Report ranking of almost 200 American Bar Association-approved law schools, and University of Chicago professor Brian Leiter rates our faculty quality even higher at No. 23. It is exciting to see our high and rapidly rising status among the nation’s very best law schools.

King Hall’s award-winning trial and appellate advocacy programs, clinics, and externships enable students to earn academic credits while gaining first-hand exposure to legal professionals and institutions, honing practical lawyering skills, and contributing to the greater good. The Immigration Law Clinic, Family Protection and Legal Assistance Clinic, Civil Rights Clinic, and Prison Law Clinic, all directed by staff attorneys at the top of their fields, allow students to represent real people with real problems before real courts and agencies.

At King Hall, you will find a vibrant and diverse student community with more than 40 active student organizations, five student-run law journals, and an academic spirit where intellectual rigor combines with genuine warmth and community of purpose. We have an atmosphere of cooperation unparalleled by any other law school.

Supporting our students’ academic and career goals is and will remain the highest priority at UC Davis School of Law. Our success can be seen in the extraordinary achievements of our graduates in bar passage rates, job placement, and challenging and rewarding careers in cities across the United States. Our Office of Career Services has successfully connected our graduates with leading employers from Washington, D.C. to San Francisco, from Chicago to Atlanta.

As the beneficiary of a public university education, I personally know just how important it is that UC Davis School of Law maintain a public legal education that is of the highest quality and accessible to students of all socioeconomic backgrounds. We are dedicated to upholding these ideals, and we consistently enroll one of the most diverse student bodies in the United States.

On behalf of our faculty, students, staff, and alumni, I invite you to seriously consider the study of law at King Hall. If you come here, you will never regret the decision. I promise.
WHY CHOOSE UC DAVIS SCHOOL OF LAW?

1. World-class reputation owing to a world-class faculty and a world-class student body. Great law schools are places where you learn from both your professors and your student colleagues; UC Davis is just such a place.

2. Access to numerous employers of every kind and every size in all locations; private law firms, federal, state, and local government agencies, public interest organizations, and non-legal businesses alike greatly respect and value the UC Davis J.D.

3. Graduates love the school, and love helping its students. Strong alumni networks in the Bay Area, Los Angeles, San Diego, Sacramento, as well as metropolitan areas throughout the nation and world.

4. Proximity to leading institutions of law, government, and business. UC Davis’ location an hour from the Bay Area and 15 minutes from Sacramento makes it ideal to connect to centers of activity in law, policy, and commerce.
5. An intellectually curious yet distinctively supportive community. Faculty, fellow students, and staff, no matter how busy and engaged in professional achievement they are, are accessible, empathetic, and committed to your education.

6. Ability to participate in cutting-edge research and real-world lawyering. The faculty fully integrate students into their ambitious research and practice activities.

7. A friendly, vibrant, and diverse student body environment with scores of student groups. Award-winning student-run trial and appellate advocacy programs, and clinics and externship opportunities that are second to none.

8. Part of the beautiful and excellent UC Davis campus, ideal for study and intellectual stimulation.

9. Our amazing new facility: striking, state-of-the-art, and opened in 2010. Reflecting the sense of true community and seriousness of purpose, the building is open to you 24 hours a day.

10. An institutional commitment to social justice befitting the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., in whose name the law school building is dedicated.
At UC Davis School of Law, the curriculum is designed to provide a solid foundation of practical knowledge and skills that enable our graduates to pursue careers in whatever area of legal practice they may choose, from public service to business litigation to legal scholarship.

UC Davis School of Law offers a three-year, full-time program leading to the Juris Doctor degree, as well as programs for LL.M., M.I.C.L. (Master of Laws in International Commercial Law), and combined degrees.

King Hall’s areas of strength include business law, criminal law and procedure, environmental and natural resources law, health care law and bioethics, human rights and social justice law, intellectual property law, international law, and public interest law. Certificate programs are offered in Public Service Law, Environmental and Natural Resources Law, and Pro Bono Service.

We offer academic credit for participation in a variety of learning programs outside the classroom, including our award-winning clinics, pro bono work, moot court, trial advocacy, and scholarly journals. The externship program confers academic credit for work in areas such as environmental law, human rights, criminal prosecution and defense, labor law and employment, tax law, juvenile law, and with state and federal judges. Our proximity to the California State Capitol, just 15 minutes away in Sacramento, enables students interested in the political process to collaborate with legislators, the governor’s office, and state agencies.

To earn a J.D. degree, a student must complete six semesters of full-time study in residence, earn 88 semester credits, pass all required courses, complete an advanced writing requirement and skills requirement, and earn a 2.0 grade point average or above.
**ACADEMIC SUCCESS PROGRAM**

The faculty, staff, alumni and student colleagues at UC Davis are dedicated to helping every student reach a personal level of success in law school and in the practice of law.

The Academic Success Program (ASP) is available to help students identify and strengthen their academic abilities and provide assistance to students facing the challenges of mastering the unique demands of law school study. ASP offers note-taking, case briefing and exam skills workshops, study plan and learning styles assessments, personal academic counseling and a series of bar exam preparation seminars. The Academic Success Resource Center provides study aids, sample practice exams, and other information students may need to achieve their academic goals.

Specifically for first-year students, ASP provides a unique tutorial assistance program for all first-year courses by employing second- and third-year student tutors. These tutors have achieved a high level of academic excellence themselves, and most importantly, have cultivated approachability, teaching skills and empathy for the first-year experience.

From Intro Week as a first-year law student to the Bar Exam as a recent graduate, your success is our priority.

**WHY CHOOSE UC DAVIS SCHOOL OF LAW?**

“Talking with a King Hall alum made it clear to me how warm a place the school was. The person who called me talked fondly of the school, the connections with faculty, and the many friends he made over his three years at King Hall. The idea that a law school could be a community, more than just a means to an end and a degree, was really encouraging to me. This sense of community played a big role in convincing me that King Hall was the right place for me.”

**MATT TOLVE**  
**CLASS OF 2009**  
**ASSOCIATE**  
**ORRICK, HERRINGTON & SUTCLIFFE LLP IN SAN FRANCISCO**
### FIRST-YEAR CURRICULUM
The first-year curriculum is prescribed and provides the essential foundation for a legal education.

### INTRODUCTION TO LAW
The first week of law school constitutes a basic introduction to the concepts of the law.

### CIVIL PROCEDURE
A study of civil actions focusing on the methods used by courts to resolve civil disputes.

### CONSTITUTIONAL LAW I
Learn the principles, doctrines, and controversies regarding the structure of the U.S. government.

### CONTRACTS
This course examines the sorts of promises that are enforced in commercial and noncommercial transactions.

### CRIMINAL LAW
This course studies the bases and limits of criminal liability.

### LEGAL RESEARCH & WRITING I & II
Integrated legal research and writing skills course. Persuasive writing and oral advocacy, with oral arguments by all students.

### PROPERTY
Study the doctrines and concepts of property law with primary emphasis on real property.

### TORTS
Familiarizes students with laws regarding civil injuries, property damages, and liability without fault.

### CURRICULUM FOR YEARS TWO AND THREE
The work during years two and three is elective, except for required courses in professional responsibility and lawyering skills, and a writing requirement. A wide range of elective courses and seminars are offered.

#### BUSINESS LAW
- Accounting for Lawyers
- Antitrust
- Basic Finance
- Business Associations
- Business Planning and Drafting
- Commercial and Bankruptcy Law
- Corporate Governance Seminar
- Corporate Tax
- Estate and Gift Taxation
- Estate Planning Seminar
- Federal Income Taxation
- International Business Transactions
- International Finance
- International Investment Dispute Seminar
- International Tax
- Law of Financial Markets
- Law and Economics
- Law of E-Commerce
- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Nonprofit Organizations and Drafting
- Nonprofit Organizations: State and Local Governance Issues
- Nonprofit Organizations: Tax Exemptions & Taxation Focus
- Pension and Employee Benefit Law
- Private International Law (Conflict of Laws)
- Products Liability
- Real Estate Finance
- Securities Regulation I
- Securities Regulation II
- Taxation of Partnerships and LLCs
- Trusts, Wills, and Decedents’ Estates

#### CONSTITUTIONAL LAW
- Advanced Constitutional Law Seminar
- Civil Rights Law
- Constitutional Law II
- Indian Gaming Law
- Law of the Political Process
- Law and Religion
- Law and Rural Livelihoods
- Native American Law
- Supreme Court Simulation Seminar
- Topics in Constitutional Law: Habeas Corpus and 11th Amendment

#### ENVIRONMENTAL AND NATURAL RESOURCES LAW
- Administrative Law
- Administrative Law and Policy Seminar
- Agricultural Law and Policy
- Biotechnology Law and Policy
- California Environmental Issues Seminar
- Energy Law Seminar
- Environmental Law
- Environmental Law Externship
- Environmental Law Moot Court Competition
- Environmental Practice
- Farm Workers and the Law
- International Environmental Law
- Land Use Planning and the California Environmental Water Quality Act
- Law and Religion
- Native American Law
- Natural Resources Law
- Ocean and Coastal Law
- Public Land Law
- Water Law
ACADEMIC PROGRAM AND CURRICULUM

ESTATE PLANNING
Estate and Gift Tax
Estate Planning Seminar
Trusts, Wills and Descendents’ Estates

FAMILY LAW
Family Law
Family Protection Clinic
Juvenile Justice
Marital Property
Private International Law

GENERAL/TOPICAL SURVEY
Agricultural Law and Policy
Animal Law Seminar
Farmworkers and the Law
Indian Gaming Law
Law and Popular Culture
Law and Rural Livelihoods
Legislative Process
Local Government
Sociology of the Legal Profession

HEALTH LAW AND BIOETHICS
Bioethics
Disability Rights
Health Care Law
Law and Psychiatry
Seminar in Legal Psychology
Medical Liability and the Law
Public Health Law
Reproductive Health Law and Policy
Topical Issues in Health Law Seminar

HUMAN RIGHTS AND SOCIAL JUSTICE
Advanced Constitutional Law Seminar
Asian American Jurisprudence
Civil Rights Clinic
Civil Rights Law
Civil Rights Seminar
Community Education Seminar
Constitutional Law II
Critical Race Theory
Disability Rights
Education Policy and the Law
Employment Discrimination
Farmworkers and the Law

Feminist Legal Theory
Housing Law
Immigration Law Clinic
Immigration Law and Procedure
International Human Rights
Jewish Law Seminar
Juvenile Justice
Labor Law I
Labor Law II
Latinos & Latinas and the Law
Law and Rural Livelihoods
Seminar in Legal Psychology
Native American Law Seminar
Public Benefits Law
Public Interest Law
Public Interest Law Externship
Sex-Based Discrimination
Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity, and the Law
Tax and Distributive Justice
Topics in Constitutional Law: Habeas Corpus and 11th Amendment
Transnational Criminal Law
Women and the Law Practicum
Women, Islam, and the Law

INDIVIDUAL AND GROUP STUDY
Advanced Writing Project
Environ Editor
Group Study
Instruction in Legal Research & Writing Skills
Journal of International Law & Policy Editor
Journal of Juvenile Law & Policy Editor
Law Review Editor
Law Review Writer
Research in Legal Problems

INTTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND TECHNOLOGY
Agricultural Law and Policy
Bioethics
Biotechnology Law and Policy
Copyright
Intellectual Property
Intellectual Property in Historical Context
International Intellectual Property
International Intellectual Property and Development Jurisdiction in Cyberspace
Law of E-Commerce
Patent Law
Public Interest Law Externship
Right of Publicity and Related Doctrines
Telecommunications Law
Trademark and Unfair Competition Law

INTERNATIONAL, COMPARATIVE, AND FOREIGN LAW
Animal Law
Asian American Jurisprudence
Criminal Justice Administration Seminar
Immigration Law Clinic
Immigration Law and Procedure
International Aspects of U. S. Taxation
International Business Transactions
International Environmental Law
International Finance
International Human Rights
International Intellectual Property
International Intellectual Property and Development
International Investment Dispute Seminar
International Litigation and Arbitration
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At UC Davis School of Law, students enjoy not only outstanding academic training in classrooms and seminars, but also the opportunity to hone practical skills. Students can write for one of five student-run journals, advocate for clients in our four clinics, work in our externship program, and participate in Moot Court and Appellate Advocacy competitions. King Hall students learn beyond the classroom in ways that help them succeed in the job market, in their careers, and in court.

JOURNALS

With five student-run journals, UC Davis School of Law offers multiple opportunities for students to hone their writing and editing skills.

UC DAVIS LAW REVIEW

One of the nation’s most respected legal journals, the UC Davis Law Review publishes scholarly articles from legal academics, practitioners, and our own student editors.

BUSINESS LAW JOURNAL

The Business Law Journal is run by dedicated law students who are committed to providing current and valuable legal and business analysis.

ENVIRONS LAW AND POLICY JOURNAL

Environs, the environmental law and policy journal, is dedicated to the discussion of current environmental issues and publishes articles from professors, practitioners, and students.

JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL LAW & POLICY

The Journal of International Law & Policy (JILP) is produced by King Hall students with an interest in international law and human rights issues.

JOURNAL OF JUVENILE LAW & POLICY

The Journal of Juvenile Law & Policy addresses the unique concerns of children in the American legal system.

For more information, visit www.law.ucdavis.edu/journals.
CLINICAL LEGAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS

At UC Davis School of Law, we take pride in the unique array of clinical experiences available to every student. Our in-house Clinical Programs include specialized work in civil rights, family law and domestic violence, prisoners’ rights, and immigration law. Our fully supervised externship programs allow students to earn academic credit for work in environmental law, poverty law, human rights, criminal defense and prosecution, labor law, tax law, and juvenile law, and with state and federal judges. Because of our proximity to Sacramento, the California state capital, students interested in the political process are able to work with legislators, legislative committees, the governor’s office, or lobbyists.

Our students, under the mentorship of talented faculty experts, develop a keen awareness of their own unique skills and passions as lawyers. Clinics, operated in a collaborative trial team setting, allow students to work alongside veteran faculty and attorneys and learn invaluable skills as they help those most in need.

CIVIL RIGHTS CLINIC

The Civil Rights Clinic is a litigation clinic in which students advocate for the civil rights of prisoners and other indigents. In a typical semester, students may do client intakes, meet with clients, draft interrogatories, conference with federal judges and opposing counsel, take depositions, draft and file pleadings, interview witnesses, and research legal issues.

FAMILY PROTECTION AND LEGAL ASSISTANCE CLINIC

The Family Protection and Legal Assistance Clinic provides students with the opportunity to represent domestic violence victims who would not otherwise be able to afford an attorney. It is the Law School’s only community-based clinic and serves a vastly underrepresented population. The program contains three components: student education, direct client representation, and community education.

IMMIGRATION LAW CLINIC

The Immigration Law Clinic provides an invaluable service to Northern California’s immigrant communities, offering education and free legal services to low-income immigrants facing deportation while enabling King Hall students to gain practical, real-world experience. Through the clinic, students provide advice and counsel on a range of immigration questions for clients who otherwise could not afford legal counsel. In doing so, students gain a better understanding of the daily problems, legal and otherwise, of poor and working-class immigrants. Students working on behalf of the Immigration Law Clinic have made oral arguments to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit – an experience many attorneys would envy.

PRISON LAW CLINIC

Students working in the Prison Law Clinic use their legal skills to assist prisoners. Students advocate on their clients’ behalf with officials at the institution where the prisoner is housed, as well as by filing formal grievances with the California Department of Corrections. Cases may involve just about any aspect of an inmate’s life in prison.

WHY CHOOSE UC DAVIS SCHOOL OF LAW?

“I couldn’t have picked a better law school. King Hall offers a well-rounded experience where you’re going to get the highest quality classroom education, but also hands-on experience through the clinics. If you’re interested in public interest law or public policy work, it would be hard to imagine a better place to study than King Hall.”

LUIS ALEJO
CLASS OF 2001
PUBLIC INTEREST ATTORNEY AND CANDIDATE FOR STATE ASSEMBLY
EXTERNSHIPS

King Hall students have the opportunity to acquire additional skills and training working with government agencies, public interest organizations, nonprofits, and public defenders’ and prosecutors’ offices. Working under the guidance of faculty and field supervisors, students acquire direct experience in fields including:

- Administration of Criminal Justice
- Employment Relations
- Environmental Law
- Federal Taxation
- Judicial Externships
- Legislative Process
- Public Interest Law

TRIAL ADVOCACY AND MOOT COURT

The UC Davis School of Law’s Moot Court and Appellate Advocacy programs are an important part of the King Hall experience, and virtually all students participate. They are also a special source of pride among the King Hall community, as the UC Davis teams consistently have excelled in competitions around the country. In 2009, the team from King Hall bested law students from across the globe to claim victory in the International Negotiation Competition.

The Moot Court and Appellate Advocacy programs include numerous competitions and tournaments. Such programs not only are important to a student’s legal education, but showcase the academic excellence of King Hall, contributing to the school’s national reputation and the value of a UC Davis J.D.

STUDY ABROAD

We live in a global age. The smaller the world becomes, the more important it is for lawyers to have a global perspective. If you want to enhance your knowledge of the world through firsthand experiences by studying abroad, take advantage of the exciting opportunities presented by the UC Davis School of Law Foreign Exchange Program.

The School of Law offers exchange opportunities at the China University of Political Science and Law, University College Dublin (Ireland), and University of Copenhagen (Denmark), and is currently considering exchange programs with several other law schools in foreign countries.
As globalization of the world economy continues, business is increasingly international in scope. With courses in conflict of laws, comparative law, international business transactions, international tax, and international intellectual property, the UC Davis Business Law curriculum ensures graduates have the skills required to succeed in this rapidly changing environment. King Hall students also enjoy the unique opportunity to pursue a joint degree with the highly esteemed UC Davis Graduate School of Management.

**AREAS OF CONCENTRATION**

**BUSINESS LAW**

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UC Davis law graduates with a Business Law concentration work in law firms, corporations, consulting and accounting companies, and nonprofit organizations throughout the world, practicing in areas of banking, bankruptcy, corporate law, corporate securities, finance, health care, intellectual property, mergers and acquisitions, municipal bonds, public offerings, real estate, secured transactions, tax law, trusts and estates, and more.
CRIMINAL LAW AND PROCEDURE

UC Davis School of Law students who focus on Criminal Law and Procedure graduate with academic training and practical skills necessary to succeed as prosecutors, district attorneys, public defenders, criminal defense attorneys, and in related fields. King Hall’s extensive externship programs offer the opportunity for direct experience, which may include prosecuting minor crimes under a district attorney’s supervision.

UC Davis law alumni are found in district attorney and public defender offices throughout California and the nation. They hold prominent positions in all criminal law practice areas, both trial and appellate, with the California Attorney General’s office—the largest single employer of UC Davis School of Law graduates—as well as the U.S. Attorneys’ offices, and in well-regarded private criminal defense practices. Other practitioners are heads of criminal justice organizations, work in the military justice system, and have international criminal law practices. Criminal law practice is the leading path to the judiciary, and King Hall boasts an impressive number of alumni on the bench.

ENVIRONMENTAL AND NATURAL RESOURCES LAW

UC Davis is famous for environmental education, and King Hall students who choose the Environmental and Natural Resources Law concentration receive an exceptional environmental legal education. The curriculum is designed to prepare graduates for professional practice in a variety of environmental law settings, from litigation to transactions to policymaking. Many Environmental and Natural Resources Law students take advantage of the opportunity for joint studies with other departments at UC Davis, one of the nation’s leading life-science research universities. Our Environmental Law Certificate Program provides special recognition for students’ commitment to the study of environmental law.

King Hall students participate in environmental moot court and negotiation competitions, and gain invaluable firsthand experience through environmental and natural resources law externships in government, public interest organizations, and private firms, where they face the challenges of real-life environmental problems such as remediating hazardous waste releases, allocating California’s limited water resources, siting factory farms and other land use issues, and dealing with climate change.

WHY CHOOSE UC DAVIS SCHOOL OF LAW?

“I chose UC Davis School of Law because everyone familiar with it had only the greatest praise for it—specifically the outstanding faculty and collegial atmosphere. I had been out of school for several years, and had no desire to suffer through three years of law school. UC Davis School of Law was a perfect fit for me.”

ERIC TOSCANO
CLASS OF 2009
ASSOCIATE
REED SMITH LLP IN SAN FRANCISCO
HEALTH LAW AND BIOETHICS

Advances in medical care and the life sciences are changing our lives, our society, and our world, and attorneys who specialize in health care law are increasingly in demand. The Health Care Law and Bioethics concentration provides the opportunity to study three core areas — health care law, bioethics, and public health law.

Students are prepared for a diverse range of careers in areas such as medical liability, health law, bioethics, public health, reproductive health, biotechnology, and disability rights. The concentration also offers training in contract law, medical malpractice, administrative law, public health law, consent, elder law, human rights, and civil rights. In addition, King Hall students learn to address the ethical questions associated with biotechnology, reproductive technologies, and other medical advances.

HUMAN RIGHTS AND SOCIAL JUSTICE LAW

UC Davis School of Law has a commitment to human rights and social justice stretching back to its beginning more than 40 years ago, when the Law School building was dedicated to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Throughout its existence, King Hall has been known for producing outstanding public interest law attorneys dedicated to serving Dr. King’s ideals through work with nonprofits and government agencies serving society’s most needy, addressing social inequalities, and devoted to using the power of law to achieve a more just society.

The Human Rights and Social Justice Law concentration offers students the opportunity to study with UC Davis faculty at the forefront of their fields in immigration law, family law and sexual preference issues, the constitutional rights of prisoners, and more. Through its award-winning clinics and externships, the Law School offers students not only a classroom education that is second to none, but also opportunities to help real clients with problems of domestic violence, immigration issues, civil rights violations, and other legal problems.
INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW

In the digital age, many of the world’s business transactions involve not physical assets but intellectual property—copyrights, patents, trademarks, and trade secrets—and the creation, maintenance, protection, and transfer of intellectual property are increasingly important in the global economy. The result has been that intellectual property law has become one of the fastest-growing and most exciting fields of legal practice.

UC Davis School of Law’s Intellectual Property Law curriculum prepares students for this new world through a specialized area of concentration devoted to the law of ideas, inventions, and other intangible forms of property. Students learn everything from the basics—copyright, patent, and trademark—to emerging fields, such as international intellectual property, e-commerce, and cyber law. With a faculty that includes scholars on the leading edge of this emerging field, UC Davis School of Law has established itself as a pioneer, setting the standard in intellectual property studies.

ON THE LEADING EDGE OF CURRENT ISSUES

The Law School regularly hosts prominent speakers to help ensure King Hall students hear a variety of perspectives on current legal issues. Lectures and symposia help keep King Hall at the leading edge of legal education.


Over the years, many distinguished speakers have visited King Hall for the intellectual property symposium and lecture series, “Law in the Information Age.” Additionally, the law firm Fenwick & West sponsors a lecture series at King Hall called “Technology, Entrepreneurship, Science, and the Law” (TESLaw). The 2009 TESLaw symposium drew hundreds of attorneys, academic experts, students, alumni, and professionals to the Law School to hear industry leaders including legendary Silicon Valley venture capitalist John Doerr.
The International Law concentration has long been one of the hallmarks of UC Davis School of Law, and the California International Law Center at King Hall (CILC) takes our program to an even higher level. Academic courses advance students’ understanding of world affairs through analysis of international law, politics, and business. A diverse team of full-time faculty and visiting scholars from around the globe teach in the International Law program, giving students a wide range of elective courses and the advantage of learning from interdisciplinary scholars who are among the leading international legal minds in the world.

Students interested in international law enjoy opportunities to participate in special projects through CILC and the Law School’s clinics, which provide firsthand experiences in an actual legal setting with client interactions, writing, research, and advocacy skills essential to the practice. Students may gain writing and editing experience with the UC Davis Journal of International Law & Policy, and attend lectures and symposia on international law.

Public Interest Law

Since its beginnings more than 40 years ago, UC Davis School of Law has earned a reputation for being extraordinarily dedicated to the ideals of social justice and public service espoused by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., for whom the Law School building is named. As a result, King Hall has always attracted faculty and students committed to using the power of legal education and the law to address injustices and solve problems faced by the poor, the disabled, consumers, the elderly, and those who lack equal access to the legal system. The Public Interest Law concentration prepares students to tackle the pressing social issues of our time and to work in public interest and public sector careers where their knowledge, skills, and experience can have maximum impact for individuals and society at large.

Most students in the Public Interest Law concentration take advantage of opportunities to work in the Law School’s clinical programs, helping immigrants, prisoners,
victims of domestic violence, and others while gaining invaluable, real-world experience. The Law School offers a Public Service Law Certificate Program for students with a demonstrated commitment to serving the public. After graduation, UC Davis School of Law’s support for public interest work continues, offering alumni financial assistance through the recently expanded Loan Repayment Assistance Program (LRAP). Unlike many similar programs, our LRAP offers repayment assistance for not only law school debt but also loans received for undergraduate and other graduate-level study, and students can choose whether to participate in the Income-Based Repayment (IBR) plan.

See page 14 for more on our clinical programs. See page 37 for more on the Loan Repayment Assistance Program.

“It has been said that ‘the law is the cement of society and an essential medium of change.’ In a just society, the law maintains order but also protects human rights and promotes social justice. It must both elevate the dignity of each individual and ensure fairness in the economics and educational institutions that are instrumental to social opportunity.”

Cruz Reynoso
Professor of Law Emeritus
Boochever and Bird Chair for the Study and Teaching of Freedom and Equality
Former Associate Justice, California Supreme Court
Presidential Medal of Freedom Recipient
The employment status of the UC Davis School of Law Class of 2009 as of February, 2010 is listed below. Of the 191 students in the class, information was available on the employment status of 190 students. This graduating class had a success rate of more than 99% nine months after graduation.

**Employment Settings**

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A small number of respondents did not specify employment setting.

**Salary Ranges for the Class of 2009**

For those who reported salary information:

**Private Sector**

- 25% - 75% percentile: $90,000 - $160,000
- Median: $145,000

**Public Sector**

- 25% - 75% percentile: $46,455 - $65,500
- Median: $58,500.

The UC Davis School of Law Career Services Office, with six staff members including four licensed attorneys, is dedicated to helping students to plan their individual career paths and secure jobs during and after law school.

Career Services presents speakers and training workshops geared to student needs and the hiring cycles of various segments of the legal and law-related job markets. The office hosts numerous events where students can connect with potential employers, including an extensive On-Campus Interview (OCI) program held each fall and spring.

The overwhelming majority of UC Davis Law students are employed at graduation, and virtually all students are employed nine months after graduation.
ALUMNI BY STATE IN 2010:

- Northern California: 238
- Greater Sacramento Area: 1,267
- Bay Area: 1,709
- Central Coast: 116
- Central Valley: 336
- Southern California: 1,382

Total: 5,048
RESOURCES FOR LAW STUDENTS

King Hall has just undergone a major expansion and revision, rendering it one of the most beautiful and functional facilities in the country. It has two moot courtrooms, a pretrial-skills laboratory, a large computer lab, study carrels, student journal offices, lounges, infant care co-op, and offices for student organizations, all easily accessible to disabled students. Classrooms have state-of-the-art audiovisual and multimedia equipment. Wireless Internet access is available throughout the building.

The Mabie Law Library was founded with the UC Davis School of Law in 1966. The library is the center for study and legal research for the Law School community, and students have access to numerous legal print resources and many online databases via the library and California Digital Library. The library is a federal and California document depository.

The Law School has a strong commitment to technology and providing technological resources and support for law students. Unique to UC Davis, the Law School offers a generous free printing allowance to each student. In addition, law students receive free licenses to popular Microsoft products such as MS Office and Windows operating system.
These services are coupled with a dynamic intranet, which provides students with timely announcements, Law School news and events, individual server space, shared space for collaborative work, and the ability to create personal working and social groups. Each student has a unique login and password, along with a personal network drive that is backed up daily.

Consistent with the open, community-oriented environment, law students receive keys to the building, enabling 24-hour access to the Mabie Law Library, and are given online access to past law school exams.

**WHY CHOOSE UC DAVIS SCHOOL OF LAW?**

“If you’re looking for a first-class legal education, coupled with a sense of community and a real open door policy where you get to interact with faculty on a daily basis, then King Hall is the place for you.”

**DAVID KESSELMAN**

**CLASS OF 1999**

**PARTNER**

**Blecher & Collins in Los Angeles**
King Hall is renowned for its sense of community, and you will find a friendly, vibrant, and active student body at UC Davis School of Law. More than 40 student organizations and their activities are at the heart of academic and social activities at King Hall. Softball leagues, running clubs, ski and snowboarding clubs, the annual “Cardozorama” talent show, and a mid-year formal dance are but a few ways UC Davis Law students interact with each other outside the library and classroom. This is a place where all students, faculty, and staff take pride in a strong sense of community and encourage a supportive academic environment.

**WHY CHOOSE UC DAVIS SCHOOL OF LAW?**

“Besides preparing us to hit the ground running as lawyers, King Hall embeds its students with a strong sense of collegiality, community, and respect for and service to others. This makes for both a unique law school experience and a great approach to a fulfilling career practicing law.”

**PETER A. NYQUIST**
**CLASS OF 1995**
**PARTNER**
**ALSTON & BIRD LLP IN LOS ANGELES**
STUDENT-RUN JOURNALS
- UC Davis Law Review
- Business Law Journal
- Environ, Environmental Law and Policy Journal
- Journal of International Law & Policy
- Journal of Juvenile Law & Policy

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS
- Law Students Association
- ACLU at King Hall
- Advocates for the Rights of Children
- Agricultural Law Society
- American Bar Association, Law Student Division
- American Constitution Society
- Asian Pacific American Law Students Association
- Black Law Students Association
- California Republican Lawyer’s Association
- Catholic Association of Law Students
- Christian Legal Society
- Democratic Law Students Association
- Entertainment and Sports Law Society
- Environmental Law Society
- Federalist Society
- Feminist Forum
- Filipino Law Students Association
- Humanitarian Aid Legal Organization
- International Law Society
- Jewish Law Students Association
- King Hall Advocate
- King Hall Bar Review
- King Hall Board and Ski Club
- King Hall Golf Club
- King Hall Intellectual Property Law Association
- King Hall Legal Foundation
- King Hall Negotiations Team
- King Hall Soccer Fanatics
- La Raza Law Students Association
- Lambda Law Student Association
- Law and Disability Society
- Law Cappella
- Law Students for Reproductive Justice
- Martial Artists of King Hall
- Middle Eastern & South Asian Law Students Association
- Moot Court Board
- Muslim Law Students Association
- National Lawyers Guild
- Perfect Tender Child Care Co-op
- Phi Delta Phi
- Students for a Better King Hall
- Students for Death Penalty Reform

Information on these organizations can be found at http://students.law.ucdavis.edu.
UCDAVIS CAMPUS

- Ranked 11th among public research universities nationwide (U.S. News & World Report)

- Ranked 10th in research funding among all U.S. universities (National Science Foundation)

- Ranked 10th among U.S. universities based on their contributions to society (Washington Monthly 2009)

- The only University of California campus with six professional schools—Education, Law, Management, Medicine, Nursing, and Veterinary Medicine

- One of the largest athletics programs in the country, with more than 700 student athletes participating in 23 varsity sports competing in the Big West Conference of NCAA Division I

- World-class dance, music, and theater performances and lectures on campus at the Mondavi Center for the Performing Arts, located adjacent to King Hall

- Multiple on-campus recreational facilities, including the state-of-the-art Activities and Recreation Center (ARC), the Craft Center, the Equestrian Center, the Outdoor Adventures Program, recreation fields, and aquatics facility

- One of the largest and most diverse intramural and club sport programs in the nation, with 36 different intramural sports and 30 different club sports

- Member of the Association of American Universities
DAVIS, CALIFORNIA

A VIBRANT COLLEGE TOWN

Davis is a truly vibrant college town whose charm is enhanced by over 100 miles of bicycle paths. The city has a centralized downtown which offers shops, entertainment, and social activities. With a population of 62,000, the city has a reputation for controlled growth, environmental awareness, energy conservation, excellent schools, and exceptional parks and recreational programs.

CONVENIENTLY LOCATED

Davis is located only 15 minutes from Sacramento, the capital of California, and about an hour from the Berkeley-Oakland-San Francisco Bay Area. This proximity gives Davis access to large metropolitan cities with thriving business, financial, and legal communities and a range of social and recreational activities. The region’s mild, temperate climate means students have the chance to enjoy themselves outdoors all year long. Whether you participate in organized sports or cycling with a few friends is more your speed, Davis’ plentiful parks and open spaces mean you’ll always have plenty of room to roam. Challenging ski slopes are just a short drive away, and nearby lakes and rivers provide great opportunities for kayaking, waterskiing, and more.

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Coffeehouses, restaurants, and dance clubs give you the chance to enjoy the nightlife in downtown Davis. Whether you prefer the grand experience of the Robert and Margrit Mondavi Center for the Performing Arts or the more intimate setting of the Palms Playhouse in nearby Winters, you’ll have the chance to hear great live music without making a long drive.
UC Davis School of Law is proud that its distinguished and diverse faculty is second to none. King Hall has among the highest proportion of American Law Institute (ALI) members on its faculty of any law school in the United States, and their membership in this prestigious law reform organization is only one indicator of the UC Davis Law faculty’s involvement in cutting-edge legal research and the most pressing legal and social issues of our times. UC Davis Law faculty have published thousands of leading books and articles by the most influential presses and law reviews in the world. The scholarship of faculty members is cited regularly in leading legal and interdisciplinary scholarship. Not surprisingly, members of the faculty frequently testify before Congress and other legislative bodies and are quoted frequently by the national media. Moreover, King Hall was ranked tenth in the nation for faculty diversity by Princeton Review.

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HOW TO APPLY
DETAILED ADMISSIONS INFORMATION AT www.law.ucdavis.edu/admissions

REQUIREMENTS AND STANDARDS FOR ADMISSION TO THE SCHOOL OF LAW

A thorough and comprehensive review of the application file is one of the hallmarks of the UC Davis School of Law admission process. While the admission process is highly selective, it is by no means mechanical. The Admissions Committee seeks to admit and enroll exceptional students whose applications reflect outstanding academic performance combined with diverse backgrounds, experiences and intellectual interests.

With more than 4,000 applications submitted for the most recent entering class of 200, the Admissions Committee will be looking beyond the LSAT and GPA for special qualities in its applicants.

Applicants must evidence a record of sufficiently high caliber to qualify for the study of law. A bachelor’s degree or an equivalent degree from a college or university of approved standing must have been earned prior to the time the applicant begins work in the School.

The Admissions Committee is seeking law students of demonstrated academic ability as evidenced by a variety of factors including the undergraduate grade point average (GPA), LSAT scores, any economic or other disadvantages overcome by the applicant, graduate studies, significant work experience and extracurricular activities.

Students who have been disqualified at another law school will not be admitted at UC Davis.

THE ADMISSIONS PROCESS IS PAPERLESS

UC Davis School of Law administers a completely paperless process. Electronic submission of all documents is required. The application for admission to the Juris Doctor degree program can be found at the Law School Admission Council (LSAC) web site. Fees can be paid with a credit card and the signature is electronic. No more postage or postmarks. Everything can be done using a computer. Monitor the progress of your application from processing through evaluation and enrollment at the UC Davis Status Check website.

If you have a disability that does not allow you to use the electronic application process, please contact the School of Law Admissions Office (admissions@law.ucdavis.edu), prior to the application deadline, to be provided with an accessible alternative. Early filing of all application materials is strongly recommended and will materially assist the School of Law Admissions Committee in its consideration of the application. Applications can be submitted until midnight Pacific Standard Time on February 1.

The School of Law Admissions Committee reviews all applications. Students are admitted only on a full-time basis and may enroll

APPLICANT GROUP FOR THE 2010-2011 ACADEMIC YEAR

This profile is designed to provide very broad guidance for applicants seeking insight into the decisions made during 2009-2010. The figure to the left of the slash represents applicants, while the figure to the right of the slash represents admittees (e.g., 10/2 means of 10 applicants with that combination of LSAT and GPA, 2 were offered admission).

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only in August. Applicants to UC Davis are able to view their status in the admission process online at the UC Davis School of Law website.

Any fraudulent practices relating to the admissions process will be considered grounds for disqualification by the Admissions Committee.

**LAW SCHOOL ADMISSION TEST (LSAT)**

All applicants are required to take the Law School Admission Test no later than December preceding the year in which admission is sought. It is recommended that the test be taken as early as possible. LSAT scores earned before September/October 2007 are not valid for Fall 2011 admission. February test scores are accepted only after a valid test score has been submitted.

**LSAC CREDENTIAL ASSEMBLY SERVICE (CAS)**

Applicants should register with the Credential Assembly Service no later than December preceding the year in which admission is sought by creating an online account at www.LSAC.org. All applicants, including those who have completed the bachelor's degree outside the United States (including its territories) or Canada, must submit transcripts to the LSAC Credential Assembly Service.

**PERSONAL STATEMENT**

To evaluate your application, the Admissions Committee has available only the information that you supply. Applicants are therefore asked to write a statement that adds further dimension to the quantitative predictors. The statement may discuss any of a variety of factors, including academic promise, background information, and any discrepancies in GPA and/or LSAT score; growth, maturity, and commitment to law study as evidenced, for example, by extracurricular activities, community service, employment experience and advanced study; severe economic disadvantage or physical disability; and other factors relating to diversity, including bilingual skills and unusual accomplishments, skills, or abilities relevant to the legal profession. It is highly recommended that the personal statement be limited to a total of three or four typewritten pages, double-spaced. This page limit includes additional essays or addenda submitted for consideration.

**LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION**

Use of the LSAC Letter of Recommendation Service (LOR) is required.

The applicant must provide two letters of recommendation from responsible (and unrelated) persons who know the applicant well. At least one recommendation must come from a faculty member under whom the applicant has recently studied. Applicants not currently enrolled in an academic program may substitute references from employers if it is not possible to obtain an academic reference. The letters of recommendation should comment on the applicant's academic abilities, character and significant

**Q. WHERE CAN I FIND THE APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION?**

Follow a link posted at the UC Davis School of Law website to reach the electronic application or go directly to the LSAC website and follow their directions to the UC Davis School of Law application for admission.

**Q. ARE FEE WAIVERS AVAILABLE?**

Applicants seeking waiver of the application fee should apply for the LSAC fee waiver. If granted, that waiver will be honored by UC Davis School of Law. If you do not meet the LSAC fee waiver eligibility requirements, you must submit the $75 non-refundable application fee.

**Q. WHAT IS THE APPLICATION DEADLINE?**

Applications must be submitted no later than midnight Pacific Standard Time, on February 1 of the year in which admission is sought. The electronic application will be deactivated at midnight and no additional applications will be transmitted.

**REQUIRED DOCUMENTS CHECKLIST**

**J.D. APPLICANTS**

- Application for Admission
  electron or disabled-accessible submission required
- Personal Statement
  3 to 4 pages in length – double spaced
- LSAC Credential Assembly Service Report
- LSAT score
  scores earned prior to Sept/Oct 2007 and after February 2011 are not valid for admission in Fall 2011
- $75 application fee – non-refundable
- 2 letters of recommendation
  LSAC evaluations will be accepted if submitted with the required recommendations

Students who have been disqualified at another law school will not be admitted to UC Davis.
accomplishments, including extracurricular activities, community involvement and prior work experience. If the applicant chooses to do so, LSAC evaluation forms may be submitted with the required recommendations.

The Admissions Committee will not consider an application before letters have been received.

**TRANSCRIPTS**

Applicants should submit directly to the Credential Assembly Service supplementary transcripts covering fall work as soon as the transcripts are available. Failure to do so may delay consideration of application materials. Successful applicants will be required to submit directly to the School of Law a final transcript showing the award of a bachelor’s degree and any graduate degrees earned.

**COMBINED DEGREE PROGRAMS**

Combined Degree Programs are available in conjunction with the UC Davis Graduate School of Management and most of the master’s degree programs offered through the UC Davis Office of Graduate Studies. Separate applications are required by each department because evaluation and decision processes are performed independently.

If admitted to both programs, the applicant must enroll at the School of Law for the first year. Contact the appropriate department for additional information.

**REAPPLICATION**

Applicants who reapply for admission must comply with all of the above procedures. The LSAT does not need to be repeated (unless the score was earned before September/October 2007 and therefore is not valid), but a current 2010-2011 Credential Assembly Service report must be provided in addition to the application and the $75 nonrefundable fee. Letters of recommendation on file as part of a previously completed application need not be duplicated. An addendum to the previously submitted personal statement is strongly advised.

**COMMITMENT TO DIVERSITY**

The students and faculty of the UC Davis School of Law recognize the desperate need for lawyers representing the diverse populations of California. Although a legal career is not the only way to address the effects of racism, poverty, and the myriad social, political, and economic problems that continue to affect this country, it is one way to work for change.

Experience or background that enables an applicant to bring a unique perspective to the study of law or contribute to serving the diverse populations of California may be taken into account in the admission process. Because it promotes learning, an important goal of the admission process is a student body with a diversity of backgrounds, interest, and skills. The personal statement may be used to provide such information.

**INTERNATIONAL APPLICANTS**

Applicants who have completed the bachelor’s degree outside the United States (including its territories) or Canada must submit transcripts to the LSAC Credential Assembly Service (CAS). A Foreign Credential Evaluation will be completed and submitted to the Law School as part of the CAS report. A TOEFL score is required of all applicants educated outside the U.S. and for whom English was not the primary language of instruction. Contact the Educational Testing Service (ETS) and request that your TOEFL score be sent to LSAC. LSAC’s TOEFL code for CAS is 0058.

Your score will be included in the Foreign Credential Evaluation document as part of your Law School report.

**VISAS**

If a Certificate of Eligibility is required for a student visa issued by UC Davis, a Certificate of Finances form showing the availability of sufficient funding for your legal education must be submitted upon admission.

**FINANCING LAW SCHOOL**

No application fee waivers, grants, loans, fellowships, scholarships, or work-study awards are available to international students during their enrollment at UC Davis.
TRANSFERS

Applicants who have completed at least one full-time year of work in another American Bar Association-approved law school may, in exceptional cases, be admitted to advanced standing with credit for not more than one year of such work. **Registration with the Credential Assembly Service is required.** Required documents include application for admission, letter of good standing from the dean of any law school previously attended (including class rank), one letter of recommendation from a law professor, complete transcript of all law school work, LSAT score (registration with LSAC CAS required), official undergraduate transcript with degree posted, $75 nonrefundable application fee, and a personal statement.

The filing period for transfer applications is June 1 – 30 of the year for which transfer is sought. **Students who have been disqualified at another law school will not be admitted to UC Davis.**

CALIFORNIA RESIDENCY

The Law School admissions process does not take residency into consideration, although tuition and fees are based on residency. Detailed information about residency is provided at both the Law School and the university web sites, or at [http://registrar.ucdavis.edu/ucdWebCatalog/appendix/residency.html](http://registrar.ucdavis.edu/ucdWebCatalog/appendix/residency.html). Specific questions about residency should be directed to the UC Davis Residency Deputy.

**CONTACT THE ADMISSIONS OFFICE**

E-mail admissions@law.ucdavis.edu

Phone 530.752.6477

Mailing Address School of Law Admissions Office University of California, Davis 400 Mrak Hall Drive Davis, CA 95616-5201

**INFORMATION SESSIONS ON THE UC DAVIS CAMPUS AT KING HALL**

Information sessions designed to explain general aspects of the admission process are offered during the fall semester. Discussion typically centers on content of the personal statement and admissions policy and procedure. One-hour sessions will be held on the following dates:

- **Noon sessions (tour included):**
  - Saturday, December 4, 2010
  - Saturday, January 8, 2011

- **Open House for prospective applicants:**
  - Saturday, November 13, 2010

Please see our website ([www.law.ucdavis.edu](http://www.law.ucdavis.edu)) for details under J.D. Admissions and Visiting Our School. Applicants who wish to participate in these sessions are welcome to come to the Admissions Office at King Hall on any of the above dates. No appointment is necessary, though a telephone call or e-mail message informing us of your intention to attend is preferred.

**OFF-CAMPUS RECRUITMENT EVENTS**

Representatives of UC Davis School of Law will be available to speak with prospective applicants at various locations throughout California and the United States, including each of the LSAC Law Forums. Consult the LSAC website, [www.LSAC.org](http://www.LSAC.org), for forum locations and times.

A complete listing of recruitment events can be found on our website at [www.law.ucdavis.edu](http://www.law.ucdavis.edu).

Call the Admissions Office, send an e-mail message to admissions@law.ucdavis.edu, or go to our website for specific times, locations, changes, or additions to the 2010-2011 recruitment schedule.
Financing your King Hall education is an investment in your future, and the UC Davis School of Law Financial Aid Office is committed to help. King Hall offers deferred payment plans and a newly expanded Loan Repayment Assistance Program for graduates working in public interest law. Approximately 90 percent of all King Hall students take advantage of some form of financial aid.

### AVERAGE STUDENT COSTS

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*Fees are subject to the control of the UC Regents and California Legislature and may change without notice.

UC Davis School of Law remains a relative bargain among elite law schools, thanks in part to comparatively low costs for housing, transportation, and other living expenses. This table shows average costs for a first-year law student living off campus during the nine months King Hall is in session. Actual living expenses may vary considerably. Please note that non-California residents pay an additional $12,245 in tuition (questions regarding residency status can be directed to registrar@law.ucdavis.edu).

The costs outlined to the left are estimates for a single student. If you are married, a single parent, or have other special circumstances, please inform the Financial Aid Office in writing.

King Hall also offers a Registration Fee Deferred Payment Plan (RFDPP) to allow students the opportunity to extend payment of fees and tuition. The RFDPP, which requires a $37.50 application fee per semester, is open to all students regardless of whether or not they qualify for financial aid.

For more information, visit Student Accounting or call 530.752.3646.

### APPLYING FOR AID

If you’re ready to join us at King Hall, we’re ready to help you find the financial aid you need. Please complete and submit the application materials listed below as early as possible. Financial aid funding is limited and aid will be offered according to eligibility and date of application. Late applicants will not be considered for grants or Federal Perkins loan funding.

For more details about the types of aid available at the UC Davis School of Law, see Types of Assistance on page 38 or on our website at www.law.ucdavis.edu/prospective/financial-aid.

### HOW TO APPLY

1. Apply early! Do not wait for an admission decision to apply for Financial Aid. Apply online at www.law.ucdavis.edu/prospective/financial-aid or via mail at your earliest opportunity.

2. Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) by March 2.

3. List UC Davis School of Law code 001313 and a housing code on the FAFSA.

4. After filing online, be sure to make a note of confirmation stamp number for future reference.

5. Complete the Need Access Application by March 2.

6. Answer all questions on the FAFSA and Need Access Application. If you have not completed your federal tax return, estimate as accurately as possible using your prior year federal tax return.

7. Keep copies of your completed tax returns and W-2s.

8. Please do not send in your Federal Student Aid Report or income tax forms unless the UC Davis Financial Aid Office requests them.

9. Providing accurate data when applying for financial aid is essential. All information is subject to verification according to state and federal regulations. Failure to provide parental information on the Need Access Application will reduce eligibility for institutional aid, including grants. False statements or misrepresentation will be cause for denial, reduction, cancellation and/or repayment of financial aid received.
WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

1. If you apply online and provide an e-mail address, the Federal Processor will send you an e-mail when your FAFSA is received and direct you to a website to view your Student Aid Report (SAR).

2. If you file a paper FAFSA (or don’t provide an e-mail address), within four weeks the Federal Processor will send you a Student Aid Report (SAR) with your Expected Family Contribution (EFC) shown in the top-right corner. The Financial Aid Office will use the EFC to determine your eligibility for aid. If there is no EFC number on your SAR, see the “You (the student), step 2” portion of the SAR for instructions. If the processor has selected your application for verification, the SAR will note that “You will be asked by your school(s) to provide copies of certain financial documents.”

3. UC Davis Financial Aid award information for law students will be available online beginning April 1, 2011.

AWARDS RENEWAL

As a student, you’ll need to reapply for financial aid each academic year. There is no assurance that aid will be awarded in the same kinds and amounts from year to year, so it is important to inquire early regarding actions required to continue receiving assistance. If our funding levels permit and if your own personal resources do not change, aid usually continues at the same level each year.

FINANCIAL AID FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

International students are not eligible for financial aid. It is highly recommended that funding for the entire period of study be arranged before law studies begin. Alternative loans are available to international students; however, most lenders require that an international student enlist a U.S. citizen or permanent resident to co-sign on the loan.

FEE PAYMENT

Fees are to be paid the first day of Intro Week. Financial Aid will provide direct payment of fees from grant and some loan awards.

SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC PROGRESS

Students receiving any form of financial aid must adhere to the standards for satisfactory academic progress as set forth in the Academic Regulations of the School of Law.

LOAN REPAYMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

UC Davis School of Law has a proud tradition of training outstanding public service law practitioners and supporting graduates who work in public service positions. The King Hall Loan Repayment Assistance Program (LRAP) is one way the School of Law ensures that today’s students, our future graduates, have the financial means to continue to act on the ideals of the profession – citizenship and service to the community.

The LRAP, the first program of its kind at any California law school, provides recent graduates entering public interest law employment with assistance in repaying educational loans. Unlike many similar programs, our LRAP offers repayment assistance for not only law school debt but also loans received for undergraduate and other graduate-level study, and students can choose whether to participate in the Income-Based Repayment (IBR) plan.

Recently, the Law School expanded the LRAP to offer more loan repayment assistance to more King Hall graduates. Beginning in 2009, LRAP raised the salary cap for participants from $53,000 to $60,000 annually, lessened the time they must work before loans can be forgiven from five years to one, and moved to allow participants earning less than $40,000 per year to have full repayment assistance with no personal contribution.

If your dream position is advocating for the rights of those who lack equal access to the legal system, serving as a public defender or prosecutor, or working for a nonprofit conservation program, the LRAP can provide loan payment relief.
FINANCIAL AID
DETAILED FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION AT www.law.ucdavis.edu/prospective/financial-aid

SCHOLARSHIPS
- Martin Luther King, Jr., Scholarship
- Edward L. Barrett, Jr., Scholarship
- Stephanie J. Blank Memorial Scholarship
- Brieger-Krevans Scholarship
- Steven D. Cannata Memorial Scholarship
- John F. Cheadle Memorial Scholarship
- Joseph Lake & Jan Cutter Lake Scholarship
- Downey Brand LLP Environmental Law Scholarship
- Christine M. Doyle Scholarship
- Ellison, Schneider and Harris Environmental Law Scholarship
- Samuel S. Foulk Memorial Scholarship
- Deborah J. Frick Memorial Scholarship
- Imwinkelried-Clark Scholarship
- Russell D. Jura Scholarship
- Thelma and Hiroshi Kido Scholarship
- King Hall Academic Excellence Scholarship
- Albert J. Lee and Mae Lee Scholarship
- Mabie Family Foundation Scholarship
- Harry M. "Hank" Marsh Memorial Scholarship
- Edward Peña Scholarship
- Cruz and Jeannene Reynoso Scholarship for Legal Access
- Maggie Schelen Public Service Scholarship
- Walker Endowed Scholarship
- Martha West Social Justice Scholarship
- The Honorable Philip C. Wilkins Memorial Scholarship
- Bruce Wolk Scholarship
- Wydick Family Scholarship

UC OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
- Richard and Kate Faulkner Scholarship
- Herbert Tryon Scholarship Fund
- Frank McArthur Scholarship
- Elizabeth P. Wood Scholarship

SELECTED EXTERNAL AGENCIES
- Asian Bar Association of Sacramento
- California Governor’s Scholarship
- Foundation of Santa Barbara Scholarship
- Foundation State Bar Scholarship

EMPLOYMENT
Your legal education will need to be your first priority during your time at King Hall, so we recommend that reliance on part-time employment should never be more than incidental. Even incidental part-time employment is discouraged for first-year students. In no event may any student undertake outside employment in excess of 20 hours a week and outside employment must not interfere with the full-time program of professional study.

TYPES OF ASSISTANCE
SCHOLARSHIPS
UC Davis School of Law offers more than two dozen privately funded scholarships and can help facilitate access to scholarships from the UC Office of the President and other external agencies. As part of our commitment to the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., the Law School has established two $20,000 scholarships, which are awarded to recipients who best exemplify the spirit of Dr. King’s efforts to achieve social and political justice through lawful and orderly means. Scholarship applications become available November 1, 2011. The application deadline is February 1, 2012. Applications should be submitted to the Law School Financial Aid Office. For more information, including how to apply, please visit http://www.law.ucdavis.edu/current/financial-aid/general-scholarship-information.html

EXTERNAL AGENCIES
The UC Davis School of Law Office of Financial Aid can help connect you to a variety of external agencies that are potential sources of scholarships, fellowships, and prizes. There are civic organizations, bar associations, and other groups that provide scholarships, and we can help find those that are most appropriate for you.

GRANTS
Grant funds available at UC Davis School of Law include Law School Grant and State UC Grant. Grants do not
Full-time enrollment for grant funding is 10 units per semester. Students taking fewer than 10 units may be billed for aid received.

**FEDERAL PERKINS LOAN**

The Federal Perkins Loan is a federal loan borrowed through the university based on financial need with a fixed interest rate. While you are enrolled at King Hall, the government will pay the interest for you. Repayment begins nine months after graduation, participation in the Planned Education Leave Program (PELP), or withdrawal from school. You may receive multiple Perkins Loans under one Master Promissory Note while you are enrolled at UC Davis.

**WILLIAM D. FORD DIRECT LOAN INFORMATION**

Federal Direct (Subsidized) Loans: These loans are based on financial need and have a fixed interest rate, with interest paid by the federal government while the student is enrolled at least half time. Repayment begins six months after graduation, participation in the Planned Education Leave Program (PELP), or withdrawal from school.

**FEDERAL DIRECT (UNSUBSIDIZED) LOANS**

The interest rate is fixed and is charged beginning the day the loan is disbursed until the loan is repaid in full. You may pay the interest while you are in school, during the grace period, or during deferment, or you may capitalize the interest (by adding it to the total principal of the loan when you graduate).

**GRADUATE PLUS & ALTERNATIVE LOANS (PRIVATE EDUCATIONAL LOANS)**

Students who need to borrow funds beyond the federal subsidized, unsubsidized, and Perkins loan limits will be able to choose between the federal Graduate PLUS (Grad PLUS) Loan and an Alternative Loan (private educational loan). The Grad PLUS Loan will have a fixed interest rate and all of the federal student loan benefits during the life of the loan. Because UC Davis is a Direct Loan Institution for federal student loans, King Hall students may also pursue a Grad PLUS Loan provided by the William D. Ford Direct Loan Program. The Direct Grad PLUS being offered at UC Davis has a fixed interest rate and no annual or aggregate borrowing limits (other than cost of attendance less other financial aid received). While a credit check is required to qualify for the Grad PLUS, the credit criteria is less strict than those associated with private student loans.

For more information about Alternative Loans, visit [financialaid.ucdavis.edu/graduate/types/lenderlists.html](http://financialaid.ucdavis.edu/graduate/types/lenderlists.html)

Note: Financial aid is subject to change in federal, state, and institutional policies without prior notice.

This catalog is designed to answer frequently asked questions concerning the admissions process, the academic, financial aid and career services programs; and the general policies and regulations of UC Davis School of Law. This publication has been prepared with the best data available as of July 2010 regarding these matters, as well as course offerings, fees, faculty, and administration. The Regents of the University of California, UC Davis campus administrations, and the Law School administration and faculty expressly reserve the right to increase or reduce fees; to change instructors, reschedule, modify, withdraw or cancel any courses, course requirements, programs of study or graduation requirements; and to change any regulation affecting the student body, all without any further notice.

Policy on Nondiscrimination: The University of California, in accordance with applicable federal and state law and university policy, does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, disability, age, medical condition (cancer-related), ancestry, marital status, citizenship, sexual orientation, or status as a Vietnam-era veteran or special disabled veteran. The university also prohibits sexual harassment. This nondiscrimination policy covers admission and access to and treatment in university programs and activities. Inquiries regarding the university's student-related nondiscrimination policies may be directed to Student Judicial Affairs, (530) 752-1128.

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Notice of Availability of the UC Davis Campus Security Report As provided by the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act of 1998: You are entitled to request and receive a copy of the Security Report for the UC Davis campus. The report includes statistics for the past three years concerning crimes and incidents reported to campus security authorities (whether the crime occurred on campus, in off-campus buildings or property owned or controlled by the university, or on public property adjacent to campus). The report also provides campus policies and practices concerning security—how to report sexual assault and other crimes, crime prevention efforts, policies/ laws governing alcohol and drugs, victims' assistance programs, student discipline, campus resources and other matters. You may obtain this report online at [http://police.ucdavis.edu/clery.htm](http://police.ucdavis.edu/clery.htm). To obtain a printed copy, please submit a request by e-mail to lstemple@ucdavis.edu or in writing to the UC Davis Information Practices Officer, Offices of the Chancellor and Provost, University of California, Davis, One Shields Avenue, Davis, CA 95616. Please put a subject heading on the e-mail, or label the outside of the envelope, as “Information Request for Campus Security Report.”