AT A GLANCE
Established: 1965
Accreditation: ABA/AALS
Student : Faculty Ratio: 11:1

PROGRAMS AT KING HALL
Three-year full-time J.D. Program
One-year LL.M. Program
Certificates in Intellectual Property Law, Public Service 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
J.D./MBA - J.D./MA - J.D./MS

CENTERS
Aoki Center for Critical Race and Nation Studies
California Environmental Law & Policy Center
California International Law Center
Center for Science & Innovation Studies

CLINICS
California Supreme Court
Civil Rights
Family Protection and Legal Assistance
Immigration Law
Prison Law
Social Justice

EXTERNSHIPS
Administration of Criminal Justice
Employment Relations
Environmental Law
Federal Taxation
Judicial
Legislative Process
Public Interest Law
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The UC Davis School of Law building is named for 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.
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 proud of the record of outstanding scholarship, teaching, and public service we have achieved since our founding nearly 50 years ago, and pleased that you are considering joining our King Hall community.

Please explore this booklet, log on to our website (law.ucdavis.edu), and visit us in person to discover the many ways in which we can help you realize your dreams.

At UC Davis, our outstanding reputation, high rankings, small size, dedicated faculty of internationally renowned scholars, and uniquely supportive learning environment combine for an experience of legal education that is second to none. There truly is no other law school like it!

We have consistently placed among the best in the U.S. News & World Report rankings and other polls, and with the recently completed expansion of our Martin Luther King, Jr., Hall building and the addition of outstanding new faculty, including tenured professors who have joined us from Harvard, Stanford, UC Berkeley, UC Hastings and other top schools, we expect to continue our upward trajectory for years to come.

At UC Davis School of Law, you’ll learn from one of the nation’s best law faculties. King Hall recently placed 23rd in University of Chicago Professor Brian Leiter’s influential ranking of scholarly impact, and each of our faculty members also is truly committed to teaching. Students also gain hands-on, real-world experience in our award-winning trial and appellate advocacy programs, clinics, and externship programs.

Our mission is to offer a public legal education that is of the highest quality. To that end, we consistently enroll one of the most diverse and excellent student bodies in the United States. At King Hall, you will find a vibrant and diverse student community with dozens of active student organizations, many student-run law journals, and a spirit of intellectual rigor combined with genuine warmth and a sense of purpose. We have an atmosphere of enthusiasm and cooperation unmatched by any law school.

Supporting our students’ academic and career goals is 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 rewarding careers in cities across the United States and around the world. Our Office of Career Services has successfully connected King Hall graduates with leading employers from Washington, D.C. to San Francisco, from Chicago to Atlanta, from London to Beijing.

On behalf of our faculty, students, staff, and alumni, I invite you to consider UC Davis School of Law. If you are admitted and come here, you will never regret the decision. I promise.

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TOP TEN REASONS TO CHOOSE
World-class reputation owing to a world-class faculty and world-class student body. Great law schools are places where you learn from both your professors and your fellow students; UC Davis is just such a place.

An intellectually curious yet distinctly supportive community. Faculty, fellow students, and staff, no matter how busy and engaged in professional achievement, are accessible, empathetic, and committed to your education.

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 to UC Davis J.D.

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

Extraordinarily generous need-based financial aid and scholarship support to allow students to attend without undue financial hardship.
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.

An institutional commitment to social justice befitting the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., for whom the Law School building is named.

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

Proximity to leading institutions of law, government, and business. UC Davis's location, an hour from the Bay Area and 15 minutes from California’s state capital, makes it ideal to connect to centers of activity in law, policy, and commerce.

Our striking new state-of-the-art facility. Reflecting the sense of true community and seriousness of purpose, the building is open to you 24 hours a day.
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 Intellectual Property Law, 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.

**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.

**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.

**LEGAL RESEARCH & WRITING I & II**

Integrated legal research and writing skills course. Persuasive writing and oral advocacy, with oral arguments by all students.

“When I looked at law schools, I decided on the spot I wanted to go to UC Davis. I loved the campus, the collegial community, and the dedicated faculty. The knowledge and skills I obtained while at King Hall continue to serve me on a daily basis.”

- DARRELL STEINBERG ’84, CALIFORNIA STATE SENATE PRESIDENT pro TEM
CURRICULUM CLUSTERS 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 is offered, although every class may not be taught each year.

BUSINESS LAW
Accounting for Lawyers
Antitrust
Basic Finance
Business Associations
Business Planning and Drafting
Commercial and Bankruptcy Law
Corporate Finance
Corporate Governance Seminar
Corporate Tax
Estate Planning Seminar
Federal Income Taxation
Financial Crisis: Law and Policy and Equality
Financial Regulations Seminar
Globalization and the Law
International Economics
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
Private International Law (Conflict of Laws)
Real Estate Finance
Regulated Industries
Secured Transactions
Securities Regulation I
Securities Regulation II
Taxation of Partnerships and LLCs
Trusts, Wills and Decedents’ Estates

CRIMINAL LAW
Administration of Criminal Justice Externship
Advanced Criminal Procedure
Corporate and White Collar Crime
Criminal Justice Administration Seminar
Criminal Procedure
Death Penalty Seminar

CONSTITUTIONAL LAW
Advanced Constitutional Law Seminar
California Supreme Court Clinic
Civil Rights Law
Constitutional Law II – Equal Protection
Constitutional Law II – First Amendment
Law of the Political Process
Law and Religion
Law and Rural Livelihoods
Law Making and Law Changing in the Nation’s Capital
Native American Law Seminar
Selected Topics in Constitutional Law
Supreme Court Simulation Seminar

ENVIRONMENTAL AND NATURAL RESOURCES LAW
Administrative Law
Animal Law
California Environmental Issues Seminar
Climate Change Law and Policy
Emerging Technologies and the Environment
Environmental Justice Seminar
Environmental Law Seminar
Environmental Law Externship

“At King Hall, I was challenged intellectually in a way I never had been before. The UC Davis faculty really excelled at that. You will probably never find a law school where the professors care more about teaching their students how to think about the law.”

- KAREN G. JOHNSON-McKEWAN ’85,
  PARTNER, ORRICK, HERRINGTON & SUTCLIFFE LLP, SAN FRANCISCO
Environmental Law Moot Court Competition
Environmental Practice
Free Trade and the Environment
International Environmental Law
Land Use Planning and the California Environmental Water Quality Act
Native American Law Seminar
Natural Resources Law
Ocean and Coastal Law
Public Land Law
Public Regulatory Law
Renewal Energy Seminar
Water Law

Estate Planning
Estate Planning Seminar
Trusts, Wills and Decedents’ Estates

Family Law
Family Law
Family Protection Clinic
Juvenile Justice
Marital Property
Private International Law (Conflict of Laws)

General/Topical Survey
Animal Law Seminar
Food Justice
Food Law and Policy
Law and Popular Culture
Law and Rural Livelihoods
Law of War
Legal Spanish for U.S. Lawyers
Legislative Process
Local Government

Health Law & Bioethics
Bioethics
Disability Rights
Health Care Law
Seminar in Legal Psychology
Medical Liability and the Law
Public Benefits Law
Public Health Law
Reproductive Rights Law and Policy
Topical Issues in Health Law Seminar

Human Rights and Social Justice
Advanced Constitutional Law Seminar
Civil Rights Clinic Seminar
Civil Rights Law
Community Education Seminar
Constitutional Law II
Critical Race Theory
Disability Rights
Employment Discrimination
Feminist Legal Theory
Housing Law
Immigration Law Clinic
Immigration Law and Procedure
International Human Rights
Juvenile Justice
Labor Law
Law and Rural Livelihoods
Native American Law Seminar
Seminar in Legal Psychology
Prison Law Clinic
Public Benefits Law
Public Interest Law Seminar
Public Interest Law Externship
Public International Law Seminar
Selected Topics in Constitutional Law
Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity, and the Law
Tax and Distributive Justice

Individual and Group Study
Advanced Writing Project
Business Law Journal
Environ Law & Policy Journal
Group Study
Instruction in Legal Research & Writing Skills

Academic Success Program
UC Davis School of Law is 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) helps students identify and strengthen their academic abilities and provides 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, and personal academic counseling. 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.

Our outstanding bar preparation programs have contributed to King Hall’s excellent bar exam pass rate—85% for first-time takers last year—which, through the years, has consistently outperformed by a substantial margin the average pass rate for American Bar Association-approved law schools in California. The School of Law recently enhanced bar preparation resources, including one-on-one essay tutoring and a workshop series taught by experts on the California bar exam.
“This is the place to come for both a top caliber legal education and superior quality of life. When I came to UC Davis, I knew that the school was one of the top five law schools on the West Coast, so I expected – and received – an excellent education. But I had no idea when looking at schools that King Hall also offered such a supportive learning environment, which is a product of its vibrant college town setting, small class sizes, highly accessible professors who volunteer their time for various student activities, and collegial student culture.”

- JEFFREY OSOFSKY ’09, ASSOCIATE, MUNGER, TOLLES & OLSON LLP, LOS ANGELES

Journal of International Law & Policy Editor
Journal of Juvenile Law & Policy Editor
Law Review Editor
Law Review Writer
Research in Legal Problems

INTERNATIONAL, COMPARATIVE, AND FOREIGN LAW
Advanced Topics in Immigration and Citizenship Law Seminar
Animal Law
Asian Pacific Americans and the Law
Chinese Intellectual Property Law
Criminal Justice Administration Seminar
Drafting IP Agreements
Free Trade and the Environment
Public International Law Seminar
Globalization and the Law
Immigration Law Clinic
Immigration Law
International Tax
International Business Transactions
International Dispute Resolution Seminar
International Economics
International Environmental Law
International Finance
International Human Rights
International Litigation and Arbitration
International Tax
Public International Law Seminar
Private International Law (Conflict of Laws)
Terrorism and International Law

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT LAW
Employment Discrimination
Employment Law
Labor Law
Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity and the Law

LEGAL THEORY AND ETHICS
Bioethics
California Supreme Court Clinic
Feminist Legal Theory
International Human Rights
Jurisprudence
Legal Ethics
Legal History
Legal Theory Workshop
Mindfulness and Professional Identity
Selected Topics in Constitutional Law
Seminar in Legal Psychology
Professional Responsibility
Topics in Constitutional Law
Tax and Distributive Justice Seminar
Trade Secrets

PROCEDURE AND JURISDICTION
Alternative Dispute Resolution
California Supreme Court Clinic
Complex Litigation
Federal Jurisdiction
Legislative Process
Legislative Process Clinic

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND TECHNOLOGY
Art Law
Bioethics
Biotechnology Law and Policy
Brands and Trademarks
Chinese Intellectual Property Law
Copyright
Fictional Characters
History of Intellectual Property
Innovation and Technology Transfer Seminar
Intellectual Property
Intellectual Property Externship
International Tax
Jurisdiction in Cyberspace
Knowledge Commons, Collaborative Authorship, Open Access
Law of E-Commerce
Patent Law
Patent Law Externship
Public Interest Law Externship
Trademark
Local Government Law
Private International Law
(Conflict of Laws)
Remedies

PUBLIC LAW AND POLICY
Administrative Law
California Supreme Court Clinic
California Environmental Issues Seminar
Elections and Political Campaigns
Housing Law
Law and Society Seminar
Law of the Political Process
Legislative Process Externship
Local Government Law
Policing Seminar
Public Benefits Law
Public Interest Law
Public Interest Law Externship
Public International Law
Statutory Interpretation

SKILLS AND LITIGATION
Administration of Criminal Justice Externship
Advanced Legal Writing
Advanced Legal Research
Advanced Evidence
Advanced Negotiations
Strategy and Client Counseling
Alternative Dispute Resolution
Analytical and Persuasive Writing I and II
Appellate Advocacy I and II (Moot Court)
Business Planning
California Supreme Court Clinic
Carr Intra-school Trial Advocacy Competition
Civil Rights Clinic
Complex Litigation
Employment Relations Externship
Environmental Law Externship
Environmental Law Moot Court Competition
Evidence
Family Protection Clinic
Federal Taxation Externship
Immigration Law Clinic
Intellectual Property Externship
Intellectual Property Drafting for Biotech and Pharma
Interschool Competitions
Judicial Process Seminar
Judicial Externship
Legislative Process Externship
Mediation: Theory and Practice
Mindfulness and Professional Values
Moot Court Board
Negotiations
Negotiations Board
Nonprofit Organizations and Drafting
Practicum in Rural Community Advocacy
Pretrial Skills
Prison Law Clinic
Public Interest Law Externship
Scientific Evidence
Trial Practice
Trial Practice Honors Board
UCDC Externship
Writing Requirement Workshop

TAXATION
Corporate Tax
Estate Planning Seminar
Federal Income Taxation
International Tax
Nonprofit Organizations and Drafting
State and Local Taxation
Tax and Distributive Justice Seminar
Taxation of Partnerships & Limited Liability Corporations
**AREAS OF CONCENTRATION**

**BUSINESS LAW**

As globalization of the world economy continues, business is increasingly international in scope. The UC Davis Business Law curriculum, with classes ranging from Business Associations to Securities Regulation to Taxation, 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 regarded UC Davis Graduate School of Management.

UC Davis law graduates with a Business Law concentration work in law firms, corporations, consulting and accounting companies, and nonprofit organizations throughout the world.

**CRIMINAL LAW AND PROCEDURE**

UC Davis School of Law students who focus on Criminal Law and Procedure graduate with the skills 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 valuable direct experience.

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, U.S. Attorneys’ offices, and in well-regarded private criminal defense practices.

**ENVIRONMENTAL AND NATURAL RESOURCES LAW**

UC Davis is a leader in environmental science and education, and King Hall students who choose the Environmental and Natural Resources Law concentration receive an exceptional environmental legal education.

Building upon its legacy of leadership in environmental law, the Law School has launched the California Environmental Law & Policy Center (CELPC), which serves as a focus of environmental scholarship and initiatives.

Our Environmental Law Certificate Program provides special recognition for students’ commitment to the study of environmental law.
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.

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 nearly 50 years ago, when the Law School building was named for Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Throughout its existence, King Hall has been known for producing outstanding public interest law attorneys who work with nonprofits and government agencies, using the power of law to achieve a more just society.

Through its award-winning clinics and externships, the Law School offers students numerous opportunities to help real clients with issues of domestic violence, immigration status, civil rights violations, and other legal problems.

INTERACT WITH RENOWNED SCHOLARS AND PRACTITIONERS

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

In recent years, students have witnessed special sittings of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit and the California Supreme Court inside King Hall’s Kalmanovitz Appellate Courtroom.

Annual events include the Brigitte M. Bodenheimer Lecture on Family Law, the Edward L. Barrett, Jr., Lecture on Constitutional Law, the Central Valley Foundation/McClatchy Lecture on the First Amendment, the intellectual property symposium and lecture series “Law in the Information Age,” and the “Technology, Entrepreneurship, Science, and the Law” (TESLaw) series sponsored by the law firm Fenwick & West.

Recent guest speakers have included Chief Justice of California and UC Davis School of Law alumna Tani Cantil-Sakauye ’84, legendary Silicon Valley venture capitalist John Doerr, and other leaders in their fields.
INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW

In the digital age, many of the world’s business transactions involve not physical assets but intellectual property. Today, intellectual property law is one of the fastest-growing and most exciting fields of legal practice.

Students learn everything from the basics—copyright, patent, and trademark—to emerging fields, such as international intellectual property, e-commerce, and cyber law. Students can engage with the Center for Science & Innovation Studies (CSIS) through lectures, symposia, and other events. The Law School’s new Intellectual Property Law Certificate is awarded to students who demonstrate specialization in the field.

INTERNATIONAL LAW

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. Students learn from a diverse team of full-time faculty and visiting 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.

PUBLIC INTEREST LAW

King Hall, named for Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., has always attracted faculty and students committed to using the power of 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. Most students in the Public Interest Law concentration help provide legal access to underserved communities though the Law School’s clinical programs.

The Law School offers a Public Service Law Certificate Program for students with a demonstrated commitment to serving the public, as well as financial support for recent graduates pursuing public interest work. Financial aid programs include our Loan Repayment Assistance Program (LRAP), which offers repayment assistance for not only law school debt but also loans received for undergraduate and other graduate-level study, and the Income-Based Repayment (IBR) plan. Learn more about LRAP on page 41.
At UC Davis School of Law, students enjoy not only outstanding academic training, but also the opportunity to hone practical skills. Students can write for five student-run journals, advocate for clients in our six clinics, work in our externship program, and participate in Moot Court and Trial 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, research, 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 law.ucdavis.edu/journals.

**TRIAL ADVOCACY, MOOT COURT, AND NEGOTIATIONS**

These advocacy programs are a special source of pride among the King Hall community, as UC Davis teams consistently excel in competitions and tournaments across the country.

The Moot Court and Trial Advocacy programs are an important part of the King Hall experience and virtually all students participate. Members of the King Hall Negotiations Team gain experience in negotiation skills and Alternative Dispute Resolution.
At UC Davis School of Law, we take pride in the unique array of clinical experiences available to every student. Our Clinical Programs and fully supervised externship programs allow students to earn academic credit while gaining hands-on legal experience.

Clinics are operated in a collaborative trial team setting and allow students to work alongside veteran faculty and attorneys and learn invaluable skills as they help those most in need.

**CALIFORNIA SUPREME COURT CLINIC**

The California Supreme Court Clinic is the state’s only law school clinic focused on litigating cases before the California Supreme Court. Students work on actual cases pending before the state’s highest court, researching and writing draft briefs on behalf of clinic clients. Students enrolled in the Clinic explore California Supreme Court practice and procedure, study principles of effective appellate advocacy, and meet with seasoned appellate practitioners from different areas of legal practice.

**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 survivors who would not otherwise be able to afford an attorney. 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 representation. 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, advocating on their clients’ behalf with officials at the institution where the prisoner is housed and filing formal grievances with the California Department of Corrections. The Clinic is especially beneficial to students who wish to learn the intricacies of administrative law.

**SOCIAL JUSTICE CLINIC**

A project of the Aoki Center for Critical Race & Nation Studies, this clinic offers students the opportunity to critically examine the racial impacts of the criminal justice system as they represent clients. Students litigate cases in the areas of criminal defense, workers’ rights, and environmental justice. In a recent project, students collaborated with the Federal Defender office in the Eastern District of California.
EXTERNSHIPS
King Hall students have the opportunity to acquire additional skills and training by 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

Recent placements for UC Davis law students include:

- ACLU of Northern California
- Environmental Protection Agency
- Governor’s Office of Legal Affairs
- Internal Revenue Service
- San Francisco County Public Defender’s Office
- UC Davis Innovation Access Office
- U.S. Attorney’s Office
- Judicial externships with the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, U.S. District Court, California Supreme Court, and California Courts of Appeal

UCDC LAW: WORK IN THE NATION’S CAPITAL
The UCDC Law Program is a uniquely collaborative semester-long externship program in Washington, D.C., combining a weekly seminar with a full-time field placement to offer law students an unparalleled opportunity to learn how federal statutes, regulations, and policies are made, changed, and understood in the nation’s capital. During a semester’s total immersion in a structured environment that integrates the theory and practice of Washington lawyering, students will have contact with all three branches of the federal government, independent regulatory agencies, advocacy nonprofits, and the media.

Through the UCDC program, UC Davis law students have been placed in offices including:

- The White House
- Department of Justice
- Department of Homeland Security
- Securities & Exchange Commission
- Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights
- International Intellectual Property Institute
- Environmental Protection Agency
- Fair Elections Legal Network
- RFK Center for Justice & Human Rights
- FDA, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research
- U.S. Attorney’s Office
- Judicial externships with the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, U.S. District Court, California Supreme Court, and California Courts of Appeal
- Federal Communications Commission
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, Jindal Global University (India), University College Dublin (Ireland), University of Copenhagen (Denmark), University of Lausanne (Switzerland), the University of Chile, and is currently considering exchange programs with several other law schools abroad.
UC Davis School of Law is committed to cutting-edge scholarship and academic initiatives. Our centers enhance the student experience by providing opportunities for research and hands-on participation.

**CALIFORNIA INTERNATIONAL LAW CENTER AT KING HALL (CILC)**

UC Davis School of Law has a proud tradition of engagement in matters of global consequence. Continuing that tradition is the California International Law Center at King Hall. CILC (pronounced “silk”) fosters the work of faculty, students, and alumni in international, comparative, and transnational law.

CILC hosts and co-sponsors events throughout the year, bringing international legal issues to the fore at King Hall. Among other prominent advocates and scholars, CILC has hosted Fatou Bensouda, Deputy Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court, who delivered an International Women’s Day Address on gender violence and international law. CILC has also dedicated research to the war-torn Darfur region of Sudan, working in partnership with the Washington, D.C.-based Robert F. Kennedy Center for Justice and Human Rights to construct a peace and reconciliation plan for the area.

CILC’s Director, Fellow, and Faculty Council publish on topics as varied as cross-border crime and comparative civil rights, globalization and digitization,
food security and global finance, international trade, and immigration detention. They give expert advice and take part in conferences on many continents. They prepare students for careers in the 21st century world.

**CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL LAW & POLICY CENTER**

As a top public research university and a leader in environmental science and clean technology, UC Davis has long been a model for sustainable change. Now, with the establishment of the California Environmental Law & Policy Center, UC Davis School of Law is building on that legacy of environmental leadership.

The California Environmental Law & Policy Center at UC Davis School of Law serves to focus environmental scholarship, initiatives, and events within the Law School, promote linkages with environmental scholarship and research on the UC Davis campus and elsewhere, and advance informed environmental law and policy at all levels of government. Under Director Richard Frank, a nationally recognized leader in environmental law and policy and a UC Davis School of Law alumnus, the center expands the opportunities available to students as it addresses critical environmental law problems in ways that serve the state, the nation, and the world.

**CENTER FOR SCIENCE & INNOVATION STUDIES (CSIS)**

The Center for Science & Innovation Studies engages the many dimensions of the process of technoscientific innovation, from those that make it possible to those that constrain it. Because the skills and competencies necessary to develop a fine-grained understanding of the process of innovation are distributed across the sciences, the social sciences, the humanities, and the professional schools, CSIS seeks to provide a space for real collaboration between traditionally hard-to-connect campus cultures.

Under the leadership of Director Mario Biagioli, an internationally renowned expert in the fields of intellectual property, science studies, and patent history who recently joined UC Davis School of Law from Harvard University, CSIS provides a wide range of perspectives on innovation, intellectual property, international law, and related topics through a series of lectures, symposia, and other events.

**AOKI CENTER FOR CRITICAL RACE AND NATION STUDIES**

The Aoki Center for Critical Race and Nation Studies is a new academic center at UC Davis School of Law. The center honors the life and work of late UC Davis law professor Keith Aoki, an accomplished and respected scholar in the areas of civil rights, critical race theory, intellectual property, and local government law.

The Aoki Center is a unique collaboration of faculty and students in the areas of research, teaching, and service. The center has already hosted renowned speakers on issues of race, nation, identity, and belonging. Such events seek to improve the pedagogical mission of King Hall by enriching the student experience with presentations, panels, and discussions.

“I feel like UC Davis truly gave me all the tools that I needed to succeed. The public service mission of the school, the intellectual rigor, and the sense of camaraderie and support I felt at King Hall all helped me to pursue a career working to push the law forward for civil rights and social justice.”

- JOANNA CUEVAS INGRAM ’12, EQUAL JUSTICE WORKS FELLOW AND ATTORNEY AT THE LAWYERS’ COMMITTEE FOR CIVIL RIGHTS, SAN FRANCISCO
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 employment rate for UC Davis law students nine months after graduation has consistently been in the 90 to 100 percent range.

The UC Davis School of Law Career Services Office, with seven staff members including five licensed attorneys, is dedicated to helping students plan their individual career paths and secure jobs during and after law school.
CLASS OF 2013 EMPLOYMENT AND SALARY SUMMARY

The employment status of the UC Davis School of Law Class of 2013 as of February 2014 is listed below. Of the 196 students in the class, information was available on the employment status of 190 students. 90.5 percent of those were employed nine months after graduation.

EMPLOYMENT SETTINGS

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SALARY RANGES FOR THE CLASS OF 2013 (FOR THOSE WHO REPORTED SALARY INFORMATION)

PRIVATE SECTOR

Range: $40,000 - $160,000

25% - 75% percentile: $71,400 - $148,750

Median: $90,000

GOVERNMENT

25% - 75% percentile: $45,000 - $56,000

Median: $50,000

PUBLIC INTEREST

25% - 75% percentile: $40,000 - $42,000

Median: $41,422
The Law School’s Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Hall has recently undergone a major expansion and renovation, rendering it one of the most beautiful and functional law school facilities in the country.
King Hall’s new east wing is an aesthetically striking, functionally advanced facility designed to accommodate the latest technologies and provide tremendous flexibility for the Law School as it continues to develop well into the future.

The new wing adds 18,000-square-feet of assignable space, housing the new Kalmanovitz Appellate Courtroom, additional classrooms, office space, and more. Classrooms have state-of-the-art audiovisual and multimedia equipment. The new wing also incorporates many environmentally responsible advances, as well as a design that maximizes natural light and open space.

King Hall has two moot courtrooms, a pretrial-skills laboratory, a large computer lab, study carrels, student journal offices, lounges, an infant care co-op, and offices for student organizations, all easily accessible to disabled students. Wireless Internet access is available throughout the building.

The Mabie Law Library is the center of 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.

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

UC DAVIS FACTS

- Ranked 9th among public research universities nationwide (U.S. News & World Report’s 2014 “America’s Best Colleges”)
- Ranked 14th in research funding among U.S. public universities (National Science Foundation, 2009-2010)
- Ranked 17th among U.S. universities based on contributions to society (Washington Monthly, 2012)
- Ranked 10th happiest U.S. college campus (Newsweek College Rankings 2011)
- Ranked #1 “Coolest School” by Sierra Club Magazine (2012)
- 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
- One of the largest and most diverse intramural and club sport programs in the nation, with 27 different intramural sports and 33 different club sports
- World-class dance, music, and theater performances and lectures at the Mondavi Center for the Performing Arts, adjacent to King Hall
- Multiple on-campus recreational facilities, including the state-of-the-art Activities and Recreation Center (ARC), recreation fields, and aquatics facility
STUDENT LIFE

BICYCLING IS A POPULAR METHOD OF TRANSPORTATION AROUND THE UC DAVIS CAMPUS

REDWOOD GROVE ON THE UC DAVIS CAMPUS

UC DAVIS ARBORETUM

UC DAVIS ACTIVITIES AND RECREATION CENTER

DOWNTOWN DAVIS
Students at UC Davis School of Law enjoy a thriving community inside and outside of King Hall.

**EXCEPTIONAL CAMPUS SETTING**

King Hall is located on the UC Davis campus, affording students the benefits and opportunities that are a part of this top research university and vibrant college community. Law students can work out at the state-of-the-art Activities and Recreation Center and enjoy world-class entertainment at the Mondavi Center for the Performing Arts. Students often remark that the campus’s open space contributes to a relaxed environment that is conducive to learning.

**A FRIENDLY COLLEGE TOWN**

Davis is a true campus town whose charm is enhanced by over 100 miles of bicycle lanes and paths. People who live in Davis don’t have to confront traffic, long lines, or the other hassles of big-city life. Davis is safe and family friendly, with one of the top performing school districts in California. Housing can be found conveniently close to campus and at reasonable prices. (Neighboring cities, including West Sacramento and Woodland, provide additional options.) Davis has a centralized downtown which offers outstanding restaurants, shops, entertainment and social activities. Food and wine lovers will enjoy the expansive new Whole Foods store and Davis’s famed Farmers Market, which features the freshest organic produce, delicious dishes from area restaurants, and live music. As for its climate, Davis is among the sunniest cities in the United States.

**CONVENIENT NORTHERN CALIFORNIA LOCATION**

Northern California has much to offer: food, wine, culture, spectacular outdoor recreation and travel opportunities – and UC Davis is in the middle of all of it. Davis is located only 15 minutes from downtown 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 gorgeous Napa Valley wine country and Lake Tahoe’s challenging ski slopes are just a short drive away, and nearby lakes and rivers provide great opportunities for kayaking, waterskiing, and more.
UC Davis School of Law is renowned for its sense of community, and you will find a friendly, vibrant, and active student body at King Hall. More than 50 student organizations and their activities are at the heart of academic and social activities, which include softball leagues, intramural sports clubs, ski and snowboarding clubs, and the annual student talent show. With so many exciting groups and programs, our students enjoy endless opportunities to get involved in extracurricular activities and explore varied interests. This is a place where students, faculty, and staff take pride in a strong sense of community and encourage a supportive academic environment.
STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS
(PARTIAL LIST)

INFORMATION ON THESE AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS CAN BE FOUND AT
http://students.law.ucdavis.edu

- Advocates for Youth Justice
- Agricultural Law Society
- American Bar Association
- American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) at King Hall
- American Constitution Society
- Asian Pacific American Law Students Association
- Bahá’í Law Student Association
- Black Law Students Association
- Christian Legal Society
- Coalition for Diversity
- Criminal Law Association
- Entertainment and Sports Law Society
- Environmental Law Society
- Federalist Society
- Filipino Law Students Association
- Humanitarian Aid Legal Organization
- Immigration Law Association
- International Law Society
- International Law Students Association
- J. Reuben Clark Law Society
- Jewish Law Students Association
- King Hall Animal Law Forum
- King Hall Bar Review
- King Hall Foosball Club
- King Hall Futbol Club
- King Hall Health Law Association
- King Hall Intellectual Property Law Association
- King Hall Labor and Employment Law Association
- King Hall Legal Foundation
- King Hall Mentorship Program
- King Hall Negotiations Team
- King Hall Real Estate Law Association
- King Hall Veterans Association
- King Hall Volleyball Club
- King Hall Water Association of Law and Policy
- King Hall Wine Law Society
- King Hall Women’s Law Association
- Korean American Law Students Association
- Lambda Law Students Association
- La Raza Law Students Association
- Law Cappella
- Middle Eastern & South Asian Law Students Assn.
- Muslim Law Students Association
- National Lawyers Guild
- Native American Law Students Association
- Perfect Tender Child Care Co-op
- Real Estate Law Society
- Student Alumni Relations Committee
- Students United for Reform and Justice
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 work of our 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 9th in the nation for faculty diversity by Princeton Review.

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- **Application for Admission**
  - Electronic or disabled-accessible submission required.
- **Personal Statement**
  - 2 to 4 pages in length—double spaced
- **Résumé**
- **LSAC Credential Assembly Service (CAS) Report**
- **LSAT score**
  - Scores earned prior to December 2010 are not valid for admission in Fall 2015. June 2015 test scores are accepted only after a valid test score has already been submitted.
- **2 letters of recommendation**
  - LSAC evaluations are not required but will be accepted if submitted with the required recommendations.

**KEY DATES**

- **SEPTEMBER 1, 2014**
  - Begin accepting applications for first-year J.D. admission.
- **FEBRUARY 1, 2015**
  - Priority deadline for first-year J.D. applications.
- **MARCH 15, 2015**
  - Final deadline for first-year J.D. applications.

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**APPLICANT GROUP FOR THE CLASS ENTERING FALL 2014**

This profile is designed to provide very broad guidance for applicants seeking insight into the decisions made during 2013-2014. 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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THE ADMISSIONS PROCESS

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.

The Admissions Committee looks 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 beginning studies with the Law 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, LSAT scores, economic or other disadvantages overcome by the applicant, graduate studies, significant work experience, and extracurricular activities.

UC Davis School of Law administers a completely paperless process. Electronic submission of all documents is required. You may monitor the progress of your application from processing through evaluation and enrollment at the UC Davis Status Check website: law.ucdavis.edu/statuscheck.

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 determine 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.

The School of Law Admissions Committee reviews all applications. Students can enroll only on a full-time basis and may enroll only in August. Any fraudulent practices relating to the admission process will be considered grounds for disqualification by the Admissions Committee.

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

LAW SCHOOL ADMISSION TEST (LSAT)

All applicants are required to take the Law School Admission Test no later than February of the year in which admission is sought. It is recommended that the test be taken as early as possible. LSAT scores earned before December 2010 are not valid for Fall 2015 admission. June 2015 test scores are accepted only after a valid test score has already been submitted.

LSAC CREDENTIAL ASSEMBLY SERVICE (CAS)

Applicants should register with the Credential Assembly Service 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 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, growth, maturity; commitment to law study as evidenced 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. The personal statement is limited to two to four typewritten pages, double-spaced.

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 accomplishments, including extracurricular activities, community involvement, and prior work experience.

RÉSUMÉS
Applicants must submit a résumé of academic and/or professional experience. Applicants are encouraged to limit the résumé to one to two pages.

TRANSCRIPTS
Applicants should submit directly to the Credential Assembly Service supplementary transcripts covering fall work as soon as the transcripts are available. 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 UC Davis master's degree programs. Separate applications are required by each department. 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 December 2010 and therefore is not valid), but a current 2014-2015 Credential Assembly Service report must be provided in addition to the application. An addendum to the previously submitted personal statement is strongly recommended.

COMMITMENT TO DIVERSITY
The students and faculty of UC Davis School of Law recognize the desperate need for lawyers representing the diverse populations of California. 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, interests, 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 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 be admitted to advanced standing with credit for not more than one year of such work.

**VISITING KING HALL**

**Information Sessions:**
Saturday, December 13, 2014
Saturday, January 10, 2015

These information sessions are designed to explain general aspects of the admission process. Discussion typically centers on content of the personal statement and admissions policy and procedure. The sessions run from noon to 1:00 P.M. and include a tour of King Hall’s outstanding facility.

**Open House for Prospective Applicants:**
Saturday, November 1, 2014

This daylong program offers a more comprehensive look at King Hall, with panel presentations, tours, and opportunities to meet members of the law school community, including deans, faculty, staff, and current students.

Information about how to register for these events will be posted to our website about 4 to 6 weeks before each event.

**INDIVIDUAL VISITS**

Applicants are welcome to visit King Hall on an individual basis. No appointment is required, but a phone call or e-mail is recommended. Class visits and tours led by current students are generally available during the academic year; to ensure availability, please complete the request form on the “Visiting King Hall” page of the Admissions website.

**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 most of the LSAC Law Forums. Consult the LSAC website, www.LSAC.org, for forum locations and times.

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 2014-2015 recruitment schedule.
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, an official law school transcript, LSAT score (registration with LSAC CAS required), an official undergraduate transcript with degree posted, and a personal statement. Transfer applications are accepted January 1, 2015 - June 30, 2015.

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EARLY ADMISSION

Those applicants who demonstrate outstanding academic performance in the fall term may be offered admission prior to completion of the first year of law studies. Offers are contingent upon completion of the first year within the top one-third of the class, or we reserve the right to reconsider the offer of admission.

VISITORS

Each year, a small number of non-matriculant, or visiting, students are admitted to UC Davis School of Law for one semester or one academic year. Visiting students are admitted on a space-available basis. All coursework is credited to the law school from which the student will earn the Juris Doctor degree. Only students currently enrolled in an American Bar Association-approved law school will be considered for admission as a visitor.

Visitors are not eligible to enroll in clinical program courses or Law Review. Visitors pay fees to the school they are visiting.

CALIFORNIA RESIDENCY

The Law School admissions process does not take residency into consideration. Detailed information about residency is available at http://registrar.ucdavis.edu/. Specific questions about residency should be directed to the UC Davis Residency Deputy.
Financing your King Hall education is an investment in your future, and our mission is to offer a public legal education that is of the highest quality and accessible to students of all backgrounds. To that end, the Law School works to provide need-based gift aid packages to allow students to attend without undue financial hardship.

The overwhelming majority of our students do not pay the full price of fees, thanks to extraordinarily generous merit- and need-based gift aid.

In 2013, U.S. News & World Report ranked UC Davis School of Law #2 among public law schools that award the most financial aid.

King Hall offers deferred payment plans and a Loan Repayment Assistance Program for graduates working in public interest law. More than 90 percent of all King Hall students take advantage of some form of financial aid.

This table (left) 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. Non-California resident tuition and fees are $56,537, which includes non resident supplemental tuition of $12,245. Students may establish residency after one year. (Questions regarding residency status can be directed to residencedeputy@ucdavis.edu.)

The costs outlined 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 (DPP) to allow students the opportunity to extend payment of fees and tuition. The DPP, which requires a $37.50 application fee per semester, is open to all students regardless of whether 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 as early as possible. Financial aid funding is limited, and aid will be offered according to eligibility and date of application.

For more details about the types of aid available at the UC Davis School of Law, see Types of Assistance on pages 41-42, or visit our website at law.ucdavis.edu/financial-aid.

HOW TO APPLY

1. Apply early! Do not wait for an admission decision to apply for Financial Aid. Apply online at law.ucdavis.edu/financial-aid or via mail at your earliest opportunity. Both the required FAFSA and Need Access Application are available beginning January 1.

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’s 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. 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.

3. UC Davis Financial Aid award information for law students will be available online on or about April 1, 2015.

AWARDS RENEWAL

As a student, you’ll need to reapply for financial aid each academic year. While there is no assurance that aid will be awarded in the same kinds and amounts from year to year, aid usually continues at the same level each year. Students are encouraged to inquire early regarding actions required to continue receiving assistance.

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**

Financial Aid will provide direct payment of fees from grant and most 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.

**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, and even this 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**

**MERIT-BASED GIFT AID (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 agencies.

As part of our commitment to the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., the Law School has established two $60,000 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. The scholarship application becomes available on October 1, 2014. The application deadline is March 30, 2015. Applications should be submitted to the Law School Financial Aid Office. For more information, including how to apply, please visit law.ucdavis.edu/financial-aid/king-hall-scholarships.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. For more information and to see a sampling of scholarships, visit law.ucdavis.edu/financial-aid/king-hall-scholarships.html.

**NEED-BASED GIFT AID (GRANTS)**

Need-based gift aid (grants) at UC Davis School of Law include the Law School Grant and State UC Grant. Grants do not need to be repaid as long as the student remains eligible. Full-time enrollment for grant funding is 10 units per semester. Students taking fewer than 10 units may be billed for aid received.

**LOAN REPAYMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

If your goal is to advocate 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 UC Davis Loan Repayment Assistance Program (UCD LRAP) can provide loan payment relief. The UCD LRAP provides qualified graduates with interest-free loans, which can be forgiven after a period of employment with a qualifying nonprofit or government agency. Unlike many similar programs, UCD LRAP offers repayment assistance for not only law school debt, but also loans received for undergraduate and other graduate-level study.

For additional information on the UCD LRAP program, visit law.ucdavis.edu/financial-aid/loan-repayment-assistance-program.html.
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.

FEDERAL DIRECT (UNSUBSIDIZED) LOANS

The interest rate is fixed (6.21%) 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 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 (7.21%) 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 are less strict than those associated with private student loans.

For more information about Alternative Loans, visit financialaid.ucdavis.edu/loans/alternative.html.

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