

University of Baltimore School of Law

Building a Better Law School





WELCOME TO UB LAW

Above: Looking out across Gordon Plaza from the Angelos Law Center at UB's award-winning Student Center, dedicated in 2006



» STUDENT PROFILE «

LATOYA FRANCIS-WILLIAMS, J.D. '11

“ I chose to pursue a concentration in criminal practice, and participated in the Criminal Practice Clinic. The best part of my clinical experience was receiving heartfelt thanks from a client who appreciated the passion, energy and professionalism with which I represented him. ”

NEW DEVELOPMENTS AT UB LAW >>>

- >> The Center for Medicine and the Law, a new collaboration between the University of Baltimore School of Law and the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, was announced in spring 2011. The center's directors, Gregory Dolin, M.D., J.D., and Frederick Levy, M.D., J.D., will build an interdisciplinary program meant to inform doctors about the legal issues that can affect the practice of medicine while also educating lawyers about the realities of medical practice.
- >> The new John and Frances Angelos Law Center continues to rise, with an anticipated completion date in time for spring 2013 classes. Students who begin their law studies in fall 2012 will spend the majority of their class time in one of Baltimore's most technologically-advanced and energy-efficient buildings.
- >> UB Law's Family Law Clinic was chosen as a partner by Vice President Joe Biden's office and the U.S. Department of Justice's Access to Justice Commission for a new initiative being piloted in Baltimore and New Orleans. The program enables a recent UB Law graduate to work at Baltimore's House of Ruth, a shelter for victims of domestic violence, for a period of one year. Funding for the program is provided by Venable.
- >> Over the 2010-2011 school year, UB Law hosted lectures with the following speakers:
 - >> Toni Morrison, author and Nobel Prize winner
 - >> Douglas F. Gansler, Maryland attorney general
 - >> Juan E. Mendez, United Nations special rapporteur on torture
 - >> Andy MacPhail, president of baseball operations for the Baltimore Orioles
 - >> Kenneth Shropshire, sports law expert and David W. Hauck Professor at the Wharton School
- >> In spring 2011, the University of Baltimore broke ground on its first student housing, a 114-unit apartment building located just two blocks from the Angelos Law Center and anticipated to be ready for occupancy for the fall 2012 semester. In addition, the Fitzgerald at UB Midtown – a major public-private development of the University of Baltimore and the Bozzutto Group – recently won the Urban Land Institute's most prestigious honor, the Award in Excellence. The development, which includes 275 apartments, is the largest LEED-certified housing development in the Baltimore area.



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KIMBERLY OWUSUKOKO, J.D. '11

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My internship in the White House Office of the First Lady has been an amazing experience. My daily responsibilities include assisting with gift disclosure mandates, drafting correspondence, and addressing and responding to constituent issues. I have also had the great opportunity of assisting with many of the events hosted at the White House.

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ADMISSIONS

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Fall 2011 entering class:

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| Median GPA/LSAT score (day): | 3.31/156 |
| Median GPA/LSAT score (evening): | 3.16/155 |
| Median age (day/evening): | 23.59/27.9 |
| Gender: | 53% male/47% female |
| Ethnicity: | .9% Native American or Native Alaskan |
| | 11.98% African-American (non-Hispanic) |
| | 7.78% Asian or Pacific Islander |
| | 3.29% Hispanic |
| | 71.86% Caucasian (non-Hispanic) |
| | 3.29% Other/unknown |



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W. JAMES DENVIL, J.D. '12

“ I feel like I have an entire institution standing behind me, and that gives me great confidence. With that confidence and the excellent training I have received, I know that I can achieve whatever goals I set for myself. ”

ACADEMIC PROGRAM

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A small-school experience combined with affordable public-school tuition rates, a variety of concentrations from which to choose, and a wide range of practical learning opportunities make the UB School of Law experience unique.

Concentrations and joint degrees

Business law

law.ubalt.edu/law_business

Criminal practice

http://law.ubalt.edu/law_criminal

Estate planning

law.ubalt.edu/law_estate

Family law

law.ubalt.edu/law_family

Intellectual property

law.ubalt.edu/law_ip

International and comparative law

law.ubalt.edu/law_international

Litigation and advocacy

law.ubalt.edu/law_litigation

Public and governmental service

law.ubalt.edu/law_service

Real estate practice

law.ubalt.edu/law_realestate

The School of Law also offers a number of joint degree programs, including a J.D./M.B.A., a J.D./M.P.A., and a J.D./M.S. in Criminal Justice.

Publications

law.ubalt.edu/publications

The School of Law currently publishes three journals: *University of Baltimore Law Review*; *University of Baltimore Law Forum*; and *University of Baltimore Journal of Land and Development*. Students are chosen for journal service based on a write-on competition and meeting the minimum GPA requirements for each journal. Students may earn up to eight credits for participation in journal activities.

Study Abroad

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The School of Law administers three study abroad programs. Two programs – in Haifa, Israel and Aberdeen, Scotland – take place in the summer, while the third, in the Netherland Antilles, offers students an opportunity to study abroad over the winter break. Each program is approved by the American Bar Association.



←←← PRACTICAL LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

EXPLOR: The Experience In Legal Organizations Program

The EXPLOR program is unique among American law schools. It guarantees students the opportunity to intern on a volunteer basis in one of a variety of legal settings the summer after their first year of law school is completed. Students intern with government agencies, law firms, public interest and nonprofit groups, and judges to gain valuable legal experience. Over the summer of 2010, over 200 students took advantage of EXPLOR internship placements.

Attorney practice internships

The attorney practice internship program offers students academic credit for substantive legal work performed under the supervision of an attorney. Students may choose the time commitment that they wish to make to their internships over the semester, resulting in either three or four credit hours.

Judicial internships

These semester-long internships are meant to give students the chance to learn about legal practice and the judicial system while working for a supervising judge. Depending on the student's credentials, he or she will be placed in the federal or state court system to work closely with a judge or master. There are 28 openings in this program each semester (spring, summer and fall).

Law clinics

The clinical program at the University of Baltimore School of Law provides students with unmatched practical experience while generating results that benefit the city of Baltimore, the state of Maryland and beyond. The range of experiential learning opportunities within the clinical program includes practice as a licensed student attorney as well as internship placements in a wide range of governmental, public interest and private sector placements in Maryland and DC.

The clinic facility is run as a law office with a teaching and public service mission, representing an average of 200 low-income clients annually. Under Maryland Rule 16, students are permitted to practice as attorneys under the close supervision of their professors, which means that UB Law clinic students are actually representing clients in various settings prior to graduating law school.

Current clinics include:

Appellate Practice Clinic
law.ubalt.edu/clinics/appellate

Civil Advocacy Clinic
law.ubalt.edu/clinics/civilad

Community Development Clinic
law.ubalt.edu/clinics/communitydev

Criminal Practice Clinic
law.ubalt.edu/clinics/criminal

Disability Law Clinic
law.ubalt.edu/clinics/disability

Family Law Clinic
law.ubalt.edu/clinics/family

Family Mediation Clinic
law.ubalt.edu/clinics/mediation

Immigrant Rights Clinic
law.ubalt.edu/clinics/immigration

Innocence Project Clinic
law.ubalt.edu/clinics/innocenceproject

Advocacy and workshop courses

In addition to EXPLOR, internships and clinical education, University of Baltimore law students have the opportunity to engage in practical legal education in the classroom. In advocacy courses, students participate in simulations of the various components of the trial process. In workshop courses, students are exposed to the transactional side of practice. Students review and create the legal documents they will encounter in the practice of law.

Courses currently offered include:

- » Advanced Trial Advocacy
- » Appellate Advocacy Workshop
- » Bench Trial Advocacy
- » Family Law Workshop
- » Litigation Process
- » Trial Advocacy
- » Adoption, Guardianship and Assisted Reproductive Technology Practice Workshop
- » Business Planning Workshop
- » Commercial Real Estate Workshop
- » Dispute Resolution Workshop
- » Electronic Evidence and Discovery Workshop
- » Entertainment Law Workshop
- » Estate Planning Workshop
- » Legal Research Workshop
- » Legislation Workshop
- » Planning for Families & Seniors Workshop
- » Residential Real Estate Workshop
- » Transactional Skills Workshop

Courses offered vary by semester.

In addition to the moot court teams directed by the Byron L. Warnken Moot Court Competition (see page 11), the School of Law offers its students the opportunity to participate in the ABA Section of Labor and Employment Law's Employment Litigation Student Trial Advocacy Competition, the A.A.J. Trial Competition, and the National Trial Competition.



The University of Baltimore School of Law allows its students to be individuals and gain hands-on experience in the area of law in which each student is interested, both inside and outside the classroom. As soon as I visited for preview day, I knew this was the right place for me.



Centers

Center on Applied Feminism

law.ubalt.edu/caf

Established in 2009, the Center on Applied Feminism is unique within the legal academy. Its programs examine how feminist theory can benefit legal practitioners in representing clients, shape legal doctrine, and play a role in policy debates and implementation.

Center for Families, Children and the Courts

law.ubalt.edu/cfcc

Since its founding in 2000, the Center for Families, Children and the Courts has worked steadily to foster collaboration between the School of Law and the courts to promote family justice system reform and to strengthen families and communities.

Center for International and Comparative Law

law.ubalt.edu/cicl

The Center for International and Comparative Law sponsors research, publication, teaching, and the dissemination of knowledge about international legal issues, with special emphasis on human rights, democracy, intellectual property, and international business transactions.

Center for Medicine and the Law

law.ubalt.edu/cml

Founded in 2011, the Center for Medicine and the Law is a collaborative effort between the University of Baltimore School of Law and the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine. Co-directors from the two schools will guide an interdisciplinary study of legal issues in medicine for students at institutions, practicing attorneys and medical professionals. The center will also sponsor symposia and other speaker events.

Center for Sport and the Law

law.ubalt.edu/csl

The Center for Sport and the Law sponsors academic symposia, generates scholarship and engages in community partnerships that serve to provide students with an enhanced understanding of the legal structures and institutions which shape various athletic contexts.

The Stephen L. Snyder Center for Litigation Skills

law.ubalt.edu/snyder

The Stephen L. Snyder Center for Litigation Skills, established in 2000 through a gift from nationally recognized litigation expert Stephen L. Snyder, J.D. '70, offers first-rate practical and theoretical training on an extensive range of litigation techniques while identifying and analyzing national litigation activities and trends.

Moot Court

law.ubalt.edu/mootcourt

The School of Law's interscholastic moot court teams are appellate oral advocacy teams which compete in prestigious regional and national competitions against other law schools around the country. Participation on moot court teams permits students to further hone their advocacy and research skills.

Team members are selected for each of the nineteen moot court teams in the annual Byron L. Warnken Moot Court Competition, held each January and open to all students (including students in their first year at the time of the competition).



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JAIME COSLOY, J.D. '12



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ERIKA L. WEVODAU, J.D. '12

“ The University of Baltimore School of Law provides the practical legal experience that will set your resume apart from other applicants’ when applying for internships and full-time jobs. Programs like EXPLOR, the attorney practice internship program, and the clinics give UB Law students the opportunity to become well-rounded and experienced lawyers before graduation. ”

CAREER DEVELOPMENT

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Real experiences. Internships. Jobs.

The Law Career Development Office (“LCDO”) recognizes that each student’s career path is different and unique to the person’s background, interests, and professional aspirations. Throughout their law school tenure, students meet with LCDO counselors individually to chart out a personal career timeline by semester that reflects each student’s long- and short-term goals.

A cornerstone of our approach is incorporating practical experiences through internships, clinics, and jobs. To that end, the LCDO guarantees legal experience the summer after a student’s first year. Not only may these experiences build a resume and skill set that is highly marketable and valued by employers, but they also allow students to “test-drive” various practice areas and settings while still in law school.

Whether interested in private practice, government, public interest, business, an alternative career or a judicial clerkship, students are equipped with the contacts and tools necessary to succeed in any market.”

Astrid Schmidt, J.D. '02
Assistant dean for law career development

NALP Graduate Employment Report
(class of 2010 9-month survey)

| | # | % of Reported |
|--------------------------------------|------------|---------------|
| All Graduates | 331 | |
| Employment Status Reported | 324 | 97.89 |
| Employed | 302 | 93.21 |
| Employed/Full-time | 234 | 72.22 |
| Employed/Part-time | 61 | 18.83 |
| Employed/UNKNOWN | 7 | 2.16 |
| Seeking Work | 7 | 2.16 |
| NOT seeking work at this time | 10 | 3.09 |
| Enrolled in Full-Time Degree Program | 5 | 1.54 |
| UNKNOWN | 7 | 2.11 |
| Bar admission required | 177 | 59.2 |
| JD preferred | 88 | 29.43 |
| Professional other | 32 | 10.7 |
| Non-Professional other | 2 | 0.67 |
| UNKNOWN | 3 | 0.99 |
| Job Type | | |
| Judicial Clerkship | 51 | 17.29 |
| Law Firm | 129 | 43.73 |
| Government | 43 | 14.58 |
| Public Interest | 10 | 3.39 |
| Academic | 13 | 4.41 |
| Business or Industry | 46 | 15.59 |
| Military | 3 | 1.02 |
| UNKNOWN | 7 | 2.32 |



BALTIMORE
law.ubalt.edu/baltimore

The city of Baltimore is home to major cultural amenities, professional sports teams, a proliferating restaurant scene, and a wide variety of housing options – all at a very reasonable price. According to Salary.com, cost of living in Baltimore is 34% less than in neighboring Washington, D.C., just 45 minutes down I-95.

Baltimore neighborhoods

Baltimore is a city of over 225 officially-recognized neighborhoods. The School of Law is located just north of the Mount Vernon cultural district (home to the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra, the Walters Art Gallery, and Peabody Conservatory), and next door to the Arthur and Patricia Modell Performing Arts Center at the Lyric. Directly to the north, the burgeoning Station North Arts District offers an arthouse movie theater and a number of galleries and performance spaces.

It's easy to commute by car or mass transit from Federal Hill, a neighborhood peppered with restaurants and recreation opportunities located on the south side of Baltimore's Inner Harbor. Ten minutes by car from campus on the east side of the city, the Butchers Hill neighborhood surrounds one of Baltimore's largest green spaces, Patterson Park, just north of Fells Point, with its waterfront taverns and shops. Little Italy, Harbor East, Waverly, Union Square, Mount Washington...there is a neighborhood in Baltimore for just about anyone.

For more on specific Baltimore neighborhoods, visit www.livebaltimore.com.

Things to do in Baltimore

When you aren't studying or working, there's so much to do in Baltimore!

- » Go to see the Orioles, Ravens, or Blast play
- » Check out art, photography and sculpture exhibits at the American Visionary Arts Museum, the Walters Art Gallery or the Baltimore Museum of Art
- » Catch live music at Meyerhoff Symphony Hall, Rams Head Live, or Pier Six
- » Shop at the Gallery, Belvedere Square or Towson Town Center, or at one of hundreds of independently-owned boutiques throughout the city
- » Bet on the horses at Pimlico, home of the Preakness Stakes, or bowl Maryland-style at the Patterson Bowling Center's Duckpin Lanes
- » Enjoy a wide variety of restaurants, from casual to world-class

Campus life

The University of Baltimore offers the amenities that students expect from an urban university in a compact footprint.

The Student Center, located directly across the street from the Law Center, was completed in 2006 and includes a convenience store, a coffee bar, a 200-seat recital hall, a game room, and multiple study areas.

The Academic Center, located next to the Law Center, is home to the university's recreation and wellness services. Here, law students can take advantage of a full gym with cardio machines and a weight room, group exercise classes, a basketball court, racquetball courts, and locker and sauna facilities.

Need to buy your books? The campus Barnes & Noble is a short walk from the Law Center in the Fitzgerald at UB Midtown. The bookstore offers textbook services, a full selection of fiction and nonfiction books, UB-branded merchandise, and a Starbucks café.

Finally, the School of Law is home to dozens of student organizations. These organizations give students the chance to meet other students who share mutual interests. Student organizations at UB Law are active groups that organize speaker events, fundraisers, food drives and happy hours. They present valuable opportunities for networking with fellow students, faculty, alumni and other practitioners.

For a full list of student organizations, visit law.ubalt.edu/students and click on "Student Organizations."

Getting here

The University of Baltimore sits at a mass transit hub. Campus is a 2-minute walk from Baltimore's Penn Station, served by Amtrak and Maryland's MARC commuter rail system. The School of Law's proximity to Penn Station makes it easy for students from the DC metro area to commute to class, with daily door-to-door service from Washington, DC's Union Station in less than an hour on the MARC train.

The University of Baltimore also has its own LightRail stop, making a commute from downtown Baltimore – or the city's northern suburbs – an easy ride. And Baltimore City's free Circulator bus service connects the Mount Vernon neighborhood with downtown Baltimore and the Federal Hill neighborhood.

Prefer to drive to class? Park in one of two university-owned parking garages at a reduced student rate.



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On the right: Construction of the new John and Frances Angelos Law Center, set to open for classes in spring 2013.

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