

VIEWBOOK 2006



 **GEORGE
MASON**
UNIVERSITY | **School of Law**

TABLE OF CONTENTS

A Message From the Dean, 1

On the Doorstep of the Capital, 2

Law School of Northern Virginia, 3

The George Mason Curriculum, 4

A Choice of Programs, 5

Career Development, 6

Faculty Reputation, 8

The Law Library, 8

Student Organizations, 9

The Admissions Process, 10

Financing Your Legal Education, 11

Diversity, 12

George Mason University
School of Law
3301 Fairfax Drive
Arlington, Virginia 22201

Information: 703-993-8010
Fax: 703-993-8088

www.law.gmu.edu

LSDAS Recipient Code: 5827
Title IV (Financial Aid) Code: 003749



George Mason takes his place among the nation's founders with the dedication of his monument on the National Mall on April 9, 2002.



Pictured above is Gunston Hall, located in southern Fairfax County, Virginia, and home to George Mason, the Virginia patriot and statesman for whom the university is named. Mason, one of the greatest of the founding fathers of the United States, is also among the least known. Mason's greatness lies in the fact that he was the acknowledged leader among those pressing for a Bill of Rights in the U.S. Constitution. He persuaded Federalists, such as James Madison, that the new constitution would not be acceptable unless amendments safeguarding individual rights were included.

Mason already had helped to draft the first constitution for an independent state, his native Virginia, in 1776. The state constitution begins with the Virginia Declaration of Rights, which he wrote. The declaration later was a model for the first 10 amendments to the U.S. Constitution, known as the Bill of Rights, as well as the famous Declaration of the Rights of Man, produced by the French Revolution in 1789.



A MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN

It is my great pleasure to introduce you to George Mason University School of Law, a dynamic intellectual community and the fastest-rising law school in the nation. Our law school is the youngest law school ranked in the top 50 by *U.S. News & World Report*.

A DYNAMIC YOUNG LAW SCHOOL

In the past eight years, George Mason truly has risen and gained recognition as a national law school. We have built an accomplished faculty that offers the finest in legal education and practical training. Each year we continue to strengthen this impressive group with the addition of new faculty members, including leading scholars such as Ronald Rotunda, a well-known expert in constitutional law. In addition to our outstanding senior professors, we now have the best group of young law professors in the country and an adjunct faculty of legal practitioners and judges that is unmatched.

A MULTITUDE OF OPPORTUNITIES

Located just across the Potomac River from downtown Washington, D.C., our law school offers a multitude of professional opportunities for our students to complement our outstanding curriculum. Through our clinical and externship programs, students may work for credit in judges' chambers, government agencies, and law firms to supplement their studies with practical training. It is our goal to see that each of our students lands his or her dream job. With the fall and spring recruiting programs run by our office of Career Development in which more than 200 employers participate, and with the personal attention of our career development counselors, we offer the resources to make this happen. Our law school, the only one in Northern Virginia, enjoys great support from the regional legal community. Many practicing attorneys, government officials, and judges in our area not only teach courses but also mentor and help our students develop and attain their career goals.

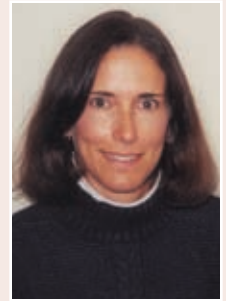
A COMMITMENT TO EXCELLENCE AND TO EACH OTHER

We are especially proud of our student body. With more than 6,000 applications for fall 2005 admission, George Mason University School of Law has become one of the most selective law schools in the nation. Our students are among the best in the country, and our graduates are prepared for success in all areas of practice. Whether our graduates choose to work in large national law firms or in public service, our reasonable tuition rates enable them to pursue their chosen careers without the same educational debt constraints that many young lawyers face upon graduation.

Our law school community also is unique in that our students are truly committed to one another. Ours is a small law school with an atmosphere that feels more like a closely-knit family than a competitive professional institution. Our students help each other. We truly believe that the spirit of our law school community does not exist at any other educational institution.

We are proud of the outstanding law school we have and are tremendously excited about its future. We hope you will join us.

Daniel D. Polsby
Dean



Anne M. Richard
Associate Dean
and Director
of Admissions

*AB, MA, Boston College
JD, Yale Law School
arichar5@gmu.edu*



Kristine H. McCord
Assistant Dean
and Director
of Special Programs

*BS, UNC-Chapel Hill
JD, George Mason
University School of Law
kmcord1@gmu.edu*



Darrell D. Jackson
Assistant Dean
and Director
of Minority Affairs

*BA, College of
William & Mary
JD, George Mason
University School of Law
ddjackson@gmu.edu*



ON THE DOORSTEP OF THE NATION'S CAPITAL

George Mason University School of Law is located just a few miles from downtown Washington, D.C., the nexus for the creation of the world's most important legislation and jurisprudence. Metropolitan Washington offers students access to hundreds of opportunities and legal resources of tremendous scope and depth:

- ◆ Outstanding instruction from faculty and guest lecturers with significant experience in governmental and public policy organizations such as the White House, the Congress, the U.S. Supreme Court, the U.S. Court of Federal Claims, the U.S. Department of Justice, the Federal Trade Commission, the U.S. International Trade Commission, and the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.



- ◆ Year-round employment opportunities with major executive branch agencies, congressional commissions and federal agencies, and the hundreds of private law firms located in the Washington, D.C., area.

- ◆ The U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, Alexandria Division (known as the “rocket docket”), has the fastest trial docket in the United States and adjudicates some of the most complex civil cases in the nation, particularly patent, copyright, and employment cases.

- ◆ The level of practice in our federal court and among the many law firms in Northern Virginia that hire George Mason law graduates is difficult to match.

THE LAW SCHOOL OF NORTHERN VIRGINIA



Northern Virginia offers professional advantages and diverse social, cultural, and educational opportunities unequaled in any other metropolitan region.

Arlington County has vibrant commercial districts that host a number of industry leaders and Fortune 500 companies; the City of Alexandria is home to the new facility for the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office and venue for the headquarters of many national associations; Fairfax County is a world center of commerce and trade and the technology hub of the United States East Coast, with offices of more than 4,000 technology companies and national law firms located within its borders.

ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY

George Mason University, established as a branch of the University of Virginia in 1957, gained independent university status in 1972 by act of the Virginia General Assembly. The university is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools and is a member of the Council of Graduate Schools in the United States. George Mason University is part of the public university system of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

The university is a living memorial to George Mason, the Virginia patriot and statesman who is best known for having drafted the Virginia Declaration of Rights on which the Bill of Rights of the U.S. Constitution is based.

The School of Law

The School of Law became part of George Mason University in 1979. It is accredited by the American Bar Association (ABA) and is a member of the Association of American Law Schools (AALS).

During the past decade, the law school has been in the forefront of curricular innovation. Recognizing the rapid changes that are occurring in legal practice and the legal profession, George Mason has been a pioneer in providing students with three core competencies that are often neglected at more traditional institutions: the legal application of economic tools and methods, intensive development of legal writing skills, and specialized substantive preparation for practice. Our intellectual property law curriculum has gained national recognition. Our unique curriculum and, in particular, our new Technology Law Program offer students unique advantages in today's competitive employment market.

For expanded information, visit www.law.gmu.edu/geninfo/about.html.





The School of Law has designed a curriculum that addresses three of the most pressing requirements of contemporary legal practice: the increasing need for specialization; a thorough grounding in the fundamental skills of legal research, writing, and analysis; and facility with economic and quantitative methods.

SPECIALTY PROGRAMS OF STUDY

The practice of law grows more segmented as the body of law grows in both volume and complexity. Our specialization options ensure that our graduates can demonstrate depth as well as breadth in their legal education and that they are prepared for practice in the 21st century.

Technology Law Program

As the newest of the School of Law's specialties, the Technology Law Program combines coursework in the fields of technology law, intellectual property law, and business law. It provides students with skills necessary to succeed in today's rapidly-changing legal environment. Distinguished professors and practitioners offer courses on subjects such as telecommunications policy, cybercrime, intellectual property protection, and venture capital formation.

Specialty Tracks

Through our specialty tracks, students may acquire a sophisticated understanding of particular substantive areas of the law usually gained only after years of practice or through advanced legal study. Students pursuing a specialty track will be required to take 24 to 31 credit hours of the 84* total credit hours required for graduation in the area of specialization. Students in track programs also are required to write a thesis.

Students may elect to pursue one of the following specialty tracks at the end of their first year of study:

- ◆ *Corporate and Securities Law*
- ◆ *Intellectual Property Law*

- ◆ *International Business Law*
- ◆ *Litigation Law*

- ◆ *Regulatory Law*

**Required credit hours are subject to change*

Specialization Sequences

For students who would like greater freedom in their course selection while also gaining the benefits of some degree of specialization, George Mason offers specialization sequences listed below. To complete a sequence, a student must earn from 14 to 16 credit hours in a particular area.

- ◆ *Corporate and Securities Law*
- ◆ *Criminal Law*
- ◆ *Intellectual Property Law*

- ◆ *International Business Law*
- ◆ *Legal and Economic Theory*
- ◆ *Litigation Law*

- ◆ *Personal Law*
- ◆ *Regulatory Law*
- ◆ *Tax Law*

GENERAL LAW PROGRAM

Although George Mason offers a number of structured specialization options, students are not required to specialize in their legal studies. Many students enter law school without a clearly defined area of interest. Those students may pursue a general course of study, choosing electives as their interests develop.

For expanded information, visit www.law.gmu.edu/academics/lawtrack.html.

For individual course descriptions, visit www.law.gmu.edu/academics/courses.php.

LEGAL RESEARCH, WRITING, AND ANALYSIS

Our three-year legal writing program emphasizes continual practice through the development of actual transactions and cases and effective use of technology. The course is required during each semester of the first two years and is taught in small sections of 15 or fewer students. Students learn the basics of legal writing and analysis, as well as traditional, database (LEXIS and Westlaw), and Internet research methodologies. They then apply these skills in drafting and editing documents for a variety of cases and transactional disputes, in oral arguments before judges and practicing attorneys, and in client counseling and negotiation exercises.

The legal writing program at George Mason also requires at least two additional writing courses beyond the first two years. The additional writing requirement can be satisfied by taking either two seminar courses or one seminar and one other course in which a paper is required. Students in the track programs can substitute their theses for upper-class writing course requirements.

ECONOMIC AND QUANTITATIVE METHODS

For the past 14 years, George Mason has integrated economic theory, as well as basic mathematical and financial skills, into our law and economics-oriented curriculum. Our curriculum introduces students to legal methods along with economic and quantitative tools, stressing the application of the nonlegal methods in legal contexts. We reinforce this strategy in other courses at the School of Law that are taught by professors of law who are also experts in some areas of economics and quantitative methods.

For expanded information, visit www.law.gmu.edu/academics/gmpln.html.

A CHOICE OF PROGRAMS

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

All George Mason Law students, whether pursuing a specialty track or the General Law Program, are required to satisfactorily complete 84* credit hours for graduation. Forty-three of those credit hours are in general courses; 41 credit hours are in elective courses. In addition, students must complete the School of Law's writing requirement.

Students attending George Mason University School of Law may pursue full-time day study or part-time evening study. Unlike many other law school programs, the day and evening programs stand on equal footing, as the courses taught in the day and evening divisions are identical and are taught by the same professors.

Day Division

In the day division, students take three years to complete the 84* credit hours required for graduation. Day students take 14 to 15 credits each semester. Day classes are scheduled between the hours of 8 a.m. and 6 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Evening Division

In the evening division, students take four years to complete the 84* credit hours required for graduation. Evening students average 10 or 11 credit hours each semester. Evening classes are scheduled between 6 p.m. and 10 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Summer Term

George Mason University School of Law holds a Summer Term each year that typically runs from late May to mid-July. All summer courses are held in the evenings, between the hours of 6 p.m. and 10 p.m., Monday through Thursday.

**Required credit hours are subject to change*

For expanded information, visit www.law.gmu.edu/academics/parttime.html.





CAREER DEVELOPMENT

George Mason University School of Law is committed to teaching its students to think clearly and critically, to develop sound judgment, and to apply the knowledge they obtain in law school in practical ways that will lead them to success and fulfillment in their legal careers. We are devoted to preparing our students to achieve their personal professional goals and to become contributing and valuable members of our local, national, and international legal communities.

OFFICE OF CAREER DEVELOPMENT AND ALUMNI SERVICES

Services for our Students

The Office of Career Development and Alumni Services aids students and alumni in finding permanent full- and part-time employment and summer jobs by serving as a clearinghouse for information on available positions in both the metropolitan Washington area and across the nation. This office provides job counseling to students; conducts seminars on resume writing, interviewing skills, and strategies; and coordinates on-campus interviews and job fairs.

CLINICAL PROGRAMS

Students may gain a great deal of practical experience during law school by participating in one or more of our clinical programs listed below:

Domestic Relations Legal Clinic

Students participate in in-office internships for 12 hours per week working on domestic relations cases with prominent domestic relations attorneys.

Clinic for Legal Assistance to Service Members (CLAS)

CLAS provides free legal services to members of the armed forces and their families on matters for which the military does not provide counsel.

Telemedicine Law Clinic

Students with an interest in the nexus of law, healthcare, and technology will find this program particularly challenging as they work on matters for the Center for Telemedicine Law, a nonprofit organization committed to analysis of legal and regulatory issues facing the evolving world of telemedicine and development of policy resources.

Legal Clinic

Through enrollment in this three-credit clinical program, students have the opportunity to work in judges' chambers of the Virginia Circuit, General District, or Juvenile and Domestic Relations Courts; the Office of the Public Defender; the Office of the Commonwealth's Attorney; the Office of Legal Aid; or a private attorney's office.

Law and Mental Illness Clinic

This clinic allows students to gain experience in the judicial, legislative, academic, and advocacy aspects of laws concerning the treatment of persons with severe mental illness as they represent petitioners in civil commitment proceedings.

Public Interest Law Clinic

Students enrolled in the Public Interest Law Clinic are exposed to a broad area of public interest law and public policy issues and have an opportunity to participate in practical legal activities in conjunction with the Washington Legal Foundation.

Board of Immigration Appeals Clinic

George Mason students serve as interns for the Board of Immigration Appeals within the Department of Justice's Executive Office of Immigration Review.

For expanded information on all clinics, visit www.law.gmu.edu/career/clinical_prog.html.

SUPERVISED EXTERNSHIP PROGRAM

George Mason's proximity to Washington, D.C., offers a wide range of supervised externship possibilities to our law students. The supervised externship program is designed to allow students who have completed one-third of their legal education to perform work outside of law school, for academic credit, under the supervision of an attorney.

JUDICIAL CLERKSHIPS

A judicial clerkship for one or two years following graduation is an excellent way to bridge the gap between law school and the practice of law. It also can be an extremely valuable step in an attorney's professional development and ultimate career success.

For expanded information, visit www.law.gmu.edu/career/clerkship.html.



FACULTY REPUTATION

One of the School of Law's greatest assets is our outstanding faculty. With some of the brightest minds in the legal academy, our faculty possesses significant professional experience in the practice of law and public policy. George Mason's faculty has enabled the school to become not only a fine place in which to receive a traditional legal education, but also one of the nation's premier centers for the study of economics- and technology-related legal matters.

- ◆ In a recent article, "New Educational Quality Ranking of U.S. Law Schools for 2003–2004," Professor Brian Leiter of the University of Texas ranks George Mason's law faculty 23rd in overall productivity and impact.
- ◆ Because George Mason University School of Law has one of the greatest concentrations of economics- and business-related legal scholars in the world—scholars who are among the most gifted in the United States—a legal education obtained at George Mason has exceptional value in today's competitive employment market.
- ◆ The School of Law's full-time faculty is complemented by a remarkable adjunct faculty that includes a number of federal and state court judges and well-established practitioners who deal with cutting-edge legal issues on a daily basis.



To view faculty biographies, visit www.law.gmu.edu/faculty/directory.php.

For a list of recent faculty publications, visit www.law.gmu.edu/faculty/publications.php.

THE LAW LIBRARY



George Mason's Law Library combines a collection of growing importance with high-technology support to ensure that our students and faculty have optimal access to all the resources they need for their legal studies. Located on three levels of the law school facility, the library houses more than 300 study carrels and table seats. Almost all of the study carrels and tables are wired with electrical and data connections so that students can plug in notebook computers to access the Internet, e-mail, LEXIS, and Westlaw. In addition, the School of Law has a wireless network that allows students, faculty, and staff members to use a laptop to check e-mail and surf the Web without connecting to a wired, Ethernet port. The library has two computer labs with a total of 50 computers, and eight group study rooms.

The library's collection consists of almost 432,475 volumes and volume equivalents. The collection is particularly strong in the areas of law and economics, business, economic theory and history, ethics and philosophy, tax, international law, and banking.

As a participant in the Federal Government Documents Depository system, the library regularly receives administrative decisions, executive agency reports, and other government documents.

The Law Library collects most American legal court reports, statutes, encyclopedias, digests, and indexes and has more than 5,559 serial subscriptions.

The Law Library has 16 full-time staff members, including seven librarians, as well as a number of part-time staff and student assistants. The librarians are trained as both librarians and lawyers and can provide students with a high level of assistance in using both print and online materials. Lab technicians from the university's Division of Instructional and Technology Support Services provide staffing for labs and assist students with the use of computer equipment and software.

For expanded information, visit www.law.gmu.edu/libtech.

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

George Mason offers students many ways to enhance their legal educations by becoming active in one or more of our student organizations. These organizations, listed below, not only add to the vitality of the law school, but also create valuable networking opportunities for students with special interests.

Alternative Dispute Resolution Society
American Bar Association/Law School Division
American Constitution Society for Law and Policy
American Inn of Court
Asian Pacific American Law Students Association
Association for Public Interest Law (APIL)
Association of Trial Lawyers of American (ATLA)
Black Law Students Association (BLSA)
Business Law Society
Christian Legal Society
Civil Rights Law Journal
Criminal Law Association
Delta Theta Phi
The Docket
Environmental Law Society
Federal Circuit Bar Journal
Federalist Society for Law and Public Policy
Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Law Students Association
George Mason Law Review
Honor Council
Intellectual Property Law Society (IPLS)
International Law Society
J. Reuben Clark Law Society
Jewish Law Students Association
Journal of Law, Economics and Policy
Law and Economics Society
Law Students for the Second Amendment
Literary Magazine: Creative Journal
Moot Court Board
Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity International
Phi Delta Phi International Legal Fraternity
Sports and Entertainment Law Society (SELS)
Student Bar Association
Technology and Critical Infrastructure Protection Association (TCIP)
Thomas More Society
Trial Advocacy Association
Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program
Women's Law Association

For expanded information, visit www.law.gmu.edu/students/orgs.php.



THE ADMISSIONS PROCESS

GENERAL INFORMATION

The admissions process at George Mason University School of Law is extremely competitive. The Admissions Committee reviews and considers each application in its entirety. First-year students are admitted only in the fall.

Early Decision Program

Students seeking an early decision must submit and complete their applications no later than December 15, 2005.

Early decisions will be made no later than **January 15, 2006.**

Applicants who apply but are not admitted on early decision will be considered in the standard admission process.

As part of the early decision application process, an applicant must certify that he or she will attend George Mason Law if admitted on early decision. In addition, applicants admitted on early decision must immediately withdraw applications pending at other law schools and refrain from submitting applications to any additional law schools.

Visit www.law.gmu.edu/admission/howtoapply.html.

Standard Admission Process

The standard application deadline for fall 2006 admission is April 1, 2006. Admission decisions are made on a rolling basis.

Detailed information concerning the application procedures for both first-year and transfer applicants is available as part of the application booklet and also may be found at www.law.gmu.edu/admission/onlineapp.html. Applicants may print out a completed application and mail it to the law school, or they may prepare and transmit the application electronically via LSAC.

ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible to matriculate, an applicant must have earned a baccalaureate degree from a college or university accredited by a regional accrediting association of the United States. Alternatively, applicants who have completed their undergraduate work at an institution outside of the United States must have their degrees certified as equivalent to those acquired in an accredited institution. Information regarding certifying agencies may be obtained from the Office of Admissions.

Application may be made during the final year of undergraduate study, and acceptance is contingent upon award of a baccalaureate degree before matriculation at the School of Law.

All applicants must take the LSAT. In addition, applicants who have earned or who are in the final year of working toward their baccalaureate degrees at an institution accredited by one of the regional U.S. accrediting agencies must register with the Law School Data Assembly Service (LSDAS).

APPLICANTS FOR THE ROBERT A. LEVY FELLOWSHIP IN LAW AND LIBERTY

Robert A. Levy Fellowships in Law & Liberty were created through the generosity of Dr. Robert A. Levy, a 1994 graduate of the law school. Through this generous fellowship program, Dr. Levy seeks to encourage young scholars to enter the academic field of law and economics by sponsoring their pursuit of a JD degree. Fellowship grants cover tuition and fees and provide a substantial stipend for up to three years. To be eligible for a Levy Fellowship, an applicant must either (1) have earned a PhD from an accredited university in economics, finance, political science, or a related field; or (2) have successfully completed all course work in one of the above fields and have passed the general exam for a PhD from an accredited university. Applicants for first-year admission who are also applying for the Levy Fellowship must, in addition to fulfilling all requirements for first-year applicants, provide a cover letter with the names of three references, a curriculum vitae, graduate school transcripts, and a copy of current research.

Visit www.law.gmu.edu/admission/levy.html.



TRANSFER ADMISSION

Admission of transfer students is highly selective. Only students who have completed one year at an ABA-accredited law school will be eligible for transfer admission. **The deadline for applying for transfer admission is July 1, 2006.**

VISITING LAW STUDENTS

The School of Law accepts a number of visiting students each semester and for the Summer Term. Students interested in visiting status at the law school should visit the School of Law web site at www.law.gmu.edu/admission/onlineapp.html.

ADMISSIONS INQUIRIES

Applicants who have questions or who would like to visit the law school for a tour or to sit in on a class should contact the Admissions Office at 703-993-8010 or via e-mail at arichar5@gmu.edu. Office hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

For expanded information, visit www.law.gmu.edu/admission.

FINANCING YOUR LEGAL EDUCATION

ESTIMATED COSTS FOR 2005-06

The following table shows the estimated tuition costs for full-time and part-time students at George Mason University School of Law for the 2005-06 academic year. These estimates are used in determining financial aid packages for law students. As estimates, these figures may vary slightly from the actual costs.

| Category | Estimated Costs for In-State Residents* | Estimated Costs for Out-of-State Residents** |
|---|---|--|
| Tuition (full-time) | \$12,936.00 | \$24,500.00 |
| Tuition (part-time**) | \$10,626.00 | \$20,125.00 |
| Estimated additional costs and living expenses (includes books) | \$16,098.00 | \$16,098.00 |
| Total estimated cost (full-time) | \$29,034.00 | \$40,598.00 |
| Total estimated cost (part-time) | \$26,724.00 | \$36,223.00 |

*In-state residents pay \$462 per credit hour, and out-of-state residents pay \$875 per credit hour. Tuition rates are subject to change at any time.

**Part-time tuition figures are based on the recommended first-year course load of 23 credit hours.

FINANCIAL AID

George Mason University's Office of Student Financial Aid, located at the Fairfax Campus, provides a variety of services to assist students in financing their education. George Mason University participates in the Federal Direct Loan Program.

Students must complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) each year as soon as possible after January 1. To receive priority consideration for available, applicable funds, the FAFSA must be received by the federal processor on or before March 1. Types of financial aid available include Direct Subsidized and Unsubsidized Stafford Loans, privately sponsored education loans, and Federal Work-Study.

Students who have questions may call the Direct On-Line Resource System (DOLARS) at 703-993-4GMU, visit the Office of Student Financial Aid on the World Wide Web (apollo.gmu.edu), or schedule an appointment to meet with a financial aid counselor. The financial aid office also schedules monthly on-site visits at the Arlington Campus.

Mason's Title IV school code is 003749. Students may call the financial aid office at 703-993-2353, or email finaid@gmu.edu.

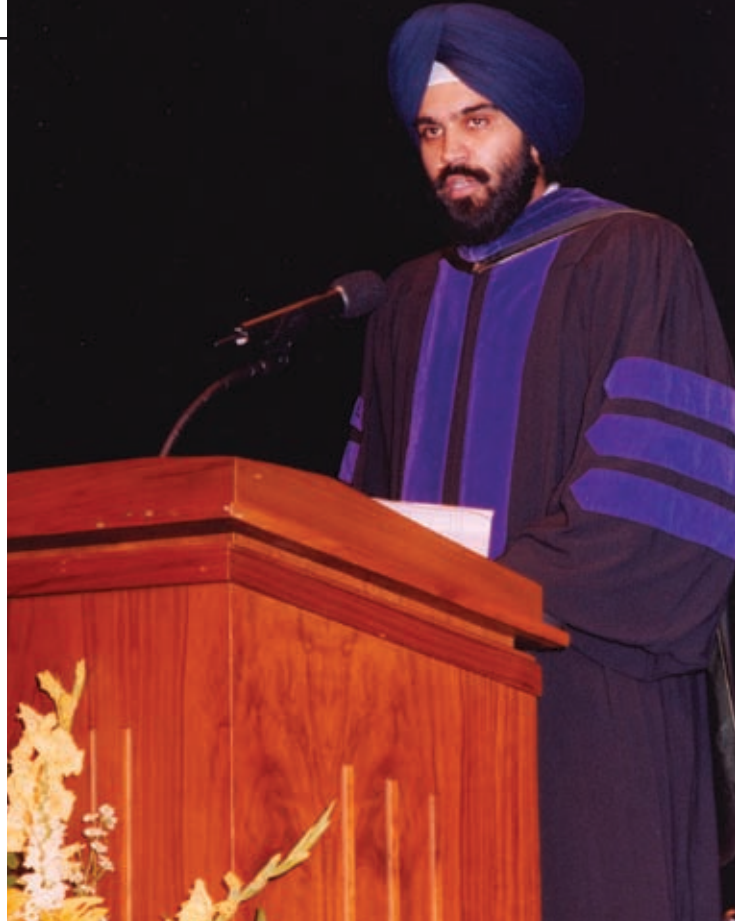
George Mason Law has a number of fellowships and scholarships available for law students. All scholarship awards are based upon merit as evidenced in applicants' applications for admission. No additional or special scholarship applications are required. All law students offered admission to the law school are considered for scholarship awards. For a detailed listing of the scholarships that are available, please visit www.law.gmu.edu/admission/money.html or apollo.gmu.edu/finaid.

DIVERSITY

At Mason we take pride in our student body, whose members come to us from every part of the nation and from many countries throughout the world. Our students range from recent college graduates in their twenties to senior citizens. Our evening program allows many nontraditional students to further their education while pursuing a career. The result is a mix of students within the law school that is rich in experience, knowledge, and professional background. Students bring varied and interesting perspectives to the classroom, and association with one another is an enriching experience in itself.

Mason students are provided many opportunities to expand their horizons through a multitude of student organizations and activities, all intended for both day and evening students.

With a student body of approximately 750, Mason's School of Law is small enough to allow meaningful interaction among students, faculty, and administrators while large enough to offer a broad spectrum of educational choices and student activities. At Mason, there really is something for everyone.



Chappell Graduation Images

George Mason is an equal opportunity and affirmative action institution committed to the principle that access to study or employment opportunities afforded by the university, including all benefits and privileges, be accorded to each person—student, faculty, staff member, or applicant for employment or admission—on the basis of individual merit without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, veteran status, disability, sexual orientation, sex, or age (except where sex or age is a bona fide occupational qualification). George Mason shall maintain a continuing affirmative action program to promote equal opportunity and to identify and eliminate discriminatory practices in every phase of university operations. Furthermore, affirmative action will be taken to ensure that opportunities afforded by the university are fully available to persons with disabilities, women, Vietnam veterans, and minorities. The university will make every reasonable accommodation to enable students or employees with disabilities to undertake work or study for which they qualify.

Inquiries regarding the university's equal opportunity and affirmative action programs may be made to the University Equity Office, Mason Hall, Room D105, George Mason University, Fairfax, VA 22030, telephone 703-993-8730.

George Mason University maintains the confidentiality of student education records pursuant to the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act. Once a student is enrolled, a student's name, address, telephone number, major, and e-mail address are subject to publication in the George Mason University Telephone Directory. Students who do not want to be listed in the campus telephone directory must submit a directory hold form to the registrar's office by 5 p.m. on the Friday of the first week of classes of the fall semester. George Mason University does not sell student contact information. However, because it is published in directory format, it is possible that unauthorized persons could access the information, thereby leading to unwanted solicitations.

George Mason University is an equal opportunity/affirmative action university and employer. Consistent with these principles and in compliance with the Student Right-to-Know Act, George Mason University publishes annual reports that disclose information about the athletic program and campus security. The campus security report includes campus crime statistics and is published annually by September 1. A copy may be obtained by calling 703-993-2816. The athletic reports include athletic participation and graduation rates and are published annually by October 15. A copy of either of these athletic reports may be obtained by calling Intercollegiate Athletics at 703-993-3204.

The list below is illustrative of the undergraduate institutions from which George Mason Law has drawn its students in recent years.

American University
Arizona State University
Auburn University
Barnard College
Bates College
Baylor University
Boston College
Boston University
Bowdoin College
Brandeis University
Brigham Young University
Brown University
Bryn Mawr College
Bucknell University
Campbell University
Carnegie Mellon University
Case Western Reserve University
Catholic University of America
Central Methodist College
Christopher Newport University
Clemson University
Colgate University
College of the Holy Cross
College of William and Mary
Colorado College
Columbia University
Cornell University
Dartmouth College
Davidson College
Drexel University
Duke University
Emory University
Florida International University
Furman University
George Mason University
George Washington University
Georgetown University
Georgia Institute of Technology
Gettysburg College
Grinnell College
Grove City College
Hamilton College
Hampden-Sydney College
Hampton University
Harvard University
Haverford College
Hobart and William Smith College
Hollins University
Jacksonville State University
James Madison University
Johns Hopkins University
Lehigh University
Lewis-Clark State College
Liberty University
Louisiana State University
Loyola University

Marquette University
Mary Washington College
Massachusetts Institute of Technology
McGill University
Michigan State University
Mississippi State University
Muhlenburg College
New York University
Northeastern University
Occidental College
Ohio State University
Ohio Wesleyan University
Old Dominion University
Oregon State University
Patrick Henry College
Pennsylvania State University
Princeton University
Providence College
Purdue University
Randolph-Macon College
Rice University
Roanoke College
Rutgers University
San Diego State University
Seton Hall University
Skidmore College
Smith College
St. Lawrence University
St. Louis University
Stanford University
State University of New York
Syracuse University
Temple University
Texas A&M University
Towson State University
Trinity University
Truman State University
Tulane University
Union College
U.S. Air Force Academy
U.S. Coast Guard Academy
U.S. Military Academy
U.S. Naval Academy
University of Alabama
University of Arizona
University of California, Berkeley
University of California, Davis
University of California, Los Angeles
University of California, Santa Barbara
University of Chicago
University of Cincinnati
University of Colorado
University of Delaware
University of Denver
University of Florida
University of Georgia

University of Hawaii
University of Illinois
University of Kansas
University of Kentucky
University of Maine
University of Maryland
University of Massachusetts
University of Memphis
University of Miami
University of Michigan
University of Montana
University of Nebraska
University of Nevada
University of New Hampshire
University of New Mexico
University of North Carolina
University of North Dakota
University of Notre Dame
University of Oklahoma
University of Pennsylvania
University of Pittsburgh
University of Richmond
University of Rhode Island
University of Rochester
University of San Francisco
University of Scranton
University of South Carolina
University of Tennessee
University of Texas
University of the South
University of Utah
University of Vermont
University of Virginia
University of Washington
University of Western Ontario
University of Wisconsin
University of Wyoming
Utah State University
Valparaiso University
Vanderbilt University
Vassar College
Villanova University
Virginia Commonwealth University
Virginia Military Institute
Virginia Polytechnic Institute
and State University
Virginia State University
Wake Forest University
Washington & Jefferson College
Washington and Lee University
Washington University
Wellesley College
West Virginia University
Williams College
Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Yale University



3301 Fairfax Drive, Arlington, Virginia 22201

Information: 703-993-8010

Fax: 703-993-8088

www.law.gmu.edu

