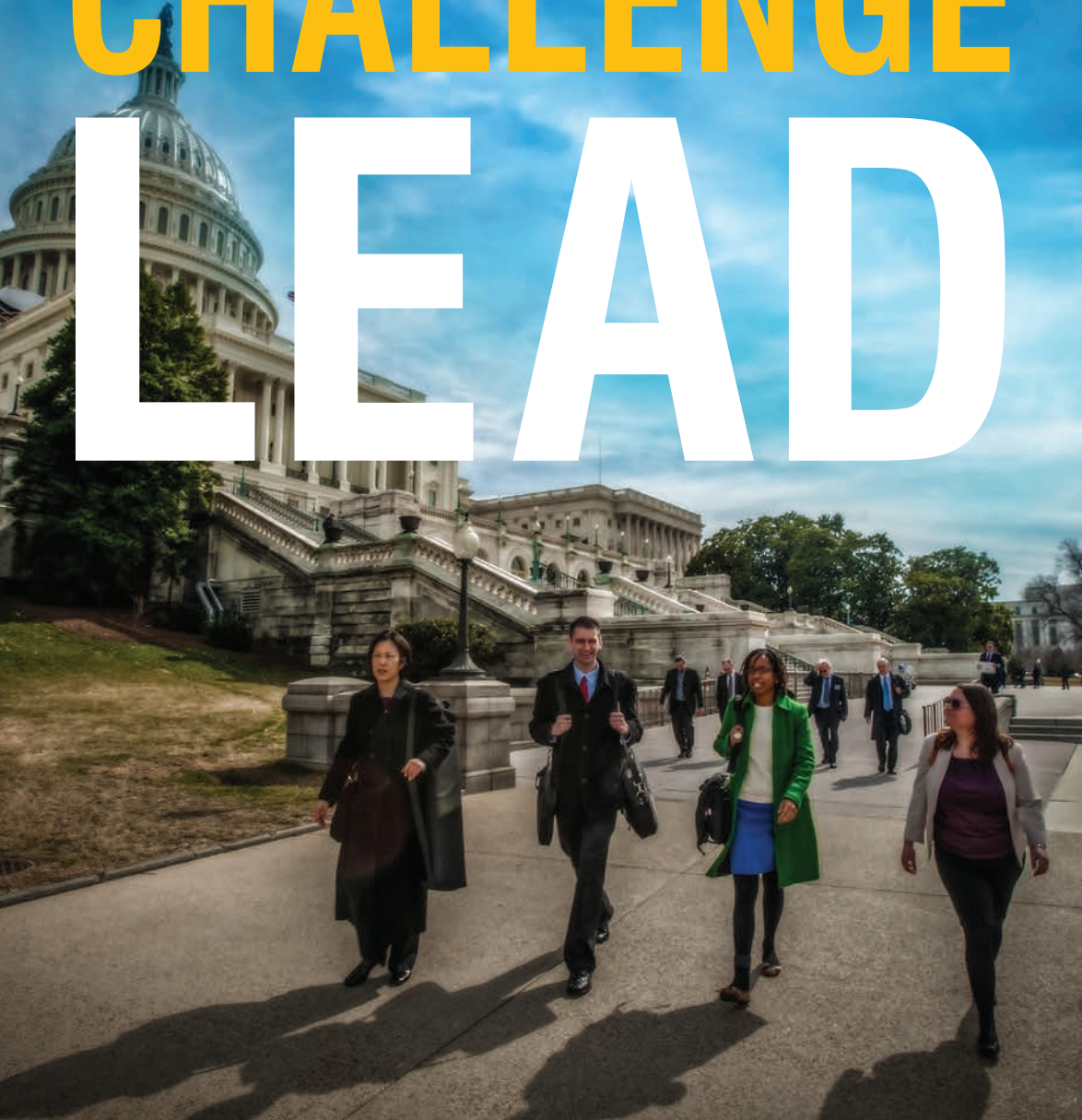




ANTONIN SCALIA
LAW SCHOOL

LEARN
CHALLENGE
LEAD



OUR SCHOOL

CAN BE DEFINED

BY THREE WORDS:



LEARN. CHALLENGE. LEAD.



George Mason University Antonin Scalia Law School is defined by three words: Learn. Challenge. Lead. Students receive an outstanding legal education (**Learn**), are taught to critically evaluate prevailing orthodoxy and pursue new ideas (**Challenge**), and, ultimately, are well prepared to distinguish themselves in their chosen fields (**Lead**). It has been one of America's top-ranked law schools for the last fifteen years.

As you review this book, you will find our school rests on four fundamental pillars that will allow you to learn, challenge, and lead.

1. Scalia Law School provides an **exceptional location** for student opportunities.
2. Scalia Law School offers an **exceptional community** for its students, alumni, faculty, and staff.
3. Scalia Law School delivers **exceptional career** support services.
4. Scalia Law School is home to an **exceptional market-oriented faculty**, which places us at the center of foundational debates on liberty, private property rights, constitutionally limited government, and the economic analysis of law.

We use the word "exceptional" intentionally. Our goal is to deliver superior customer service to help you achieve your goals.

HENRY N. BUTLER

Dean and Professor of Law

George Mason University Antonin Scalia Law School



LEARN MORE AT
LAW.GMU.EDU

GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY ANTONIN SCALIA LAW SCHOOL IS LOCATED JUST MINUTES FROM DOWNTOWN WASHINGTON, D.C., THE NEXUS FOR THE CREATION OF THE WORLD'S MOST IMPORTANT LEGISLATION AND JURISPRUDENCE.

#1

Best City for
Young Attorneys
– Washington, D.C.
(The National Jurist)

During the past decade, Scalia Law School has been at the forefront of curricular innovation. Seizing on both rapid changes in the legal profession and the invaluable asset our location provides, Scalia Law School has pioneered a unique curriculum that compliments traditional classroom instruction with practical training opportunities in metropolitan Washington, D.C.

LAW AND ECONOMICS

Scalia Law School is home to an interdisciplinary faculty, many of whom hold JDs and doctorates in economics, philosophy, or other related fields, and the Law and Economics Center, a junction for academic research and education that focuses on the timely and relevant economic analysis of legal and public policy issues confronting policymakers worldwide. Given these assets, the law school's curriculum integrates economic and quantitative tools, stressing the application of non-legal methods in legal contexts. Graduates leave law school with a unique skillset that can be particularly valuable in Washington, D.C.

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

The Washington, D.C., metropolitan area is an established center for the practice of intellectual property (IP) law, with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (government headquarters for patents, trademarks, and copyrights), and the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit (which has sole appellate jurisdiction over patent cases) located minutes away from the law school. Moreover, Scalia Law School houses the Center for the Protection of Intellectual Property, which brings together scholars, industry leaders, inventors, creators, and policymakers to examine foundational questions and current controversies concerning intellectual property rights.

NATIONAL SECURITY LAW AND POLICY

Scalia Law School has a strong commitment to identifying legal and policy solutions that both safeguard constitutional liberties and enable a robust national defense. In order to meet the today's demand for national security, the law school welcomed the National Security Institute (NSI) as a complement to its National Security Law and Policy concentration. The NSI incorporates a realistic assessment of the threats facing the United States and its allies, as well as an appreciation of the legal and practical challenges facing U.S. intelligence, defense, law enforcement, homeland security, and cybersecurity communities.



**SCALIA LAW SCHOOL
IS CONVENIENTLY
LOCATED ACROSS THE
POTOMAC MINUTES
FROM DOWNTOWN
WASHINGTON, D.C.**

A PLACE TO

**LIVE AND
PLAY.**

- Convenient public and mass transportation
- Hours from Baltimore, Philadelphia, and New York City
- Miles of dedicated running and biking paths
- Over 50 free museums
- Sports: Nationals, Redskins, Wizards, Mystics & Capitals
- Washington, D.C. National Mall and Monuments
- World-class food scene



A PLACE TO **LEARN** AND PRACTICE.

- 1 U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
- 2 U.S. Supreme Court
- 3 Arlington County Courthouse
- 4 U.S. Court of Appeals
- 5 U.S. Congress Externship Opportunities

OTHER VIRGINIA OPPORTUNITIES

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office / Virginia Practice Supervised Externships

“ I chose Mason for its location, its price, and its exceptional preparation for the legal field. Its close proximity to Washington, D.C. has provided me with year-round opportunities to intern with the federal government, experience D.C.’s private sector, and meet some of D.C.’s most accomplished attorneys, at an unparalleled price. ”

– MANMEET DHINDSA, Class of '16

LEARN.

STUDY
UNDER SOME
OF THE BEST SCHOLARS
IN THE FIELD

SCALIA LAW SCHOOL FACULTY BY THE NUMBERS



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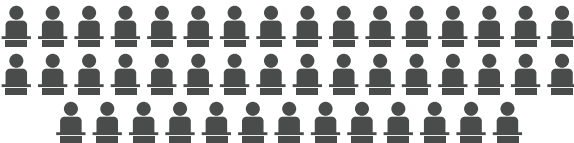
Student/Faculty Ratio



4 Emeritus



12 Distinguished Adjuncts



45 Full-Time

“ Mason has what I think is the best faculty in the country. What is more, given Mason’s small size and great teacher to student ratio, each faculty member is at every student’s disposal, and their doors are always open. ”

– **TIM GEVERD**

Litigation Associate, Kirkland & Ellis
Class of '14



#2

Scalia Law School faculty are #2 among total downloads per author among law schools

- According to Social Science Research Network in 2017

#21

Ranked 21st in Scholarly Impact

- According to Social Science Research Network in 2015



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U.S. SUPREME COURT BOBBLEHEADS

Scalia Law School is #1 in Supreme Court bobbleheads because Scalia Law School Professor Ross Davies founded the infamous *The Green Bag*, the only U.S. law journal with permission to produce bobbleheads of the Supreme Court justices.



CONCENTRATIONS

IF YOU WISH TO DEVELOP EXPERTISE IN A PARTICULAR SUBSTANTIVE AREA OR RANGE OF AREAS, WE OFFER SPECIALIZED PROGRAMS:

Antitrust Law

Communications Law

Corporate and Securities Law

Criminal Law

Immigration Law

Intellectual Property Law

International Business Law

Legal and Economic Theory

Litigation Law

National Security Law & Policy

Patent Law

Personal Law

Regulatory Law

Tax Law

Technology Law

4 MASTER OF LAWS PROGRAMS

Global Antitrust Law & Economics LLM

Intellectual Property LLM

- Patent Focus

- Technology Focus

Law & Economics LLM

U.S. Law LLM

CHALLENGE.

**CRITICALLY
EVALUATE
CURRENT
DOCTRINE
IN PURSUIT OF
FUNDAMENTAL
PRINCIPLES**

Gain exposure to economic concepts such as statistics, finance, and accounting, which play a crucial role in determining the outcome of legal disputes. Earn a law degree that builds on your values and allows you to impact the future.

- ▶ **WE OFFER A PLATFORM FOR FREE SPEECH AND RIGOROUS DEBATE.**
- ▶ **WE ENCOURAGE INNOVATIVE THINKING IN LAW AND POLICY.**
- ▶ **WE VALUE THE SPIRIT AND LIBERTY OF THE INDIVIDUAL.**

2 JOINT DEGREE PROGRAMS

LAW & BUSINESS (JD/MBA)

The JD/MBA at Scalia Law School is unique in that full-time students can complete it in 3 years.

LAW & PUBLIC POLICY (JD/MPP)

The JD/MPP provides students with an opportunity to master the fundamentals of legal and policy analysis. It provides students with full legal training and a solid understanding of public policy, preparing them for careers in legal academia, government, and policymaking.



SCALIA LAW SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS


#13
Best school for public interest/government careers
(National Jurist Magazine)


30+
Student Organizations

4 
Legal Research, Writing, and Analysis courses required



ELIF AKSOY CREDITS MASON'S RIGOROUS FOUR SEMESTER WRITING REQUIREMENT AS A DIFFERENCE MAKER IN HER LEGAL EXPERIENCES.

“ During my internships, I realized the value of Mason’s writing program. The brief I helped write for Mason’s Supreme Court Clinic was even cited in an opinion. ”

– **ELIF AKSOY**
Associate, Jones Day, Class of '16



ATTORNEY ADVISOR FOR THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION'S WIRELINE COMPETITION BUREAU, KRISTINE FARGOTSTEIN, CLASS OF '12, TAKES THE LEGAL SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE SHE GAINED FROM LAW SCHOOL AND APPLIES THEM TO SHAPING SOUND COMMUNICATIONS LAW POLICIES ON THE FEDERAL LEVEL.

“ Mason Law supported and encouraged me in creating a dedicated communications law concentration as part of the curriculum. The theoretical background I gained, combined with practical experiences, made me well prepared to work on some of the most important communications policy issues of our time, such as the Open Internet. ”

– **KRISTINE FARGOTSTEIN**
Class of '12



55% OF GRADUATES SINCE 2013 WERE JOURNAL MEMBERS

- George Mason Law Review
- Civil Rights Law Journal
- The Journal of Law, Economics & Policy
- The Journal of International Commercial Law
- National Security Law Journal





LEAD.

BE PREPARED TO LEAD IN YOUR CAREER IN LAW

A VARIETY OF PRACTICAL EXPERIENCES

The law school's location, near the Arlington County Court, gives Scalia Law School students unparalleled opportunities to gain substantial practical experience while in law school. Students will benefit from the close, established relationships the school has developed on Capitol Hill, in federal and state courts, the Federal Trade Commission, the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the U.S. Department of Justice, Reporters Committee for Freedom of the Press, and The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.



“ My aspirations were always to work in a field where regulatory law, policy, and government affairs intersected. George Mason's proximity to the nation's capital allowed me to explore precisely that, which is what I've always dreamed of doing. ”

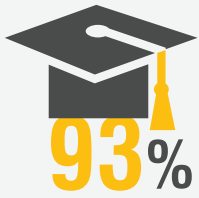
– **CYNTHIA ALEJANDRE**
Government Strategy Advisor, NV Energy
Class of '14



“ Mason is special because it so effectively incorporates economic analysis into the study of law. Plenty of law schools will teach you what the law is, but Mason goes further by teaching its students how to use economic tools to analyze what the law should be. ”

– **JASON DERR**
Attorney, Office of the Inspector General
Class of '13

SCALIA LAW SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS



**93% OF 2015 GRADUATES
EMPLOYED FULL-TIME OR
PURSUING AN ADVANCED DEGREE**


CAREER PATHS OF GRADUATES OVER THE PAST 3 YEARS

40% ▶  PRIVATE PRACTICE

21% ▶  GOVERNMENT

17% ▶  BUSINESS

10% ▶  JUDICIAL CLERKSHIPS

12% ▶  OTHER
Includes Public Interest and Academia

CAREER AND ACADEMIC SERVICES PROGRAMMING

- ACADEMIC ASSISTANCE
- ALUMNI CONNECTIONS & MENTORS
- APPLICATION REVIEW
- BAR EXAM SUPPORT
- COMMUNICATIONS TRAINING
- COURSE PLANNING
- DIVERSITY & INCLUSION TRAINING
- EVENT ASSISTANCE
- FACULTY MENTORS
- INTERVIEW TRAINING
- LEADERSHIP & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TRAINING
- MEDIA TRAINING
- NETWORKING EVENTS
- ONE-ON-ONE COUNSELING
- PROFESSIONAL HEADSHOTS
- RECRUITING PROGRAMS
- STUDENT MENTORS
- SUBSCRIPTION SERVICES

CLINICAL OPPORTUNITIES

- ADMINISTRATIVE LAW CLINIC
- ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT ADVOCACY CLINIC
- LAW & MENTAL ILLNESS CLINIC
- M-VETS—MASON VETERANS & SERVICEMEMBERS LEGAL CLINIC
- NATIONAL SECURITY LAW CLINIC
- PRACTICAL PREPARATION OF PATENT APPLICATIONS
- SUPREME COURT CLINIC

APPLY.

A CHOICE OF PROGRAMS: **FULL-TIME & PART-TIME**

\$30M

to be awarded in scholarship between 2016 and 2021

STUDENTS ATTENDING SCALIA LAW SCHOOL MAY PURSUE FULL-TIME OR PART-TIME STUDY. UNLIKE MANY OTHER LAW SCHOOLS, THE FULL AND PART-TIME PROGRAMS STAND ON EQUAL FOOTING.




“ Mason is a small school where students get to know each other, the faculty, and the administrators very well. This familiarity leads to a personal touch, and Mason’s personal touches are delivered with care and with kindness. I couldn’t imagine myself anywhere else. ”


– **ROD HARRELL**


Part-Time Student, Full-Time Pilot, 2015-16 Law Review Editor-in-Chief, Class of '17

2016 **ENTERING CLASS**


179
Matriculants


96
Males


83
Females


86 VA residents
93 non-residents


From 8 countries and 32 states + D.C.

162  **3.66**
Median LSAT Median GPA

First-year law students take a preset curriculum, taught by the full-time faculty. After the first year, each student has a wealth of course options from which to choose. Every student has access to the same career service, clinic, and student organization opportunities, as well as the ability to switch between the full and part-time programs to accommodate employment opportunities.

FULL-TIME DIVISION

365

TOTAL STUDENTS

Full-time students traditionally take 14 to 15 credits each semester, typically completing the 89 credit hours required for graduation in 3 years. Daytime classes are held between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday; although, after the first year, many full-time students elect to take courses offered in the evening (6:00 p.m. and later) as well.

PART-TIME DIVISION

153

TOTAL STUDENTS

Part-time students will average 10 or 11 credit hours each semester, typically completing the 89 credit hours required for graduation in 4 years. Evening classes are regularly scheduled between 6:00 and 10:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, but after the first year, part-time students are eligible to take daytime classes. Part-time students should be prepared to attend class five nights a week for at least the first year of law school.

U.S. News

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Part-Time Program
by U.S. News & World Report

VISIT OUR CAMPUS

- **Take a tour and observe a class.**
- **Meet with an admissions counselor.**
- **Special events for admitted students throughout the spring and summer.**

We invite prospective students to visit our campus, tour our law school, and sit in on a class. We offer formal tours and information sessions each semester.

If prospective students are unable to make a scheduled tour time, they are welcome to visit the school at any time.

TOURS & INFORMATION SESSIONS

Prospective students should contact the Admissions Office to register for a tour and classroom visit at least 48 hours in advance.

To register, please call 703-993-8010 or email lawadmit@gmu.edu. Classroom visits are limited to three to five prospective students at a time.



THE ADMISSIONS PROCESS

THE ADMISSIONS PROCESS AT MASON IS VERY COMPETITIVE AND HIGHLY SELECTIVE DUE TO THE VOLUME OF APPLICATIONS AND THE LIMITED NUMBER OF SEATS IN THE ENTERING CLASS. WHILE THE LSAT AND GPA ARE PRIMARY FACTORS IN DECISIONS, APPLICATIONS ARE REVIEWED IN THEIR ENTIRETY TO ENROLL THE MOST DIVERSE AND ACADEMICALLY PREPARED CLASS POSSIBLE.

“ It is the quality of my peers that truly sets Mason apart. Mason is a true community, and it is reflected every day in how classmates interact with each other. Whether it is to help a fellow student understand a case, study for a class, succeed in an extracurricular activity, or find a job, Mason students are there for each other. Law school has its ups and downs, and being surrounded by friends who help you through your academic and personal challenges will make your three years immensely better. ”

– **ANDREW BLOCK**

Legislative Correspondent, U.S. House of Representatives
Class of '17

JD APPLICATION CHECKLIST

THE JD APPLICATION DEADLINES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

December 15 - Mason Law Scholar
January 15 - Early Decision Application
April 1 - Standard Application

- Apply through LSAC.org
- Application fee: waived at checkout
- LSAT score within 5 years from application date
- CAS Report including transcripts and 2 letters of recommendation
- Resumé
- “Why Scalia Law School” statement
- Personal statement
- Character & Fitness questions and descriptions (if applicable)
- Application for in-state residency (if applicable)

LLM APPLICATION CHECKLIST

THE LLM APPLICATION DEADLINES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

June 1 - Fall Admission
December 1 - Spring Admission

- Apply through LSAC.org
- Application fee: \$75
- Official transcripts
- 500-word statement of interest
- Resumé
- 2 letters of recommendation
- Interview



VISITING & TRANSFER STUDENTS

Students attending other law schools may apply for visiting status for one semester through LSAC.org. Students who have completed one year at an ABA-accredited law school may apply to transfer through LSAC.org.

FROM THE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF LAW TO THE ANTONIN SCALIA LAW SCHOOL

1972

The International School of Law opens in Washington, D.C. with 7 administrators and 12 faculty members on the basis of encouraging more intimacy between students and faculty through small classes—a guiding principle that holds true today.

1977

The law school moves to Arlington, Virginia to expand services, including a law library, study spaces, faculty and administrative offices, and parking, for its growing student body.

1979

George Mason University absorbs the law school, satisfying the demand for increased educational opportunities for the growing population of Northern Virginia.

1986

Desiring to be more than “just another good law school” and with the help of George Mason’s first Nobel Laureate in Economics, James M. Buchanan, the University attracts well-known innovator and entrepreneur Henry G. Manne to the deanship of the law school.

1986-87

Under Manne’s leadership, the law school undergoes a dramatic change of academic philosophy, adopting an interdisciplinary approach to the study of law that incorporates economics as an essential tool for legal and policy analysis.

1988-89

The law school’s reputation for nurturing a competitive marketplace for ideas grows, and *US News & World Report* identifies it as an “up and coming new law school.”

1999

The law school relocates to a brand new 150,000 square-foot facility, Hazel Hall.

2002

US News & World Report ranks the law school in the Top-50 Best Law schools for the first time, and the school remains in the top tier to this day.

2010

Professor Henry N. Butler, a leader in law and economics research and education to policymakers, returns to the law school to run The Law and Economics Center started by Dean Manne.

2015

The law school welcomes its next Dean, Henry N. Butler, who brings with him a commitment to providing an exceptional educational experience to students.

2016

The University announces the renaming of the law school in honor of the late Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia, whose reputation for rigorous, intellectually honest, and consistent legal debate accurately reflects the school’s historic brand and whose career embodies the school’s motto of “Learn. Challenge. Lead.”



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– DEAN HENRY N. BUTLER



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