

ACADEMICALLY BASED LAW SCHOOL PIPELINE PROGRAMS
(For research purposes only – please confirm all program details & dates)

Arizona State University Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law – Pipeline to Law Initiative

The Pipeline to Law Initiative includes:

Early Outreach: visit elementary, middle and high school classrooms to share information about the law and legal careers using age appropriate materials and culturally relevant information.

Pre-Law Advising: offer LSAT prep programs and prelaw advising sessions to Native American students. Intensive prelaw sessions at various locations will include guidance on the law school application process, financial aid and the LSAT.

Mentorship Opportunities: facilitate multilevel mentorship between high school students, college students, law students and attorneys.

Eligibility:

Program Dates:

Website Link:

Location:

Contact:

For People of Color Conference (FPOC) at various law schools

This event will provide attendees with a comprehensive overview of the law school application process. Current law students and administrators will provide advice on how best to navigate the law school application process. Continental breakfast and lunch will be provided. Free LSAT courses will be raffled during the event. UCLA School of Law students will review your personal statement and other application. (You must attend the conference in order to receive feedback.) If you would like your personal statement reviewed, please send it to fpcstatements@gmail.com.

Eligibility: Registration is required.

Program Dates: One-day event, day varies per school

Website Link: <https://forpeopleofcolor.org/>

Location: varies

Pre-Law Summer Institute (PLSI) for American Indians and Alaska Natives, American Indian Law Center, Inc.

PLSI is an intensive two-month program, which prepares American Indian and Alaska Native individuals for the rigors of law school by essentially replicating the first semester of law school. Likened to boot camp by many former participants, the PLSI concentrates its content into eight weeks of instruction, research and study, teaching students the unique methods of law school research, analysis, and writing. The success of the PLSI in providing a nationally respected pre-law orientation can be traced to its original and continuing intent — that it be based on sound legal education principles, and not function as a philosophical, political, or cultural training ground. For more than four decades, the Law Center has remained dedicated to providing valid training in the skills required for the study of law.

Eligibility: Any American Indian or Alaska Native who plans to attend law school may benefit greatly from attending the Institute the summer before.

Program Dates: approximately June 1-July 27

Application deadline: March 23, 2018

Contact: nesbitt@ailc-inc.org, caveparnell@law.unm.edu or (505) 277-5462

Website Link: <http://www.ailc-inc.org/PLSI.htm>

Location: Albuquerque, New Mexico

Baruch College – CUNY (Max Berger Pre-Law Program Summer Institute for Alumni and Current Students)

The **Max Berger Pre-law Summer Institute** offers numerous opportunities to students of all majors interested in preparing for or simply exploring the possibility of a future career in the legal profession. Highlights of the program include individualized pre-law advisement, networking and mentoring, internship opportunities, writing workshops, LSAT Preparation, law school application assistance and experiential learning experiences such as mock trial and moot court. In addition, high achieving freshman, sophomore, and juniors currently enrolled are encouraged to apply to participate in the **Max Berger Pre-Law Fellows Program**, a comprehensive law school preparatory program geared towards training Baruch College students to gain admission to the nation's top law schools(application due April 26, 2018). In addition, current students are encouraged to apply for the **Max Berger Pre-Law Unpaid Internship Stipend Program** which provides financial assistance to current Baruch College undergraduate students who complete an unpaid legal internship with a public sector (i.e. government or non-profit) legal employer while encouraging them to develop their professional and educational goals through programs offered by the Max Berger Pre Law Program at Baruch College (Summer deadline to apply, 5/15/2018; Fall deadline, 9/4/2018; Spring Deadline, 12/13/2018). Lastly, students may apply for the **Max Berger Pre-Law LSAT Reimbursement Program** which provides financial support for current students and recent graduates who have taken a commercial LSAT preparation course (Application due within 60 days of receiving LSAT score).

Eligibility: Baruch College Alumni & current students with an interest in learning more about law school and the admissions process

Program Dates: approximately from May 29 to June 1

Application deadline: May 1, 2018, send by mail only (no email submissions)

Contact: Tina Coco, Pre-law Advisor at tina.coco@baruch.cuny.edu or 646.312.4693.

Website Link: http://www.baruch.cuny.edu/careers/law/law_activities.html

Location: New York, New York

Chapman University Dale E. Fowler School of Law, Pre-Law Undergraduate Scholars (PLUS) Program

The DiscoverLaw.org Pre-Law Undergraduate Scholars (PLUS) Program establishes a supportive learning community that encourages college students to reach for success and provides a foundational understanding for students seeking to become a lawyer. The five-week residential program will: develop academic principles to prepare students to be successful in upper division and furthermore, professional school; introduce students to professional development skills necessary to

be an attorney; and encourage students to serve their community and demonstrate how to use their skills effectively.

Eligibility: Targeted, but not restricted to, college students from underrepresented groups; currently enrolled college students with at least 24 units but no more than 72 units completed; and minimum cumulative GPA of 2.50 or higher.

Program Dates: June 19-July 19, 2018

Application Deadline: April 13, 2018

Contact: Allison Takeda at takeda@chapman.edu or 714.628.2515 or lawplus@chapman.edu

Website Link: <https://chapman.edu/law/lawplus/index.aspx>

Location: Orange, California

City of Temecula - Cultivating Connections: Paving a Way to Law School Program

Cultivating Connections is a grassroots, collective coalition formed to create a safe networking environment for undergraduate and graduate level students who aspire to attend law school. The founders are dedicated to the passion of sharing knowledge and information, which is an invaluable resource for all pre-law students who have the desire to become law students.

This first of its kind program reaches out to students across southern California. Students then have the ability to learn directly from one another while attending networking events as well as having access to legal mentorships. This association will bring pre-law students the assurance they need to become successful in their legal endeavors.

Eligibility: Unspecified, open to undergraduate and graduate students.

Program Dates: Monday July 2, 2018 – Friday August 10, 2018

Application Deadline: Friday June 22, 2018

Contact: prelaw.program@gmail.com

Website Link: Unavailable

Location: Temecula, California

The University of Alabama School of Law, Pre-Law Undergraduate Scholars (PLUS) Program

The University of Alabama Pre-law Undergraduate Scholars program (“PLUS”) offers a unique and unforgettable experience for college students who are interested in the legal profession. During the four-week program, The University of Alabama PLUS Scholars will be enrolled in several core courses which combine lecture, guest speakers and visits to law offices and courts. Students will also network with practicing lawyers, judicial representatives and law school admissions and career counselors. The rigorous curriculum, application and admissions training, and professional and personal development opportunities will help position students from diverse groups to compete for admissions to, enroll in, and thrive during law school.

Eligibility: This program targets college students who have just completed either their first or second year with at least a 2.5 GPA.

Program Dates: June 3 – June 29, 2018

Application Deadline: March 31, 2018

Contact: Program Director Daiquiri J. Steele at dstele@law.ua.edu or (205) 348-4541

Website Link: <https://www.law.ua.edu/diversity/pre-law-undergraduate-scholars-plus/>

Location: Tuscaloosa, Alabama

Duke University School of Law, Pre-Law Undergraduate Scholars (PLUS) Program

The [DiscoverLaw.org Pre-Law Undergraduate Scholars \(PLUS\) Program](#) at Duke Law School is a 4-week residential program held on the campus of Duke University that aims to introduce talented rising college sophomores and juniors to the study of law and to the legal profession. The program targets students from colleges and universities in the Southeast region of the United States with a focus on Historically Black Colleges and Universities and Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities. As a leading law school in the South, Duke considers the program a significant opportunity to encourage larger numbers of students in the region to not only consider law school but to be prepared to pursue it successfully. While the program is targeted primarily to first- and second-year students of color, we will also seek to include first-generation college students.

Eligibility: The PLUS Program is open to students who have completed their freshman or sophomore years at four-year colleges and universities, technical colleges and community colleges. Eligible students will have completed between 24 and 60 credits by the start of the PLUS Program. The program focuses on attracting promising students from groups historically underrepresented in the legal profession, first generation college students and those from socioeconomically disadvantaged backgrounds, as well as students facing other significant barriers to entering the legal profession. Preference is given to students who have signed up for [DiscoverLaw.org](#).

Program Dates: June 3 – June 29, 2018

Application Deadline: April 1, 2018

Contact: Program Director Ebony Bryant at dlpp@law.duke.edu or (919) 613-7022

Website Link: <https://law.duke.edu/plusprogram/>

Location: Durham, North Carolina

Charles Hamilton Houston Prelaw Institute (CHH), Georgetown Law, Washington, DC

The CHH Institute, as it is affectionately called, was founded by Attorney Donald M. Temple in the summer of 1979. The first two years of CHH offered concise summary lectures. In 1981, then Georgetown Associate Dean, Everett Bellamy, joined forces with Mr. Temple. By year six, CHH expanded into an intense seven week program with approximately 100 class hours, a dynamic and comprehensive curriculum, a complement of six accomplished law professors-practitioners, and multiple guest lecturers.

CHH, now in its 38th year, has been recognized by both the Washington and National Bar Associations for its unique and engaging preparation of students, as well as the commemoration of the life and work of Charles Hamilton Houston. Its graduates have attended more than 50 different law schools throughout the nation including Howard, Georgetown, George Washington, Temple, American, University of Maryland, William and Mary, Columbia, Fordham, University of Virginia, UCLA, Harvard, University of Pennsylvania, Texas Southern, University of Florida, Florida A&M, Tulane, Vanderbilt, and the University of Chicago.

Eligibility: Program requests official transcripts from each institution attended, 2-3 page personal statement and two letters of recommendation.

Cost: \$1,500

Program Dates: June 9 – July 27, 2018

Application Deadline: Wednesday June 6, 2018

Contact: Via Website

Website Link: <http://www.chhprelawinstitute.org/>

Location: Georgetown University Law Center, Washington, D.C.

Charles Hamilton Houston Scholars Program (CHHSP), University of Baltimore School of Law

The CHHSP program provides each participating scholar with an opportunity to form a mentoring relationship with a member of the Baltimore City legal community and to experience the practice of law through “At the Bar” Chats (round-table discussions with successful minority attorneys), Law Path Experiences (guest speakers from the legal profession) and mini-internships at law firms and other legal institutions. The program focuses on the challenges often faced by minority students who may not have had or have utilized the social, experiential and cultural capital that facilitates success and enhances confidence. A weekly workshop—designed and conducted by experts in this field—also helps empower students to meet and overcome these challenges.

Eligibility: Candidates who have completed their freshmen or sophomore years of college are eligible to apply. Applicants must demonstrate leadership ability and active involvement in their schools and communities. It is not necessary to have prior experience or knowledge in the field of law. Candidates must be US citizens or permanent residents to be eligible.

Program Dates: May 29 – June 8, 2018

Application Deadline: May 11, 2018

Contact: chhsp@ubalt.edu

Website Link: <http://law.ubalt.edu/admissions/diversity/chhsp/>

Location: Baltimore, Maryland

Chicago-Kent College of Law, Pre-Law Undergraduate Scholars (PLUS) Program

This rigorous free three-week summer program is designed to prepare students for law school or a career in the legal profession by helping them to develop essential core competencies needed to succeed in these areas. The program targets undergraduate college students from groups that are underrepresented in the legal profession. The program seeks to (1) provide participants with a deeper understanding of legal education via the program’s rigorous doctrinal and experiential skills-based curriculum; (2) help participants develop essential core competencies needed to succeed in the law school application and admissions process, as well as insight into navigating the process; and (3) expose students to a wide range of career paths within the legal profession.

Eligibility: The PLUS program is for college students who will not have received their bachelor's degree by the start of the program; however, preference is given to those who will have completed their first or second year. Students who have already completed a bachelor's degree, or who have participated in any other PLUS Program are not eligible.

Program Dates: June 3 - June 22, 2018

Application Deadline: March 1, 2018

Contact: Theda Mickey at plus@kentlaw.edu or (312) 906-5133

Website Link: <https://www.kentlaw.iit.edu/academics/pre-law-undergraduate-scholars-program>

Location: Chicago, Illinois

CLEO, Attitude is Essential (AIE) Seminar

Eligibility: The AIE Seminar is for first year law students entering an ABA-approved Law School.

Program Dates: June-July 2018

Contact: cleo@americanbar.org or (240) 582-8600

Website Link: <https://cleo.org/aie/>

Location: varies (CA, DC, IL, NY, TX)

CLEO Pre-Law Summer Institute

A multi-week online and residential program designed to prepare participants to be more competitive law school students. Those who successfully complete the program become CLEO Fellows or CLIC Scholars. Scholars will learn how to read and brief court opinions, prepare for law school exams, write exams using the IRAC form, conquer workload, time and stress in law school, experience the Socratic method through simulated law school classes, and begin to build a network of other successful law students.

Eligibility: CLEO recruits individuals who have a strong desire to join the legal profession. Applicants must be eligible to attend an ABA-approved law school at the completion of the program. Applicants must also have obtained a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university prior to the start of the summer institute.

Program Dates: June 10 – July 7, 2018

Application Deadline: Early decision: November 30, 2018 and Regular Decision: March 31, 2018

Contact: cleo@cleo.org

Website Link: <https://cleo.org/programs/plsi/>

Location: Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Summer Law Institute, Legal Outreach

The Summer Law Institute (SLI) is a five-week program for rising ninth graders that seeks to inspire students to strive for academic excellence and to pursue careers in the law.

During the SLI, students will learn about criminal justice, the criminal trial process, and participate in a mock trial competition in front of actual judges! Students will also meet a variety of attorneys and judges, and attend field trips – all while learning the necessary skills to succeed in high school and beyond. Students will be assigned to one of six law schools: Cardozo School of Law, Columbia Law School, CUNY School of Law, Fordham School of Law, NYU School of Law, and St. John's School of Law.

Eligibility: Eighth grade students from Brooklyn, the Bronx, Manhattan, and Queens, are eligible to apply for the SLI.

Program Dates: July 2 to August 3, 2018

Application deadline: rolling basis

Contact: 718-752-0222, Ext. 227, 209 or 210 or email SLI@legaloutreach.org

Website Link: LegalOutreach.org/SLI

Location: New York, New York

Cornell University Law School (Cornell University Prelaw Program)

If you're thinking about becoming a lawyer—or simply want to know more about the law and how it affects our everyday lives—you're invited to be a part of the Cornell University Prelaw Program. C. Evan Stewart, one of America's most distinguished lawyers, directs this intensive, six-week program. The program will consist of a four-credit course taught using the Socratic method, a limited number of internship placements, and an opportunity to explore the law and culture of New York City.

Eligibility: The program is designed for undergraduates who will complete their sophomore year or higher by June 2018, and for college graduates who wish to gain an accurate, comprehensive understanding of America's legal system.

Program Dates: June 4 - July 13, 2018

Application deadline: Admission to the program will be on a rolling basis. Because enrollment is limited, you're encouraged to apply as soon as possible. Applications will be accepted until the program is full.

Contact: cusce@cornell.edu

Website Link: <https://www.sce.cornell.edu/ss/courses/off/prelaw/index.php>

Location: New York, New York

Destination Law School, Bar Association of San Francisco

The Bar Association of San Francisco's (BASF) Destination Law School (DLS) program provides information and resources about law school and the legal profession to diverse undergraduate students in colleges located in the Bay Area. The purpose of this program is to increase the number of diverse graduates that are going into law school. Through panel presentations and workshops, undergraduate students will gain a better understanding of their interest in law and how best to navigate the process of entering law school.

Contact: Ann Murphy at amurphy@sfbar.org

Website Link: <http://www.sfbar.org/jdc/diversity/educational-programs/destination-law-school.aspx>

Location: varies, Bay area colleges, California

The University of Akron School of Law, Pre-Law Undergraduate Scholars (PLUS) Program

The DiscoverLaw.org Pre-Law Undergraduate Scholars (PLUS) Program establishes a supportive learning community that encourages college students to reach for success and provides a foundational understanding for students seeking to become a lawyer. The four-week residential program will: experience the law school classroom, while learning how law impacts our daily lives; Visit courthouses and meet lawyers and judges, so you can explore various career paths in law; Learn about the law school application process and be positioned for success; and Gain the confidence and skills needed to enroll and succeed in law school.

Eligibility: Targeted, but not restricted to, college students from underrepresented groups; currently enrolled college students with at least 24 units but no more than 72 units completed

Program Dates: June 3 – June 29, 2018

Application Deadline: March 30, 2018 (priority deadline); April 16 (final deadline)

Contact: Program Director Brant Lee at LawPLUS@uakron.edu or 330.972.6616

Website Link: <http://www.uakron.edu/law/about-us/plus/>

Location: Akron, Ohio

University of Detroit Mercy Law, Special Summer Program

Each summer, the University of Detroit Mercy Law operates a conditional admissions program also known as the Special Summer Program (SSP) for minority, disadvantaged, or disabled applicants who do not meet the minimum standards of the entering class, but who show potential for the study of law. Participants who satisfactorily demonstrate ability in the SSP are only eligible for admission to the American JD degree program at Detroit Mercy Law. The SSP begins in late May and is approximately eight weeks long.

Eligibility: An applicant who wants to be considered for the SSP must indicate so on the application and include a statement describing the circumstances that qualify the applicant for admission to the SSP.

Program Dates: TBD

Application Deadline: April 1, 2018

Contact: (313) 596 - 0200

Website Link: <http://www.law.udmercy.edu/admissions/programs-offered/special-summer-program.php>

Location: Detroit, Michigan

Discover Law Undergraduate Scholars Program, SUNY Buffalo Law School

The program brings in 20 students to campus each summer for an intensive four-week immersion experience. They learn skills in critical thinking, close reading and analysis; meet with members of the legal and judicial community; receive coaching on law school readiness and the application process; and explore the possibilities of a life in the law.

Eligibility: This program is intended for undergraduates who have completed their freshman or sophomore year, but who will not commence their junior year before the end of the program, and are: Underrepresented minority students, or First generation college students. Primary consideration will be given to western and central New York residents as well as students in northeastern Pennsylvania and eastern New York. Academically promising students have a GPA of 3.0 or above.

Program Dates: June 2, 2018 to June 29, 2018

Application Deadline: April 16, 2018

Contact: law-school@buffalo.edu

Website Link: <http://www.law.buffalo.edu/scholarsProgram/about.html>

Location: Buffalo, New York

Diversity Legal Pipeline- Youth Law Academy, Centro Legal de la Raza

The Diversity Legal Pipeline (DLP) seeks to increase diversity in the law by providing law-school bound undergraduates of color with the information, experience and advising necessary to be successful in the application process. The DLP is an intensive, week long pre-law bootcamp that introduces students to the law school application process and puts them face to face with law students, lawyers, and judges who help inspire them to know that a legal education is within their reach. During one week the students will participate in a mock constitutional law class, take an actual LSAT, read real court cases and have plenty of time to meet and network with other students and legal professionals. Once the bootcamp is over the program is followed up with targeted support for law school applicants to help them on their path to law school.

Eligibility: 1) Candidate must have completed at least two years of community college or university at the time of application. All College graduates are encouraged to apply. 2) Open to all regardless of citizenship. 3) Must reside in California. Priority will be given to those currently attending a community college or university in the San Francisco Bay Area.

Program Dates: July 9, 2018 to July 13, 2018

Application Deadline: May 13, 2018

Contact: Raymundo Jacquez, Program Director, at rjacquez@centrolegal.org or 510.274.2415

Website Link: <https://centrolegal.org/our-work/yla/>

Location: Oakland, California

Donald J. Weidner Summer for Undergraduates, Florida State University College of Law

This program brings to campus undergraduate students from throughout the country for a month-long immersion into legal study. The largest and oldest of its kind, the primary goal of the program is to acquaint students with the study of law and to assist them in acquiring skills that will benefit their undergraduate and future law school studies.

Students get classroom Experience, receive assistance with the **Law School Admissions Process**, discuss **careers in the Law** in addition to a number of exciting and enjoyable activities that take place outside of the classroom, such as: visits to the Florida Supreme Court and local law firms, moot court oral arguments, and visits from prominent attorneys in a variety of practice areas.

Eligibility: College students enrolled at two-and four-year institutions, in all majors and from all backgrounds, are invited to apply following their freshman year. We particularly welcome students from groups historically underrepresented in the legal profession. Because one purpose of the program is to help students direct their remaining time in college to best prepare for law school, only rising sophomores, juniors, and seniors are eligible to participate. Students who will have earned their bachelor's degree prior to the start of the program will not be eligible for admission.

Program Dates: May 21-June 15, 2018

Application deadline: March 30, 2018

Contact: summerprogram@law.fsu.edu

Website Link: <http://www.law.fsu.edu/academics/summer-for-undergraduates>

Location: Tallahassee, Florida

East Los Angeles College Pathway to Law School Transfer Program, East Los Angeles College

The Pathway to Law School program provides students with the academic foundation necessary for successful transfer and eventual entry to law school. **The Pathway will:** (1) demystify law school with visits to law school classes, moot court competitions, bar events and scholarly presentations; (2) provide students with tutoring referrals, a designated counselor and a mentor who is an attorney (3) provide students with opportunities to do internships and service learning; (4) provide students with opportunities to network with law students, attorneys, and one another.

Eligibility: Be currently enrolled in, have taken or have been assessed into English 101. Be currently enrolled in, have taken or have been assessed into Math 125. Have a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA (special consideration will be given for extenuating circumstances). Have an interest in the law. It is not necessary to major in any particular discipline. Any academic major is acceptable to law schools.

Application deadline: rolling

Contact: Program Coordinator, Dr. Kenneth Chairasert, (323) 415-5466 or lawpathway@elac.edu

Website Link: <https://www.elac.edu/pathwaytolawschool/>

Location: East Los Angeles, California

Esq. Apprentice, Non-profit

The mission of Esq. Apprentice, a California-based non-profit, is to provide low-income youth of color with the tools needed to complete California's legal apprenticeship program and become attorneys. To meet this goal, participants will complete a 4-year course of part-time study which emphasizes legal writing and research. Esq. Apprentice improves the employability and lives of youth of color and their communities by creating meaningful opportunities to obtain legal skills and employment.

Application deadline: Fall 2018

Contact: Esq.Apprentice@gmail.com or 510.542.9592

Website Link: <http://www.esqapprentice.com/>

Location: Oakland, California

Explore the Law, Portland State University

Explore the Law is a free program for P.S.U. Students to explore and prepare for careers in law through a partnership between Portland State University, the Oregon State Bar and the Multnomah Bar Association. We particularly encourage P.S.U students from traditionally under-represented communities to apply for this great program. Through the program we hope that diverse students will connect with role models, learn how to prepare, apply and finance law school, recognize their opportunities for legal careers in our community, and learn how to access pre law advising and other appropriate resources at P.S.U. and in the community at large.

Eligibility: All P.S.U. students who can demonstrate a commitment to advancing the goal of the program.

Program Dates: One academic year, starting in September and ending in June

Application deadline: Spring 2019

Contact: 503.725.4556

Website Link: <https://www.pdx.edu/sls/explore-the-law>

Location: Portland, Oregon

Indiana University McKinney School of Law - Summer Law and Leadership Academy

The Robert H. McKinney School of Law Summer Law and Leadership Academy is a one-week experience designed to introduce undergraduate students from historically underrepresented backgrounds to law school and various careers that they may pursue with a law degree. If you are selected for the Law and Leadership Academy, you will learn about hot topics in the law and strengthen your academic skills.

The Summer Law and Leadership Academy will include:

- Introduction to the Criminal Process
- Legal Skills & Writing
- Hot Topics in the Legal Field
- Networking Opportunities
- Guest Speakers & Field Trips
- Career Options in the Law
- Mock Trial and more!

Eligibility: Must be a current undergraduate student, completed at least 32 credits, and have a minimum 2.5 GPA

Program Dates: June 3-9, 2018

Application Deadline: April 20, 2018

Contact: chasthom@iupui.edu

Website Link: <https://mckinneylaw.iu.edu/admissions/jd/diversity/summer-program.html>

Location: Indiana

Law and Leadership Institute Bridge Project, Law and Leadership Institute

The Law and Leadership Institute (LLI) is a non-profit in Ohio that works with high school students from underserved communities to educate them about and prepare them for careers in the legal profession. We provide year-round, four-year academic and professional programming to participants. Participants learn about the law and build their reading, writing, public speaking, critical thinking, networking, professional, and leadership skills. LLI programming prepares students to be academically competitive and exposes them to the breadth of careers accessible with a Juris Doctor. LLI sessions are held in law schools and most instructors are current law students.

Eligibility: LLI is recruiting current 8th graders in Cleveland, Columbus, Dayton and Cincinnati and current 9th grades in Toledo and Akron

Program Dates: June 25, 2018 – July 27, 2018

Application deadline: March 23, 2018

Contact: LLI@lawandleadership.org or 614-485-3503.

Website Link: <https://www.lawandleadership.org/program-path/>

Location: Columbus, Ohio

Law Fellows Program – UCLA Law

The Law Fellows Program provides early academic development to high-potential undergraduate students and college graduates. The program focuses on participants' academic development, with the objective of increasing their academic competitiveness for admission to law school. Our initiative is committed to ensuring equity, access, and excellence in legal education both in California and nationally. A strong preference is granted to applicants whose experiences reflect limited familial exposure to post-collegiate education, career opportunities, mentoring, and social support systems. Additional consideration is also given to applicants who have overcome economic and/or educational hardships and challenges, or come from, or have demonstrated leadership experience in, economically or educationally underserved communities.

Law Fellows attend a series of Saturday Academies held at UCLA School of Law in the winter and spring, where they are provided with mentoring, academic enrichment, and career development activities designed to de-mystify law school and the legal profession, and to present these objectives as viable options. The program prepares participants to successfully enter and succeed in top law programs and legal careers by affording Fellows access to a variety of events, programs and services, including:

- Professional-Level Instruction by Law School Faculty
- Personalized Juris Doctorate (Law School) Action Plan
- Mentoring by Current UCLA Law Students
- Full Scholarship for one LSAT Preparation Course
- Presentations by Practicing Attorneys and Leaders in the Law Community
- Admissions, Financial Aid, LSAT, and Public Interest Law Workshops
- Legal Research Primer by Law Library Staff
- Follow-Up Activities and Counseling until Law School Matriculation

Eligibility: Applicants must have at least a 3.3 cumulative undergraduate GPA from a four-year institution.

Program Dates: Late January to Early May

Application Deadline: October 2018

Contact: outreach@law.ucla.edu or (310) 794-4157

Website Link: <https://law.ucla.edu/admissions/outreach/>

Location: Los Angeles, California

Law Fellows Program- Central Valley – UCLA Law

The Law Fellows Program-Central Valley provides early academic development to high-potential undergraduate students and college graduates. To be eligible to participate, applicants must have at least a 3.0 cumulative undergraduate GPA achieved at a four-year institution. The program focuses on participants' academic development, with the objective of increasing their academic competitiveness for admission to law school. Our initiative is committed to ensuring equity, access, and excellence in legal education both in California and nationally. A strong preference is granted to applicants whose experiences reflect limited familial exposure to post-collegiate education, career opportunities, mentoring, and social support systems. Additional consideration is given to applicants who have overcome economic and/or educational hardships and challenges, or have come from, or demonstrated leadership experience in, economically or educationally underserved communities.

Law Fellows will attend two Saturday Academies on the campus of UC Merced in May and June, 2018 (exact dates TBD). At each Academy, Fellows will be provided with academic enrichment and career development activities designed to de-mystify law school and the legal profession, and to present these objectives as viable options. The program prepares participants to successfully enter and succeed in top law programs and legal careers by affording Fellows access to a variety of events, programs and services, including:

- Professional-Level Instruction by Law School Faculty
- Personalized Juris Doctorate (Law School) Action Plan
- Full Scholarship for one LSAT Preparation Course
- Presentations by Practicing Attorneys and Leaders in the Law Community
- Follow-Up Activities and Counseling until Law School Matriculation Submit application and all material

Eligibility: Applicants must have at least a 3.0 cumulative undergraduate GPA from a four-year institution.

Program Dates: Late January to Early May

Application Deadline: March 2018

Contact: outreach@law.ucla.edu or (310) 794-4157

Website Link: <https://law.ucla.edu/admissions/outreach/>

Location: Merced, California

LAWbound, Latino Justice Puerto Rican Legal Defense & Education Fund

Within the week-long intensive course, *LAWbound* demystifies the law school application process, introduces legal methods and processes, covers the importance of course selection throughout a student's undergraduate program to prepare for law school, and introduces career paths and options for law school graduates. Students have the opportunity to establish relationships and ask questions in informal, relaxed and social settings throughout the week with LatinoJustice PRLDEF attorneys, guest speakers and lawyers, and current law students.

Up to 30 applicants will be accepted as *LAWbound* Scholars, and attend the *LAWbound* Luis J. DeGraffe Summer OR Winter Academy. *LAWbound* scholars will also be matched with a law student mentor through our partnership with the Hispanic National Bar Association National

Mentoring Program. *LAWbound* Scholars also receive wrap-around services – such as a discounted LSAT preparatory class and in-depth counseling on law school admissions provided by LatinoJustice PRLDEF – that will improve access to law school. Each Academy has its own application cycle

Eligibility:

- Demonstrate a strong interest in pursuing a legal education.
- Must be of Hispanic heritage and currently enrolled as a college **freshman** or **sophomore** during initial application to the program.
- Demonstrate strong academic potential with a minimum overall B average or better and permit Latino Justice PRLDEF access to your academic record.
- Must be able to attend the full summer prep program, which takes place in August 2010. Alternatively, applicant must be able to attend our new Winter *LAWbound* academy which takes place in mid January.
- Housing and travel is not covered by the program

Program Dates: Summer Program July 31-Aug. 4, 2017 and Winter Program January 8-12

Application Deadline: Summer program – July 6, 2018; Winter Program – November 30, 2018

Contact: Sonji Patrick at (212) 739-7497 or via e-mail at spatrick@latinojustice.org

Website: http://latinojustice.org/legal_education/lawbound/

Location: New York, New York

Law Pathway, Santa Monica College

Santa Monica College's Law Pathway program fosters the skills needed to excel in a legal career. The Law Pathway program is designed to help SMC's traditionally underrepresented students that are interested in a legal career in becoming competitive applicants to law school.

During the First 2 Years, ideally, Law Pathway students will complete their general education and major prep at SMC over approximately two years, preparing to transfer (in any major). During this time, Pathway students will receive: Individual Mentoring, Exposure to Careers in Law, Networking Opportunities, Leadership Training, Membership to SMC Pre-Law Society. Students must then transfer to any accredited undergraduate UC/CSU/Private institution to complete a bachelor's degree in any major. Lastly their will be priority admissions review at any of the six participating law schools: UCLA School of Law, UC Berkeley School of Law, USC Gould School of Law, University of San Francisco School of Law, UC Davis School of Law, UC Irvine School of Law, Loyola Law School Los Angeles, and Santa Clara Law School.

Eligibility: TBD

Contact:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSerAgM3yfdCSPa3kBeaNCNNNfSM1WH5RppaxkG_28jTwn4uvQ/viewform

Website: <http://www.smc.edu/AcademicAffairs/LawPathways/Pages/default.aspx>

Location: Santa Monica, California

Law School Si Se Puede, Hispanic National Bar Association Mentoring Program

LAW SCHOOL...Yes We Can is the first law school pipeline program of its kind in Colorado – a program that targets high achieving college freshman from diverse backgrounds and mentors and trains them for four years. It is also unique because it takes mentoring to a new level. In addition to helping prospective legal professionals meet the challenges their predecessors faced, the program helps these students (1) identify the unique challenges they will face in the future; (2) cultivate the skills and relationships they need to mitigate competitive disadvantages that can accompany those challenges; and (3) perform at their peak academic, professional, and leadership levels while they are still in college. Through exposure programs, LAW SCHOOL...Yes We Can will demystify the law school application process and give Fellows access to the legal profession.

Eligibility: TBD

Application Deadline: February 28, 2018

Contact: lsssp.colorado@gmail.com

Website: <http://lawschoolyeswecan.org/theprogram/>

Location: Colorado

Legal Education Advancing Diversity (LEAD), Dillard University

Dillard received \$125,000 in funds to launch a brand new program called LEAD (Legal Education Advancing Diversity) that provides students and graduates from the three Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) in New Orleans with a comprehensive year-long program that will include intensive preparation for the Law School Admissions Test (“LSAT”), law school admissions support, and a mentor in the legal profession.

Contact: Adria Kimbrough, LEAD Project Director, at 504.816.4367 or AKimbrough@dillard.edu

Website: <http://www.dillard.edu/dillard-newsroom/campus-news/mrs-kimbrough-wins-aba-award.php>

Location: New Orleans, Louisiana

Legal Education Advancing Diversity (LEAD), Dillard University

Foundation to LEAD” program that will provide rising college juniors from Dillard, SUNO, and Xavier with exposure to the analytical reasoning and logical reasoning skills. Participants will gain hands-on experience with a local public interest law organization and gain exposure to the legal profession through guest lectures by prominent members of the New Orleans legal community.

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Website: <http://www.dillard.edu/dillard-newsroom/campus-news/mrs-kimbrough-wins-aba-award.php>

Location: New Orleans, Louisiana

Legal Education Center for Law and Public Interest Pre-Law Program, Dillard University

Dillard's Center for Law and Public Interest Pre-Law Program is designed to prepare for students interested in a career in law. Dillard's Pre-Law program currently consists of a mock trial team, a LSAT boot camp, and in the field opportunities including workshops with attorneys and judges.

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Website: <http://www.dillard.edu/dillard-newsroom/campus-news/mrs-kimbrough-wins-aba-award.php>

Location: New Orleans, Louisiana

Legal Education Opportunities Institute (LEO), Seton Hall University Law School

Seton Hall is committed to supporting students throughout their law school journey, and recognizes that traditional admissions criteria (such as Law School Admission Test [LSAT]) scores and undergraduate grade point average (UGPA) can limit students' ability to showcase their academic, professional and personal talents and potential. The LEO program is focused on providing an inclusive platform for law students from diverse backgrounds to excel beyond their academic journey – and throughout their career in law.

Eligibility: Candidates for admission to Seton Hall through the LEO Institute may identify themselves as educationally disadvantaged and request alternative consideration by completing and submitting the "Application For First Year Admission with LEO Summer Institute Consideration" that can be accessed via your LSAC account at lsac.org.

Program Dates: Typically August 1 through August 15

Application Deadline: April 1

Contact: 973-642-8747

Website: <https://law.shu.edu/About/diversity/LEO/index.cfm>

Location: Newark, New York

Louis Stokes Scholars Program, Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Foundation

The Louis Stokes Scholars Program -- a pipeline diversity initiative through which college students interested in careers in the law engage in paid summer legal internships of eight-weeks duration at Cleveland law firms, courts and legal nonprofits. Scholars are provided with volunteer mentors who are lawyers and judges who agree to mentor throughout the college years. In addition, Scholars participate in group enrichment and networking activities through the summer including field trips to the courts and local law schools, public speaking and writing seminars and lunch and learn programs with legal community leaders.

Eligibility: Students must be: (1) graduates of the Cleveland Metropolitan School District or East Cleveland Municipal School District, **AND** (2) currently enrolled in college or scheduled to begin college in the fall following the summer program.

Program Dates: June 4 and end on July 27, 2018

Application Deadline: April 23, 2018

Contact: (216) 696-3525

Website:

https://www.clemetrobar.org/cmba_prod/CMBA/Diversity___Inclusion_Programs/Louis_Stokes_Scholars_Program.aspx?New_ContentCollectionOrganizerCommon=1#New_ContentCollectionOrganizerCommon

Location: Cleveland, Ohio

MTO Fellows Program (Los Angeles, CA), Munger, Tolles, & Olson

This program is an important initiative designed to encourage, promote and support a community of individuals who contribute to the diversity of the legal profession. The program is intended for individuals seeking to start law school in Fall 2019 (college juniors or seniors as of Spring 2018, or individuals who have already graduated).

What we look for?

Potential to contribute meaningfully to the diversity of the legal profession, including, but not limited to, candidates who are members of racial or ethnic minority groups; LGBTQ; physically challenged; or from disadvantaged socioeconomic backgrounds.

What we expect?

- Attendance at every workshop*
- Participation in the LSAT preparation course*
- Completion of the program
- Submission of applications to at least 15 law schools by November 2018
- Professional behavior, including prompt arrival for every session and business casual attire

Eligibility: Fellows must

- be able to attend monthly workshops in Downtown Los Angeles from March through December 2018, and
- reside in or near the Los Angeles County area from June 14, 2018, until December 14, 2018.

Application Requirements:

- Completed MTO Fellows Program Application Form
- Resume (max 2 pages)
- Official (or Unofficial) community college, undergraduate, and/or graduate transcripts, where applicable
- Personal Statement (max 500 words)

Program Dates: March-December

Application Deadline: January 8, 2018 (5:00 p.m. PT)

Contact: diversity@mto.com

Website Link: <https://www.mto.com/diversity/mto-fellows-program>

New York State Judicial Institute, Pace Law School (New York Legal Education Opportunity Program (NYLEO))

Eligibility: To be eligible to participate, a student must: be minority, low-income or educationally disadvantaged; receive his or her college degree by the beginning of the summer program; have been accepted by or have an application pending at a New York law school; and agree to attend law school in New York.

Program Dates: June 4- July 13, 2018

Application Deadline: March 23, 2018

Contact: NYLEO@nycourts.gov

Website Link: <https://www.nycourts.gov/attorneys/leo/>

The Ohio State University, Michael E. Moritz College of Law Summer Pre-Law Program at the University of Oxford in Oxford, England

Associate Dean Donabld B. Tobin of the Ohio Status University Moritz College of Law will be the Co-Director of the program, along with Dr. Christopher Whelan of the University of Oxford. Professor Tobin will teach a course on the Introduction to the Anglo-American Legal System. Professor Whelan will teach a course on Law and Society. Other lectures are taught by a group of scholars from the prestigious Centre for Socio-Legal Studies, primarily of the University of Oxford. In keeping with the English university tutorial system, each student will be assigned an Oxford tutor to work with them individually on a major paper. Students will earn six hours of graded Ohio State credit for the course.

It is generally known that the American legal system developed out of Great Britain's legal system, and the strong influence of English law is still apparent in our system of law. Studying in a university that, for some 900 years, has had a major role in developing the current Anglo-American legal system, is valuable preparation for students who are contemplating studying law in America. In addition, we specifically devote time to helping pre-law students hone the skills necessary for success in American law schools.

Program Dates: June 26-July 29, 2017

Application Deadline: February 1, 2014

Contact: Rebecca McMunn at mcmunn@osu.edu

Website Link: <http://moritzlaw.osu.edu/education-abroad/pre-law-program/>

Pre-Law Scholars Summer Enrichment Program (PLSEP), Howard University School of Law

Howard University School of Law will host approximately 30 undergraduate Pre-Law Scholars on our campus for a pipeline program designed to help students, primarily African-American students from other HBCUs, gain admission into law school and succeed once there.

Pre-Law Scholars will live in the dorms on Howard University's main campus. Scholars will travel to the School of Law's campus Monday through Thursday of each week to take classes taught by Howard University faculty exposing them to the study of law. Students will also have daily LSAT preparation with Kaplan. On Fridays, Scholars will meet with judges and other legal practitioners to

learn more about the practice of law. There will also be opportunities to explore Washington, DC's cultural institutions.

There is no cost to students who participate in the program and Pre-Law Scholars will receive a stipend. Please note that students will have to cover travel expenses to and from Washington, DC on their own. Once in DC, transportation costs will be covered as well as costs for housing, books, and meals.

Eligibility: Must be a rising sophomore, junior or senior in college, 3.0 GPA or higher, demonstrable interest in attending law school, open to new experiences and eager to learn.

Program Dates: May 20, 2018 – June 22, 2018

Application Deadline: March 3, 2018

Contact: plsep@law.howard.edu

Website Link: <http://law.howard.edu/content/pre-law-scholars-summer-enrichment-program-plsep>

SEO Internship Program

SEO's Corporate Law program is the only program of its kind to offer 0L (pre-law school students) an opportunity to intern with a top firm. Interns will observe and experience first-hand the day-to-day duties and responsibilities of corporate attorneys at some of the nation's most prestigious firms.

Eligibility: SEO Internships are open to underrepresented undergraduates of color who will graduate from a 4-year accredited U.S. college or university. SEO internships are open to ALL majors. Applicants must have a 3.0 GPA without exception.

Program Dates: Vary according to program

Application Deadline: Vary according to program

Website Link: <http://www.seocareer.org/internships/opportunities/>

Seton Hall Law School, The Summer Institute of Pre-Legal Studies (Pre-Legal)

The Pre-Legal program is designed for college students with socio-economic and/or educational disadvantage and an interest in the law. It recently celebrated its 30th Anniversary here at Seton Hall Law and boasts scores of graduates over the years who have gone on to successful careers in and outside the law. Headed by civil rights pioneer Professor Brenda Saunders-Hampden and funded through the Educational Opportunity Fund of the Commission on Higher Education of New Jersey, the Pre-Legal program is a five-week, residential, skill-building program designed to replicate the academic challenges of the first year of law school. Classes are scheduled from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and courses are offered in legal writing, legal analysis, written communications, and two substantive areas of the law such as contracts, property, agency, or constitutional law. Additional class sessions, time and stress management skills programs, LSAT prep and career orientation workshops are scheduled on evenings and weekends. All substantive law classes are taught by law school faculty and by practicing attorneys.

Eligibility: *Minimum 2.5 GPA.* To be eligible for this program, New Jersey residents of African American, Latino, Native American or Asian descent, or other presumptively disadvantaged background must be enrolled as students in Educational Opportunity Fund (EOF) Programs at a college or university, or must be EOF eligible. Students should have completed two years of college prior to applying for admission. PLEASE NOTE: Applicants must be New Jersey residents although they may be in attendance at out-of-state colleges. In addition, students who have graduated from college are INELIGIBLE for consideration. Please note that students graduating in May 2018 are NOT eligible to participate in the Pre-Legal Program.

Program Dates: Vary according to program. The tentative program dates for 2018 are May 26 - July 1. In addition, the Pre-Legal Program has applied for funding for an enrichment program to take place during Winter Session 2018. The tentative dates are January 5-14, 2018.

Application Deadline: An early application will yield an early admissions decision. The application deadline is February 17, 2018.

Contact: Professor Brenda Saunders Hampden, Project Director at 973-642-8838

Website Link: <https://law.shu.edu/About/diversity/prelegal/index.cfm>

Location: Newark, New Jersey

Sidley Pre-Law Scholars Initiative

The Sidley Prelaw Scholars Initiative is designed to increase diversity in law schools by subsidizing the cost of applying to law school for talented financially needy minority students. Sidley Prelaw Scholars are college juniors and seniors who demonstrate academic promise but who have limited financial resources that might prevent them from enrolling in an LSAT preparatory course. Each Sidley Prelaw Scholar receives an initial award worth up to \$2,500 to cover tuition for a commercial LSAT preparatory course, registration for the LSAT and the Law School Data Assembly Service - LSDAS, and reimbursement for up to seven application fees to accredited law schools. Upon documented timely completion of both the LSAT preparatory course and the required number of law school applications, each Sidley Prelaw Scholar receives an additional scholarship award in the amount of \$2,500. Sidley Prelaw Scholars also receive expert coaching on how to present a compelling law school application. During the summer immediately prior to their law school matriculation, Sidley Prelaw Scholars will participate in a brief seminar on the structure of the American legal system and be introduced to the substance of the required first-year common law courses.

Eligibility

To be considered as a Sidley Prelaw Scholar, one must:

- Be a second semester junior or senior, graduating from college in good standing no later than June 30, 2019;
- Be a native-born or naturalized U.S. citizen;
- Submit all application materials; and
- Demonstrate financial need through the application and supporting materials.

Program Dates: Spring - Summer

Application Deadline: January 12, 2018

Contact: mlima@sidley.com

Website: <https://www.sidley.com/en/diversitylanding/sidley-prelaw-scholars-program>

SPPARK (Summer Pre-Law Program), University of Arkansas

SPPARK is a three-week, intensive, pre-law focused academic summer program for rising junior and senior college students interested in law school.

The program is held at the University of Arkansas School of Law in Fayetteville. Students will be immersed in law school culture by living on campus, taking classes with law school faculty and completing reading, writing and oral advocacy assignments similar to those given to first year law students. The program also features comprehensive Law School Admissions Test (LSAT) preparation, including live, in-person instruction and individualized online resources. Finally, SPPARK students will receive professional development training, network with attorneys and current law students and visit Northwest Arkansas attractions. The program focuses on the inclusion of those:

- from colleges or universities with historical significance to or significant populations of African American, Asian American, Latino and/or American Indian students
- who are the first generation in their family to attend college
- who experience significant financial challenges
- from populations historically underrepresented in law school

Eligibility: Must provide a completed application form, personal essay, resume, current transcript, and two letters of recommendation.

Program Dates: May 21 – June 8, 2018

Application Deadline: March 9, 2018

Contact: sppark@uark.edu

Website: <https://law.uark.edu/service-outreach/sppark/>

St. John's University School of Law, Ronald H. Brown Law School Prep Program for College Students

The Ron Brown Prep Program furthers the Ron Brown Center's mission of engaging in legal studies, research, and outreach on issues affecting the lives of disadvantaged and underrepresented people; increasing racial and socioeconomic diversity in the legal profession; and educating law students to be leaders on issues of racial, economic, and social justice. To help raise the number of diverse, disadvantaged students in law schools, the Ron Brown Prep Program identifies these students in their college years and offers them early exposure to the study and practice of law. The Ron Brown Prep Program prepares students for the challenges of law school and for the law school application process. Participants gain an edge in courses taught by Law School faculty; through internships with judges and lawyers; in a customized LSAT prep course; and with advising on all aspects of the admission process.

Eligibility: The Prep Program aims to encourage students from underrepresented backgrounds – often the first members of their family to attend college – to apply to law school and pursue the study and practice of law. Student should have at least 24 college credits, a GPA of 3.0 or better, and are either low-income, first-generation college or professional students, or members of a group underrepresented in law school education

Program Dates: June 19-July 19, 2018

Application Deadline: February 28, 2018

Contact: Program Directors, Elaine M. Chiu at chiue1@stjohns.edu or 718 990-2492; Iris M. Diaz at diazi@stjohns.edu or 718 990-2492

Website Link: <https://www.stjohns.edu/law/ronald-h-brown-center-civil-rights/ronald-h-brown-law-school-prep-program-college-students>

Location: Queens, New York

Saint Louis University School of Law, DiscoverLaw.org Pre-Law Undergraduate Scholars (PLUS) Program

The [DiscoverLaw.org Pre-Law Undergraduate Scholars \(PLUS\) Program \(link is external\)](#) at Saint Louis University School of Law is aimed to recognize and reward students for their demonstrated interest in community service and social justice and provide them the best opportunity to successfully enter the legal profession. This four-week summer immersion program will: introduce students to the essential skills and competencies of a law student and legal professional, assist them in gaining a broader appreciation for the practice of law and how to navigate a path to law school, and inspire them by demonstrating how lawyers can use their skills and training to serve their community and bring about social change

Program Dates: June 4 – July 1, 2018

Application Deadline: March 31, 2018 (priority); April 14, 2018 (final)

Contact: Program Director, Lisa Sonia Taylor at 314.977.4571 or slulawplus@slu.edu

Website: <http://law.slu.edu/admissions/plus-program>

Location: Saint Louis, Missouri

State University of New York at Buffalo School of Law, Prelaw Undergraduate Scholars Program (PLUS)

The Discover Law Scholars Program at the University at Buffalo School of Law is a four-week summer residency program for 20 academically promising college students. Through the program, participating students will, enhance their critical thinking, reading and analytical skills, develop their writing and oral advocacy skills, cultivate test taking skills that will help them prepare for the LSAT, and learn to navigate the law school admissions process through classes designed to teach them how to strengthen their candidacy for law school and manage the application process.

Eligibility: Preference is given to students of color and first-generation college students. In addition, you must be a college student who has completed your freshmen or sophomore year prior to the commencement of the program, but who will not begin their junior year before the end of the program. You must also have an interest in law and a record of achievement. No particular academic major is required. Academically promising students have a GPA of 3.0 or above. However, the selection committee will give favorable consideration to students who can demonstrate a record of academic achievement despite economic challenges, social or cultural disadvantages, linguistic barriers, or extraordinary family or personal responsibilities. Selection will also take into account exceptional personal talents, interesting or demanding work or service experience, rigorousness of undergraduate course of study, leadership potential and the ability to communicate effectively.

Program Dates: June 2 - June 29, 2018

Application Deadline: April 16, 2018

Contact: Director, Lillie V. Wiley, Upshaw at lwiley@buffalo.edu or (716) 881-1417

Website Link: <http://www.law.buffalo.edu/scholarsProgram/about.html>

Location: Buffalo, New York

The Ronald H. Brown Center Prep Program for College Students, St. Johns University School of Law

Ronald H. Brown Law School Prep Program for College Students furthers the Ron Brown Center's mission of engaging in legal studies, research, and outreach on issues affecting the lives of disadvantaged and underrepresented people; increasing racial and socioeconomic diversity in the legal profession; and educating law students to be leaders on issues of racial, economic, and social justice. To help raise the number of diverse, disadvantaged students in law schools, the Ron Brown Prep Program identifies these students in their college years and offers them early exposure to the study and practice of law.

The Ron Brown Prep Program prepares students for the challenges of law school and for the law school application process. Participants gain an edge in courses taught by Law School faculty; through internships with judges and lawyers; in a customized LSAT prep course; and with advising on all aspects of the admission process.

Eligibility: Genuine interest in attending law school and becoming a lawyer, 3.0 GPA or better, completed at least 24 college credits by June 1, 2018, and be either a low income, first generation college or professional student or a member of a group underrepresented in law school education

Cost: \$1,500 / \$3,000 / \$2,500 + \$325 / week for housing

Program Dates: June 2018 – July 2018 (Prep 1, Prep 2, and Foundations (For Men Only)

Application Deadline: February 28, 2018

Contact: Kamille Dean, Director of Diversity and Inclusion , wolffk@stjohns.edu

Website Link: <https://www.stjohns.edu/law/ronald-h-brown-center-civil-rights/ronald-h-brown-law-school-prep-program-college-students>

Location: Queens, NY

The Skadden, Arps Honor Program in Legal Studies, The City College of New York

The Skadden, Arps Honors Program is a unique partnership between Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP—one of the preeminent law firms in the world—and The City College of New York that prepares students from low-income and underrepresented groups for successful legal careers and to enrich and diversify the legal profession.

The Program accepts rising juniors (students who have completed approximately 50 to 70 credits), and offers merit scholarships, mentoring opportunities, summer internship at a law firm or legal services non-profit, a legal studies curriculum, designed to complement a wide range of majors, and LSAT preparation and tutoring.

Eligibility: Students must complete approximately 45 to 75 credits by the end of the Spring 2018 semester and must be enrolled as a full time student through Spring 2020. Students must have at least three semesters remaining as an undergraduate when they begin the program. Must complete application, provide a resume, personal statement, two letters of recommendation, a writing sample, and complete a Mini LSAT and Writing Diagnostic.

Program Dates: 2 year commitment

Application Deadline: March 15, 2018

Contact: Jennifer Light, Deputy Director, skaddenhonorsprogram@ccny.cuny.edu

Website Link: <http://ccnyskaddenprogram.org/>

Location: New York City

Summer Work Experience in Law (SWEL)

Summer Work Experience in Law (SWEL) is an eight-week program that operates from approximately mid-June through early August. SWEL Scholars are expected to complete a full-time, paid internship (Monday - Thursday) and attend SWEL Sessions every Friday during the course of the program.

SWEL is a summer internship program that helps students make an informed decision about applying to law school. SWEL sets the stage for each student's own self-discovery by exposing them to the inherent opportunities and challenges of practicing law through summer work experiences, coaching, and networking. The program operates from approximately mid June through early August. Students work in paid legal internships, attend weekly legal seminars, visit law schools throughout Ohio and the tri-state region, and participate in networking and community service activities. Students are responsible for securing their own housing for the summer.

Eligibility: Students must fill out the program application, provide a current resume, cover letter, recent transcript of grades, a graded writing sample, and one letter of recommendation.

Program Dates: Varies

Application Deadline: March 16, 2018

Contact: Kenneth Parker 513-280-0905

Website Link: <https://swelfoundation.squarespace.com/home/>

Location: Ohio

Eversheds Sutherland Scholars Program

Established in 2005, Eversheds Sutherland Scholars is an intensive three-week summer program for recent college graduates headed to law school or rising college seniors from a variety of personal and cultural backgrounds. The program is offered at no cost and is designed to introduce students to the rigors of law school. Scholars are exposed to topics such as how to navigate the law school admission process, what to expect during the first year of law school, and getting a job upon graduation. The program engages a law instructor to teach introductory courses in Contracts and Legal Research & Writing (with exams) and provides the scholars with a chance to hear from and visit with a variety of legal professionals. The program also includes a modest stipend.

The first year of law school can be challenging. The Eversheds Sutherland Scholars program helps to demystify the law school experience by exposing students to everything they will need to be successful. Eversheds Sutherland attorneys and other legal professionals lead intensive roundtable discussions that include:

- Opportunities to Excel in Law School: Law Review, Moot Court, Mock Trials and Clinical Programs
- How to Brief a Case
- How to Form an Effective Study Group
- Tips on Building Relationships with Professors
- Legal Research and Writing Techniques
- Business Etiquette Training
- Preparing for Life After Law School

Eligibility: Preference will be given to recent college graduates headed to law school or rising college seniors with a G.P.A. of 3.0 or higher.

Program Dates: Atlanta Office: June 4 – June 26, 2018; Washington DC Office: July 9 – July 31, 2018

Application Deadline: May 25, 2018 (Atlanta Office); June 29, 2018 (Washington DC Office)

Contact: Program Supervisor, Gabrielle Eshun at GabrielleEshun@eversheds-sutherland.com or ESScholars@eversheds-sutherland.com

Website Link: <https://www.esscholars.com/Home>

Location: Atlanta, Georgia; Washington DC

TRIALS Program (NYU Law, Harvard Law, and Advantage Testing Foundation)

Trials is a residential scholarship program that helps talented and motivated college students of modest means gain admission to the nation's leading law school by providing intensive LSAT preparation and a broad-based exposure to diverse aspects of the legal profession. This rigorous five-week summer course enhances opportunities for students of underrepresented backgrounds by bolstering their skills and focusing their goals.

Each week, instructors from Advantage Testing prepare TRIALS students for the LSAT by deconstructing the test and presenting a step-by-step approach to each question type. Students maintain a rigorous practice testing schedule, frequently sitting for full-length official LSATs. Working closely with their instructors, students learn to develop an individualized study plan, focus their preparation, and apply the core principles they master.

Trials students also attend lectures presented by prominent lawyers, public figures, and legal scholars including faculty from both NYU Law and Harvard Law School. These lectures provide a wide-ranging introduction to the study and practice of the law.

Eligibility: *NO GPA requirement* Our explicit aim is to support students of modest means whose racial, ethnic, and socioeconomic backgrounds are underrepresented in America's top-rated JD programs. We welcome applications from all motivated students of any background whose personal circumstances, self-identifications, and unique perspectives might place them outside the mainstream of typical law school applicants. We will give particular consideration to those

candidates who attend colleges that traditionally send no more than one graduate per year to the partnering law schools.

Program Dates: Five weeks during July/August

Application Deadline: February 28, 2018

Website Link: <https://trials.atfoundation.org/>

Location: New York, New York; Boston, Massachusetts

King Hall Outreach Program (KHOP), UC Davis School of Law

Established in 2001, the King Hall Outreach Program (KHOP) is a unique initiative that helps college students from underrepresented communities prepare for the law school admissions process. In addition to providing mentoring and pre-law advising during the school year, the program hosts eligible college juniors and seniors for a series of weekend sessions in which students gain valuable knowledge about the law school admission process, learn writing, analytical, and logical reasoning skills, develop study techniques for taking the Law School Admission Test (LSAT), and explore career paths available to law school graduates.

The King Hall Outreach Program consists of [KHOP Winter Session](#) (held in January/February) and [KHOP Summer Session](#) (held in June/July).

Eligibility:

1. Currently attend, or have recently transferred to, a four-year college with one or two years before graduation OR have graduated from a four-year institution in 2017.
2. Be considered a first-generation college student (no parent or legal guardian has a bachelor's degree) OR come from an economically underserved community or background defined as having a household income less than or equal to 200% of the federal poverty guidelines (<https://aspe.hhs.gov/poverty-guidelines>).
3. Have a cumulative GPA of 3.2 or higher as calculated on a 4.33 scale. Cumulative GPA includes grades received from all postsecondary institutions you have attended (community college(s), universities, etc.).
4. Intend to apply to law school, but are not currently in the process of applying for 2018 enrollment.
5. Have not previously completed an outreach program at UC Davis School of Law.

Program Dates: 2018 Winter Session (January 27, February 3, February 10, and March 3); 2018 Summer Session (June 23, June 30, July 21, July 27, and July 28)

Application Deadline: 2018 Summer Session deadline: May 24, 2018; 2019 Winter Session Deadline: TBD;

Contact: outreach@law.ucdavis.edu or by phone (530) 752-6477

Website Link: <https://law.ucdavis.edu/outreach/khop.html>

Location: Davis, California

UC Irvine School of Law's Pre-Law Outreach Program^[01]

UC Irvine School of Law's Pre-Law Outreach Program ("POP") is sponsored by the Orange County Bar Association Charitable Fund. POP helps students from disadvantaged backgrounds understand

the demands of law school, prepare for the law school application and admissions process, and be inspired to one day use their legal skills to give back to the community.

There is NO CHARGE for students admitted to the program, which provides:

- A certificate for a free LSAT Review course
- Detailed information on the law school admissions process
- Detailed information about the costs of law school and available financial aid
- Advice about excelling in law school from law students, faculty, and recent graduates
- Information about careers in law from practicing lawyers in many fields
- Limited scholarships for transportation and/or housing costs

Eligibility: You are a full-time undergraduate student at an accredited college or university (this includes a community college) You do not plan to submit any applications to law school until Fall 2013 or later. You have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher. You are from a disadvantaged background, which may include one or more of the following factors: Family income within 200% of the federal poverty guidelines per <http://aspe.hhs.gov/poverty> First-generation college student. Limited familial exposure to post-college education and career opportunities. English is not the primary language in the home of origin. Overcoming educational hardships and challenges. You must attend all six Saturday sessions of POP 2012, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. each day

Program Dates: June 23 & 30 and July 7, 14, 21, & 28

Contact: Grace Lee at glee@law.uci.edu.

Website Link: <http://www.law.uci.edu/about/public-service/public-interest/community-programs/pop/>

University of Baltimore School of Law Charles Hamilton Houston Scholarship Program

The Charles Hamilton Houston Scholarship Program equips under-represented college freshmen and sophomores with the educational and academic success skills to improve their undergraduate performance and enhance their opportunity for admission to and success in law school.

Eligibility: Students in their freshmen or sophomore years of college are eligible to apply. Applicants must demonstrate leadership ability and active involvement in their schools and communities. It is not necessary to have prior experience or knowledge in the field of law. Candidates must be US citizens or permanent residents to be eligible.

Program Dates: May 29, June 8

Application Deadline: May 11, 2018

Contact: chhsp@ubalt.edu

Website Link: <http://law.ubalt.edu/admissions/diversity/chhsp/>

University of Maine School of Law, PLUS Program

The DiscoverLaw.org PreLaw Undergraduate Scholars (PLUS) Program at the University of Maine School of Law is a four-week residency program that will teach oral, written, and leadership skills that will be useful in whatever community you live and any career you choose to pursue. This four-week summer immersion program designed specifically for undergraduate students will: Provide you

with the skills needed to succeed, teach you about the law school admissions process, and connect you with legal career opportunities

Eligibility: This program is targeted, but not restricted, to college students from racial and ethnic minority groups who are underrepresented in the legal profession (e.g. African American/Black, Latino/Hispanic, American Indian/Alaskan Native). In addition, individuals who are from rural communities or are the first in their family to attend college will be given preferred consideration. The program is designed for students in the first two years of college, and preference will be given to students who have [signed up for DiscoverLaw.org](#).

Program dates: May 28 – June 22, 2018

Application Deadline: March 30, 2018.

Contact: Program Director Nicole Vinal Harvie at mainelawplus@maine.edu at 207.780.5903

Website: <https://mainelaw.maine.edu/admissions/plus/>

Location: Portland, Maine

University of Minnesota Law School Minnesota Pre Law Scholars Program (MPLS)

The University of Minnesota Law School will be offering the Minnesota Pre Law Scholars (MPLS) Program for its fifth summer. MPLS is a free, intensive LSAT and admissions summer preparation program. College students considering law school, especially rising-seniors and those from groups historically underrepresented in law school are encouraged to apply. The program is open to undergraduate students (and recent alums) from any undergraduate institution.

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Program Dates: June-August 2018

Application Deadline: March 15, 2018

Contact: prelawscholars@umn.edu

Website Link: <http://www.law.umn.edu/prospective/mpsl-program.html>

University of New Mexico School of Law Pre-Law Summer Institute for American Indians and Alaska Natives

PLSI is an intensive two-month program which prepares American Indian and Alaska Native individuals for the rigors of law school by essentially replicating the first semester of law school. Likened to boot camp by many former participants, the PLSI concentrates its content into eight weeks of instruction, research and study, teaching students the unique methods of law school research, analysis, and writing. The success of the PLSI in providing a nationally respected pre-law orientation can be traced to its original and continuing intent — that it be based on sound legal education principles, and not function as a philosophical, political, or cultural training ground. For more than four decades, the Law Center has remained dedicated to providing valid training in the skills required for the study of law.

Eligibility: Any American Indian or Alaska Native who plans to attend law school may benefit greatly from attending the Institute the summer before.

Application deadline: March 23, 2018

Contact: nesbitt@ailc-inc.org

Website Link: <http://ailc-inc.org/PLSI.htm>

University of Texas at Austin and Huston-Tillotson University PLUS Program

This summer, the Longhorn Center for Academic Excellence (LCAE) will offer the **DiscoverLaw.org Prelaw Undergraduate Scholars (PLUS)** program to rising sophomores and juniors at the University of Texas at Austin and Huston-Tillotson University (see application for details). The five-week residential program will help students learn more about the legal profession and what is needed to earn a law degree. DiscoverLaw.org PLUS focuses on the skills required to get into and succeed in law school and successfully pursue a range of careers in the legal field. The program is FREE for students selected to participate, and is funded by a grant from the Law School Admission Council (LSAC).

The DiscoverLaw.org summer program begins Sunday, July 9, 2017 with Move-in and a Welcome Reception. Interested students should contact the LCAE at The University of Texas at Austin for application information, including deadlines and selection criteria.

Website Link: <http://htutdiscoverlaw.org/>

University of Texas - El Paso LSPI College Summer Program, UTEP's LAW SCHOOL PREPARATION INSTITUTE

UTEP's LAW SCHOOL PREPARATION INSTITUTE was initiated in 1998 to help prospective law students develop critical thinking skills and study habits and to guide students through the law school application process. The commitment of the program is to better prepare students to succeed by presenting them with a rigorous workload focusing on academic thinking skills necessary for the pursuit of a legal education. The LSPI program:

- Introduces students to legal thought, research and writing
- Develops analytical and critical reading and writing skills
- Develops strategies for becoming a more attractive law school candidate
- Guides students in selecting and applying to law schools
- Gives students the opportunity to speak with law school students and faculty as well as prominent members of the legal community
- Prepares students for the LSAT

Eligibility: The LSPI is open to UTEP undergraduate students of any major.

Deadline: Early Admission Deadline: February 15th, 2018 and Regular Admission Deadline: April 5th, 2018

Website Link: <https://www.utep.edu/liberalarts/lspi/>

University of Texas at San Antonio Summer Law School Preparation Academy

The Summer Law School Preparation Academy is part of the UTSA Institute for Law and Public Affairs located in the Buena Vista Building 4.356 at UTSA's Downtown Campus. The Academy began in 2002 through the vision and leadership UTSA President Ricardo Romo, then UT School of Law Dean William Powers, Jr., and former Institute Director Richard Gambitta. Its purpose is to enhance pre-law educational opportunities and increase the number of Texas students who gain admission to and excel in high-quality law schools. Since the Institute's creation, our students have secured acceptances to over one hundred and fifty law schools and enrolled in law schools as diverse as Harvard, University of California- Berkeley, Chicago, Columbia, NYU, Michigan, Minnesota,

Georgetown, Cornell, U. of Virginia, and University of Texas. Our students have gained admission to all nine law schools in Texas.

Eligibility: The SLSPA is open to all undergraduate students in any college or university in the nation.

Website Link: <http://www.utsa.edu/ilpa/academy.html>

University of Wisconsin, LSAC Pre-Law Undergraduate Scholars (PLUS) Program

The [DiscoverLaw.org Pre-Law Undergraduate Scholars \(PLUS\) Program](#) at the University of Wisconsin Law School is generously funded by a grant from the Law School Admission Council (LSAC). Open to students who have completed their freshman or sophomore years in college, the program is designed to help students explore legal education and careers in law and to help them succeed in applying to, enrolling in, and graduating from law school. By experiencing UW Law School's distinctive law-in-action approach to teaching, you will learn how the law operates in the real world and shapes daily life. As a participant, you will take introductory law courses, participate in personal and professional development workshops and gain hands-on experience with the legal system, participating in activities such as a mock client intake and a Wisconsin prison tour, and attending a criminal plea and sentencing. Furthermore, you will explore legal career paths, gain insights on applying to law school, experience life on a Big Ten campus, and be part of a transformative educational experience, at no cost.

Eligibility: The PLUS Program is open to students who have completed their freshman or sophomore years at four-year colleges and universities, technical colleges and community colleges. Eligible students will have completed between 24 and 60 credits by the start of the PLUS Program. The program focuses on attracting promising students from groups historically underrepresented in the legal profession and from socioeconomically disadvantaged backgrounds, as well as students facing other significant barriers to entering the legal profession. Preference is given to students who have signed up for [DiscoverLaw.org](#).

Program dates: June 3 - June 29, 2018

Application Deadline: April 13, 2018

Contact: Program Director, Sir Williams at admissions@law.wisc.edu or (608) 262-5914

Website: <http://law.wisc.edu/prelaw/>

Location: Madison, Wisconsin

Wake Forest Law School Summer Pre-Law Program for Undergraduate

The Wake Forest Law School Summer Pre-Law Program for Undergraduates will feature the following qualities:

- Classes are taught by Wake Forest Law School Professors in a "Law School" style;
- Each class receives three hours of Wake Forest College credit;
- Writing assignments will have individualized feedback;
- Public speaking assignments will have individualized feedback;
- In addition to the professors, law student teaching assistants who will be available to assist the students with assignments and to speak informally about life in law school;
- A small student/teacher ratio will allow the students to network with Law School faculty;
- A small student/teacher ratio will give students access to career and law school application counseling;

- Social events will allow informal contact with Law School faculty and practicing lawyers.

Eligibility: The goal of the program is to give college students a realistic view of law student life and to educate them about the career opportunities of lawyers.

Program Dates: TBD

Contact: Parker at parkerjw@wfu.edu or Coughlin at coughlcn@wfu.edu

Website Link: <http://academics.law.wfu.edu/summer/pre-law-program-for-undergraduates/>

Widener University Delaware Law School, Jurist Academy

Two weeks at Delaware Law's Jurist Academy will give you a real sense of what law school is like and what opportunities lie ahead for you in the field of law. Students will experience the dynamics of a law school classroom, will meet lawyers and judges in field trips and on-campus, and will have many opportunities to learn about the admissions process and life at law school. You'll be able to practice your oral argument, analytic, and test-taking skills. You'll learn how lawyers prepare for cases and strategies law students use to survive—and enjoy!—law school.

Eligibility: College students who have completed at least their sophomore year by June 5, 2018, have earned a cumulative grade point average of 2.8 or better, and who are members of a group which represents diversity and which is historically underrepresented in law schools are eligible.

Program Dates: June 4 – June 14, 2018

Application deadline: May 1, 2018

Contact: Eric Kniskern or call 302-477-2439

Website Link: <https://delawarelaw.widener.edu/prospective-students/jd-program/apply/diversity-and-inclusion/jurist-academy/>

Location: Chester, Pennsylvania

Yale Law School (Yale Law School Liman Fellows)

Eligibility: The fellowship is open all students attending Barnard, Brown, Harvard, Princeton, Spelman and Yale, including graduating seniors. Applicants must be prepared to spend 8 to 10 weeks of the summer working on an internship in public interest law.

Program Dates: Summer

Application Deadline: January 30, 2018

Contact: Students should contact their respective programs for specific details.

Website Link: <https://law.yale.edu/centers-workshops/arthur-liman-center-public-interest-law/undergraduate-summer-fellowship/application-process>

LSAC's DiscoverLaw.org Prelaw Undergraduate Scholars (PLUS) program (Scholar I track) is targeted, but not restricted, to college students from racial and ethnic minority groups underrepresented in the legal profession. The PLUS program generously funded by the Law School Admission Council (LSAC), and is designed for students in the first two years of college, and preference will be given to students who have [joined DiscoverLaw.org](http://www.discoverlaw.org). As a program participant,

you will be eligible to receive tuition, free room and board for the duration of the program, and a \$1,000 stipend. You will also receive a fee waiver from the Law School Admissions Council for the LSAT and Credential Assembly Service.

Accepted students will be immersed in a rigorous eight-week program where they will be able to receive the necessary skills to prepare them for their journey toward law school. These students will participate in five weeks of instruction including introductory law school classes, legal writing, and trial advocacy, taught by law school faculty, and three weeks of legal internships.

Eligibility: Students should be first-generation college students, low income, or members of groups underrepresented in the legal profession. Students must hold a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or better and must be in their first two years of college. Students attending community college must show proof of college continuance by providing a copy of the acceptance letter from the 4-year institution they will be attending in the Fall. Preference will be given to students who have [joined DiscoverLaw.org](http://DiscoverLaw.org).

Program Dates: May 29 – July 28, 2018

Application Deadline: February 1, 2018 (priority); March 15, 2018 (final)

Contact: Program Kristen Guiseppi at uhprelaw@uh.edu

Website Link: <https://www.law.uh.edu/pipeline/programs.asp>

Location: Houston, Texas

UHLC Pre-Law Pipeline Program (Scholar II), University of Houston-Law Center

The Scholar II track's goals focus on helping rising college seniors build a strong law school application by concentrating on LSAT test preparation, creating and finalizing the student's resume, personal statement and/or diversity statement for submission to law school.

Eligibility: To be considered for the Scholar II track, students should be first generation college students, low income, or members of groups underrepresented in the legal profession. Students must hold a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or better and must have completed over 85 college credits by June of the year that the student is applying for admission to the program. Priority will be given to eligible students who have successfully completed the Scholar I track as well as students who are rising seniors, or students who have completed their third year in college.

Program Dates: May 29 – July 28, 2018

Application Deadline: February 1, 2018 (priority); March 15, 2018 (final)

Contact: Program Kristen Guiseppi at uhprelaw@uh.edu

Website Link: <https://www.law.uh.edu/pipeline/programs.asp>

Location: Houston, Texas