Duquesne Law is located in the heart of Pittsburgh, within walking distance to externships, clerkships, and job opportunities. We are on the move – advancing in U.S. News & World Report rankings five of the last six years and attracting a record number of applicants. Our legal research and writing program is a national leader. And we offer small class sizes, extensive hands-on experience, and a special focus on ethical training found nowhere else.

If you are ready to succeed, Duquesne University School of Law is ready for you.
Pittsburgh is "...bubbling over with young people helping to redefine the city."

The Travel Channel
Position yourself for success at Duquesne Law.
Welcome

If the standard of a law school’s greatness is the caliber of its students, the success and respect given its graduates, and the dedication of its faculty, then there is no doubt that the Duquesne University School of Law stands among the nation’s best.

We seek the best and brightest students to join our community of scholars, and we prepare you, our students, for success every step of the way.

You cannot get lost here. The deans and professors will know you from the day you walk in the front door, and you will know them. Classes are small. Professors are easily accessible to students and are available to support you. Also, you can meet with any of the deans, including me, on a drop-in basis.

There is an important factor that distinguishes our law school, and that, quite simply, is the fact that we are part of Duquesne University, a Catholic institution dedicated to moral, ethical, and spiritual values. In an era when ethical concerns are among the most important questions facing the legal profession, the School of Law has, for a century, reflected Duquesne’s unique emphasis on values, justice, and service to others.

We welcome you as you consider joining us in our tradition of success!

Sincerely,

Maureen Lally-Green, L’74
Dean

BY THE NUMBERS

9
Bar Exam Preparation
PreLaw Magazine, 2017

15
Best Value Among Private Law Schools
National Jurist, 2015

22
Legal Writing
U.S. News & World Report America’s Best Graduate Schools, 2018

46
Part-Time Programs
U.S. News & World Report America’s Best Graduate Schools, 2018

Dean Lally-Green’s diverse legal career includes serving as a judge on the Superior Court of Pennsylvania, director of a nonprofit office, counsel to a national commission and a corporation, professor of law, and associate with a private firm.

Dean Lally-Green and Duquesne President Ken Gormley announced in 2017 the opening of the $7.5 million Thomas R. Kline Center for Judicial Education of Duquesne University School of Law.

Maureen Lally-Green, L’74
Dean
**Vibrant Pittsburgh**

Looking to make the most of your law school experience? Duquesne Law students say being in the heart of Pittsburgh is an important key to success.

Duquesne Law is located steps from Pittsburgh’s legal epicenter, so gaining experience in the area’s firms, courts, businesses, and agencies is convenient. And Pittsburgh’s eclectic neighborhoods and competitive cost of living make it an attractive place to study, work, and live.

Major-league sports teams play within a mile of campus at the Pittsburgh Pirates’ PNC Park and the Pittsburgh Steelers’ Heinz Field. PPG Paints Arena — home of the NHL Pittsburgh Penguins, concerts, and shows — is just across the street.

The cultural district, with world-class theater, ballet, symphony performances, and art galleries, is within walking distance.

And Pittsburgh is now a major “foodie” destination, with award-winning chefs and numerous new restaurants downtown and in nearby neighborhoods.

Whether you are new to the region or a native, you will find favorite new restaurants every month.

Visit Duquesne Law and we can tell you more about what Pittsburgh has to offer. Learn more at duq.edu/law/pittsburgh.

---

**Get to Know Pittsburgh’s**

Diverse Neighborhoods
Walkable Cultural District
Miles of Bike Trails
River Sports
Regional Parks
Must-see Museums
Foodie Destinations
Within Walking Distance to Downtown Courthouses and Agencies

1. City-County Building and Allegheny County Law Library
2. Allegheny County Courthouse
3. Orphans Court
4. Allegheny County Family Law Center
5. U.S. Bankruptcy Court
6. U.S. District Court
7. Federal Building

And numerous law firms and businesses
Melissa Lewis  
Class of 2018  
Pittsburgh, Pa.  
Part-Time Evening Program  
Phi Alpha Delta  
Student Bar Association  
Black Law Students Association  
Trial Advocacy Program  
Practice-area interests: criminal law, litigation, arbitration, and mediation

Filip Rams  
Class of 2017  
Katowice, Poland  
Duquesne Law Review  
Appellate Moot Court Board  
Associate, Buchangan Ingersoll & Rooney
Juris Doctor Degree

Full-Time Day
Our three-year curriculum in residence is designed for students who can devote full-time effort to the study of law.

Part-Time Evening
Working professionals can apply to the part-time evening program of study leading to graduation after four years. Courses are scheduled Monday through Friday evenings and occasionally on Saturdays.

Part-Time Day
Duquesne also offers a unique program for students to pursue legal studies on a part-time day schedule within four years.

Admission criteria and performance standards are the same for all J.D. students.

Learn more at duq.edu/law/jurisdoctor.

LL.M. for Foreign Lawyers
Duquesne Law offers a one-year Master of Laws for Foreign Lawyers degree to candidates who have fulfilled the educational requirements for admission to the practice of law in their own countries, and candidates attending foreign institutions with joint LL.B./LL.M. degree agreements with Duquesne Law.

Both general studies in American law and a bar track curriculum are available.

For more details, visit duq.edu/law/llm.

Dual and Joint Degrees
Duquesne Law also offers dual and joint degree programs with select graduate programs.

- Juris Doctor/Master of Business Administration
  School of Law/John F. Donahue Graduate School of Business
- Juris Doctor/Master of Science in Environmental Science and Management
  School of Law/Bayer School of Natural and Environmental Sciences
- Juris Doctor/Master of Arts in Healthcare Ethics
  School of Law/McAnulty College and Graduate School of Liberal Arts
- Juris Doctor/Master of Arts in Philosophy
  School of Law/McAnulty College and Graduate School of Liberal Arts
- Juris Doctor/Master of Divinity (Joint Degree)
  School of Law/Pittsburgh Theological Seminary

Upon admission, the student consults with each school to plan the course of study. For details, visit duq.edu/law/dualandjointdegrees.

Top School for Criminal Law
PreLaw magazine
September 2018
Expert Faculty

At Duquesne Law, we provide our faculty with a rich environment for teaching, research, scholarship, and service. You will benefit from their expertise from day one.

Here you will find inspiring teachers and caring mentors who will help you to achieve your best. You will get to know your professors in the classroom, in scholarly research, and as you develop your career.

As a graduate, you will continue to work with your instructors in new ways through bar associations, law firms, business groups, and the community at large.

Meet the people who will inform your future. Learn more about the School of Law faculty at duq.edu/law/faculty.
Jane Campbell Moriarty
Carol Los Mansmann Chair in Faculty Scholarship
Professor of Law

Education: J.D., Boston College Law School; B.A., Boston College

Courses: Law and Neuroscience; Evidence; Expert Evidence Simulation

Senior Advisor: Duquesne Law Review
Comprehensive Bar Studies

Duquesne Law’s bar preparation program offers you comprehensive instruction, mentoring, and support so you can face the bar examination with confidence.

Our program supports you by building upon each year of your studies. Your professors are passionate about providing you with the knowledge, skills, and confidence you need to reach your goals. You will receive advanced instruction in bar-tested topics, tools to hone your legal reasoning skills, and rigorous training on effective test-taking strategies.

Our success in bar passage speaks for itself. Learn more about our host of individualized bar services at duq.edu/law/barservices.

- Individual Consultations
- 1L and 2L Course Reviews
- Academic Excellence Programs
- Advanced Legal Reasoning Course
- Core Competencies for Legal Practice I and II
- Applied Competencies I and II
- Personalized Bar Coaches

86.73%
first-time
pass rate
Pennsylvania Bar Exam
July 2018

Pablo Echieverri
Assistant Professor of Law

Education: J.D., University of California, Berkeley, School of Law; B.A., University of Pennsylvania

Research Interests: Capital Markets Transactions; Latin American Constitutional Design; Separation of Powers in Colombia

Course: Corporations
Online Courses
Duquesne Law offers select courses online, in full or in part, including:

- Advanced Constitutional Law: Current Issues
- Climate Change Law
- Constitutional Law II
- Family Law
- Food Law and Policy
- Research for Law Practice
- Sales

Tiffany Sizemore
Assistant Professor of Clinical Legal Skills

Education:
J.D., Howard University School of Law; B.S., Antioch College

Clinical Programs: Education Law Clinic; Juvenile Defender Program

Advisor: American Constitution Society for Law and Policy; Black Law Students Association; Education Law and Policy Society

U.S. News & World Report ranks Pittsburgh as one of the most affordable places to live in the U.S.
Legal Research and Writing

As a first-year student, you will gain fundamental hands-on training through Duquesne Law’s Legal Research and Writing Program. Beginning with orientation and progressing through the fall semester, in class sections smaller than at almost any other law school, you will learn essential techniques for legal analysis, research, and objective writing.

Spring coursework is devoted to additional research skills, as well as persuasive writing and oral advocacy techniques.

Oral arguments before a panel of alumni judges, following an appellate advocacy assignment, will be a highlight of your first year of study. Learn more at duq.edu/law/legalwriting.

Academic Excellence Program

Our Academic Excellence Program is available to help you during all of your years of legal education. Attend any Academic Excellence workshop or course, borrow materials from the Study Room, be matched with a peer tutor, or request a one-on-one appointment at any time.

During your first semester, you can participate in Legal Skills I, an optional course that provides a legal system overview and exposes you to case briefing and legal analysis, as well as course outlining and exam prep. Legal Skills II will guide you on rule synthesis, legal application, and time management.

During your second year, we offer you in-depth training in legal reasoning for law school exams, the bar exam, and legal practice.

Finally, you can use peer tutors, who will meet with you regularly, and make individual appointments with the Director of Academic Excellence throughout the academic year and summer. Learn more at duq.edu/law/academicexcellence.
Steven Baicker-McKee
Associate Dean of Teaching Excellence and Strategic Initiatives and
Associate Professor of Law

Education: J.D., William and Mary Law School; B.A., Yale University

Courses: Pretrial Civil Litigation Simulation; Civil Procedure and Drafting I; Civil Procedure II; Energy Law; Pleading and Discovery Skills

Clinical education benefits you and the community.
Clinical education is one of Duquesne Law’s instructional cornerstones. Our students work with real clients in real cases through:

- Clinics
- Practicums
- Externships
- Fellowships
- Pro Bono Programs

Full-time law professors direct the in-house clinics and practicums and provide practical and ethical training. Students also learn from experienced local attorneys in clinic classrooms and at on-site program locations. [duq.edu/law/clinics](http://duq.edu/law/clinics)

Did you know that we have our own clinical building, within blocks of downtown state and federal courthouses, public agencies, and law firms?

Along with client meeting rooms and classrooms, the building features a mock courtroom equipped with video-recording equipment so you can review your performance on smartphones, tablets, and laptops.

**Money Magazine** says Pittsburgh is a high-tech magnet and ranks as the Northeast’s Best Place to Live.

1st
Duquesne Law launched the first criminal law veterans clinic in the country

300+
Number of externship placement sites in the United States and abroad
Clinics and Practicum

Family Law Clinic
Students work under the supervision of a family law attorney to represent income-qualified clients with cases involving divorce, settlement, child support, and child custody, among other family law issues.

Veterans Clinic
Students assist veterans charged with offenses adjudicated through the Allegheny County Veterans Specialty Court program. During the clinic, students prepare and present cases for disposition in the Court of Common Pleas and stay in touch with veterans following court-ordered substance abuse or mental health treatment plans offered as alternatives to incarceration.

Civil Rights Clinic
Students work with the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, Pa. Human Relations Commission, Pittsburgh Commission on Human Relations, and Pittsburgh chapter of the NAACP on matters involving employment, and housing and public accommodation discrimination. Students also work with clients from the Urban League of Pittsburgh and the public to offer individuals assistance with criminal record expungements and Pennsylvania gubernatorial pardons.

Education Law Clinic
Students help parents and youth navigate the school disciplinary and special education systems. Overall, the clinic also works with community partners on policy issues to dismantle the school-to-prison pipeline.

Juvenile Defender Clinic
Students support children in Allegheny County’s juvenile delinquency court, assisting with every aspect of cases including pretrial motions and litigation, investigation, admission, trial, disposition, and post-disposition motions and hearings. The clinic is the county’s only no-cost provider of expungement and protection from abuse representation for juveniles.

Unemployment Compensation Clinic
Students receive hands-on training interviewing clients, reviewing claims, preparing cases, and appearing before administrative judges to assist low-income clients with unemployment compensation matters and handle appeals to the Unemployment Compensation Board of Reviews and Commonwealth Court.

Urban Development Practicum
Students provide legal services to nonprofit community development organizations, municipal corporations, and government agencies working in distressed communities. Recent work includes participating in an Allegheny County District Attorney’s task force following a devastating fire at rental properties in McKeesport, Pa.
Duquesne Law students helped to staff Expungement Day in the City-County Building. The event attracted more than 400 individuals looking to start the record-sealing process.
Externships

Each year, our Clinical Legal Education program places students in dozens of externship sites that offer practical legal experience and professional mentorship.

Clinical professors help students select externship programs or one-semester or summer placements that fit particular interests and schedules.

Externship Programs

**Pennsylvania Innocence Project** offers externship and pro bono opportunities in the program's only western Pennsylvania office, which is located in the Tribone Center. Students investigate innocence claims and pursue judicial appeals while gaining skills in interviewing and legal writing, as well as an understanding of scientific evidence and admissibility rules.

**Public Defender Adult and Juvenile Program** allows students to work with the Office of the Public Defender to represent adults accused of crimes. Through classroom instruction and client work, students learn the stages of a criminal case; prepare, file, and argue motions; and handle preliminary hearings before district justices.

The program also provides students with opportunities to work the Office of the Public Defender juvenile defender system and learn how juvenile cases progress through the court system. Experiences include conducting client interviews, developing defense strategies with attorneys, drafting motions, and representing clients in detention, disposition, and review hearings.

**Criminal Prosecution Program** offers externship opportunities with the District Attorney's Office and classroom instruction covering all facets of criminal law, from a suspect's arrest through the trial and post-trial stages.

**One-Semester and Summer Externships**

Students can also pursue one-semester and summer externship placements in county, state, and federal judicial offices; city, state, and federal government agencies; and legal aid and nonprofit organizations. Placements can be arranged with academic credit or for pro bono recognition.

---

**Elizabeth DeLosa**
Managing Attorney,
*Pennsylvania Innocence Project*

**Education:** J.D., Duquesne University; B.A., University of Pittsburgh
Pursue Your Academic Interests

Dean's Fellows
The Dean's Office selects students for the prestigious Dean's Fellows Program in three areas:

- Business (Governance and Transactions)
- Public Service (Government and/or Nonprofit Service)
- Litigation/Dispute Resolution

Dean's Fellows is a competitive program, and only a small number of students are selected to participate. Applications are accepted during the spring semester of students' first year of study; however, exceptional candidates may be considered and accepted into the program prior to matriculation. Each student is partnered with a fellowship faculty advisor as well as an alumni mentor who provides advice regarding career opportunities.

Pursue Your Service Interests

McGinley Public Service Fellowship
Students can also be considered for McGinley Public Service Fellowships, which support work in executive, legislative, and judicial branches of government or related agencies. McGinley Fellowships are awarded through the generosity of John and Marie McGinley.

Public Interest Law Association Fellowships
Public Interest Law Association (PILA) Fellowships support students working with organizations that provide direct legal services to low-income and underserved clients.

Eduardo J. Benautuil, Class of 2018, interned with the Supreme Court of Costa Rica through a McGinley Public Service Fellowship.

Duquesne Law has more than 300 externship placement sites in the U.S. and abroad, including:

- U.S. Department of Justice, Civil Division, Commercial Litigation Branch – Washington, D.C.
- U.S. Attorney’s Office, Criminal Division – Atlanta, Ga.
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit – Pittsburgh, Pa.
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Ohio, Magistrate Judge Limbert – Youngstown, Ohio
- Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, Justice Donohue and Justice Wecht – Pittsburgh, Pa.
- Laurel Legal Aid – Greensburg, Pa.
- Cuyahoga County Department of Law – Cleveland, Ohio
- U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Immigration Review – Houston, Texas
- And dozens of other placement locations

Pro Bono Program
Our Pro Bono Program provides a structure through which students serve the public interest while developing new professional skills under the supervision of licensed attorneys.

All placements are based on students’ individual interests and availability and are arranged by Duquesne Law. Current placement sites include Neighborhood Legal Services Association, Disability Rights Network, and Education Law Center. Students are recognized for their service hours.
Launch Your Legal Career

CAREER SERVICES

As legal markets continue to evolve, Duquesne Law offers career services that address ever-changing needs.

Our Career Services Office is a dynamic place. Here current students find career counseling and new opportunities to gain practical experience, graduating students find assistance securing employment in their chosen areas of practice, and employers find students and alumni prepared to assume professional positions.

For First-Year Students

Our Career Services Office will help you hit the ground running. Before you even start your studies, you will learn about the comprehensive slate of services for students and young alumni. Orientation will give you a preview of the 1L Job Search Series, which includes sessions on the 1L summer search, crafting a legal resume, preparing a cover letter, fall recruiting, and other topics.

Employment Statistics

Check out Duquesne Law's profile card for a snapshot of our latest employment statistics. Complete employment report at 10 months after graduation is available via duq.edu/law/career-services.

Duquesne Law students and graduates find employment in small, mid-size, and large firms; government agencies; corporations; and numerous other locations. Here's a sampling of employers of members of recent classes.

Small and Mid-Sized Law Firms
- Flaherty & O'Hara
- Robert Peirce & Associates, P.C.
- Pollock Begg Komar Glasser & Vertz LLC
- Quatrini Rafferty
- Thomson, Rhodes & Cowie

Large Law Firms
- Burns White
- Jones Day
- Dickie, McCamey & Chilcote
- K&L Gates
- Reed Smith

Corporations
- BNY Mellon
- CONSOL Energy
- Federated Investors, Inc.
- PNC Bank
- Schneider Downs & Co.

Federal and State Judiciaries
- Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas
- Supreme Court of Pennsylvania
- U.S. Department of Labor, Office of Administrative Law Judges
- U.S. District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania
- Washington County Court of Common Pleas

Government
- Allegheny County Department of Human Services
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
- Miami-Dade State Prosecutor's Office
- Pennsylvania Board of Finance and Revenue
- U.S. Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement

Includes bar admission-required and JD-advantage jobs, including full-time, part-time, long-term, and short-term positions. Employer names are displayed for illustrative purposes only, and do not imply employer endorsement. Employment trends vary from year to year based on many subjective factors outside of Duquesne's knowledge or control.
- Alumni Mentors
- Resume Reviews
- Mock Interviews
- On-Campus Recruiting
- DuqLawConnect Employment Portal
- Lawyers on Location
- Judicial Clerkship Presentations
- Practice-Area Events
- Solo and Small Firm Seminars
- Alternative Career Workshops
- Common Plea Career Blog
This document does not include all data that the School of Law discloses under ABA Standard 509. The complete data can be found at duq.edu/law/career-services.

Employment status of all Class of 2017 graduates

- Employed - Bar Passage Required: 65.90%
- Employed - J.D. Advantage: 5.60%
- Employed - Professional Position: 5.60%
- Employed - Non-Professional Position: 5.60%
- Pursuing Graduate Degree Full Time: 19.0%
- Unemployed - Start Date Deferred: 0.80%
- Unemployed - Seeking: 2.30%

Employment type for Class of 2017 graduates whose employment status is known

- Law Firms: 52.20%
- Business and Industry: 27.0%
- Government: 9.60%
- Public Interest: 9.50%
- Judicial Clerkships: 1.70%
Global Perspective

SUMMER STUDY OF LAW AND EXTERNSHIPS ABROAD

Duquesne Law offers summer study abroad to enhance your legal education. The three-week programs vary each year, and all offer ABA-approved credit and unforgettable educational experiences. Optional externships are available in a number of countries.

China Summer Study of Law
Duquesne was the first American law school to establish a summer program in Beijing, China. Now Duquesne Law offers the opportunity to study and travel in five cities: Beijing, Xian, Chengdu, Hangzhou, and Shanghai. The intensive curriculum provides insight into the ancient yet changing legal landscape in the world's most populous nation. Topics include comparisons of criminal law, family law, and other areas of interest. Optional externships are available for credit following completion of the 5 credit-hour program.

European Summer Study of Law
Through a partnership between the law faculty of Duquesne Law and the University of Cologne, students take classes in Germany and make professional visits to European Union courts and legislatures in such places as Belgium and Luxembourg. The program includes a number of cultural excursions in Cologne and elsewhere in Europe. Following the three-week program, students may work for two weeks or more in international law offices through externships completed for credit.

Ireland Summer Study of Law
The Summer Study of Law in Ireland program, often co-hosted with the University College Dublin Faculty of Law and the Queen’s University, offers modules in the Law of the European Union, International Arbitration and Dispute Resolution, and Human Rights Laws. In addition to the classroom program, a number of professional and cultural excursions are included. Students take a comprehensive written examination at the completion of the three-week, 4.5 credit-hour program.

American Bar Association-approved summer study in
- Beijing/Xian/Chengdu/Hangzhou/Shanghai
- Cologne/Brussels/Luxembourg
- Dublin/Belfast

“The program in Europe was filled with once-in-a-lifetime opportunities. My externship in Berlin was amazing. I’m grateful to have had the chance to participate, as it was absolutely one of the best decisions I’ve ever made.”

Katherine Enright
Class of 2018
Limerick, Pa.
You cannot really begin to appreciate the law in the United States until you see how other systems of law work. Participating in the study abroad program gave me a new perspective on the U.S. system, while allowing me to experience some fascinating alternatives.

Grant Olson
Class of 2018
Wexford, Pa.

Sample externship opportunities following summer study

- Cologne law firms – DLA Piper, Oppenhoff and Partner, Osborne Clarke
- Duesseldorf law firms – Mayer Brown LLP, von der Frecht LLP
- Berlin, Munich and Frankfurt law firm – Pöllath and Partners
- Munich legal research institute – Fraunhofer Institute
- Sarajevo, Bosnia-Herzegovina law firm – Office of Mirna Milanovic-Lalic
- Ljubljana, Slovenia firm – Deloitte Touche
- Ljubljana, Slovenia Business School and Law School – University of Ljubljana
- Maribor, Slovenia Law School – University of Maribor

Foreign language skills are not required for externship placement.
Find Your Passion

STUDENT LIFE

You have your own amazing story and interests to broaden. Do it here at Duquesne Law. Organize a panel discussion. Invite a speaker for a lunch-and-learn. Get your fellow students to do a service project. Lead a chapter of a national organization. The opportunities are endless.

Trial Advocacy Program

Duquesne Law offers a nationally recognized Trial Advocacy Program. Through comprehensive coursework and competition experience, you can develop skills in case analysis, trial preparation, effective communication, witness preparation, and case presentation. Read about Duquesne Law’s record of trial advocacy wins and learn how you can become a courtroom-ready advocate at duq.edu/law/trialadvocacy.

Appellate Advocacy Program

Participate in our Appellate Moot Court Board and you will develop new legal research, writing, and advocacy skills and have opportunities to compete in appellate moot court, arbitration, and negotiation competitions across the country. Learn about the many national and regional wins by our student-run Appellate Moot Court Board at duq.edu/law/appellateadvocacy.

Student-run organizations include:

- American Constitution Society for Law and Policy
- Black Law Students Association
- Corporate Law Society
- Duquesne Intellectual Property Law Association
- Education Initiative for Individual Diversity
- Environmental Law Society
- Federalist Society
- Health Law Society
- Sports and Entertainment Law Society

Learn more at duq.edu/law/organizations
STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Through your years here, you can participate in a number of online and print publications. Find out how you can enhance your research and writing skills and contribute to professional discourse on cutting-edge legal issues through our publications.

**Duquesne Law Review**

The *Duquesne Law Review* is the flagship journal of Duquesne Law. The scholarly journal is entirely student-run and publishes works by legal professionals and academics twice a year. Membership is awarded based upon students’ class ranking and performance in a write-on competition. The annual competition is conducted upon completion of the first year of full-time studies or second year of part-time studies.

**Duquesne Business Law Journal**

The *Duquesne Business Law Journal* focuses not only on topics that affect the world of business but also on evolving Supreme Court case law and influential persons in the business community. Articles written by students, faculty, alumni, and practicing attorneys deal with issues involving securities, contracts, and international business.

**Joule: Duquesne Energy & Environmental Law Journal**

Joule: Duquesne Energy & Environmental Law Journal serves as a forum for students and professionals to discuss legal concepts related to energy and environmental law. *Joule* features a collection of commentaries and blogs as well as full-length articles offering in-depth analysis.

**Juris**

*Juris* publishes articles on substantive areas of the law and issues of local and national interest. Students strengthen a range of writing, editing, and other skills by working on the magazine blog.
Duquesne University offers two law library facilities:

**Duquesne Center for Legal Information**

The Duquesne Center for Legal Information is located on three floors in the School of Law. Staffed by law librarians and information science professionals, the library offers comprehensive resources on-site and online. As a student you will be able to access legal databases, the SOLCAT catalog, reserve materials, interlibrary loans, e-reference assistance, and e-news publications. Here you will also find the Center for Legal Writing, a computer lab, and study rooms for private and group use. The circulation desk can offer you copies of textbooks and current semester materials.

As a first-year student, you can receive targeted assistance with your Legal Research and Writing courses, among other services. Learn more at [duq.edu/law/library](http://duq.edu/law/library).

**Allegheny County Law Library**

You will also have full access to the Allegheny County Law Library — located on the ninth floor of the City-County Building in downtown Pittsburgh — thanks to a model partnership developed by Duquesne Law. Here you will find access to a Pennsylvania legal collection, federal government depository collection, rare book collection, extensive microform collection, and all of the same research assistance available to the region’s legal community.

Eligible graduating students receive a year of free membership with access to Westlaw and Lexis, borrowing privileges, and study room use for bar preparation. Learn more at [duq.edu/law/library/acll](http://duq.edu/law/library/acll).
Duquesne Law has more than 7,800 graduates practicing in every field of law. Duquesne-educated lawyers are partners and associates in law firms of every size, from large multinational offices to small solo practices. They work as corporate counsel to Fortune 500 companies and entrepreneurial ventures. They are directors of government agencies and public interest organizations and serve as district attorneys and public defenders.

An impressive number of Duquesne graduates are judges on the local, state, and federal levels, including the highest courts, intermediate appellate courts, and trial courts in more than 20 states. Duquesne has produced a significant number of judges seated on the Superior Court, Commonwealth Court, and Courts of Common Pleas. Duquesne Law alumni have also served as judges on the United States Court of Appeals and the Federal District Courts.

The School of Law has always enjoyed the warm and generous support of its graduates and the Duquesne Law Alumni Association. Learn more at duq.edu/law/alumni.

Black Law Student Association members with Hon. Kim Berkeley Clark, L’83, and Professor Tracey McCants Lewis, L’00.
Duquesne University School of Law alumni include:

**Honorable Max Baer, L’75**
Justice, Supreme Court of Pennsylvania

**Alan N. Braverman, L’75**
Vice President and General Counsel, The Walt Disney Company

**Nicholas J. DeIuliis, L’02**
President and CEO, CONSOL Energy, Inc.

**Honorable Christine Donohue, L’80**
Justice, Supreme Court of Pennsylvania

**Marie Milie Jones, L’87**
Founding Partner, JonesPassodelis, PLLC

**Thomas R. Kline, L’78**

**Brian K. Parker, L’93**
Partner, Parker Poe, Charlotte, N.C.

**Arthur J. Rooney, II, L’82**
President, Pittsburgh Steelers
Of Counsel, Buchanan Ingersoll and Rooney, PC

**Travis Williams, L’96**
Chief Operating Officer, Pittsburgh Penguins

---

*Top 20 States where Duquesne Law Alumni Live and Work*

- Adam Palmer, L’00
  Managing Director, Global Cybersecurity Risk & Controls, Santander Bank, Madrid, Spain

- Gabriela Steier, L’12
  Co-founder, Food Law International

- Alka Patel, L’01
  Deputy Director, Risk & Regulatory Services Innovation Center Carnegie Mellon University

---
Pittsburgh offers great housing options in vibrant neighborhoods near campus, including Downtown, Uptown, South Side, Oakland, Shadyside, and Squirrel Hill.

Living costs are generally less expensive in Pittsburgh than in other major cities. Recent examples on Zillow.com include a one-bedroom unit in Oakland for $675 per month and a two-bedroom apartment on the South Side for $1,350 per month.

A number of law students take advantage of Duquesne’s affordable shuttle service between the campus and the South Side.

For more information about housing off-campus, visit duq.edu/off-campus-housing.
Duquesne’s campus offers the best of both worlds — a secure, private enclave for academic pursuits steps from Pittsburgh’s vibrant urban center.

As a law student here you will have access to all of the amenities on the 50-acre campus, including extensive recreation and fitness facilities in the Power Center, a full-size swimming pool in Duquesne Towers, multiple dining options in the Duquesne Union, a Barnes & Noble bookstore, and two Starbucks locations.

The School of Law offers two floors of state-of-the-art classrooms, moot courtrooms, and a law library. After class, you can relax at the Coffee Tree Roasters coffee shop and adjacent student lounges. Plus, on the lower level, you have access to student lockers and a suite of student organization offices.
Yet because of Duquesne Law’s commitment to small class sizes and personalized attention, the Admissions Committee annually selects only those students who best exhibit the requisite abilities and background for academic and professional success.

Except for students in approved 3/3 programs, all candidates for admission must have received a bachelor’s degree from an accredited college or university prior to matriculation at the School of Law.

Applicants from a variety of academic backgrounds are offered admission each year. No specific undergraduate academic curriculum is required, but it is highly recommended that the course of study emphasizes skills in critical thinking and logical analysis, and that students have strong writing skills.

**3/3 Early Admissions Program**

Qualified juniors from eligible undergraduate institutions may apply to our accelerated 3/3 program that allows them to earn a bachelor’s degree (B.S. or B.A.) and a Juris Doctor (J.D.) in six years.

Eligibility for the early admissions 3/3 program generally requires a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.5 over three years; a minimum LSAT score in the 60th percentile (students interested in applying should take the LSAT in the fall or winter of their junior year); a letter of recommendation from the pre-law advisor; and an interview with the Dean of Admissions.

Additional requirements vary among the partner schools. For more information, visit [duq.edu/law/admissions](http://duq.edu/law/admissions).

**Early Decision Program**

Candidates who are certain that Duquesne Law is their first choice can apply to our binding Early Decision Program.

Complete applications received by December 15 will receive a decision by December 31. Further requirements and information can be found at [duq.edu/law/admissions](http://duq.edu/law/admissions).

With all the benefits a Duquesne Law education has to offer, it’s no surprise that admission is a goal shared by many people from around the country.

Current 1L undergraduate majors include:
- Biochemistry
- Economics
- Finance
- Secondary Education
- Music
- Nursing
- Philosophy

Entering part-time students work in these fields and others:
- Accounting
- Banking
- Nursing
- Paralegal
- Education
Application Procedure

Candidates should apply online at lsac.org. Applications for admission are accepted beginning September 1 for the following academic year. Before any applicant can be considered, all of the following items must be submitted to the Office of Admissions:

1. **Online Application (LSAC)**

2. **Law School Admission Test (LSAT)**
   All applicants are required to take the LSAT. The Admissions Committee reviews all scores and dates taken, but considers the highest score for reporting purposes. Scores that are more than five years old will not be considered. Applicants are encouraged to take the LSAT no later than February of the year in which they plan to enroll.

3. **Law School Admissions Council (LSAC) Credential Assembly Service (CAS)**
   All applicants are required to subscribe to the CAS. Official transcripts from each college or university attended and letters of recommendation must be sent directly to LSAC. Registration materials for CAS are available online at lsac.org.

4. **Letter of Recommendation**
   One letter of recommendation is required. Two additional letters may be submitted for consideration. A recommendation should be submitted by a college or university professor familiar with the applicant’s academic work. Applicants who have been out of school for some time may submit a letter from an employer.

5. **Personal Statement**
   A one- to two-page typed essay must be submitted. There is no required topic, but applicants should view the personal statement as an opportunity to provide the Admissions Committee with more information about themselves beyond their transcripts and LSAT scores. Applicants often address their backgrounds and why they want to practice law. Students may also submit an optional one-page essay about why they are interested in attending Duquesne Law.

6. **Resume**
   Applicants must submit a current resume or CV with their application.

7. **Character and Fitness Disclosures**
   The School of Law application requests information regarding the applicant’s character and fitness. Any false or misleading statement, incomplete or inaccurate information, omission of required information, or failure to update changes in information in this application may cause the applicant to be denied admission; or, if admitted, to be dismissed from the School of Law or cause the applicant’s degree to be revoked, and may jeopardize licensure with Boards of Bar Examiners. Complete and accurate information is essential. Applicants should retain copies of all items submitted as part of the admission application. These materials become the property of Duquesne University and will be neither reproduced nor returned to the applicant.

In 2018, applications were received from residents of 37 states and four countries. The applicants earned undergraduate degrees from more than 250 colleges and universities.
Graduates of Duquesne University School of Law are eligible to take bar examinations in all jurisdictions of the United States. In planning their courses of study, students are advised to consult with bar examiners in the state in which they wish to practice to determine whether specific curricular criteria or registration requirements exist for admission to the bar in that jurisdiction. Applicants who intend to practice law should also be aware that admission to the bar in all states involves character, fitness, and other qualifications. Applicants are encouraged to determine what those requirements are in the state(s) in which they intend to practice by consulting the website of the National Conference of Bar Examiners at ncbex.org. Duquesne Law does not accept students who have been dismissed from other law schools for academic reasons.

**Deadlines**

Applications for all three divisions are accepted after September 1 for the following academic year. The priority consideration deadline for all applications is March 1. Prospective students applying through the binding Early Decision Program must apply by December 15.

It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that his or her file is complete for Admissions Committee consideration and that all required documents have been received by the Office of Admissions. Applicants can check their status in real time via the online status check.

**Notification of Decision**

An Early Decision Program applicant is guaranteed a decision before December 31. All other applicants are considered on a rolling basis and should allow 6-8 weeks for a decision after the application is complete. The Admissions Committee reviews applications as they become complete and typically begins to notify applicants of acceptance in November. The application review process may take several weeks. The Committee may request supplemental information before making a final decision. Once a decision is made, the applicant is notified via email and online status check.

Applicants who are denied admission in one division are not eligible to be subsequently considered for other divisions.

Nicola Henry-Taylor

_Diversity Director_

**Education:** J.D., Duquesne University School of Law; B.A., Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania

**Founder:** Henry-Taylor Law, PC

**Leadership Roles Include:** Allegheny County Bar Association; Women's Bar Association of Western Pennsylvania; African American Chamber of Commerce of Western Pennsylvania; Hearing Committee, Disciplinary Board of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania
Accepted Students

Accepted applicants are required to pay a nonrefundable $500 enrollment deposit within the time designated in the written notice. The deposit will be credited toward the first term tuition if the student registers at the time designated for entering students; otherwise, the deposit is forfeited. Failure to pay the deposit in full by the designated date may result in a forfeiture of a student's place in the class and any financial awards.

Accepted students have a continuing obligation to notify Duquesne Law immediately if any of the following events occur:

1) You are apprehended, cited, arrested, taken into custody for, charged with, indicted or tried for, or plead guilty or no contest (nolo contendere) to the commission of any crime, except for summary traffic violations unrelated to the use of intoxicants;
2) You are found guilty of an honor code violation at any institution of higher learning;
3) You are subject to disciplinary action by any educational institution or governmental or administrative agency (including any branch of the Armed Forces); or
4) You are notified of any misconduct or irregularity by the Law School Admissions Council (LSAC).

Duquesne Law reserves the right to dismiss or revoke one's acceptance based on the nature of the event.

Foreign-Degree J.D. Applicants

Applicants who have completed the equivalent of a baccalaureate degree at an institution outside of the United States are eligible to be considered for admission to the J.D. program. Foreign-degree applicants must complete all requirements for domestic applicants and submit credentials to LSAC for evaluation.

Law School Admission Council
662 Penn Street
Box 8502
Newtown, PA 18940
lsac.org

Foreign-degree candidates whose primary language is not English must take the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL). The TOEFL should be taken by March 1 of the year in which the student plans to enroll. The Admissions Committee will generally consider a TOEFL score of 100 internet-based to be minimally acceptable.

The deadline to submit the application is the same as that for new domestic applicants, but it is suggested that foreign-degree candidates apply as early as possible to allow sufficient time for credentials evaluation.

LL.M. for Foreign Lawyers Applicants

Duquesne University School of Law offers a Master of Laws for candidates who have fulfilled the educational requirements for admission to the practice of law in their own country, including a law degree from an institution recognized by the competent accrediting agency of the government of that country, and candidates attending a foreign institution with a joint LL.B./LL.M. degree agreement with Duquesne University.

The program is completed in one academic year. Both a general curriculum in American law and a bar-track curriculum are available. Students may only begin the LL.M. program in the fall semester.

To be considered for admission to the LL.M. program for foreign lawyers, English language ability must meet or exceed a 90 TOEFL examination score, or an IELTS score of 7, and candidates must successfully complete a telephone interview in order to establish the necessary fluency in English. Candidates with a TOEFL score between 85 and 89 or an IELTS score of 6.5 may be conditionally admitted pending a satisfactory phone interview with the Office of Admissions and ESL required coursework.

The application deadline is May 31 of the year in which a candidate wishes to enter the program. The application is available online at lsac.org. For more information, visit duq.edu/law/admissions/international-students.

Livability.com placed Pittsburgh third among the Top 10 Best Foodie Cities.
Transfer Students

Students may apply for transfer admission to Duquesne Law. Transfer applicants must present satisfactory evidence of having been in regular attendance at an ABA-approved law school, and must be in good standing and unconditionally eligible to return to studies at that school. Credits earned at another law school will be accepted as set forth in the Transfer Credit Policy, which can be found at duq.edu/law/registrar.

Before a transfer application will be considered, the applicant must have completed the equivalent course requirements of a first-year student at the Duquesne University School of Law. Transfer applicants must meet all requirements for a first-year student and must submit the application along with the following:

1) A Credential Assembly Report from LSAC (a copy from the current law school is acceptable);
2) An official transcript of all completed law school work; and
3) A letter from the law school attended certifying that the applicant is in good standing and is eligible to return there. The letter should not be written until the student successfully completes all of the academic work in which he or she is currently enrolled.

Transfer applicants should apply by July 1. Decisions on transfer applicants are made in mid-July.

Visitor/Non-Matriculating

A student currently enrolled at another ABA-accredited law school may apply as a visiting/non-matriculating student. The application for admission, transcript, and a letter from the current law school giving approval for visiting status must be submitted to the Admissions Office. The applicant should also indicate specific reasons for wishing to attend Duquesne Law.
 Scholarships and Financial Aid

Incoming Student Scholarships
Duquesne Law has dedicated a considerable amount of scholarship support for highly credentialed incoming students. All accepted students are automatically considered for merit-based scholarships awarded by the School of Law. These awards are made each year to the most qualified applicants based on their records of achievement, aptitude for the study of law, and general background. A small number of dean’s scholarships are also awarded.

Scholarships are renewed annually, provided the student remains in good academic standing and maintains appropriate progress toward the degree. It is recommended that interested students submit their admission applications by early March. Duquesne Law does not award conditional scholarships.

Continuing Student Scholarships
Full tuition scholarships are awarded to students who achieve the first, second, and third highest cumulative GPA at the conclusion of their first or second year as full-time day division students.

In addition, each year Duquesne Law distributes a number of endowed scholarships from a wide array of endowed funds. Application procedures are distributed to current students in the spring term.

To view a complete listing of scholarship funds, visit duq.edu/law/scholarships.

Financial Aid Application Procedure
Financial assistance is processed centrally through Duquesne University’s Financial Aid Office. This includes Federal Stafford Unsubsidized Loans, Federal Graduate PLUS Loans, and private educational loans. The School of Law does not process this aid.

Applicants must be in the process of applying for admission or be currently enrolled. Incoming students should not wait for official acceptance to the School of Law before applying for financial assistance.

Applicants should complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) no later than May 31 online at fafsa.ed.gov. Be sure to list Duquesne University’s school code 003258.

Forbes.com places Pittsburgh among cities that give the most bang for your buck.
Tuition
A competitive tuition rate and generous scholarships and financial aid make Duquesne University School of Law affordable.

For current fees, estimated costs, and additional information on financial aid opportunities, visit duq.edu/law/admissions.

For financial aid information and forms, contact:
Duquesne University
Office of Financial Aid
600 Forbes Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15282
Phone: 412.396.6607
email: faoffice@duq.edu
duq.edu/financialaid

FAFSA Code: 003258

A few of our favorite…

Pittsburgh stats

- The Three Rivers Heritage Trail runs for 25 miles, often on both sides of the rivers, offering spectacular views of the city.
- The downtown area alone has 200 restaurants.
- The city has nine theaters within a 14-block cultural district.
- Pittsburgh is only a four-hour drive from Washington, D.C., and a six-hour drive from nine states and Canada.

Source: VisitPittsburgh.com

Pittsburgh blogs

- NextPittsburgh.com
- BikePgh.org
- FriendsoftheRiverfront.org

Source: VisitPittsburgh.com
Schedule a Visit

Applicants are encouraged to visit Duquesne Law year-round. To attend a class, plan to visit September through April, when student-guided tours are combined with class visits.

Duquesne Law admissions representatives travel to colleges and universities across the country each fall.

To view the recruitment calendar, register for an Information Session, or schedule a tour, visit duq.edu/law/admissions.