

PENN STATE LAW

in University Park, PA

Start Here. Go Anywhere.

- Traditional doctrinal courses, plus **innovative courses** that reflect the evolving legal landscape taught by scholars and experienced practitioners who often testify before Congress and comment on current events;
- **Eleven in-house legal clinics**, including an immigrants' rights clinic led by a nationally recognized scholar, and a civil rights clinic primarily working on U.S. Supreme Court cases;
- Interdisciplinary courses, established **joint degree programs**, and individualized joint degrees;
- **Comprehensive mentoring** that begins at admission;
- Curriculum based in emerging technology and analysis of the legal questions posed by **new technology**;
- **Externships Everywhere** Program that places students in legal positions **all around the world**;
- Professional network of Penn State Lawyers and Penn State's more than **740,000 alumni**; and
- A commitment to welcoming a **diverse community** from around the country and from around the world.

EMPLOYMENT OUTLOOK

84.6%

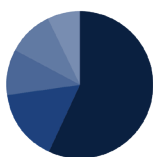
of the class of 2021 secured full-time, long-term employment that either requires a J.D. or in which a J.D. is preferred, within 10 months of graduation.

4 foreign countries where our 2019-2021 graduates were employed, including: Canada, China, England, & Taiwan.

38

states that our 2019-2021 graduates have worked in.

Class of 2021 Employment Types



Private Practice	57%
Judicial Clerkship	16%
Government	10%
Business/Industry	10%
Public Interest	7%

89.47% bar passage rate in 2021

COMPREHENSIVE MENTORING

Penn State Law provides comprehensive mentoring as part of its individualized approach to career services.

J.D. STUDENTS



INCOMING CLASS OF 2025
CLASS SIZE: 146
LAST/GPA (MEDIAN): 162/3.72
32.88% traditionally
underrepresented groups
23.97% first-generation
college students

*Data not finalized until 10/2022

LL.M. PROGRAM



Entering in Fall 2022, 150 students
representing 34 countries



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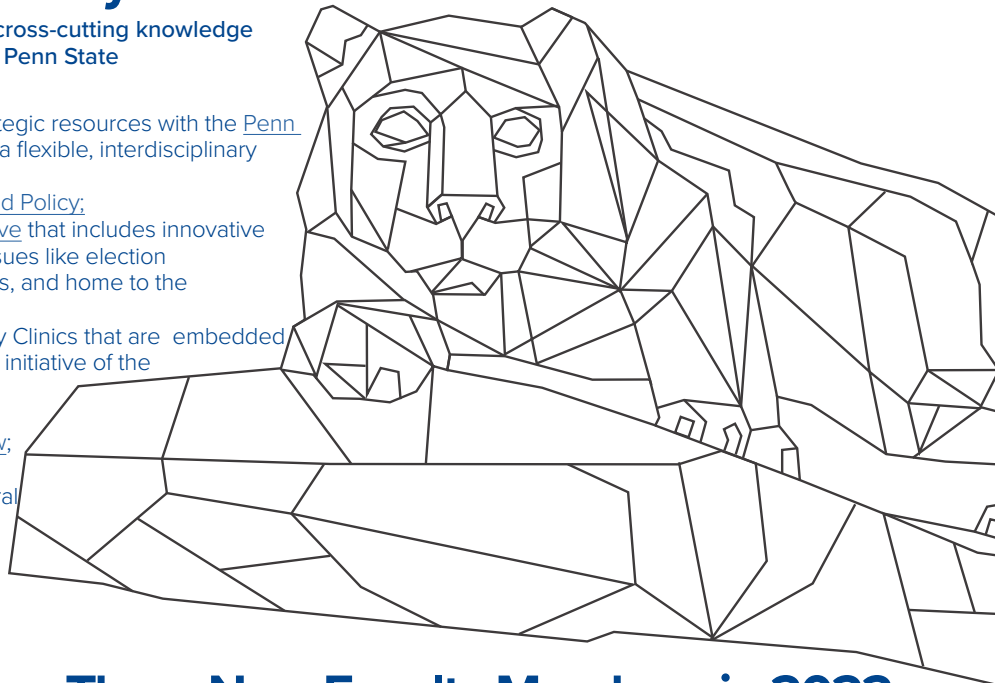
DIVERSITY, EQUITY & INCLUSION

- A track record and commitment to a diverse student body and to advancing inclusion through programs that include a robust [Minority Mentor Program](#) now in its eighth year with more than 250 participating law students, faculty, staff and alumni;
- A strong curriculum that includes a [concentration](#) in Race, Equity and Law; a new course on [Law and \(In\)equity](#) featuring more than one dozen faculty; eleven in-house legal clinics, who often represent clients from marginalized groups; [Entrepreneurship Clinic's Underserved Small Business Legal Services Program](#), a free [Minority Business Development Course](#) and courses and activities centered on teaching students about structural racism in law;
- Seven equity scholarships that include; The George Floyd Memorial Scholarship Fund, Congresswoman Barbara Jordan Equity Scholarship Fund, Emerita Beth Farmer Educational Equity Scholarship Fund, and the Congressman John Lewis Educational Equity Scholarship Fund;
- More than one dozen [student affinity groups](#) that include: Asian Pacific American Law Student Association, Black Law Student Association, Disability Law Caucus, Jewish Law Student Association, Latinx Law Student Association, Military Law Caucus, and OutLaw.

Interdisciplinary Education and Research at a Leading Big 10 University

Penn State Law provides opportunities to develop cross-cutting knowledge needed to solve problems, and partners across the Penn State community to impact the world.

- Penn State Law shares a dean, location, and strategic resources with the [Penn State School of International Affairs](#), which offers a flexible, interdisciplinary master's program;
- Leadership roles in the [Center for Energy Law and Policy](#);
- Partner in the [Law, Policy, and Engineering Initiative](#) that includes innovative research and education necessary to address issues like election security, biotechnology, and autonomous vehicles, and home to the Policy Innovation Lab of Tomorrow (PILOT);
- Entrepreneur Assistance and Intellectual Property Clinics that are embedded in [Invent Penn State](#), a broader entrepreneurship initiative of the University;
- College of Agricultural Sciences partnerships, including the [Center for Agricultural and Shale Law](#);
- Individualized joint degree program that allows students to pair a J.D. with any master's or doctoral degree at Penn State; and
- Accelerated Bachelor's/J.D. Program that allows students in any major on any Penn State campus, to apply to law school early.



Penn State Law Welcomes Three New Faculty Members in 2022



Jonathan D'Silva

Assistant Clinical Professor and Director, Intellectual Property Clinic

Professor D'Silva joins Penn State Law with diverse and extensive experience in intellectual property law and is the founder

and principal of his solo boutique intellectual property law firm located in Erie, Pennsylvania. D'Silva is global IP counsel for several multinational corporations as well as counsel for several universities, small businesses, inventors, and creatives at every stage of their development, and of all ages. He earned his J.D. from the University at Buffalo School of Law, and holds a Bachelor of Science in Agricultural and Biological Engineering and a Master of Engineering in Biological Engineering from Cornell University.



Jessica Kincaid

Assistant Professor of Legal Writing

Before joining Penn State Law, Professor Kincaid's work focused on business restructuring and bankruptcy litigation. She

represented creditors and trustees in major bankruptcy cases and advised businesses in workouts, while maintaining an active pro bono practice. Kincaid earned her J.D. from the University of Michigan School of Law.



Michael Kovac

Assistant Professor of Legal Writing

Previously, Professor Kovac was the Chief Deputy Attorney General for the Criminal Prosecutions Division of Nevada's

Office of the Attorney General, where he prosecuted, and supervised the prosecution of, criminal cases throughout Nevada. Before that, he worked in the same office as a deputy attorney general and senior deputy attorney general. He handled a wide variety of criminal cases, ranging from fraud to murder. Kovac holds a J.D. from Duquesne University School of Law.

