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On the Doorstep of the Nation's Capital

George Mason University School of Law

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The vintage map above shows the National Mall, directly across the Potomac River from the Northern Virginia suburb of Arlington, home to the law school.

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The photo left provides a view of the monument to George Mason, Virginia patriot and statesman for whom the university is named. Dedicated on the National Mall in Washington, D.C., on April 9, 2002, the monument honors Mason, one of the greatest of the founding fathers and among the least known. The acknowledged leader among those founders pressing for a Bill of Rights in the U.S. Constitution, Mason persuaded Federalists, such as James Madison, that the new constitution was unacceptable absent amendments safeguarding individual rights.

Previously, Mason had helped draft the first constitution for an independent state, his native Virginia, in 1776. The Virginia Constitution begins with the Virginia Declaration of Rights, written by Mason. The Declaration of Rights served as a model for the first ten amendments to the U.S. Constitution, known as the Bill of Rights, as well as the famous Declaration of the Rights of Man, produced by the French Revolution in 1789.



A MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN

If you have decided to attend law school, I invite you to look closely at George Mason University School of Law. As one of the highest-value choices in professional education, George Mason offers the finest in legal education and practical training in an unparalleled location.

A DYNAMIC INTELLECTUAL COMMUNITY

In less than a decade, George Mason has gained recognition as a national law school, as measured by national magazines, surveys, and members of the profession.

George Mason has attracted an accomplished faculty that includes leading legal scholars, such as Ronald Rotunda, a well-known expert in constitutional law, and a Nobel Prize winner, Vernon Smith. Our outstanding faculty offers each George Mason student a rigorous intellectual challenge, inspiring scholarly debate both in and outside of the classroom. Staying on the forefront of legal education, the faculty continually assesses the curriculum seeking opportunities to improve the academic experience, most recently adding a required course in The Founders' Constitution.

OPPORTUNITIES ABOUND ON THE DOORSTEP OF THE NATION'S CAPITAL

George Mason's location—just across the Potomac River from downtown Washington, D.C.—affords Mason students a wide range of professional opportunities unequalled in other areas of the country. Through our clinical and externship programs, students may supplement their studies with practical experience by working for credit in judges' chambers, government agencies, and law firms.

Exposure to a variety of employment opportunities aids students in solidifying their career goals. Our office of Career, Academic and Alumni Services then helps students reach those goals. We host fall and spring recruiting programs and job fairs. Each student receives the personal attention of a career development counselor. Additionally, as the only law school in Northern Virginia, we enjoy support from the regional local community, with many practicing attorneys, government officials, and judges teaching courses and mentoring students on attaining career goals.

COMMITTED TO EXCELLENCE

George Mason takes pride in its student body. Receiving over 5,000 applications each year, we are able to select from the best students in the country. We matriculate a small class and offer a close-knit atmosphere where professors know their students by name. We take seriously our obligation to prepare our students for success in all areas of practice.

Our graduates enjoy a high employment rate. They may choose to clerk, work in large national firms, or undertake a career in public service. By keeping tuition rates reasonable, we enable our graduates to pursue their chosen careers without the same education debt constraints that many young lawyers face upon graduation.

George Mason is committed to offering the best that legal education has to offer. We invite you to visit and experience the George Mason community for yourself.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Daniel D. Polsby". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Daniel D. Polsby
Dean



ON THE DOORSTEP OF THE NATION'S CAPITAL

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

- ◆ Outstanding instruction from faculty and guest lecturers with significant experience in governmental and public policy organizations such as the White House, the Congress, the U.S. Supreme Court, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, the U.S. Court of Federal Claims, the U.S. Department of Justice, the Federal Trade Commission, the U.S. International Trade Commission, and the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.
- ◆ Year-round employment opportunities with major executive branch agencies, congressional commissions and federal agencies, and the hundreds of private law firms located in the Washington, D.C., area.
- ◆ Access to the “rocket docket,” the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, Alexandria Division, which has the fastest trial docket in the United States and adjudicates some of the most complex civil cases in the nation, particularly patent, copyright, and employment cases.

Travel to Washington, D.C., in minutes via the METRO subway system. The Orange Line's Virginia Square/GMU station is a block from the law school.





THE LAW SCHOOL OF NORTHERN VIRGINIA

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

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

ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY

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

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

The School of Law

Founded in 1972 as the International School of Law, the law school became a part of George Mason University in 1979. It is accredited by the American Bar Association (ABA) and is a member of the Association of American Law Schools (AALS).

During the past decade, the law school has been in the forefront of curricular innovation. Recognizing the rapid changes that are occurring in legal practice and profession, George Mason has pioneered three core competencies—often neglected at more traditional institutions—for its students: (1) specialized substantive preparation for practice; (2) intensive development of legal writing and research skills; and (3) the legal application of economic tools and methods. Our demanding curriculum offers students unique advantages in today's competitive employment market.

The faculty constantly reassesses the curriculum with a goal of offering Mason students the best in legal education. For instance, starting spring 2008 all students will take "The Founders' Constitution," which seeks to examine the historical antecedents of the U.S. Constitution, such as the Magna Carta, the English Bill of Rights, and the Declaration of Independence, from the founders' perspective.

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



THE GEORGE MASON CURRICULUM

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

SPECIALTY PROGRAMS OF STUDY

The practice of law grows more segmented as the body of law grows in both volume and complexity. Specialty programs ensure that Mason graduates can demonstrate depth as well as breadth in their legal education and that they are prepared for practice in the 21st century. Indeed, Mason's intellectual property law curriculum has gained national recognition.

Specialty Tracks

Through our specialty tracks, students may acquire a sophisticated understanding of particular substantive areas of the law usually gained only after years of practice or through advanced legal study. Students pursuing a specialty track will be required to take 24 to 31 credit hours of the 89* total credit hours required for graduation in the area of specialization and write a thesis.

Students may elect to pursue one of the following specialty tracks:

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

**Required credit hours are subject to change*

Specialization Sequences

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

- ◆ *Corporate and Securities Law*
- ◆ *International Business Law*
- ◆ *Personal Law*
- ◆ *Criminal Law*
- ◆ *Legal and Economic Theory*
- ◆ *Regulatory Law*
- ◆ *Intellectual Property Law*
- ◆ *Litigation Law*
- ◆ *Tax Law*

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

A WELL-DESIGNED GENERAL LAW PROGRAM

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

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

LEGAL RESEARCH, WRITING, AND ANALYSIS

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

Beyond the first two years, the curriculum requires at least two additional writing courses. Students may satisfy the additional writing requirement by taking either (1) two seminar courses or (2) one seminar and one other course requiring a paper submission. Students in the track programs may substitute their theses for upper-class writing course requirements.

ECONOMIC AND QUANTITATIVE METHODS

For the past 15 years, George Mason has integrated economic theory, as well as basic mathematical and financial skills, into our law and economics-oriented curriculum. In the first semester, our curriculum introduces students to legal methods, along with economic and quantitative tools, stressing the application of the nonlegal methods in legal contexts. We reinforce this strategy in other courses at the School of Law, as many of our professors of law are also experts in various areas of economics and quantitative methods.

A CHOICE OF PROGRAMS

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

All George Mason Law students, whether pursuing a specialty program or the General Law Program, are required to satisfactorily complete 89* credit hours for graduation. Forty of those credit hours are in general courses; 49 credit hours are in elective courses. As part of the 89* credit hours, students must complete the School of Law's writing requirements.

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

Day Division

In the day division, students take three years to complete the 89* credit hours required for graduation. Day students take 14 to 15 credits each semester. Day classes are scheduled between the hours of 8 a.m. and 6 p.m., Monday through Friday. Frequently in upper class years, day students select classes from the evening division.

Evening Division

In the evening division, students take four years to complete the 89* credit hours required for graduation. Evening students average 11 to 12 credit hours each semester. Evening classes are scheduled between 6 p.m. and 10 p.m., Monday through Friday. After the first year, evening students may choose to take some of their classes in the day.

Summer Term

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

**Required credit hours are subject to change*

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



CAREER DEVELOPMENT

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

OFFICE OF CAREER, ACADEMIC AND ALUMNI SERVICES

Services for our Students

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

CLINICAL PROGRAMS

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

Domestic Relations Legal Clinic

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

Clinic for Legal Assistance to Service Members (CLAS)

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

Legal Clinic

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

Law and Mental Illness Clinic

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

Practical Preparation of GMU Patent Applications Legal Clinic

In this working seminar class, students write actual patent applications that will be filed for inventors affiliated with George Mason University. Students are assigned an invention and work directly with the inventor(s), who are usually George Mason University professors or staff, to write a patent application covering the invention. Upon completion, the application is filed.

Regulatory Clinic

The Regulatory Clinic allows students to engage in the federal regulatory process, analyzing an active regulation and filing public comments (from a public interest perspective) with a federal agency. The course combines practical lectures with workshops on how to analyze regulations and effectively communicate ideas.

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

SUPERVISED EXTERNSHIP PROGRAM

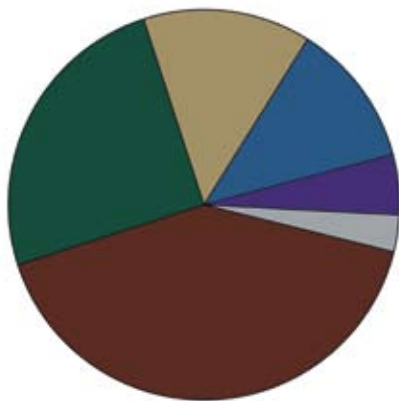
George Mason's proximity to Washington, D.C., offers a wide range of supervised externship possibilities to our law students. The supervised externship program is designed to allow students who have completed one-third of their legal education to perform work outside of law school, for academic credit,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

JUDICIAL CLERKSHIPS

A judicial clerkship for one or two years following graduation is an excellent way to bridge the gap between law school and the practice of law. It also can be an extremely valuable step in an attorney's professional development and ultimate career success. Our students have been selected for judicial clerkships covering the full range of state and federal opportunities, including the United States Supreme Court.

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

CLASS OF 2006 EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS



Employment Rate 99.5%

Private Practice 41%

Government 25%

Business 14%

Judicial Clerkship 12%

Public Interest 5%

Academia 3%

Information is based on data available from surveys and follow-up contact conducted by the Career, Academic and Alumni Services Office from May 2006 through February 2007.

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

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

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

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



FACULTY REPUTATION

One of the School of Law's greatest assets is our outstanding faculty. With some of the brightest minds in the legal academy, our faculty possesses significant professional experience in the practice of law and public policy. In the most prominent ranking of faculty scholarship and quality, Professor Brian Leiter of the University of Texas ranks George Mason's law faculty 23rd in scholarly impact (April 2006). The School of Law's full-time faculty is complemented by a remarkable adjunct faculty that includes a number of federal and state court judges and well-established practitioners who deal with cutting-edge legal issues on a daily basis.

George Mason's faculty has enabled the school to become not only a fine place in which to receive a traditional education, but also one of the nation's premier centers for the study of economics- and technology-related matters. Because George Mason University School of Law has one of the greatest concentrations of gifted legal scholars in the world, a legal education obtained at George Mason has exceptional value in today's competitive employment market.

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

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

Professor of Law and Economics Vernon L. Smith, below left, meets with Mason students. Smith was the 2002 recipient of the Nobel Prize in Economics for his work in experimental economics.



STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

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

Alternative Dispute Resolution Society
American Bar Association/Law School Division
American Constitution Society for Law and Policy
American Inn of Court
Asian Pacific American Law Students Association
Association for Public Interest Law (APIL)
Black Law Students Association (BLSA)
Business Law Society
Christian Legal Society
Civil Rights Law Journal
Delta Theta Phi
The Docket
Environmental Law Society
Federal Circuit Bar Journal
The Federalist Society
Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Law Association
George Mason Law Review
Hispanic Law Students Association
Honor Committee
Intellectual Property Law Society (IPLS)
International Law Society
J. Reuben Clark Law Society
Jewish Law Students Association
Journal of Law, Economics & Policy
Law and Economics Society
Law Students for the Second Amendment
Mason Law Republicans
Moot Court Board
Muslim Law Students Association
National Security Law Society
Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity, International
Phi Delta Phi International Legal Fraternity
Sports Law Society
Student Animal Legal Defense Fund
Student Bar Association
Thomas More Society
Trial Advocacy Association
Virginia Bar Association
Women's Law Association

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

THE LAW LIBRARY

George Mason's Law Library combines a collection of growing importance with high-technology support to ensure that our students and faculty have optimal access to all the resources they need for their legal studies. Located on three levels of the law school facility, the library houses more than 300 study carrels and table seats. Almost all of the study carrels and tables are wired with electrical and data connections so that students can plug in notebook computers to access the Internet, e-mail, LEXIS, and Westlaw. In addition, the School of Law has a wireless network that allows students, faculty and staff members to use a laptop to check e-mail and surf the Web without connecting to a wired, Ethernet port. The library has two computer labs with a total of 42 computers and nine group study rooms.

The library's collection consists of over 450,000 volumes and volume equivalents. The collection is particularly strong in the areas of law and economics, business, economic theory and history, ethics and philosophy, tax, international law, and banking.

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

The Law Library collects most American legal court reports, statutes, encyclopedias, digests, and indexes and has more than 5,600 serial subscriptions.

The Law Library has 14 full-time staff members, including seven librarians, as well as a number of part-time staff and student assistants. The librarians are trained as both librarians and lawyers and can provide students with a high level of assistance in using both print and online materials. Our librarians participate actively in the research component of our Legal Research, Writing and Analysis program. Lab technicians from the university's Division of Instructional and Technology Support Services provide staffing for labs and assist students with the use of computer equipment and software.

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





THE ADMISSIONS PROCESS

GENERAL INFORMATION

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

Early Decision Program

Students seeking an early decision must submit and complete all of the standard application procedures no later than December 15, 2007. Early decisions will be made no later than **January 15, 2008**. Applicants who apply but are not admitted through early decision may be considered in the standard admission process, or they may be denied admission.

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

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

Standard Admission Process for First-Year Applicants

The standard application deadline for fall 2008 admission is April 1, 2008. Admission decisions are made on a rolling basis.

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

ELIGIBILITY

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

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

All applicants must take the LSAT. In addition, all applicants must register with the Law School Data Assembly Service (LSDAS).

TRANSFER ADMISSION

Admission of transfer students is highly selective. Only students who have completed one year at an ABA-accredited law school will be eligible for transfer admission. For expanded information, visit www.law.gmu.edu/admission/onlineapp.html.

VISITING LAW STUDENTS

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

ADMISSIONS INQUIRIES

Applicants who have questions or who would like to visit the law school for a tour or to sit in on a class should contact the Admissions Office at 703-993-8010 or visit www.law.gmu.edu/admission/events.html for information on our tour and class visitation schedule. Office hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, during the academic year.

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

FINANCING YOUR EDUCATION

FINANCIAL AID

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

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

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

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

SCHOLARSHIP AND FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMS

A small number of scholarships are awarded to incoming law students each year. All scholarship awards are based upon merit as evidenced in applicants' applications for admission. **No additional or special scholarship applications are required.** All law students offered admission to the law school are considered for scholarship awards.

For a detailed listing of the scholarships that are available, please visit www.law.gmu.edu/admission/money.html or financialaid.gmu.edu/.

Applicants for the Robert A. Levy Fellowships in Law & Liberty

Robert A. Levy Fellowships in Law & Liberty were created through the generosity of Dr. Robert A. Levy, a 1994 graduate of the law school. Through this generous fellowship program, Dr. Levy seeks to encourage young scholars to enter the academic field of law and economics by sponsoring their pursuit of a JD degree. Fellowship grants cover tuition and fees and provide a substantial stipend for up to three years. To be eligible for a Levy Fellowship, an applicant must either (1) have earned a PhD from an accredited university in economics or a closely related field such as finance or political science; or (2) have successfully completed all course work in one of the above fields and have passed the general exam for a PhD from an accredited university. Applicants for full-time, first-year law admission who also are applying for the Levy Fellowship must, in addition to all requirements for first-year applicants, provide a cover letter with the names of three references, a curriculum vitae, graduate school transcripts, and a copy of current research. **The deadline for Levy Fellowship and School of Law applications is April 1, 2008.**

For more information about the Levy Fellowship, visit www.law.gmu.edu/admission/levy.html.

ESTIMATED COSTS FOR 2007-08

The table below shows the estimated tuition costs for full-time and part-time students at George Mason University School of Law for the 2007-08 academic year. These estimates are used in determining financial aid packages for law students. As estimates, these figures may vary slightly from the actual costs.

Category	Estimated Costs for In-State Residents	Estimated Costs for Out-of-State Residents
Tuition (full-time)	\$16,716	\$28,532
Tuition (part-time*)	\$13,731	\$23,437
Estimated additional costs and living expenses (includes books)	\$21,134	\$21,134
Total estimated cost (full-time)	\$37,850	\$49,666
Total estimated cost (part-time)	\$34,865	\$44,571

**In-state residents pay \$597 per credit hour, and out-of-state residents pay \$1,019 per credit hour. Part-time tuition figures are based on the recommended first-year course load of 23 credit hours.*

Tuition rates are subject to change at any time.



Diversity

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

Mason provides its students many opportunities to expand their horizons through a multitude of student organizations and activities, all intended for both day and evening students. For information, visit www.law.gmu.edu/students/orgs.php.

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

For expanded information, visit www.law.gmu.edu/students/diversity.html or contact the Director of Diversity Services at 703-933-8197.

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

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

Loyola University
Marquette University
Mary Washington College
Massachusetts Institute of Technology
McGill University
Michigan State University
Mississippi State University
Morgan State University
Muhlenburg College
New York University
Norfolk State University
Northeastern University
Occidental College
Ohio State University
Ohio Wesleyan University
Old Dominion University
Oregon State University
Pennsylvania State University
Princeton University
Providence College
Purdue University
Randolph-Macon College
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Rice University
Roanoke College
Rochester Institute of Technology
Rutgers University
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