In the heart of downtown Atlanta, Georgia State College of Law was founded on the idea that a legal education should be accessible and affordable. We offer part-time and full-time programs, numerous legal specialties and an expansive experiential learning curriculum to prepare students for practice. Our faculty, students and alumni prove that lawyers are problem-solvers, tackling society’s most pertinent legal questions in and out of the classroom. We pride ourselves on our strong sense of community and commitment to the pursuit of justice.

Choosing Georgia State College of Law is one of the most courageous and important decisions our students make. We reward that courage by committing to their growth both in and out of the classroom, allowing our graduates to become the best lawyers they can be.

- Dean LaVonda N. Reed
WELCOME TO ATLANTA

At the College of Law, downtown Atlanta is our classroom. Federal and state courts, major law firms and large nonprofits are within footsteps of our building. Through strong outside connections, our students gain exposure to the world they’ll enrich with their enthusiasm.

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No. 3 City to Start a Career
2021 Wallethub

29 Fortune 500/1000 Companies
2021 Metro Atlanta Chamber

35 “AM Law 100” Firms
2021 Law.com Daily Report

5 Major Sports Teams

$9.5B Film Industry
FIND YOUR PASSION

We build on the foundational areas of the law with flexible programs and electives that cover virtually all aspects of public and private law. Whether, full-time or part-time, day or evening, accelerated or seeking dual degrees, you will find a wide variety of classes, co-curriculars and programs to fit your curiosities.

DUAL DEGREES

Earn two degrees in a shorter time and at a lower cost than if pursued separately.

• Accelerated Bachelor/J.D. (with the Honors College)
• J.D. & Master of Business Administration (M.B.A.)
• J.D. & M.B.A. & Master of Health Administration
• J.D. & Master of City and Regional Planning (with Georgia Institute of Technology)
• J.D. & Master of Professional Accountability
• J.D. & Master of Public Health
• J.D. & Master of Public Administration
• J.D. & Master of Science in Data Science & Analytics
• J.D. & Master of Science in Health Administration

OTHER DEGREE OPTIONS

• Master of Jurisprudence (M.J.)
• Master of Laws (LL.M.) for U.S. and Foreign Trained Lawyers

CERTIFICATES

The legal profession is constantly changing, and certificates give students an edge in a competitive job market. Students in a certificate program gain practical skills, learn to respond to the latest trends, develop a career network and explore what kind of lawyer they want to become.

• Advocacy
• Entertainment, Sports & Media law
• Environmental & Land-use Law
• Health Law
• Intellectual Property Law
• Legal Analytics & Innovation
• Public Interest Law & Policy

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EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

Our innovative approach to research and clinical learning allows students to tackle society’s biggest legal issues. We prepare students for practice from the moment they enter the building. Through award-winning clinics, a robust externship program and numerous other practice-based and simulation courses, experiential learning is one of the best ways for students to distinguish themselves during the job search.

CLINICS

Clinics are an excellent way for students to apply theories and skills learned in the classroom and perform real legal work, representing clients and appearing before judges.

- Health Law Partnership (HeLP) Clinic
- Immigration Clinic
- Phillip C. Cook Low-Income Taxpayer Clinic
- Capital Defender Clinic
- Mediation Clinic
- Olmstead Disability Rights Clinic

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TEACHING EXCELLENCE

Our engaged faculty are sought-after practicing attorneys and legal scholars who write casebooks and legal codes, help frame civil rights issues, serve as legal experts, and advise on domestic and international matters.

They are dedicated to your success and are an integral part of our rich, vibrant and supportive learning community.

6.3:1 STUDENT-FACULTY RATIO

136 TOTAL FACULTY

71 FULL-TIME FACULTY

RESEARCH CENTERS

Our research centers and initiatives provide students an opportunity to concentrate their studies and engage with faculty and practitioners on current issues.

- Center for Access to Justice
- Center for Intellectual Property
- Center for the Comparative Study of Metropolitan Growth
- Center for Law, Health & Society
- Entertainment, Sports & Media Law
- Legal Analytics & Innovation

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STUDENT-CENTERED COMMUNITY

We create a welcoming environment where all students can thrive. Our students are encouraged to bring their diverse backgrounds and experiences into the classroom to cultivate insightful conversations. We believe by challenging and expanding their perspectives, we are equipping students with the critical thinking and problem-solving skills that will set them apart as lawyers.

2021-22 STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

- American Constitutional Society
- Animal Legal Defense Fund Student Chapter
- Asian American Law Students Association
- Black Law Students Association
- Business & Law Society
- Christian Legal Society
- Criminal Law Association
- Environmental Law Society
- Estate Planning & Wealth Mgmt. Law Society
- Family Law Society
- Federalist Society
- Georgia Association of Women Lawyers at Georgia State University
- Immigration Law Society
- Intellectual Property Law Society
- James Oglethorpe Legal Society
- Jewish Law Student Association
- Labor & Employment Law Society
- Latinx & Caribbean Law Student Association
- Law Students for Reproductive Justice
- Legal Analytics Association
- Muslim Law Student Association
- OUTLaw
- Parents Attending Law School
- Phi Alpha Delta
- Pro bono Board
- Public Interest Law Association
- Sports & Entertainment Law Society
- Student Bar Association
- Student Health Law Association
- Wellness in the Law Society
CAREER DEVELOPMENT

Seeking legal employment may be different than any other type of job search you’ve conducted — and we will support you every step of the way.

CAREER STRATEGY
- First-year professional development course
- Career guides, templates and resources
- Resume and cover letter reviews
- Individual career counseling

JOBS, INTERNSHIPS, & INTERVIEWS
- On-campus interviews
- Mock interviews
- Job fairs

CONNECTIONS
- Career workshops & panels
- Speed networking
- LinkedIn seminars

NETWORK WITH 6,000+ ALUMNI WORLDWIDE

As a student at Georgia State Law, your connection to the alumni network starts on day one. It’s common to see graduates conducting research in the law library, dropping by to speak to a class or having lunch with professors and students. Many of our alumni regularly catch up over dinner and have even started successful law firms with each other. Our sense of community at Georgia State is incredibly strong, and our graduates are always there to support each other along the way.

PRIVATE PRACTICE
- Arnall Golden Gregory
- Alston & Bird
- Baker Hostetler
- Eversheds Sutherland
- Fox Rothschild
- Greenberg Traurig
- Jones Day
- King & Spalding
- Kirkland & Ellis
- Morgan & Morgan
- Troutman Pepper Hamilton Sanders

CORPORATE
- Amazon
- Apple
- AT&T
- Bank of America
- Coca-Cola Company
- Delta Air Lines
- Disney
- Facebook
- Ford
- Google
- CNN
- Microsoft
- Nike
- UnitedHealth Group

GOVERNMENT
- Atlanta Mayor
- CDC
- Federal Aviation Administration
- Georgia Court of Appeals
- Georgia State Bar
- Georgia Supreme Court
- U.S. Department of Justice
- U.S. Department of Labor

+93% EMPLOYED
10 Months After Graduation
Class of 2020

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IMPORTANT DATES

SEPT 1  FALL 2022 APPLICATION OPENS

JAN 15  PRIORITY DEADLINE FOR SCHOLARSHIP CONSIDERATION

JUNE 1  FINAL APPLICATION DEADLINE

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2 pages, double spaced limit

TAKE THE LSAT
June tests accepted

SEND TRANSCRIPTS
From all undergraduate and graduate programs

SUBMIT LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION
2 required, 4 maximum
ADMISSIONS DISCLOSURE
The College of Law admits students based upon certification that the application materials are complete and accurate.

If you have omitted anything or any information changes, you must amend your application immediately. This obligation shall continue until you graduate from the College of Law. Misrepresentations may result in the invalidation of your application, revocation of admission, discipline under the College of Law Honor Code, a report to the LSAC or bar authorities and/or other actions.

Pay close attention to question 3 and 4 on the Character and Fitness section of your application and the Criminal Certification following Question 4. All moving violations must be disclosed. Only parking tickets are exempt.

GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY NONDISCRIMINATION POLICY
Georgia State University is an equal opportunity educational institution. Faculty, staff and students are admitted, employed, and treated without regard to race, sex, color, age, religion, national original, sexual orientation or disability. Georgia State University complies with Title IX of the Educational Amendments of 1972, Titles VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Civil Rights Act of 1991, Sections 503/504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, the Vietnam Era Veterans Readjustment Assistance Act, as well as other applicable federal, state and local laws.

ABA CHARACTER AND FITNESS STATEMENT
Applicants are required to provide the ABA-accredited College of Law with information about their academic and personal background, including criminal history. Failure to answer any such questions fully and honestly may adversely affect one's application or result in actions, up to and including revocation of admission.

Every American jurisdiction in which you may practice law after graduation from law school requires each applicant for admission to the bar to meet character and fitness requirements as a condition of eligibility for admission. You are encouraged, as you go through the law school application process and before you enter law school, to determine the requirements of the jurisdiction(s) where you intend to practice law. If you are uncertain where you will practice law, you may wish to review the Standard NCBE Character and Fitness Application, titled Request for Preparation of a Character Report, of the National Conference of Bar Examiners, which is used by a number of jurisdictions' bar admission authorities. Addresses for relevant agencies are at www.ncbex.org.

Information about Georgia's character and fitness rules, as well as bar exam and admission procedures, may be found at gabaradmissions.org. Students applying for admission in states other than Georgia are encouraged to review the specific admissions requirements of those states.

SACS ACCREDITATION
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