March 2021

The Notre Dame Pre-Law Student Board is excited to release the March edition of the Pre-Law Newsletter. Below, you'll find information on helpful resources and upcoming opportunities for undergraduate students.
The Pre-Law Newsletter is prepared by the Pre-Law Student Board under the direction of the Meruelo Family Center for Career Development as part of the Notre Dame Pre-Law Program to help students explore law, determine if it is the career they want to pursue, and have the tools, resources and knowledge for applying to law school.

Recently, we held Exploring Law with Notre Dame Alumni Panel and Networking Session. You can view the recorded session here. We are offering workshops this Spring to further help you explore law by talk with ND law students; plan your strategy for going to law school and preparing for the LSAT.

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**IMPORTANT INFO**

**Law School Resources**

**Free AccessLex Webinars:**
AccessLex offers a number of free webinars designed to help students navigate
the law school application process and make the most informed decision.

- **Paying for Law School**: Tuesday, March 23 - 4:00pm ET
- **Applying to Law School: A Strategic Approach for Underrepresented Students**: Thursday, March 25 - 5:00pm ET
- **Building Your Law School Budget**: Tuesday, March 30 - 4:00pm ET
- **Choosing a Law School**: Wednesday, April 14 - 12:00pm ET

Be sure to check out LSAC's Pre-Law Student Professionalism Webinar on Wednesday, March 24, from 3-4pm ET as well. Law School Admission Deans from Cornell, Villanova, and Wisconsin will discuss how students can best present themselves in a professional manner throughout the law school application process. ([Register on Handshake](#))

**Scholarship/Fellowship Opportunities:**

**AccessLex Law School Scholarship Databank:**

Review the most comprehensive list of scholarships available for law students and those interested in a law career -- 800 carefully curated and vetted scholarship opportunities and writing competitions – totaling over $3 million in aid.

**Snell & Wilmer Fellowship for Advancement & Resources (FAR) program**

The fellowship is designed to assist students looking to attend law school. Members of Snell & Wilmer’s Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee review applications and conduct interviews with the finalists. Currently there are ten FAR Fellows – two per year for the last five years. Fellows receive LSAT preparation course reimbursement, resources for technology assistance, and a $300 per semester book scholarship. In addition, each FAR Fellow is paired with a mentor who speaks with the student through all stages of preparing for the LSAT (sometimes retaking the LSAT), the admissions process, and life as a law school student. More information and linking to the application is available [here](#). You can also view Information, application and instructions for submission through this [pdf](#). As we recently received information on the FAR program, we strongly recommend freshmen, sophomores and juniors to apply as soon as possible for consideration.

**LSAT Prep Database:**

The LSAT Prep Database is a compilation of reviews from Notre Dame alumni and seniors based on their experiences when studying for the LSAT. The link to the database can be found [here](#).
LSAC/LSAT Updates

*The LSAT will continue to be offered in an online live remote proctored format through June 2022.*

Return to 4 LSAT sections beginning August 2021:

Beginning August 2021, the LSAT exam will return to the pre-COVID practice of including an unscored variable section along with the three scored sections in order to validate new test questions for future use. The unscored section can appear in any order among the four sections of the test. With the addition of a fourth, unscored section, a short break will be given between the second and third sections of the new LSAT starting August 2021.

-NOTE: If you do not have the necessary equipment, internet access, or a quiet place to test, let LSAC know! Complete the Assistance Request form in your LSAC online account by the assistance request deadline associated with your exam. Thus far, LSAC has provided 2,400 loaner devices to candidates who needed a computer and have provided a quiet place to test and internet access for over 1,100 more.

Through our deep commitment to disability rights, we will of course also continue to address the needs of all candidates who require testing accommodations.

**LSAT Dates:**

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- **February 2021 — LSAT-Flex** February 20, February 21
- **March 2021 — Spanish LSAT-Flex** March 13
- **April 2021 — LSAT-Flex** April 10, April 11
- **June 2021 — LSAT-Flex** TBD, Week starting June 12
- **August 2021 — LSAT** TBD, Week starting August 14
**Planning for Law School**

Just thinking about law school or firmly decided that you will apply? Either way, you can map out your plan, know that you are covering each of the steps, and within a timeframe that hits the sweet spot for applying to law school.
Preparing for the LSAT

Are you planning to study for and take the LSAT this year? Would you like some important tips and advice from ND students and alumni who’ve already successfully taken it?

Tuesday, April 13 • 6:00-7:00pm ET

Register on Handshake
Launch of the Notre Dame Pre-Law Student Board Website

The Notre Dame Pre-Law Student Board Website launches later this week! This website will provide useful law school preparation resources, highlight important tips and strategies, and feature on-campus opportunities to become more involved in pre-law.

Law Student Office Hours for Undergraduates

Through a collaborative effort between the Pre-Law Student Board and Notre Dame Law School student, Mary Mancusi, you can now schedule a casual conversation with a Notre Dame law student! Find out what law school's really like. Gather ideas for things you can do now to prepare for law school. Get tips
on the law school application process. Starting this semester, Notre Dame Law School Students will be holding office hours intended for undergraduate questions.

**Runs from April 7-23**

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**Missed Out On Past Events?**

Check out the recorded versions on Zoom!

- LSAT-Flex Preparation: Inside Changes to the LSAT ([click here](#))
- Choosing a Law School Presentation ([click here](#))
- Writing the Law School Personal Statement ([click here](#))
- NDLS Student Q&A Panel ([click here](#))
- Should I Be a Lawyer Presentation ([click here](#))
- Intro to Thinking About Law ([click here](#))
- Exploring Law with ND Alumni: Panel ([click here](#))
Internships
In Handshake search "legal;" under Job Type, select "Internship;" under School Year, select year or all four undergrad years (even with this search, still check qualifications to ensure opportunity is for an undergraduate student)

(Note: When no application deadline is given, applying as soon as possible is highly recommended)

- New York State Office of the Attorney General - Student Mediator, Consumer Frauds & Protection Bureau - NYC (Application expires March 29)
- D. C. Metropolitan Police Department Office of the General Counsel - Legal Intern (Application expires April 1)
- Goldfein Claims Management - Corporate Counsel Paid Intern (Goldfein, a national law firm specializing in providing business and legal solutions to major financial institutions, offers several PAID internship positions for Summer 2021) (Applications expire June 4)
- Alliance for American Manufacturing - Paid Summer Intern (Apply right away if interested)
- Georgetown Law Criminal Justice Clinic - Investigative Internship (Summer application expires April 2)
- Vera Institute of Justice - Summer 2021 Research Intern, New Orleans (Application expires March 31)
- Vera Institute of Justice - Summer 2021 Reshaping Prosecution Intern, NYC
- Career Shift - searching for "legal" "undergraduate" with "advanced search" on and "Internship" selected under "job type," the following internships were found. (Note: Create your account on CareerShift using your ND email address and any password you choose)
- American Civil Liberties Union - Summer 2021 Undergraduate Intern, National Prison Project (found through Career Shift)
- Summer 2021 Undergraduate Intern, National Political Advocacy Department (Candidate Elections) See more summer undergraduate internship opportunities here.
Democratic Staff of the U.S. Senate Committee on Rules and Administration - Summer 2021 virtual full-time undergraduate internship (search for bulletin number 226255)

Centene - Regulatory Operations Summer 2021 Undergraduate Internship

Full-Time
In Handshake, search “legal;” under Job Type, select “Job;” under School Year, select “Senior”

- Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP Private Funds Paralegal with Summer 2021 Start (recommended to apply soon)
- Cahill Gordon & Reindel LLP - Litigation Paralegal (Application expires March 31)
- Cahill Gordon & Reindel LLP - Environmental/Corporate Paralegal (Application expires March 31)
- Koya Law LLC - Jr. Analyst (Application expires March 31)
- Hudson - Business Immigration - Legal and Creative Writing Specialist (Application expires March 31)
- Shusaku Yamamoto - International Paralegal, Osaka Japan (Application expires April 2; Japanese proficiency is not required)
- Federal Defender Program, Inc. - Appellate Criminal Defense Assistant Paralegal (Application expires April 5)
- Family Justice Center of St. Joseph County - Front-Line Advocate (Application expires April 9)

Find more Law-Related Internships and Jobs on Handshake
Check out the Job/Internship databases listed at the Law Career Path under Find Opportunities

As always, don’t hesitate to reach out to prelaw@nd.edu with any feedback or questions.
In addition, if you have law career questions or are seeking pre-law advising, contact Anita Rees arees@nd.edu Meruelo Family Center for Career Development

Know anybody else who may be interested in pre-law information? SEND THEM THIS LINK TO SUBSCRIBE TO THE PRE-LAW NEWSLETTER