3. BINDING PRESIDENTIAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM
(FULL TUITION)
The Binding Presidential Merit Scholarship Program is designed for applicants who have researched their law school options and have determined that GW Law is their top choice. Unlike the Binding Early Decision Program, all applicants admitted through the Presidential Merit Scholarship Program will be awarded a full-tuition scholarship. The admissions process is rolling; early application is strongly encouraged. The application deadline is February 1.

TRANSFER AND VISITING STUDENTS
The law school accepts a limited number of transfer and visiting students each semester. Applicants must submit a completed application, an official transcript of all law school course work, an official undergraduate transcript, and a letter from the applicant’s law school stating that the applicant is in good academic standing. Transfer students also must submit a copy of their CAS report. Transfer applications are due June 15 for fall entry or November 15 for spring entry. Visiting student applications are due June 15 for the fall semester, November 15 for spring, or May 10 for summer.

Applicants who apply by March 1 will be considered under the Early Action Transfer Program. Applicants accepted through this program will receive provisional acceptance on the basis of fall semester transcripts; final acceptance will be determined after spring transcripts are received.

The law school will not issue an I-20 form for visiting international students. Transfer students are eligible for financial aid in the form of federal loans only.

FINANCIAL AID
The law school works with students on an individual basis to ensure that each receives the most generous aid package available.

MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS
All admitted first-year applicants will be considered for merit-based scholarships. These awards, which vary in amount, are based on the strength of applications; no separate scholarship applications are required. The Scholarship Committee begins the merit review process in February.

NEED-BASED GRANTS
The Financial Aid Office begins making awards in March for the upcoming academic year. Awards are not offered to an applicant until the student has been admitted to GW Law; however, applicants are encouraged to complete their FAFSA and CSS profiles earlier to expedite the financial aid process once admitted.

OPEN DOORS SCHOLARSHIP
Through the Open Doors Scholarship, 10 extraordinary students with significant need will receive a $120,000 scholarship ($40,000/year for full time or $30,000/year for part time, which includes need-based grants and merit awards). The scholarship application will open to admitted students in February, at which point decisions will be made on a rolling basis.
DC’s oldest law school, still ahead of its time

For more than 150 years, the George Washington University Law School has made an impact in the world by offering a D.C.-infused education that prepares students to shape solutions to the pressing challenges of our times.
At GW, you have the opportunity to attend class, then walk 10 minutes to an externship at the State Department or the Department of Justice. No other school can give you that.

DANNY BUSHACRA, CLASS OF 2025
HOMETOWN: BEIRUT, LEBANON
Our graduates make history

GW Law has an impressive record of educating forward-thinking leaders. By 1895, our graduates had already written the patents for Bell’s telephone, Mergenthaler’s linotype machine, and Eastman’s roll film camera.

Today, GW Law prepares students with the theoretical and practical knowledge to view the law in an increasingly global context. With an extensive curriculum, a faculty of well-respected scholars and practitioners, high-quality externship opportunities in the nation’s capital, robust mentorship programs, and an emphasis on professionalism and career development, we assist students in exploring the law in depth and finding their own place within it.

At GW Law, we offer each student a team of professors, counselors, colleagues, and mentors dedicated to helping that student create a pathway to a successful career. That is the GW Law Experience.
One of my favorite experiences was GW’s public interest pre-orientation. We visited the DOJ and other government agencies and also nonprofits. It really solidified that public interest lawyering is the right path for me.

ASIA GRAY EDWARDS, CLASS OF 2025
UNDERGRAD: VILLANOVA UNIVERSITY
It’s all about who we know.

DC’s best legal minds

Our professors bring the legal world to our classrooms. For instance, Professor Bradley Clark led a recent conversation with his friend Justice Elena Kagan (pictured left) before an auditorium of students.

Our professors argue before the Supreme Court, testify on Capitol Hill, and teach at GW Law. Our professors are not only scholars, but that they engage in shaping the practice and evolution of the law. That experience and access benefits our students.

In addition, our D.C. location allows us to draw from the leading legal practitioners to round out our adjunct faculty. Leading practitioners from the State Department, top think tanks, and local and federal courts, bring real-world experience to our classrooms as adjunct professors.
GW Law offers one of the most extensive course catalogs among American law schools. You can choose from more than 275 elective courses focused in 18 program areas, some of which offer more than 60 courses.

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW AND GOVERNMENT REGULATION**
- Administrative Law
- Antitrust Law
- Campaign Finance Law
- Congressional Investigations Seminar
- Energy Law and Regulation
- Environmental Law
- Food and Drug Law
- Genetics and the Law
- Government Lawyering
- Health Law and Policy
- Health Care Law Seminar
- Higher Education Law
- Homeland Security Law and Policy
- Information Privacy Law
- Law in Cyberspace
- Lawyers, Lobbying, and the Law
- Legislation
- Legislative Analysis and Drafting
- Local Government Law
- Public Justice Advocacy Clinic
- Public Law Seminar
- Race, Racism, and American Law
- Selected Topics in Public Law
- Telecommunications Law
- Trademark Law and Unfair Competition
- Voting Rights Law

**ADVANCED TORTS**
- Admiralty
- Complex Litigation
- Environmental and Toxic Torts
- Genetics and the Law
- Insurance
- Law and Medicine
- Products Liability
- Remedies
- Vaccine Injury Litigation Clinic

**ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION**
- Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Client Interviewing and Counseling
- Environmental Negotiations
- Health Rights Law Clinic
- International Arbitration
- International Negotiations
- Mediation
- Negotiations

**BUSINESS AND FINANCE LAW (INCLUDING COMMERCIAL LAW)**
- Advanced Antitrust Law Seminar
- Advanced International Trade Law
- Anti-corruption and Compliance
- Antitrust Law
- Banking Law
- Banking Law Seminar
- Business Bankruptcy and Reorganization
- Business Lawyering
- Business Planning
- Chinese Business Law
- Commercial Paper—Payment Systems
- Consumer Protection Law
- Corporate Finance
- Corporate Taxation
- Corporation Law Seminar
- Corporations
- Creditors’ Rights and Debtors’ Protection
- Employee Benefit Plans
- Energy Law Seminar
- Environmental Issues in Business Transactions
- Entertainment Law
- Federal Income Taxation
- Insurance
- International Arbitration
- International Banking and Investment Law
- International Business Transactions
- International Business Transactions Seminar
- International Commercial Law
- The International Competition Law Regime
- International Finance
- International Investment Law and Arbitration
- International Money Laundering, Corruption, and Terrorism
- International Negotiations
- International Project Finance
- International Taxation
- International Trade Law
- Introduction to Transactional Islamic Law
- Land Use Law
- Law and Accounting
- Law and Economics
- Law of Real Estate Financing
- Law of the European Union
- Legal Drafting (Mergers and Acquisitions)
- Legal Drafting (Transactions)
- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Modern Real Estate Transactions
- Nonprofit Organizations: Law and Taxation
- Partnership and LLC Taxation
- Public Law Seminar
- Regulated Industries
- Regulation of Derivatives
- Regulation of Mutual Funds and Investment Advisers
- Secured Transactions
- Securities Law Seminar
- Securities Regulation
- Selected Topics in Advanced Antitrust Law
### JURIS DOCTOR PROGRAM

#### HEALTH LAW
- Administrative Law
- Antitrust
- Client Interviewing and Counseling Corporations
- Disability Rights Law
- Elder Law
- Employee Benefit Plans
- Environmental and Toxic Torts
- Evidence
- Family Law
- Family Law Seminar
- Federal Income Taxation
- Food and Drug Law
- Genetics and the Law
- Health Law and Policy
- Health Care Law Seminar
- Health Rights Law Clinic
- Insurance
- Law and Medicine
- Law and Psychiatry
- Trusts and Estates
- Vaccine Injury Litigation Clinic

#### INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW
- Advanced Trademark Law
- Art, Cultural Heritage, and the Law Seminar
- Chemical and Biotech Patent Law
- Computer Crime
- Copyright Law
- Design Law
- Entertainment Law
- The Federal Circuit
- Government Procurement of Intellectual Property Seminar
- Information Privacy Law
- Intellectual Property
- Intellectual Property Antitrust Seminar
- Intellectual Property Law Seminar
- International and Comparative Patent Law
- International Copyright Law
- International Intellectual Property Law
- Internet Law
- Law in Cyberspace
- Legal Drafting (IP)
- Licensing of Intellectual Property Rights
- Patent Appellate Practice
- Patent Enforcement
- Patent Law
- Patent Strategies and Practice
- Selected Topics in Intellectual Property Law
- Trade Secrets Law
- Trademark Law and Unfair Competition
- USPTO Post-Grant Patent Proceedings

#### INTERNATIONAL AND COMPARATIVE LAW
- Advanced International Trade Law
- Chinese Business Law
- Chinese Law and Legal Institutions
- Civil and Human Rights Clinic
- Comparative Constitutional Law
- Comparative Law
- Comparative Law Seminar
- Comparative Public Procurement
- Dispute Resolution
- Human Rights Lawyering
- Immigration Clinic
- Immigration Criminal Enforcement
- Immigration Law I
- Immigration Law II
- International and Comparative Patent Law
- International Arbitration
- International Banking and Investment Law
- International Business Transactions
- International Business Transactions Seminar
- International Climate Change Law
- The International Competition Law Regime
- International Copyright Law
- International Criminal Law
- International Environmental Law
- International Family Law
- International Human Rights of Women
- International Intellectual Property
- International Investment Law and Arbitration
- International Law
- International Law of Human Rights
- International Litigation
- International Money Laundering, Corruption, and Terrorism
- International Negotiations
- International Organizations
- International Project Finance
- International Taxation
- International Trade Law
- Introduction to Transactional Islamic Law
- Islamic Law
- Law of the European Union
- Law of the Sea
- Law of War
- Nation Building and the Rule of Law
- Procurement in International Development
- Public International Law Seminar
- Refugee and Asylum Law
- Regional Protection of Human Rights
- Space Law
- Trade and Sustainable Development
- U.S. Export Control Law and Regulation
- U.S. Foreign Relations Law

#### LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT LAW
- Disability Rights Law
- Employee Benefit Plans
- Employment Discrimination Law
- Employment Law
- Labor Law
- Sports and the Law
- Unincorporated Business Organizations and Agency Law
LITIGATION AND THE JUDICIAL PROCESS
Adjudicatory Criminal Procedure
Admiralty
Advanced Appellate Advocacy
Advanced Evidence
Advanced Trial Advocacy
The American Jury
Appellate Practice
Civil Procedure Seminar
College of Trial Advocacy
Comparative Constitutional Law
Comparative Military Law
Complex Litigation
Conflict of Laws
The Craft of Judging
Criminal Appeals and Post-Conviction Services Clinic
Criminal Procedure
Criminal Tax Litigation
Electronic Discovery and Evidence
Environmental and Toxic Torts
Ethics in Adjudication and Settlement Evidence
Family Justice Litigation Clinic
The Federal Circuit
Federal Courts
Government Lawyering
Insurance
Judicial Lawyering
Law and Rhetoric
Military Justice
Nation Building and the Rule of Law
Pre-Trial Advocacy
Pre-Trial Practice in Civil Cases
Pre-Trial Practice in Criminal Cases
Products Liability
Race, Racism, and American Law Remedies
Rising for Justice
Role of the Federal Prosecutor
Selected Topics in Civil Procedure
Scientific Evidence Seminar
Vaccine Injury Litigation Clinic
NATIONAL SECURITY, CYBERSECURITY, AND U.S. FOREIGN RELATIONS LAW
Admiralty
Artificial Intelligence Law and Policy
Comparative Military Law
Computer Crime
Computer Law
Congressional Investigations Seminar
Constitutional Law Seminar (Cyber, Privacy, and Speech)
Counterintelligence Law and Policy
Counterterrorism Law
Cybersecurity Law and Policy
Disaster Law
Domestic Terrorism
Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act
Homeland Security Law and Policy
Immigration Criminal Enforcement
Immigration Law
Information Privacy Law
Intelligence Law
International Criminal Law
International Law
International Law of Human Rights
International Money Laundering, Corruption, and Terrorism
Internet Law
Law in Cyberspace
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Law of the Sea
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National Security Law
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Technology Foundations for Cybersecurity
Telecommunications Law
Transnational Security
U.S. Export Control Law and Regulation
U.S. Foreign Relations Law
Veterans Advocacy
Veterans Law
PROPERTY AND LAND DEVELOPMENT
Housing Law and Policy
Law of Real Estate Financing
Modern Real Estate Transactions
Partnership and LLC Taxation
Property and Real Estate Law Seminar
Unincorporated Business Organizations and Agency Law
TAXATION
Business Planning
Corporate Taxation
Criminal Tax Litigation
Employee Benefit Plans
Federal Income Taxation
International Taxation
Law and Accounting
Nonprofit Organizations: Law and Taxation
Partnership and LLC Taxation
State and Local Taxation Law and Policy
Tax Policy Seminar

* Courses are typically offered at least once per year. Some courses are offered in multiple program areas and therefore may appear more than once in the lists above. Course listing based on 2022-23 Law School Bulletin.
Law schools across the board are very competitive, but one aspect I noticed at GW is that students are supportive. They encourage you to do your best, assist with class questions and case-outlining strategies, and support your future endeavors. Students here truly uplift each other.

NINA BUNDY, CLASS OF 2025
UNDERGRAD: TOWSON UNIVERSITY
A Community of Colleagues

At GW Law, we encourage students to examine their interests before exploring the law in depth to find their individual paths toward professional satisfaction. As 1Ls, students enter cohorts that we call the Inns of Court. Each Inn offers a sense of community, along with enrichment programs designed to enhance the law school experience and support students in determining and pursuing their individual career paths through formal and informal mentorships. Our innovative Fundamentals of Lawyering (FL) course is designed to equip 1Ls with the skills legal employers desire most, including legal research and writing, client problem-solving, creative thinking, sound judgment, and self-directed learning. Together, the Inns program and the FL course support students’ professional identity formation by exposing them to the skills, traits, and values expected of lawyers.

Our students evolve into professionals through courses and hands-on experiences, such as in the Jacob Burns Community Legal Clinics, where they represent actual clients in real-life cases; the Field Placement Program, where they earn academic credit through approved externships and co-requisite courses; and moot court competitions.
Real-World Experience, Real-World Impact

Under faculty guidance, our students have argued before Supreme Court justices in moot court competitions; won immigration cases for those seeking asylum through our legal clinics; and served in externships through the Field Placement Program, gaining substantive legal experience in institutions and agencies in Washington, D.C., and New York.

**JACOB BURNS COMMUNITY LEGAL CLINICS:** Our clinics allow students to represent actual clients in real-life cases under faculty supervision. Current clinics include:

- Civil Access to Justice Clinic: Education Access Advocacy
- Civil Access to Justice Clinic: Family Law
- Civil Access to Justice Clinic: Nonprofit and Entrepreneurship
- Civil Access to Justice Clinic: Prisoner Civil Rights
- Civil Access to Justice Clinic: Workers’ Rights
- Civil and Human Rights Law Clinic
- Criminal Appeals and Post-Conviction Services
- Criminal Defense and Justice Clinic
- Domestic Violence Project
- Family Justice Litigation Clinic
- Health Equity Policy and Advocacy Clinic
- Health Rights Law Clinic
- Immigration Clinic
- Intellectual Property and Technology Law Clinic
- Public Justice Advocacy Clinic
- Rising for Justice: Housing Advocacy and Litigation Clinic
- Small Business and Community Economic Development Clinic
- Vaccine Injury Litigation Clinic

**FIELD PLACEMENT PROGRAM:** Students earn academic credit through approved externships at places such as U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Justice, House and Senate Judiciary Committees, World Bank, National Wildlife Federation, and White House Office of Legal Counsel. In addition, students take a course related to their externship experiences.

**PUBLIC INTEREST AND PRO BONO:** The Class of 2023 contributed more than 54,600 pro bono hours in projects such as the Washington Legal Clinic for the Homeless, Animal Welfare Project, and the Cancer Pro Bono Network, among others. Notably, GW Law allows students to begin pro bono work as soon as the second semester of their 1L year.

**MOOT COURT COMPETITIONS:** GW Law was ranked as the seventh best moot court program in the country for 2022-23 by the Blakeley Advocacy Institute. Over the past 15 years, GW Law’s Van Vleck Constitutional Law Moot Court Competition has been presided over seven times by Supreme Court Justices.
**Enhance Your Study**

**GW IN NY:** Upperlevel students whose studies have been focused in the area of business and finance law can participate in GW in New York. For one semester, students work, study, and live in New York, taking courses from prominent alumni practitioners in the field of business and finance law and benefitting from externships at organizations such as the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, U.S. Court of International Trade, and the Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association. Our New York alumni serve as individual mentors, as well.

**STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS:** With more than 60 student organizations, our students gain hands-on administrative and leadership experience. GW’s Student Bar Association, which won the ABA’s 2020 Dean Henry J. Ramsey, Jr. Diversity Award, the 2018 Membership and Activity Award, and was the ABA’s 2015 National SBA of the Year, oversees the budgeting and administration for all student organizations, functioning as a small company with more than 110 members of its executive branch alone. Other student organizations include:

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JOURNALS: Students may apply for membership in one of nine student-run journals.

The George Washington Law Review
The George Washington International Law Review
The American Intellectual Property Law Association Quarterly Journal
Business and Finance Law Review
Federal Circuit Bar Journal

The Federal Communications Law Journal
International Law in Domestic Courts
The Public Contract Law Journal
George Washington Journal of Energy and Environmental Law

JOINT DEGREE PROGRAMS: GW Law offers joint degree programs with four other schools of the George Washington University for both JD and LLM candidates. Students must be admitted to both the law school and, separately, to the school that will confer the master’s degree. Joint degree programs include:

JD/Master of Business Administration  JD/MA in Women’s Studies
JD/MA in Asian Studies  JD/MA in Public Policy (with a concentration in Women's Studies)
JD/MA in European and Eurasian Studies  JD/MA in Security Policy Studies
JD/MA in History, with a concentration in U.S. legal history  JD/Master of Public Administration
JD/MA in International Affairs  JD/Master of Public Policy
JD/MA in Latin American and Hemispheric Studies  JD/Master of Public Health
JD/MA in Middle East Studies  JD/Public Health Certificate
JD/Master of Education Policy

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Study Abroad Opportunities

GW—OXFORD INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS LAW SUMMER SCHOOL
Law students, practicing lawyers and judges, members of the armed forces, government officials, and persons working for nongovernmental and intergovernmental organizations in the field of international human rights come together to study international human rights through GW’s program each summer. Classes are held and accommodations provided at New College, Oxford. Approximately 65 students representing more than a dozen countries participate each year.

MUNICH INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY SUMMER PROGRAM
GW Law offers a two-week intellectual property law program each summer in Munich, Germany, a city known as Europe’s “Intellectual Property Capital.” The program offers courses, special lectures, and site visits to local IP institutions such as the European Patent Office. Typically, 25 students from GW Law, other American ABA-approved law schools, and foreign law schools participate each summer.

GW—UNIVERSITY OF AUGSBURG STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM
The University of Augsburg offers a six-week summer program in European and international economic law. Courses in English cover the basic framework of transnational economic law, with an emphasis on the relevance of European Union law to the global economy.

GW—UNIVERSITY OF GRONINGEN STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM
GW Law students may attend the University of Groningen in the Netherlands for one semester to undertake in-depth study of European Union and international law, with an emphasis on environmental and energy law.

GW—UNIVERSITÁ COMMERCIALE “LUIGI BOCCONI” STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM
Università Commerciale “Luigi Bocconi” in Milan, Italy, offers students semester-long, in-depth study of corporate and finance law, European Union law, and international business law.
I’m a nontraditional student—I was a nurse for 10 years—and a first-generation JD student. I was drawn to the law as a way of making real and lasting change in the world. I came to GW in D.C. because this is where change is happening in the world.

STEVIE GABBITAS, CLASS OF 2025
HOMETOWN: BEVERLY HILLS, MICHIGAN
GW Law in DC

GW Law is located across the street from the International Monetary Fund and World Bank; four blocks from the White House; two blocks from Big Law on K Street; three blocks from the U.S. Department of State; and a Metro ride away from the Supreme Court, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, the Environmental Protection Agency, and a host of nongovernmental and policy agencies.

That proximity, along with the established networks of our faculty, administrators, career counselors, and alumni, means that our students have unprecedented access to externships year-round, as well as countless opportunities to interact with those who create and enact policy.

For example, GW Law’s International and Comparative Law Program frequently hosts the State Department’s Public International Advisory Committee Meetings, which are open to the public. More than 400 events are held on campus each year, bringing high-level officials and practitioners to campus. Our students benefit from the vast number of networking opportunities that these events provide.
Building Your Career

Our Career Center assists students not only in finding jobs but in creating long-term career satisfaction. To achieve that end, the center is dedicated to helping each student develop a personalized career plan.

Our career counselors, who are all trained, licensed attorneys, are assigned to each of the six first-year student sections collectively called the Inns of Court. Each counselor follows that cohort of students throughout the three or four years of law school, although students are free to meet with any counselor in the Career Center.

Our counselors have expertise in multiple areas of employment, including law firms, judicial clerkships, government agencies, nonprofit organizations, federal and state courts, and private sector employers.

As a result, our alumni hold clerkships; work at large, medium, and small law firms; serve in government positions; and work in international and domestic business ventures, among other positions. Each year, approximately 60 GW Law students secure clerkships with federal, state, and local judges immediately after graduation.

[Diagram showing areas of employment for the Class of 2022 (10 months after graduation):]

- **62%** Law Firms
- **16%** Government
- **10%** Judicial Clerkship
- **6%** Business
- **5%** Public Interest
- **1%** Unidentified
ALUMNI NETWORKING

With more than 32,000 alumni throughout the world and in every area of practice, the law school counts among its alumni several senators and executive cabinet officers, state and federal judges, and many prominent leaders in business, industry, and government.

MENTORSHIP

First-year students receive individual and group mentorship and benefit from weekly Inns of Court sessions on networking, informational interviews, and the job search process, among many other programs. In addition, second- and third-year students can be paired with alumni mentors who can help advise them along the path to success.

The Career Center supports students in a variety of ways:

• Individual Career Counseling, including basic tools preparation, employment-market insight, and personal interview preparation.
• Professional Development Programming
• Skills Training
• Programming Focused on Specific Practice Areas
• Online Career Resource Library
• Seasonal Job Recruitment Programs
• Job Postings
• Diversity Events and Programs
• Part-time Student Counseling and Programming
• Public Interest Job Fairs and Initiatives

Big Law on K Street, the World Bank and International Monetary Fund, the U.S. Department of Justice, and the U.S. Supreme Court are all an easy distance from GW Law.
GW has been a great fit for me. The Black Law Student Association here has connected me with all the resources I need. They gave me a community even before I touched down in D.C. I’ve been welcomed with open arms.

ALEXANDER DORSEY TARPLEY, CLASS OF 2025
UNDERGRAD: UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA
A City of Surprises

Washington, DC

Another advantage of attending GW Law is participating in the life of the city. D.C. is a vibrant, multinational city of diverse treasures. The resonance of its history is everywhere. Our students frequently tell stories of going for a morning run on the National Mall and doing a double-take as they pass the Lincoln Memorial. There’s an annual tradition during 1L orientation of organizing a softball game at the foot of the Washington Monument—such an ordinary event in such an extraordinary location.

D.C. is full of those moments. It offers a blend of American history, international flavor, and cultural activity that few cities can match. Its charming and varied neighborhoods, abundance of free museums, world-class entertainment and sports venues, and eclectic mix of restaurants provide variety and excitement for residents.
Regardless of where students choose to sit for the bar or practice law, GW Law offers the legal education and career services that assist them in meeting their goals. The law school curriculum focuses on federal common law, rather than limiting the emphasis to the laws of one particular state, so students leave GW Law with global legal knowledge that allows them to sit for the bar in any state.

In addition, the Career Center brings recruiters to campus from around the country to meet with our students. Each year, the center holds recruitment events in Philadelphia, Los Angeles,
New York, San Francisco, Miami, and Chicago, in addition to D.C. The center’s job postings feature opportunities nationwide.

The law school’s network of more than 32,000 alumni serves as an invaluable asset for our students. The Alumni Career Network puts current students and recent graduates in touch with alumni who can provide career advice and opportunities.

Our alumni practice law throughout the United States and in more than 20 countries around the world.
Applications must be submitted electronically through the Law School Admission Council (LSAC) at www.lsac.org. All applicants also must register with the Credential Assembly Service (CAS) and send their official transcripts to LSAC.

ALL APPLICANTS MUST SUBMIT:

- A completed application, including résumé
- A two-page, double-spaced personal statement
- LSAT or GRE scores (taken within the last five years)
- A CAS Report (including all official academic transcripts and at least one letter of recommendation)
- Application fee of $80 (U.S. dollars)

PLEASE NOTE: The application fee will be waived for all first-year applicants.

WAYS TO APPLY

1. Regular Admission Process
2. Binding Early Decision Process
3. Binding Presidential Merit Scholarship Program (Full Tuition)

1. REGULAR ADMISSION PROCESS

The fall JD application deadline is March 1 for those seeking admission through the regular—not early decision—process. Regular admission decisions will be made on a rolling basis between November and May. Applicants are encouraged to apply early. Admitted applicants will be required to make nonrefundable seat deposits between April and July.

2. BINDING EARLY DECISION PROCESS

The Binding Early Decision Program is designed for applicants who have researched their law school choices and are certain that GW Law is their top choice. This program allows those applicants a means of expressing to the Admissions Committee their commitment to attend GW Law if admitted. Early Decision applicants are given priority review. Admitted applicants will be eligible for need-based grants; applicants for whom merit award consideration is a prerequisite for matriculation should not apply through this program. The application deadline is February 1.
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