The Network Effect
Connecting the people, jobs, and ideas that matter most.
You'll find the people of Fordham University School of Law everywhere you go, from New York City to cities around the country and countries around the world.

Our graduates hit the streets running, joining an ever-growing alliance of doers and thinkers, organizers and inspirers, justice-makers and jury-swayers, movers and shakers. We're at the front of courtrooms and classrooms. Deep inside the ranks of law firms of every size and specialty. We're transacting big business. Defending the underdog. Addressing cutting-edge theoretical issues. Solving real-life legal problems. Creating leaders. Making the world a better place. In short, we're doing everything possible to connect Fordham Law graduates to the people, places, ideas, and career opportunities that matter most.

We call it The Network Effect.
The Classroom Connection

Located in the heart of New York City, Fordham Law is a diverse and dynamic community of esteemed legal scholars and passionate learners. Our unique, holistic legal education—individualized, supportive, and stimulating—takes you from the rigors of the classroom to the excitement of hands-on fieldwork in an unusually wide range of legal specialty areas.
Where Critical Thinking Meets Creativity

Curriculum, Meet Life Path
Build your legal foundation. Focus your interests. Reinvent your career. Interact with information. Hone your skills. Then choose the professional future that’s exactly right for you. A Fordham Law education opens minds and opens doors. It will take you where you want to go.

Degree Programs

**Juris Doctor**
Day or evening, full-time or part-time. Fordham offers the Juris Doctor (J.D.) degree tailored to your schedule. Our full-time day program covers three academic years; our part-time evening program covers four academic years. Either program requires that you complete at least 83 credits, including required courses in foundational areas, upper-level writing and professional skills requirements, and elective courses.

**Dual-Degree Programs**
- J.D./M.B.A.
- J.D./M.S.W.
- J.D./M.A. in International Political Economy and Development

**Two-Year J.D. Program for International Students**
Fordham Law offers the first two-year J.D. program in New York City designed especially for graduates of a foreign law school who have already completed an LL.M. degree at a U.S. law school.

**Non-J.D. Programs**
- Master of Laws (LL.M.)
- Master of Studies in Law (M.S.L.)
- Doctor of Juridical Science (S.J.D.)

- Banking, Corporate and Finance Law
- Corporate Compliance
- Fashion Law
- Intellectual Property and Information Technology Law
- International Business and Trade Law
- International Dispute Resolution
- International Law and Justice
- U.S. Law
- Dual Concentration
The Classroom Connection Fordham Law

Courses

Your interests, your future. At Fordham Law, you can select from some 200 elective courses, helping you discover your legal interests while developing expertise in specific legal areas.

Required Courses: Fundamental Coursework

Legal Writing & Research (3)
Criminal Law (3)
Contracts (4 or 5)*
Property (4 or 5)*
Torts (4 or 5)*
Civil Procedure (4 or 5)*
Constitutional Law (4)
Legislation & Regulation (4)
Legal Process & Quantitative Methods (1)

Upper-Class Courses

Corporations
Professional Responsibility
Professional Skills
Writing Requirement (prior to last semester)

*One-credit variable indicates intensive writing course.

A Representative Sample of Electives

Antitrust & Economic Regulation
Antitrust Law
Antitrust Law in Information Economy
Antitrust: International Regulation
Cross Borders

Banking/Finance/Corporate
Advanced Business Law
Banking Law
Bankruptcy
Banking Litigation
Broker-Dealer
Business Bankruptcy
Commercial Arbitration
Commercial Drafting
Commercial Finance/Secured Transactions
Commercial Paper
Comparative Corporate Law
Corporate Transactions
Corporate Crisis Management
Corporate Crisis Management and International Investigations
Corporate Finance
Corporate Finance: Legal Aspects
Corporate Governance
Corporate Reorganization Under Bankruptcy Code
Corporate Strategy and Taxation

Corporate Sustainability, Transnational Business and Human Rights
Corporate Tax
E-Commerce
European Union Business Law
Financial Institutions I and II
Financial Services Regulation
Global Capital Markets and Governance
Global Corporate Compliance
Globalization of the American Corporations: Tax and Regulatory Policy
Income Taxation
Insurance Law and Litigation
International Banking
International Business Transactions
Introduction to the Deal
Law and Economics
Law and Professional Sports
Law Firm as a Business
Law Firm Marketing
Litigating the Corporate Case
Mergers and Acquisitions
Partnership and LLC Law
Public Finance Law and Practice
Real Estate Drafting
Real Estate Finance
Real Estate Transactions
Securities Litigation
Securities Regulation
Securities Regulation Drafting
Securitization
Securities Regulation Drafting
Title VII Dodd-Frank Derivatives
Compliance
Trusts and Wills

Civil Practice & Litigation
Civil Litigation Drafting
Commercial Arbitration
Complex Litigation
Conflicts of Laws
Copyright Litigation
Criminal Litigation Drafting
Discovery and Pretrial Process
Evidence
Federal Courts
Labor and Employment Arbitration
Land Use Law
Litigating the Corporate Case
New York Practice
Patent Litigation
Professional Responsibility
Civil Litigation
Clinical Education Courses

Advanced Trial Advocacy
Clinical Externships (Sample)
Civil Seminar
Criminal Justice
Intellectual Property/Media
International and Domestic Human Rights
Judicial
New York City Council
Prosecution
Clinics
Prosecution
Community Economic Development
Consumer Litigation
Criminal Defense
Family Advocacy
Federal Litigation
Feerick Center for Social Justice
Immigrant Rights
International Law and Development in Africa
Mediation
Policy and Legislative Advocacy: Civil Rights and Poverty
Queens DA Prosecution Clinic
Sanitation Districts Intellectual Property and Information Law
Securities Litigation and Arbitration
Tax
Water, Leisure International Human Rights
Dispute Resolution
Arbitration in West Africa Today
Arbitration Practice
Arbitration Pracicum
Conflict Management Systems Design
International Arbitration
Introduction to Arbitration
Negotiation and Mediation
Fundamental Lawyering Skills
Introduction to the Deal
Trial and Arbitration Advocacy

Constitutional Law

Comparative Constitutional Law
Constitutional Rights and Human Rights in Comparative Perspective
Constitutional Torts
Current Supreme Court Controversies
First Amendment
Language of the Constitution
Law of the City of New York
State and Local Government
United States Constitutional History
United States Foreign Relations Law

Criminal Law & Litigation

Anti-Money Laundering Law
Complex Criminal Litigation
Criminal Law Theory
Criminal Litigation Drafting
Criminal Procedure: Investigative
Criminal Procedure: Adjudication
Evidence
New York Criminal Procedure
Psychology and Criminal Law
Terrorism and Law 21st Century
Trial Techniques
White Collar Crime

Fashion Law

Fashion Law
Fashion Law and Finance
Fashion Licensing
Fashion Ethics, Sustainability, and Development
Fashion Retail Law
Summer Fashion Law Boot Camp

International & Foreign Law

Admiralty and International Maritime Law
Aviation Law
Chinese Intellectual Property Law
Comparative Antitrust Law and Enforcement
Comparative Corporate Law
Comparative Equality and Anti-Discrimination Law
Comparative Family Law: United States and Taiwan
Comparative Law
Doing Business in EU
Global Capital Markets and Governance
Immigration Law
International Arbitration
International Banking
International Business Transactions
International Cartel Enforcement: the Globalization of Antitrust
International and Comparative Labor Law
International and Comparative Patent Law
International and Comparative Perspectives in Mediation
International Financial Crime
International Environment Law
International Human Rights
International Investment Law
International Law
International Project Finance
International Taxation
International Trade Law
Introduction to Islamic Law
Jewish Law: Sources, Principles, and Jurisprudence
Multinational Corporations
National Security and Foreign Relations
U.S. Foreign Relations Law

Labor Law

Disability Law
Employment Discrimination
Employment Law
Labor and Employment Arbitration
Labor and Employment Law Drafting
Labor Law
Law and Professional Sports

Legal History & Legal Theory

American Legal History
Criminial Law Theory
Critical Legal Theories
Critical Race Theory
English Legal History
History of Commerce and Law
Natural Law: Right, Rights, and Justice
United States Constitutional History

Professional Responsibility

Alternative Dispute Resolution Ethics
Advanced Seminar in Public Interest Lawyering
Corporate Counsel
Criminal Advocacy
Lawyers and Justice
Multinational Practice
Public Interest Law Survey

Public Interest Law

Administrative Law
Advanced Seminar in Public Interest Lawyering
Consumer Protection Law
Disability Law
Election Law
Employment Discrimination
Environmental Justice
Environmental Law
Ethics in Criminal Advocacy
Ethics in Public Interest Law
First Amendment
Health Care Law
Health Care Policy and the Law
Human Rights
Immigration Law
International Human Rights
Introduction to Health Care Law
Juvenile Justice Survey
Nonprofit Law and Organizations
Poverty Law
Practice of Law in Public Sector

Other Offerings

Advanced Legal Writing (courses in a variety of areas)
Children and Immigration Law
Educational Law
Environmental Law
Family Law
Gender, Sexuality, and the Law
Juvenile Justice Survey
Law and Medicine
Law and Policy of Climate Change
LGBT Rights Colloquium
National Security Law
Natural Law: Reason, Rights, and Justice
New York Practice
Nonprofit Law
Prosecuting Private and Public Corruption
Special Education Law
Concentrations

Do you want to focus on a particular field of law? At Fordham, you can sharpen your knowledge in a group of classes associated with specialized areas of legal practice. With a concentration, you will signal to employers that you’re prepared for serious legal work when you graduate.

You can select one or more concentrations from among the following five.

**Business and Financial Law**
Whether you want to work at a law firm or go in-house, this concentration will teach you the fundamentals needed to solve the business world’s most complex problems. Learn how laws governing business and finance impact the organization and operation of business, from small, locally owned enterprises to large, global corporations.

**Intellectual Property and Information Law**
Obtain a solid, substantive grounding in both intellectual property and information law, and gain an understanding of how these fields shape the way art, inventions, and information are protected and transferred. Learn how to protect client interests in areas as diverse as law enforcement, print journalism, pharmaceuticals, and the arts.

**International, Comparative, and Foreign Law**
In a globalized, interdependent world, you need a similarly comprehensive view of the law. This concentration, integrating three subfields of law, provides you pathways for legal practice in multilateral institutions, government agencies, NGOs, law firms, and private sector work involving international and transnational law.

**Litigation and Dispute Resolution**
Seeking a classic legal field that never goes out of style? This concentration will provide you the solid, substantive grounding needed to become a skilled litigator and creative problem solver. You will obtain the skills necessary to expertly resolve disputes both in and out of the courtroom.

**Public Interest and Service**
Live Fordham Law’s service-oriented motto and discover a rewarding career path. This concentration prepares you to fight injustice and to help empower and advocate for disenfranchised individuals and communities. Relevant coursework will give you a solid, substantive grounding in the field that shows employers you’re ready for a host of public interest positions or important careers in government.
Evening Program

You're busy: with life, work, and family. We understand. For more than a century Fordham has offered a top-ranked evening program that has made it possible for you to keep your day job and still have a rich law school experience. Our evening program allows you to complete your degree in eight semesters while attending classes Monday through Thursday (and on optional Saturdays). You will have the opportunity to participate in all the School's activities and groups—law journals, moot court, student government, clinics, and networking events—depending on your personal schedule. As an evening student, you can select from most of the same electives as full-time students and will have access to administrative offices with extended hours.

Legal Research/Library Resources

The 70,000-square-foot Maloney Library, located on floors 5 and 6 of the new law school building, is a place for study, instruction, and connection. The library boasts 676 study spaces including carrels, tables, comfortable lounge chairs, and collaborative study rooms, accommodating your learning style. You can fuel up at the library's Cronin Cafe and work through the night in its after-hours study area. Maloney librarians, including eight legal information experts with J.D. degrees, will help you find the information resources you need to succeed in the legal environment of the 21st century. Librarians offer popular advanced legal research classes in Maloney's two high-tech classrooms. The library connects you with thousands of online journals, e-books, and full-text databases, and puts at your fingertips a collection of more than 436,000 books and book equivalents.

With soaring windows overlooking the Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts, the Maloney Library elevates your legal learning while grounding you in the life of New York City.
OUT OF THE CLASSROOM, INTO THE WORLD

WORK IN FORDHAM’S NONPROFIT LAW FIRM, SOLVING REAL-LIFE PROBLEMS FOR REAL-LIFE CLIENTS. WRITE FOR STUDENT JOURNALS, MASTERING TOPICAL LEGAL ISSUES. COMPETE DOMESTICALLY AND INTERNATIONALLY, PROVING YOUR METTLE AS A THINKER AND SPEAKER. WORK AND STUDY ALL AROUND OUR CITY AND ALL AROUND THE WORLD. EXPERIENCING FORDHAM LAW MEANS PERSONALIZING YOUR PROFESSIONAL LIFE, AROUSING DEEP INTERESTS, AND GIVING MEANINGFUL LIFE TO THE SPIRIT OF SERVICE. YOU’LL GRADUATE AS A FOCUSED, WORK-READY LAWYER WHO IS CONNECTED INTIMATELY TO A HIGHLY NETWORKED PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY IN NEW YORK CITY AND BEYOND.
Clinics: Real-World Practice, Real-World Relationships
You need real lawyering skills to solve legal problems in the real world. Fordham Law’s 15 clinical practice areas will provide you the experience you need to find creative and meaningful solutions to the complex legal problems of our 21st-century world.
law.fordham.edu/clinics

Externships: The City as Classroom
Once you’ve become familiar with the classroom, the library, and your peers and professors, get acquainted with Fordham’s most vibrant learning environment: New York City. The School’s externship program provides you with an impressive collection of opportunities across the Big Apple, from the neighboring Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts to the hallowed judicial halls of the U.S. courts.
law.fordham.edu/externships

Clinics
- Community Economic Development
- Consumer Litigation
- Criminal Defense
- Family Advocacy
- Federal Litigation
- Feerick Center for Social Justice
- Immigrant Rights
- International Law and Development in Africa
- Mediation
- Policy and Legislative Advocacy: Civil Rights and Property
- Queens D.A. Prosecution
- Samuelson–Glushko Intellectual Property and Information Law
- Securities Litigation and Arbitration
- Tax
- Walter Leitner International Human Rights

Sample of externship placements
- United States Attorney’s Office: Civil and Criminal Divisions
- New York District Attorneys Offices
- New York State and Local Courts
- United States District Courts and Circuit Courts of Appeals
- United States National Labor Relations Board
- United States Patent and Trademark Office
- United States Securities and Exchange Commission
- United States Environmental Protection Agency
- New York State Attorney General’s Office
- New York City Council
- The Legal Aid Society
- Safe Horizon
- New York Legal Assistance Group (NYLAG)
- Screen Actors Guild—American Federation of Television and Radio Artists (SAG—AFTRA)
- American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP)
Student Journals: Pressing Influence

Fordham’s six student-edited journals are your opportunity to shape legal scholarship. Enrich your academic experience by writing for one or joining its editorial board. You’ll gain exposure to timely legal issues involving the economy, business and finance, the media, the environment, and international affairs.

Articles in the Fordham Law Review, the School’s oldest scholarly journal, have been cited by the U.S. Supreme Court more than 70 times. In fact, the Law Review is the 6th most-cited law journal in judicial opinions overall. It publishes around 75 articles each year.

law.fordham.edu/lawreview

Among public policy journals, the Fordham Urban Law Journal is a titan, ranking second in the nation for citations in other law journals and fifth for citations in judicial opinions. It publishes five books per year, targeted at decision makers interested in a broad range of contemporary legal and policy issues.

law.fordham.edu/ulj

The #1 most-cited finance journal in both judicial opinions and other journals, the Fordham Journal of Corporate & Financial Law publishes scholarly articles relevant to the business and legal communities. It also provides a forum for the academic and professional legal community on a wide variety of current issues in financial, securities, and tax law.

law.fordham.edu/jcfl

The Fordham International Law Journal, the fourth most-cited student-edited international journal, provides a forum for international law issues and publishes six books annually, including one devoted to European Union law.

law.fordham.edu/ilj

The Fordham Intellectual Property, Media & Entertainment Law Journal serves as a leading source in media law, First Amendment rights, and entertainment and sports law. The third most-cited IP journal in other journals and the sixth in judicial opinions, the journal publishes scholarly articles connected with intellectual property law, including copyrights, trademarks, patents, and Internet law.

law.fordham.edu/ipij

The Fordham Environmental Law Review addresses an expansive collection of domestic and international environmental issues ranging from regulation of air, water, and soil pollution to social policy issues such as corporate responsibility and environmental racism.

law.fordham.edu/elr

Fordham Law Review Corruption Symposium

The Fordham Law Review’s spring 2015 symposium focused on defining corruption and analyzing initiatives to regulate it within the United States, internationally, and in foreign countries. Participants included Preet Bharara and Joon Kim of the U.S. Attorney’s Office for the Southern District of New York, Zephyr Teachout of Fordham Law, and Lawrence Lessig of Harvard Law School, among many others. The symposium received coverage in several prominent news outlets, including the New York Times and the Wall Street Journal.
Student Teams: Competition Builds Lawyering Skills

Our student teams routinely shine in regional, national, and international competitions. More importantly, students hone the practical skills that all lawyers need.

The cases argued in the Moot Court program may be simulated, but the success of the program’s team members is real. Participants sharpen their advocacy skills as writers and oralists. Recent successes include National Championships, National Finalists, Regional Championships, and Best Brief and Best Speaker honors.

[Lawyers and judges in a courtroom]

law.fordham.edu/mootcourt

The Brendan Moore Trial Advocates consistently produce great results against other law schools in national and regional mock trial competitions. The Moore Advocates refine students’ ability to argue factual inferences, apply facts to legal problems, advocate persuasively, and understand and apply the rules of evidence. Their awards include Best Overall Advocate, Best Opening, Best Summation, Best Cross-Examination, and Best Direct Examination.

[Lawyers and judges in a courtroom]

law.fordham.edu/mooreadvocates

Fordham’s Alternative Dispute Resolution program breeds creative thinkers, skilled in expertly resolving disputes outside the courtroom. Student teams from the program’s Dispute Resolution Society perform at high-level national and international competitions. Recently, the DRS earned first place at the ABA Mediation Competition.

[Lawyers in a mediation room]

law.fordham.edu/adr

Kaufman Moot Court Finals, 2015

Moot Court

The Fordham team won the national championship of the George Washington National Security Law Moot Court Competition, a premier interscholastic Moot Court event. In addition to its overall competition victory, the Fordham team captured all five additional awards, including Best Brief. Fordham also brought home the championship and best oralist award at the National Criminal Procedure Tournament.
International Opportunities

A Global Network

The Fordham Law Network Effect crosses oceans, spans continents, and overcomes language barriers. Our international programs put you face-to-face with overseas neighbors who need legal help: from developing frameworks that recognize the rights and dignity of their community members, to creating sustainable solutions for responsible corporate growth. You'll engage with global economies, collaborate with governmental agencies, and learn from distinguished foreign professors through study abroad programs and extensive human rights initiatives. In doing so, you'll have the opportunity to cultivate your legal skills and make valuable contacts in some of the world's major cities, from Beijing to Rio de Janeiro to Paris. Our study abroad programs also offer you internships with multinational corporations, law firms, courts, government offices, and human rights organizations.

The Leitner Center for International Law and Justice

Train to become an international legal expert and impassioned human rights advocate. The Leitner Center, one of the country’s largest and most dynamic law school human rights programs, houses more than a dozen programs offering you numerous hands-on opportunities in human rights fieldwork, advocacy, and scholarship. The Center’s long-term partnership with local social justice organizations and global stakeholders contributes to the promotion of human rights on a global scale, both in knowledge of and respect for international law.

leitnercenter.org

Prepare for your international human rights career with a real fieldwork-centered investigation abroad through the Center’s Crowley Program in International Human Rights. The program's Annual Human Rights Fact-Finding Project offers you an opportunity unique among law schools: the prospect of conducting your investigation overseas for two weeks. You'll then assist faculty in writing a comprehensive report on the trip's findings that will be published in a scholarly journal. Recent trips include Thailand and Myanmar (2015), Bangladesh (2014), Rwanda (2013), and Bolivia (2012).

Looking to join the next generation of human rights lawyers? The Walter Leitner International Human Rights Clinic will provide you the knowledge and inspiration to produce results-oriented practical human rights work around the world.

Gain valuable experience with a Leitner Internship Program grant to work with international human rights organizations full-time for ten weeks during the summer.

The James E. Tolan Human Rights Fellowship awards one year of postgraduate funding for a Fordham Law graduate to work on a program designed in conjunction with an international human rights organization.

Hear prominent scholars of international law and political theory discuss their ongoing works throughout the semester as part of the Center’s Human Rights Colloquium.

Savor the knowledge of leading human rights advocates and scholars from around the world during the Center’s weekly Brown Bag Lunch Speaker Series.

The Sustainable Development Legal Initiative (SDLI) serves as the Center’s focal point in promoting international sustainable development, using the law to promote environmentally sound growth and poverty eradication.

The Asia Law and Justice (ALJ) Program exposes you to the challenges to the rule of law and adherence to basic human rights while also providing opportunities to participate in hands-on projects with local grassroots groups operating in Asian countries.

The ALJ Program partners with the Committee to Support Chinese Lawyers in its efforts to improve the plight of Chinese human rights lawyers, conducting research, publishing reports, and providing advocacy support.


The International Law and the Constitution Initiative explores the relationship between internationalism and constitutionalism.
International Study Opportunities

Study the law in many of the world’s most dynamic regions. Fordham offers a variety of programs, across four continents, to select from in the summer or during the academic year.

law.fordham.edu/studyabroad

Summer Programs
In Fordham Law’s summer programs, you’ll complete six credits of coursework and have the opportunity for externship and internship placements in prominent national courts, as well as in distinguished foreign law firms and nongovernmental organizations.

Belfast/Dublin Summer Program
law.fordham.edu/ireland

Fordham-SKKU Summer Institute of International Law
law.fordham.edu/korea

Fordham-Ghana Summer Law Program
law.fordham.edu/ghana

Fordham-Unidades Summer Law Program
law.fordham.edu/colombia

You also have the option of enrolling in one of the Law School’s six international double-degree programs with prestigious universities in China, France, Italy, and Spain. In three years, you can earn your J.D. from Fordham and a master’s from a participating foreign university. The participating institutions include Fudan Law School in Shanghai, Université Paris I, Université Paris II, Université de Versailles, Universidad Pontificia Comillas de Madrid, and LUISS Guido Carli in Rome.

Semester Abroad Programs
Bocconi School of Law (Milan)
Bucerius Law School (Hamburg)
China University of Political Science and Law (Beijing)
East China University of Politics and Law (Shanghai)
ESADE (Barcelona)
European University Institute (Florence)
Fundação Getúlio Vargas (São Paulo, Brazil)
National Taiwan University
Sungkyunkwan University (Seoul)
Tel Aviv University
University of Amsterdam
Waseda Law School (Tokyo)
THE LEGAL COMMUNITY HAS MANY IMPORTANT WAYS TO MEASURE THE IMPACT OF THE FORDHAM LAW APPROACH TO LEGAL EDUCATION. FOR EXAMPLE, THE NATION’S BIGGEST LAW FIRMS ARE HIRING OUR GRADUATES IN UNPRECEDENTED NUMBERS. THE SUPREME COURT REGULARLY CITES OUR STUDENT PUBLICATIONS. NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL LEGAL COMPETITIONS AWARD OUR STUDENT TEAMS TOP PRIZES FOR THEIR PERFORMANCE IN MOOT COURT AND MOCK TRIAL CONTESTS.
**Dispute Resolution**: #13
**Trial Advocacy**: #13
**International Law**: #15
**Intellectual Property Law**: #16
**Clinical Training**: #22

**Specialty Areas**
In its 2016 edition of America’s Best Graduate Schools, U.S. News & World Report ranked a number of Fordham Law programs among the top 25 in the country.

**BAR Passage Rates**
In BAR Passage Rates for February and July of 2013, Fordham graduates continued to outperform the New York State average pass rate among first-time takers.
Public Interest Participation
The Class of 2015 performed nearly 130,000 hours of public interest work during their time at Fordham Law. The chart above shows service participation by percentage performed by each graduating class since 2002.

The Evening Program ranks as #3 nationally according to U.S. News & World Report.

Four of Fordham’s specialty law reviews are in the top five most-cited journals of their respective specialty fields.
50 States, 74 Countries
The Fordham Law alumni community is a global network. Graduates can be found in all 50 states and in 74 countries around the world.
Fordham Law’s 15 live client clinics allow students to solve real legal problems for clients while working with our faculty.

According to NLJ, Fordham Law ranks 20th nationally, with a placement of 25.8% of graduates in the NLJ 250.

All Law Journals

1. New York University Law Review
2. Columbia Law Review
3. Harvard Law Review
4. Stanford Law Review
5. Michigan Law Review
6. Fordham Law Review
7. Northwestern University Law Review
8. The Yale Law Journal
9. Iowa Law Review
11. The Georgetown Law Journal

Student-Edited Public Policy Journals

1. Harvard Journal of Law and Public Policy
2. Journal of Law and Policy
3. Cornell Journal of Law and Public Policy
4. Harvard Journal on Legislation
5. Fordham Urban Law Journal
6. Columbia Journal of Law and Social Problems

All IP Journals

1. Berkeley Technology Law Journal
2. Federal Circuit Bar Journal
3. Vanderbilt Journal of Entertainment and Technology Law
4. The Columbia Journal of Law and the Arts
5. Harvard Journal of Law and Technology
7. Journal of the Patent and Trademark Office Society

Student-Edited Banking and Finance Journals

1. Fordham Journal of Corporate and Financial Law
2. The Review of Banking and Financial Law
3. New York University Journal of Law and Business
5. North Carolina Banking Institute

Student Journals

Fordham Law has a number of well-regarded and highly cited student-edited law journals, which enrich the academic experience of students.
Grants and Scholarships
Fordham offers both merit scholarships and need-based grants to eligible students. Funding for Fordham’s grant program is derived from several sources, including annual gifts and endowed scholarship funds made possible by the generosity of Fordham Law alumni and benefactors.
Data published in the 2014 ABA Report.

Top Feeder Schools
Fordham students are drawn from among the most academically rigorous undergraduate schools in the country.

New York University
Fordham University
Boston College
Cornell University
Columbia University
SUNY—Stony Brook Center
Georgetown University
University Of Michigan
George Washington University
Rutgers University
University Of Florida

Fordham Graduate Job Sources
Data taken from the Class of 2014 Summary Report, published by the National Association for Law Placement (July 2016)

- Fall OCI (123)
- Job fair (3)
- Job posting in CSO (50)
- Job posting online or in print (17)
- Return to prior job (15)
- Referral (46)
- Start own practice (4)
- Self-initiated (64)
- Other (56)
Living Out The Law

WE BELIEVE THAT WHO YOU ARE IS JUST AS IMPORTANT AS WHAT YOU DO. SO WE INFUSE OUR LEGAL EDUCATION WITH AN ABIDING SPIRIT OF ACADEMIC COMMUNITY AND PUBLIC AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICE. WE EMPHASIZE SERVING THE COLLECTIVE GOOD OF THE WORKPLACE—AND OF THE WORLD. WE VALUE THE STUDY OF ETHICS. WE TEACH OUR STUDENTS TO LIVE WHAT THEY LEARN.
Make a Difference from Day One

Through the important work of our centers, institutes, and student organizations, and through the unsurpassed strength and loyalty of the entire Fordham Law family, we foster passionate interest in social justice and the public interest. By adhering to the Jesuit educational concept of cura personalis, “caring for the whole person,” we have created a law school experience that is happier, friendlier, and more inclusive.

Public Service, Personal Satisfaction

Public Interest Resource Center

At Fordham Law, public service is a tradition and a guiding force. Ennoble your legal education by joining the nearly 500 students who participate annually in the pro bono initiatives and public service projects of the Public Interest Resource Center.

PIRC artfully marries grassroots action with legal efficiency and sophistication. With 28 student organizations to choose from, you will find a cause to which you can devote your passions, interests, and skills. Each graduating class, on average, participates in more than 120,000 hours of public service work during their time at Fordham.

In addition to its welcoming space, where you can plan activities, share information, and network with like-minded peers, PIRC also offers a supportive staff available to mentor and advise you in your public service endeavors. New groups are empowered to address cutting-edge issues and challenges in New York City, the country, and the world. In fact, the majority of PIRC groups were established by first-year students. So don’t be shy: form a group and work for your cause.

PIRC Student Groups

- Amnesty International
- Advocates for Sexual Health and Rights
- Anti-Trafficking Legal Advocacy Society
- Consumer Law Advocates
- Disaster Relief Network
- Domestic Violence Action Center
- Environmental Law Advocates
- Farm to Fordham
- Fordham Health, Education, Advocacy, and Law Society
- Fordham Law Advocates for Voter Rights
- Fordham Student-Sponsored Fellowship, Inc.
- Habitat for Humanity at Fordham Law School
- Housing Advocacy Project
- Immigration Advocacy Project
- Indigenous Alliance
- Irish Refugee Assistance Project
- Legal Education and Advocacy Project
- Lincoln Square Neighborhood Children’s Law Project
- Mentoring Youth Through Legal Education
- Prisoners’ Rights Advocates
- Research, Education, and Advocacy to Combat Homelessness
- Student Animal Legal Defense Fund of Fordham Law School
- Students for the Education and Representation of Veterans
- Suspension Representation Project
- Unemployment Action Center
- Universal Justice
- Workers’ Rights Coalition
- Youth Advocacy Law Association

Sponsored Fellowship

In 2015, FSSF awarded over $80,000 in fellowships to students, enabling them to work for various government agencies and non-profit organizations.
Centers and Institutes

Whether advancing scholarship on critical legal issues, providing hands-on training for future lawyers, or delivering much needed legal advice to the vulnerable and underrepresented, our centers and institutes make a real difference. Get involved with one or more of them and be a part of the change.

Brendan Moore Trial Advocacy Center
Fordham Law's mock trial team participates in civil and criminal trial competitions at regional and national levels. Competing in nearly 15 competitions every year, the Brendan Moore Trial Advocates learn how to apply facts to legal problems, argue persuasively, advocate passionately, and exercise the rules of evidence with skill and poise.

Center of European Union Law
A teaching and resource facility devoted to European Union and international antitrust law, the center facilitates the exchange of ideas and information among foreign officials and scholars and their U.S. counterparts. It also reveals the intricacies of EU law to Americans through lectures, symposia, public programs, and informal events.

Center on Law and Information Policy
The law must increasingly evolve to keep pace with innovations in information technology. In 2005, Fordham Law founded the Center on Law and Information Policy (CLIP), to conduct research, organize workshops and conferences, and prepare the next generation of thought leaders in this ever-growing field.

Center on National Security
The Center on National Security enhances public understanding of complex 21st-century security challenges and promotes intelligent policy recommendations. The Center's work includes compiling the country's most comprehensive data and analysis project on terrorism prosecutions, presenting a robust foreign policy discussion series, and maintaining a vibrant cyber security project.

Coalition for Debtor Education
An independent nonprofit, housed at Fordham Law School, with the mission to assist consumers in understanding and improving their ability to manage financial matters. The coalition presents financial education classes to teens, working-age adults, and seniors. It also promotes the examination of key issues and policies that affect consumer finance and applies them to financial teaching methods.

Competition Law Institute
The Fordham Competition Law Institute (FCLI) provides internationally recognized, top-rated programs on antitrust law and policy. Through its curriculum, including the Annual Conference on International Antitrust Law and Policy, FCLI contributes to the discussion of a wide range of legal issues related to worldwide antitrust protocol and to the development of better competition law enforcement across global jurisdictions.

Conflict Resolution and ADR Program
Offering unique opportunities for study in the field of alternative dispute resolution through renowned clinics and courses taught by leading academics, the Conflict Resolution and ADR Program balances theory and casework with a valuable practicum. Students teach ADR and mediation skills in the community, offering an essential public service to New York City.

Corporate Law Center
Designed in 2001 as a think tank to explore timely business and finance topics, the Corporate Law Center convenes public lectures, expert panels, and academic symposia to showcase the business law scholarship of Fordham Law faculty and research affiliates in a variety of financial subspecialties, including corporate compliance. The Center also connects students to distinguished alumni through the Business Law Practitioners Series mentoring program.

Fashion Law Institute
The world's first center dedicated to law and the business of fashion, the Fashion Law Institute offers training for the fashion lawyers and designers of the future, provides legal services for design students and professionals, and makes available information and assistance on issues facing the fashion industry. In addition to helping the city's creative class, the institute supports courses that address legal issues that arise throughout the life cycle of a garment.

Feerick Center for Social Justice
The Feerick Center addresses the problems facing marginalized and low-income New Yorkers and promotes their rights through the provision of legal assistance and the education of the general public about social justice. Fordham Law faculty and the Center's students also collaborate with the city's nonprofit, legal services, and public sectors to create long-term solutions to inequality, such as pro bono programs, clinics, and policy initiatives critical to real change.

Institute on Religion, Law, and Lawyer's Work
Inspires students to become international legal experts and impassioned human rights advocates.

Leitner Center for International Law and Justice
One of the oldest and largest law school–based human rights programs, the Leitner Center provides training to law students, facilitates capacity building with activists around the world, and contributes to critical research among scholars in international human rights. Through its pioneering programs, clinics, and education initiatives, the Leitner Center inspires students to become international legal experts and impassioned human rights advocates.

Stein Center for Law and Ethics
The Stein Center examines the important role that lawyers play in our society and explores the ways in which ethical values inform and improve the legal profession by promoting the critical analysis of legal ethics. It hosts and sponsors colloquia and symposia, promotes the open exchange of ideas among academics and practitioners, and above all, supports the training of future lawyers “in the service of others.”

Urban Law Center
A majority of the world’s population now lives in urban environments. The Urban Law Center is committed to understanding and facilitating the legal system’s place in contemporary urbanism. Through its innovative programs, the Center is also dedicated to advancing the scholarship and practice of urban law and influencing the most pressing issues facing America’s metropolitan areas.
Stein Scholars Program

If you want to learn from your peers, grow in appreciation of differing viewpoints, and pursue common goals of service and advocacy, then you want to become a Stein Scholar.

The nationally recognized program combines academic requirements—course work focusing on legal ethics and public interest law—with nonacademic seminars to help you develop and enhance your leadership and communication skills.

During your first summer as a Stein Scholar, you are guaranteed a stipend to work with a public interest organization. During your second year, you enroll in seminars that challenge you to think critically about the role of lawyers in society. In the Advanced Seminar, you will lead a semester-long project with a public interest law organization. Perhaps most importantly, you will join a community of diverse leaders who mentor each other throughout their careers as they pursue work as public defenders, district attorneys, human rights advocates, and grassroots activists.

Student Services and Organizations

You can look forward to challenges in your Fordham Law education, but we also provide support and balance through student services. Programs are designed to enhance your experience through student groups, academic advising, and personal counseling.

During your first year, the Academic Enrichment Program provides you with legal skills workshops that help you with reading and briefing cases, preparing the short and long memo, and writing the appellate brief. The Board of Student Advisors will assign you an upper-class mentor who will provide guidance and assist with the transition to law school.

The Office of Student Affairs also offers weekly mindfulness and yoga classes, as well as the occasional movie pass.

Fordham Family: Connecting to Alumni

Even before you graduate, you will be meeting, greeting, and connecting with the School’s alumni network.

Found in all 50 U.S. states and 74 countries worldwide, Fordham Law alumni work in institutions ranging from Fortune 500 companies to top-100 law firms, from international NGOs to high-level government agencies. They visit campus often to deliver lectures, attend events, mentor current students, and work with our Career Planning Center to help you achieve your professional goals.

The Fordham Law Alumni Association includes 23 national and international chapters and 7 affinity groups, which aim to connect alumni with shared interests, practice areas, and backgrounds. Around the world our graduates are active, supportive, and committed.

Fordham Law Student Organizations

- American Constitution Society for Law and Policy
- Asian-Pacific American Law Students Association
- Black Law Students Association
- Catholic Law Students Association
- Committee on Diversity in Business Law
- Couture Counselor Student Fashion Law Society
- Fordham Compliance and Ethics Society
- Fordham Christian Fellowship
- Fordham Information Law Society
- Fordham Labor and Employment Law Society
- Fordham Law Art Club
- Fordham Law Democrats
- Fordham Law Follies
- Fordham Parents Attending Law School
- Fordham Law Republicans
- Fordham Law Softball
- Fordham Law Tortfeasors
- Fordham Law Women
- Fordham OutLaws
- Fordham Sports Law Forum
- Global Law Society

Irish Law Students Association
Italian-American Law Students Association
Jewish Law Students Association
Latin American Law Students Association
Law Students for Reproductive Justice
Law Students Supporting Science
Media and Entertainment Law Society
Muslim Law Students Association
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Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity
Record at Fordham Law
The Society of Secularists
South Asian Law Students Association
Student Association for Law and Entrepreneurship
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Meet the Fordham Family

From Academics to Activists

Because we know many of the most influential legal and other professionals in New York City—and in the far-flung corners of five continents—soon you’ll know them too. Together you’ll share ideas, learning opportunities, and job placements. You’ll maintain an ongoing, vibrant, global conversation. You’ll gain a clear competitive advantage that will sustain, support, and inspire you throughout the life of your legal career.

Youngjae Lee

Professor of Law

*Fordham Law School is a special place. Students and faculty alike think hard and rigorously about some of the most challenging issues facing us as a society and global citizens, but we do not lose sight of the importance of treating one another with warmth and respect. The combination creates a distinctive culture that endures over the years, and everyone is committed to preserving it and protecting it.*
Clare Huntington  Associate Dean for Research and Professor of Law

"Fordham Law is the perfect place to become an advocate for families and children. Our faculty offers both a deep and broad curriculum, and the Law School as a whole is a leader in grappling with some of the most important questions of family structure and equality."

Vincent Fuller  Second year day student

"The best thing I did when I arrived at Fordham was to tap into the network of second-year and third-year law students and recent graduates by becoming actively involved in many of the student-run organizations. The people I met and guidance I received facilitated my transition into not only my matriculation to law school but also a legal career post-law school."
Helen Terrero-Black
Third year day student

“Fordham’s network was influential in helping me obtain prestigious summer honors internships and even opened doors for unique postgraduate opportunities that might not have been available otherwise. It’s truly an invaluable asset the school has, which students can easily access once they’re part of the family.”

Andy Hinton
'89, Google

“Fordham Law has a great reputation for producing excellent, well-prepared legal professionals. Whether they practice in the courts, in business, or in public service, Fordham lawyers are always ready for the next challenge, and equally important, the next opportunity to innovate and drive the law forward.”
Before my first year, each attorney that I worked with expressed strong enthusiasm and support when I told them that I had decided to go to Fordham. One attorney remarked that Fordham grads were his favorite lawyers to work with because they exemplified the ethical standards of the profession. To hear such positive reinforcement from the attorneys that I looked up to solidified in my mind that I had made the right choice.

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Karla Sanchez
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Who We Know Is Who You’ll Know
Fordham Law
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Dean and Paul Fuller Professor of Law

“People turn to lawyers for help with some of the most difficult and important issues they will face. Fordham helps you develop the creative skills you will need to make a real difference in people’s lives. The law is a service profession, and Fordham Law is a service-oriented school.”
Hon. Denny Chin

‘78, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit

“I owe so much to Fordham Law School. Fordham taught me the law and how to think and act like a lawyer. It taught me the importance of decency, honesty, and hard work, and the importance of service to the public. I am a better judge because of what I learned at Fordham.”

Angelica Kang

Fourth year evening student

“I’ve been part of the Fordham community for quite some time—first as an employee and then as a law student. The Fordham network is one of its strongest assets. Professors, deans, administrators, and Stein Scholars have always been available to help with a recommendation, a networking connection, or advice about law school and career decisions.”
Working The Network

Our proactive, systematic approach to career planning helps you maximize career options, clarify personal interests, and successfully reach short- and long-term career goals. We provide lifelong career development assistance, including professional development programs, self-assessment tools, and job search strategies.
Find Your Future

Your Career Starts Here

All Fordham Law graduates are linked into our dynamic professional and alumni network of experienced attorneys. These are people who have walked in your shoes—and who will help you go the distance.

Your Fordham Law degree is a gateway. To a meaningful career. To a life of service. To the point where your professional interests meet your personal aspirations.

Whether you want to lead in the law, business, politics, finance, government, public interest, academia, or another career field, your Fordham Law education will prepare you for success.

The School’s coordinated career support can help you define your professional path, develop faculty connections, and tap into Fordham Law’s alumni network.

Career Planning

Career planning should be about more than finding a job. It should be about making a choice that inspires you.

Career Planning Center (CPC) counselors will work with you and provide the advice, support, resources, guidance, and tools you need to help:

- determine your career path
- explore opportunities
- connect with employers
- showcase your best professional self in the job search

The single most important function of the CPC office is counseling. All career counselors are former practicing attorneys who were involved in recruiting at their prior employers or were recruiters in the legal area at their previous employers.

From your first year at Fordham through your first job and beyond, the CPC’s Professional Development Platform will guide you in its integrated approach to career development.

The platform consists of a point-counselor system, career exploration and skills-based programming, small-group summer legal job search strategy sessions, a mock interview program, and the Professional Development Handbook.
Public Interest Career Support

Fordham Law School’s motto “in the service of others” is reflected in all aspects of the Law School experience. Whether you want to pursue a career path in public service at a nonprofit, NGO, or government agency—or you simply want to make a difference by doing pro bono work—Fordham offers an abundance of support, from the counselors in the CPC to the Public Interest Resource Center and the Faculty Fellowship Committee. Your journey begins with one-on-one counseling with the counselors in PIRC or the CPC. You can then continue to explore paths and navigate the public service job search through our resources.

CPC programming, in conjunction with PIRC as well as the Law School’s centers and institutes, provides you with the opportunity to meet attorneys in public service, often alumni.

Are you thinking about a public service fellowship? In collaboration with PIRC, a committee of faculty members will mentor you through the process.

Not sure you want to pursue a career path in public service but want to effect change? Fordham Law has a vast array of options for you to explore and in which you can get involved during your time here.

The PIRC-sponsored student groups, the Stein Center for Law and Ethics, the Leitner Center for International Law and Justice, and the Feerick Center for Social Justice represent just a few of the myriad outlets for Fordham lawyers to make a difference.

On-Campus Recruitment

You will be able to take advantage of a number of programs the CPC puts together to make it easier for you to learn about employers, meet with their representatives, find out about their hiring needs, and apply for available positions. Services are available to you even after graduation, as part of the comprehensive career planning services the CPC provides to Fordham Law J.D. alumni in perpetuity.

Employer Receptions

The CPC hosts a series of on-campus receptions, attended by nearly 50 employers that participate in our Fall On-Campus Recruiting Program. Attendees range from law firms and corporations to government agencies and public interest organizations. You are invited to attend these receptions, where you will be able to meet and mingle with attorneys and recruiting personnel—many of whom are Fordham Law alumni—in an informal setting.

On-Campus Recruiting

We welcome to our campus a wide variety of employers—law firms, corporations, financial institutions, government agencies (including district attorneys’ offices), and public interest/not-for-profit organizations—interested in our students because of their reputation for excellence.

Career Fairs

If you are one of the many Fordham students interested in a career in public service or in the public interest, you have the ability to take advantage of the two largest public service career fairs in the country: the Equal Justice Works Career Fair (in Washington, D.C.) and the Public Interest Legal Career Fair (in New York City).

Online Job Bank

While you are a student, access to our online job bank allows you to search for and apply to listings for summer and term-time internships, and full-time employment postgraduation. The employers who post their hiring needs in our Job Bank include law firms of all sizes, government agencies, corporate legal departments, public interest organizations, and even courts. We are constantly engaged in employer outreach to expand our Job Bank.

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OCI Employers

There were 154 employers that interviewed Fordham Law students through the 2014–15 On-Campus Interview Program.
Clerkship and Fellowships Program

Interested in learning the practice of law from behind the bench? The CPC can assist your pursuit of a judicial clerkship.

Working collaboratively with the faculty and the Office of the Dean, the CPC provides you with an array of support and guidance. The center assists with clerkship counseling, and resume and cover-letter critique, and also communicates with you on all aspects of the clerkship process. This includes application timing, processes, substantive materials, and interviewing. The center also develops clerkship-related programming and guides/resources.

In the five-year period between 2010–2015, in any given term, Fordham Law has had between 40 and 60 judicial clerks at both the federal and state levels. During this time, federal courts represented have included the Courts of Appeals for the Second, Third, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, Tenth, and Federal circuits, and the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York, as well as many other federal district courts. State court clerkships during this time have primarily included New York and New Jersey.

The CPC constantly monitors trends within the courts and engages in direct outreach to provide clerkship applicants vital and current information regarding clerkship opportunities, application processes, and deadlines. The center takes great care in its clerkship-related handbooks and guides, which are updated annually and include The Judicial Clerkship Handbook and State Court Clerkships in the Tri-State Area.

Alumni Network

The Fordham Law alumni network is exceptionally strong, active, and supportive—and they are here to help you.

Through their efforts to advance Fordham Law’s mission and reputation, our alumni engage and collaborate with fellow alumni, students, and the wider Fordham Law community. Alumni resources and initiatives include:

**Fordham Law Alumni Association (FLAA)**
The FLAA is one of the largest law school alumni associations in the country, as well as an excellent resource for students and graduates alike. The FLAA serves to deepen the already strong bond between Fordham Law and its alumni and emphasizes the importance of engaging students with the alumni network from day one.

**FLAA 1L Advising Program**
The FLAA 1L Advising Program pairs each first-year section with a diverse group of alumni advisors that spans different career paths, seniority levels, backgrounds, and experiences. The advisors serve as a resource for students on a variety of topics, from mastering the first year to strategies for interviewing.

**Worldwide Alumni Chapters**
Fordham Law alumni can be found in all 50 U.S. states as well as 73 countries worldwide. The FLAA currently has 23 national and international chapters. These provide great connections with Fordham Law alumni around the globe.

**Public Interest Fellowships**
In the 2014–2015 academic year, 11 graduates received one of the following prestigious public interest fellowships:
- Fulbright Scholar grant
- Fulbright-Clinton Fellowship
- Equal Justice Works Fellowship
- U.S. Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division Honors Program
- New York State Excelsior Service Fellowship Program

**Networking Affinity Groups**
The FLAA has formed a series of affinity groups that provide forums for alumni to gather socially and network with one another based on shared interests, practice areas, and backgrounds. Each of these specific affinity groups regularly host networking receptions, panel discussions, and committee meetings.

**Small to Midsize Firm Leaders Dean’s Advisory Council**
Consisting of alumni in leadership roles at small to midsize firms, this council offers expertise and guidance to students choosing careers at small to midsize firm settings.

From participating in career development programming for students and alumni, to acting as mock interviewers and providing invaluable mentoring through informational interviews and other means, Fordham Law alumni stand ready to offer expertise and guidance to students choosing careers at small to midsize firm settings.
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How do I apply?
We strongly encourage you to use the Law School Admission Council service and apply electronically at lsac.org. You can request a paper application by contacting us via email (lawadmissions@fordham.edu) or by calling our office (212.636.6810).

When are applications accepted?
For the full-time day and part-time evening J.D. programs: Applications are accepted between September 15 and March 15.

For the two-year J.D. program for international students: Applications should be submitted by May 1, but Fordham will accept applications on a rolling, space-available basis until July 1.

How much is the application fee?
The application processing fee is $70.

Can I receive an application fee waiver?
Fee waivers are granted on a case-by-case basis. Please submit your request directly to our office by email (lawadmissions@fordham.edu). Transfer and visitor applicants are ineligible for the application fee waiver.

Can I apply to the full-time day and part-time evening programs at the same time?
No. You can only apply to one program per admissions cycle. If your original application is declined, you may submit a written request to be reconsidered for the alternate program.

Does Fordham have an early action program?
Fordham has an early action program for the traditional full-time day and part-time evening programs; however, it is not binding and you must qualify. To qualify, you must submit your completed application, including your valid LSAT score, by October 15. You will be notified by December 15 as long as your file is completed and ready for review. To guarantee a decision by December 15, you must have taken the LSAT prior to October 15. The October LSAT, although early in the application cycle, does not make you fully eligible for early action.

We do not currently offer an early action program for the two-year J.D. program for international students.

Does Fordham have spring enrollment?
No. We enroll for the fall semester only.

Is a personal statement required?
Yes. It can be written on the topic of your choice and should not exceed two pages, single or double spaced.

Do you require letters of recommendation?
Yes. We require at least two letters that should be sent along with your application via www.lsac.org.

When can I expect to be notified about my application?
Fordham makes decisions on a rolling basis. The committee endeavors to notify applicants of decisions within six to eight weeks after the completion of the application. Applications received on or around University calendar breaks will take additional processing time.

Does Fordham accept transfer and visiting students?
Yes. Applications for transfer and visiting students may be submitted from March 15 to June 30. Transfer and visiting applications are considered during the latter part of July, and applicants will typically receive a decision during the first week of August. Students wishing to visit for the spring semester must submit their application by December 15. Transfer or visiting student applicants should visit our website (law.fordham.edu/admissions) for detailed application instructions.

What are the median LSAT and GPA for admitted students?
Our most recent entering full-time students had a median LSAT of 163 and a GPA of 3.53. Our part-time students had a median LSAT of 159 and a GPA of 3.53.

Does Fordham offer applicant interviews?
Yes. Students may apply for rooms in McMahon Hall on the Lincoln Center campus. The Law School also has access to apartments on the west side of Manhattan. Please visit the section on Residential Life for more information.

Where can I find the bar admissions requirements?
In addition to a bar examination, there are character, fitness, and other qualifications for admission to the bar in every U.S. jurisdiction. Applicants are encouraged to determine the requirements for any jurisdiction in which they intend to seek admission by contacting the jurisdiction. Addresses for all relevant agencies are available through the National Conference of Bar Examiners.

How does the application reconsideration process work?
If you receive an unfavorable decision on your application, you can request a reconsideration. Please submit your request in writing via lawadmissions@law.fordham.edu and indicate the division to which you would like to be reconsidered. The reconsideration process will begin in June, with notification usually sent the first week of August.

Does Fordham offer tours of the Law School campus?
Yes. We offer self-guided tours during normal business hours throughout the year (Monday–Friday, 9 a.m.–5 p.m.) as well as guided tours starting in late September when school is in session. For more information on the visitation schedule, please see our calendar on the admissions home page at law.fordham.edu/admissions.

Does Fordham offer housing to students?
Yes. Students may apply for rooms in McMahon Hall on the Lincoln Center campus. The Law School also has access to apartments on the west side of Manhattan. Please visit the section on Residential Life for more information.
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