



FSU LAW

Focus

September 15,
2023

[Get Involved](#) [Submit a Class Note](#) [Share My Torch Moment](#) [Make a Gift](#)

From the Dean

We are pleased to report that in the latest issue of preLaw magazine, FSU Law is ranked the nation's sixth best law school for government law and 18th best for moot court! This comes as no surprise to us given our consistent strength in both areas, but it is gratifying to be recognized nationally. The government law ranking is based on employment in the field, curricula in the field, and student debt and loan repayment options. The moot court ranking is based on moot court competition results from 2020-2023, as tracked by the University of Houston Law Center's Blakely Advocacy Institute. In addition, preLaw graded FSU an "A" law school in the areas of health law, human rights law, and child and family law. These rankings and grades would not be possible without the dedication of many professors, alumni, and students who contribute in extraordinary ways to our curricular offerings, enrichment events, and moot court activities.



Erin O'Connor

Dean Erin O'Connor

New FSU Law Merchandise Available

Category

- Men (70) >
- Women (11) >
- Accessories (5) >
- Office & Travel (14)
- Drinkware (11)
- Tailgate & Spirit (2)
- Blankets (2)
- School Supplies (3) >

Size +

Color +

Search result for "fsucollegelaw" (108)

Sort By
Relevance

< 01 02 03



Florida State Fabrizio
Ballpoint Pen FSU College
Of Law Engraved - ONLINE
ONLY

\$15.00



Florida State 64 Inch
Umbrella FSU College Of
Law - ONLINE ONLY

\$38.00



Florida State Fiber Rollerball
Pen FSU College Of Law
Engraved - ONLINE ONLY

\$19.00



Florida State Clique C&B Ice
Pique Half Zip FSU College
Of Law Stacked - ONLINE
ONLY

\$40.00

The Alumni Affairs team is excited to announce that **new FSU Law merchandise is now available for purchase!** The new line, which includes classic items like branded t-shirts, hoodies, and polos, as well as more unique offerings like umbrellas and coffee cups, is meant to help FSU Law alumni and students show their school spirit. Whether you decide to shop for yourself or for a gift for a fellow alum or current student, we hope you will find something you love! We look forward to seeing you sporting the new merchandise at upcoming events in celebration of our shared connection to FSU College of Law.

Alum Profile: Justin Peters ('17)

Justin Peters is now a research and instruction librarian at the FSU College of Law. In this role, Peters provides research and reference support to faculty members and students and teaches legal research courses and workshops. Prior to joining the law school in July 2023, Peters was a senior attorney for the Florida Senate Office of Bill Drafting Services. He drafted more than 3,000 bills and amendments primarily related to the areas of gaming and pari-mutuel wagering, beverage law, the Baker Act, the Marchman Act, business organizations, and professional regulation. Peters earned his Master of Science in Information from Florida State University in 2022.



“I am grateful to have the opportunity to work alongside the wonderful librarians and staff at the Research Center and am excited to have the chance to apply the knowledge and skills gained in the legislature to assist the FSU Law community. I believe FSU Law is a truly special place and am honored to be given the chance to return as a faculty member.”

Student Profile: 3L Bianca Devaney

Desired Practice Location: New York or Northern New Jersey

Expected Graduation: May 2024

Field of Law Sought: Open to a variety of fields but primarily seeking litigation opportunities; has especially enjoyed working in labor and employment law and tort law

Bianca Devaney is from Garnerville, New York. She graduated summa cum laude from Florida State University with degrees in criminology and psychology, and she will graduate from FSU Law in the spring. This semester, Devaney is working as a certified legal intern with the Public Interest Law Center’s Children’s Advocacy Clinic. She is also serving as a teaching assistant for the Juris Master Program, a role she has held since May 2022. During the summer, Devaney was a legal intern with the Hillsborough County Aviation Authority at Tampa International Airport, where she worked under the supervision of the assistant general counsel, handling a variety of matters on behalf of the Aviation Authority. During the spring of her 2L year, Devaney externed for the Florida Commission on Human Relations. There, she reviewed employment and public accommodation claims for potential unlawful discrimination practices. During the summer before her 2L year, Devaney worked as a legal intern with Peña & Kahn PLLC, where she assisted Motor Vehicle Division attorneys with compiling materials for trial preparation, observed depositions and settlement negotiations, and discussed possible case outcomes with the attorneys. Prior to law school, Devaney



worked as an investigative intern with the Leon County Public Defender's Office and the Rockland County Public Defender's Office.

At FSU Law, Devaney is president of the Moot Court Team; she served as the team's competition chair as a 2L, and her team placed second in the Mardi Gras Invitational Moot Court Competition that year. Devaney is also a member of the FSU Business Review and a former member of the Trial Team, of which she served as competition co-chair during her 2L year. Additionally, Devaney is a founding member of a new FSU Law student organization, Women in Sports Law, and is serving as secretary of the organization this year. She is a member of the Hispanic Law Students Association and a pupil of the William H. Stafford American Inn of Court, and she previously was a 1L representative for the Student Bar Association. She has also worked as a Fundathon caller for the Office of Alumni Affairs every semester of law school. If you are interested in connecting with or hiring Devaney after graduation, visit her [LinkedIn profile](#) or email her at bad16g@fsu.edu.

“I attribute my success in law school to my tenacity, my ability to build relationships, and my determination to approach every opportunity with an open mind. I am a firm believer that hard work pays off, and I am confident that my work at FSU Law will lead to a rewarding future and legal career.”

[ABOUT US](#) | [ACADEMICS](#) | [ADMISSIONS & FINANCIAL AID](#) | [OUR FACULTY](#) | [ALUMNI](#) | [CAREERS](#) | [STUDENTS](#)



If you unsubscribe from the FSU Law Focus, you will only be unsubscribed from the newsletter and not other emails from FSU Law.

Share this email:



emma[®]

[Manage](#) your preferences | [Opt out](#) using TrueRemove™

Got this as a forward? [Sign up](#) to receive our future emails.

View this email [online](#).

This email was sent to .

To continue receiving our emails, add us to your address book.

[Subscribe](#) to our email list.