NATIONAL RECOGNITION

» U.S. News & World Report (2020) rates Florida State as the 50th best law school in the nation. Florida State’s environmental law program is ranked 15th best nationally.

» According to the World University Rankings (2020), Florida State is the world’s 50th best university for law and the 17th best U.S. school for law.

» According to American Bar Association (ABA) data, Florida State is nation’s 18th best law school in terms of 2019 graduates who passed a bar examination in the primary jurisdiction on their first attempt.

» According to preLaw magazine (2020), Florida State is the nation’s #1 law school for government careers, #7 in the nation for public defender/prosecutor jobs and among the nation’s top 7 law schools for public policy and for human rights law.

» Florida State is the #3 law school in the nation for best student quality of life, according to Princeton Review (2021). Florida State is also ranked the nation’s #7 law school for professor accessibility, #14 for professor teaching quality and #17 for academic experience.

» preLaw magazine (2020) ranks Florida State the nation’s #8 best value law school.

» The Black Student’s Guide to Law Schools and Firms (2019) ranks Florida State among the nation’s top 5 southern law schools for Black students. Florida State is the only Florida law school on the list.

» According to a 2018 study of law faculty scholarly impact, our faculty is #1 in Florida and #29 nationally.

ALUMNI GIVING RATE AMONG THE NATION’S TOP 5 FOR PUBLIC LAW SCHOOLS

ALUMNI NETWORK

» Florida State’s alumni network is truly superb, evidenced by our outstanding employment rates, extensive mentoring and alumni contribution rates. Hundreds of alumni visit campus each year to mentor and interview our students. Many additional alumni network via video conference.

STUDENT SELECTIVITY

» Current students represent 42 U.S. states, 38 countries, and 299 colleges & universities.

» The 2020 entering class has a median LSAT of 161 and a median GPA of 3.73.
STUDENT SUCCESSES

» Florida State’s graduates continue to excel on the Florida Bar Examination. Our bar passage rate for the most recent administration of the exam was 84.4%. By contrast, the overall passing rate for first-time test takers was 71.7%.

» Since 2010, the Moot Court Team has won 1st place in 18 national competitions and in one international competition. In November 2020, they won first place in the 2020 Appellate Lawyers Association National Moot Court Competition.

» Florida State’s Trial Team is ranked the nation’s 15th best in a 2020 ranking of the top trial teams. In October 2020, the team won 1st place in the 2020 Buffalo-Niagara Mock Trial Competition.

» In 2018, our Black Law Students Association won 3rd place in the National Thurgood Marshall Mock Trial Competition. Our BLSA has been named National Chapter of the Year four times since 2011.

» In 2020, for the ninth time since 2008, Florida State’s Student Bar Association received the Student Bar Association Award, which honors the best SBA in the nation, from the American Bar Association Law Student Division.

MAJOR ADVOCACY COMPETITION WINS FOR OUR STUDENTS SINCE 2010

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PROFESSIONAL SKILLS TRAINING

» Law students earn academic credit at our in-house, live-client Business Law Clinic, Children’s Advocacy Clinic, COVID-19 Veterans Legal Clinic, Gender and Family Justice Clinic, Children in Prison Project, Collateral Consequences Project, Health Care Access Project, Human Trafficking and Exploitation Law Project, Immigration and Farmworker Project, The Injunction Project and Juvenile Solitary Confinement Project. Clients in the Business Law Clinic are business and social entrepreneurs from across the Florida State University campus.

» In our extensive clinical externship program, law students earn academic credit by working in one of 100+ outside law offices or courts. Placement areas include judicial, criminal, civil, legal services, appellate, business and international.

» Our rich curriculum includes series of courses focused on litigation skills, transactional skills, legislative practice skills and administrative practice skills.