



FSU COLLEGE OF LAW HIGHLIGHTS

NATIONAL RECOGNITION

- » *U.S. News & World Report* (2019) rates Florida State as the 48th best law school in the nation. Florida State's environmental law program is ranked 19th best nationally.
- » According to American Bar Association (ABA) data, Florida State is the #1 law school in Florida and #28 nationally in terms of 2018 graduates who passed a bar examination on their first attempt.
- » According to ABA data analyzed by Law.com (2019), Florida State is the nation's 8th best in terms of law schools with the highest percentage of graduates who obtain government and public interest jobs.
- » *The National Jurist* magazine (2017) ranks Florida State the nation's #16 "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 38 U.S. states, 22 countries and 266 colleges and universities.
- » The 2019 entering class has a median LSAT of 160 and a median GPA of 3.73.

STUDENT SUCCESSES

- » **At a rate of 94.48%, FSU Law ranks among the nation's top law schools** in terms of class of 2016 graduates who passed a bar examination in any jurisdiction within two years of graduating.
- » **Florida State's graduates continue to excel on the Florida Bar Examination. Our bar passage rate for the two most recent administrations of the exam was 83.6%.** By contrast, the overall passing rate for first-time test takers was 65.1%.
- » **Since 2010, the Moot Court Team has won 1st place in 15 national competitions** and in one international competition. In March 2019, they won 1st place in the 2019 William B. Bryant-Luke C. Moore Invitational Moot Court Competition. In March 2018, they won 1st place in the Seigenthaler-Sutherland Cup National First Amendment Moot Court Competition.
- » **In November 2016, our Mock Trial Team won 1st place in the 2016 Buffalo-Niagara Mock Trial Competition.** In the fall of 2015, the team won 1st place in two national competitions.
- » **In 2018, our Black Law Students Association won 3rd place in the National Thurgood Marshall Mock Trial Competition.** In 2015, they won 1st place in the National Frederick Douglass Moot Court Competition. Our BLSA has been named National Chapter of the Year four times since 2011.

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**MAJOR ADVOCACY
COMPETITION WINS
FOR OUR STUDENTS
SINCE 2010.**

- » **In 2019, for the eighth time since 2008, Florida State's Student Bar Association received the National Achievement Award,** which honors the best SBA in the nation, from the American Bar Association Law Student Division.

PROFESSIONAL SKILLS TRAINING

- » Law students earn academic credit at our in-house, **live-client Business Law Clinic, Children's Advocacy Clinic, Gender and Family Justice Clinic, Veterans Legal Clinic and Immigration Law 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.