Founded in 1909, the University of Idaho College of Law has emerged as one of the best educational values in the nation for many reasons. We have a faculty that truly cares about student outcomes and provides students with hands-on skills for today’s dynamic legal professions, all in a welcoming atmosphere where students can focus on their studies.

At the College of Law, we have a standing commitment to improving the administration of justice. We have a legacy of leading in the judiciary, the legal profession, business and public service. We believe our success has been built upon the conviction that a law school should stand for something. The following characteristics help define our strategic vision for delivering exceptional value in legal education:

• To serve the public and make justice accessible, as exemplified by our pro bono service program and leading clinical program;
• To shape sound public policy through interdisciplinary teaching and scholarship, as demonstrated by our “Waters of the West” initiative;
• To prepare students for a world of specialization by offering a dual campus model that draws upon the strengths of a land-grant research campus in Moscow and a dynamic metropolitan setting in Boise;
• To strengthen sustainability and understanding of the challenges facing the American West through our natural resources and environmental law and Native American law emphases and programs;
• To promote economic development and efficient resolution of disputes through our programs in mediation, ethical litigation and business law;
• To advance diversity, expressed through our commitment to equal opportunity and our welcoming of multiple perspectives and all types of backgrounds;
• To elevate academic quality above quantity, as evidenced by our selective admissions process and close faculty-student collaboration and supportive learning environments; and
• To affirm that a life in the law is a noble calling, as reflected in our acclaimed professionalism program where small groups of students talk face-to-face with distinguished lawyers and judges about ethics and professionalism on the first day of law school.

Please explore our website, or contact me directly to learn more about the institution.

Mark Adams
Dean
marka@uidaho.edu
Celebrating 100-plus Years

- Established in 1909
- Selected for membership in the Association of American Law Schools in 1914
- Accredited by the American Bar Association since 1925
- Opportunities to live and learn in Moscow and Boise

Jennifer Jensen ‘13 clerked for Judge N. Randy Smith of the U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit. Of her experience at the University of Idaho College of Law she says, “I appreciated the relatively small class sizes and the accessibility of the professors, who were genuinely interested in helping us succeed both in classes and in our future careers.”

Accessible Faculty

The College of Law’s faculty members, both new and long-standing, come from diverse social and legal backgrounds. They include former judges, prosecutors, public defenders, JAG attorneys and attorneys from a variety of private practice areas. Our faculty members ensure that the region, nation, and even the world take notice of the College of Law by producing an impressive quantity of high-quality scholarly work.

They serve the community by giving their time to a number of worthy causes. They strive to expand and improve the curriculum and course offerings at the College of Law.

Our faculty also dedicate themselves to the success of their students and remain accessible by maintaining an open-door policy.

For more on the College of Law faculty, including pictures and biographical information, please visit uidaho.edu/law-faculty. If you’d like to request to sit in on a class and experience our faculty in person, contact the Admissions Office at lawadmit@uidaho.edu.
Our basic form of teaching involves the case method, a study of the actual decisions made by appellate courts. We supplement this with selected readings that provide key insights into the nature of judicial and legislative processes. Many of our advanced courses provide students with the opportunity for simulated exercises and problem solving. We emphasize techniques that foster student initiative and the development of analytical and communication skills.

**Your First Year**

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**Graduation Requirements**

- Students must complete six semesters of full-time study in residence, earn 90 semester hours of credit and maintain a minimum 2.00 grade point average.
- Students must pass all first-year courses as well as Constitutional Law II and Professional Responsibility.
- Students must earn at least six credits in courses designed to teach professional legal skills and write a major paper to satisfy an upper-division writing requirement.
- Because the College, like the legal profession, places a high value on public service, all students must complete at least 40 hours of law-related pro bono service before graduation.

All graduation requirements must be completed within six years from the time the student first matriculates into law school.

**Professionalism Requirement**

Students who enter the College of Law must complete a professionalism education program that consists of opportunities that address the following topics:

- cultural competencies;
- civility and appropriate professional behaviors;
- law practice management;
- bias and thought processes; and
- other topics related to the development of a student’s professional conduct and identity.

**National Recognition**

- In 2014, preLaw magazine named us a Best Value law school.
- preLaw magazine named our curriculum and programs in Boise in the top 25 for being the most innovative in legal education today.
- preLaw magazine ranked the College of Law as providing the 15th best externship program in the country.
- Businessinsider.com named us the 13th least expensive law school in the nation.
- Our intellectual property, business law, environmental law, international law, litigation and alternative dispute programs are regarded as some of the best in the country.
- National Jurist ranked the College of Law’s clinical program 13th in the nation in 2011.
The University of Idaho has a statewide mission to deliver public legal education. As part of that mission, the College of Law has developed a focused, high-quality curriculum for students completing their second and third years of law school. As part of their academic plan, students will apply to spend their second and third years in Boise or Moscow.

The second- and third-year option in Boise complements our full three-year program in Moscow—an investment in Idaho’s future. Students in the Boise area can now spend their first year in Moscow and choose to return to Boise to complete their legal education. This will help students manage their debt and let them study law in the community of their choice.

This option increases the efforts to broaden and deepen the Juris Doctor curriculum with emphases correlated to the interdisciplinary assets of Moscow’s land-grant campus and Boise’s commercial and governmental assets.

Megan Fernandez ’11
Associate, Hopkins Roden Crockett Hansen & Hoopes, Idaho Falls, Idaho

“I really enjoyed the professional networking opportunities in Boise. I developed mentoring relationships with the judges and practicing attorneys and learned directly from professionals what legal practice is all about.”
Experiential learning and professional development are woven into the fabric of our curriculum, and you will find our commitment to public service evident in everything the College of Law offers. We believe this is essential in providing our students with a legal education relevant in today’s world.

**First Week**

From the first day of New Student Orientation, our students grapple with the meaning of the law and the challenges of being a lawyer through our Professionalism Workshop. Students have the first of many opportunities to meet with distinguished members of the bench and bar from all over the Northwest who donate their time to this innovative program. In small groups, judges and lawyers engage first-year students in examining factual scenarios designed to produce thoughtfulness and introspection on topics such as civility, truthfulness and fairness in litigation; fiduciary obligation to clients; reasonableness of attorney fees; conflicts of interest; and pro bono service for clients in need.

**First Year**

In first-year Legal Research and Writing, students collaborate in small groups to learn how to research legal issues and prepare legal documents. In addition to research and writing, students write a mock appellate brief during their first semester and deliver the oral argument on that brief during the spring semester of their first year.

“...at the College of Law. The small class sizes allow for a strong community bond between the students. Best of all, the professors are always willing to help. I can’t imagine having that accessibility at any other school.”
Areas of Emphasis

Students who wish to specialize may choose from one of four areas of emphasis offered by the College of Law:

- Native American Law;
- Natural Resources and Environmental Law;
- Business Law and Entrepreneurship; and
- Litigation and Alternative Dispute Resolution.

Students who successfully complete their area of emphasis will have this reflected on their official College of Law transcript.

Native American Law

The College of Law has an ongoing commitment to educating students in the area of Native American Law and encouraging Native Americans to enter into the field of law.

Students interested in the Native American Law Emphasis may apply following their first year and are required to work closely with the Native American Law Emphasis adviser, Professor Angelique EagleWoman, who was named in the Top 50 Under 50 Minority Law Professors by Lawyers of Color magazine.

This emphasis requires 12 credits of designated coursework, a substantial research paper in the area of Native American Law, and 20 service hours of experiential learning that involves the application of Native American Law.

For more information regarding the Native American Law Emphasis, visit [uidaho.edu/native-law](http://uidaho.edu/native-law).
The Northwest abounds in natural resources, and issues involving natural resources and the environment have figured prominently in Idaho’s legal history. Water law issues, in particular, continue to shape Idaho and the American West. The College of Law benefits from its connections to nationally recognized natural resources colleges at the University of Idaho, Washington State University and numerous outdoor laboratories. Moscow provides the ideal place to study natural resources and environmental law.

This program was developed because the practice of law is becoming more specialized and the practice of natural resources and environmental law has become highly technical and complex. The curriculum features interdisciplinary study and includes the widely recognized “Waters of the West” program.

Students interested in the Natural Resources and Environmental Law Emphasis may apply for the emphasis during their first year. Once they apply, students are assigned a faculty adviser. The Natural Resources and Environmental Law Emphasis requires 18 credits of designated coursework and a major writing assignment.

For more information regarding the Natural Resources and Environmental Law Emphasis, visit uidaho.edu/nrel.

To learn more about the Natural Resources and Environmental Law Symposium, visit uidaho.edu/nrel-symposium.
Business Law and Entrepreneurship

The College of Law offers many possibilities for in-depth study of business law and entrepreneurship. Students may choose one track within the emphasis.

• The Commercial Law track is designed with a focus on the various laws that govern commercial transactions.
• The Enterprise Organization track is designed with a focus on the legal issues that surround the formation, operation and governance of businesses.
• The Intellectual Property and Technology Law track is designed with a focus on the legal issues that surround the protection of intellectual property and management of intellectual property rights.

Interested students may apply during their first year. Upon acceptance, students are assigned a faculty adviser with whom they must meet once a semester. The Business Law and Entrepreneurship Emphasis requires 22 credits (12 within a chosen track) of designated coursework, an additional course that fulfills a skills requirement, and a major writing assignment.

For more information, visit uidaho.edu/ble.
Litigation and Alternative Dispute Resolution

From traditional courtroom litigation to the rapidly growing disciplines of negotiation and mediation, students are trained for the dynamic legal environment.

Our experiential education programs complement the emphasis by offering students an opportunity to explore lawyering from a variety of perspectives. Opportunities include the following:

- six in-house clinics;
- one-credit mini-clinics;
- numerous externship offerings; and
- various simulation courses.

This program gives law students the chance to experience lawyering as the profession they will soon be entering. We believe that good lawyers owe a duty of care and responsibility to their clients, society and the legal profession. The clinical experience reinforces the College of Law’s commitment to the development of lawyering skills and the understanding of ethics and the values associated with good lawyering.

For more information, visit uidaho.edu/ladr.

Concurrent Degree Programs

Students who wish to maximize the investment of their time and money, and aim to become more specialized, may consider one of our concurrent degree programs:

- J.D./M.S. in Bioregional Planning and Community Design
- J.D./M.S./Ph.D. in Water Resources (Law, Management and Policy)
- J.D./M.S. in Environmental Science
- J.D./MACCT (Master of Accountancy)
- J.D./M.S. in Accountancy, Taxation (Offered in cooperation with Boise State University)
- J.D./P.S.M. (Professional Science Master’s) in Natural Resources and Environmental Science

To request more information, contact the Admissions Office at lawadmit@uidaho.edu to request a program-specific flyer.
Aaron Calkins ’10
Regional Director,
Northern Idaho,
U.S. Congressman
Raúl R. Labrador

"Attending the College of Law was one of the best decisions I have made. At the College of Law I received a quality legal education and built relationships that will last the rest of my life.

The classes I took provided me with a broad base of legal knowledge that has served me well. The faculty and administration were always willing to take time to answer questions and address concerns. I continue to call on many of my former professors for insight on legal issues.

Since graduating, I have maintained relationships with many of my classmates. I always look forward to opportunities to get together with the friends I made in law school to reminisce and to talk of my personal and professional successes."

Every year, the College of Law sponsors events and programs that help broaden student skills and experience. The Idaho Court of Appeals and Idaho Supreme Court regularly hear cases in our courtroom. Here are just a few of our events:

Sherman J. Bellwood Lecture—The Bellwood lectures bring prominent and highly regarded local, regional and national leaders to Idaho and to campus. Students can discuss, examine and debate numerous subjects related to the justice system. Previous speakers include Morris Dees, cofounder and chief trial counsel for the Southern Poverty Law Center; Kenneth R. Feinberg (pictured), the nation’s leading authority on mediation disputes; the Honorable Justice Ruth Bader Ginsberg; Antonin Scalia, Associate Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court; former Attorney General, Janet Reno; Retired Associate Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court, Sandra Day O’Connor; and many others.

Columbia River Governance—The Universities’ Consortium on Columbia River Governance was formed to develop a research program to inform, guide and shape decision making, and influence policy in decisions concerning the Columbia River Treaty.

Idaho Law Review Symposium—This annual event brings together members of the academic, business, technological and legal communities to provide an open forum for diverse viewpoints and multifaceted experiences.

Native American Law events—These events provide educational opportunities on the law by and between Tribal, federal and state governments.

For more information on news and events, visit uidaho.edu/law-news.
Allison Parker ’13
Clerk, Hawley Troxell Ennis & Hawley
Boise, Idaho

“The best part of my experience at the College of Law was my professors. They invested in me while I was a student, and even now I still benefit from their continued mentorship. Without the faculty, I would not have become a patent attorney.

As a clerk, I analyze a host of legal issues, using the tools I amassed at the College of Law. Every day, I pull from the classes I took, and from my externship as a clerk at the Federal District Court for the District of Idaho. I am so excited to call upon my education in that capacity.”

Preparing for your Future

Pro Bono Service Requirement
We are proud of our pro bono program, which is designed to instill in our students a commitment to promote justice by assisting the under-served and underrepresented. Our students also gain practical, legal experience when they serve clients. Students can fulfill their pro bono requirement in a range of settings, including legal service organizations, government agencies, private firms, nonprofits and legislative offices. We are especially proud of our students and graduates, who, after fulfilling the pro bono requirement, continue their professional responsibility as lawyers and assist those who cannot pay for legal services.

Career Development
The Career Development Office helps law students find employment. We also inform students about the breadth of career opportunities for which a law degree prepares them and the most successful strategies in pursuing those opportunities. We support the strategic career development of students and alumni through counseling, workshops and programs; and enhance the reputation of the school and its students.

Both the director and assistant director of Career Development are licensed attorneys and active members of the legal community, which enables them to continue to build invaluable relationships with alumni and employers. The director is available full time at the Moscow campus, and the assistant director, at the Boise campus. Both use their combined experience in career services and the practice of law to provide law students and alumni with one-on-one counseling. They arrange on-campus interviews and employer visits, host a variety of workshops, cultivate networking opportunities, and review student résumés and cover letters.

As a result of the skills honed through interaction with the Career Development Office, our alumni have found employment as judicial clerks at a percentage higher than the average throughout the US. Our alumni practice law as solo practitioners, in private firms, public service organizations, and prosecutors’ and criminal defenders’ offices. Idaho graduates serve in all branches of local, state and federal government, and hold high-ranking positions in major regional, national and multi-national businesses.

For more information, including current employment statistics, visit uidaho.edu/law-careerdev.
One Outstanding Clinical Program, Two Campuses

Third-year students who have earned their limited licenses to practice from the Idaho Supreme Court, may represent clients in a variety of different courts under the supervision of clinical faculty. The clinical program seeks to satisfy the twin goals of providing students with meaningful real-life experiences while offering high-quality legal services to underrepresented populations. Students may gain experience in the following six clinics.

In Moscow

• General Clinic represents clients in a wide variety of cases, including misdemeanor defense, family law, consumer protection, landlord-tenant disputes, probate and civil rights.

• Immigration Clinic students help immigrants from a variety of countries who may be seeking asylum, permanent resident status, citizenship status under the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) and relief from removal. They represent clients in administrative courts and before the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. Students also conduct educational outreach programs and presentations in immigrant communities.

• Mediation Clinic provides mediation services where students hone their skills in communication, facilitation, negotiation, organization and ethics. Mediation can help resolve disputes, such as divorce, child custody, criminal, personal injury, small claims and more.

In Boise

• Economic Development Clinic enables students to advise Idaho counties, cities, tribes and non-governmental agencies with economic development-related issues typically arising in questions of land use law, administrative law, state and local government law, and environmental law.

• Tax Clinic represents low-income taxpayers in controversies with the Internal Revenue Service. Students also conduct public information and outreach presentations to inform taxpayers for whom English is a second language and/or other low-income taxpayers about tax law issues.

• Small Business Legal Clinic assists small and start-up businesses referred to the Clinic by the Idaho Small Business Development Center. Clients include both for profit and nonprofit companies in a variety of business areas. Students perform legal services, such as preparing formation and organizational documents, employee agreements, and more.

For more information, visit uidaho.edu/law-clinics.

Reed Anderson ’13
Deputy State Appellate Public Defender
Boise

“As an older student with a diverse background, I wasn’t sure how I would fit in, but the faculty and students at the University of Idaho College of Law made me feel welcome, and I was surprised by the large number of other ‘non-traditional’ students. The quality, diversity and dedication of the faculty is truly impressive, and I made connections and developed friendships here that I know will last throughout my career.”
Public Service Externships

Externships help bridge the gap between the theoretical and the practical, and provide students with experiences that will give them an advantage when seeking post-graduation employment. In 2013, the University of Idaho College of Law was named a Top 25 school for externships according to preLaw magazine. Our program enables students to work for selected public agencies, nonprofit organizations, or state and federal judges while receiving credit toward graduation. Students who have completed two-thirds of the required credits for graduation may qualify for a limited license to practice law, which allows them to appear in court and try cases under the supervision of a licensed attorney.

Past Externships

Ada County Public Defender’s Office
American Civil Liberties Union
California Department of Justice
Capital Habeas Unit Federal Defenders Services of Idaho
Center for Justice (Spokane, Wash.)
City Attorney’s Office—multiple cities
Coeur d’Alene Tribe Office of Legal Counsel
County Prosecutor’s Office—multiple counties, Idaho and Washington
Idaho Attorney General’s Office—criminal, environmental
Idaho Coalition Against Sexual and Domestic Violence
Idaho Legal Aid Services, Inc.
Idaho State Bar
Idaho State District Court—multiple districts
Idaho Volunteers Lawyers Program (VLP)
National Coalition Against Domestic Violence Public Policy Office
New Mexico Office of District Attorney, Second Judicial District
Nez Perce Tribe Prosecutor’s Office
Office of the Governor of Idaho
Second District Court, State of Utah
Southeast Alaska Conservation Council
State Appellate Public Defender’s Office
United States Attorney’s Office
United States District Court
University of Idaho
Washington State University Center for Human Rights
Washington State Attorney General’s Office

Cally Younger ’12
Associate Counsel to the Governor and Public Records Ombudsman
Boise, Idaho

“My job changes every day. I work on a variety of policy issues ranging from natural resources to public records to constitutional law. I help draft legislation and work with other elected officials and agency directors to resolve important issues. The governor is a once-in-a-lifetime client.

My experience at UI was more than obtaining my J.D. Clinics, externships, and the Boise option were invaluable in getting me to where I am. I developed lifelong relationships and found that alumni are quick to help each other and current students alike.

I chose UI because my husband and I love living here. No matter where you live in Idaho, you’re a short drive from skiing, boating, hiking and whitewater rafting.”
Skills Competitions

Students can hone their skills through legal writing competitions and courtroom competitions. We encourage students to enter papers in any of the dozens of legal writing competitions sponsored annually by the American Bar Association, or other professional associations, law schools and law firms. Students have numerous opportunities to participate in the regional and national skills competitions listed below.

• Raymond C. McNichols Appellate Moot Court Competition
• ABA National Moot Court Competition
• Dean Jerome Prince Memorial Evidence Competition
• D. Craig Lewis Trial Team
• ABA Bankruptcy Moot Court
• ABA Mediation Advocacy Competition
• ABA Negotiation Competition
• NNALSA Moot Court Competition

Trial Advocacy Program

Fall 2014 marks the 36th anniversary of the College of Law’s annual trial advocacy program. The week-long program, modeled after the National Institute for Trial Advocacy, provides third-year law students an opportunity to learn practical skills in courtroom advocacy from experienced faculty and accomplished judges and practitioners. As the week-long session concludes, the students test their skills by trying a case to live juries that consist of new, first-year law students.

Jeremy K. Tamaen ’16
Denver, Colorado

“I chose the University of Idaho College of Law to enjoy small class sizes and a diverse team of professors. At our ‘right-sized’ law school, students thrive in a collaborative learning environment. We get to learn as colleagues in a community, not just students in a classroom.”
Diversity and inclusion are essential components of the University of Idaho College of Law and require legal professionalism from all sectors of our community to provide an appropriately respectful learning environment. We value people of all cultures, races, ethnicities, genders, physical abilities, lifestyles, opinions, nationalities, philosophies, sexual orientations, religious backgrounds, ages, life experiences and identities.

The College of Law upholds a strong commitment to inclusiveness and diversity, and we strive to foster a community of mutual respect among our students, staff and faculty. Our differences make us a vibrant community of scholars, lawyers and professionals. The College of Law’s commitment to diversity and inclusion is supported by our

- Career Development Office, expanding career opportunities for women and minority students,
- Native Law Program and courses, such as Critical Legal Studies, and our focus on the legal status, experiences and rights of diverse populations,
- Pro Bono Program, which requires all students to perform at least 40 hours of law-related public-service, assisting the under-served and disadvantaged, and
- Professionalism Program, which exposes students to the importance of cultural competency skills and provides training on bias issues in practice.

Excellence Through Diversity and Inclusion

Student Organizations

The number and diversity of student organizations in the College of Law comprises both extracurricular and co-curricular activities. Here are a just a few.

**Student Bar Association** — the College of Law’s student government that represents the collective interests of the student body in administrative matters.

**Idaho Law Review** — the College of Law’s journal of legal scholarship and the only scholarly journal with its primary focus being the law in Idaho and the Pacific Northwest.

**Board of Student Advocates** — a student organization that oversees and fields competitors for annual mock trial and moot court competitions, such as the Raymond C. McNichols Moot Court Competition.

**the crit** — a critical studies journal that encourages rigorous, critical thinking and aims to include the voices of those who are often underrepresented in legal and cultural discourse, including those whose experiences and ideologies are shaped by race, gender and gender identity.

The most current listing of student organizations can be found at uidaho.edu/law-studentorgs.
Resources

Law Library
The Law Library maintains a comprehensive collection to support law students and faculty in their scholarly pursuits. The Idaho State Law Library in Boise also is an excellent place for our students to access legal resources. In addition to print, a host of electronic databases is accessible from the Law Library website. College of Law faculty, staff and students have individual access to the LexisNexis, Westlaw and Bloomberg Law databases. The Law Library subscribes to many other legal and non-legal databases, such as Congressional Universe, Hein Online, LegalTrac, LoisLaw and Bloomberg BNA. Moreover, the Idaho State Bar provides law students with free access to the Idaho State Bar Association’s Casemaker web library. For more information, please visit uidaho.edu/law-library.

Academic Success
The Academic Success Office helps students develop the tools and skills they need to maximize their law school success. The director, a licensed attorney, leads pre-orientation programs, workshops, small group sessions and individual consultations designed to enhance students’ ability to effectively read, brief, outline and apply the law, and to thrive in the law school environment. Academic services are provided to all students with a special emphasis on first-year students. The Academic Success Office also provides academic advising and bar preparation assistance. For more information, visit uidaho.edu/law-academicsuccess.

Disability Support Services
In accordance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990, as amended, the University of Idaho Disability Support Services (DSS) provides support to students with temporary or permanent disabilities. Students who request assistance must provide adequate advance notice of such requests and must provide appropriate disability documentation to DSS. For more information, visit uidaho.edu/studentaffairs/assp/dss.
One Great Law School, Two Great Communities

The College of Law offers opportunities to study and live both in Moscow and Boise. Students spend their first year of the law program at the University of Idaho campus in Moscow, with the option to complete the second and third years in Boise or in Moscow. Each of these communities presents a distinct array of venues for learning, professional development and recreation.
State Capital
As the capital of Idaho and the state’s principal center of government, Boise enables students to learn and work alongside Idaho’s lawmakers and members of the state and federal judiciaries.

Idaho Law & Justice Learning Center
The historic Ada County Courthouse is under renovation to serve as the future Idaho Law & Justice Learning Center, a joint undertaking of the Idaho Supreme Court and the College of Law that will include the Idaho State Law Library and civics education for the general public. The Idaho Law & Justice Learning Center will include education and training classrooms for shared use by the College of Law, courts, libraries and other public groups, as well as state-of-the-art distance learning technology.

Urban Experience
Anchored by a dynamic downtown area, Boise offers big-city adventure with art galleries, museums, cultural events, theater, ballet, opera, a zoo, numerous parks, and first-rate dining and shopping. Boise also hosts popular festivals, including the Idaho Shakespeare Festival and the Boise Music Festival.

Gateway to Recreation
The Boise area is a haven for outdoor enthusiasts. Surrounding lakes and rivers attract boaters and fishers from around the region, and the nearby Rocky Mountains are an ideal destination for skiing, snowboarding, backpacking, camping and more. The greenbelt along the Boise River and through downtown is popular with local bicyclists, walkers and joggers. The grassy foothills surrounding the city are traced with trails for hiking and cycling and offer spectacular vistas of the Boise skyline.
Admissions to the College of Law

The University of Idaho College of Law provides one of the most intimate, collegial law school experiences you will find. The environment is friendly and supportive, and you will be surrounded by others who care about your success. In addition, the College is recognized as one of the best values in legal education in the United States. Our tuition and fees are lower than many other law programs, which allows you to maximize your investment.

Requirements for Admission

To be considered for admission, applicants must register for the Law School Admission Council (LSAC) Credential Assembly Service (CAS), take the Law School Admission Test (LSAT), and have earned a bachelor’s degree from an accredited four-year college or university. The College of Law highly recommends students take the LSAT in the summer or fall prior to the year they wish to enter law school. We only accept full- and part-time applications for students who wish to start in the fall—not in the spring.

All of the following MUST accompany the Application for Regular Fall Admission

- $50 application fee.
- Resume—not to exceed 2 pages.
- Personal statement—not to exceed 3 pages. The personal statement may be on any topic of your choice. However, it is recommended that you include your reasons for wanting to study law at the University of Idaho College of Law.
- Letters of Recommendation—no more than 3, but at least 2 are required. You may choose whichever you wish to write on your behalf. However, it is strongly recommended that at least one letter comes from a post-secondary professor whose class you have taken, if possible. Only letters received as part of the applicant’s CAS Report will be considered. Do not have letters sent directly to the College of Law.
- A detailed addendum if any question on the Character and Fitness section of the application is answered “Yes.”
- An Employment Addendum if the student plans to work during the first year of study.

Any of the following MAY accompany the Application for Regular Fall Admission

- Evaluation completed via the LSAC Evaluation Service—no more than 1. In other words, you can have your reference submit an evaluation instead of a letter of reference.
- Diversity Addendum expanding on any circumstance(s) or factor(s) that make the applicant unique.
- Any other appropriate addendum or addenda.

Basis for Admissions Decisions

When making admissions decisions, the Admissions Committee considers all the information in an applicant’s file. The principal criteria considered are the applicant’s LSAT score, undergraduate grade point average and personal statement. In addition, the Committee considers significant advanced education, writing ability demonstrated through the LSAT and personal statements, significant life experiences, and other information in an applicant’s file that indicates promise of academic excellence, diversity of background, or perspective that will enrich the educational experience of the class.

Important Contacts

University of Idaho Law Admissions – lawadmit@uidaho.edu or (208) 885-2300
Law School Admission Council – lsac.org or (215) 968-1001
University of Idaho Office of Financial Aid – fnaid@uidaho.edu or (208) 885-6312
University of Idaho University Housing – housing@uidaho.edu or (208) 885-7379
University of Idaho Office of the Registrar – registrar@uidaho.edu or (208) 885-6731

Tuition, Scholarships and Loans

We are proud to have the 13th most affordable law school tuition in the country. What’s more, non-residents can usually qualify for residency by the second year to receive the lower resident tuition rate. The University of Idaho also offers generous merit-based scholarships and out-of-state tuition waivers to help competitive applicants. Our students graduate with lower than average loan debt.

All applicants offered admission to the College of Law are automatically considered for scholarship aid. The criteria used in determining awards are the same used in the admissions process. Notification of scholarship awards is included in the offer of admission letter. Federal financial aid is available to qualified students through the University’s Financial Aid Office. To apply, a student must complete and submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

Cost and Fees for the Academic Year

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