Message from the Dean

I can still remember the late federal Judge Adrian Duplantier (L’49) say that there is always room for another good lawyer. Over the next three or four years, you have the opportunity to become that good lawyer. Several years ago the Carnegie Foundation published a blueprint for legal education entitled *Educating Lawyers: Preparation for the Profession of Law*, its vision of what a good lawyer is in the Twenty-first Century. Its prescription was a three-legged stool: the teaching of law as a mode of thinking, the development of practical competence, and the fostering of professional commitments and identity.

Law schools traditionally have done a fine job on the first leg, what is often called doctrinal learning. In the next few months you will all have an opportunity to learn torts and contracts (obligations in the Civil Law tradition). Do not dismiss such courses as mere theory. Every good lawyer and every good judge begins with that foundation. However, today you must go beyond mere technical competence. As a good lawyer you need softer skills like interviewing clients and gathering factual information. As a good lawyer you will need to learn how to draft pleadings and where to file them and how to draft articles of incorporation and where to register them. Traditionally, law schools have not done a good job in teaching and inculcating professional identity. It is important to know the rules in order to avoid malpractice and disbarment, but the ideal and your fulfillment as a lawyer are dependent on your internalizing a set of professional values.
Student Affairs

Student life at Loyola is based on the philosophy that education occurs in the context of total human development. Development of the entire person involves not only the intellectual development of the student, but also the student’s moral, social, cultural, and physical development as well. Student Affairs offers programs and services that strive to provide opportunities for this total educational experience.

For example, we provide support and accommodation for students with disabilities. We assist and support student organizations. And we provide counseling to all students who are having problems or who are in need of direction or help.

Our mission is to help you conform to life as law students and become great lawyers and professionals upon graduation. We look forward to meeting and working with each of you to achieve these goals.

Best,
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Law School Chaplain

On behalf of the Office of Mission and Ministry, I extend to each of you a very warm welcome to Loyola University College of Law.

As a Jesuit University, you have the added value of the presence of a Chaplain assigned to the Law School Broadway campus. My office is located in the Broadway Activities Center (BAC) Room 102. You can also reach me by email (magendie@loyno.edu) or by campus phone (504) 861-5494. My door is open if you: need a listening ear, a shoulder to lean on, a moment to vent, share confidential concerns, conversation, or just stop by for a visit, snack, or coffee.

My presence here is in part to assist in your spiritual growth, as well as to highlight the importance of overall well-being of the whole person. We are whole persons, mind, body, and spirit. We are spiritual beings doing our best to successfully navigate this human world. Law school is unlike any other experience and you may feel new stresses and will need ways to seek a healthy balance.

Peace,
Carol Magendie

Financial Aid + Scholarships

We want to make your dream of getting your law degree a reality. That’s why the College of Law’s dedicated Financial Aid and Scholarship Department works to find the right combination of scholarships, grants and various loan options to match each student’s unique situation. The financial aid staff is available by email, phone or in person to assist you with any personal questions or concerns before, during or after your time at Loyola.

For more information visit http://law.loyno.edu/lawaid.
Office of Law Records

The Office of Law Records works in conjunction with Academic Affairs to make sure you are on track for successful completion of your law school career.

This is your resource office for exams, grading, bar certification, academic records, graduation requirements and degree audits. The office also provides letters certifying enrollment, class rank, good standing, and graduation.

Please visit our website http://www.law.loyno.edu/law-records, for access to exam schedules and policies, software requirements for electronic exams, class schedules, class ranks and other pertinent academic information.

Official transcripts are processed by the university registrar in the Office of Student Records on the main campus. Transcripts can be requested through your student LORA log-in. They can also provide you with a PDF unofficial copy of your transcript.

Please call, e-mail or visit our office with any questions or concerns you may have regarding your academic status. The records office staff is here to assist you!

Law Library

The Law Library houses print materials, study rooms, large reading rooms, computer labs, copiers that also scan, and provides many databases such as Westlaw, LexisNexis, and BloombergBNA. Printing in the computer lab is free of charge to students. Reference librarians are available to assist with Lawyering I and other classes. Library hours, the online catalog, research guides, and more can be found at: http://law.loyno.edu/library

The Law Library maintains different noise levels to assist with studying. The first floor of the library is for normal-toned conversation. Voices should be kept to a whisper on the second floor of the library. The third floor of the library is reserved for silent study.

Food and drinks are allowed in the library as long as you are not bothering your neighboring students by making too much noise, creating poor odors, or leaving crumbs.

Academic Success Program

No two students learn exactly the same way. That’s why the Loyola College of Law started its innovative Academic Success Program—to help every student succeed no matter how they learn. This program complements the law school curriculum with presentations, workshops, skills seminars, study groups, and one-on-one tutorials all designed to maximize a student’s academic strengths and address any weaknesses with individualized attention.

The Academic Success Program office is located in Room 402, and appointments can be made with any of our experienced professors to assist with brief writing, test taking, issue spotting, essay writing, time and stress management, and much more. Your success is our success so we will do anything we can to help you achieve it. For contact information, please visit http://law.loyno.edu/academic-success-program.
Bar Preparation and Learning Initiatives

The Bar Preparation and Learning Initiatives Department ensures that all Loyola students and alumni receive the maximum support in their preparation for any bar examination. The Department offers both students and graduates bar preparation courses, lectures, workshops, and individual tutoring.

Both civil law and common law third-year students may enroll in two separate courses: Consolidated Legal Analysis and Bar Preparation Seminar. The Louisiana courses focus on commonly-tested subjects found on the Louisiana Bar Examination, while the common law courses focus on Multistate Bar Examination subjects.

For all graduates, Loyola offers supplemental bar preparation courses to ensure that the graduates continue contact with professors, attend lectures, receive individual tutoring, and the like.

For extensive information, please visit our website link at http://law.loyno.edu/bar-preparation.

Office of Law Skills + Experiential Learning

The Office of Skills and Experiential Learning coordinates two programs: 1) skills courses and 2) the externship program. The office is located in the clinic building on the first floor. Please stop by or visit www.loyno.edu/lawskills for more information.

Skills Courses
These practical three-hour courses are designed to assist students with essential lawyering skills. The course instructors are practitioners, judges and professors who offer practical training and specific insight into an area of law. Students are encouraged to take as many skill courses as time will allow. The courses are free and appear on the official transcript without impacting a student’s GPA. All students must successfully earn at least eight skills credits to graduate; and students must take the following four skills courses: 1) Client Interviewing and Counseling, 2) Negotiation, 3) Cross-Cultural Communication/Interpersonal skills and 4) Law Office Management/Professionalism. Many students use skills courses to network, learn and explore areas of law.

Career Development

Welcome to the Career Development and Law Practice Center! Our office strives to equip students with the tools they will need to thrive in the legal job market. Students meet with an assigned advisor to assess goals, identify strengths and interests, and develop a personalized job search strategy. Services we provide to students include:

- Individual counseling sessions
- Resume and Cover Letter review
- Interviewing preparation, including mock interviews
- Networking and mentoring opportunities
- On-Campus and Off-Campus recruiting
- Career Fairs

We also provide opportunities for students to connect with employers, including career panels, networking events, workshops, job fairs, recruitment programs, and an electronic job bank. We also offer unlimited career services after you graduate. For more information, please visit our website: http://www.loyno.edu/lawcareers or contact us at: 504-861-5562/lwcareer@loyno.edu.

73%: Loyola’s July 2014 overall passage rate on the Louisiana State Bar Examination, our highest pass rate since 2006.
**Continuing Legal Education**

Loyola CLE offers a wide range of Continuing Legal Education seminars. The programs keep practitioners abreast of new legal developments and trends in the legal community. There are one day programs, two days programs, Saturday morning and online offerings. These seminars boast an outstanding program faculty; including experienced local, regional, and national attorneys, federal and state courts judges, and law school professors. While the programs are designed for attorneys, many programs are of interest and value to other professionals such as CPAs, physicians, insurance professionals and mental health professionals.

The CLE Department is an outstanding resource for law students. All students may attend any CLE event free of charge. This is a great opportunity for students, both civil and common, to network with judges and practitioners. For example, in 2015 the Annual Longshore Conference had a 75% out-of-state attendance, while our other programs cater mainly to Louisiana attorneys. Loyola CLE works closely with the Office of Skills and Experiential Learning by allowing students to receive skills credit for attending many of the Saturday morning programs. It also gives various discounts to Loyola Law Alumni, solo-practitioners, and recent graduates who have yet to find employment.

[http://www.loyno.edu/cle/](http://www.loyno.edu/cle/)

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**Student Bar Association**

All students in the College of Law are members of the Student Bar Association (SBA).

The SBA’s purpose is to provide opportunities for students to get to know each other, develop friendships, pursue interests, and to also encourage programs which help law students reach their academic goals, so that graduates can be “practice ready.”

Loyola College of Law has a diverse list of student organizations. A student organization fair will be held on Thursday, Aug. 27 from 12:30-2:00 pm and 5-5:50 pm, for those interested in joining one or more organizations. While participation in organizations can be interesting and fun, students are cautioned and reminded that “academics” should come first.

[http://law.loyno.edu/student-bar-association](http://law.loyno.edu/student-bar-association)

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**Honor Board**

The Law Honor Board is an elected body of thirteen students who serve in an advisory capacity to the Dean of the College of Law. The Board is charged with investigating alleged Honor Code violations, holding hearings on alleged violations when appropriate, and recommending sanctions to the Dean of the College of Law when it finds that a violation has been committed. The operations and proceedings of the Honor Board are governed by the provisions of the Loyola University College of Law Honor Code.

The Honor Code is a body of rules and standards which governs students’ conduct with respect to all academic matters. It defines prohibited conduct, Honor Board proceedings, and sanctions available in the event of an Honor Code violation.

For more information please go to:

[http://law.loyno.edu/honor-board](http://law.loyno.edu/honor-board)

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“Loyola connected a Jesuit sensibility to the daily life of law school—one which I may not have always been aware of at the time—but for which I am forever grateful.”

- John D. Person, J.D.’80
In 1914, the Loyola College of Law opened its doors and has been opening the minds of future law professionals ever since. It’s here, in the halls and classrooms of the college’s Uptown New Orleans campus, we further the Jesuit tradition of academic rigor, pursuit of justice and service to others through our ABA-accredited civil and common law programs. Federal judges, state and local politicians, law firm partners, corporate attorneys and executives—they all started their illustrious law careers with a Loyola education. As we begin our second century, we look forward to educating the next generation of legal professionals committed to using the law for good.

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