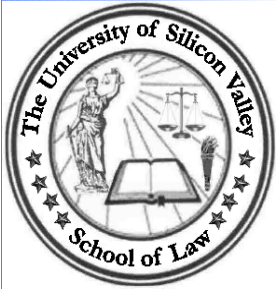




# The University of Silicon Valley School of Law

# School Catalog

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## MISSION STATEMENT

Silicon Valley University Law School was founded for the purpose of offering members of the community affordable and convenient access to a Law Degree Program with hours of operation geared toward the working adult.

The school provides a quality legal education in a convenient evening program so that working adults, who are unable to attend classes during the day, will have the opportunity to earn their law degree by attending only three evening classes per week.

Upon successful completion of the program, graduates will receive a Juris Doctor Degree and may become eligible to take the Bar Examination, should they decide to pursue a career as a licensed attorney.

One of our primary goals is to see that students receive more than instruction, but greater personal attention, guidance, and encouragement in order to assist students in achieving their educational goals.

Instruction by our faculty will help students in learning invaluable knowledge that is applicable in business and to their professional and everyday personal lives.

Students will attain the knowledge and skills that will enable them to discern and recognize existing legal rights and issues for their own benefit and/or the benefit of others as a legal practitioner. The course of instruction can prepare students with the skills and insight necessary for a successful legal practice or, as recipients of a Juris Doctor Degree, law school graduates can excel in many other careers.

## CAMPUS LOCATION

Our Evening classes are held in the prestigious "Silicon Valley Golden Triangle" area in North San Jose's

Technology Park Business Centre, 170 Rose Orchard Way, Suite 200.

It is located adjacent to the local State University Business School, just off North First Street near Hwy. 237. The location is centered between Sunnyvale's Moffett Field, McCarthy Ranch in Milpitas and Santa Clara's Great America Theme Park, making it convenient for many who commute from the north, south and east bay communities.

\*Note: All transcripts and correspondence should be sent to the Administrative Office, Silicon Valley Law School, 7392 Crews Rd., Gilroy, CA 95020 or call us at (408) 410-7422 or Email us for additional information at: [www.administration@usvlaw.com](mailto:www.administration@usvlaw.com)

## ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

For admission to the Juris Doctorate Program, the applicant must have either an Associate's Degree, a Bachelor's Degree or have completed 60 semester units or 90 quarter units of college credits in substantive subjects that are acceptable towards a Bachelor's Degree.

Applicants may also qualify to enter the Juris Doctor Program by providing an official report of passing the College Level Examination Program (CLEP) equivalency test for those who have not completed the required

units of acceptable course work. To qualify through the equivalency test, a student must take and achieve a minimum score of 500 in the English portion of the examination and must pass with a minimum score of at least 430 in only two of the following four subjects: History, Humanities, Mathematics or Natural Sciences. For further information regarding the (CLEP) equivalency test call (408) 452-1400, (408) 278-4345 or (CLEP) directly for sample test materials at (609) 771-7865.

## ADMISSION PROCEDURE

Mail the completed Application for Admission with the accompanying fee to us at our Administrative Office address. Applicants who are accepted must provide two copies of their official transcripts by requesting that each college or university on their application send one certified copy to us at the Administration Office address and one certified copy to the Committee of Bar Examiners of the State Bar of California at 1149 S. Hill Street, 4th Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90015.

## TRANSFER STUDENTS

The maximum credit this university will accept in transfer from another institution for the Juris Doctorate Program is 40 units. Students who desire to transfer to this University must provide an official transcript



and a letter of standing from the Dean of the previous law school. If the student was academically disqualified from the previous law school, applicants may include a written personal statement regarding any previous unusual circumstances or other reasons why the student believes they currently have the potential to successfully complete the Juris Doctor Program. All requests will be considered.

### ESL APPLICANTS

Instruction and course materials are in the English language and applicants must be proficient in English. The school does not provide language services. Students are encouraged to take the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) and achieve a score of 600 to ensure adequate fluency for study in this program. Call (609) 771-7100 for more information regarding the test.

### JURIS DOCTORATE DEGREE

This institution has received approval to operate and authority to confer degrees for Doctor of Jurisprudence. It is registered as an unaccredited law school with the State Bar of California in order that students can qualify for licensing as an attorney in this state. Approval was issued when it was determined that this institution's operational plan satisfied the minimum standards listed in Education Code (CEC) §94900 or 94915, whichever is applicable.

### NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY

University policy requires the provision of equal opportunities to enter our educational program. Discrimination is strictly prohibited on the basis of race, gender, ethnicity, religion, disability, sexual orientation, or national origin.

### ADMISSION TO PRACTICE LAW

Students who wish to eventually practice law must register with the Committee of Bar Examiners within 90 days of enrollment in the Juris Doctorate Program.

### STATE BAR

The method of instruction at this law school for the Juris Doctor (J.D.) degree program is principally in physical classroom facilities.

Students enrolled in the J.D. degree program at this law school who successfully complete the first year of law study must pass the First-Year Law Students' Examination required by Business and Professions Code sec 6060(h) and Rule 4.26(C) of Title 4, Division 1 of the Rules of State Bar of California (Admissions Rules) as part of the requirements to qualify to take the California Bar Examination. A student who passes the First-Year Students' Examination within three (3) administrations of the examination after first becoming eligible to take it will receive credit for all legal studies completed to the time the examination is passed. A student who does not pass the examination within three (3) administrations of the examination after first becoming eligible to take it must be promptly disqualified from the law school's J.D. degree program. If the dismissed student subsequently passes the examination, the student is eligible for re-enrollment in the law school's J.D. degree program, but will receive credit for only one year of legal study

Study at, or graduation from, this law school may not qualify a student to take the bar examination or to satisfy the requirements for admission to practice in jurisdictions other than California. A student intending to seek admission to practice law in a jurisdiction other than California should contact the admitting authority in that jurisdiction for information regarding the legal education requirements in that jurisdiction for admission to practice law

### GENERAL BAR EXAMINATION

After successful completion of the Juris Doctor Program, graduate bar candidates will be required to take and pass the General Bar Examination for admission to practice law.

### PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

To graduate with a Juris Doctor Degree and for completion of the J.D. Degree Program, students must successfully earn a total of eighty-four units of classroom lecture and instruction and also follow all educational requirements as set forth by The State Bar of California and the University. This requirement is also true of students who enter our Executive J.D. Degree Program and who do not wish to practice law. This alternative professional degree program is for individuals who wish to learn the law to enhance their level of knowledge and apply it in other careers, such as executives, CEO's, small business owners, managers, politicians, investors, or a multitude of other careers where knowledge of the law would be a great advantage. The professional degree program is a non-bar academic degree and is also referred to as a Professional J.D. Degree.



**TUITION AND SPECIAL FEES**

Per Semester (multiply by number of units per semester)

Tuition-----\$375.00 per semester unit

**Special Fees**

Admission Application fee----	70.00 (first time students only)
Registration fee-----	50.00
Miscellaneous Supplies fee--	25.00 (*)
State of Calif. STRF Fee-----	10.00 (based on units taken)
Online library fee-----	50.00 (Fall, Spring only**)
Late Registration fee-----	75.00 (if applicable)
Returned Check fee-----	25.00 (if applicable)
Graduation fee-----	350.00 (graduating students only***)

\*Special fees are non-refundable except as follows:

\*The \$25 miscellaneous supplies fee will be used for materials that will be disseminated to students at intervals throughout the school year. If materials have already been prepared or after the second week of instruction begins, upon withdrawal, the fee will not be refundable. If instructors provide photocopied materials to supplement or substitute for the textbooks, actual costs may be charged to the students.

\*\*An online law library service provides a world of information at your fingertips without the usual exhaustive search through numerous law books to find needed information. Internet legal research services are used by students and legal professionals alike. This institution will provide access to all students and the fee will not be refundable upon withdrawal, after the second week of instruction begins.

\*\*\*The \$350 graduation fee will be refundable only to those who do not graduate. The fee is otherwise non-refundable, even if the graduate does not choose to attend the ceremony.

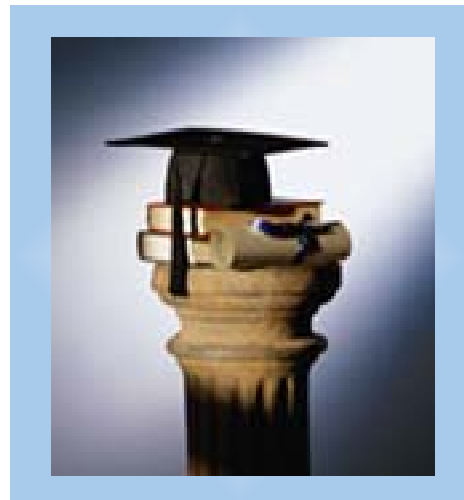
The school will give students one copy of their official transcript free of charge. Additional copies will be provided for a fee of \$15.00 per copy. Students will be required to purchase textbooks from an outside source. The estimated total cost for required textbooks and supplies is \$1,850 for completion of the entire program. At the current rate of \$375 per unit, total tuition will be \$31,500 for the four-year program at the present rate of tuition as of this time and printing.

**PROGRAM SCHEDULE**

Classes are normally held on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. For classes that fall on a holiday, make-up classes will be taught on Tuesday of the holiday week. Students will be notified beforehand regarding any changes in the schedule. Students will normally attend classes approximately 8 1/2 months each year. The Summer Semester is shorter and there are substantial Summer and Winter Breaks that afford students the benefit of a significant hiatus from attending classes.\*Note: The summer class schedule may vary slightly.

**CANCELLATION AND REFUND POLICY**

Students have a right to cancel the enrollment agreement and may obtain a refund if the school is notified of the withdrawal in writing by certified mail or hand delivered within five (5) business days after the first day of instruction to the Administrative Office: Registrar, Silicon Valley Law School, 7392 Crews Road, Gilroy, CA 95020.



The cancellation is effective on the date the Registrar receives the written notice or by the certified mail postmark. Cancellations or withdrawals must be in writing to be effective. The student has a right to a full refund of tuition, less any applicable special fees, if the required cancellation procedures are followed.

Students may withdraw after the cancellation period and receive a pro-rata refund of tuition based on the scheduled amount of obtained instruction held prior to receiving written notice of the withdrawal. No refund will be given if more than 60% of instruction has been held. The unused portion of tuition will be refunded based on tuition paid less the percentage of classes already held. For example, if a student paid \$750 tuition for 30 hours of instruction and withdrew after only 9 hours have been held, the refund would be \$525 (i.e. 30% of

classes held by the time of withdrawal, 70% of the tuition will be refunded). If the University cancels any course, a full refund will be given for that course.

Any questions or problems concerning this school which have not been satisfactorily answered or resolved by the school should be directed to The State Bar of California, 180 Howard Street San Francisco, CA 94105, (415) 538-2303

### **ATTENDANCE AND WITHDRAWAL POLICY**

Students are required to demonstrate regular and punctual attendance and must attend not less than eighty percent of regularly scheduled class hours in each course. More than two unexcused absences from any class, unless for good cause, may subject the student to a loss of course credit. In essence, a failure to maintain satisfactory attendance may be deemed an involuntary withdrawal from the course. Please, notify the administrative office of reasons for the absence in writing.

Students may voluntarily withdraw at any time. Written notice is required for withdrawal and will become effective on the date received. Withdrawal notices received after the administration of final examinations will receive an automatic failing grade for those who did not participate.

Those who wish to take a leave of absence may do so by notifying the school in writing. If they wish to re-enroll at a later date, students may be required to repeat courses depending on the timing and length of the absence. Please, contact the Dean for information in regard to your specific circumstances.

### **STUDENT SERVICES**

Because we are an evening's only program, student services are limited. The law school will provide academic counseling to students by the Dean or the Faculty. Upon request, someone will be available to students at the site of instruction. You may call the Administrative Office for assistance at (408) 410-7422.

The school does not provide career planning or job placement services. The school does not offer student housing. This is an evening law school and, generally, our students are mature adults who are established residents. The school does not have a law bookstore. However, the location of local and Internet/mail-order bookstores will be provided to students upon enrollment.

### **STUDENT TUITION RECOVERY FUND**

The Student Tuition Recovery Fund (STRF) was established by the legislature to protect any California resident who attends a private postsecondary institution from losing money if you prepaid tuition and suffered a financial loss as a result of the school closing, failing to live up to its enrollment agreement, or refusing to pay a court judgment.

To be eligible for STRF, you must be a "California resident" and reside in California at the time the enrollment agreement is signed or when you receive lessons at a California mailing address from an approved institution offering correspondence instruction. Students who are temporarily residing in California for the sole purpose of pursuing an education, specifically those who hold student visas, are not considered a "California Resident."

To qualify for STRF reimbursement you must file a STRF application within one year of receiving notice from the Bureau that the school is closed. If you do not receive notice from the Bureau, you have 4 years from the date of closure to file a STRF application. If a judgment is obtained you must file a STRF application within two years of the final judgment.

It is important that students keep copies of their enrollment agreements, financial aid papers, receipts or any other information that documents monies paid to the school as well as copies of their transcripts that shows the number of units a student earned.

### **ACADEMIC PROGRESS AND PERFORMANCE**

Students must maintain a grade point average of 70 each academic year to be advanced in good standing. Those students whose grades have fallen below 70 will be placed on academic probation the following year. If the student's grades have not improved during the probationary period, the student will not be allowed to continue at this institution. To graduate with a Juris Doctor Degree, a



cumulative grade point average of 70 is required

No credit will be given to students for a failing grade, for withdrawals or an incomplete in any course. If a student receives a failing grade in any required course, the class must be repeated for credit. In the alternative, students may petition the school in writing for approval to be re-examined in lieu of repeating the course. Upon approval, a specified fee should be sent to the Dean for the preparation and administration of the re-examination.

Students who receive any grade below 70 may request the professor to explain the basis of the determination. If not satisfied after a review by the professor, the student must file a written petition to the Dean for an alternative review and state any relevant reasons for the request.

### COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

#### *Administrative Law...*

The rules and regulations related to commissions and boards created by legislative power are the focus of this course. The function, requirements, and control of governmental agencies in addition to legislative policies, purposes and governmental powers that serve as the basis for administrative law will be discussed.

#### *Advanced Legal Method...*

The process of writing methodologies in legal practice, such as fact-based and persuasive writing will be examined. It will include a



*“Honored are those who carry on the fight for Equality and Justice for Mankind”*

### GRADING AND EXAMINATIONS

Where applicable, examinations will be assigned as Pass or No-Pass (no credit). However, most examination answers will be assigned numerical grades. Each grade will indicate the level of performance students have attained and will be as follows:

90 to 100	(A) = 4.0 GPA - Excellent
80 to 89	(B) = 3.0 GPA - Superior
70 to 79	(C) = 2.0 GPA - Satisfactory
60 to 69	(D) = 1.0 GPA - Needs improvement
below 60	(F) = 0.0 GPA - Failing (no credit)

Examinations must be taken at the scheduled time. In emergency circumstances, students may request to reschedule. They must make the request in writing and state the reason why the scheduled examination could not be taken. Actual costs will be charged for administration of the make-up examination. When taking examinations, students must identify themselves on exam papers by the last four digits of their social security number and not by their names. Utmost honesty and integrity is expected of all examinees.

### LAW LIBRARY

There are approximately 3,000 volumes in the school's law library and we will continue to add to that number. In addition, each county provides an expansive law library for use by law students and the legal community. Law students may use any public law library located near them. Locate a county law library in your area by calling your local directory assistance. Some libraries are at the following locations:

#### *Santa Clara County*

360 1st Street, San Jose, (408) 299-3568  
270 Grant Avenue, Palo Alto, (650) 324-2380

#### *San Mateo County*

710 Hamilton, Redwood City, (650) 363-4913

#### *Alameda County*

224 West Winton Avenue, Hayward, (510) 208-4800  
125 12th Street, Oakland, (510) 670-5230

**CURRICULUM**

Required Courses and Units

First Year

Contracts-----	6
Torts-----	6
Criminal Law-----	4
Legal Analysis-----	2

Upper Classes

Constitutional Law-----	6
Criminal Procedure-----	4
Professional Responsibility-----	2
Community Property-----	3
Advanced Legal Writing-----	3
Civil Procedure-----	6
Corporations-----	6
Property-----	6
Evidence-----	6
Remedies-----	6
Wills & Trusts-----	4
Advanced Legal Method-----	2

Summer Sessions

(Up to two of the following are required each summer):

Legal Research and Writing-----	2
Moot Court-----	2
Trial Advocacy-----	2
*Elective courses-----	2

Specific elective courses may be requested. Student interest and minimum enrollment levels will determine what subjects will be offered as elective courses. \*Although, not limited to the courses listed below, some potential elective subjects are the following:

Administrative Law	Intellectual Property Law
Agency and Partnership	International Int. Prop. Law
Alternative Dispute Resolution	International Law
Bankruptcy	Introduction to Law
California Civil Procedure	Federal Taxation
Copyright Law	Landlord-Tenant Law
Criminalistics	Litigation Practice
Employment Law	Patent Law
Entertainment Law	Personal Property
Environmental Law	Real Estate Law
Family Law	Worker's Compensation Law
Immigration Law	Uniform Commercial Code

study of methods that would be used by legal practitioners in the course of handling a lawsuit, in their work-product, or in the creation or interpretation of laws.

**Advanced Legal Writing...**

This is a more advanced review of legal writing. It will focus on seeking key facts and issues, analysis and application of the law, and argument to support the basis for the conclusions reached.

**Agency and Partnership...**

The rights and liabilities involved in agency and partnership relationships are studied. The course analyzes agency authority, the creation, dissolution and termination of relationships, master-servant relationships and other related concepts.

**Alternative Dispute Resolution..**

This subject will expose students to the practice and methods of dispute resolution as an alternative to trial in the courts, such as binding or non-binding mediation and negotiation meant to reach an acceptable and equitable determination.

**Bankruptcy...**

The class will include an overview of rules regulating bankruptcy filing and procedures, the applicability and types allowed or, assets that may be retained or forfeited, fraudulent conveyances, and various doctrines that protect rights and interests of debtors, creditors or other interested parties.

**California Civil Procedure...**

This course covers court procedures for practice in the California State Court system. It will give insight into particular methods and rules that must be followed by those who may file suit in pro per or by individuals who intend to practice law.

**Civil Procedure...**

This course is an overview of the methods of pleading and court procedures in the Federal Court system. It will include jurisdiction, venue, discovery, writs and motions, statutes of limitation, settlement agreements and appeals. Procedural fundamentals in the pre-trial through appellate stages of litigation will be covered.

**Community Property...**

The rights and interests in assets as it relates to marriage and after separation, dissolution or death will be studied. It will include property classification and transmutation, methods of holding title, presumptions, and debt liabilities.

**Constitutional Law...**

Governmental entities, their relationships and separation of powers will be explored, including the source and limits of constitutional powers, taxation, commerce protection, federal preemption, and the Bill of Rights' due process, equal protection, and the fundamental civil liberties protections.

**Contracts...**

This course will explore the law of contracts through offer, acceptance and consideration, to formation. It will cover defenses to formation, void or voidable contracts, equitable contracts, breach, remedies, the Uniform Commercial Code for dealers in goods, accord and satisfaction, rescission, restitution, reformation, and discharge of contracts.

**Copyright Law...**

This course analyzes the substance of copyrighted materials, use and ownership rights, licensing, domestic and international copyright protections, and other related subjects.

**Corporations...**

Types of business entities and ownership will be covered. Also included will be the formalities of corporate formation, promoter liabilities, ultra virus acts, officer, director, and shareholder duties and liabilities, voting, inspection, capitalization, redemption, dividends, and SEC violations, such as insider trading.

**Criminal Law...**

The course is comprised of the function,

rules and elements of substantive criminal law. It will examine the purpose and rationale for criminal punishment, the criminal state of mind, parties to crimes, inchoate crimes and crimes against persons, property, habitation and public administration. It will, also, cover the various immunities and defenses that may justify, excuse or mitigate criminal acts.

**Criminal Procedure...**

This will be a study of the procedures in our criminal justice system and the rights and protections of citizens, criminal suspects and defendants in relationship to the powers that police and courts may enforce or utilize against these individuals.

**Criminalistics...**

This course is an overview of scientific and investigative methods of discovering evidence and how it is brought forth in court by expert testimony.

**Employment Law...**

A survey will be made of employment contracts, state and federal regulations affecting the terms and conditions of employment and employer-employee rights and relationships.

**Entertainment Law...**

Contractual and agency relationships, contract negotiation and rules affecting performing artists, athletes and other parties involved in the entertainment field will be reviewed.

**Environmental Law...**

This course is an overview of laws regulating the use and preservation of natural resources, pollution control, endangered species, and other pertinent subjects.

**Evidence...**

Rules of evidence will be examined such as relevancy, hearsay, character evidence, habits, customs, similar happenings, subsequent remedial measures, witness evidence, impeachment, judicial notice, privileges, and other doctrines that affect the admissibility of evidence.

**Family Law...**

This course will analyze marital and quasi-marital relationships, spousal and parental rights and liabilities, separation and dissolution, spousal and child

support, child custody, adoption, and other related issues affecting the family unit.

**Federal Taxation...**

The rules of the Internal Revenue Service as they apply to tax controversies, audits, and tax court, including tax computations, liabilities, relief, and tax avoidance through planning.

**Immigration Law...**

Power to regulate, eligibility and procedures to immigrate, work visas, political asylum, deportation and limits on constitutional rights will be some of the topics reviewed.

**Intellectual Property Law...**

This will be an overview of laws affecting patents, copyrights, trade secrets, trademarks, infringement and unfair business practices.

**International IP Law...**

Survey of U.S. Intellectual Property rights and rules in foreign countries and the treaties and conventions enacted to protect mutual IP rights in member countries. Substantive and procedural law for obtaining registration and licensing of U.S. patents, copyrights and trademarks in foreign countries is covered, as well as, how illegal use has impacted international trade. Students will learn how to protect a client's IP rights in a foreign land and about the protection of foreign IP rights in U.S. courts.

**International Law...**

This is a study of law which directs the course of nations and an analysis of laws that regulates the exchange and communication between different nations at the time of peace and war.

**Introduction to Law...**

This course is an overview of general legal principles, different areas of law, structure of the court system, statutory and common law, precedent, ethics, procedures to a lawsuit and a look at techniques to analyze cases and prepare for school examinations.

**Landlord-Tenant Law...**

The rights, duties, and liabilities of landlords and tenants and the remedies for either party as it relates to this relationship will be examined.

**Legal Analysis...**

This course will facilitate the attainment of the knowledge and insight necessary for sound legal reasoning and application of the law. Through class exercises, enhanced critical thinking and analytical skills will give students the ability to discern operative or relevant facts, issues in contention, application of prevailing laws, and to reach well reasoned legal conclusions. It will include an introduction to legal writing methods.

**Litigation Practice...**

This course will offer an overview of different areas of litigation, what course and method one must take to pursue a lawsuit and limitations placed on pursuit of a remedy in those areas.

**Legal Research and Writing...**

Instruction will include a focus on the IRAC and other writing methods, proponent and opponent argument, court systems, stare decisis, primary and secondary legal authority, legal volumes and case cites.

**Moot Appellate Court...**

Students will be given an opportunity to participate in the practical application of legal principles, practice in preparing briefs, and making an oral argument.

**Patent Law...**

*This course covers patent protection, prosecution and litigation, including patent application drafting and Patent and Trademark Office research and procedures.*

**Personal Property...**

Laws affecting the rights, liabilities and interests in personal property, including bailment, gifts, liens and lost or converted property will be the subject of this course.

**Professional Responsibilities...**

Admission to practice law, professional ethics and regulation of attorneys and judges will be studied. It will cover subjects such as the attorney-client relationship, fiduciary responsibilities, competency, conflicts of interest, withdrawal, and responsibilities to the court.

**Property...**

Rules regarding freehold and leasehold estates, concurrent estates,

future interests, perpetuities, types of ownership, landlord-tenant law, deeds, conveyances, covenants, equitable servitude, eminent domain, rights in land, land use and zoning are covered.

**Real Estate Law...**

This course will cover various concepts pertinent to real estate transactions, contracts, disclosure requirements, escrow, agency relationships and more.

**Remedies...**

Legal and equitable remedies, such as damages, rescission, restitution, reformation, specific performance, and injunctive relief are the subjects of this course. It will include remedies for different areas of civil law, such as torts, contracts and property law.

**Torts...**

Areas of instruction will include intentional torts, negligence, causation, strict and vicarious liabilities, defamation, product liability, business torts, malicious prosecution, abuse of process, immunities, defenses and other material relaxant to personal injury.

**Trial Advocacy...**

An introduction to the custom, practice and strategy used by legal practitioners at trial will be shown through lecture and exercises.

**Wills & Trusts...**

Intestate succession, types of wills, creation, integration of wills, codicils, beneficiaries and distribution, ademption, lapse, abatement, pretermission, revival and other doctrines affecting distribution of assets will be examined. This will be followed by a study of trusts, fundamentals and types of trusts, trust creation, rights of beneficiaries, the duties and liabilities of trustees and other pertinent subjects.

**Worker's Compensation Law...**

This course will survey the rights of injured workers, pleadings, procedures, appeals and the general practice of Worker's Compensation Law.

**Uniform Commercial Code...**

A study of the sale and lease of goods, buyer-seller rights and liabilities, warranties, assurances, risk of loss, auctions and other concepts.

**FACULTY**

**Monica Asplund** earned her J.D. Degree from Lincoln Law School and is currently in private practice as a Family Law attorney.

**Brian Clark** attended Peninsula University and Saratoga School of Law, where he earned his J.D. degree. He is an experienced attorney in private practice focusing on taxation, estate planning, and family law.

**Guy Chism**, as Professor and Assistant Dean at this school, he graduated from Oral Roberts University with a B.A. Degree and from New College of Law in San Francisco with a J.D. Degree. He is the Managing Attorney for a well-known Bar Exam Training company and is their Director of Operations for Northern California. He also runs a non-profit organization, which focusses on aiding disabled and at risk students in their training in law.

**Audrey Dickey** earned her M.B.A. Degree from Santa Clara University. She graduated with her J.D. Degree from Santa Clara University School of Law. She is a practicing attorney in the high-tech field and a candidate for an L.L.M. Degree in Intellectual Property Law.

**Edward Dangler** earned his B.S. Degree at State University of New York Maritime College and MBA at California Western University. At Western Sierra Law School he graduated with his J.D. Degree. He had specialized training at the U.S.D.O.D. Management Programs Industrial College of the Armed Forces and practices as a maritime law consultant

**Robert Estupinian** earned a B.A. from the University of the Pacific and an M.B.A. from the University of Phoenix. He graduated from Lincoln Law School where he earned his J.D. Degree. He has extensive experience in complex property transactions and is an expert in annuities, trusts and taxation.

**Gregory A. Ferrin** attended Hawaii Pacific University and University of Colorado, where he earned a B.A. in Journalism. He attended Cambridge University, Trinity College, where he studied the English legal system, International comparative law, and legal issues concerning the European community. He earned his J.D. Degree from Wm. S. Richardson School of Law, University of Hawaii and his L.L.M. Degree in Intellectual Property from Santa Clara University.

**Thomas K. Fraser** earned a B.S. Degree at the University of California at Berkeley. He attended the University of the Pacific, where he earned his J.D. Degree and just recently earned his MA. Degree in education from Chapman University. He is in private practice with years of practical experience as an attorney.

**Harold W. Fryday** earned his B.D. degree from the University of London and his B.S.L. Degree and J.D. Degree from Peninsula University. He is an experienced attorney and business consultant.

**Chester Hayes** earned an A.S. from Wentworth Institute in Massachusetts. He graduated from Northeastern University with a B.S. Degree and from Suffolk University with his J.D. Degree. He has extensive experience as an attorney for business and commercial entities.

**Anne ImObersteg** earned a B.A. in Administration of Justice from San Jose State University and an M.S. in Chemistry from the College of Notre Dame. She earned an M.B.A. in Criminalistics from California State University, Los Angeles and a J.D. Degree from Lincoln Law School. She is an experienced expert witness in forensics and legal science and has taught criminal attorneys and students this area of the law.

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