

# THE UNIVERSITY OF SILICON VALLEY LAW SCHOOL

*Evening Law School for Working Adults*

## *A Study of Laws*



**The Twenty-First Century brings with it new challenges and new opportunities as our lives, our world and new technologies evolve. Individuals who attain knowledge of the law have a great new world of opportunities open to them.**

In the course of human events and nations, virtually everything we can see, feel or hear is directly or indirectly touched by the law. It can be the skies, streams, oceans, mountains and forests, roads and bridges, music and the arts, skyscrapers or schools, computers, cars, even the air we breathe or the food we eat.

Through the annals of time, the Earth has become ever more governed by the laws of man. Whether it be business, technology, construction, manufacturing, crime and punishment, health, education, the environment, international trade or treaties between nations, there are these and a multitude of others governed by a body of law.

The career opportunities in law are almost limitless. The knowledge to be gained is invaluable. To attain a fundamental understanding of the law can give one a distinct advantage in life. A legal education can better prepare one to be an arbiter, advocate, entrepreneur, manager, politician, executive, administrator or more.

Law school graduates gain a more savvy perspective of the world and the system of laws that govern it. Whether your goal is practicing before a tribunal or being CEO of your own company, you will be better equipped to discern the liabilities and pitfalls to be avoided, as well as the rights and opportunities that are present.

The instruction given by our faculty of attorneys and qualified instructors can guide you step-by-step in attaining the knowledge necessary to gain the advantage, earn your J. D. Degree and to qualify for the Bar Examination.

Where do you want to be in the next five years...ten years? Only you can decide to change your future through education and to attain your Doctorate Degree in Jurisprudence.

You can increase your earning power...Enhance your education...Become prepared.

*Sherry Ross, Dean*

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# THE UNIVERSITY OF SILICON VALLEY LAW SCHOOL

## MISSION STATEMENT

The University of Silicon Valley Law School was founded for the purpose of offering members of the community access to an affordable Law Degree Program with convenient hours of operation that are geared toward working adults.

The school provides a quality legal education taught by experienced attorneys and qualified instructors in a part-time evening program, so that those who are unable to attend classes during daytime hours will have the opportunity to enhance their education and earn their law degree by attending only three evening classes per week.

Upon successful completion of the program, graduates will be awarded a Juris Doctor Degree and may qualify to 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 assure that students receive not only instruction, but greater personal attention, guidance, and encouragement, so as to assist students in achieving their professional and educational goals.

The J.D. Programs will prepare students with the insight and legal knowledge necessary for a successful legal practice and, as Juris Doctor Degree recipients, graduates will be prepared with skills and legal savvy that will enable them to excel in many other careers.

Our experienced faculty will help students attain invaluable

knowledge that can be applied in their business, financial, professional and personal lives. Students will also gain skills that will enable them to discern existing legal rights and opportunities, and the ability to avoid potential legal pitfalls for their own benefit and/or the benefit of others, as a legal practitioner.

## CAMPUS LOCATION

The campus is located near the Santa Clara county border in Silicon Valley at: 2722 Bayview Drive, Fremont, CA. Our new "eco-green" building is located in the Bayside Technology Business Park, which is adjacent to the Seagate Technology campus at Hwy. 880 and near Hwy's. 680 & 237.

## ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

For admission to the J.D. Degree Program, applicants must have either an Associate's Degree, a Bachelor's Degree or have earned 60 semester units or 90 quarter units of college credits in substantive subjects that are transferable towards a Bachelor's Degree.

Applicants may also qualify to enter the Juris Doctor Program by providing an official report of passing the recognized College Level Examination Program known as the 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 test and must pass with a minimum score of at least 430 in only two of the following four subjects: History, Humanities, Mathematics or Natural Science.

For further information regarding the CLEP equivalency test, call the College Board directly for sample test materials at: (609) 771-7865 or (800) 257-9558 or any local testing center.

## ADMISSION PROCEDURE

To apply, please complete and mail the Application For Admission with the accompanying fee to the law school Administrative Office.

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 the USV *Administrative Office* and the second certified copy to:

*The State Bar of California  
Committee of Bar Examiners,  
845 S. Figueroa Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90017*

## TRANSFER STUDENTS

The maximum credit this university may accept in transfer from another institution for the J.D. Licensing Program is 40 units and for the J.D. Degree Program is 30 units. Students who wish 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 must include a written personal statement

regarding any prior 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.

\*Veterans: This institution will conduct an evaluation of previous education and training for all veterans and eligible persons, grant appropriate credit, shorten the training period proportionately and keep records of this process.

## **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 DOCTOR DEGREE**

This institution has received approval to operate and authority to confer degrees for Doctor of Jurisprudence. The school is registered as an unaccredited law school with the State Bar of California and students may 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 qualify for a license to practice law must register as a law student with the Committee of Bar Examiners within 30 days after enrollment in the Juris Doctor Degree 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.

## **PRACTICE OF LAW IN OTHER STATES**

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.

## **BAR EXAMINATION**

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

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## PROGRAMS

This University offers two Juris Doctor Degree Program tracks.

The J.D. Licensing Program is for those who would like to qualify for the bar examination and become licensed as an attorney. Students who elect this program must comply with numerous mandates and regulatory requirements, as set forth by the State Bar of California, in order to maintain their eligibility and qualify for a license. To graduate in this four year degree program, students must earn at least 84 units.

The J.D. Degree Program is an academic law program for individuals who wish to gain invaluable legal knowledge and skills that will benefit their professions and a multitude of career paths. Students in the three year program must earn 66 units and are not required to take the bar exam or comply with State Bar regulatory requirements associated with acquiring and maintaining a license. These students will have the opportunity to earn their doctorate degree, enhance their resume, income, and education. By attaining these skills, it will greatly expand the opportunities available. The legal acumen they gain will enable them to discern and skillfully navigate real world business, investment, employment, financial, political, and personal ventures .

Both programs offer extensive opportunities to gain invaluable insight and understanding of our laws and legal system, from local to state, federal, and international levels.

## TUITION AND SPECIAL FEES

Per Semester (multiply by number of units per semester)

Tuition-----\$445.00 per semester unit

Special Fees:

Registration fee-----130.00

Late Registration fee----- 75.00 (add, If applicable)

Miscellaneous Supplies fee--25.00 (\*)

Admission Application fee----75.00 (New students only)

Returned Check fee----- 35.00 (If applicable)

Graduation fee-----350.00 (Graduating students only\*\*)

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

\*The \$25 miscellaneous supplies fee will normally 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, or 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.

\*\*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, upon request, will provide students a copy of their official transcript for a fee of \$15.00 per copy. Students must purchase textbooks from an outside source. The estimated total cost for required textbooks and supplies is approximately \$2,450 for completion of the entire program. At the current rate of \$445 per unit, total tuition is approximately \$37,380 for the four year J. D. Licensing Program and \$29,370 for the three year J.D. Degree Program.

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. Students may access this service free at their local public law library.

## SCHEDULE

Classes are normally held on Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday evenings from 6:15 to 9:30 p.m. For classes that fall on a holiday, make-up classes may be changed to the Tuesday of the holiday week. \*Note: Students will be notified in advance of any changes to the schedule. The Fall Semester is shorter and the schedule may vary slightly.



Students will normally attend classes about 8 months per year. There are substantial Summer and Winter Breaks that afford students the benefit of a significant hiatus from attending classes.

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## **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 a signed writing by certified mail or hand delivered within five (5) business days after the first day of instruction to the Administrative Office as follows: Registrar, The University of Silicon Valley Law School, 2722 Bayview Dr., Fremont, CA 94538.

The cancellation is effective on the date the Registrar receives the signed written notice or by the certified mail postmark. \*\*Note: Cancellations or withdrawals must be signed by the student 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 tuition refund based on the scheduled amount of classes held prior to receiving written notice of the withdrawal. No refund will be given if 60% of instruction has occurred.

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. Satisfactory attendance requires a minimum 80% attendance in each class and for the program.

If a student receiving VA benefits is not meeting this requirement, he/she will be placed on probation for the remainder of the class. Any further absences will be deemed an involuntary withdrawal and VA benefits will be discontinued effective the last date of attendance. If benefits are discontinued twice for poor attendance during the program, the student will no longer be certified for VA benefits.

Students may voluntarily withdraw at any time. Withdrawals will become effective on the date a signed written notice is received. Withdrawal notices received after administration of final examinations will receive a 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 their absence.

## **STUDENT SERVICES**

Because we are an evening law school, our students are, generally, mature and established residents, so the need for student services is limited. The law school provides academic counseling to students by the dean or members of the faculty. Upon request, someone will be available to students at the site of instruction. Students may call the Administrative Office for assistance at (408) 410-7422.

The school does not provide career planning or job placement services, but will advise students regarding various law-related alternative careers upon request. The school does not offer student housing or have a bookstore. However, the school provides students with information regarding local and online/mail-order bookstores.



## ACADEMIC PROGRESS AND PERFORMANCE

In the J.D. Licensing Program students must maintain a grade point average of 2.3 in each academic year to be advanced in good standing and to graduate.

Students whose grades have fallen below 2.3 in the licensing program will be placed on academic probation and will not be certified to sit for the bar exam. If the student's grades have not improved during the probationary period, the student may not continue in the licensing program.

In the J.D. Degree Program, students must maintain an average course grade of at least 70 to remain in good standing and to graduate.

No credit will be given to students for a failing grade, for a withdrawal, or an incomplete in any course. If a student receives a failing or no credit grade in any required course, the course must be repeated for credit. Alternatively, 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 requested



re-examination. Students who receive any grade below good standing level may request that the professor explain the basis of their 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.

## GRADING AND EXAMINATIONS

Examinations must be taken as scheduled. In emergency circumstances, students may request to reschedule. They must make request in writing and state the reason why the scheduled examination could not be taken. Actual costs will be charged for administration of make-up examinations.

When taking examinations, students must identify themselves on exam papers by their student I.D. number to maintain anonymity during the grading process. Utmost honesty and integrity is expected of all examinees.

## LAW LIBRARY

There is approximately 3,000 volumes in the school library. In addition, each local county provides expansive libraries to the public and free access to online legal research. Check your local county's website for their law library's day, evening, and weekend hours. For example, the law library at 360 North First Street in San Jose has convenient weekday and Saturday hours and their website is: [www.scll.org](http://www.scll.org).



## GRADING AND EXAMINATION TABLE

Examinations will normally be assigned a numerical grade. A Pass/Fail grade may only be assigned where applicable. Each grade will indicate the level of performance students have attained and will be assigned as shown in the chart below:

94 to 100	(A)	= 4.0 GPA	- Excellent
90 to 93	(A-)	= 3.6	
87 to 89	(B+)	= 3.3	
84 to 86	(B)	= 3.0 GPA	- Superior
80 to 83	(B-)	= 2.6	
77 to 79	(C+)	= 2.3	
74 to 76	(C)	= 2.0 GPA	- Satisfactory
70 to 73	(C-)	= 1.6	
67 to 69	(D+)	= 1.3	
64 to 66	(D)	= 1.0	- Needs improvement
60 to 63	(D-)	= 0.6	
BELOW 60	(F)	= 0.0 GPA	- Failing (no credit)

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## 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
Business Organizations-----	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
Electronic Legal Research & Wrtg-----	2
Moot Court-----	2
*Elective courses-----	2

Elective courses may be requested. However, student interest and minimum enrollment levels will determine the subjects to be offered as elective courses. \*Note: Although not limited to the following, some potential elective subjects are shown below:

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

## 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 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.

## ***Business Organizations...***

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.

## ***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 contract law, 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.

## ***Copyright Law...***

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

## ***Criminal Law...***

The course covers the function, rules and elements of 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 cover various defenses and immunities that may justify, excuse or mitigate criminal acts.

## ***Criminal Procedure...***

This is 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. Class exercises to enhance critical thinking and analytical skills will enable students to discern operative or relevant facts, issues in contention, and application of prevailing laws, in order to reach well reasoned legal conclusions. It will also include legal exam 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 legal 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,

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immunities, defenses and other material relevant 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 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.

admission standards and policies, tuition, fees, course offerings, curricula, grading policies, faculty, and other program requirements.

## **OPEN DOOR POLICY**

Students who attend this school are always welcome to speak with the Dean, Faculty or other administrators for advice and help. If a lengthy discussion is needed, please, request an appointment to reserve enough time.

Interested applicants are welcome to visit us at the school and may request to sit in on a law class before they decide to apply for admission. Please, call for further information or if you have questions not covered in this catalog.

You can reach us by phone: (408) 410-7422. Our email address is: [administration@usvlaw.com](mailto:administration@usvlaw.com)

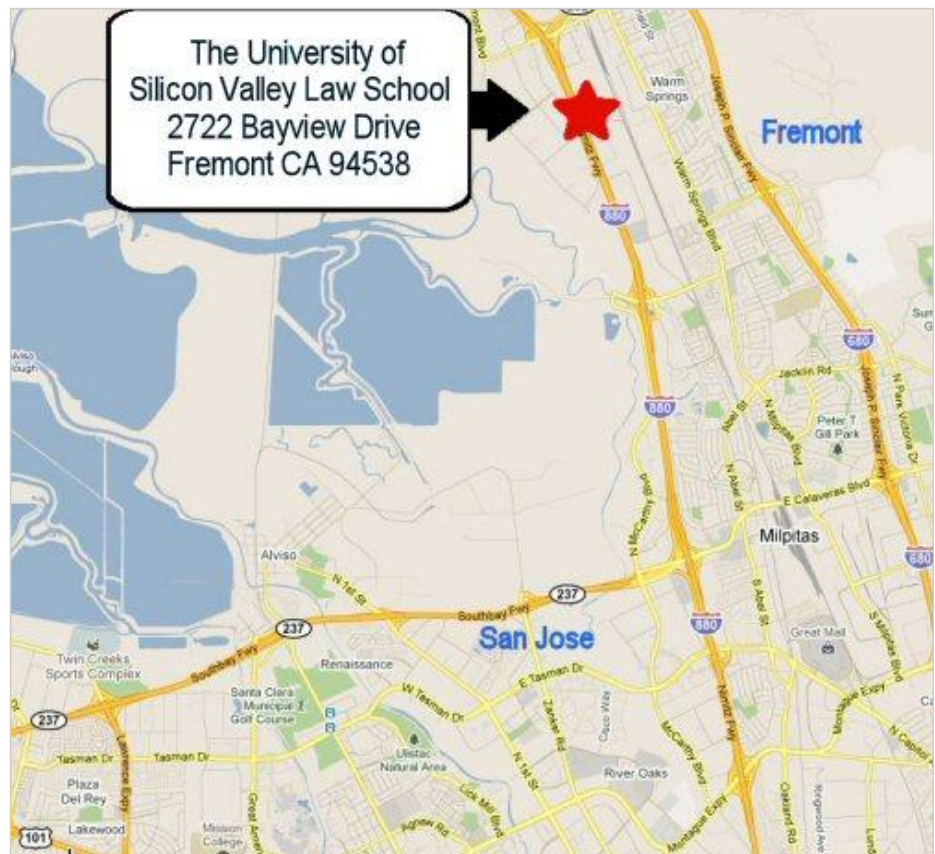


## **LOCATION**

The school is located in the Bayside Technology Park, the exclusive business area of Fremont, which is home to many well-known Silicon Valley Technology, Bio-Tech and Eco-Tech companies. Near Silicon Valley's Golden Triangle, it has very convenient freeway access to Hwy's. 880, 680, 237 & only minutes to 101 in Sunnyvale, 580 in San Ramon or 84 Dumbarton Bridge in Newark.

## **RIGHTS RESERVED**

The University reserves the right to refuse admission to any applicant or to disqualify, discontinue or exclude any student, at the sole discretion of the Dean, if it is deemed to be in the best interest of the student body, the University or the legal profession. The University also reserves the right, with advance notice to students, to change its policies including, but not limited to,

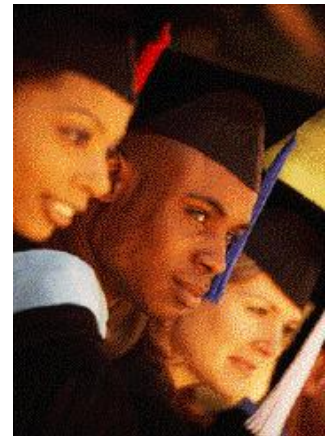


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