

# Justice

## From the Dean

This brochure takes a brief, largely numeric snapshot of our dynamic law school. However, a quick glance at the vital statistics cannot fully capture the value of our innovation and impact.

Albert Einstein once observed that we count what we can easily measure but rarely measure what really counts. Thus, these numbers alone will tell you all too little about what it

would be like to come to law school here during our centennial year of 2013.

The facts presented in these pages reflect a program for highly selective students: nationally competitive moot court, mediation, negotiation, and new venture teams; generous scholarship and fellowship programs that can simultaneously train and credential young lawyers and reduce their debt; nearly limitless clinical, pro bono, think tank, and intensive simulation opportunities (ranking us third nationally in externships last year); four new centers, including one dedicated to innovation in legal education; a bar passage rate over 90% and successful employment rates in a tough economy; and a superb quality of life in one of the most dynamic and exciting places for recreation in the world. All of these quantitative and qualitative offerings translate into an unmatched value for each and every one of our students. I hope you will agree with me, and invite you to call or email me personally to find out more about this exceptional opportunity to join our school.



*Hiram E. Chodosh*

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## Class Portraits

### STUDENT BODY

JD enrollment	398
Students with prior graduate degrees	11%
Graduate degrees	33 different disciplines
Colleges and Universities represented	115
Fluent in a foreign language	55%
Top three foreign languages	Spanish, French, German
Average age and age range	28, 20-57

### CLASS OF 2014 PROFILE

Enrollment (46% women, 11% minority)	114
LSAT: Median	161
25 <sup>th</sup> -75 <sup>th</sup> percentile range	157-163
UGPA: Median	3.54
25 <sup>th</sup> -75 <sup>th</sup> percentile range	3.41-3.72
Average age and age range	26, 21-55

### MOOT COURT AND TRIAL ADVOCACY

#### National Moot Court Competition, Intermountain Region

First place	2011
Second place	2009, 2012

#### Pace University Environmental Law Moot Court Competition

National	Finalists 2009, Quarterfinalists 2010, 2011
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#### Carnegie Mellon McGinnis Venture Competition

Grand prize, Life Science	2009
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#### American Bar Association Mediation Competition

First Place, Regional	2009
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#### Giles Rich Intellectual Moot Court Competition

First place, Regional	2009
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## Faculty

Full-time (13% minority, 33% women)	45
Adjunct	37
Visiting	4
Student to faculty ratio (ABA 2011)	9.36:1

## Special Programs

### EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

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<b>Study Abroad</b>	London Law Consortium Semester Abroad
<b>Dual Degree Programs</b>	JD/MPA, MPP, MSW, MBA, Parallel Degree
<b>Global JD</b>	Program for foreign lawyers
<b>LL.M.</b>	Environmental and Natural Resources Law

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### CENTERS AND PROJECTS

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Clinics, special fellowships, think tanks, distinguished lectures and symposia are associated with the following centers and projects:

**The Center for Law and Bioscience**

**The National Criminal Justice Academy**

**The Center for Global Justice**

**Innovation in Legal Education**

**The Family Law Project**

**The New Economy Project**

**Wallace Stegner Center for Land Resources and the Environment**

**Utah Criminal Justice Center**

**National Center for Veteran Studies**

### INNOVATIVE EDUCATIONAL INITIATIVES

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**Leadership** Multi-level scholarships, decision-making simulations

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**Cross-training** Dual degree programs, interdisciplinary courses such as:  
Law, Religion and Environmentalism; Legal Issues in Archaeology;  
Current Issues in Law and Biosciences; etc.

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#### Technology

In 2011, the College of Law won a first place ABA Law Video Award for our counter-terrorism simulation video.

**Social Media** advancing our online presence through popular social networking tools such as Facebook, LinkedIn, and Twitter.

**ULaw.TV** a dedicated web TV station for the College's vast reservoir of videos.

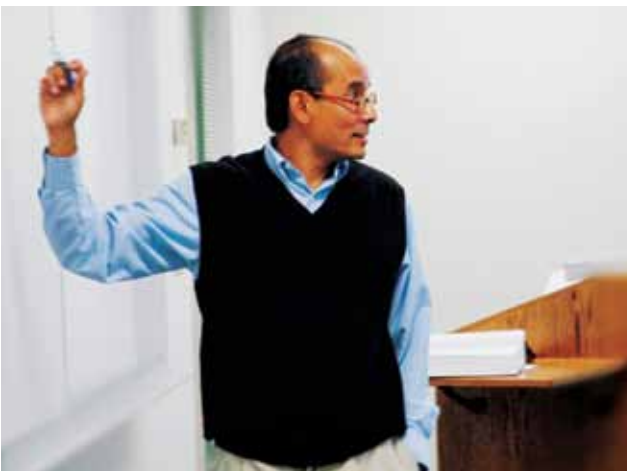
**Online dashboard** engaging a broad, diverse audience through an interactive multi-media symposium experience.

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**Advanced Research** Quinney fellowships, expanded writing requirements, Think Tanks, full access to seminars.

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**Students First** Special student organization funding, emergency loans and loan forgiveness, post-graduation fellowships, special bar passage support.





[View the College of Law video library on ulaw.tv >>](#)

## Library and Computer Services

Volumes and equivalents	345,000
Access to hundreds of databases containing thousands of electronic files	
Federal depository library	
Librarians	8, 6 with J.D. degree
Computer professionals	8
Computer workstations	31
Universal laptop requirement	
Wired and wireless network access throughout the building	
“Smart” classrooms	7



## Student Publications

- Journal of Law and Family Studies*
- Utah Environmental Law Review*
- Utah Law Review*

## Finances

### TUITION AND FEES 2011-2012

Resident	\$21,166
Nonresident	\$40,166

### ESTIMATED FIRST YEAR COST OF ATTENDANCE

Resident	\$41,968*
Nonresident	\$60,968*

\*Includes tuition, room and board, books, laptop computer, travel, misc.



### FINANCIAL AID 2010

Average debt class of 2010	\$61,665 (34 <sup>th</sup> lowest in the U.S.)
Federal Perkins loans	
Federal Stafford loans	
Federal graduate student PLUS loans	
Work-study employment opportunities	
Jefferson B. and Rita E. Fordham Loan Repayment Assistance Program	

### SCHOLARSHIPS 2011-2012 Estimates

Total scholarship awards	\$1,460,000
Students receiving annual merit or need-based scholarships	51%
Need-based scholarships awarded	95
Average award	\$1,800 (range: \$500 - \$4,000)
Merit scholarships awarded	115
Average award	\$11,285 (range: \$ 6,400 - \$43,125)
Merit recipients on renewable awards	25%
Categories of second and third year scholarships	25
Number of paid research fellowships	18

## First Hand Experience

The College of Law was recognized in 2011 as one of the nation's best schools for preparing students in public service in criminal prosecution and defense.

### COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS

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Edward D. and Carol J. Spurgeon Public Interest Fellowship  
Jefferson B. and Rita E. Fordham Loan Repayment Assistance Program  
Lionel Frankel Public Service Summer Internship  
Reza Ali Khazeni Memorial Fellowship in Environmental Law

### PRO BONO INITIATIVE

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PBI has developed pro se legal clinics where volunteer law students can gain experience under the supervision of on-site attorneys. In 2010-11, students filled 335 project placements, contributing over 4,800 hours of public service. Opportunities include:

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#### PBI Sponsored Clinics (35 projects including, but not limited to)

- Street Law:** Consumer, employment, housing
- Family Law:** Divorce, child custody issues, protective orders
- Immigration:** Citizenship, visas, work visa
- Rainbow Law (LGTB):** Employment, estate planning, family law
- Debtors Counseling:** Bankruptcy and credit issues
- American Indian:** Tribal law, disability, family law
- So. Main Public Health Center Legal Clinic:**  
Landlord-tenant issues, employment and consumer

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#### PBI Projects

- Conversational Spanish for Lawyers:** Legal terminology class for law students and legal professionals
- Internal Revenue Service/Growing Assets & Income Now (GAIN):** Tax assistance for low-income Utahns
- Kid's Court:** Mock-trial prep for elementary school students
- NAACP Salt Lake Branch:** Civil Rights
- Salt Lake Peer Court:** Mentoring/Mediation
- University Neighborhood Partners/Hartland:** Teaching citizenship classes

### CLINICAL PROGRAM

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In 2010-11, students participated in 317 community placements among these clinics:

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#### Appellate Clinic

Salt Lake Legal Defender Association  
Office of the Guardian ad Litem  
Utah Federal Defender  
Zimmerman Jones Booher LLC

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#### Civil Clinic

Disability Law Center  
Guardian ad Litem  
Hill Air Force Base Military Clinic  
Immigration Court Clinic  
Legal Aid Society of Salt Lake  
Mentors for Moms (parent advocacy)

Rocky Mountain Innocence Center  
Salt Lake City Attorney's Office  
U.S. Credit Advisory Group  
Utah Crime Victims Legal Clinic  
Utah Legal Services

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**Criminal Law Clinic**

Hill Air Force Base  
Salt Lake City Prosecutor Office  
Salt Lake District Attorney  
Salt Lake Legal Defender  
Sandy City Attorney  
Utah Federal Defender  
U.S. Attorney's Office  
Utah Juvenile Defender Attorneys

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**Elder Law Clinic**

Utah Legal Services

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**Environmental Clinic**

Western Resources Advocates  
U.S. Department of Interior Solicitor's Office

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**Health Law Clinic**

Intermountain Healthcare  
U of U Hospital Risk Management  
Malpractice Firms

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**Innocence Clinic**

Rocky Mountain Innocence Center

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**Judicial Clinic**

U.S. Bankruptcy Court  
U.S. Department of the Interior  
U.S. District Court  
U.S. Immigration Court  
U.S. Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals  
Utah Supreme Court  
Utah Court of Appeals  
Utah Labor Commission  
Utah District Courts  
Utah District Juvenile Courts  
Utah State Tax Commission

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**Legislative Clinic**

State Legislators and Non-Profit Agencies

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**Mediation Clinic**

Utah Dispute Resolution  
ADR Program for Utah Courts  
Federal Court ADR Program

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**New Ventures Clinic**

U of U Technology Commercialization Office  
Lassonde Program  
UVenture Fund

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**Public Policy Practicum**

American Civil Liberties Union

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**Victim's Rights Clinic**

Utah Crime Victims Legal Clinic



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100 YEARS  
OF LEGAL EDUCATION

2013

# Employment

## EMPLOYMENT CLASS OF 2010

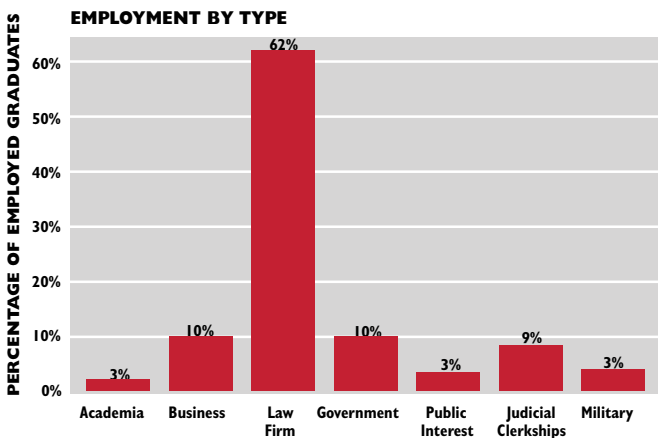
Graduates	126
Employment rate at graduation	75%
Employment rate 9 months after graduation (Full-time: 83%, part-time 17%, in degree programs: 3%, unemployed: 2%, unknown 3%)	91%

## SALARY INFORMATION CLASS OF 2010 (FULL TIME)

Average	\$72,007
Salary Range	\$40,000-\$133,000
<b>Starting salary range:</b>	
Academia	\$70,000-\$95,000
Business	\$46,000-\$110,000
Law Firm (all sizes)	\$40,000-\$133,000
Government	\$40,000-\$95,000
Public Interest	\$50,000 (1 reported salary)
Judicial Clerkship	\$40,000-\$57,250
Military	\$60,000-\$85,000

## UTAH STATE BAR PASSAGE RATE, FIRST-TIME TEST TAKERS

2011	90%
2010	85%



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