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The Basics

Type of school	Private
Term	Semester
Application deadline	12/1 2/15
Application fee	\$75
Financial aid deadline	4/1
Can first year start other than fall?	No
Student to faculty ratio	14.8 to 1
# of housing spaces available restricted to law students graduate housing for which law students are eligible	

Faculty and Administrators

	Total		Men		Women		Minorities	
	Fall	Spr	Fall	Spr	Fall	Spr	Fall	Spr
Full-time	48	45	32	29	16	16	11	10
Other Full-time	4	5	4	4	0	1	1	1
Deans, librarians, & others who teach	3	3	2	2	1	1	0	0
Part-time	23	26	17	21	6	5	0	1
Total	78	79	55	56	23	23	12	12

JD Enrollment and Ethnicity

	Men		Women		Full-time		Part-time		1st-year		Total		JD Degr. Awd.
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	
African Amer.	13	2.4	26	5.8	20	3.6	19	4.5	17	6.1	39	4.0	11
Amer. Indian	4	0.7	1	0.2	1	0.2	4	0.9	0	0.0	5	0.5	5
Asian Amer.	50	9.3	48	10.7	61	10.9	37	8.7	29	10.4	98	9.9	13
Mex. Amer.	5	0.9	1	0.2	3	0.5	3	0.7	0	0.0	6	0.6	0
Puerto Rican	0	0.0	1	0.2	1	0.2	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	0.1	0
Hispanic	25	4.6	50	11.2	44	7.8	31	7.3	28	10.1	75	7.6	17
Total Minority	97	18.0	127	28.3	130	23.1	94	22.1	74	26.6	224	22.7	46
For. Nation.	2	0.4	1	0.2	2	0.4	1	0.2	1	0.4	3	0.3	0
Caucasian	428	79.4	311	69.4	429	76.3	310	72.9	202	72.7	739	74.9	167
Unknown	12	2.2	9	2.0	1	0.2	20	4.7	1	0.4	21	2.1	1
Total	539	54.6	448	45.4	562	56.9	425	43.1	278	28.2	987		214

Curriculum

	Full-time	Part-time
Typical first-year section size	97	94
Is there typically a "small section" of the first-year class, other than Legal Writing, taught by full-time faculty	No	No
If yes, typical size offered last year		
# of classroom course titles beyond first-year curriculum	117	
# of upper division courses, excluding seminars with an enrollment:	Under 25	80
	25-49	40
	50-74	14
	75-99	19
	100+	2
# of seminars	19	
# of seminar positions available	380	
# of seminar positions filled	290	38
# of positions available in simulation courses	351	
# of simulation positions filled	264	61
# of positions available in faculty supervised clinical courses	161	
# of faculty supervised clinical positions filled	121	13
# involved in field placements	60	3
# involved in law journals	184	27
# involved in interschool competitions	41	5
# of credit hours required to graduate	87	

Transfers

Transfers in	30
Transfers out	2

Tuition and Fees

	Resident	Nonresident
Full-time	\$34,576	\$34,576
Part-time	\$25,932	\$25,932
Tuition Guarantee Program	N	

Living Expenses

Estimated living expenses for singles		
Living on campus	Living off campus	Living at home
\$16,600	\$16,600	\$16,600



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GPA and LSAT Scores

	Total	Full-time	Part-time
# of apps	2,665	2,113	552
# of offers	635	483	152
# of matrics	282	177	105
75% GPA	3.78	3.84	3.69
Median GPA	3.58	3.69	3.52
25% GPA	3.19	3.28	3.09
75% LSAT	164	165	160
Median LSAT	160	164	158
25% LSAT	154	157	152

Grants and Scholarships (from prior year)

	Total		Full-time		Part-time	
	#	%	#	%	#	%
Total # of students	882		554		328	
Total # receiving grants	742	84.1	706	127.4	36	11.0
Less than 1/2 tuition	522	59.2	487	87.9	35	10.7
Half to full tuition	188	21.3	187	33.8	1	0.3
Full tuition	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
More than full tuition	32	3.6	32	5.8	0	0.0
Median grant amount			\$8,500		\$3,000	

Informational and Library Resources

# of volumes and volume equivalents	622,702
# of titles	249,939
Study seating capacity inside the library	731
# of full-time professional librarians	15
Hours per week library is open	104
# of open, wired connections available to students	0
# of networked computers available for use by students	113
Has wireless network	Y
Require computer?	N

JD Attrition (from prior year)

	Academic	Other	Total	
	#	#	#	%
1st year	0	1	1	0.3
2nd year	0	5	5	1.7
3rd year	1	2	3	1.0
4th year	0	0	0	0.0

Employment (9 months after graduation)

	Total	Percentage
Employment status known	264	100.0
Employment status unknown	0	0.0
Employed	246	93.2
Pursuing graduate degrees	4	1.5
Unemployed (seeking, not seeking, or studying for the bar)	14	5.0

Type of Employment

# employed in law firms	169	68.7
# employed in business and industry	40	16.3
# employed in government	17	6.9
# employed in public interest	3	1.2
# employed as judicial clerks	11	4.5
# employed in academia	6	2.4

Geographic Location

# employed in state	220	89.4
# employed in foreign countries	2	0.8
# of states where employed	24	

Bar Passage Rates

Jurisdiction	Texas		
	Sum 06	Win 07	Total
# from school taking bar for the first time	222	18	240
School's pass rate for all first-time takers	90%	94%	90%
State's pass rate for all first-time takers	83%	75%	81%