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■ Introduction

Founded in 1894 as the Indiana Law School, the IU School of Law—Indianapolis has emerged as a premier educational institution, located in the dynamic heart of Indiana on the Indianapolis campus of Indiana University—Purdue University. This campus is also home to the Schools of Medicine, Dentistry, Nursing, and Social Work. The law school building, Lawrence W. Inlow Hall, is a state-of-the-art facility, enabling the faculty to employ the latest technology and teaching methods. The building houses modern classrooms, private study areas, and an unparalleled law library. The school is just minutes away from the state's courts, the legislature, and major law firms, giving students opportunities to observe the legal process in action and to participate in that process as law clerks, judicial interns, and legislative staff assistants. The school is the largest in the state of Indiana and one of the few Big Ten law schools to offer the cultural, recreational, and professional advantages of an urban educational environment.

■ Clinical Experiences

The law school offers several clinical programs. The Civil Practice Clinic allows students the opportunity to represent clients in a variety of cases including housing, divorce, child support, consumer, and administrative matters. In the Civil Practice Disability Clinic, students represent school-age children with special needs, as well as persons who are afflicted with the HIV virus, Alzheimer's disease, and AIDS. In the Criminal Defense Clinic, students represent clients in criminal cases involving a variety of misdemeanor or class D felony charges. Students who enroll in the Criminal Defense Clinic for a second semester may work on Innocence Project cases, which involve inmates who are making claims of innocence in postconviction proceedings.

■ Internships and Special Programs

The school's research centers and programs make significant contributions to the profession, both locally and nationally. The William S. and Christine S. Hall Center for Law and Health is considered one of the top health law programs in the nation. The center serves as a preeminent information resource on health law issues for the bar, government, and health care community. Through the center, students may pursue a concentration in Law and Health and participate in the *Indiana Health Law Review*.

The Program on Law and State Government enriches the dialogue between the academic legal community and state government policymakers. The program offers internships with more than 40 government offices and also sponsors a mediation course that qualifies students to become registered civil mediators. Additionally, the program sponsors a fellowship that allows students to host an academic event and write a publishable academic paper on critical legal or regulatory issues pertinent to state government.

The Court Internship Program provides internships with federal, state, and local courts. Interns work closely with judges and law clerks, learning about the legal process by experiencing it firsthand.

The newly established Center for Intellectual Property Law and Innovation allows students to pursue in-depth study of intellectual property issues and provides an important resource to the legal community.

■ International Law Program

Because the school recognizes that international considerations touch all areas of the law from human rights to economic issues, it established the Center for International and Comparative Law. A wide variety of international courses, combined with opportunities for overseas experiences, demonstrate our commitment to a legal education with a worldview. Our program in International Human Rights Law has placed students in internships in locations from Argentina to Zimbabwe.

The study of European law takes place each summer in Strasbourg, France, at the Robert Schuman University. Strasbourg not only boasts one of France's preeminent universities, but it is also the seat of the Parliament of the European Union and the European Court of Human Rights. It is the perfect starting point for educational field trips and excursions to Paris, London, Luxembourg, and Brussels. The law school also sponsors a summer program in cooperation with the University of Zagreb School of Law in the ancient Croatian city of Dubrovnik.

Established in 1987, the Chinese Law Summer Program is hosted by Renmin (People's) University of China School of Law and introduces students to the Chinese legal and lawyering systems, its dispute resolution mechanisms, and Chinese constitutional law.

Students can also travel to Latin America and study its legal system through the Latin America Law Program.

In addition to offering several courses and seminars in the area of international law, the school sponsors the *Indiana International and Comparative Law Review* and a student organization, the International Law Society. It is also home to the editorial offices of the *European Journal of Law Reform*.

■ Joint-degree Programs

The school offers seven joint-degree options in cooperation with IU's School of Business, School of Public and Environmental Affairs, School of Medicine, School of Library and Information Science, School of Liberal Arts, and School of Social Work. Available degrees are the Doctor of Jurisprudence and Master of Business Administration (JD/MBA), Master of Health Administration (JD/MHA), Master of Public Affairs (JD/MPA), Master of Public Health (JD/MPH), Master of Library Science (JD/MLS), Master of Arts in Philosophy (JD/MPhil), and Master of Social Work (JD/MSW).

■ Special Summer Program

Summer admission is offered to a select group of applicants who can benefit from a class emphasizing writing and analytical skills. Applicants who have either an LSAT score or GPA that is outside of the median range of accepted students, persons who are returning to school after several years outside of the classroom, and students for whom English is a second

language may be considered for the summer program. Summer admittees earn two credits toward their JD degrees. Continuation in the fall is not contingent upon performance in the summer program. There is no special application procedure. Applicants who are not presumptively admitted and whose files are completed by February 1 may be considered for this program.

Additionally, the school strongly supports the Indiana Conference for Legal Education Opportunity program, which provides those who are currently underrepresented in the legal profession or underrepresented in practice areas with assistance in preparing for law school through a six-week summer institute.

■ Admission

LSAT and LSDAS are required.

The law school seeks to attain a culturally rich and diverse student body. To this end, admission decisions are based on a variety of factors in addition to the LSAT score and undergraduate GPA.

Indiana University School of Law—Indianapolis offers an early decision program. Early decision candidates must have their applications completed by November 30 and will be notified of the admission committee's decision by late December.

■ Academic Support Programs

Students are offered assistance through the Dean's Tutorial Society. Supervised by a tenured faculty member, the tutorial society is staffed by academically distinguished students who offer individual tutoring as well as assistance in case briefing and exam preparation.

■ Student Activities

Students can participate in any of 30 different interest groups and organizations, ranging from Amnesty International to the Sports and Entertainment Law Society. The school also offers an extensive moot court program, a client counseling program, and three law reviews.

■ Office for Professional Development

The Office for Professional Development provides career counseling and job-search assistance to students and alumni. Services include an on-campus interview program, a résumé review service, a mock interview program, and a variety of workshops and seminars.

Applicant Profile

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This grid includes only applicants who earned 120–180 LSAT scores under standard administrations.

LSAT Score	GPA																				Total		
	3.75 +		3.50–3.74		3.25–3.49		3.00–3.24		2.75–2.99		2.50–2.74		2.25–2.49		2.00–2.24		Below 2.00		No GPA		Apps	Adm	
	Apps	Adm	Apps	Adm	Apps	Adm	Apps	Adm	Apps	Adm	Apps	Adm	Apps	Adm	Apps	Adm	Apps	Adm	Apps	Adm	Apps	Adm	
170–180	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1
165–169	12	12	2	2	5	5	0	0	2	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23	23
160–164	26	26	28	28	14	13	15	13	11	7	6	3	2	0	1	0	0	0	5	3	108	93	
155–159	40	39	80	63	82	51	54	34	27	10	8	1	9	0	4	0	0	0	7	3	311	201	
150–154	61	53	107	61	125	38	94	17	52	6	27	3	13	0	4	0	1	0	4	1	488	179	
145–149	37	17	67	21	75	10	71	5	40	2	20	0	10	0	7	0	0	0	6	1	333	56	
140–144	10	2	25	2	28	3	39	1	24	1	16	1	10	0	4	0	2	0	9	0	167	10	
Below 140	2	0	3	1	12	0	11	0	9	1	9	0	11	0	6	0	1	0	7	2	71	4	
Total	190	150	313	178	341	120	284	70	165	29	88	10	55	0	26	0	4	0	38	10	1504	567	

Apps = Number of Applicants

Adm = Number Admitted

Reflects 98% of the total applicant pool.