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The Basics	
Type of school	Public
Term	Semester
Application deadline	3/1
Application fee	\$35
Financial aid deadline	3/1
Can first year start other than fall?	No
Student to faculty ratio	16.0 to 1
# of housing spaces available restricted to law students graduate housing for which law students are eligible	188

Faculty and Administrators								
	Total		Men		Women		Minorities	
	Spr	Fall	Spr	Fall	Spr	Fall	Spr	Fall
Full-time	11	11	8	7	3	4	1	1
Other Full-time	2	2	1	2	1	0	0	0
Deans, librarians, & others who teach	3	3	2	2	1	1	0	0
Part-time	4	6	3	5	1	1	0	0
Total	20	22	14	16	6	6	1	1

JD Enrollment and Ethnicity													
	Men		Women		Full-time		Part-time		1st-year		Total		JD Degr. Awd.
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	
African Amer.	0	0.0	3	3.4	3	1.5	0	0.0	3	4.8	3	1.5	1
Amer. Indian	3	2.7	0	0.0	3	1.5	0	0.0	2	3.2	3	1.5	2
Asian Amer.	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0
Mex. Amer.	1	0.9	1	1.1	2	1.0	0	0.0	2	3.2	2	1.0	0
Puerto Rican	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1
Hispanic	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	2
Total Minority	4	3.6	4	4.5	8	4.1	0	0.0	7	11.3	8	4.0	6
For. Nation.	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0
Caucasian	106	96.4	85	95.5	189	95.9	2	100.0	55	88.7	191	96.0	79
Unknown	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0
Total	110	55.3	89	44.7	197	99.0	2	1.0	62	31.2	199		85

Curriculum		Full-time	Part-time
Typical first-year section size		65	0
Is there typically a "small section" of the first-year class, other than Legal Writing, taught by full-time faculty		Yes	No
If yes, typical size offered last year		33	
# of classroom course titles beyond first-year curriculum			45
# of upper division courses, excluding seminars with an enrollment:	Under 25		26
	25-49		11
	50-74		9
	75-99		2
	100+		0
# of seminars			1
# of seminar positions available			10
# of seminar positions filled		10	0
# of positions available in simulation courses			320
# of simulation positions filled		317	0
# of positions available in faculty supervised clinical courses			0
# of faculty supervised clinical positions filled		0	0
# involved in field placements		24	0
# involved in law journals		30	0
# involved in moot court or trial competitions		35	0
# of credit hours required to graduate			90

Transfers	
Transfers in	3
Transfers out	0

Tuition and Fees		
	Resident	Nonresident
Full-time	\$8,991	\$17,606
Part-time	\$4,844	\$9,151
Tuition Guarantee Program		N

Living Expenses		
Estimated living expenses for singles		
Living on campus	Living off campus	Living at home
\$10,089	\$12,776	N/A



GPA and LSAT Scores			
	Total	Full-time	Part-time
# of apps	323	323	0
# of offers	172	172	0
# of matrics	63	62	1
75% GPA	3.63	3.63	0.00
Median GPA	3.40	3.40	0.00
25% GPA	3.05	3.05	0.00
75% LSAT	155	155	0
Median LSAT	151	151	0
25% LSAT	148	148	0

Grants and Scholarships (from prior year)						
	Total		Full-time		Part-time	
	#	%	#	%	#	%
Total # of students	225		222		3	
Total # receiving grants	70	31.1	70	31.5	0	0.0
Less than 1/2 tuition	57	25.3	57	25.7	0	0.0
Half to full tuition	9	4.0	9	4.1	0	0.0
Full tuition	3	1.3	3	1.4	0	0.0
More than full tuition	1	0.4	1	0.5	0	0.0
Median grant amount			\$1,540		\$0	

Informational and Library Resources	
# of volumes and volume equivalents	211,337
# of titles	42,272
Study seating capacity inside the library	227
# of full-time professional librarians	1
Hours per week library is open	168
# of open, wired connections available to students	452
# of networked computers available for use by students	37
Has wireless network	Y
Require computer?	N

JD Attrition (from prior year)				
	Academic		Other	
	#	%	#	%
1st year	2	4.5	1	1.4
2nd year	0	0.0	1	1.4
3rd year	0	0.0	0	0.0
4th year	0	0.0	0	0.0

Employment (9 months after graduation)		
	Total	Percentage
Employment status known	73	100.0
Employment status unknown	0	0.0
Employed	67	91.8
Pursuing graduate degrees	3	4.1
Unemployed (seeking, not seeking, or studying for the bar)	1	1.4
Type of Employment		
# employed in law firms	14	20.9
# employed in business and industry	16	23.9
# employed in government	17	25.4
# employed in public interest	6	9.0
# employed as judicial clerks	14	20.9
# employed in academia	0	0.0
Geographic Location		
# employed in state	39	58.2
# employed in foreign countries	1	1.5
# of states where employed	15	

Bar Passage Rates					
First-time takers	67	Reporting %	80.60		
Average school %	90.74	Average state %	88.61		
Average pass difference	2.13				
Jurisdiction	Takers	Passers	Pass %	State %	Diff %
South Dakota	54	49	90.74	88.61	2.13