Welcome to

QUEEN'S LAW



Queen's University LAW



Queen’s University is situated on the territory of the Haudenosaunee and Anishinaabek.
Ne Queen’s University e’tho nón:we nikanónhsote tsi nón:we ne Haudenosaunee táhnon Anishinaabek tehatihsnonhsáhere ne onhwéntsya. Gimaakwe Gchi-gkinoomaagegamig atemagad Naadowe miinwaa Anishinaabe aking.

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Future Leaders Start Here

Queen's Faculty of Law is a national leader in legal education, from cutting-edge research to immersive hands-on learning. Juris Doctor (JD) students gain a holistic understanding of law while advancing access to justice in local communities, exploring the future of legal technologies, and building their practice skills.

Why students choose Queen's Law

- Gain practical experience in Canada's largest integrated legal clinic, engaging approximately 50% of each year's class.
- Study at 30+ partner schools worldwide, earning full academic credit toward your JD through Queen's Exchange Program.
- Study international law at Herstmonceux Castle in England and in Paris through Queen's International Law Program, learning from instructors who have served as tribunal prosecutors, government lawyers, and diplomats.
- Build real relationships with professors who teach first-year "small sections" averaging just 26 students.
- Accelerate your legal career with personalized support and year-by-year career planning.
- Engage with a vibrant and supportive community through 60+ student-run clubs and events like Lawlapalooza and our Moot Court Program.
- Enjoy living and studying in historic Kingston, a walkable and student-friendly city on Lake Ontario.



PROGRAM STATISTICS

By the Numbers

Just over
600
JD students

$1.6M
in annual merit and needs-based funding

97%
average placement rate for recent graduates

12
student-run affinity groups for equity-seeking communities

41%
of the JD class of 2028 identify as part of a racialized group

5
pro bono legal clinics where students gain real-world experience

4
scholarly law reviews and academic journals

26
students, on average, per first-year "small section"

Meet our students

Admissions



Applications for admission to the JD (Juris Doctor) program should be made using the Ontario Law School Application Service (OLSAS). Applications open September 1 and close November 1 for studies commencing the following September.

Program and application requirements

To apply, you are required to:

- **Complete a minimum of three years at a full course load (90 credits) of coursework (or equivalent) in a degree program from a recognized postsecondary institution. Submit transcripts for each year of your program of study.** All undergraduate degrees are welcome; diversity helps our Queen's Law community thrive.
- **Submit Law School Admission Test (LSAT) result(s) from the last five years.** While applications are due November 1, we can guarantee consideration for LSAT scores through the following January test date. Your application will only be considered once complete.
- **Submit a Personal Statement.** This statement is an opportunity to tell us about yourself, your experiences, and your interest in studying law. A guide to a persuasive Personal Statement is available on our website.
- **Submit an Autobiographical Sketch (ABS).** The ABS outlines your experience in the areas of employment, volunteering, extracurricular activities, awards, and research from the start of your undergraduate program.
- **Submit an up-to-date Resume.**
- **Submit your References.** You must provide at least one academic reference from a faculty member who has personally taught you. Other references can be from professional, extracurricular, or academic settings.

Need to submit supplementary documentation after November 1? Use the **Secure Applicant Messaging (SAM) system through OLSAS**. We'll accept additional documentation after November 1, but we can only review and make decisions on complete applications.

Get application documentation information

Frequently Asked Questions

How are GPA and LSAT assessed?

Similar to other law schools in Ontario, we review GPA and LSAT as part of your application. However, instead of your cumulative GPA (CGPA), we look at your best two years (2GPA), which can increase your score. We like to see a 2GPA of 3.7 or higher and an LSAT of 160 or higher.

Calculate your GPA with OLSAS

How are other aspects of the application taken into consideration?

Queen's Law employs a holistic admissions process. While GPA and LSAT are still key components, we also consider your LSAT writing sample, Personal Statement, Autobiographical Sketch, Resume, and References.

Our team looks for well-rounded applicants who demonstrate overall strength across components of their application and show the potential to succeed in our JD program. While strength in one area may help offset a slightly less competitive result in another, no single component can compensate for an application that is significantly less competitive overall.

More information

What if I did an exchange program at a school outside of Canada or am an international student?

All international transcripts must be assessed through World Education Services (WES).

More information

What makes a good personal statement?

Queen's Law strives to build a diverse, authentic, and inspired cohort of students for each incoming class. By showing your authentic self, devotion to the practice of law, and strong interest in Queen's University, you can create a compelling application.

Learn more about writing a strong personal statement

Are there admission categories?

Yes, there are four categories of admission: General Category, Indigenous Peoples Category, Black Student Applicant Category, and Access Category.

More information on admission categories

Apply Now

Applications open on September 1 and close on November 1.

QUEEN'S LAW CLINICS

Hands-on Learning with Social Impact

As the largest integrated legal clinic in Canada, Queen's Law Clinics functions like a real law firm, with five specialized practice groups that mirror the subjects our faculty is renowned for.

Under the supervision of experienced lawyers, students interview and counsel clients, conduct legal research, draft memoranda and legal documents, and represent clients directly at hearings and tribunals. These placements build the confidence and practical skills employers value, while preparing students for their legal careers. Students are able to gain this practical experience while working in a professional setting in our downtown law office.

QUEEN'S LAW CLINICS

Annual Facts

120
students enrol for academic credit across all five clinics

30
first-year student volunteers

26
summer students in paid roles

Ontario's only prison law clinic

1,200+
people living in poverty receive improved access to justice

200+
charities, startups and small businesses receive pro bono legal support

250+
elderly residents receive legal support



Queen's Legal Aid

As the oldest and largest of Queen's Law's clinics, Queen's Legal Aid provides free legal services on issues ranging from criminal offences to tenants' rights. Students represent clients in criminal court, Small Claims Court, and before tribunals like the Social Benefits Tribunal.

Queen's Elder Law Clinic

As the first clinic of its kind in Canada, the Queen's Elder Law Clinic supports seniors who would otherwise struggle to afford legal counsel. Students help clients plan wills and powers of attorney, complete guardianship applications, and navigate issues of elder discrimination, abuse, and neglect.

Queen's Family Law Clinic

The Queen's Family Law Clinic helps residents who are representing themselves in family court, including many who don't qualify for legal aid. Students prepare court documents, explain the family court process, and support Legal Aid Ontario's duty counsel.

Learn about our legal clinics

Queen's Business Law Clinic

The Queen's Business Law Clinic helps entrepreneurs, small businesses, charities, and non-profits with incorporation, charitable registration, contracts, and IP matters. Students draft legal documents, write legal opinions, and advise on corporate governance.

Queen's Prison Law Clinic

The Queen's Prison Law Clinic is the only Canadian clinic where law students directly represent incarcerated clients. Students interview clients, conduct research, draft legal submissions, and represent inmates at parole and disciplinary hearings.



Located in downtown Kingston, the clinics serve Kingston and area residents, local businesses and non-profits, and incarcerated individuals across the region.



International Law Program

Learn International Law where it happens

Each May and June, Queen's Law students have the opportunity to take part in our unique International Law Program, completing one of three streams focusing on Public International Law, International Business Law, or International Environmental Law. Over 1,000 students have taken part in this program since 2001, and many say it was the highlight of their time at law school.

The program begins at Queen's University's Bader College at Herstmonceux Castle, followed by several weeks at the American University of Paris, and concludes with a week of visits to law firms and international organizations in other cities around Europe.









Learn from leaders in International Law

Instructors in recent years have included former prosecutors at international criminal tribunals; lawyers from leading law firms, Global Affairs Canada, the Department of Justice, and the UN; and law professors from Queen's, MIT, and the University of Oslo.

There are also frequent guest lectures by senior judges, lawyers, and government officials. The eight-week program concludes with a trip to visit international organizations, courts and tribunals, and law firms in The Hague, Hamburg/Bonn, or Brussels and Geneva.

Experience International Law in action

The courses, program activities, and field trip visits give Queen's Law students a comprehensive and practical introduction to international law and unparalleled insights into careers in the field.

Explore international opportunities





International Exchanges

Study law around the world

At Queen's Law, your legal education can extend far beyond Kingston. With exchange opportunities at more than 30 leading law schools worldwide, you can spend a semester studying abroad while earning full academic credit toward your JD.

Whether you're interested in international business, human rights, environmental law, or comparative legal systems, a term abroad allows you to study another country's legal system from within its own jurisdiction while building lifelong personal and professional connections.

> **Exchange was quite literally the best time of my life, so if you have the opportunity to go, then you absolutely should take it."**
> **— Zahraa C.**

Exchange Timeline

Students typically apply during second year to study abroad in the fall term of third year, returning to Queen's with a broader perspective on the law and the world.







Why participate in a Queen's Law exchange?

- Study at prestigious partner law schools around the world
- Learn about another country's legal system from within its own jurisdiction
- Build an international network of classmates and future legal professionals
- Develop cross-cultural communication and global perspectives valued by employers
- Travel, explore new cultures, and create unforgettable experiences while completing your degree
- Pay tuition and student activity fees to Queen's University at the domestic rate

> **Exchange was a blast, and I made friends for life. My favourite four months of law school, by far."**
> **— Mercy L.**

> **You learn so much about yourself when you meet people from all around the world, travel alone, and set up roots in a different country. I am grateful for the opportunity to enhance my legal education through international exchange."**
> **— Sarah M.**



Explore our exchange program

Learn more about partner schools, the application process, and hear from students who have studied abroad.

JD Program Path

First Year

YEAR 1: BUILDING A FOUNDATION

Year 1 Mandatory Courses

Courses covering fundamental law subjects:

- Introduction to Legal Skills
- Public Law
- Constitutional Law
- Contracts
- Criminal Law
- Property
- Indigenous Peoples, Law, and Reconciliation
- Torts

Year 1 School Year Options

- Attend information sessions with our Career Development Office (CDO) to prepare for your upper-year job search
- Request a tutor from the Student Services Office
- Join clubs on campus and attend visiting speaker sessions
- Run for an elected position with the Queen's Law Students' Society (LSS)
- Volunteer for Queen's Legal Aid, one of the law journals, or Pro Bono Students Canada (PBSC)
- Participate in the Hicks Morley Labour & Employment Moot

Year 1 Summer Options

- Apply for and participate in the International Law Program
- Obtain a Public Interest Internship
- Research and secure a position within the legal profession

Upper Years

YEAR 2: EXPLORING THE OPTIONS
YEAR 3: PREPARING FOR GRADUATION

Year 2 Mandatory Courses

Take 14-17 elective upper year credits per term, including:

- 4 credits from Civil Procedure (LAW 225)
- 4 credits from Business Associations (LAW 440)

Year 2 Summer Options

Using the services the Career Development Office (CDO) provides:

- Research and secure a position within the legal profession
- Obtain a Public Interest Internship
- Participate in the articling job search process

Year 3 Mandatory Courses & Requirements

Complete remaining mandatory, elective and experiential learning courses to meet program credit requirements

Mandatory | School Year Options | Summer Options | Elective

Upper years (cont.)

Other Mandatory Courses & Requirements

Take 14-17 elective upper year credits per term for a total of 59 upper year credits:

- 4 credits from Administrative Law (LAW 427)
- 3 credits from Legal Ethics & Professionalism (LAW 334)
- 3 credits from Practice Skills
- 3 credits from Advocacy Skills
- Substantial term paper

Upper Year Experiential & Skills-based Courses

- Queen's Law Clinics (Legal Aid, Business, Elder, Family, and Prison)
- Clinical Externships with community legal aid clinics
- Federal Government Internships
- Feminist Legal Studies Workshop
- Queen's Law Journal
- Canadian Labour and Employment Law Journal
- Competitive mooting

Upper Year School Year Options

- Volunteer for Queen's Legal Aid, a law journal, or Pro Bono Students Canada (PBSC)
- Run for an elected position with the Queen's Law Students' Society (LSS)
- Join one of the many clubs on campus
- Attend visiting speaker sessions
- Participate in summer job search process

Upper Year Elective Areas

- Advocacy & Negotiations
- Constitutional Law
- Corporate & Commercial Law
- Criminal Law
- Family Law
- International Law
- Labour & Employment Law
- Legal Theory
- Procedural and Research
- Property & Real Estate Law
- Special Interest Law
- Tort Law

AREAS OF

Academic Excellence

Artificial Intelligence and Law

Artificial intelligence (AI) is transforming how society relates to the law, from making legal expertise more accessible to rising concerns about privacy and surveillance. Studying the intersection between AI and the law creates opportunities for innovation, from building smarter legal databases to shaping policy on algorithmic bias and AI ethics.

Why Queen's

Learn from Samuel Dahan, founding Director of the Conflict Analytics Lab, whose open-source platform OpenJustice draws contributions from more than 500 experts across North America and Europe.

Get experience

Contribute to the Conflict Analytics Lab, a consortium of academic and industry partners focusing on AI research on law, compliance, and conflict resolution.

Courses

AI & Law; Money, Power & AI; Legal AI Clinic (LAW 399); and more.

Visit the Conflict Analytics Lab



Professor Samuel Dahan (second from right) employs Queen's Law students in positions of high responsibility in his Conflict Analytics Lab and other projects, giving them a unique opportunity to work on the ground floor of the nation's most prominent AI and law hub.

Business Law

Business law governs how contracts are honoured, companies are structured, and competition stays fair, providing the rules that let businesses form, grow, and thrive.

Why Queen's

Learn from faculty like Robert Yalden, Sigurdson Professor in Corporate Law and Finance, and Co-Editor-in-Chief of the *Canadian Business Law Journal*, and Shai Dubey, a Queen's Law instructor cross-appointed at the Smith School of Business with decades of experience practising corporate and commercial law. Pair your degree with business training through the joint MBA/JD program with the Smith School of Business.

Get experience

Advise real organizations through the Queen's Business Law Clinic, study International Business Law in Paris, Geneva, Brussels, and at Herstmonceux Castle, and compete in several Moot Court competitions.

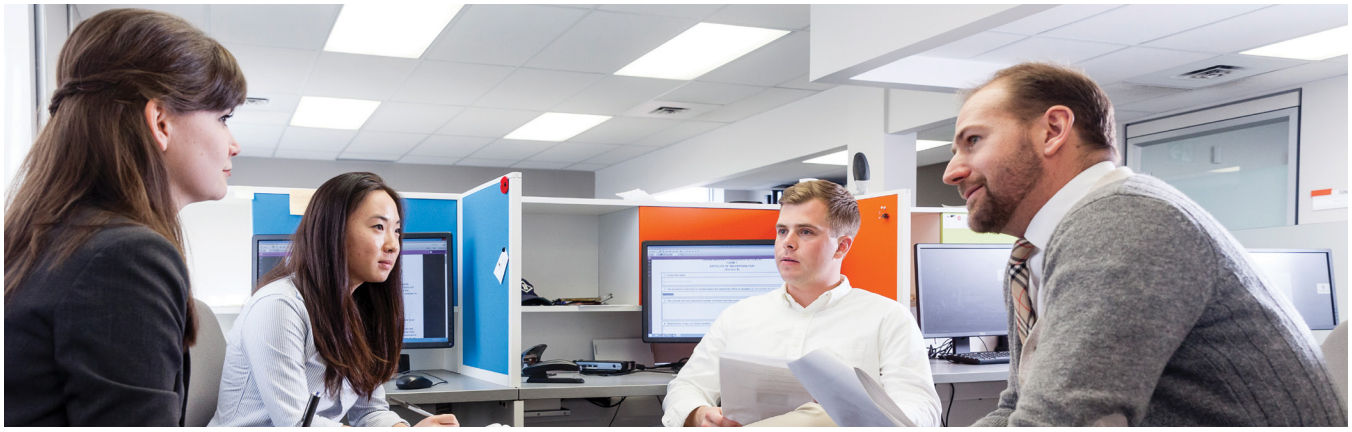
Courses

Structuring Business Transactions (LAW 449), Copyright Law (LAW 468), Securities Litigation (LAW 459), Trademark & Unfair Competition (LAW 451), and more.



Robert Yalden, Queen's Law Sigurdson Professor, was a senior partner at Osler, Hoskin & Harcourt before joining Queen's Law in 2018.

Discover Business Law



The Queen's Business Law Clinic gives students the opportunity to work with review counsel and real-world clients, helping businesses in their formative stages with everything from contracts to structural concerns. Local, provincial and national businesses from breweries to clothing companies have benefited from the efforts of Queen's Law students!

Constitutional & Public Law

Constitutional and public law shapes the balance of power between citizens and the state, governing everything from the division of federal and provincial authority to Charter rights and Indigenous reconciliation.

Why Queen's

Learn from experts like Grégoire Webber, a former Supreme Court of Canada clerk, and Sharry Aiken, co-chair of the Canadian Centre for International Justice.

Get experience

Take part in a workshop day with the Department of Justice at Akwesasne, apply for a federal government internship, and compete in several law moots.

Courses

Equality Rights & The Charter (LAW 535), Immigration & Refugee Law (LAW 471), Environmental Protection Law (LAW 517), and more.



Cherie Metcalf, Jean Thomas, and Grégoire Webber of the Queen's Law Constitutional Law group.

Learn about the Constitutional & Public Law Group

Criminal Law

Criminal law underpins social order and shapes the balance between individual rights and state power, making a critical perspective vital for aspiring lawyers and engaged citizens.



Lisa Kelly and Lisa Kerr, Queen's Law professors and national voices advocating for justice in Canada.

Explore our Criminal Law Group

Why Queen's

Learn from faculty like Lisa Kerr, Director of the Criminal Law Group and a leading voice on prison law and sentencing.

Get experience

Represent real clients through Ontario's only Prison Law Clinic and the Queen's Legal Aid Clinic, study Public International Law through the International Law Program, and compete in our Moot Court Program.

Courses

Criminal Law Theory (LAW 407), Sentencing & Imprisonment (LAW 416), Criminal Procedure (LAW 404), Bias & Criminal Justice (LAW 276), and more.

Family Law

Family law is a dynamic field that governs relationships, including marriage, divorce, child custody, and adoption. It blends legal reasoning with real human impact, offering the chance to advocate for vulnerable individuals.

Why Queen's

Learn from faculty like Nicholas Bala, whose research on children and family law is cited by the Supreme Court of Canada and courts across the US, UK, Australia, and New Zealand.

Get experience

Represent clients through the Queen's Family Law Clinic and participate in two moot competitions.

Courses

Family Law (LAW 520), Fertility & Assisted Reproduction (LAW 274), and more.



Professor Nick Bala speaks with students at an informal 'coffee chat' in the Faculty Lounge, where they can ask questions, explore areas of law, and get to know their professors.

Meet Family Law professor Nicholas Bala

Indigenous Law

Understanding Indigenous legal traditions is vital to Canadian law, forming a foundational part of its legal landscape, history, and ongoing reconciliation. Queen's Law is reshaping how students learn about Indigenous laws, legal traditions, and justice.



Students, faculty, and friends convene for a unique "on the land" law course, led by Indigenous professor Lindsay Borrows.

Why Queen's

Learn from faculty like Lindsay Borrows, the Queen's Law Professor in Indigenous Law & Governance and an Anishinaabe scholar who has led on-the-land legal education since 2014.

Get experience

Join the Anishinaabe Law Field School and compete in the Kawaskimhon Moot.

Courses

Aboriginal Child Welfare (LAW 272), Indigenous Law in Context (LAW 398), Lawyering for Reconciliation (LAW 398), and more.

Learn about the latest developments in Indigenous Law at Queen's

International Law

International law shapes Canada's relationships with other states and increasingly drives domestic policy, from climate commitments to trade agreements to extradition.



Students have the unique opportunity to participate in the International Law Program, studying international law over the summer in Europe, visiting key courts and working with special guests.

Why Queen's

Study at the Bader International Study Centre, the only study-abroad facility owned by a Canadian law school, and learn from faculty like Darryl Robinson, a leading international criminal law scholar, and Ardi Imseis, co-Academic Director of the International Law Program.

Get experience

Study at the Bader International Study Centre, contribute to two law journals, and compete in law moots.

Courses

Law & Practice of the United Nations (LAW 398), International Investment Law (LAW 437), International Humanitarian Law (LAW 549), and more.

Explore our International Law Group

Labour Law

Labour law defines the rights and responsibilities of workers, employers, and unions, and is growing increasingly important as the gig economy reshapes traditional employment.

Why Queen's

Learn at the Centre for Law in the Contemporary Workplace, Canada's first academic centre dedicated to workplace law and home to the *Canadian Labour and Employment Law Journal (CLELJ)*, the only Canadian scholarly refereed law review in its field.

Get experience

Join the CLELJ as a student editor and compete in an arbitration moot.

Courses

Labour Law (LAW 560), Collective Agreements Arbitration (LAW 562), Employment Law (LAW 567), and more.

Visit the Centre for Law in the Contemporary Workplace

Want to see everything Queen's Law has to offer?

Scan for the full course list.

Get the full course list

CAREER DEVELOPMENT

Dedicated Career Coaching and a 97% Placement Rate

Queen's Law is one of Canada's leading law schools for career outcomes, with firms from the country's largest legal markets recruiting our students.

Learn more

From the beginning of your JD, our Career Development Office provides personalized support to help you explore career paths, build professional skills, connect with employers, and prepare for recruitment.

From corporate law to environmental law, you'll have access to experienced career coaches, alumni mentors, networking opportunities, workshops, and recruitment resources that support your success every step of the way.

1,200+
career counselling appointments each year

1,400+
second-year interviews held on-campus with employers from Toronto, Alberta, Vancouver, and Ottawa

97%
average placement rate for recent graduates

1,000+
summer and articling jobs posted annually

500+
articling positions posted last year

20+
live career workshops held each year

Placement Types	Class of 2025
Firms	72.7%
Large/National Firms	*43.9%*
Government	14.6%
In-house	8.1%
Public Interest	3.5%
Clerkships	0.51%
LPP	0.51%



STUDENT LIFE, CLUBS & COMMUNITY

Law school and a balanced lifestyle

Maintaining a healthy work-life balance is an essential skill in legal practice – which is why Queen's Law prioritizes it for our students as well. Students pursue activities that support their overall well-being.

Through our Queen's community, students gain life skills, make friends, and explore new interests in clubs ranging from financial investing to cultural communities to hobbies and games.

Feel at home in Kingston

Students moving to Kingston for their studies find themselves uniquely at home here. We offer charming small-city living with big-city opportunities, a close-knit community, and a global outlook. Students from everywhere feel like this is where they're meant to be.





Law Students' Society

The Law Students' Society (LSS) is the student government at Queen's Law and plays a central role in student life. The LSS represents student interests, advocates on behalf of the student body, supports over 60 student organizations, and organizes many of the events and traditions that make Queen's Law a vibrant and inclusive community.

Students can become involved through executive positions, committees, volunteer opportunities, and student-led initiatives throughout all three years of law school.



The Law Students' Society plays an integral role in the Queen's Law community. From facilitating the creation of clubs, to organizing exciting social and career-focused events, to collaborating with the Faculty and enhancing student life through our more than 21 committees, we, the students, play a fundamental role in shaping the student experience. As a member of the LSS, your involvement will not only have an immediate positive impact on your cohort, but will also shape the experiences of the students who follow in your footsteps in the years to come.

— Gabriella Zappulla (Law'27)
President, Queen's Law Students' Society

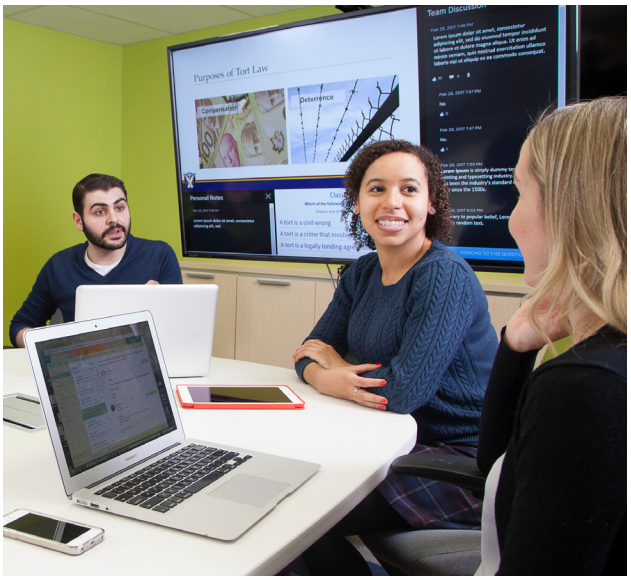


Learn more about LSS

Over 60 clubs to explore

Your law school experience is shaped by more than your classes. At Queen's Law, students become leaders, volunteers, advocates, athletes, performers, mentors, and lifelong friends.

Whether you're looking to give back, develop professional skills, or simply have fun with classmates, you'll find countless ways to get involved. With more clubs per student than any other law school in Canada, every student can build an experience that reflects their passions and interests.







Pro Bono Students Canada (PBSC)

Connects students with community organizations while developing practical legal skills and promoting access to justice.

Queen's Women & Law

Brings together students passionate about feminism, gender equity, and greater diversity in the legal profession through academic, advocacy, and social events since 1981.

Black Law Students' Association (BLSA)

Empowers Black students to succeed academically, socially, and professionally, connecting them to a national network of chapters across Canada.

STUDENT LIFE, CLUBS & COMMUNITY

Indigenous Law Students' Alliance

Advocates for Indigenous voices at Queen's Law, building relationships between First Nations, Inuit, and Métis students and non-Indigenous allies.

OutLaw

Fosters an inclusive environment for 2SLGBTQQIA students through advocacy, education, mentorship, and community-building initiatives.

Corporate Law Club

Helps students explore corporate law through speaker panels, skills workshops, and networking events, including its flagship Toronto Law Firm Tour, where 1Ls visit leading Bay Street firms.



Environmental Law Club

Explores how Canadian law regulates the environment, natural resources, and wildlife, welcoming students interested in advocacy, sustainability, and careers in this field.

Sports & Entertainment Law Club

Introduces students to careers in sports, media, and entertainment law through industry speakers and networking events.



Criminal Law Club

Hosts practitioner panels, guest lectures, networking events, and an annual moot for students drawn to criminal practice.

Labour & Employment Club

Provides students with opportunities to learn about labour and employment law through firm visits, guest speakers, and moots.

See the full list of student clubs

Student-run events raising thousands for charities

Lawlapalooza

Law students jam out during a musical talent showcase supporting local charities. Held in downtown Kingston, it draws students, faculty, and staff for a night of live music and hidden talents.





Cabaret for a Cure

As the largest student fundraiser at Queen's Law, the event is staged each March at Kingston's Grand Theatre. Hosted by the Queen's Law Cancer Society, the dance and fashion showcase draws students, faculty, and staff in support of cancer research.

Med Law Games

One of Queen's Law's most anticipated events, the Med Law Games bring law and medical students together for a weekend of sports and rivalry. Running since 2014, the Games pit the two faculties against each other, with proceeds going to local charities.



STUDENT LIFE, CLUBS & COMMUNITY



Tutoring

Our tutoring program invites high-performing upper-year students to mentor our incoming 1Ls – mentoring relationships that sometimes extend into students' second years as well (and often, lifelong friendships). **Every student who wants an upper-year tutor gets one**: this is a community where giving back is a priority, and mutual support leads to mutual success.



Mooting

The Queen's Law Moot Court Program is one of the largest of any Canadian law school. Each year, teams from Queen's Law participate in competitions in a wide range of legal areas including commercial arbitration, constitutional, criminal, human rights, immigration/refugee, international trade and Indigenous law.



Research groups and publications

Students can gain knowledge as well as valuable work experience via specialized research groups including the Conflict Analytics Lab AI/law hub, the labour-law-focused Centre for Law in the Contemporary Workplace, and Feminist Legal Studies Queen's. They also run one of Canada's oldest law journals, the *Queen's Law Journal*, and contribute to other Faculty academic journals including the *PKI Global Justice Journal*, the *Canadian Journal of Commercial Arbitration*, and the *Canadian Labour and Employment Law Journal*.

INDIGENIZATION, EQUITY, DIVERSITY, INCLUSION, ANTI-RACISM, AND ACCESSIBILITY

Our Commitment

Queen's Law is committed to I-EDIAA and reconciliation, ensuring that our law school embraces diversity and empowers students from all backgrounds to thrive. Read more about our commitment, and about our mission, vision, and values.

Learn more

Education and equity services

The Law Accommodations Office provides advocacy, information, and support throughout the program. Its services include supportive guidance, confidential tutoring services, referral and advisory support, and accommodations counsel. This work helps to ensure that students from equity-deserving groups and communities are equipped for success at all stages of their JD experience.



Representation in our curriculum

Indigenous Peoples, Law, and Reconciliation is a required first-year course covering Indigenous legal traditions, colonial policies of dispossession and assimilation, constitutional and treaty rights, self-determination, and the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP).

Upper years can explore law's intersection with marginalized communities through courses like Racism and Canadian Legal Culture, Aboriginal Law, First Nations Negotiation, Bias and Criminal Justice System Outcomes, and the Feminist Legal Studies Workshop.

Equity-based applicant streams

We consider applications based on community identity and the personal and professional experience an applicant brings. Read further details in our admissions guide on page 6.

Indigenous Peoples Category

Indigenous Peoples have long been underrepresented in Canadian law schools, and creating pathways into law matters to both the legal profession and to reconciliation. We also offer a Pre-Law Support Program for application assistance and financial support to Indigenous applicants.

Black Student Applicant Category

We're committed to increasing Black representation in the law school and legal profession.

Access Category

We're committed to enhancing diversity in legal education and the legal profession, and welcome applicants whose backgrounds, qualities, or experiences allow them to make unique contributions to our community.

Learn more about our applicant categories



Funding

Queen's Law offers both needs-based and merit-based financial support before and after you apply.

- **Cecil Allan Fraser Bursary**. Supports Black Canadian and racialized students, named for Queen's Law's first Black graduate.
- **Douglas Cardinal Bursary and Indigenous Law Student Awards**. Support Indigenous students through the JD program.
- **Pre-Law Support Program for Indigenous Students**. Supports eligible applicants with an application fee waiver and an LSAT prep course.
- Other admission bursaries and awards are available.

Stand out from the competition

Graduates of Queen's Certificate in Law are considered ahead of other applicants to the JD program: students who meet admissions standards with the Certificate will be reviewed on a priority basis.

Taught by our Faculty of Law instructors, the Queen's Certificate in Law is an opportunity to experience legal studies at the undergraduate level. Ten courses are available, ranging from an Introduction to Canadian Law to specialized subjects like Intellectual Property, Corporate Law and Criminal Law. Complete any four courses to receive the Certificate, an academic designation from Queen's that becomes part of your transcript.



Law 201/701:
Introduction to Canadian Law



Law 202/702:
Aboriginal Law



Law 203/703:
Workplace Law



Law 204/704:
Corporate Law



Law 205/705:
Public and Constitutional Law



Law 206/706:
Intellectual Property Law



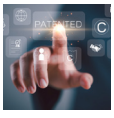
Law 207/707:
International Law



Law 708:
Criminal Law



Law 209/709:
Environmental Law



Law 711:
Patent Law and Practice

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