

# LOUIS D. BRANDEIS SCHOOL OF LAW



At the Louis D. Brandeis School of Law, students find the excitement of new ideas, the challenge of intellectual exchange and the rigor of critical analysis.

Brandeis Law is exceptional in many ways. We boast a strong core curriculum, enhanced by specialized and interdisciplinary studies. Faculty members dedicated to both teaching and research guide students with strong academic skills and diverse backgrounds. From a supportive legal community, we draw job opportunities and adjuncts who bring their real world expertise to the classroom. International exchanges, for both faculty and for students, expose our school to global opportunities.

At Brandeis Law, we emphasize the development of theory, skills and values. This focus is reflected in our extensive skills program, clinical opportunities, externship opportunities, expansive moot court and professional skills competitions, and the Samuel L. Greenbaum Public Service Program. Brandeis Law is also home to the University of Louisville Law Review, a student-run law journal. We proudly provide all students with the training and opportunity to transform themselves and the world around them.

Brandeis Law is located minutes away from the largest legal community in the region and boasts an expansive alumni network spanning 49 states and six countries.

The School of Law Bulletin and Handbook provide information about the policies, degree requirements, and all matters related to students enrolled in the Louis D. Brandeis School of Law.

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## Mission Statement

The University of Louisville Brandeis School of Law is a premier small public law school with a mission to serve the public. Located just 3 miles south of Downtown Louisville, it is part of a large comprehensive research university with a state legislative mandate to be a nationally preeminent metropolitan research university. The Law School is guided by the vision of its benefactor and namesake, U.S. Supreme Court Justice Louis D. Brandeis, to:

1. Educate students in skills, knowledge and values for lifelong effectiveness in solving problems and seeking justice by giving them outstanding opportunities to:
  - Develop knowledge of the basic principles of public and private law;
  - Develop effective skills of legal analysis and written communication, legal research, conflict resolution, problem solving and other fundamental skills;
  - Understand diverse perspectives that influence and are influenced by the law and its institutions, through a diverse faculty and student body, and through legal research and scholarship;
  - Understand their ethical responsibilities as representatives of clients, as officers of the court and as public citizens responsible for the quality and availability of justice;
2. Produce and support research that has a high level of impact on scholarship, law, public policy and/or social institutions;
3. Develop and pursue interdisciplinary inquiry;
4. Actively engage the community in addressing public problems, resolving conflicts, seeking justice, and building a vibrant and sustainable future through high-quality research and innovative ideas, and application of research to solve public problems and serve the public;
5. Actively engage diverse participants in an academic community of students, faculty and staff that is strengthened by its diversity and its commitment to social justice, opportunity, sustainability and mutual respect; and
6. Develop and use resources efficiently, effectively and sustainably to achieve mission-critical goals and strategies and to ensure student access to relatively affordable legal education.