



2021-2023 INFORMATION

about Cincinnati Law

100 years in the making... Grand Opening of New Home

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- The new facility connects the law school with community partners, including **800+** law firms, Fortune 500 companies, nonprofit organizations, agencies, and state and federal courts.
- The grand opening celebration brought together **100s** of alumni, friends, and members of the legal community, including Chief Justice Maureen O'Connor of the Supreme Court of Ohio.



Programs that Elevate Justice

- The new building will help advance the work of Cincinnati Law programs which impact the broader community.
- The **Domestic Violence Clinic**, now led by Director Kristie Bluett, provides hands-on experience as students learn to provide holistic legal services to survivors of domestic violence.
- The **Ohio Innocence Project**, one of the most successful innocence programs and now located on the top floor of the new building, recently exonerated its 36th client.
- The **Legal Access Clinic**, which recently opened, aims to narrow the access-to-justice gap plaguing too many in the community by providing affordable legal representation to lower-to-middle income people for whom legal representation is unaffordable.
- The **Master of Legal Studies (MLS) program**—the next step in our evolution as a law school—successfully launched last year, offering legal education for those in legal adjacent careers.

8 New Hires and Roles (2020-22)

- **Michael Whiteman**, Interim Dean
- **Ryan Thoreson**, Assistant Professor of Law
- **Dr. Meghan Morris**, Assistant Professor of Law, College of Law | Affiliate Faculty, Department of Anthropology

- **Dr. Nate Ela**, Assistant Professor of Political Science and Law, College of Law | Department of Political Science
- **Kristie Bluett**, Assistant Professor of Clinical Law | Director, Domestic Violence and Civil Protection Order Clinic
- **Sarah Adkins**, Assistant Professor of Clinical Law | Director, Legal Access Clinic
- **Dr. Jenn Dye**, Theodore M. Berry Director, Nathaniel R. Jones Center for Race, Gender, and Social Justice
- **Susan Stephan**, Director, Master of Legal Studies Program

Rankings

- Ranked a Top 45 Public Law School - *U.S. News & World Report*
- An eight-time “Best Value Law School” - *the National Jurist*
- Top 10: Public Service - *preLaw Magazine*
- Top 25: Criminal Law - *preLaw Magazine*
- Top 30 Law School for Super Lawyers- *preLaw Magazine*
- Corporate/Banking/Business Law - *National Jurist*
- Trial Advocacy, Public Interest Law, and Practical Training (*National Jurist & preLaw*)
- Honor Roll (LLM) for Value, Law School Experience - *International Jurist*
- No. 3 Most Affordable Law School in the nation - *U.S. News*



Launching Unlimited Futures

Outstanding Students

- GPA/LSAT: 3.73/158 (50th percentile)
- **XXX** LLM students, including **XXX** Fulbright Scholars, representing **XXX** countries

Bar Passage

- **89%** Ultimate Bar Passage (multi-year average)
- **85%** passage rate (First Time Takers in Ohio, 2022)—will update on 10/28 when new results announced

Careers

- Almost **90%** of graduates employed in JD-Required positions (2020)—will update on 10/28 w/new results



- **One** of the Nation’s Leading Social Justice Law Schools

Renowned Centers and Institutes that prepare students for success

- The **Judge Nathaniel R. Jones Center for Race, Gender, and Social Justice.** Judge Jones was a former chief legal spokesman for the civil rights movement whose efforts defended measures to address historic discrimination.
- The **Lois and Richard Rosenthal Institute for Justice/Ohio Innocence Project,** one of the top-performing members of the international Innocence Network whose work has led to the release of 36 wrongfully convicted Ohioans, who collectively served over **650** years in prison.
- The **Urban Morgan Institute for Human Rights.** Celebrating over four decades, Urban Morgan is the nation's first endowed institute at a law school devoted to international human rights law.
- The **Hamilton County Municipal Court Help Center.** This nationally recognized partnership, called the "gold-standard" by Ohio's Chief Justice Maureen O'Connor, is designed to increase access to justice for low-income individuals.
- **Weaver Institute for Law and Psychiatry.** Operating at the intersection of law and psychiatry for over two decades, the Weaver Institute promotes mutual understanding while exploring social policies impacting both the legal and mental health worlds.
- **Corporate Law Center.** For almost 30 years the Center has focused on corporate and business law, hosting an annual symposium which recently featured Professor Cheryl Wade.
- **Center for Practice.** The Center encourages and oversees students' learning practice skills and strategies, inside and outside of the classroom.



Our Faculty

- Bringing years of experience from across the country and around the world to the classroom, our faculty include award-winning global thought-leaders, sought-after scholars, renowned lecturers, and highly engaged community leaders, activists, and advocates. Highly sought-after legal experts, our faculty are quoted by major organizations such as TIME, Reuters, Bloomberg Law, The Washington Times, Reuters, VOX, and Yahoo News, among many others.



- Cincinnati Law faculty are committed to making an impact as they train the next generation of changemakers and social justice leaders. Globally—by training human rights lawyers to promote and protect human rights around the world. Locally—through exonerating 36 wrongly convicted persons. Through innovation—by assisting up-and-coming entrepreneurs and others by providing over \$1.2M in free legal services. Through service—by assisting hundreds of domestic violence victims and training judges on best practices. Through collaboration—by instructing students and medical professionals working at the intersection of law and psychiatry. Our faculty are among the most notable in the country.