Faculty

With more than 50 full-time and approximately 35 adjunct professors (including judges and practicing attorneys) bringing their expertise into your classroom, you will be familiar with the most significant legal issues of the day.

Experiential Learning

You will “learn by doing” through a variety of experiential learning opportunities.

CLINICS South Carolina Law’s client-contact clinics offer practical experience representing actual clients under the supervision of full-time faculty. Clinics include:

- Carolina Health Advocacy Medicolegal Partnership (CHAMPS)
- Criminal Practice
- Domestic Violence
- Education Rights
- Juvenile Justice
- Nonprofit Organizations
- Sustainable Development
- Veterans Law (Spring 2018)

EXTERNSHIPS Through externships at federal agencies such as FEMA, the Patent and Trademark Office, and the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, as well as in corporate legal offices, and federal and state courts, you can gain experience, academic credit, and valuable connections while closely observing the work of lawyers in those settings. Focus areas include:

- Administrative Law
- Children’s Law
- Criminal Law
- Designing Access to Justice Technology
- In-House Counsel
- Judicial
- Legislative

Student Profile

GRACE
Class of 2019
Hometown
Washington, D.C. and Houston, Texas
Undergraduate Institution
Clemson University
Work Experience
Clerked at Furr and Henshaw.
Areas of Interest
Civil Litigation, Medical Malpractice, Construction Law, and Transportation Law
Student Organizations
Federalist Society, Law Student Ambassador, and Pro Bono Program

Putting Passion into Practice
The Academic Program

At South Carolina Law, you can follow your passion or find a new one by choosing from more than 100 upper-level electives in areas including Business and Commercial Law, Children’s and Family Law, Environmental Law, Health Law, Intellectual Property, International and Comparative Law, Labor and Employment Law, Litigation, Probate and Estate Planning, Real Estate Law, Sports & Entertainment Law, Taxation, and Emerging Technologies Law.
**CAPSTONES** In Capstone courses in Small Business Organizations, Civil Litigation, and Real Estate Transactions, you will apply your skills working with lawyers, judges, professors, and peers in a simulated practice environment.

**SUMMER PUBLIC INTEREST INTERNSHIPS** If you are interested in public interest law, you can apply for paid summer internships with organizations that provide access to justice for members of the public not otherwise able to obtain legal assistance.

**PRO BONO PROGRAM** South Carolina Law is home to the first 100 percent voluntary Pro Bono Program and offers more than 20 service projects. Beginning your first year, the program helps you strengthen professional skills and build contacts, while giving back. Because it’s voluntary, the program emphasizes that a willingness to provide pro bono services should be an inherent part of a lawyer’s professional identity.

**Dual Degree Programs**

Enhance your degree by choosing from 12 dual degree programs that tap the expertise in place at the University of South Carolina, including the highly-ranked International MBA program at the Darla Moore School of Business and the nationally-recognized environmental program at Vermont Law School. Combine your J.D. with a masters in:

- Accountancy
- Business Administration
- Earth and Environmental Resources Management
- Economics
- Health Administration
- Human Resources
- International Business Administration
- Public Administration
- Criminology & Criminal Justice
- Environmental Law and Policy (from Vermont Law)
- Mass Communication
- Social Work

**Group study rooms throughout the building are equipped with technology and feature dry-erase walls.**

**The Karen J. Williams Ceremonial Courtroom is a functioning courtroom that will be used for mock trial and moot court competitions, as well as actual court hearings.**

**Student Profile**

**KATE**

Class of 2018  
Hometown: Fairfield, Maine  
**Undergraduate Institution**  
Bowdoin College  
**Work Experience**  
Clerked for Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough and Nexsen Pruet.  
**Areas of Interest**  
Tax Law, Employee Benefits Law, and Patent Law  
**Student Organizations**  
SC Law Review, Constitutional Scholars Pipeline Program
Collaborations and Partnerships

As a South Carolina Law student, you can choose from an array of programs designed to complement your formal classroom learning, build skills, and enhance competencies that will advance your career and professional development.

**THE UNIVERSITY’S RULE OF LAW COLLABORATIVE** works with national and international organizations to strengthen the rule of law around the world. Faculty associated with the collaborative work abroad and integrate those experiences into their courses. Selected students may also participate directly in the work of the collaborative.

**THE CHILDREN’S LAW CENTER** offers classes, research opportunities, and training for students, practitioners, policy makers, and others involved in the safety and well-being of children. You can receive hands-on experience through the activities of the center.

**THE NELSON MULLINS RILEY & SCARBOROUGH CENTER ON PROFESSIONALISM** enriches student experiences through mentoring, research, and events that promote professionalism, civil leadership, and public service in the practice of law.

**JOURNALS**

Join one of four student-edited scholarly journals:
- South Carolina Law Review
- American Bar Association Real Property, Trust & Estate Law Journal
- South Carolina Journal of International Law & Business
- Journal of Law & Education

**MOOT COURT AND MOCK TRIAL** Strong moot court and mock trial programs provide opportunities to perfect your oral advocacy skills in either an appellate or trial setting at both regional and national competitions.

**LAW STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS** More than 30 student groups connect you with other members of the law school and university community who have similar interests and provide an opportunity to strengthen your interpersonal and leadership skills.
USC and Columbia

While Columbia is one of the largest cities in South Carolina, it is still small enough to feel like home. Our location in the state capital is an asset regardless of the area of law you choose.

The School of Law anchors Columbia’s “legal corridor” and is located just steps from the Statehouse, the South Carolina Supreme Court, the S.C. Court of Appeals, the National Advocacy Center, and law firms large and small.

Columbia is rapidly growing into a regional hub for corporate relocation, college and professional school students, and tourism. The city has a relaxed, friendly, genuine feel that lacks pretense. Areas like the Vista, Five Points, and Main Street all border campus and provide shopping and entertainment, while close-by lakes, rivers, and parks provide recreational activities to keep you grounded. Nearby attractions include the Congaree National Park, the Riverbanks Zoo and Botanical Garden, and Lake Murray.

THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA IS THE PALMETTO STATE’S FLAGSHIP UNIVERSITY.

A record freshman class for Fall 2017 contributed to a population of more than 35,000 students who are enrolled in highly-regarded undergraduate, honors, graduate, and professional programs. USC is one of only 32 public universities to earn the Carnegie Foundation’s top-tier designation for research activity and community engagement, reflecting its dedication to academic excellence. But just as important is a commitment to a healthy lifestyle, made possible through two world-class health and wellness centers.

And if you love college sports, your student ID is your ticket to the game day atmosphere. Both men’s and women’s Gamecock basketball teams enjoyed Final Four appearances in 2017 and the women’s team brought the national championship trophy back to Columbia.

Alumni Connections

More than 10,000 South Carolina Law alumni are everywhere in South Carolina, and can be found anywhere from New York City to Anchorage, Alaska, and from Europe to Asia. Most importantly, they are mentors and employers of South Carolina Law students and graduates.

The shade of garnet on the map corresponds to the concentration of our alumni across the United States.

Student Profile

AARON
Class of 2019
Hometown
Orangeburg, South Carolina
Undergraduate Institution
University of South Carolina
Work Experience
Clerked for the 1st Circuit Solicitor’s Office. Interned for the Law School Admission Council.
Areas of Interest
Civil Rights Law and Education Law
Student Organizations
Black Law Students Association, Christian Legal Society
With South Carolina Law’s 150-year legacy, a new home in 2017, and a powerful, global alumni network, you can be confident that we aren’t going anywhere but forward, and that your South Carolina law degree can take you anywhere.

Apply for Admission to South Carolina Law

To begin your application, review our admission requirements and detailed instructions at law.sc.edu. Create your account at the Law School Admission Council’s website lsac.org, register for the Law School Admission Test (LSAT), and sign up for LSAC’s Credential Assembly Service (CAS). If you need an application fee waiver to apply to South Carolina Law, please contact the Admissions Office.

Connect with Admissions

Want to learn more?

- Call the Admissions Office at (803) 777-6605 to speak with an admissions representative or a student ambassador, set up a visit, take a tour, or request scholarship information.
- You can also explore our website at law.sc.edu Our website offers several ways to connect with us. Visit law.sc.edu/connect to learn about events on your campus or ours.

Student Profile

ALEXA
Class of 2018
Hometown
Temecula, California
Undergraduate Institution
University of California, Los Angeles
Student Organizations
Moot Court, Journal of Law and Education, LRAW Tutor, Richland County CASA Guardian ad Litem, Technology & Law Student Association, Law Student Ambassador, Peer Mentor, Phi Delta Phi, American Bar Association
Areas of Interest
Appellate Advocacy, Education Law, Probate, In-House Corporate Counsel

Work Experience
Clerked with in-house corporate counsel at AgFirst Farm Credit Bank. Interned at the South Carolina Supreme Court. Clerked for Rogers Townsend & Thomas.