



EVENT GUIDE

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JACKMAN LAW BUILDING

WELCOME DAY SCHEDULE 2025

START	END	LENGTH	FEATURE	ROOM		
8:15	8:45	30 min	Arrival	Atrium on main entrance level CHECK-IN, MEET & MINGLE WITH FELLOW NEW ADMITS		
8:45	9:30	45 min	Opening	Moot Court Room J 250 CHAIR'S WELCOME, DEAN'S WELCOME & HOUSEKEEPING		
9:30	10:20	55 min	Mini Lecture	Moot Court Room J 250 TORTS & EMERGING TECHNOLOGY		
10:20	10:35	15 min	Breakout #1	<i>Teams move to breakout rooms, check the page 4 chart for your Team's location</i>		
10:35	11:30	55 min	Session #1	J 140 YOUR ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE	P 120 YOUR CO-CURRICULAR & STUDENT LIFE EXPERIENCE	
11:30	11:35	5 min	Pause	<i>Teams remain in their rooms, presenters will rotate to next session room</i>		
11:35	12:20	55 min	Session #2	J 140 YOUR CO-CURRICULAR & STUDENT LIFE EXPERIENCE	P 120 YOUR ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE	
12:20			Go to Lunch	<i>Teams move to assigned lunch tables on level 2 (main entrance level)</i>		
12:20	1:15	55 min	Lunch Buffet	<i>Check the chart on the next page for seating locations, sit at the table displaying your Team number</i>		
1:15	1:20	5 min	Go to Session	<i>All Teams to the same session room</i>		
1:20	1:50	30 min	Session #3	Moot Court Room J 250 YOUR FUTURE: CAREER DEVELOPMENT		
1:50	2:15	25 min	Session #4	Moot Court Room J 250 ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT: THE HON. JUSTICE IRA PARGHI		
2:15	2:30	15 min	Breakout #2	<i>Teams move to breakout rooms, check the chart for your Team's location</i>		
2:30	3:30	1hr	Session #5	J 125 INSIDE SCOOP	J 130 INSIDE SCOOP	J 140 INSIDE SCOOP
<i>Teams will be led to one of the four Information Fair locations on level 2 (main entrance level), then circulate on their own</i>						
3:30	4:45	1 hr 15 min	Information Fair & Tours	J 125 group start in Betty Ho Room	J 130 group start in Willis Room	J 140 group start in Rowell Room + Atrium
TOURS DEPART FROM THE MAIN STAIRWELL IN THE ATRIUM						
4:45	4:50	5 min	Farewell	Gather by the Atrium main stairwell to be escorted to the optional Pub Social		
5:00	7:00	2 hr	Pub Night	Walk to The Pilot , 22 Cumberland St (at Yonge/Bloor) Cash bar. Enjoy the evening with your new peers!		

TEAM NUMBERS & SEATING ASSIGNMENTS

YOUR NUMBER IS ON THE BACK OF YOUR NAME TAG

MORNING SEATING			
FEATURE	Moot Court Room J 250	J 140	P 120
Dean's Welcome & Mini Lecture	ALL TEAMS	—	—
Sessions #1 & #2 <i>Stay in room, presenters rotate</i>	<i>Move down to level 1</i>	1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, 15, 17, 19, 21, 25	2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 23

LUNCH SEATING					
<i>Sit at the table displaying your Team number</i>					
J230	J225	Atrium	Rowell Room	Betty Ho Room	Willis Room
1, 2, 3	4, 5, 6	7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13	14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19	20, 21	22, 23

AFTERNOON SEATING—UPDATED				
FEATURE	Moot Court Room J 250	J 125	J 130	J 140
Session #3 Your Future	ALL TEAMS	—	—	—
Session #4 Inside Scoop <i>Move to new session rooms</i>	<i>Move down to level 1</i>	9, 11, 15, 16, 18, 23	2, 3, 5, 14, 19, 20	1, 4, 6, 7, 8, 10, 12, 13, 17, 21, 22
INFORMATION FAIR <i>Move to the starting location, then circulate to the others</i>	<i>Move up to level 2</i>	From J 125 START in the BETTY HO ROOM	From J 130 START in the WILLIS ROOM	From J 140 START in the ROWELL ROOM & ATRIUM

Welcome to the UofT Law Community!

WELCOME BY THE DEAN

Prof. Jutta Brunnée



Jutta Brunnée is University Professor & James Marshall Tory Dean's Chair at the Faculty of Law. Her teaching and research interests are in the areas of Public International Law, International Environmental Law and International Legal Theory. She has published extensively in each of these areas.

Her current research agenda explores the role of international legality and legal practices in mediating between stability and change in international law.

Professor Brunnée also is co-editor of *The Oxford Handbook of International Environmental Law* (Oxford University Press, 2007). In 1998-99, she was the "Scholar-in-Residence" in the Legal Bureau of the Canadian Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade, advising, inter alia, on matters under the Biodiversity and Climate Change Conventions.

From 2006 to 2016, she served on the Board of Editors of the *American Journal of International Law*. She was elected Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada in 2013, and Associate of the Institut de Droit International in 2017. In 2019, she delivered a course on "*Procedure and Substance in International Environmental Law*" at The Hague Academy of International Law, published in the Academy's *Collected Courses / Recueil des Cours series* (2020).

In 2020, Professor Brunnée was appointed University Professor, the UofT's highest and most distinguished academic rank.

CHAIR, JD ADMISSIONS COMMITTEE

Prof. Albert Yoon



Albert Yoon holds the Michael J. Trebilcock Chair in Law and Economics.

Albert received his undergraduate degree from Yale and his law and doctoral (political science) degrees from Stanford. During law school, he was the senior articles editor of the *Stanford Law Review*. After graduation, he clerked for the Hon. R. Guy Cole of the

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit. Before joining the Faculty of Law, Albert was professor of law at Northwestern University.

At the Faculty of Law, he was Associate Dean - Research and Curriculum for the 2018-20 academic years. In 2022 he became a Pierre Elliot Trudeau Fellow and has held fellowships at Princeton University and the Robert Wood Johnson and

Russell Sage foundations. In 2023 he was the George Francis Brownell Visiting Professor of Law at Harvard Law School.

Albert examines labor markets within and outside the legal profession. He has published in the *Chicago, Stanford, and Virginia law reviews*; and the *Annals of Applied Statistics, Journal of Law & Economics, Journal of Theoretical Politics*, among others. He is a recipient of the Ronald H. Coase Prize for best article in Law and Economics and a member of the American Law Institute. His recent scholarship focuses on legal ethics, and applications of machine learning and natural language processing to law.

Beyond his academic career, Albert is co-founder of Blue J Legal, the company behind Tax Foresight and Employment Foresight: the next generation of legal research tools that harness the power of artificial intelligence to provide instant and comprehensive answers in complex areas of tax, labor, and employment law.

MINI LECTURE

Torts and Emerging Technology

Abdi Aidid, Assistant Professor



Abdi Aidid researches and teaches in the areas of civil procedure, torts, and law & technology.

He received his B.A. from the University of Toronto, his J.D. from Yale Law School and his LL.M from the Faculty of Law.

Professor Aidid previously practiced litigation and arbitration at Covington & Burling LLP in New York City and most recently served as the VP, Legal Research at Blue J, where he oversaw the development of machine learning-enabled research and analytics tools.

Professor Aidid is a Faculty Affiliate at the Centre for Ethics and a member of the Ethics of AI Lab.

Prior to joining the Faculty of Law full-time in 2021, he served as an Adjunct Professor.

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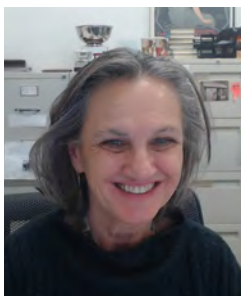
YOUR ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

Learn about our intelligent approach to the first year curriculum.

Your Academic Experience

YOUR ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

Sara Faherty, Assistant Dean, Academic



Sara Faherty majored in English at Wellesley College, a single-sex institution, and graduated from SUNY Buffalo's School of Law. Before going to law school she worked with mentally and physically disabled children at a City of Boston camp, and taught in the Catholic schools.

Sara practiced complex litigation before joining the University of Buffalo's Legal Research and Writing (LRW) faculty, then worked and taught in the Affordable Housing and the Community Economic Development Clinics. Favourite clients included Cornerstone Manor, a large urban shelter for homeless women and their children, and Buffalo's Living Wage Commission. She joined the administrative staff of the University of Toronto's Faculty of Law in 2009.

JD Year 1

Your 1L year consists of eight mandatory courses that lay the foundation for the numerous areas of focus you may pursue in your upper years.

For your convenience, we will enrol you in your first year courses.

SAMPLE COURSE SCHEDULE		
AUGUST	FALL SESSION	WINTER SESSION
Legal Methods	Core A: Constitutional	Core D: Property
	Core B: Contract	Core E: Torts
ORIENTATION ACTIVITIES	Indigenous Peoples & The Canadian Legal System	Legal Research & Writing
	Core C: Criminal (small group)	

Substantive Law Courses

During the Fall (September to December) and Winter (January to April) sessions, you will take six substantive (core) law courses:

One course will span both sessions, and will be evaluated principally through writing assignments, instead of a final exam. This course will be taught in a small group of 16 students.

The remaining five courses will span a single session: three in the Fall, two in the Winter, with corresponding final exams at the end of each session. These courses will be taught in larger sections.

- Constitutional Law
- Contract Law
- Criminal Law
- Indigenous Peoples & The Canadian Legal System
- Property Law
- Tort Law

Legal Methods, LRW, and Indigenous Peoples & The Canadian Legal System will be offered in the same format and order for all students. The five core courses (constitutional, contract, criminal, property and torts) will vary in their format and ordering for each student.

Legal Research & Writing (LRW)

During the Winter session (January to April), you will study Legal Research and Writing, which will provide an opportunity to further develop the ability to think like a lawyer, and also to write and conduct research like one. LRW will be taught in classes of 25 students, and will be evaluated through a series of writing and research assignments that will allow for plenty of direct instructor feedback.

Your Academic Experience

JD UPPER YEARS

Your upper years are all about exploration. We encourage you to pursue your interests and to undertake advanced work, including independent study under the supervision of a faculty member.

Go beyond the classroom for hands-on learning through specialized programs, centres, legal clinics, three student-run law journals, externships and a mooting (mock appellate) program that is one of the best in the country.

Additionally, you may combine legal studies with an allied UofT graduate degree, certificate, or collaborative program. Student exchanges are available at top law schools in 25 cities around the world.

When selecting courses in your second and third years, you will meet the following seven upper year requirements:

1. Administrative Law
2. Critical Perspectives
3. Ethics & Professionalism
4. International, Comparative, Transnational Law
5. January Intensive Course
6. Legal Process
7. Oral Advocacy

Upper Year Courses - Main Areas of Study

- Aboriginal & Indigenous Law
- Administrative Law & Regulation
- Advanced Private Law
- Business Law
- Commercial Law
- Constitutional Law
- Criminal Law
- Environmental Law
- Family Law
- Health Law & Policy
- Intellectual Property & Innovation
- International & Comparative Law
- International Human Rights Law
- Labour Law
- Law & Economics
- Legal History
- Legal Methods & Writing
- Legal Theory
- Litigation/Dispute Settlement
- Social Justice Law
- Taxation

MOOTING & TRIAL ADVOCACY

1L Moot

The Cassels Brock Cup, sometimes referred to as the "Baby Gale," is a competitive moot against Osgoode students and uses the same problem as the Gale Cup.

UofT Law Participation

- Adam Fanaki Competition Law Moot
- Arnup Cup Trial Advocacy Competition
- Bowman Tax Moot
- Callaghan Memorial Moot (criminal/constitutional)
- Canadian Corporate/Securities Moot
- Canadian Labour Arbitration Competition
- Fox Intellectual Property Moot
- Gale Cup Moot (bilingual)
- Grand Moot
- Immigration, Refugee, and Citizenship Moot
- Jessup International Law Moot
- Julius Alexander Isaac Moot
- Kawaskimhon National Aboriginal Law Moot
- Laskin Moot (administrative law)
- Tort Competitive Moot
- Upper Year Moot
- Walsh Family Law Moot
- Walsh Family Law Negotiation Competition
- Wilms & Shier Environmental Law Moot
- Wilson Moot (equity law)
- Winkler Class Actions Moot

KEY WEB PAGES

Grading Policy

handbook.law.utoronto.ca/guidelines-and-procedures/grading-and-honoursdistinction-standing

JD Program degree requirements

law.utoronto.ca/academic-programs/jd-program/program-requirements

List of Courses

law.utoronto.ca/academic-programs/course-calendar

Academic Support Services

ACADEMIC RESOURCES

Faculty of Law Academic Success Program (ASP)

academic.support@utoronto.ca

The ASP provides academic support and mentorship to first-year students who are experiencing academic difficulties or who wish to gain confidence in exam or paper writing. Upper-year student Academic Advisors are hired to provide one-on-one academic mentoring sessions (both in person and via email), deliver group study skills workshop, and meet with small study groups to answer questions. Email to book an appointment.

Writing Centre

writing.utoronto.ca

The School of Graduate Studies Office of English Language and Writing Support (ELWS) offers JD students free, non-credit courses throughout the year and single-session workshops during fall and spring terms. In addition to providing non-credit courses and workshops, ELWS provides one-on-one consultation for JD students who seek individualized assistance with their writing. Appointments are 40 minutes long and are held in Room MR108, 1st floor, 12 Queen's Park Crescent West. All appointments are booked online.

Learning Strategist

studentlife.utoronto.ca/asc

Our strategist offers individual counselling (by appointment) to assist students to work on any of the following areas in a way that is well-suited to immediate needs and personal learning style:

- Research
- Time management, exam preparation
- Dealing with procrastination

ACCESSIBILITY, HEALTH & MEDICAL SERVICES

Accessibility Services Office

studentlife.utoronto.ca/as

Phone: 416-978-8060 TDD: 416-978-1902

There are offices on all three UofT campuses that work to facilitate the inclusion of students with disabilities into all aspects of university life. The focus is on skills development, especially in areas of self-advocacy and academic skills. Services are provided to students who have a physical, sensory, or learning disability, mental health disability, acquired brain injury or chronic health condition (e.g. epilepsy, cancer, bowel disease) as well as students who have temporary disabilities such as a broken dominant arm. The service provides a wide range of support, including:

- Learning disability assessments
- Learning strategy support
- Test and examination accommodations
- Note-taking services
- Sign language interpreters
- Advice and information on disability issues
- Liaison to University and off-campus agencies

YOUR CO-CURRICULAR & STUDENT LIFE EXPERIENCE

**We're here for your success.
Get involved. Be engaged.**

**Discover amazing co-curricular opportunities
for obtaining hands-on experience.**

Together, we can help you reach your goals.

Your Co-Curricular & Student Life Experience

PRESENTER

Brittany Twiss, Assistant Dean, JD Program



Brittany Twiss is a graduate of the University of Ottawa Faculty of Law (J.D. 2011) and Queen's University (BA.H. 2008). After finishing law school, she articulated and practiced family law at a boutique litigation firm in Toronto.

In 2013, Brittany was appointed Executive Director of Level, a Canadian charitable organization, where she spent five years developing justice education and human rights programming with and for Indigenous peoples.

She joined the law school in 2019 as National Director of Pro Bono Students Canada (PBSC). PBSC is the largest pro bono organization in Canada and provides free legal support to people and communities facing barriers to justice.

STUDENT SUPPORT

Ada Maxwell-Alleyne, Assistant Dean, Equity, Diversity & Inclusion



Ada Maxwell-Alleyne holds a B.A. in Anthropology and French from Harvard University, a Masters in Anthropology from the University of Toronto and a J.D. from Dalhousie Law School.

Ada began her legal career in Toronto at a national law firm. She then moved to a leadership position at a provincial health advocacy organization.

Most recently, Ada was the Equity Lead at the Law Society of Ontario where she managed EDI initiatives for the legal profession in the province.

STUDENT SUPPORT

Sara-Marni Hubbard, Director, Student Programs



Sara-Marni Hubbard is a doctoral student in the Social Justice Education Department at OISE. She completed her MA in the History of Science at Concordia University in 2009. Before joining the law school in 2013, Sara-Marni worked in the Sexual and Gender Diversity Office and the leadership office in the Faculty of Engineering.

At the law school, Sara-Marni is your go-to person for all things co-curricular and extra-curricular.

She advises student clubs and government, co-chairs the health and wellness committee, organizes student events such as O-Week, and doggie days, etc. She also manages the student exchange program and supports students with disabilities and health conditions.

Your Co-Curricular & Student Life Experience

STUDENT SUPPORT

Chantelle Brown-Kent, Student Mental Health and Wellness Program Manager



Chantelle Brown-Kent is a registered social worker and psychotherapist who trained at the University of Toronto. She is passionate about supporting adults and has had the opportunity to do so across various settings including community mental health clinics.

Chantelle utilizes an intersectional and culturally sensitive approach to working with students that is grounded in an Anti-Racism, Anti-Black Racism and an Anti-Oppressive framework.

When she is not at work, Chantelle enjoys spending time connecting with loved ones, and practicing self-care through reading, baking/cooking and watching true crime documentaries.

STUDENT SUPPORT

Sako Khederlarian, Student Programs Manager



Sako Khederlarian joined the Faculty of Law from Hart House, where he served as the Coordinator, Learning & Community since 2021. In that role, he acted as an advisor for the Debating Club, the Chess Club, and the Social Justice Committee. Additionally, he oversaw the Student Leader Working Group, where he actively

supported the skill-building development of student leaders at Hart House. His responsibilities also extended to leading significant initiatives such as the Global Commons program, which fosters discussions on pertinent global issues among students from institutions worldwide.

With a robust background in higher education and student engagement, Sako began his career at Trent University, overseeing orientation and transition programming between 2010-2018. His commitment to supporting campus clubs and student organizations ensured the delivery of impactful, inclusive, and safe events. During 2018, Sako transitioned to the University of Toronto Mississauga, where he assumed a leadership role in student group support and the development of skill-building opportunities for student leaders.

Beyond his professional achievements, Sako is a passionate pianist, avid reader, and fitness coach who is dedicated to the holistic growth and development of others.

Your Co-curricular & Student Life Experience

Together, we can help you reach your goals

At UofT Law, we believe that your total JD experience should be a combination of deep academic engagement and hands-on opportunities that allow you to make a contribution to the community, engage in practical legal issues and build valuable professional skills.

For those of you who are still deciding where to go to law school, you will want to look closely at the quality and reputation of the clinics, programs, internships, exchanges, journals, student services and other activities that that each school offers. At UofT Law, we offer a huge array of co- and extra-curricular activities, as well as a vibrant and welcoming student community.

The following are highlights of the student services, co- and extra-curricular activities and other aspects of our program.

UofT LAW STUDENT SERVICES

Indigenous Initiatives Office (IIO)

law.utoronto.ca/iio

U of T Law has long been dedicated to enhancing Indigenous voices in our community and within the legal profession. Through the IIO, the Faculty offers innovative academic and experiential initiatives to all law students. The IIO promotes cultural initiatives at the law school and is devoted to recruiting and supporting Indigenous law students.

Health and Wellness

law.utoronto.ca/student-life/personal-support/health-and-well-being

U of T Law recognizes the reciprocal relationship between mental and physical health, overall wellbeing and academic success. As such, we are committed to supporting students to develop the skills to enhance wellbeing and cope with challenges, plus access formal (medical and counselling services) and informal supports (self-care strategies, peer support) necessary to promote optimal physical and mental health.

JD Financial Aid Office

law.utoronto.ca/financialaid

Our needs-based aid program is one of the most generous in Canada. We give out over \$5 million per year with an average bursary of over \$20,000. We strive to ensure that students with the greatest financial need receive the largest bursaries, with consideration to all resources available to students. Use our online estimator to see the bursary you may be eligible to receive. Please contact us directly with your inquiries.

UofT LAW STUDENT SERVICES CONTACTS

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- **Sako Khederlarian**, Student Programs Manager
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FINANCIAL AID OFFICE

- **Irene Aiello**, Manager
- **Erica Varga**, Admissions & Financial Aid Coordinator
- **Caitlyn Seale**, Student Services Administrator
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INDIGENOUS STUDENT SERVICES

- **Prof. Douglas Sanderson**, Faculty Advisor
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MENTAL HEALTH & WELLNESS

- **Chantelle Brown-Kent**, Student Mental Health and Wellness Program Manager
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RECORDS OFFICE (course enrolment, assignments, exams)

- **Linda Nauman**, Registrar
- **Emily Jane Watson**, Assistant Registrar
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Your Co-curricular & Student Life Experience

VOLUNTEERING: CLINICS, CENTRES & PRO-BONO ORGANIZATIONS

In your 1L year, UofT Law offers several great opportunities to volunteer with our in-house legal clinics and programs, and our local Pro Bono Students Canada chapter.

David Asper Centre for Constitutional Rights (Asper)

aspercentre.ca

The only one of its kind in Canada, the Asper Centre houses a unique legal clinic that brings together students, faculty and members of the legal profession to work on significant constitutional cases.

Downtown Legal Services (DLS)

downtownlegalservices.ca

DLS operates seven divisions that provide free legal services to low-income clients and university students in high priority areas of: criminal law; employment law; disability, health & income security; housing law, refugee and immigration law; university affairs; and family law. Working under the close supervision of expert staff lawyers, law students provide legal advice and represent clients in court and tribunals.

Future of Law Lab

futureoflaw.utoronto.ca

Explore the intersections between technology, entrepreneurship and innovation, and how they are changing the practice of law. Discuss the many impacts of technology on society. Learn about design-thinking concepts as you formulate solutions to the most pressing issues affecting access to justice. Participate in workshops that simulate real world problems, join our legal design labs, and collaborate with students from various faculties during our annual Hack-a-Thon competition. There are also a host of practical experiences available including our Innovation & Entrepreneurship externship, research groups, and summer opportunities with start-up incubators and legal technology companies.

International Human Rights Program (IHRP)

ihrp.law.utoronto.ca

Through the IHRP clinic and working groups, students have opportunities that expose them to the theory and practice of international human rights law while providing essential legal expertise to civil society. Projects range from drafting policies and submissions to the United Nations, creating advocacy reports and public legal education materials, to advocating before courts and tribunals.

Investor Protection Clinic (IPC)

law.utoronto.ca/programs-centres/legal-clinics/investor-protection-clinic

The Investor Protection Clinic provides free public legal education to members of vulnerable communities who are at risk of suffering harm, or may have suffered harm, relating to their investments. The IPC provides law students with unique experiential learning opportunities through developing and delivering public legal education, and collaborating with regulators and key stakeholders on policy projects and litigation.

Law in Action Within Schools (LAWS)

lawinaction.ca

Our Faculty's law and justice-themed program that brings high school students together with law students and faculty to help the high school students achieve their full potential. LAWS delivers an education program aimed at supporting, guiding and motivating high school students.

Pro Bono Students Canada (PBSC)

probonostudents.ca

Pro Bono Students Canada is the first and largest pro bono organization in the country, and was founded here at UofT. PBSC's students work under the supervision of lawyers and in partnership with community organizations to provide free support to people and communities facing barriers to justice.

As 1Ls, you will have the opportunity to assist a large range of communities in need, including immigrants seeking refugee status, survivors of violence, and families in crisis, to name a few. PBSC also engages upper year students in complex projects focused on wrongful convictions, Indigenous land claims, and human rights violations.

Your Co-curricular & Student Life Experience

JOURNALS

law.utoronto.ca/student-life/student-journals

- **Indigenous Law Journal**

A student-run legal journal and the first and only Canadian legal journal to exclusively publish articles regarding Indigenous legal issues.

- **Journal of Law and Equality**

A peer reviewed, student-run journal that promotes critical and informed debate on issues of equality, with a special emphasis on the Canadian context.

- **Faculty of Law Review**

This is one of Canada's oldest and most respected academic journals committed to publishing student scholarly work related to law. It is also the only journal of its kind in Canada edited entirely by students and devoted solely to contributions from students worldwide.

MENTORSHIP

law.utoronto.ca/student-life/mentorship-and-peer-programs-u-t-law

Peer Mentorship Program (PMP)

The PMP pairs first year students with upper year mentors. Founded by law students in 2009, the PMP fosters an inclusive community within the law school. Mentors act as a confidential source of guidance on both academic and non-academic matters.

Alumni-Student Mentorship Program

1L students are paired with U of T Law alumni who are practicing lawyers. Students can request a mentor who is working in a particular area of practice and/or who shares a similar personal identity and/or cultural background. Students gain valuable insight into the day to day experiences of working lawyers.

Peer Mental Health Support Program (PMHSP)

The PMHSP matches students with upper-year mentors who have lived experiences of mental health. The PMHSP supports students through the challenging transitions associated with entering law school, and offers an avenue for building a sense of community, connections, experiential knowledge, ensuring increased levels of health, well-being, quality of life, and resilience. Mentors are trained to develop skills and tools around university supports, services, and establishing safety nets for mentees to rely on.

Your Co-curricular & Student Life Experience

STUDENT CLUBS & ASSOCIATIONS

law.utoronto.ca/student-life/student-clubs-and-events

Students' Law Society (SLS)

law.utoronto.ca/student-life/students-law-society-sls

All students at the Faculty of Law are members of the Students' Law Society. The SLS works to represent students and foster community at the Faculty of Law. Students elect executives and representatives from each year to form the SLS. The SLS mainly operates in three committees:

- the Executive Committee
- the Social and Financial Committee (SFC), and
- the Student Life and Academic Committee (SLAC)

List subject to change.

A full clubs fair will be held in early September.

→ EXPECTED AT THE WELCOME DAY INFORMATION FAIR

→ **Advocates for People Experiencing Homelessness**

→ **Animal Justice**

- Artists' Legal Advice Services (ALAS) Clinic

→ **Asia Law Society**

- Athletics Association, Faculty of Law

→ **Black Law Students' Association**

→ **Business Law Society**

→ **Canadian Hispanic Bar Association, UofT Chapter**

- Cannabis Law Club

→ **Canadian Assoc. of Refugee Lawyers, UofT Chapter**

- Chinese Law Student Society

→ **Christian Legal Fellowship**

- Common Spring Society
- Competition Law Group
- Construction Law Club
- Craft Beer Club

→ **Criminal Law Students' Association**

→ **Disabled Law Students' Association**

- Emerging Practices Law Society

→ **Environmental Law Club**

→ **Fashion Law Society**

→ **First Generation Network**

- Health Law Club

→ **Indigenous Law Journal**

→ **Indigenous Law Students' Association**

- Intellectual Property Law Group
- International Commission of Jurists, UofT Chapter
- International Human Rights Program Rights Review
- International Law Society
- Italian Law Students Society
- JD Legal Theory Club

→ **Jewish Law Students' Association**

→ **Journal of Law & Equality**

- JURIST - Toronto Chapter

→ **Korean Law Students' Association**

→ **Labour & Employment Law Society**

→ **Law Follies**

→ **Law Games**

- Legal Innovation and Technology Group
- Legal Theory Club
- Legally Knits

→ **Litigation Association**

→ **Mock Trial Association**

→ **Muslim Law Students' Association**

- Negotiations Club

→ **OutLaws**

- Pickleball Club

- Privacy and Cybersecurity Law Group

→ **Pro Bono Students Canada**

→ **Real Estate Law Society**

- Run Club

→ **Runnymede Society**

→ **Sikh Law Students' Association**

- South Asian Law Students Association
- Sports and Entertainment Law Society
- Statecraft Simulation Society
- Students' Law Society
- Tax Law Society
- Tech & Law Society
- Ultra Vires
- U of T Faculty of Law Review

→ **UofT Law Union**

- UofT Tabletop Gaming Club

→ **Venture Capital Law Society**

→ **Women & the Law Society**

UNIVERSITY-WIDE (CENTRAL) STUDENT SERVICES

U of T Health & Wellness

studentlife.utoronto.ca/hwc

The health team includes family physicians, registered nurses, a Community Health Coordinator, a Health Promotion Nurse, support staff and peer health educators. Services include comprehensive medical care, counselling and referral, dressing care, immunizations and travel health education. Diagnostic tests and procedures, ordered in the clinic, are performed by a lab technician in the on-site laboratory. Comprehensive sexual health assessment, care and counselling are available including contraception counselling, education and prescriptions.

Housing Services

housing.utoronto.ca

Accommodation is available for single and married students, including the on-campus university residence, independent residences, university family housing and off-campus housing. The Housing Department has an off-campus housing registry.

Athletic Centre (St. George campus)

physical.utoronto.ca

Great facilities including seven gymnasias, three pools, a strength and conditioning centre, indoor track, dance studio, cardio machines, tennis and squash courts and steam rooms. *UofT students have access to athletic facilities at each campus.*

Hart House

harthouse.ca

This is the cultural, athletic and recreational meeting place on campus and is open to all students daily. Students receive a Hart House membership when they pay their tuition. It offers a wide range of artistic and athletic features and programs.

Anti-Racism & Cultural Diversity Office

antiracism.utoronto.ca

The office is mandated to provide support to students, staff and faculty, by engaging collaboratively with stakeholders on campus to enable the UofT's academic mission through the integration of its commitment to equity, diversity and inclusivity.

Equity Matters

people.utoronto.ca

All students, faculty and staff are entitled to enjoy a safe and non-discriminatory environment. The UofT Diversity + Equity Initiative has several Offices that offer services, resources and programs on diversity and equity issues, including offices for Sexual & Gender Diversity, Race Relations & Anti-Racism Initiatives and the Status of Women.

Faith and Spiritual Life

studentlife.utoronto.ca/mf

UofT Law provides multi-faith space for prayer, meditation and spiritual practices. Please contact the Assistant Dean, JD Program, for more information. The UofT has several Faith Centres that can be visited by JD students.

Family Care Office

familycare.utoronto.ca

The UofT is committed to fostering a family-friendly learning and working environment. The Family Care Office provides information, guidance and referral services to students who require child care, elder care, support groups, workshops on child care and financial matters and practical information about pregnancy and infant care.

First Nations House (FNH)

fnh.utoronto.ca

FNH provides culturally supportive student services and programs to UofT Aboriginal students. Founded in 1992, FNH is located on the downtown Toronto St. George Campus and houses the Office of Aboriginal Student Services and Programs, and the Indigenous Students' Association.

Sexual & Gender Diversity Office (SGDO)

sgdo.utoronto.ca

The SGDO develops partnerships to build supportive learning and working communities at the UofT by working towards equity and challenging discrimination. The Office provides innovative education, programming, resources and advocacy on sexual and gender diversity for students, staff and faculty across the University's three campuses.

Sexual Violence Prevention and Support Centre

svpscentre.utoronto.ca

The centre works to create a campus environment where all UofT community members can study, work and live free from sexual violence. The Centre helps students, staff and faculty who have been affected by sexual violence or sexual harassment access support, services and accommodations via:

- Confidential, non-judgmental, client-centred services
- Coordination and navigation of University supports, services and accommodations
- Support in making a disclosure
- Assistance with reporting
- Referrals to on- and off-campus services
- Self-care resources

YOUR FUTURE

Career Development & Insight

Unrivalled service to help you define and launch your career.

Tap into the expertise of practicing professionals.

What lies ahead?

Your Future: Career Development

PRESENTER

Theresa Chan, Director, Career Development Office



Theresa Chan is a graduate of the University of Toronto Faculty of Law (J.D. 2010) and Harvard University (B.A. 2006).

She joined Blake, Cassels & Graydon LLP as a summer student in 2009 and was admitted to the Blake's partnership in 2019, where her practice focused on infrastructure and procurement law.

Throughout her career at Blakes, Theresa assumed leadership roles in the recruitment, mentorship, training and retention of diverse lawyers.

Theresa is passionate about mental health and wellness, is a trained peer support facilitator and has professional coach training from the Co-active Training Institute.

CAREER SUPPORT

Lindsay McKay, Career Development Advisor



Lindsay McKay received her Bachelor of Arts (Hon.) from the University of Toronto and her LL.B. from the University of Ottawa and began her legal career in Toronto in the corporate department of a national law firm after summering and articling there. After a few years in corporate law she transitioned to a litigation

practice with an eventual focus on family law at a boutique family law firm. She has also held the position of Legal Services Director at a non-profit where, among other responsibilities, she managed the Pro-Bono Summary Legal Advice Clinic.

For the previous three years she has acted as a mentor and assessor in the Law Practice Program at Toronto Metropolitan University while also maintaining her private practice. Lindsay has always provided mentorship and guidance to law students and junior lawyers. Lindsay enjoys spending time with her family and their new puppy, being active and travelling.

CAREER SUPPORT

Aglaia Lowo, Career Development Advisor



Aglaia Lowo received both her Bachelor of Arts and Juris Doctor degrees as an international student and volunteered and articulated in the legal clinic system.

Prior to joining the Career Development Office, Aglaia practiced

in Family and Child Protection Law in a number of boutique firms throughout the GTA, representing clients at the Ontario and Superior Courts of Justice.

Throughout her career, Aglaia provided formal and informal mentorship to students and colleagues, navigating university, law school, and their legal careers. Aglaia is fluent in German and enjoys spending time with family, friends, and her furry companion, Piper.

CAREER SUPPORT

Julia Decker, Employer Relations & Programming Coordinator



Julia Decker joined the Faculty of Law in 2019, She coordinates the logistical operations of the Career Development Office, including student programming, job postings, and recruitment events such as on-campus interviews. As

well, Julia fosters and maintains the CDO's relationships with employers, while helping to generate new opportunities for students.

Prior to joining the CDO full-time in January 2022, she supported the Records Office and, briefly, the Graduate Office. Julia received her HBA in English Literature and MA in English Literature and Creative Writing from the University of Toronto; she is in the process of completing a PhD in English Literature from McGill University.

Your Future: Career Development

CAREER DEVELOPMENT OFFICE (CDO)

law.utoronto.ca/cdo

The CDO provides continual career planning sessions and hosts several events that can help students select from among the different opportunities that exist for those with a legal education.

CDO resources include guides, handouts, recorded sessions, informational videos and job postings which are accessed online through **UTLC**, the **University of Toronto Law Career Network** and are stored in the extensive Resource Library. Examples of CDO resources include:

- guides for seeking summer employment, articling positions or clerkship opportunities in a variety of markets
- materials on developing interview skills for interviews in the public and private sectors
- guides on clerkships and resources to navigate the clerkship interview process
- records of job postings for summer and articling positions
- comprehensive FAQ documents for first and second year students

Online Resources

- recorded panel discussions about different areas of practice, work environments, private and public sectors options and practising in New York
- tutorials for assembling an excellent application package (cover letters and resumes)
- information sessions to inform students about topics such as the articling process and fellowship opportunities

Workshops & Events

- panel discussions on different areas of practice, as well as options beyond traditional legal practice
- workshops and drop-in sessions with CDO staff and legal employers for students to polish their application materials and interview skills
- opportunities to practise networking with private, public sector and public interest employers
- one-on-one counselling sessions with CDO staff to perfect application materials, practise interviewing and identify career planning goals

Public Interest Fellowships

The Faculty of Law offers several paid fellowship programs which enable students to pursue summer opportunities in public interest law or international human rights, funded by the law school, Students' Law Society or external donors. The Faculty of Law also offers two paid business law internships which are funded by private law firms.

UofT Law Employment Statistics

law.utoronto.ca/student-life/career-development-office/career-statistics

The law school's graduates feature prominently both in and outside the legal profession and are leading figures in judicial, political and academic circles in Canada and internationally. Our students enjoy unmatched success in securing summer positions with Canadian law firms, including full-service firms, boutique firms, government agencies, and other organizations. Each year, 95% or more of graduating students seeking an articling position have secured one by June.

Career Explorer: What kind of lawyer do you want to be?

law.utoronto.ca/career-explorer

We know that it can be challenging for law students to identify what they want to do, and then develop a clear path towards their goal. Exploring your interests is a critical step in this process. UofT Law's exclusive Career Explorer resource is designed to give you a road map of ways to explore areas of interest, both inside and outside of the classroom.

Leadership Skills Program

law.utoronto.ca/academic-programs/jd-program/leadership-skills-program

Facilitated by industry experts, and developed in consultation with students, alumni and members of the legal profession, the innovative LSP workshop series will prepare you to transition from a stellar law student to a highly-regarded and successful summer student, articling student and lawyer. Workshop topics include:

- Identifying leadership styles
- Communicating so that people will listen
- Thriving in a team environment
- Building key relationships – networking
- Getting the job done – manage your time effectively
- Emotional intelligence

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

The Honourable Justice Ira G. Parghi

Class of 1997



Photo: law timesnews.com

The Honourable Justice Ira G. Parghi was born and raised in Kamloops, British Columbia, and is the proud daughter of Indian immigrants.

She holds a Bachelor of Arts in Public Policy (with distinction) from Stanford University, a Bachelor of Laws from the University of Toronto, and a Master of Public Policy from Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government. She was admitted to the bars of Ontario, New York, and California.

Justice Parghi's practice encompassed litigation and advisory work and spans several jurisdictions. She has expertise in privacy and information law, health regulatory law, tort law, digital health, and artificial intelligence.

She has spoken and published widely in these areas. Her clients have included hospitals, health care facilities, medtech companies, universities, research institutes, and non-profits.

She is an experienced adjudicator, having served for many years as a Co-Chair of the University of Toronto Tribunal. She is recognized in the Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory. She has worked at Torys, Lax O'Sullivan Cronk (now Lax O'Sullivan Lisus Gottlieb), Borden Ladner Gervais, Ropes & Gray, and INQ Law.

Justice Parghi has served the legal profession and community as a member of the Canadian Blood Services Research Ethics Board and the boards of directors of the South Asian Bar Association – Toronto, South Asian Legal Clinic of Ontario, and Gerstein Crisis Centre. She has mentored dozens of lawyers, most of them racialized and/or internationally trained.

On May 13, 2024, the Hon. Arif Virani (LLB 1998), Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada, announced the appointment of Justice Ira G. Parghi to the Superior Court of Justice of Ontario.

THE INSIDE SCOOP

Ask Me Anything all-student session

You're in the hands of current JD students completely.
No faculty or staff will be present.

Get the answers to everything you were afraid to ask.

SOME UofT LAW ACRONYMS

AIW	Advocates for Injured Workers
ALAS	Artists' Legal Advice Services
ALS	Aboriginal Legal Services
Asper	David Asper Centre for Constitutional Rights
BSCC	Barbra Schlifer Commemorative Clinic
DLS	Downtown Legal Services
FOL	Future of Law Lab
IHRP	International Human Rights Program
IPC	Investor Protection Clinic
LAWS	Law in Action Within Schools
PMP	Peer Mentorship Program
PBSC	Pro Bono Students Canada
SLS	Students' Law Society

INFORMATION FAIR

Chat one-on-one with representatives from our:

Student Clubs and Associations
(the full clubs fair will occur in September)

In-House Clinics
Career Development Office
Financial Aid Office

Information Fair

THERE ARE 4 FAIR LOCATIONS

BEGIN AT YOUR DESIGNATED START LOCATION

THEN ROTATE TO THE OTHERS

ATRIUM

- ◆ Advocates for Persons Experiencing Homelessness
- ◆ Asia Law Society
- ◆ Black Law Students' Association
- ◆ Business Law Society
- ◆ CDO: Career Development Office
- ◆ Financial Aid Office (drop-in consults in J 230)
- ◆ First Generation Network
- ◆ Korean Law Students' Association
- ◆ LAWS: Law in Action Within Schools
- ◆ Muslim Law Students' Association
- ◆ PBSC: Pro Bono Students Canada
- ◆ Women & the Law Society

ROWELL ROOM

- ◆ Disabled Law Students' Association
- ◆ DLS: Downtown Legal Services Clinic
- ◆ Indigenous Law Journal
- ◆ Indigenous Law Students' Association
- ◆ Journal of Law and Equality
- ◆ Law Follies
- ◆ Law Union, UofT
- ◆ Litigation Association
- ◆ OutLaws
- ◆ Sikh Law Students' Association
- ◆ Venture Capital Law Society

BETTY HO ROOM - FL223

- ◆ Animal Justice Club
- ◆ FOL: Future of Law Lab
- ◆ IPC: Investor Protection Clinic
- ◆ Jewish Law Students' Association
- ◆ Labour and Employment Law Society
- ◆ Law Games
- ◆ Real Estate Law Society

WILLIS ROOM - FL219

- ◆ ASPER: D. Asper Centre for Constitutional Rights
- ◆ Canadian Association of Refugee Lawyers
- ◆ Canadian Hispanic Bar Association U of T
- ◆ Christian Legal Fellowship
- ◆ Criminal Law Students' Association
- ◆ Environmental Law Club
- ◆ Fashion Law Society
- ◆ IHRP: International Human Rights Program
- ◆ Mock Trial Association
- ◆ Runnymede Society

Refreshment Menus

Bon Appétit!

While we work with vendors to implement steps to minimize risk and safely handle the foods that contain potential allergens, please be advised that cross contamination may occur.

Please be aware that our food may contain or come into contact with common allergens, such as dairy, eggs, wheat, soybeans, tree nuts, peanuts, fish, shellfish or wheat.

MORNING BITES

Assorted Pastries

Gluten-Free items will be labelled

Coffee, Tea

MORNING & AFTERNOON BREAKS

Coffee, Tea, Water

G - Gluten-free

H - Halal

V - Vegan

LUNCH BUFFET—GREEK CUISINE

Hummus (G, V)

Dip of chick peas, tahini (sesame seeds), onions, extra virgin olive oil

Grilled Vegetables (G, V)

Eggplant, zucchini, mushrooms, seasonal peppers, onion

Greek Salad (G, V)

Lettuce, tomatoes, cucumbers, red onions, green peppers, olives
On the side: feta cheese; salad dressing of extra virgin olive oil with oregano

Rice (G, V)

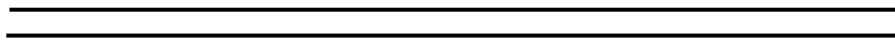
Pita Bread (V)

Grilled Chicken (G, H)

with Tzatziki Dip (G)

Yoghurt, Garlic, Cucumber, extra virgin olive oil.

Juice, Soft-drinks (pop), Coffee, Tea, Water



INFORMATION FAIR BITES

in the Atrium by the café

Fresh Popcorn (G, V)

*Plain, Caramel, or season with any of these flavours:
All Dressed, Canadian Cheddar, Dill Pickle, Salt & Vinegar, White Cheddar*



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