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Greeting! Welcome to the first issue of the Comet Brief. This monthly newsletter informs you about all things pre-law, including center events, announcements, internship opportunities, and the latest legal news articles.

Whether you are just starting your pre-law journey, preparing for the LSAT, or applying to law schools, there will be something here for you every month!

## CENTER UPDATES



### **Champagne Endowment Law School Application Subsidy**

The Pre-Law Advising Center proudly announces the Champagne Endowment Law School Application Subsidy for students in the current admissions cycle.

*The deadline to apply is October 14.*

**[APPLY](#)**

## Now on Instagram!

Don't miss the crucial news and insights you need to make informed legal decisions. Follow the Pre-Law Advising Center on Instagram to be the first to know!



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## Call for Volunteers!

The Pre-Law Advising Center will host the UTD Law Fair on October 19, 12:00-3:00 PM. We are looking for students who wish to volunteer to assist with the event logistics. Volunteers can expect to help the event to function effectively.

Moreover, besides helping to ensure the event is successful, students who volunteer have the opportunity to meet and network with law school representatives from privileged positions.

[Volunteer Here](#)

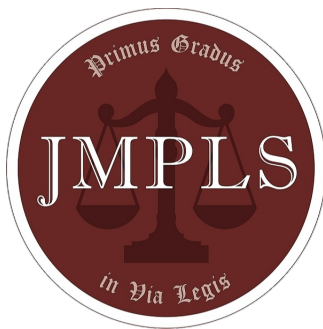
## Pre-Law Kickoff Success!



The Pre-Law Advising Center hosted the Pre-Law Kickoff, welcoming current and prospective pre-law students back to campus on September 7, 2022. Over **150 students** learned more about essential law school admissions and application processes, pre-law student organizations, resources, and upcoming events!

Did you miss the Personal Statement Workshop? View the slides to gain insight and find out what you missed!

[Personal Statement Workshop Slides](#)



### John Marshall Pre-Law Society

Join JMPLS, an official Pre-Law organization which promotes understanding of the law, helps members enter the legal profession, and encourages scholarship and leadership.

Note: In addition to signing up, prospective



### Women Pursuing Law

Join WPL, an official student organization whose goal is to provide resources specifically geared towards empowering women in law, politics, and social justice.

Note: To become an official member, you must pay dues. Dues are \$8.00 for the semester or \$12

members must submit a one time payment, \$20.00, to finalize membership. Contact [jmplsutd@gmail.com](mailto:jmplsutd@gmail.com) with questions!

for the academic year. Dues will be accepted until 9/30/22!

[JMPLS Sign Up](#)

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Law School Admissions 101

October 11, 2022, 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM | Virtual

Are you at the beginning of your law school admission process and want to learn about how it works?

Join the Pre-Law Advising Center for Law School Admissions 101! We will discuss general aspects of the law school admissions process. If you are considering applying, this is a session you don't want to miss!

[Join Here!](#)

### How To Get the Most Out of Law Fair

October 13, 2022, 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM | Virtual

Are you preparing for your first law fair? Attend this session presented by Dr. Barbara Kirby, Director of the Pre-Law Advising Center, to learn tips and valuable information about navigating and getting the most out of a law fair!

[Join Here!](#)

### UTD Law Fair

October 19, 2022, 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM | Visitor Center (VCB)

The UTD Law Fair will be the largest pre-law event this semester! With over 65 law schools registered, this event will bring together hundreds of law school staff and UT Dallas students for "table talk" discussions and networking opportunities. Join us for an opportunity to gain valuable insight into the schools that you're considering applying to.

### Yale Law School Visit

October 20, 2022, 1:30 PM - 3:30 PM | Galaxy Room A

Britt Milano, the Director of J.D. Admissions, will discuss the admissions process, financial aid, and scholarship options. The Director of J.D. Admissions welcomes your questions about the Law

## UT Law School Visit

October 27, 2022, 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM | SU Faculty Dining Hall A

Mathiew Le, the Assistant Dean of Admissions and Financial Aid, will discuss about the admissions process, financial aid, and scholarship options. The Assistant Dean welcomes your questions about the Law School, the University, and Austin.

## INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

According to the National Associate of Colleges & Employers (NACE), an internship is a form of experiential learning that integrates knowledge and theory learned in the classroom with practical application and skills development in a professional setting.

Every month this section will feature great opportunities for students to gain hands-on experience and explore areas of practice in legal and legal adjacent fields.



Gain valuable political experience and help elect Democratic pro-choice women up and down the ballot!

Applications for the Spring 2023 Internship are now open!

[Learn More](#)



State Farm is the largest insurer of cars and homes in the United States and a major provider of term life insurance.

The Real Estate Investments Team is looking to hire four interns for the summer of 2023.

[Learn More](#)



The ACLU is looking for the next generation of leaders who dare to create a more perfect union.

With various remote internship opportunities you can contribute to meaningful work and gain professional experience.

[Learn More](#)

## EngageUTD

EngageUTD allows students to find and register for volunteer opportunities posted by community organizations. Students can learn more about how to sign up, register for events and add their service hours/impacts.

## TIP OF THE MONTH

Get involved in co-curricular activities of interest to you. Schools look at depth of involvement and leadership roles versus quantity of activities. Co-curricular activities are an excellent avenue for you to distinguish yourself.

## LATEST LEGAL NEWS



### **Lawsuit Seeks to Block President Biden's Student Loan Forgiveness Plan**

A lawsuit attempting to block President Biden's student debt relief program was filed in the U.S. District Court, Southern District of Indiana, on Tuesday, September 27, 2022.

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### **47 People Charged With Stealing \$250 Million in Pandemic Food Relief for Kids**

The Department of Justice charged 47 people on Tuesday with federal crimes for their alleged roles in a scheme to steal \$250 million from a federally-funded pandemic food program for children. According to the DOJ, the plot was the largest COVID-19 fraud scheme in the nation.

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### **Starbucks Faces Discrimination Lawsuit Based on Diversity Policies**

The restaurant chain sought to boost diversity in its workforce and its contracts after the Black Lives Matter movement, but a conservative shareholder argues that these policies violated federal and state discrimination laws.

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### **Federal Judge Rules That Scanning Students' Rooms During Remote Exams Is Unconstitutional**

A federal judge ruled this week that scanning students' rooms during remote exams violates the Fourth Amendment.

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### **Theranos Founder Elizabeth Holmes Requests a New Trial**

Elizabeth Holmes, the former Theranos CEO convicted in January of defrauding investors, requested a new trial in two separate filings this week. One filing alleges that a key prosecution witness has expressed regret for his testimony while another asserts that the fact that she was tried before her former partner Ramesh "Sunny" Balwani was unfairly prejudicial.

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