



Welcome to the latest edition of the Comet Brief. In this issue, we bring you the latest updates and insights on the legal world, a note regarding Black History Month, and new internship opportunities.

As we continue to move forward in the semester, please remember that the Pre-Law Advising Center is rich in resources and opportunities to help you achieve your pre-law goals.

We hope you will find the information we share helpful, and if there's anything you'd like to see in future editions, don't hesitate to reach out and let us know.

CENTER UPDATES

Pre-Law Externship Program

The Pre-Law Externship Program allows law UT Dallas pre-law students to shadow and observe professionals within various fields of the legal profession. Occurring during the week of Spring Break (March 13 - 19, 2023), students are matched with UTD alums and legal professionals in various careers across various disciplines. Students are encouraged to attend an information session to learn more about the program and how to apply.

Pre-Law Externship Program Information Sessions

[Apply Here](#)

[Learn More](#)



UT Dallas LSAT Prep Course

Applications for the LSAT Prep Course are closed.

The Pre-Law Advising Center will commence the review of applications on February 1st, 2023, and the selected candidates will be notified by February 6th, 2023.

If applicants have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the Center at prelaw@utdallas.edu.

Save the Date!

The 2023 UTD Law Conference will be held on April 21st, 2023, at the Davidson-Gundy Alumni Center. The conference will offer informative and practical sessions on topics relevant to pre-law students and attorneys. Registration TBA.

Celebrating Black History Month

Black History Month is an important time to reflect on the rich history and legacy of Black Americans, particularly in the field of law. As a pre-law student, educating yourself on the challenges and triumphs of Black legal pioneers who paved the way for future generations is crucial. By doing so, you can gain a deeper appreciation for the diversity of thought and experiences that shape our legal system and a clearer understanding of the ongoing struggle for justice and equality. Let this month be an opportunity to broaden your perspectives, engage in meaningful discussions, and take action to support and uplift the Black community.

The ABA Diversity and Inclusion Advisory Council announced its involvement in the "21-Day Racial Equity Habit-Building Challenge ©." We invite all pre-law students to join the challenge created by diversity expert Eddie Moore, Jr. to increase awareness of the complex relationships between race, power, privilege, supremacy, and oppression. We encourage pre-law students to expand their understanding and actively build habits toward promoting racial equity by using the concept as an educational tool for themselves and when engaging with others.

ABA-Wide 21-Day Racial Equity Habit-Building Challenge

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Now on Canvas!

**Pre-Law
Instagram**

UTD Pre-Law 101 is your one-stop shop resource for finding law school-related information. Whether you have burning questions, want to know if you're "doing it right," or are interested in learning how to take your application portfolio to the next level, the links and resources will help you get where you want to go.

Students must register with a non-UTD email, preferably their LSAC account email.

[Register Here](#)

Take advantage of 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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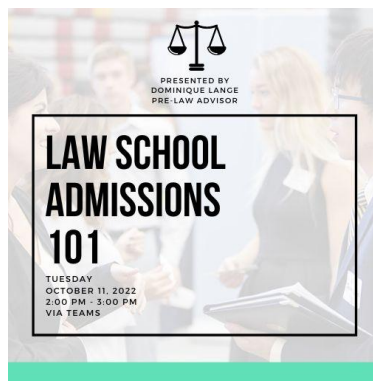
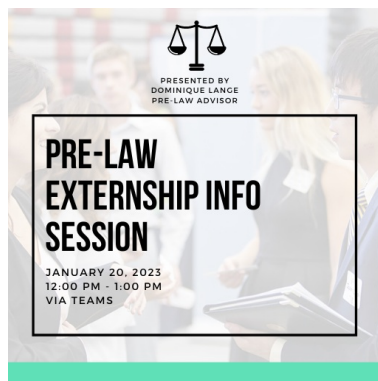
Are you applying to the 2023-24 Law School Admission Cycle?

The Pre-Law Advising Center has application fee waivers for the following schools:

- William & Mary Law School
- Kansas University School of Law

Fee waivers are valid for this cycle only. Contact Dominique Lange at dominique.lange@utdallas.edu to receive one!

Have you missed recent pre-law events? View the session recordings to gain insight and find out what you missed!



John Marshall Pre-Law Society

Join JMPLS, an official Pre-Law organization that promotes understanding of the law, helps members enter the legal profession, and



Women Pursuing Law

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

encourages scholarship and leadership.

social justice.

Note: In addition to signing up, prospective members must submit a one-time payment of \$20.00 to finalize membership.

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

[JMPLS Sign Up](#)

[JMPLS Email](#)

[WPL Sign Up](#)

[WPL Dues](#)



Feb 1
GR 4.208, 5-6 PM
LSAT Study Circle

Feb 8
SSA 12.471, 6-7 PM
GBM - Building Care Baskets

Feb 16
GR 4.208, 5-6 PM
LSAT Study Circle

Feb 22
TBA
Coffee Chat

February 2023

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What We Do: We Create Access that Unlocks Employment Potential

Career Spring is a non-profit organization that aims to provide job training and career advancement opportunities to individuals from under-resourced communities. They offer programs and services such as job readiness training, career counseling, and job placement assistance to help individuals reach their full potential in the workforce.

Unlock your career potential.

[Get Started](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Pre-Law Resume Workshop

February 10, 12:00-1:30 PM
Student Services Building 3.300
Pre-registration required.

Join the Pre-Law Advising Center and University Career Center for a resume workshop led by esteemed Career Consultant Candida Pouchie and Pre-Law Advisor Dominique Lange. In this workshop, students will learn to include the essential elements that highlight qualifications, accomplishments, and what makes a resume stand out in the law school application process!

[Register Here](#)

LinkedIn for Pre-Law Students

February 15, 12:00-1:30 PM
Student Services Building 3.300
Pre-registration required.

LinkedIn provides quick access to members of the legal community that can help you foster connections throughout your pre-law journey. This session will offer insight into strengthening your profile and building your network.

[Register Here](#)

Health Law Week

April 10-14th 2023
Pre-registration required. Form to register TBA.

In partnership with JSOM Healthcare Management, the Pre-Law Advising Center will host several events geared toward students interested in health law. We will introduce the breadth of the field through events teaching the fundamentals— careers, practice settings, job outlook, and academic

and personal preparation for law school, through interactions with professionals.

Health Law Week Awareness

Wednesday, April 5th
12:4 – 4 PM
JSOM 13.501

Fundamentals of Health Law

Monday, April 10th
12:00 – 1:30 PM
JSOM Executive Ed Dining Room

Health Law Resource Fair

Tuesday, April 11th
1:00 – 3:00 PM
Founders 2nd Floor Atrium

How to Navigate a Mock Interview

Wednesday, April 12th
1:30 – 2:30 PM
Virtual

Professional Headshots

Thursday, April 13th
12:00 – 3:00 PM
JSOM Atrium

Mock Health Law Class

Thursday, April 13th
4:00 – 6:30 PM
Champagne Courtroom, FO 2.608

Mock Interviews

Friday, April 14th
Career Management Center

UTD Law Conference

April 21st, 8:00 AM- 5:00 PM
Davidson-Gundy Alumni Center.
Pre-registration required. Form to register TBA.

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Additional events for Spring 2023 TBA.

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.



NATIONAL
STUDENT
LEADERSHIP
CONFERENCE

NSLC will host its Law & Advocacy Program (9-day) and its Law Intensive Program (18-day), both of which are conferences that expose talented high school students to the vast world of law. Under the guidance of their Team Advisors, students will get hands-on experience with courtroom techniques & legal practices. The NSLC on Law & Advocacy & on Law Intensive is hiring Team Advisors and Assistant Team Advisors.

[Learn More](#)

Program



Smithsonian

American Women's History Initiative 2023
Because of Her Story Cohort Internship

The application will close when the system receives 400 applicants or 9:00 am ET on February 13, 2023, whichever comes first. Apply early!

[Learn More](#)

TIP OF THE MONTH

As you devise an application strategy for your law school application cycle, you can quickly become overwhelmed by the number of tasks and deadlines you need to keep track of. We recommend using an application tracking spreadsheet to stay organized and on top of everything; whether you prefer a digital tool or a handwritten system, having a straightforward way to keep track of your law school interests can help you stay focused and avoid stress.

LATEST LEGAL NEWS

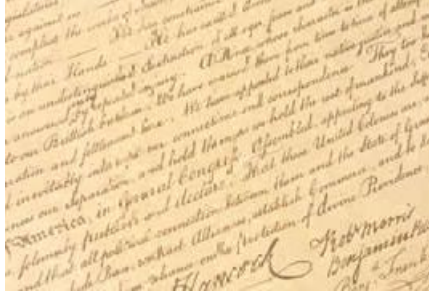


Supreme Court Denies Emergency Relief in New York Gun Law Case

A New York law restricting firearms that took effect last fall will remain enforceable as litigation challenging its validity under the Second Amendment proceeds through federal courts.

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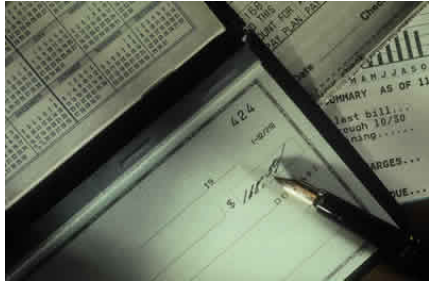
Supreme Court to Review Religious Discrimination



Standard in Title VII Case

On Friday, January 13, 2023, the U.S. Supreme Court granted review in *Groff v. DeJoy*, a lawsuit alleging violations of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act. The case will likely be argued in April, with a decision to arrive in the summer.

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United Healthcare Loses \$2 Million After Cashing Check

United Healthcare must drop its claim for a more than \$2 million refund, a Texas appeals court ruled, because it should have been able to intervene before a much smaller settlement check was cashed had it exercised due diligence.

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LATEST PRE-LAW NEWS

Upcoming LSAT Dates

LSAC has announced test dates through June 2023 so that law school candidates may plan in advance for the timing that works best for them.

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20 law schools partner with AccessLex to increase opportunities for underrepresented applicants

AccessLex Institute has partnered with 20 law schools to enter students from underrepresented backgrounds into its LexScholars Post-Baccalaureate Program, an online law school prep program.

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