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■ Introduction

Capital University Law School, located in downtown Columbus, is in the heart of Ohio's legal community. Columbus is home to the Ohio Supreme Court, the state legislature, and numerous state agencies, including the Ohio Attorney General's Office. In addition, a federal district court, the Ohio Court of Appeals, and various trial courts are within a short walk of the Law School. Our location provides a wealth of learning opportunities through clinical and externship programs, and our facility affords Capital University law students a state-of-the-art law school that is second to none.

For more than a century, Capital University Law School has produced some of the region's finest lawyers, judges, and business professionals. We invite you to take a closer look at the factors that distinguish this law school: an excellent teaching faculty, an ideal location, high placement rates, innovative institutes and programs, distinguished alumni, and reasonable tuition.

■ Curriculum

The school's primary mission is to provide both day- and evening-division students with an excellent educational experience that combines competency-based legal education with a commitment to service and leadership. Capital combines a theoretical education with a program that emphasizes the skills and values necessary to practice in the twenty-first century and combines the best of a traditional legal education with innovative programs. Our professors are accomplished scholars whose first and foremost duty is teaching. For further details and specific course offerings, visit our website at www.law.capital.edu.

■ Multicultural Affairs

Students come to Capital with diverse educational, cultural, and professional backgrounds. Capital's students bring valid and valuable life experiences to the classroom from which each student is subsequently enriched.

Capital University Law School is committed to racial and cultural diversity. The Law School actively recruits African American, Asian, Hispanic, and Native American students. Capital has many programs to aid in the retention of minority students, including the presence of minority faculty, a director of multicultural affairs, availability of financial aid, academic as well as nonacademic support, and participation in the Columbus Bar Association minority clerkship program.

■ Special Programs

Diversity of opportunity is a trademark of Capital University Law. Capital offers certificate programs to students who wish to develop their skills and knowledge in an area of particular interest.

Capital's **Governmental Affairs** concentration allows students to participate in externships with local, state, and federal courts and governmental agencies, and to conduct extensive research in the area of governmental affairs.

The **Labor and Employment Law** concentration is designed for law students who have an interest in studying laws and regulations governing the workplace.

The **Small Business Entities and Publicly Held Companies** concentrations give interested students an opportunity to focus part of their legal education on exploring the many legal issues and policies affecting business entities.

The **Dispute Resolution** concentration prepares students to understand the full spectrum of settlement processes. Capital's concentration in **Environmental Law** prepares students for employment in the field of environmental law and policy.

The **Children and Family Law** concentration provides students an in-depth understanding of the legal rights and obligations of parents, children, and family units. Innovative programs give students an opportunity to explore various specialties within the legal profession, to improve their skills, and to provide a valuable service to the community.

The **Institute for International Education** has made Capital the scene of a variety of projects, conferences, and ongoing activities related to international comparative law. Capital has sister-institutional agreements and international connections with the Centre for International and European Economic Law in Greece, Demokritus University of Thrace, University of Saskatchewan, University of Glasgow, and University of Passau. Capital Law students also have the opportunity to participate in summer international law study programs in Greece.

The **Center for Dispute Resolution** is a multifaceted resource for the teaching, development, and implementation of various dispute resolution methods.

The **National Center for Adoption Law and Policy** at Capital, the first resource of its kind in the nation, creates programs and promotes activities focusing on all aspects of family law dealing with adoption.

The **Family Advocacy Clinic** provides students with the opportunity to represent victims of domestic violence in court.

Capital offers the following joint-degree programs: **JD/Master of Sports Administration**, **JD/Master of Business Administration**, **JD/Master of Science in Nursing Degree**, **JD/LLM in Taxation**, **JD/LLM in Business**, and **JD/Master of Theological Studies**. Participation in these dual-degree programs allows students to earn both degrees in less time than pursuing them separately.

■ Admission

The Law School seeks applicants who rank in the upper half of their undergraduate class and achieve an LSAT score above the 50th percentile. Other factors used in evaluation include the competitiveness and difficulty of the candidate's undergraduate school and course of study, any graduate coursework, employment history, writing ability, leadership experience, and general background.

■ Student Activities

Student organizations at Capital Law School offer many opportunities for leadership development. Capital's Black Law Students Association won the 2002–2003 National Chapter of the Year Award.

The *Capital University Law Review* provides the legal community with scholarly analysis of contemporary legal issues. Our student newspaper, *Res Ipsa Loquitur*, is published for the Law School community.

Associations for black, Hispanic, Asian, Jewish, Christian, women, and gay, lesbian, and bisexual students bring together individuals with similar backgrounds and interests. There are organizations for those interested in specific areas of practice such as sports and entertainment law, environmental law, corporate law, intellectual property, and public interest. Students also have the opportunity to be involved in one of three legal fraternities at Capital. Those wishing to hone their skills and test them in competition will want to investigate Capital's highly successful moot court teams.

■ Career Services

Capital Law's Career Services Office provides counseling and information so individuals can explore legal career options. It also serves as a resource to help students assess their skills and plan a productive job search strategy. The office is responsible for developing an on-campus interview program that last year brought over 60 firms, companies, and organizations from different geographical locations to campus to interview for internships, clerkships, and full-time positions. Capital graduates have had great success seeking employment after graduation. More than 93 percent of the 2004 graduating class was employed within nine months of graduation.

Capital Law School graduates are employed in a variety of different fields of law. Private practice is the largest of these areas, with approximately 48 percent of the graduating class entering this field. Many Capital graduates also enter the corporate sector (17 percent) or government work (24 percent). Other fields that graduates have entered are judicial clerkships, public interest, and academia.

Applicant Profile

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LSAT Score	GPA									
	3.75 +	3.50 - 3.74	3.25 - 3.49	3.00 - 3.24	2.75 - 2.99	2.50 - 2.74	2.25 - 2.49	2.00 - 2.24	Below 2.00	
175-180	Very Likely									
170-174	Very Likely									
165-169	Very Likely									
160-164	Very Likely									
155-159	Very Likely				Possible					
150-154										
145-149										
140-144										
135-139										
130-134										
125-129										
120-124										



Very Likely



Possible



Unlikely