

# SANTA CLARA LAW

## LAWYERS WHO LEAD



In the heart of Silicon Valley

# EXPLORE SANTA CLARA LAW.



JUST 40 MILES SOUTH OF SAN FRANCISCO,  
SANTA CLARA LAW IS LOCATED IN THE HEART OF  
CALIFORNIA'S SILICON VALLEY, ONE OF THE MOST VIBRANT  
AND EXCITING ECONOMIES IN THE WORLD.

## A LEADER IN LEADERSHIP

What does it mean to be a “lawyer who leads”? Here at Santa Clara Law, we recognize the key roles that lawyers play in the profession, the community, and in government and public service, and we are striving to be a national leader in empowering future lawyers with the skills and experience they need for leadership.

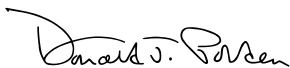
## STUDY LAW IN THE SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA

Santa Clara Law offers an exceptional environment in which to study law. Situated on a lush campus centered around a historic California Mission, Santa Clara Law is located in the heart of the Silicon Valley, one of the most vibrant and exciting economies in the world. Located just 40 miles south of San Francisco, Silicon Valley is home to leading law firms as well as companies such as Google, Apple, eBay, Intel, and Yahoo!. This economy generates some of the most interesting legal work around. It’s also a terrific place to live and play.

## WHY SANTA CLARA LAW?

- **Robust Program with Small Classes:** We offer more than 100 courses each year, including more than 30 in the popular area of IP and high tech law and policy. Classes are small and the mood is collegial and supportive.
- **Dedicated Faculty:** Leading scholars and and dynamic mentors, our outstanding faculty will help you acquire the skills you need to succeed.
- **Intellectual Property:** We are consistently ranked among the nation’s best law schools for our intellectual property curriculum and program.
- **Diversity:** We are consistently ranked among the top 10 most diverse law schools in the country. We value diversity, and our students and faculty thrive in this highly diverse learning environment.
- **International Law and Summer Abroad:** Our comprehensive global law program includes more summer abroad opportunities than any other law school in the nation.
- **Social Justice:** We have a true commitment to social justice here, and our students serve the poor and the marginalized through our Center for Social Justice and Public Service and related clinics.

Congratulations on your decision to pursue a law degree and thank you for considering Santa Clara Law. I encourage you to explore and learn more about our excellent faculty, programs, and graduates.



DONALD J. POLDEN  
Dean



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SANTA CLARA LAW  
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OLDEST UNIVERSITY  
IN THE WEST.



# BECOME A LAWYER



SANTA CLARA LAW IS RANKED  
AMONG THE TOP 10 MOST DIVERSE  
LAW SCHOOLS IN THE COUNTRY.



# WHO LEADS.

**WHEN YOU CHOOSE SANTA CLARA LAW**, one of the top-ranking law schools in California, you will join others who are committed to excellence, ethics, and social justice. And you will be immersed in one of the most vibrant business centers in the world: Silicon Valley and the San Francisco Bay Area.

You will learn from our faculty of experienced legal scholars. They are more than outstanding teachers and scholars of the law—they are engaged and passionate advocates who work to make the world a better place.

Not only will you be prepared to practice law in any field, you will have ample opportunities to apply your skills in our clinics, field placements, and community involvement.

“Santa Clara’s extensive international law program allows students to nurture whichever area interests them, from environmental, criminal, human rights, or humanitarian law to transactional law and the law of the sea. I’ve studied in three countries and learned from some of the most prestigious international legal scholars of today in various workshops and conferences. I’m grateful for all the opportunities I’ve had and I look forward to using the skills I’ve developed in my career.”

—Marina Wiant, Class of 2010



SANTA CLARA  
LAW IS  
RANKED IN  
THE NATION’S  
TOP 10 LAW  
SCHOOLS FOR  
INTELLECTUAL  
PROPERTY.

# CHOOSE YOUR PATH.



WE HAVE THE CHOICES YOU NEED TO ACHIEVE YOUR GOALS. OUR PART-TIME AND FULL-TIME PROGRAMS GIVE YOU CREATIVE OPTIONS AND FLEXIBILITY.

## J.D. PROGRAM

Choose to attend part time or full time, day or evening—the breadth and depth of our course offerings give you lots of options for exploring the field.

## J.D./MBA AND J.D./MSIS

Our combined degree programs save you time and money by enabling you to earn both degrees in full-time programs lasting three and one half to four years.

## INTERNSHIPS

As a Santa Clara Law student, you will have an amazing array of internship opportunities with some of the world's largest companies, including eBay, Yahoo!, Apple, and Google.

## EXTERNSHIPS

Earn academic credit while getting an inside view of the court system through externships with state and federal judges. We offer international opportunities as well.

## APPELLATE AND TRIAL PRACTICE

Hone your lawyering skills through our rich opportunities in moot court and simulated trial practice.

## LAW CLINICS

Gain practical, hands-on experience and legal skills in our array of clinics, including the Katharine and George Alexander Community Law Center, which provides pro bono legal services to local community members in need, and the Northern California Innocence Project, which works to exonerate wrongly convicted people.

## MOOT COURTS

To be a great lawyer, you need to practice, and moot court is a great place to do it. We field teams in a large number of internal, national, and international competitions. You may receive up to seven units of academic credit for moot court work.

## LAW JOURNALS

Become a student editor for one of our three distinguished academic journals: *Santa Clara Law Review*, *Computer and High Technology Law Journal*, and *Santa Clara Journal of International Law*.

## STUDY ABROAD

Broaden your horizons through one of our many summer study abroad programs, spend a semester abroad, or be an exchange student at one of our partner international law schools.



WE HAVE  
SUMMER ABROAD  
PROGRAMS IN  
MORE LOCATIONS  
THAN ANY OTHER  
LAW SCHOOL IN  
THE COUNTRY.

#### SUMMER ABROAD PROGRAMS

- Oxford, England
- Munich, Germany
- Istanbul, Turkey
- Vienna, Austria; Bratislava, Slovakia; and Budapest, Hungary
- Geneva, Switzerland and Strasbourg, France
- Sydney, Australia
- The Hague, Netherlands
- San Jose, Costa Rica
- Seoul, South Korea
- Tokyo, Japan
- Hong Kong, SAR China or Shanghai, PRC China

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Immersed here in Silicon Valley, Santa Clara Law students have access to opportunities at some of the world's leading companies. Here are some examples of recent student externships.

Yahoo!  
NASA Ames Research  
Affymetrix Inc.  
Fox Interactive Media Inc./ IGN Entertainment  
International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda  
McDermott, Will & Emery  
Oakland Raiders  
ScanDisk  
RKO Pictures, LLC  
Sutter Health

Panetta Institute  
U.S. Department of Justice  
eBay Inc.  
ACLU of Northern California  
Attorney General's Office—  
California Department of Justice  
U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission  
East Palo Alto Community Legal Services  
Various County Public Defender and  
District Attorney's Offices

# THE LAW SCHOOL



“I considered a wide range of schools all over the country, but the combination of the school’s academic strengths, focus on integrity, and beautiful California location has ensured that Santa Clara was the best choice for me.”

—Caitlin E. Robinett,  
Class of 2010,  
SBA President, 2009–10,  
Fellow, Panetta Institute

## YOU KNOW THE OLD SAYING: LOCATION MATTERS.

And that’s true whether you are shopping for a house or looking for a law school. When you earn your law degree at Santa Clara Law, you will be immersed in one of the most vibrant business centers in the world: Silicon Valley and the San Francisco Bay Area. Here are a few reasons why our location matters:

- Our intellectual property program is ranked among the nation’s top 10, a reflection of our location, outstanding faculty, extensive industry ties, and powerful alumni network.
- Your law degree will be enriched by Silicon Valley executives and attorneys who share their up-to-the-minute experience in courses, workshops, and lectures.
- You will have amazing internship opportunities at the many leading national and international companies and firms that are based here, including Yahoo!, eBay, Google, Wilson Sonsini, Goodrich & Rosati, Pillsbury Winthrop, and others.
- Our graduates get great jobs—Santa Clara Law alumni serve as general counsel at leading companies, such as eBay and Sun Microsystems. And they serve as partners of major firms, working in patents, IP, and venture capital. For numerous profiles of our graduates, visit [law.scu.edu/leaders](http://law.scu.edu/leaders).
- Plus, it is gorgeous here! The San Francisco Bay Area is one of the most beautiful (and most often visited) regions in the U.S., and our Mediterranean climate boasts bountiful sun more than 300 days a year. Our central location puts you close to beaches, culture, world-famous wine making regions, and more.

# OF SILICON VALLEY



OUR AREA IS  
A HOTBED OF  
HIGH TECH  
COMPANIES,  
INCLUDING:  
APPLE, EBAY,  
YAHOO!, GOOGLE,  
SUN, CISCO,  
INTEL, AND HP.

For information on visiting us, including a virtual tour, campus maps, directions, nearby hotels, and transportation tips, please visit [law.scu.edu/about](http://law.scu.edu/about).

# FIND YOUR PASSION.



OUR SPECIALIZED PROGRAMS ENABLE YOU TO EXPLORE YOUR OPTIONS AND FIND YOUR PASSION.

## HIGH TECH LAW

Santa Clara Law is consistently ranked as one of the top places in the country to study intellectual property and high technology law for good reason. We have a dozen full-time faculty members with expertise on every aspect of IP and high tech law plus two dozen part-time faculty members working at leading Silicon Valley law firms and technology companies. Our numerous course offerings in this area enable you to create a highly personalized course of study, including a High Tech Law Certificate.

## PUBLIC INTEREST AND SOCIAL JUSTICE LAW

Perhaps you are drawn to law because you want to help others—a role all lawyers should play. As a Santa Clara Law student, you will have the opportunity to deepen your knowledge of the law while serving the community through our community law center, pro bono program, Northern California Innocence Project, and the many activities of our Center for Social Justice and Public Service. You may choose to earn a Public Interest Law Certificate with an emphasis in one of several areas such as consumer law or criminal justice. Our faculty members are models for making a difference—more than 65% of them are actively involved in pro bono and public service work.

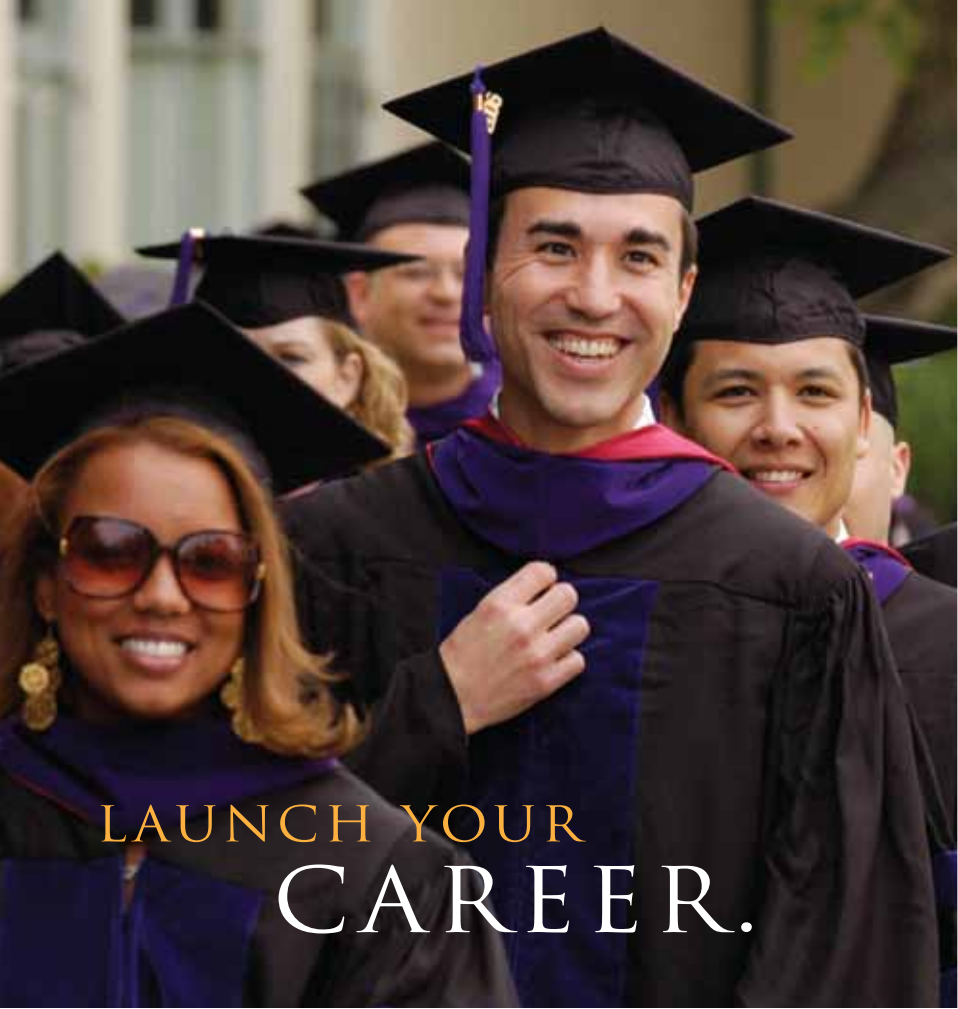
## INTERNATIONAL LAW

By its nature, law is a global field. Our international law program includes a broad offering of courses and the support of our Center for Global Law and Policy, which offers countless opportunities for you to examine, experience, and contribute to the field. In addition, we have the most extensive summer abroad program of any law school in the country. We also offer an International Law Certificate for those who want to focus their studies in this area.

## LAW STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

*a representative sample*

- Black Law Students Association
- Asian Pacific American Law Students Association
- La Raza Law Students Association
- Middle Eastern Law Students Association
- Bisexual, Gay, and Lesbian Advocates
- Biotechnology Law Group
- Amnesty International
- Federalist Society
- American Constitution Society for Law and Policy
- Environmental Law Society



# LAUNCH YOUR CAREER.

WE ARE PART  
OF ONE OF  
THE LARGEST  
LEGAL HIRING  
MARKETS IN  
THE NATION.

WHEN YOU GRADUATE FROM SANTA CLARA LAW, ONE OF THE TOP-RANKING LAW SCHOOLS IN CALIFORNIA, YOU WILL HAVE BOTH THE THEORETICAL KNOWLEDGE AND THE PRACTICAL SKILLS YOU NEED TO SUCCEED AS A LAWYER.

Whether you aspire to be a trial lawyer, specialize in tax or business law, or serve the underserved, Santa Clara Law's excellent reputation and our Career Services staff will help pave the way to your new career.

Typically a wide array of employers interview on campus, ranging from large national law firms to boutique patent and intellectual property firms, companies, and public and government agencies. Hundreds of other employers request résumés from our students. In addition, Law Career Services offers numerous workshops, presentations, and services throughout your three years of law school to help you launch your career, including Law Career Day, "Meet the Employers" receptions, mock interviews, diversity receptions, speed networking, and more.

"Howrey recruits associate candidates from Santa Clara Law because, during the 13 years that we have had a Northern California presence, we have recruited many associates who have been very successful at our firm. Many, but not all, of our recruits have come through Santa Clara's evening program and have technical degrees in addition to their law degree, which provides added value to our patent practice."

—Teresa M. Corbin, Partner, HOWREY LLP

# OUR ALUMNI ARE



1. Victor M. Marquez '90 (left), President of National Hispanic Bar Association, and Rodney Moore '85, Past President of the National Bar Association. 2. Scott Shipman '99, Senior Counsel, eBay. 3. Zoe Lofgren '75, U.S. Congresswoman. 4. Rolanda Pierre-Dixon '80, Santa Clara County Assistant District Attorney and founder of its Domestic Violence Unit. 5. John Cruden '74, Acting Assistant Attorney General, Environment and Natural Resources Division, U.S. Department of Justice.

SANTA CLARA LAW'S ROBUST ALUMNI NETWORK INCLUDES MORE THAN 10,000 GRADUATES ACROSS THE U.S. AND AROUND THE WORLD. OUR ALUMNI ACTIVELY SUPPORT OUR STUDENTS BY SERVING AS MENTORS, PARTICIPATING IN MOCK INTERVIEWS, AND HOSTING NETWORKING EVENTS.

Nearly every week on campus, our local alumni, many of whom work for large Silicon Valley firms and companies, participate in informational panels, sharing insights on various practice areas and legal specialties. Plus, our Dean's Recruitment Advisory Board, comprised of alumni leaders in several law firms and law organizations that often hire our graduates, offers guidance on how we can stay in tune with what firms are looking for and how our students can be best prepared for various career opportunities.

# LAWYERS WHO LEAD.



6. Leon Panetta '63, Director, Central Intelligence Agency, and former eight-term Congressman from California and Director of Office of Management and Budget under President Clinton.

7. Kirsten Bowman '05, Legal Officer to the Vice President, International Criminal Court. 8. Ron Malone '71, Partner at Shartsis, Friese & Ginsburg, who represented the Robertson family in its dispute with Princeton University, which *The Wall Street Journal* called "the largest and most important donor intent case in the history of American philanthropy."

9. Bonnie MacNaughton '82, Senior Attorney, Microsoft. 10. Mike Dillon '84, Executive Vice President, General Counsel, and Corporate Secretary of Sun Microsystems. 11. Dorian Daley '86, Senior Vice President, General Counsel, and Secretary, Oracle.

OUR ALUMNI SERVE IN LEADING POSITIONS ACROSS THE LEGAL FIELD, INCLUDING GENERAL COUNSEL OF TOP HIGH TECH COMPANIES, PARTNERS IN NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL FIRMS, JUDGES, AND SOCIAL JUSTICE ADVOCATES.



# PICTURE THE FUTURE...

AND APPLY NOW! APPLYING TO LAW SCHOOL IS AN EXCITING AND CHALLENGING ENDEAVOR. BUT DON'T WORRY. WE'RE HERE TO HELP SIMPLIFY THE PROCESS.

## HOW TO APPLY

1. Before February 1, visit [law.scu.edu/admissions/](http://law.scu.edu/admissions/) and complete our online application. If you prefer a paper version, you can download a PDF from us at that address, or give us a call at the number on the back cover.
2. You'll also need to submit a personal statement—it helps give our admissions committee a more complete picture of you and your experiences.
3. Letters of recommendation are optional, but strongly encouraged, and you can submit them through the Law School Data Assembly Service (LSDAS) (see [www.LSAC.org](http://www.LSAC.org)). *NOTE: Students who obtained their bachelor's degree from outside of the United States must instead register for JD-CAS (also available on the LSAC web site).*
4. Take the Law School Admission Test no later than February prior to the year you plan to enroll (see [www.LSAC.org](http://www.LSAC.org)).
5. Subscribe to LSDAS and have your transcripts sent directly to the Law School Admission Council (LSAC).
6. If you are accepted, we will need an official transcript from your undergraduate institution showing the date your degree was awarded.

## SPECIAL ADMISSION POLICY DIVERSITY OUTREACH

We are one of the most diverse law schools in the nation because we understand society's need for lawyers

from all backgrounds. We work to identify, recruit, enroll, and provide academic support to ethnic minority applicants and others who show the potential to succeed.

## EARLY ACTION PROGRAM

If you submit your application by November 1 and your admission file is complete by November 30, you'll have our decision by late December. Early action admission is non-binding—you simply need to make a tuition deposit by April 1 if you decide to enroll.

## ADMISSION TO ADVANCED STANDING OR TRANSFER STUDENTS

If you have successfully completed one year of study at another law school accredited by the ABA, you may apply to transfer to Santa Clara Law (visit [law.scu.edu/admissions/](http://law.scu.edu/admissions/) for our online application). We usually reserve 10-20 seats each year for the strongest transfer candidates, and our decisions are based heavily on your prior law school performance. To apply, please submit

- An official transcript from your undergraduate degree-granting school
- An official transcript from your law school
- A letter from your dean saying you are in good standing and eligible to return
- Your LSDAS report sent directly from LSAC

To enroll in the fall, please apply by July 1; for the spring semester, please apply by November 1.



# YOU CAN AFFORD IT— WE CAN HELP.

LAW SCHOOL EXPENSES CAN ADD UP—AND TOO MUCH DEBT  
CAN AFFECT THE CAREER CHOICE YOU ULTIMATELY MAKE.

You may rely on us to help simplify the process and help you find the right mix of financial aid. We encourage you to contact our financial aid counselors at 408-554-4447 or visit us online at [law.scu.edu/admissions/tuition-financial-aid.cfm](http://law.scu.edu/admissions/tuition-financial-aid.cfm)

## LOANS

Most law students are eligible to borrow up to \$20,500 through the federal Stafford Loan Program. Students can borrow additional federal funds up to the cost of attendance through the Federal Grad PLUS Program.

## EMPLOYMENT

We want you to focus on your studies, and so we discourage full time students from working, at least during your first year. (If you must work, we ask that you don't work more than 10 hours a week.) Part-time, on-campus employment based on financial need (Federal Work Study) is available after the first year. Additional on-campus and off-campus opportunities are available to help pay tuition costs, too.

## FELLOWSHIPS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

- Dean's Fellowships—up to full tuition based on academic achievement
- Law Faculty Scholarships—need-based partial tuition awards
- Emery Law Scholarships—merit-based partial tuition awards
- Public Interest and Social Justice Scholarships—partial tuition awards based on demonstrated passion for public interest work
- Numerous Endowed Scholarships—both need- and merit-based

## HOW TO APPLY FOR FINANCIAL AID:

1. Complete the FAFSA ([www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)), and be sure to select Santa Clara University School of Law (our code is 001326) as one of the schools to receive your information.
2. On your Santa Clara Law application, be sure to check the box indicating you would like to be considered for a scholarship.
3. Contact a financial aid counselor at 408-554-4447.
4. Visit [law.scu.edu/admissions/tuition-financial-aid.cfm](http://law.scu.edu/admissions/tuition-financial-aid.cfm) for more information and ideas.

“My scholarships from Santa Clara relieve the financial obligations of law school and enable me to focus on developing the necessary legal skills for pursuing a career in law and public service. I can dedicate my time to academic achievement and the hands-on experiences that complement a legal education. Through school, internships, and volunteer opportunities, I further my education and apply in-class lessons to real legal situations, all while giving back to the community.”

—Adam Flores, JD/MBA, Class of 2011



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“SANTA CLARA LAW LIGHTS A FIRE THAT NEVER GOES OUT!”

—Rolanda Pierre-Dixon '80, Santa Clara County Assistant District Attorney  
and founder of its Domestic Violence Unit



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You will find links there to our online campus tour, financial aid, scholarships, student blogs, and more!

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