CHANGE THE world FROM HERE
HERE is in the heart of San Francisco, where energy crackles and you are surrounded by innovative ideas and boundless opportunity. The center of the most dynamic business, engineering, and legal minds. Where the student next to you in class is just as passionate and driven as you are.

HERE is where we focus on experiential, hands-on learning that prepares you to hit the ground running in your legal career after you graduate. Where you can work with real clients on real problems in one of our ten clinics. Or work alongside mentors and leaders while externing at the Supreme Court of California or U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, or the many corporations and leading start-ups, law firms, and government and public interest agencies that call the Bay Area home.

HERE is where you get equipped to lead and succeed. Where our faculty make personal connections with students and are national leaders in their fields. Where you receive the tools you need throughout your education and to help you launch your career. As a student, you connect locally and across the country with our supportive alumni network—successful, effective, and ethical leaders thriving in their careers.

Whatever your career ambitions, the University of San Francisco School of Law can help you get there. You’ll graduate ready to meet the legal needs of your clients today and our society tomorrow.

Join us.
Growing up in nearby Pacifica, Elizabeth Muniz ’12 always knew she wanted to live in San Francisco. “This city is an amazing place,” she says. “I found out that you want to go to law school where you plan to live—because that is where you foster your professional connections.”

Elizabeth pictured herself in the public sector working to enhance child welfare, and while at USF School of Law, she set out in the city to have experiences that helped her do exactly that. During the summer of her second year, she held a prestigious internship with the San Francisco City Attorney’s Office. She served on the child and family team, where she was bar certified to participate in hearings and write motions under her name. During her third year, Elizabeth landed an externship with California Supreme Court Justice Kathryn Werdegar. “Working in Justice Werdegar’s office was amazing. They allowed me to work on child welfare appellate cases and gave me an actual opinion to draft. You can only do that type of work here—because San Francisco is where the Supreme Court of California sits.”

The law school’s Office of Career Planning provided a crucial bridge between academic life and the real world for Elizabeth. The career planning team connected her with many alumni in different facets of their careers. “It was helpful to gain an understanding of their paths and what it took to be successful. Everyone I talked to from the USF alumni group was more than happy to meet a fellow USF alum and talk to me about their careers and mine.”

After law school, the San Francisco Attorney’s Office offered her a full-time position with the child and family team as a deputy city attorney. “Since I was going to law school nearby, I was able to nurture the connections I made with my supervisors at the City Attorney’s Office. Coupling that with what I had accomplished under Justice Werdegar ultimately landed this perfect job for me. I feel like this is what I am meant to do.”
USF SCHOOL OF LAW’S CAMPUS stands on a hill in the center of San Francisco, and our architecture reflects the beauty and advanced technology that sets the city apart. The Koret Law Center is comprised of Kendrick Hall, where classrooms were built to take advantage of natural light, and the Dorraine Zief Law Library, known for its welcoming, high-tech study environment. Wrap up your closing arguments in Kendrick Hall’s state-of-the-art moot court room, meet a friend coming out of class, and walk through a soaring glass atrium to Zief Library to find individual and group study spaces.

The Koret Law Center sits on the University of San Francisco’s stunning 55-acre campus. USF’s award-winning Koret Health and Recreation Center features an Olympic-sized indoor pool, basketball courts, group exercise classes, and the latest in fitness equipment. The university’s comprehensive program of student services also includes counseling, housing, and disability services.

City life pulses through campus and campus life spills into the city streets. Parks, museums, restaurants, shopping, and nightlife are within walking distance or short Uber rides. Hiking and mountain biking on the coast and through ancient redwoods are just outside the city. Just steps from campus, Golden Gate Park is a green oasis for exercise, fun, and exploration.

San Francisco and nearby Silicon Valley offer a wealth of legal opportunities, including the headquarters of many of the world’s leading technology companies and the large law firms serving their extensive legal needs. Go in-house at a giant technology or biotechnology company. Become a partner at a major corporate law firm or get involved in a social or environmental cause that’s changing the world. Want to explore litigation and the judiciary? San Francisco is home to the Supreme Court of California and United States Ninth Circuit Court of Appeal as well as numerous lower state and local courts.

All the opportunities you may be looking for—and those you couldn’t have imagined—lie within your reach in San Francisco.
“My experience in the JD/MBA program has already paid dividends while working on large mergers because of my exposure to both the legal and business lenses, making it possible for me to spot more issues and communicate those to the appropriate party.”

Max Hyatt ’16

“My judicial externship with the Supreme Court of California provided tremendous perspective on what types of issues the court addresses and exposed me to a range of legal writing and oral advocacy—all of which will help me become a more critical thinker, as well as a zealous yet poised advocate for my clients.”

Yuki Cruise ’15

“By the Numbers”

Fall 2014 Enrolled Statistics

172 Students Enrolled in Entering Class

55% Women in the 2014 Entering Class

48% Students of Color in the 2014 Entering Class

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40 Full-Time and Tenured Faculty

70 Part-Time Faculty

12.6:1 Student:Faculty Ratio

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82% Alumni Living in California

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Law students adore HERBST FOUNDATION PROFESSOR OF LAW JULIE NICE. Her classroom dedication earned her the Distinguished Professor Award three years in a row.

“What I love about USF School of Law is a faculty that excels at engaging with students, a diverse student body that offers an incredible variety of perspectives, and a collaborative student culture that has emerged organically,” she says.

With Professor Nice setting the pace, students engage in lively discussions and examine current legal debates.

“As we follow same-sex marriage, reproductive rights, and claims for religious exemption cases that are currently making their way to and through the Supreme Court, we’re exploring the delicate and legitimate balance between liberty and equality interests in this society.”

The trick to Professor Nice’s classroom magic is authenticity.

“I don’t pretend to be anyone I’m not. I believe if I show up in this way, then my students can too. I want them to bring their whole selves, to bring their life experiences, and, as much as they feel comfortable, to share their perspectives.”

Professor Nice has taught at several law schools, but nowhere has she found a faculty as dedicated to students and scholarly work as at USF.

“USF School of Law fits my approach so perfectly, I don’t have to explain it to anyone or defend it. I am free to be in this active exploration with my students. It’s supported and encouraged here—it’s the standard here. That’s what makes this place so special.”
JD PROGRAMS TAILORED TO YOUR NEEDS

USF offers a range of diverse JD programs to meet your unique career goals. Whatever program you choose, you will build a solid foundation in both legal theory and professional skills to hit the ground running as a lawyer.

Our programs emphasize participation, dialogue, and practical experience. You will develop your analytical abilities, master legal research and writing skills, and acquire a firm foundation of basic law.
**Tax Law and Estate Planning and Family Law**

Delve deeply into the areas of tax law and estate planning. Offers numerous ways to tailor your career down myriad paths. Whether you enter law school with a clear career direction or realize your goals as you go, USF School of Law provides the opportunities you need to develop the skills you need to thrive professionally.

**Cooper, White & Cooper LLP Externships**

**Representative**

- Mediation Clinic

- **Special Program**
  - Public Policy Center
  - Family Law

**Representative**

- California Legal Aid Foundation General Counsel

**Student Organizations**

- National Lawyers Guild

**Representative**

- Business Law Students Association (BLSA)

- Intellectual Property and Cyber Law

- Technology Law

- McCarthy Institute for IP and Technology Law

- Wikimedia Foundation

- Gagnier Margossian LLP

**Representative**

- Data Privacy Law and Clinic

**Student Organizations**

- Law Students for Reproductive Justice

**Immigration Law**

Become an advocate for justice. You’ll help clients navigate immigration processes and policies. You’ll develop the skills needed to advocate on behalf of those who need your assistance. Your legal advocacy will be focused on improving the lives of others.

**Labor and Employment Law**

Get involved in issues of concern to workers as they navigate the workplace. YOU CAN HELP MAKE A DIFFERENCE. Your legal advocacy will be focused on improving the lives of others.
MICHAIL HEWITT said he never thought what he learned in law school would apply to working in USF’s Intellectual and Trademark Property Justice Clinic. He was part of a special student program with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office that allowed him to get real-world experience that is an actual law firm could not have provided.

“We saw real work isn’t just in the classroom but also with clients,” he said.

Michael also had the chance to work with startup companies as part of the Entrepreneurship and Legal Services Project, a collaborative effort between four of the school’s clinics to develop and work with a company that was developing an application for users to track for taxes.

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“Join one of our ten law clinics to get a jump start on your career.
Under the supervision of a professor, you’ll step out of the classroom and into the courtroom to work on a range of legal matters, from civil to criminal law cases, and more. Real-world criminal defendants who can’t afford a lawyer. Employed against domestic violence. Help a startup tech company register the company’s trademark. Stand up for the United Nations.”

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As a child, Cameron Cloar-Zavaleta ’09 dreamed of flying planes. His dream became reality when he was hired as a commercial airline pilot at age 23. He soon learned, however, that his true calling was in a different area of aviation.

“I got involved with the largest union representing pilots in the world,” Cameron says. “I found that I had much to contribute and saw that a law degree would give me the ability to be of greater service.”

USF School of Law’s Office of Career Planning helped Cameron set up interviews with Nixon Peabody, the only large firm on the West Coast doing significant work for the aviation industry. He was accepted into the firm’s summer associate program, and he was later hired after passing the bar.

As an associate, Cameron’s work is on the cutting edge of new technologies like drones and the laws that regulate them. He also contends with privacy issues, risk management, and product liability issues in this emerging area. He represents some of the world’s largest aviation manufacturers and service providers in litigation, which takes him all over the world—whether for depositions in Paris or meetings in Munich.

“It’s wonderful to have such a great legal institution like USF here in San Francisco,” Cameron says. “It’s one of a very few cities where there’s a law firm doing good work in aviation outside of Washington, D.C. There’s at least one USF Law alum at every firm or public agency. Everyone is usually very supportive of each other, and it’s a vibrant community. It’s so helpful, and, frankly, makes practicing law more fun.”
Here you'll have diverse externship opportunities. You can participate in externship programs in Silicon Valley, the government, and in non-profit organizations. You can also participate in our externship program at the Contra Costa Office of the Public Defender immediately after graduation as a law clerk. The most rewarding part of my externship was working closely and daily with clients and their families, allowing me to use the legal knowledge I had learned in the classroom to assist families in times of crisis. With my mentor's guidance, I made counsel recommendations in many cases and was able to advocate for clients as well as meet and work with attorneys and judges regularly.

“My judicial externship offered me the ability to spend candidly with Chief Justice James R. Entriken about the matters regarding family law, receive valuable, practical legal training and analysis. We engaged in a free and open exchange of ideas in legal writing and structured as well as efficient advocacy.”

Cecilia Fierro '15

San Francisco

“I learned to look at the world through the eyes of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office—through the lens they see the world of business and innovation. After my experience as an intellectual property law intern at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, I returned to the Legal Studies Program at SFUHSD to share my passion for technology, the law, and innovation with the next generation of leaders.”

Rebecca Mc Clain '15

San Francisco
Imagine waking up after 14 days with two trials under your belt and loads of personalized feedback on depositions, opening statements, direct and cross examination, objections, and closing arguments. That’s exactly what the Intensive Advocacy Program provides—each student possessing professional experience and having honed skills that they can apply to their future careers. As student leaders in their second and third years, students who excel in the program can join the advanced moot court programs at USF’s regional campuses or participate in the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition.

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Professor Tim Iglesias specializes in housing theory, affordable housing development, and fair housing. He co-edited a book about affordable housing development law and has published numerous articles in academic journals. He serves on the California Fair Employment and Housing Council, and frequently appears on television and radio as a commentator on housing issues.

Richard Leo is a national authority on police interrogation, false confessions, psychological coercion, and the wrongful conviction of the innocent. He helped free the Norfolk Four, the West Memphis Three, and two of the Central Park Jogger defendants, in addition to helping in numerous lower profile cases.

Susan Freiwald is a top authority on cyberlaw, information privacy law, and internet law. She has authored amicus briefs in major cases involving electronic surveillance laws, has published extensively in legal academic journals, and is frequently quoted in the media.

Professor Rhonda Magee’s scholarly work focuses on race law and policy, and her courses examine how law responds to the vulnerable in society. She also writes and presents on humanizing legal education and the practice of law, with the goal of helping law students and practitioners cope with pressure in order to be more successful and effective.
USF School of Law is committed to your success, and we offer comprehensive academic support services to all our students. Whether you need one-on-one support or extra tutoring and exam prep, we are here to help.

**LAW+PLUS** available to incoming and continuing students, assists students’ transitions into law school by teaching techniques to effectively brief cases, participate in class discussions, write notes, and prepare for exams. Students take part in skills and exam workshops and tutoring sessions.

**THE ACADEMIC SUPPORT PROGRAM (ASP)** provides assistance to specially selected incoming students with a three-week summer program that introduces the challenges of law school with hands-on exercises. After starting law school, ASP students continue to meet with co-directors and tutors for intensive writing sessions and academic counseling.

Beginning in our students’ final year, the **Bar+Plus** program focuses on bar examination preparation. Starting the process early allows time for students to prepare academically, review the law, and strengthen study and test-taking techniques.

“We have created a dynamic learning community to provide guidance in learning theory, study strategies, testing techniques, and non-cognitive factors so that every student can excel in school and on the bar exam. We effectively serve the individual needs of each student through workshops, online resources, and one-on-one meetings with personalized attention.”

RODNEY O. FONG
Co-Director, Law+Plus Program and Assistant Professor of Law

**LORENA NUÑÉZ ’14**

“The Bar+Plus program provided the necessary balance of practical blueprints for success at every stage of bar review with a confidence-building tailored approach. What I most valued was the empowering notion that every study approach I used at any given time must serve a specific purpose for my learning style. I am confident that this was the key to my success in passing the bar the first time.”

LORENA NUÑÉZ ’14
As an African American growing up in a low-income, single-parent home, Brendon Woods ‘96 saw firsthand how the system couldn’t be counted on to look out for society’s most vulnerable members. Harassed many times by police through racial profiling and with multiple members of his own family imprisoned, Brendon always knew he wanted to fight for justice.

Brendon was determined to take that fight to the courtroom. That’s why he took advantage of the many practical experience opportunities related to litigation offered at USF School of Law. He was involved in moot court competitions and took a trial advocacy class taught by a California Court of Appeal justice.

As a law student, Brendon got a summer internship at the State Public Defender’s offices in San Francisco, where he worked exclusively on death penalty cases. His first job out of law school was at the Alameda County Public Defender’s office. He quickly worked his way from post-bar clerk to public defender. Two years ago, he took the helm of the department—the first African American in that position.

Under his leadership the office has undergone several changes, from hiring social workers to starting a homicide team. He’s also overseeing a transition to a model where one attorney represents each client from beginning to end.

“Part of the reason I became a public defender was to bridge the divide—to conquer the division between people who can afford expensive attorneys in private practice and those who have to take a public defender provided by the government. We have excellent lawyers here. Our crop of young attorneys is amazing and we have some very good senior attorneys to mentor them. We’re on our way to becoming the best public defender office in the state.”

Brendon plans on doing this type of work for the rest of his life.

“With the way I grew up, I was fortunate to have a mom keeping me on the right path. I see my clients as my brothers, sisters, uncles, and cousins. I love this job. It is great work, important work. I’m very grateful to USF School of Law for exposing me to this work.”
A USF legal education is the first step toward a career that makes a positive impact in the world. Whether our students are engaged in innovative legal programs that serve communities near and far, or are integrating ethics and humanity into their corporate practice, they are pursuing the common good.

**KETA TAYLOR COLBY DEATH PENALTY PROJECT**
Through this program’s Southern Internship Program, students spend 10 weeks in the American South each summer as interns for capital defense attorneys, interviewing death row inmates, conducting field investigations, and more. Students call it one of the most life-changing, meaningful experiences they have in law school.

**LAW IN MOTION SERVICE PROGRAM**
Law In Motion provides opportunities for students to reflect on issues of social justice through activities in the Bay Area, from serving meals to providing tax filing assistance to doing habitat restoration.

**PUBLIC INTEREST LAW FOUNDATION**
The Public Interest Law Foundation is a student-run organization that supports USF law students working in unpaid summer internships in the public interest and public sector. It fundraises to provide summer grants to students, and sponsors public interest and community service events to educate students about the rewarding career possibilities in public interest law.

**INTERNATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES**
Our international programs provide students extensive opportunities to build their legal skills abroad and deepen their understanding of international human rights and business issues. While completing an externship or participating in a student exchange, our students gain first-hand knowledge of the legal, social, and political environment of another country. We facilitate travel to a dozen countries in Asia, Europe, and Central America.

**“The Frank C. Newman International Human Rights Law Clinic is one of the only law clinics nationwide that gives students an opportunity to advocate for human rights issues at the United Nations in New York and Geneva, where they make oral statements and submit written statements. Our graduates are increasingly working with non-governmental agencies where they can continue their advocacy at the U.N.”**

**CONNIE DE LA VEGA**
Professor and Academic Director of International Programs
Jessica Grant ’95 started preparing for trial work at age 11 in an imaginary court in her bedroom. As an undergraduate at UC Berkeley’s Department of Rhetoric, she dove deep into the art of delivering persuasive oral arguments. When she entered the USF School of Law, her inner drive found a real-world purpose.

“What built my confidence are things that are not in the core curriculum,” she says, “such as the practical experience that helped hone my oral advocacy skills and gave me a strong foundation for what I do now in the courtroom.” Jessica cites her experiences in moot court competitions, trial practice class, and the narcotics prosecution clinic as accelerators on her trajectory to becoming a world-class trial attorney.

“It was invaluable. Standing up in court as a second year law student and arguing motions and assisting with a preliminary hearing—that’s a very unique opportunity.” Her biggest trials—against opponents such as Wal-Mart and ExxonMobil and defending clients like Intel—were all high stakes with damages over $100 million in each case.

“I want to be the smartest person in the courtroom, which isn’t about IQ. It means I want to know every document, every fact, and every piece of evidence, so I will never be caught off guard. Preparation wins cases, plain and simple.”
LAUNCHING YOUR CAREER

Whether it’s your first day on campus or you’re established in your career, our full-service Office of Career Planning supports students and alumni in their journeys to rewarding legal careers.

“My OCP counselor knew I was passionate about litigation and suggested I apply to the district attorney’s office during the fall on-campus recruiting. She worked with me to review my resume and conducted a practice interview with me. Ultimately, OCP helped me secure my summer position in the Contra Costa District Attorney’s Office.”

JaMeS l oGan ’17
Worked at the Contra Costa District Attorney’s Office during his 2L summer

“Whether it was preparing me for informational interviews, invitations to lunches, or my final interviews at Kilpatrick, my OCP counselor was always only a phone call away. She even helped me decide on a schedule so I could take full advantage of an amazing externship opportunity. When I came into her office to tell her about my Kilpatrick offer, she gave me a huge hug and then sat me down to answer all of my questions.”

CALLA YEE ’15
Secured her position before graduation to become an associate in the intellectual property department at Kilpatrick Townsend & Stockton

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SERVICES, PROGRAMS, AND NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES

Office of Career Planning (OCP) counselors are experienced JDs with diverse industry experiences to draw from as they work with you to identify your career interests and showcase your professional skillsets. Throughout the year, OCP organizes opportunities for students and alumni to connect with law professionals who align with their career interests.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS:

ON-CAMPUS RECRUITMENT
Twice a year, employers recruit students on campus for summer, semester, and post-graduation jobs. Employers include large law firms; high-profile government agencies, such as public defender and district attorney offices; and well-regarded nonprofits. OCP guides you through each step, from drafting polished application materials to nailing your interviews.

MOCK INTERVIEW PROGRAM
Several times a year, students do practice interviews with a local attorney. OCP counselors can also conduct mock interviews and interview preparation with students at any time.

LUNCH WITH LAWYERS
Make meaningful connections with local lawyers when you have lunch at his or her office with a small group of students.
ALUMNI LEAD THE WAY

Graduates of the USF School of Law leave their mark on the world. They serve on state supreme courts, lead the legal departments of corporate giants, stand as top-ranking prosecutors, and manage offices within global law firms. With an exceptional academic foundation, access to real-world experiences during school, an extensive and loyal alumni network, and support from a world-class career planning office, our alumni blaze exceptional careers in every legal path.

David Tognotti ’96
General Manager, Vice President of Operations, and General Counsel at Monster Cable

David Tognotti ’96 handles both business and legal matters for Monster at the highest level. He has helped lead the company in increasing sales from $250 million to $2.2 billion and in expanding into multiple global markets. He has been featured on CNBC’s Crime Inc., on ABC’s 20/20, and in Inc. Magazine as an expert in brand protection and anti-counterfeit strategy. In 2015, Silicon Valley Business Journal presented him with a Corporate Counsel Award in the IP Lawyer category.

“The approach is quite different in-house than being a partner at a law firm,” he says. “You’re not in the business of law, you’re in the same business as your company. My goal is to help Monster succeed, and I love being integrated within a business. I bridge the gap between the business leadership and the legal team.”

David credits the academic foundation in intellectual property law he received at USF as a significant factor in his success.

Molly Moriarty Lane ’90
Managing Partner of Morgan Lewis’s San Francisco office, Molly was named one of The Most Influential Women in Bay Area Business by San Francisco Business Times. She has more than 20 years of litigation experience, including handling more than 10 class-action lawsuits and has contributed 7,500 hours of pro bono work.

Lindbergh Porter represents employers in all types of employment litigation at one of the largest employment law firms in the nation, and has been named a Northern California Super Lawyer every year since 2004.

“The approach is quite different in-house than being a partner at a law firm,” he says. “You’re not in the business of law, you’re in the same business as your company. My goal is to help Monster succeed, and I love being integrated within a business. I bridge the gap between the business leadership and the legal team.”

David credits the academic foundation in intellectual property law he received at USF as a significant factor in his success.

“I was inspired and motivated by USF’s world-renowned professors, such as Thomas McCarthy, who were thought leaders in the rapidly changing area of IP law,” he says.

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ALUMNI CONNECTIONS FROM COAST TO COAST

USF School of Law alumni take their passion for justice across the entire country. Our people are in major cities from coast to coast and on many of the Main Streets in between. They are leaders, innovators, and legal titans. Ours is an ever-growing network of alumni committed to mentoring students and new graduates, networking with students and fellow alumni, attending events in their cities and in San Francisco, and supporting the law school generously.

WENDI OKUN ’94
Senior Attorney, Microsoft Corporation, Seattle.
“My USF legal education taught me that I have a great foundation and extensive resources, including willing alumni. With that combination, I am always more prepared for the (sometimes scary) unknown than I think I am.”

MICHAEL K. BROWN ’82
Partner and former Chair of the Life Science Health Industry Group, Reed Smith, Los Angeles.
“USF prepared me for my career by providing a curriculum that not only made me a critical thinker but taught me how to use those skills in practice.”

ELISA CERVANTES HAMILTON ’10
“When I made the decision to move to Chicago, one of my former professors introduced me to a USF alum who’s a prominent criminal defense attorney there. My experience with that attorney was instrumental in securing my current position.”

AMOL MEHRA ’09
Director, International Corporate Accountability Roundtable, Washington, D.C.
“Through USF’s Frank C. Newman International Human Rights Law Clinic, I worked in the halls of the United Nations in Geneva, an experience that put me light years ahead of graduates of other programs and has continued to propel me in my career.”

PAUL B. GRUWELL ’07
Associate, Jones Carr McGoldrick, Dallas.
“More important than learning specific statutes and rules, my USF legal education taught me how to approach and analyze legal issues. I mastered how to frame a problem, consult the best resources, and dig until I am comfortable with the answer.”

JEAN AFTERMAN ’91
Senior Vice President, Assistant General Manager, New York Yankees, New York.
“USF promotes a sense of community between the school, students, faculty, and alumni. Once you become a member of that community, you are a member for life.”

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Full-time program: February 1
Part-time program: April 1

The Admissions Committee uses a rolling admissions system and typically begins accepting applications in mid-September and reviewing completed applications in late November.

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Our financial aid team works hard to make the costs of your legal education more manageable and the process easier to navigate. USF is committed to providing our students with comprehensive financial aid packages. Approximately 90 percent of our students receive some form of assistance.

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$23,390 per semester for full-time JD students
$1,670 per unit for part-time JD students

FALL 2014 APPLICATION STATISTICS
2,329 Number of applicants
1,415 Number of applicants admitted
144 Full-time students enrolled
28 Part-time students enrolled
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We provide our students with the client-focused, problem solving experiences that legal employers demand. Amidst the courtrooms, communities, and companies of San Francisco and Silicon Valley, our students have direct involvement in one of the world’s most dynamic cities while learning from outstanding faculty. Through our clinics and externships, our students engage with the real world—whether they are helping a start-up with basic business and legal decisions, working at nearby state or federal courts for judges they might have met at a USF alumni event, or immersing themselves in an international human rights agency or U.S. law firm in Asia, Latin America, or Europe.

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All our efforts fulfill a common mission: to train skilled, ethical lawyers and leaders in service to justice in our city and across the nation. USF begins with you, and it starts now.

John Trasviña
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