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UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT LITTLE ROCK
SCHOOL OF LAW

The School of Law was founded in 1965 as the Little Rock Division of the University of Arkansas School of Law in Fayetteville, succeeding several public and private law schools which operated in continuous succession at Little Rock since the latter part of the last century. In 1975, the Little Rock Division was separated from the Fayetteville School of Law and became the School of Law of the University of Arkansas at Little Rock (UALR).

The School of Law is one of nine academic units which form UALR. The School is housed in the modern, award-winning Arkansas Law Center and the recently restored Old Federal Post Office and Customs House, a National Register building. The Law Center and Federal Building overlook convention plaza in the heart of metropolitan Little Rock and are approximately five miles from the suburban main campus of the University. Total UALR enrollment of 9,300 includes 375 students at the Law School.

The School of Law offers a program of instruction leading to the Juris Doctor degree in both full-time day and part-time evening divisions. The program of study is enriched by such activities as the Law Journal, moot court competition, an active clinical and internship program, a variety of seminars and interdisciplinary course offerings, and customary extra-curricular activities. Including administrators, 20 persons hold full-time appointments on the law faculty. The law library collection now exceeds 90,000 volumes.

Inquiries concerning admissions, financial aid, and housing should be directed to:

Director of Admissions
UALR School of Law
400 West Markham Street
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201
(501) 371-1072

Additional information is also available in the current edition of the Pre-Law Handbook.

UALR is fully accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. The School of Law is approved by the American Bar Association.
Law. The Donaghey chair is the first endowed faculty position at the Law School.

* Acquisition of the Old Federal Building: The support and good offices of several state and federal agencies as well as the organized bar and individual patrons have made possible the renovation of the old United States Post Office and Customs House for use by the Law School. The building is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Addition of these quarters has tripled the space available for Law School programs and has given the School some unique facilities. The Old Federal Building includes offices for the administration, law clinic, student organizations, and the Journal. It contains a spacious study library as well as several rooms for seminars and conferences. The building also contains two large, carefully restored courtroom/classrooms, one of which features a sound-proof gallery and closed-circuit television system for use in clinical courses.

* Development of Clinical Programs: Beginning with the criminal law internship program in 1974, the School of Law has steadily expanded opportunities for students to integrate classroom instruction with simulated and actual practice experience. The office and courtroom facilities in the Old Federal Building insure continued improvement in clinical offerings. A diverse caseload is available to clinical students through cooperative arrangements between the School of Law and the local legal aid office, juvenile courts, and agencies devoted to problems of the aged.

* Consolidation of CLE Efforts: The UALR School of Law has joined with the UAF Law School and the Arkansas Bar Association in establishing a single entity—the Arkansas Institute for Continuing Legal Education (AICLE)—to sponsor continuing professional education programs in Arkansas. The Institute is housed at UALR and its executive director serves as an assistant dean of the Law School.

* Incorporation of the Law School Association: After two years of activity as an unincorporated group, alumni and friends of the Law School have formally incorporated as the UALR School of Law Association. The Association includes former students and friends of the UALR School of Law and its de jure or de facto predecessors in Little Rock; the Little Rock Law Class (before 1892); the University of Arkansas Law Department (1892-1916); the Arkansas Law School (1916-1968); and the Little Rock Division (1965-1975). The Association has undertaken a variety of programs to promote continued improvement of Law School programs.

Many other developments too numerous even to list have occurred at the Law School since 1975. The School has responded vigorously to meet the needs and expectations of the constituency it serves and to fulfill the mission of the University of which it is a part.

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