

POINTS OF PRIDE

A TRUE COMMUNITY

- Student body under 600 students
- Uniquely supportive learning environment
- Accessible, caring faculty and administration
- Small interactive classes
- 24-hour access to law school building and library
- Onsite computer support staff provides personal assistance
- Onsite parent co-operative nursery
- Active alumni involvement in mentoring students
- Diverse Community – Recognized by the Princeton Review as among the top 10 law schools for “Best Environment for Minority Students” and “Most Diverse Faculty”
- Student organizations provide a supportive environment and engage in political, educational, and social activities
- Academic Support Program available to all members of the first-year class

EMPHASIS ON PUBLIC AND SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

- A learning environment that encourages students to assume leadership roles
- Curricular emphasis on the most pressing social issues of our times: race, gender, class, sexual orientation, immigration, civil rights, and social justice

RENOWNED LEGAL SCHOLARS AND QUALITY EDUCATION

- The best small public law school in the United States; consistently ranked in the top 35 of all law schools
- Nationally and internationally distinguished faculty; authors of nationally-used casebooks; publishing in all leading academic journals
- Areas of strength include business law, criminal law, environmental and natural resources law, human rights and social justice law, immigration law, intellectual property law, international law, civil rights law, and public interest law
- Interdisciplinary partnerships with pre-eminent UC Davis campus programs in areas such as health, environmental sciences, cultural and ethnic studies, and forensic science
- Joint degree offered with the UC Davis Graduate School of Management
- LL.M. program brings international law students to King Hall, enriching the learning experience for all students
- Consistently strong bar passage rates
- Emphasis on experiential learning with virtually every student participating in trial and appellate advocacy programs
- Hands-on training opportunities including five student-run journals and four in-house legal clinics
- Close proximity to the California state capital offers students enhanced opportunities to participate in internships at state and federal courts, state agencies, public interest organizations and local public defender and district attorney offices



CELEBRATING 40 YEARS of EXCELLENCE, LEADERSHIP & COMMUNITY

1962

Board of Regents voted to establish a law school at UC Davis.

1964

Professor Edward L. Barrett, Jr., a prominent constitutional law and criminal procedure scholar and teacher, was appointed first dean.

1966

Inaugural UC Davis School of Law class was admitted – 78 students (75 men and 3 women) from 20 California colleges and nine schools in other states. Faculty and staff invited students into their homes as places to gather and talk about the law and social and political issues. This began the tradition of strong faculty-student interactions and the building of community.

1967

Groundbreaking ceremonies occurred for original law school building.

UC Davis School of Law received provisional accreditation from the State Bar of California.

1968

Membership was granted in the Association of American Law Schools – the first time a new law school had achieved this recognition before graduating its first class.

The Center for Administration of Criminal Justice began operation with the goal of helping to reform the criminal justice system – sponsored by both the School of Law and the Institute for Intergovernmental Affairs. It was started with a founding grant of \$1 million from the Ford Foundation.

1969

68 of the first law school class received their J.D. degrees.

First issue of *UC Davis Law Review*, examining legal problems related to control of water pollution, was published. Subsequent topics receiving nation-wide attention dealt with rules of evidence, the death penalty, constitutional law, labor law, jurisprudence and comparative law, law and medicine, family law, and intellectual property.

Law school building was completed and named for Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. King Hall continues to stand as a tribute to Dr. King's efforts to achieve social and political justice by lawful and orderly means.

1970

Student body grew to 340 with a faculty of 20.

1972

First volume of the *Alumni Reporter*, later named the *King Hall Counselor* was published.

King Hall Alumni Association was created with the first Alumni Board of Directors elected the following year.

1973

Order of the Coif – the national law scholastic honorary society – was established at King Hall. UC Davis School of Law achieved this recognition earlier in its existence than any other law school in the country.

Early 1970's

UC Davis School of Law became known as a national leader in attracting outstanding female faculty. Faculty were recognized by leading national organizations, including the prestigious American Law Institute and Association of American Law Schools.

1975

First Annual Fund drive was initiated to raise money for the general support of students and academic programs.



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Construction was underway for the **renovation and addition of space in the King Hall basement** – much of which was previously unfinished.

The **Prison Law Clinic** was started with funding from the California State Bar Association and the law school.

1977

First issue of *Environs Law and Policy Journal* was published, providing an open forum for the discussion of pressing environmental issues, particularly those pertaining to the state of California.

1978

The **King Hall Legal Foundation** was established by 35 members of the graduating class. It continues to focus on supporting public interest law projects.

1980

The **Distinguished Teaching Award** was established with funding from William and Sally Rutter. This award continues to be given to a member of the faculty at the annual Distinguished Teaching Award event.

For the first time in Davis history, **women made up the majority of the incoming law school class.**

1981

An infant care cooperative, **Perfect Tender**, was opened to provide day care for infants while their parents attended class. It was the first program of its kind organized in a law school and remains a core feature of King Hall's community today.

Professor Brigitte M. Bodenheimer Lecture on Family Law was established – an endowed series annually bringing scholars and practitioners together to discuss recent developments affecting the family.



The **Immigration Law Clinic** was established providing community education and free legal services to low income immigrants facing deportation.

The **Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program** was created – and was deemed by the American Bar Association as the nation's outstanding student public-interest program in its category.

1985

The **UC Davis School of Law Moot Court** team won the national Moot Court Competition – the first time a California team had ever won.

1986

The **Dean Edward L. Barrett, Jr. Lectureship on Constitutional Law** was established. The lectureship continues to bring prominent legal scholars to the School of Law to challenge and enhance the legal thinking of students, faculty and the community.

1987

The hallmark **statue of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.**, created by interpretive artist Lisa Reinertsen, was installed in the school's lobby with a formal dedication which included members of Dr. King's family as honored guests.

1992

The **Pro Bono program certificate** was established to recognize students who complete a minimum number of hours of pro bono work.



The first **faculty chair** was endowed in honor of Professor Edward L. Barrett, Jr. Today there are 6 endowed chairs at UC Davis School of Law that enable the school to recruit, reward and retain uniquely qualified faculty members in designated specialty areas.

1993

The **Civil Rights Clinic** was established as a litigation clinic in which students advocate for the civil rights of prisoners and other indigents.

A special session of the **California Supreme Court**, under Chief Justice Rose Bird, was hosted in the King Hall Moot Courtroom.

1996

The first issue of the *UC Davis Journal of Juvenile Law & Policy*, addressing the unique concerns of children in the American legal system, was published.

1997

UC Davis School of Law initiated the **LL.M. degree** – designed primarily for non-U.S. legal degree holders seeking a credential in U.S. law studies.

1998

The **Family Protection and Legal Assistance Clinic** was established. Working in collaboration with the independent Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Center in Woodland, CA, the program contains three components: student education, direct client representation, and community education.

Students in the **Civil Rights Clinic** brought national attention to the school when they **won a prisoner rights case** in the Ninth Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals.

1999

The **Homer G. Angelo and Ann Berryhill Professorship and Fund for International Legal Communication Studies** was approved. Homer Angelo spent 28 years teaching at UC Davis School of Law focusing in areas of international environmental protection, space law, international telecommunications, and more.



The **Boochever and Bird Chair for the Study and Teaching of Freedom and Equality** was established. It honors The

Honorable Robert Boochever and is in memory of Elizabeth J. and Donald G. Bird. The chair recognizes outstanding scholarship and teaching, along with a commitment to preserving and expanding the understanding of the "virtues necessary for a great republic."

2001

New **Master's Degree in International Commercial Law** was approved.

The **Business Law Journal** was launched becoming the School of Law's fifth law journal. It was the first business law journal in the nation to publish online and in a concise, journalistic style.



The **King Hall Outreach Program (KHOP)** was created, offering undergraduate students (freshmen and sophomores) who are educationally or economically disadvantaged an invaluable opportunity to discover what is needed to get into law school, what to expect when they get there, and the careers available once they graduate.

UC Davis School of Law welcomed its **largest class with 214 students.**

2002

The **Fair Business Practices and Investor Advocacy Chair**, funded by residues of settlement proceeds of class action lawsuits, was established to encourage legal excellence in the field of consumer and/or investor fraud prevention and enforcement.

2003

The **Mabie-Apallas Public Interest Chair** was established by the Mabie Family Foundation to honor William and Inez Mabie and Yeoryios Apallas. The endowment supports the research, scholarly and other public service activities at the School of Law within the areas of public interest.

2004

The project for the **expansion and renovation of King Hall** was announced and planning began.



Fundraising for the **Ayer Bankruptcy Chair** was begun. When endowed, this chair, honoring Professor John "Jack" Ayer, will encourage legal excellence in the field of bankruptcy and commercial law.

2005

The First **graduating class gift** was established, with a goal of creating a "culture of philanthropy" among King Hall students and graduates. Over

32% of the graduating class participated. The class of 2006 continued the tradition and more than 50% of the class made a contribution to the 2006 class gift.

The UC Davis School of Law was a founding member of the **International Association of Law Schools (IALS).**

Alumni, friends and family of Dan Dykstra provided funding to endow the **Daniel J. Dykstra Chair** to honor the memory of Professor Dykstra. Professor Dykstra was one of the first faculty hired at UC Davis School of Law and remained here until he retired.

2006 – Today and Beyond

Princeton Review ranked UC Davis School of Law in the **top 10 schools for "best environment for minority students" and "most diverse faculty."**

The **UC Davis School of Law Alumni Association** continues its tradition by awarding two scholarships to graduating students who were active members of the King Hall Community and worked to make the law school a better place.

UC Davis School of Law has **37 full-time faculty** along with 13 emeriti faculty, 13 visiting professors and 6 lecturers and clinical professors.



The **King Hall Boot Camp** was initiated. Similar in scope to the King Hall Outreach Program, it is an accelerated program targeted to undergraduate juniors who are considering law school.

Fifteen of the of the law school's faculty, including three emeriti professors, were elected to the **American Law Institute (ALI)** - chosen from the country's top judges, lawyers and legal scholars in recognition of their professional achievements and commitment to the improvement of law. UC Davis School of Law is believed to be among those with the highest proportion of active faculty with ALI membership.

Over 30 student-led organizations actively contributed to King Hall. These groups represent a wide range of academic, political, ethnic, religious, community service, social and artistic interests.

61 graduating students received the **Public Service Law Program** certificate. This highly successful program is designed for students interested in a public service career in areas that include public interest organizations, government agencies, and courts.

4 graduating students received the **Environmental Law Certificate**. This certificate program began in 2005 and is well integrated with the environmental strengths of the UC Davis campus.