



# USC Gould

School of Law

2016









**USC Gould**

USC Gould is a unique academic environment. We are a small and collegial community where collaboration is ever present, yet we embrace high standards and academic excellence. We have a history that stretches back more than 100 years, yet we are leaders in experiential education and do not hesitate to embrace changes that can make us better. We teach and study law, but the methods and perspective of other academic disciplines are in our DNA and enrich our classrooms and intellectual community. Our classes are rigorous and our faculty will push you, but your success is our top priority. I invite you to read these materials and see why USC Gould might be the right law school for you.



**Andrew T. Guzman**  
**Dean and Carl Mason Franklin Chair In Law**



# **Curriculum**

USC Gould's curriculum is comprehensive, interdisciplinary and designed to challenge. We ground students in the reality of the law: letter and spirit, theory and practice. Not only will you learn the functions and structures of legal rules and argument—you'll learn how lawyers actually work by participating in clinics, internships and externships.

**Because we believe your legal education should be deep as well as broad, our three-year curriculum lets you specialize in traditional law or an emerging field. We stress the interconnections among law and other academic areas, from economics and history to public policy and health care. USC Gould's scholarly yet practical approach ensures that you will gain the skills and perspective every lawyer needs.**

**Whether you think you would like to enter private practice, public service, academia or the corporate arena, USC Gould will help you design a course of study that meets your plans for the future. USC Gould provides an innovative take on traditional law, and we encourage pioneering viewpoints. Through mind-expanding course work and hands-on experience with real clients, USC Gould really prepares you for practice.**





## 1st Year

Prepare to examine the foundations of the law and develop the lawyering skills you'll need for any legal career you choose. Your course materials will include the basic sources of law—common law, constitutions, and statutes. Teaching methods vary across courses, but expect to engage in Socratic dialogue and participate in class discussions analyzing legal issues, reasons, and arguments. First-year classes meet in sections ranging in size from 15 to 70 students—small enough to foster class participation, big enough to offer diverse perspectives.

**Beginning Spring 2016, 1Ls will select one of three new elective courses designed to prepare students for the upper division years of law school, as well as for their careers after law school.**

- **Fundamentals of Business**— trains our law students in the basics of business and financial concepts that are important to effective legal work.
- **Legal Profession**— oriented for lawyers who aspire to careers in the public interest or public sector areas.
- **Constitutional Rights**— examines many of the key rights protected by the U.S. Constitution with a particular emphasis on equal protection rights and rights under the due process clause.

# Year 1



Summer Internships



Student Organizations



# Year 2+3



Judicial Clerkships  
Clinical Externships  
Entertainment Practicum  
International Programs  
Public Interest

Law Review  
and Journals

Judicial  
Clerkship  
Preparation

Moot Court  
Competition

Academic  
Support  
Program

Public Service

Study Abroad  
Programs

Bar  
Examination  
Preparation

Intensive  
Career  
Management  
Program

#### Dual Degree Programs

- J.D./Master of Arts in Economics
- J.D./Master of Business Administration
- J.D./Master of Business Taxation
- J.D./Master of Arts in International Relations
- J.D./Master of Arts in Communications Management
- J.D./Master of Arts in Political Science
- J.D./Master of Science in Gerontology
- J.D./Master of Real Estate Development
- J.D./Master of Social Work
- J.D./Master of Public Administration
- J.D./Master of Public Policy
- J.D./Master of Philosophy
- J.D./Doctor of Pharmacy
- J.D./Doctor of Philosophy in Social Science (CalTech)
- J.D./Doctor of Philosophy in Political Science and International Relations



## 2nd and 3rd Years

With your first-year foundation firmly in place, you're ready to develop and pursue your personal interest in the law. Your coursework is entirely up to you. Choose from USC Gould's broad curriculum of courses, seminars, clinical instruction, and supervised writing programs. Some upper-division courses explore basic subjects, such as taxation, evidence, and criminal procedure. Others provide advanced instruction that assumes knowledge of basic subjects. Upper-level courses and seminars are small, and instruction is intensive. Seminars are offered on many topics and are designed to facilitate in-depth, small-group discussion.

In your second and third years, you can earn academic credit by serving as an editor or staff member for one of USC Gould's scholarly journals. Faculty members will review and evaluate your written work. You can also earn academic credit by assisting on directed research projects.



**Year 2**

**August:**

Early Interview Week

Off Campus Interview Programs in New York and Washington, D.C.

**September:**

Fall On Campus Interview Program

**February:**

Spring On Campus Interview Program

**Year 3**

**August:**

Early Interview Week

Off Campus Interview Programs in New York and Washington, D.C.

**September:**

Fall On Campus Interview Program

**October:**

Equal Justice Works Conference and Career Fair in Washington, D.C.

**November:**

Public Interest Career Fair

Interview Program

**February:**

Spring On Campus Interview Program



### **LEGAL CLINICS**

By the time you've finished your first year of the USC Law curriculum, you've learned that lawyers do not live by theory alone. To instill lawyering skills of the highest quality—and to steep students in real experience of the law—USC Gould maintains six client clinics (five of which are live client clinics and not simulated) that give you the opportunity to put theory into practice. Los Angeles itself allows USC Gould to offer an incredible diversity of legal clinics with exposure to both litigation and transactional work.

The clinical program offers two kinds of training. Through classroom exercises that simulate real-life law practice, you'll use hypothetical case materials to study a case and take it to court, with actors serving as clients and witnesses. And in the clinics, under the supervision of faculty members and practicing attorneys, you'll work with actual clients—sharpening your skills while experiencing the impact your legal education can have on real people in the community.



USC clinical programs include the Mediation Clinic, Immigration Clinic, International Human Rights Clinic, Small Business Clinic, Intellectual Property and Technology Law Clinic and the Post-Conviction Justice Project.

#### **DUAL-DEGREE PROGRAMS**

USC Gould sponsors 15 dual-degree programs, in partnership with other professional schools at USC and Caltech. Participate in one of these programs and leave USC Gould with recognized competence that combines with your legal education to prepare you for specific career options.

Most dual-degree programs can be completed in three years, but a few till take four years. To pursue a dual degree, you must apply separately to the J.D. program and to the non-law discipline, at the time of your application to USC Gould or during your first year of law school.

All dual-degree candidates, with the exception of those participating in the J.D./Doctor of Pharmacy program,



must complete their first year of law school before taking non-law courses.

J.D. / Master of Arts in Economics

J.D. / Master of Business Administration

J.D. / Master of Business Taxation

J.D. / Master of Arts in International Relations

J.D. / Master of Arts in Communications Management

J.D. / Master of Arts in Political Science

J.D. / Master of Science in Gerontology

J.D. / Master of Real Estate Development

J.D. / Master of Social Work

J.D. / Master of Public Administration

J.D. / Master of Public Policy

J.D. / Master of Philosophy

J.D. / Doctor of Pharmacy

J.D. / Doctor of Philosophy in Social Science (Caltech)

J.D. / Doctor of Philosophy in Political Science and International Relations

### **STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMS**

USC Gould offers study abroad programs in China, Italy, France, Australia, and Brazil for J.D. students. These programs provide opportunities to learn about foreign legal systems and experience different cultures. Qualified second and third year J.D. candidates are



exposed to international law as they take part in exchange programs with leading partner institutions worldwide. Experience in other cultures and knowledge of international legal arenas is important for law school graduates in an increasingly interconnected world.

### **CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS**

As part of our commitment to inter-professional education, we offer three specialized certificate programs—Business Law, Entertainment Law and Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR). The Business Law certificate prepares students to address legal and business issues that practitioners face when engaging in transactional work. The Entertainment Law certificate prepares students for legal and business issues that practitioners face in the entertainment and media practice areas. The Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) certificate prepares students in the arbitration and mediation practice areas.

# Judicial Externships and Clerkships

## Judicial Externships

At USC Gould, you have the career-making opportunity to earn academic credit while working as an extern for a state or federal judge.

Judicial externs develop legal analysis and writing skills, gain exposure to adversarial practice, and witness the judicial decision-making process from a unique and valuable perspective.

For 2014-15, over 70 students externed for academic credit for judges/justices in the California Court of Appeal, Los Angeles Superior Court, U.S. District Court, U.S. Court of Appeals and the U.S. Bankruptcy Court.

## Judicial Clerkships

Judicial Clerkships are a key credential for your future practice of law—no matter what the area of legal specialty. Many USC Gould graduates earn coveted berths as judicial law clerks to federal and state judges.

By beginning their legal careers in a judge's chambers, and taking on these prestigious clerkships, USC Gould graduates find themselves in the enviable position of being later courted for a wealth of amazing career opportunities in both the public and private sectors. It's commonly noted that a judicial clerkship can help accelerate a young attorney's path to law firm partnerships and other prestigious positions.

### **USC Gould Federal Judicial Clerkships 2012-14**

#### **Circuit Level**

- 9th Circuit Court of Appeals
- 8th Circuit Court of Appeals
- 5th Circuit Court of Appeals
- 3rd Circuit Court of Appeals

#### **District Level**

- Central District of California
- District of Nevada
- District of New Mexico
- Southern District of Florida
- Southern District of Texas





Moot Court allows USC Gould students to take part in simulated court proceedings before mock appellate-court panels made up of seasoned practicing attorneys and sitting judges from the local community and across the country. Actually preparing cases that mimic real cases often pulled from current events provides you with lively hands-on experience. It's an exciting opportunity to research, write and present in order to hone these important skills in a controlled environment.

# Commitment to Public Service

Can one law student make a difference? The USC Gould community says, unequivocally, “Yes.” Whether you’re assisting a family in adopting a child, or a veteran with medical and housing benefits, you can make a difference through countless volunteer opportunities, internships, in-house legal clinics, and grant programs.

**Interested in learning more? Visit:**

**Office of Public Service:**

[gould.usc.edu/why/public/ops.cfm](http://gould.usc.edu/why/public/ops.cfm)

**Public Interest Law Foundation:**

[gould.usc.edu/why/students/orgs/pilf.cfm](http://gould.usc.edu/why/students/orgs/pilf.cfm)

**Latino Law Students Association Teen Court Program:**

[gould.usc.edu/go/lsla](http://gould.usc.edu/go/lsla)

**Street Law Outreach Program:**

[gould.usc.edu/why/students/orgs/streetlaw.cfm](http://gould.usc.edu/why/students/orgs/streetlaw.cfm)



USC Gould's student-run Public Interest Law Foundation (PILF) offers myriad volunteer opportunities in partnership with Los Angeles' leading public interest organizations. PILF also provides more than 25 summer grants that enable students to work for a variety of public-interest agencies each summer—gaining practical legal experience while providing desperately needed legal aid to the poor and underrepresented.

USC Gould's Office of Public Service (OPS) supports all student-driven service projects. The OPS also coordinates public-service externships. Approximately 100 students annually earn academic credit and develop their advocacy skills while working for public interest organizations, government agencies, and judges.

USC Gould's Clinical Program offers students an opportunity to participate during the academic year or work full-time over the summer for one of several in-house clinics, including: Immigration Clinic, Intellectual Property and Technology, International Human Rights Clinic, Post-Conviction Justice Project, Small Business Clinic, and Mediation Clinic.

There are many ways to get involved in public interest projects at USC Gould. Legal Aid Alternative Breaks (LAAB) sponsored spring break trips to the hurricane-ravaged Gulf Coast, where students provided crucial legal

services to residents rebuilding their lives. Other student-led service projects include Latino Law Students Association's Teen Court, a diversion program for first-time juvenile offenders in lieu of formal juvenile court proceedings, and Street Law, a nationally recognized educational outreach program that teaches legal literacy to local high school students.

USC encourages students to pursue careers in public interest, pro bono opportunities, and other public service beyond law school by providing:

**PILF's Irmas Fellowship**

An annual fellowship for a one-year, post-graduate position with the nonprofit agency of the fellow's choice

**Clinton Orfalea Brittingham Fellowship**

A one-year, post-graduate opportunity to work on one of the foundation's domestic or international initiatives

**Loan Repayment Assistance Program (LRAP)**

Funds which help repay student loans for graduates working in public service

**PILF's Outstanding Public Interest Graduate Award**

Honors alumni commitment to public-interest careers

**Justice Bus Project**

Teams of attorney and law students volunteer to set up free legal clinics for low-income Californians living in rural and isolated communities.

# This is Who We Are

USC Gould boasts 58 full-time faculty and more than 100 adjunct professors with legal expertise in a variety of areas, including politics, intellectual property, business, international, entertainment, ethics and tort reform. USC Gould's interdisciplinary focus is strengthened by these faculty members, many of whom hold doctorates in other fields.





**Jody David Armour**

Roy P. Crocker Professor of Law



**Emily Ryo**

Assistant Professor of Law  
and Sociology



**Edward D. Kleinbard**

Ivadelle and Theodore Johnson  
Professor in Law and Business



**Jonathan M. Barnett**

Professor of Law



**Hannah R. Garry**

Clinical Professor of Law



**Daria Roithmayr**

George T. and Harriet E. Pfleger  
Chair in Law

# 2015–16 Faculty

Scott A. Altman	Gillian K. Hadfield	Rachel Kronick Rothbart
Pauline M. Aranas	Leeanna Izuel	Heidi L. Rummel
Elizabeth Armour	Diana C. Jaque	Julie A. Ryan
Jody David Armour	Kyle W. Jones	Emily Ryo
Jonathan M. Barnett	Gregory C. Keating	Elyn R. Saks
Valerie Barreiro	Edward D. Kleinbard	Wayne Sandholtz
Kristen Bell	Daniel M. Klerman	Hilary M. Schor
Scott H. Bice	Lisa Klerman	Donald Scotten
Michael J. Brennan	Bart A. Kosko	Michael H. Shapiro
Rebecca L. Brown	Rosanne Krikorian	Sandy Y. Shin
Kim Shayo Buchanan	Yoon-Ho Alex Lee	Dan Simon
Deborah A. Call	George Lefcoe	Karen Skinner
Alexander M. Capron	Martin L. Levine	Edwin M. Smith
Elizabeth A. Carroll	Sharon A. Lloyd	Nomi M. Stolzenberg
Michael A. Chasalow	Rebecca S. Lonergan	Gary Watson
Marshall Cohen	Thomas D. Lyon	Mark I. Weinstein
Catherine Coleman	John G. Matsusaka	Simon J. Wilkie
Geoffrey Cowan	Edward J. McCaffery	Diana I. Williams
David B. Cruz	Melissa Joy Miller	Leonette M. Williams
Bryant Danner	Claudia Moatti	Abby K. Wood
Judy K. Davis	Paul J. Moorman	Susan C. Wright
Samuel C. Erman	Kevin J. Murphy	
Susan R. Estrich	Wendy Y. Nobunaga	
Edward J. Finegan	Clare Pastore	
Raymond Flores	Cynthia Prado-Guyer	
Niels W. Frenzen	Brian M. Raphael	
Alice R. Galstian	Robert K. Rasmussen	
Ronald R. Garet	Chloe T. Reid	
Hannah R. Garry	Jean Reisz	
Thomas D. Griffith	Alison Dundes Renteln	
Ariela J. Gross	Camille Gear Rich	
Sofia Mary Gruskin	Stephen M. Rich	
Andrew T. Guzman	Daria Roithmayr	

# **Student Experience**

USC Gould offers support in many areas of student life. From the moment you begin law school, you'll have access to programs, workshops, organizations, and activities that provide personal, academic, and professional enrichment. We're here to help you have the best possible law school experience.

A great benefit for USC Gould students is that we are a small, tight-knit community, amidst a large and vibrant campus with resources that serve thousands of students. USC Gould School's Office of Student Services recognizes and addresses the unique needs of law students.



## **OFFICE OF STUDENT SERVICES**

USC Gould's Office of Student Services provides personalized support for students. There are many programs and services that help students with the personal issues associated with transitioning to law school, and then thriving once here. Some things you can access through Student Services:

**Mentorship:** We offer a Peer Mentor Program that helps incoming students transition into law school by providing trusting interactions with a second-year student mentor. Mentors guide new students to social and developmental resources that help them become an integral part of the law school and alumni community.

**Health and Wellness:** Law school involves a great investment of time and effort that can often lead to anxiety and stress. We help students maintain a healthy balance between school and life. Through on-campus counseling, medical and disability services, students receive the assistance required to face mental and physical challenges. For students with disabilities, we work with other university services to coordinate necessary accommodations and support.



**Awards:** Each spring, USC Gould presents the Edward and Eleanor Shattuck Awards, the Miller Johnson Equal Justice Award and the Mason C. Brown Award to selected graduating law students.

**Student Organizations:** The diversity of USC Gould's student population is reflected in over thirty political, religious, social, cultural and ethnic organizations. Students play an active and valued role in the day-to-day operation of the law school and are encouraged to pursue their interests through the creation of new student organizations and events.

**Academic Support:** It is common for first-year law students to seek guidance in learning the new language and analytic skills that confront them in law school. The Academic Support Program assists students as they learn how to study law. It also works to support students seeking to improve their academic performance throughout their studies. With the guidance of peer tutors and faculty, new students learn to hone their writing skills through periodic co-curricular workshops as well as specialized courses, myriad online resources, and individual counseling. All of these resources and approaches are designed to help students achieve success in their classes, on the Bar examination, and in law practice.





















Find out more about  
your future colleagues at  
[gould.usc.edu](http://gould.usc.edu)



# This is Our Legacy

With more than 100 years of renowned legal education, USC Gould is an institution that continues to make history, through its philosophy of innovation, and through its people. By the students, for the students, that's the founding premise and guiding principle behind USC Gould.

At the end of the 19th century, when there was no formal law school in Southern California, aspiring lawyers prepared by “reading law” at local firms. Then, in 1896, a band of ambitious apprentices brought organized legal education to Los Angeles. Their goal: Create “a school of permanent character,” and educate lawyers of exceptional quality. Today’s USC Gould reflects a distinguished past built on the principles of equity and excellence, and the courage to break new ground.



**1896**

Year established.  
James Brown  
Scott as head.



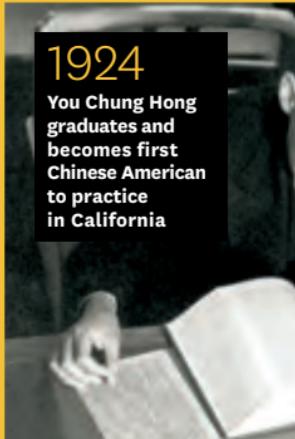
**1911**

Moves to  
Tajo Building



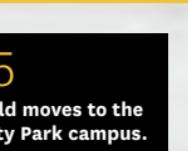
**1912**

Yearbook reflects  
diverse and  
international  
student body



**1924**

You Chung Hong  
graduates and  
becomes first  
Chinese American  
to practice  
in California



**1925**

USC Gould moves to the  
University Park campus.



**1931**

African American,  
Edwin Jefferson  
graduates

**Diversity Pioneers:** From its informal beginnings, the fledgling institution made diversity its earliest hallmark and embraced this innovation every step of the way. USC Gould's early yearbooks showcase the school's deep commitment to diversifying the profession. The faces of students reflect the communities that USC alumni have gone on to lead.

**Alumni on the Bench:** In the school's first 100 years, more than 450 graduates have held state and federal judgeships, making USC Gould a key contributor to leadership in the legal profession. In 1906, Frederick W. Houser '00, became the first alumnus to serve on the bench when he was elected to the Los Angeles Superior Court. Georgia Bullock '14 became the first woman appointed to the Los Angeles Superior Court. In recent years, USC Gould graduates formed the majority on the California Supreme Court—unprecedented among law schools.

**Women in the Law:** The five women on the committee that founded USC Gould began a tradition of women in leadership perpetuated throughout the school's history. In 1911, USC formed the nation's first female law-student sorority, Phi Delta Delta. By 1930, USC was a national leader in preparing women for careers in law, and, in 1968, became the first leading law school with a female dean. Today, women constitute approximately half of each class, making way for a new generation of trailblazers.

**Law Without Boundaries:** Recognizing the complexity of law practice in an increasingly interconnected world, USC Gould professors began to integrate the social sciences, such as anthropology and economics, into their law classes as early as the 1960s. Today, USC Gould continues to transcend traditional boundaries through the many professors who hold advanced degrees in economics, history, political science, and psychology, in addition to law credentials.

**Public Interest:** Believing that practical experience is essential, in 1928, USC became one of the country's first law schools to establish a public-interest clinic. In time, the clinic evolved into the Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles, one of the state's largest providers of free legal services and a place where USC students continue to contribute.



**1949**

First William Green Hale  
Moot Court competition.



**1961**

Southern California  
Law Review staff



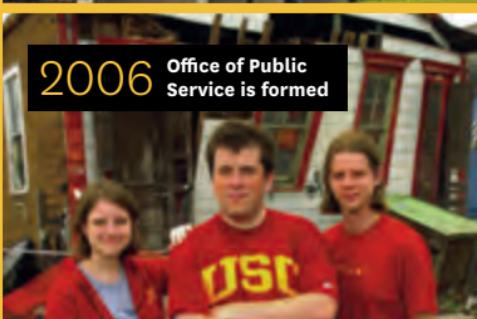
**1968**

Dorothy W. Nelson  
becomes the first  
woman dean of a leading  
American law school.



**1970**

USC Gould  
moves into the  
Elvon and Mabel  
Musick Building.



**2006**

Office of Public  
Service is formed



**2014**

USC's Post-Conviction Justice  
Project represents Mary Jones,  
freed after being wrongfully  
convicted for 32 years.



**2015**

\$5 million gift to launch  
the Alternative Dispute  
Resolution program.

# **Alumni Network**

## **This is who we become:**

Leaders in the practice of law. Career advantages begin before you even search for a job, and continue long after you receive your degree. From our Alumni Mentor Lunch in your first year which introduces you to the USC Gould Alumni Network, to our Career Services support throughout your career, USC Gould networking epitomizes a collegial approach to career-building.



**Bruce Soll '82**

**Undergraduate School:** Claremont McKenna College  
**Current Employer:** L Brands, Inc.  
At USC Gould, my path included a Washington DC component and my USC Gould network was always invaluable. I'm always glad to help students considering a DC or non-traditional pathway.

**Jamie Heine '13**

**Undergraduate School:** University of California, Berkeley  
**Current Employer:** Covington & Burling LLP  
Attending USC Law is among the best decisions I have ever made. The collegial student environment provides an encouraging setting for new law students, and allowed me to make life-long friends. The school offers an unparalleled mix of interdisciplinary and practical learning courses that helped me hit the ground running when I entered legal practice. Most of all, the faculty, staff, and alumni are committed to the success of their students and consistently go above and beyond to help students navigate their careers and find opportunities.

**Anna Lee '12**

**Undergraduate School:** University of Virginia

**Current Employer:**

**Office of the Comptroller of the Currency**

The strength of USC lies in its small, intimate class size. This contributes to a collegial community of students, deeper relationships with faculty, and easy access to administration.

**Steve Mindel '85**

**Undergraduate School:**  
**University of California,**  
**Los Angeles**

**Current Employer:**

**Feinberg Mindel Brandt & Klein LLP**

The USC Gould alumni network is one of the most powerful and important driving forces in the success of our 18-attorney family law practice. My USC connections were responsible for my first law firm job, finding my first law partner, and building our practice into one of the premier family law practices in LA county. At USC, your 3 years in law school is just the beginning of your lifetime Trojan family experience.

**Matt Cave '11**

**Undergraduate School: University of Michigan**

**Current Employer: Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP**

The Trojan Network is truly invaluable. During my 1st year, I was introduced to a USC Gould alum who is a partner at a prominent LA law firm and has been a mentor to me since. After graduating, I clerked for a judge in the Central District of California who is a "double Trojan." Today, I keep in close contact with my USC Gould classmates, who collectively work at nearly every law firm in LA.



### Rosezetta Upshaw '11

**Undergraduate School:** UC Berkeley

**Current Employer:**

**Los Angeles Dependency Lawyers**

The strength of USC Gould comes from the people.

All of the professors, deans, staff, and alumni are committed to helping students reach their goals and all of the students want each other to succeed.



### Richard Benes '76

**Undergraduate School:**

**Yale University**

**Current Employer:** Self

At USC I was trained to question the meaning of language. That training opens the mind, and it is a very special strength of a legal education at USC. Having practiced civil appellate law for 38 years, I remain grateful for that training every day. USC truly graduates physicists in the law, not mechanics.

### Andrew Elken '09

**Undergraduate School:** Princeton University

**Current Employer:** Cravath, Swaine & Moore LLP

As an East-coaster, it was important to me to choose a law school that would open doors in any city.

I currently practice corporate law in New York City and there is no doubt in my mind that USC Gould School provides nationwide opportunities to its students.

**Mark Karasik '81**

**Undergraduate School: USC**

**Current Employer: Baker & McKenzie LLP**

Everything good in my life started with USC. I went to USC undergrad. I went to USC Gould. I met my wife there. My youngest son has two USC degrees. I was hired out of USC Gould by the Chicago office of Baker & McKenzie LLP in 1981 and have worked there since.

## **“Everything good in my life started with USC.”**

**Mark Karasik '81**

**Frank Walton '08**

**Undergraduate School: Boston College**

**Current Employer: Morgan Stanley**

After attending the admitted students' reception, I found the most down to earth and welcoming student body and faculty of all of the schools I visited. Finally, I was definitely ready to leave the northeast weather behind for a few years. I couldn't be happier with my choice.



**Justin H. Sanders '00**  
**Undergraduate School:**  
Morehouse College  
**Current Employer:**

**Sanders Roberts & Jewett LLP**

I chose USC Gould over other top law schools because of USC's relatively small class size and the close interaction between the professors, administrators and students. USC opened countless professional opportunities for me and has provided me with an amazing, life-long network of close friends and business contacts.

**Rafael Bernardino '84**

**Undergraduate School: USC**

**Current Employer: Hobson, Bernardino & Davis, LLP**

It is fair to say that every job I have ever had, from Law Clerk to the Honorable Manuel L. Real (alum) to my first jobs at the United States Department of Justice (alums) to every firm I worked for (many alums) were facilitated by an alum; first giving me an opportunity, and then encouraging my development as an attorney.

# **“The sunshine, culture, and maybe the bacon-wrapped hot dogs reeled me in, the Trojan Network has kept me here.”**

**Cristyn Chadwick ’11**

**Christiane Roustell ’06**

**Undergraduate School: Georgetown University**

**Current Employer: Hunton & Williams**

When I visited other schools and asked students if they liked the school, they usually replied, “Well, it’s law school,” as though law school was not meant to be enjoyable. However, when I visited USC Gould, every student I encountered was genuinely happy to be there and made glowing remarks about the invested faculty and staff, the camaraderie amongst students, and the engaged alumni.

**Cristyn Chadwick ’11**

**Undergraduate School: University of Michigan**

**Current Employer: Reed Smith, LLP**

I’m a Midwesterner through and through. I love steak and potatoes and football. But moving to Los Angeles when I got into USC Gould was the best decision I’ve made. The sunshine, culture, and maybe the bacon-wrapped hot dogs reeled me in, the Trojan Network has kept me here.

# Career Services

Whether you stay in California, or your career aspirations take you across the country, USC Gould offers plenty of support. The knowledgeable professionals in the Career Services Office are on tap to help you design a tailored job search through individualized career counseling, providing information and access to public and private sector employers both regionally and nationally, orchestrating recruitment programs and job fairs, and engaging the famous Trojan network to help pave the way in the legal community. Each fall and

spring, hundreds of private law firms, government and public interest agencies, and corporations from around the country visit USC Gould, or participate in our job fairs in major legal markets nationwide, to interview our students for summer or post-graduate jobs. USC Gould's Career Services team understands the legal market and how best to launch you into it.

# USC Gould's recent graduates work for private and public sector employers across the country, including:

#Instacurity  
Adelson, Testan, Bruno,  
Novell & Jimenez  
Advancement Project  
Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP  
Allen Matkins Leck Gamble Mallory  
& Natsis LLP  
Alston Bird LLP  
Arizona Attorney General's Office  
Arnold & Porter LLP  
Asian American Justice Center  
Avasant Law LLP  
Baker & Hostetler LLP  
Baker Marquart LLP  
Bayview Asset Management  
BCMS Corporate  
Best Best & Krieger LLP  
Blakely, Sokoloff, Taylor & Zafman LLP  
Bononi Law Group LLP  
Browne George Ross LLP  
Bryan Cave LLP  
Cabrini Green Legal Aid  
Cades Schutte LLP  
CAI International, Inc.  
Caldwell Leslie & Proctor, PC  
California Department of Justice,  
Office of the Attorney General  
California Department of Transportation  
California Public Utilities Commission  
California School Employees Association  
Canlas Law Group, APLC  
Carecen  
Carico Johnson Toomey LLP  
Cedars-Sinai Technology Transfer Office  
Chicago Park District  
Clark County District Attorney's Office  
Clark County of Nevada Manager's Office

Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP  
Coalition to Abolish Slavery &  
Trafficking (CAST)  
Conlin, McKenney & Philbrick, P.C.  
Contra Costa County  
District Attorney's Office  
Courteau & Associates, P.C.  
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# Living

If you're going to spend three years as a law student immersed in the law, shouldn't you choose a setting that's dynamic, diverse, and rich in opportunity?

That's Los Angeles—the perfect place to study hard (maybe even at the beach), lose yourself in the local culture, and plot your first big career move.

**USC is at the center of one of the most exciting urban environments of the 21st century. Los Angeles is ethnically diverse, culturally vibrant, and has a fantastic and varied climate that permits unparalleled year-round recreational activities. It's one of few places in the world where you could ski on snow-capped mountains in the morning and hit the beach with your surfboard by afternoon.**

All aspects of high and popular culture are represented in Los Angeles; L.A. is an incredible center of outstanding and innovative film, music, theatre and dance. L.A. is also one of the most affordable and diverse cities in which to eat. From the fresh produce in numerous farmers' markets to sidewalk stands that are L.A. institutions, you will find not just the best hamburgers and hot dogs, but also amazing sushi, burritos, dim sum, pho, kalbi and pupusas.

If it's culture you're looking for, look no farther. Los Angeles boasts world-class art museums such as the J. Paul Getty Museum, the Museum of Contemporary Art, the Los Angeles County Museum of Art, and the Norton Simon Museum of Art. Depending on your musical tastes, you could enjoy the Los Angeles Philharmonic at Walt Disney Concert Hall, a world-music festival at the Hollywood Bowl, a show at LA Live downtown, or a small rock gig at the Roxy on just about any given night of the year. If it's drama you long for, choose from the renowned Ahmanson Theatre, Mark Taper Forum, or a plethora of smaller stages that boast big names and world-premiere shows.

If you're a sports fan, you don't need us to tell you that Los Angeles is a sports haven. Starting with our own national champion USC Trojans, you'll have plenty of opportunities to see the best in everything from football to basketball, baseball to hockey, and golf to soccer. Enjoying sports is a year-round activity here. Local opportunities include skiing in the San Gabriel mountains, hiking and camping in the California desert or the Santa Monica Mountains, and swimming or surfing in the Pacific Ocean. Weekend trips from Los Angeles include some of the most awe-inspiring places on earth, including the Sierra Nevada mountains, Joshua Tree and Death Valley National Parks, the Mojave Desert, and the Baja coast.

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Largest city in the U.S.A.: City of Los Angeles

# 224

Different languages spoken: City of Los Angeles

# 3,928,864

**Approximate population: City of Los Angeles**

# 470

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## **1 August/September 2015**

### **Register for LSAT and Subscribe to CAS**

Subscribe to the Credential Assembly Service (CAS), and take the LSAT no later than December 2015. For more information, contact the Law School Admission Council (LSAC) at LSAC.org or by calling (215) 968-1001.

## **2 September 2015**

### **Begin Admissions Application**

Complete USC Gould's Application for Admission and write your personal statement. You must transmit your application electronically using LSAC's electronic application service. LSAC will send an electronic version of your application directly to USC Gould.

## **3 October 2015**

### **Get Letters of Recommendation Written and Submit to CAS**

We require that you submit at least two letters of recommendation through the CAS Letter of Recommendation Service. At least one of these letters should specifically address your academic abilities.

## **4 November 15, 2015**

### **Early Decision Deadline**

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