UNIVERSITY OF OREGON SCHOOL OF LAW SCHOOL - ORIENTATION - 2015
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**Monday, August 17**

Optional campus tours at 10:45 am starting at the 15th and Agate entrance to the law school. Sign up at [https://oregonlaw.wufoo.com/forms/campus-tour-reservation/](https://oregonlaw.wufoo.com/forms/campus-tour-reservation/). Lunch is on your own today.

12:00 pm – 12:30 pm: Packet Pick-Up

12:30 pm – 12:45 pm: Welcome

12:45 pm – 1:30 pm: **Ice Breaker** – Professor Jen Reynolds

*Get to know your neighbors!*

1:30 pm – 1:45 pm: Break

1:45 pm – 3:15 pm: **Campus Resources**

- Financial Aid – Kyna Burgett
- Student Billing – Dave Doerkson
- Health Center – Paula Straight
- Counseling Center – Suzie Stadelman
- Student Insurance – Shannon Millington & Teresa Davis
- Student Conduct & Title IX – Sandy Weintraub

3:15 pm – 3:30 pm: Break

3:30 pm – 4:30 pm: **Navigating the System**

*Adell Amos, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, and the 1L faculty will be on hand to introduce themselves and welcome you to law school. Following their welcome, Sherie Snyder, Law School Registrar, and Nicole Commissiong, Assistant Dean for Student Affairs, will provide an overview of the resources available to you during your time in law school, and where to find the information you need.*

4:30 pm: Evaluations
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### Tuesday, August 18

9:00 am – 10:30 am: **Individual/Community Development**

Jennifer Espinola, Dean of Students, will lead you through a session designed to help you get to know your peers better and to build the community that we pride ourselves on at Oregon Law. You will also have the chance to hear from 2nd and 3rd year students about advice they have for setting yourself up for personal success as a student.

10:30 am – 10:45 am: **Break**

10:45 am – 11:30 am: **Academic Session #1 – Overview of the US Legal System**

Professor Margie Paris will introduce you to the American legal system. This session is designed to help you understand both the civil and criminal justice systems in the United States. You will also be introduced to the concepts of “common law” and “statutory law.”

11:30 am – 12:00 pm: **BARBRI & Evaluations**

Learn about BARBRI and the resources available to you during law school.

12:00 pm – 1:00 pm: **Lunch – Sponsored by BARBRI**

*Pick up your copy of BARBRI outlines over the lunch hour! Meet some of your Student Bar Association leaders.*

1:00 pm – 4:00 pm: **Academic Session #2 – Briefing Cases**

You’ve probably heard that you would have to “brief” cases in law school. Professor Rowe will not only walk you through what that means, but provide you with an opportunity to brief a case and then debrief about that experience. Case briefing is a valuable experience, particularly for students at the start of law school as it will help you to gain a deeper understanding of the cases you will read.

4:00 pm: **Evaluations**
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**Wednesday, August 19**

9:00 am – 10:45 am: Academic Session #3 – No Eating Outside the Kitchen  
Professors Erik Girvan and Liz Tippett will introduce you to the concept of statutory interpretation. Lawyers in the United States are frequently called upon to interpret statutes, which are laws enacted by legislative bodies, such as Congress or state legislatures. You will also experience “cold calling" and then debrief about the experience.

10:45 am – 11:00 am: Break

11:00 am – 12:00 pm: Self-Care During Law School  
An honest conversation about working hard, pacing yourself, finding joy, and avoiding common pitfalls in law school.
- Student Affairs Support
- Academic Support
- Peer Support
- Oregon Attorney Assistance Program

12:00 pm – 12:10 pm: Kaplan Bar Review  
Learn about Kaplan Bar Review, and the resources available to you during your time in law school.

12:10 pm – 1:15 pm: Lunch – Co-Sponsored by Kaplan & OAAP  
Pick up your copy of Kaplan outlines over the lunch hour!

1:15 pm – 2:15 pm: Career Center  
As you begin law school, consider what you will need to do to position yourself for a satisfactory career trajectory. The Career Center staff will set expectations and provide an overview of how they will educate, challenge and support you in your job search.

2:15 pm – 2:30 pm: Break

2:30 pm – 2:45 pm: Portland Program Overview  
Hear from Professor Mohsen Manesh, about opportunities available if you spend your final year in the law school’s Portland Program!

2:45 pm – 2:55pm: Moot Court  
Learn how you can get involved with the law school’s student-run Moot Court program as a 1L, including a 1L Negotiation Competition on September 5.

2:55 pm: Evaluations & Building Tours
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**Thursday, August 20**

***Please dress in business casual attire.***

11:30 – 12:15 pm: Health Insurance – International Students Only
This session will take place in room 282.

**Lunch is on your own today**

1:00 pm – 3:15 pm: Professionalism
*This session is in two parts. Part One will run from 1:00 to 2:30 in the rooms assigned below. During this interactive session, you will work through a series of factual scenarios that you could encounter as a law student or attorney. You are encouraged to consider all sides of an issue, to display empathy in discussing how the involved parties may be impacted by different outcomes, and by the decisions of others. You are encouraged to reflect on the reasons why you make the arguments and recommendations that you make.*

- LRW A – Room 142 – Judge John Acosta
- LRW B – Room 184 – Dominic Campanella
- LRW C – Room 241 – David Elkanich
- LRW E – Room 243 – Sam Hill
- LRW G – Room 281 – Meredith Holley
- LRW H – Room 282 – Douglas Park

*Students are required to convene promptly at 2:45 pm in room 175 for Part Two. You will hear from the Honorable John Acosta, United States District Court Judge for the District of Oregon on the importance of professionalism, and how you can begin to build your professional reputation today.*

3:15 pm – 3:30 pm: Evaluations & Break

3:30 pm – 4:15 pm: Convocation
*Your journey at the UO and into the legal profession begins.*
*Remarks will be offered by the University President, Dean of the Law School, Assistant Dean of Admissions, Judge David Schuman and the President of the Student Bar Association.*
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**Friday, August 21**

**Student Activities**

- 10:30 am – 12:00 pm: Student Organization Tabling
  - Meet student leaders from Oregon Law student groups and connect with returning students to learn more about student life and opportunities to gain valuable skills and networking outside of the classroom.

- 12:30 pm: Student Activities in the Courtyard hosted by the Student Bar Association
  - Getting through law and graduate school can be very challenging and it is made better by having good relationships with your peers. Spend this social time getting to know the people who will be your strongest support system over the years.

**Monday, August 24**

12:30 pm – 1:30 pm: Welcome Back Ice Cream Social
Law School Courtyard