Monday, August 19

9:00 am – 9:30 am: Registration in Foyer Near 15th & Agate Street Entrance

9:30 am – 10:30 am: Welcome
Dean Marcilynn Burke, Dean of Students Jennifer Espinola, Assistant Dean for Admissions Sarah Keiski, and Student Bar Association President Camille Krier will welcome you to the UO School of Law.

10:30 am – 10:45 am: Break

10:45 am – 12:00 pm: Leadership Community Development
Jennifer Espinola, Dean of Students, and Chris Esparza, Director of Diversity, Inclusion, and Leadership Development will lead you through a community-building session and introduce you to the community for which we pride ourselves at Oregon Law.

12:00 pm – 1:00 pm: Lunch

1:00 – 3:00 pm: Your Financial Health: Law School and Beyond
Most students finance at least some of their law school education. You will be introduced to financial aid basics, financial responsibility, and learn to manage your student account.
  • Financial Aid
  • Student Billing
  • AccessLex

3:00 – 3:15 pm: Break

3:15 pm – 4:30 pm: Introduction to Learning in Law School
The learning you will do in law school will likely be quite different from the learning you’ve done in other contexts. In this session, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs Adell Amos and Professor Megan McAlpin, Academic Excellence Program Director, will introduce you to the ways in which learning in law school is unique and give you strategies to help you find success in your first year of law school and beyond. You will get a preview of what is, for many of you, your ultimate goal: passing the bar exam.

4:30 pm: Evaluations
We value your feedback. Please take 5 minutes to complete today’s evaluation.
Tuesday, August 20

9:00 am – 10:45 am:  Learning in Law School: Critical Reading and Case Briefing  
*In this session, Professor McAlpin will introduce you to the anatomy of a case and will provide strategies for effectively reading and briefing cases.*

10:45 am – 11:00 am: Break

11:00 am – 11:45 am: Learning in Law School: Taking Notes and Participating in Class  
*Taking notes in law school classes, which often consist of extended Socratic dialogue, can be challenging. In this session, Professor McAlpin will introduce you to strategies for taking notes and discuss ways of participating in the law school classroom to maximize your learning.*

11:45 am – 12:45 pm: Lunch

12:45 pm – 1:45 pm: Healthy Habits for Success  
*Jennifer Espinola, Dean of Students, will lead you through a session designed to help you get better prepared for individual success by sharing strategies for establishing healthy habits.*

1:45 pm – 2:00 pm: Break

2:00 pm – 3:15 pm: Self-Care & Support During Law School  
*Lawyers devote their lives to helping others. It is therefore critical for future lawyers to build healthy self-care habits beginning in law school. Campus and Oregon State Bar resources are available to assist you.*

- Health Center and Insurance – Angela Long and Shannon Millington
- Counseling Center – Suzie Stadelman and Kyra Ortega-Schwartz
- Accessible Education Center – Dr. Hilary Gerdes
- Oregon Attorney Assistance Program – Karen Neri

3:15 pm – 3:30 pm: Break

3:30 pm – 4:15 pm: Building Your Resilience Muscle  
*Law school mirrors life. You will experience triumphs, but also stumbles along the way. Resilience is the process of adapting well in the face of adversity and stress. Professor Frost will offer strategies for building your resilience “muscle,” which will be an important tool for law school and professional success.*

4:15 pm – 4:30 pm: Meet the Law School’s Awesome Library Team

4:30 pm: Evaluations  
*We value your feedback. Please take 5 minutes to complete today’s evaluation.*
IT Computer Set-Up Schedule: Staff will be available in the Commons between 9:00 am and 5:00 pm August 19 to August 22 and 9:00 am to 3:00 pm on August 23. Stop by for necessary laptop set-up!

**Wednesday, August 21**

9:00 am – 10:00 am: Learning in Law School: Live Class Session
*Professor Erik Girvan will lead you through a class session based on the reading provided to you on Monday by Professor McAlpin. Come prepared with your case brief and use the strategies that you learned in the morning session to take effective notes.*

10:00 am – 12:00 pm: Learning in Law School: Working with Class Notes and Self Evaluation
*In this session, you will learn the importance of using your class notes to further your understanding of the law. You will also learn the value of self evaluation and self assessment.*

12:00 pm – 12:15 pm: Break

12:15 pm – 1:15 pm: Community Expectations and Effective Engagement:
Free Speech, Title IX, and Harassment: Reporting & Response
*The University of Oregon is committed to providing an environment in which all students can pursue their education free of harassment and discrimination. We are also committed to protecting speech, including student speech. In this session, you will learn about the University’s non-discrimination and anti-harassment policies, including Title IX policies. You will also learn about student reporting options and how the University responds when students report discrimination and/or harassment. This session will also cover the intersection of harassment and the First Amendment. Leading the session are Professor Stuart Chinn and Assistant Dean Nicole Commissiong.*

1:15 pm: Evaluations
*We value your feedback. Please take 5 minutes to complete today’s evaluation.*

*Don’t forget! Students are asked to wear business attire on Thursday, August 22.*
Thursday, August 22

9:00 am – 11:30 am: Getting Messy—Leaning into Conversations about Diversity & Inclusion
At Oregon Law, we’re not satisfied with simply preparing you to be lawyers. We believe in a parallel responsibility to develop leaders equipped to cultivate equitable environments consistent with fundamental civic values: freedom, dignity, respect, equal opportunity, justice and human rights. The work can be stressful, difficult, and risky—all of it is shaped by culture, context, and place. This session will be our first step together, as a cohort, to learning how we co-create an inclusive community.

11:30 am – 12:00 pm: Optional Diversity Debrief

12:00 pm – 1:00 pm: Lunch

1:00 pm – 2:30 pm: Professionalism – Part I
During this interactive session, you will work through a series of scenarios that you could encounter as a law student or attorney. You are encouraged to consider all sides of an issue, the experiences the parties bring with them, how the parties may be impacted by different outcomes, and the reasons that underlie your arguments and recommendations. Room assignments:

- LRW D: Judge Acosta – Room 242
- LRW E: Justice Flynn – Room 281
- LRW F: Dominic Campanella & John Haroldson – Room 282
- LRW G: Nadia Dahab – Room 243
- LRW H: Steve Johansen – Room 241
- LRW I: Joe Franco – Room 141
- LRW J: Chris Constantino – Room 142

2:30 pm – 2:45 pm Break

2:45 pm – 3:15 pm Professionalism – Part II
The Honorable John Acosta of the United States District Court, District of Oregon, will discuss the importance of professionalism and how to start building your own 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 Law School Dean MarciLynn Burke and Oregon Law alumn Ivan Resendiz Gutierrez. The Honorable John V. Acosta will then administer the Oath of Professional Commitments to the students.

4:15 pm: Class Photo & Reception
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**Friday, August 23**

8:30 am – 10:00 am: Breakfast with the Student Bar Association  
*Getting through law school can be challenging. And relationships with peers can really help during challenging times. Spend this social time getting to know the people who will be your strongest support system over the years. Meet in the courtyard behind the law school.*

**Saturday, August 24**

9:00 am – 11:00 am: Yoga with the Student Bar Association  
*Start the weekend off with yoga, camaraderie, and relaxation. Meet in the courtyard behind the law school.*

**Monday, August 26**

12:30 pm – 1:45 pm: Welcome Back Dessert Social  
*Students, faculty, and staff are invited to a dessert social in the Law School Commons and Courtyard.*

**Thursday, August 29**

12:00 pm – 2:00 pm: Student Involvement Expo  
*Join representatives from the law school’s 30+ student organizations plus other programs you can engage with in the law school. Meet student leaders, learn about the many opportunities for you to engage with fellow students and how you can get involved. Tabling will happen in the Law School Commons.*