

HIGHLIGHTS

At the William S. Boyd School of Law, we are educating ethical and effective lawyers and leaders. We are a young law school – less than 15 years old. And we had the privilege of building this school from the ground up: imagining the ideal legal education, modeling best practices, creating an outstanding curriculum, and assembling our fine faculty. We've worked hard to ensure that the ideal that we first envisioned has become a reality. Our students are exposed to real-world challenges, professional interactions, and public clinics from the very beginning, and community service is an integral part of their education and experience.



POINTS OF PRIDE

- The law school secured its position as one of the country's top 100 law schools for the sixth consecutive year, with its Lawyering Process Program tied for third among top legal writing programs, according to *U.S. News & World Report's* 2013 rankings of graduate and specialty schools.
- U.S. Supreme Court Associate Justices Anthony Kennedy and Antonin Scalia recently visited with students and faculty in the Thomas & Mack Moot Court facility. Their forums provided insight into the operations of the Supreme Court.
- The Boyd School of Law serves Nevadans well, with more than three-quarters of our students coming from Nevada. In the last five years, 85 percent of our graduates have remained in state, with the balance primarily practicing in California, Arizona, and Utah.
- Two Thomas & Mack Appellate Clinic participants, Iva Todorova and Cristen Thayer, and their supervising professors, Anne Traum and Angela Morrison, won an employment discrimination appeal in the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit on behalf of their client.
- Members of the law school faculty are excellent teachers as well as active scholars. They have authored or co-authored more than 220 books and written more than 800 articles and book chapters.
- Recognized for her extraordinary contributions on behalf of pro bono and public interest programs, Associate Dean Christine Smith was honored by the American Association of Law Schools, winning the 2012 Father Robert Drinan Award, which was presented by its Pro Bono and Public Service Opportunities Section.
- The Saltman Center for Conflict Resolution, ranked in the top ten for programs in dispute resolution, hosts events including the Peace in the Desert lecture series, negotiation workshops, and arbitrator training.
- Third-year student Colin Seale has won the National Black Law Student Association's Most Outstanding Student Award. The national honor recognizes a student who excels academically while contributing to the community.
- The Wiener-Rogers Law Library is the largest library in Nevada and the only law library in the state maintaining comprehensive collections of U.S. legal materials. Its online repository, the Scholarly Commons, shares faculty scholarship, law school conferences, and other law school activities with national and local audiences.





- UNLV’s part-time law program is ranked 22nd. Only 85 law schools offer the flexibility of part-time programs, which generally take four years to complete.

COMMUNITY

- Kids’ Court School was created to help victims of abuse and neglect. Our students have worked with nearly 800 children to familiarize them with what a courtroom looks like and how court procedures unfold. By understanding what they can expect when they go to court, the children feel less stress.
- The law school partners with the Legal Aid Center of Southern Nevada and Nevada Legal Services to provide free legal information. More than 45,000 local residents have taken classes to help them with family law, child custody, guardianship, small claims, and bankruptcy and foreclosure issues.
- Thirty-nine law students offered free tax services last year through VITA—Volunteer Income Tax Assistance. The program, one of two in the nation to receive a Rookie Site Honorable Mention award from the American Bar Association’s Law Student Division, is for people who make less than \$50,000.
- The Public Interest Law Association, a non-profit student-created organization, gives aspiring attorneys experience in public interest work while helping those most vulnerable with their legal problems. It recently raised \$22,000 to fund public interest fellowships and internships.
- Every law school student organization hosts two events a year to benefit a philanthropic cause or community event.
- Librarians at the Wiener-Rogers Law Library are experts in locating information. Most of the librarians have both law degrees and masters degrees in information science. Each year, law librarians answer hundreds of questions, support more than 300,000 database searches, and undertake a variety of tours and outreach programs for the public.

ALUMNI

As proud as we are of our curriculum, legal clinics, facilities, and community service, we feel our biggest sense of accomplishment when we witness the achievements of our graduates growing into their careers. *The Nevada Business Magazine’s* 2012 Legal Elite list (the top two percent of Nevada attorneys) includes 36 alumni from the William S. Boyd School of Law. Our alumni also have an impressive record of public service as lawmakers and policy experts.

William S. Boyd School of Law Facts

Enrollment and Faculty

Full-time students:	329
Part-time students:	113
Full-time faculty:	43

Degree/Programs

Juris Doctor (J.D.)
Full-time day
Part-time evening
Part-time day
J.D./MBA (Business Administration)
J.D./M.S.W. (Social Work)
J.D./Ph.D. in Education

Clinics

Thomas & Mack Legal Clinic
Appellate Clinic
Family Justice Clinic
Immigration Clinic
Innocence Clinic
Juvenile Justice Clinic
Mediation Clinic

Resources and Centers

Free Legal Education Classes	http://law.unlv.edu/free-legal-education.html
Thomas & Mack Moot Court Facility	http://unlv.edu/maps/mcb
Wiener-Rogers Law Library	http://law.unlv.edu/law-library/home.html
Saltman Center for Conflict Resolution	http://law.unlv.edu/saltman.html

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