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## Chicago-Kent College of Law

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Chicago-Kent College of Law is accredited by the American Bar Association and is a member of the Association of American Law Schools and the Order of

the Coif. The law school is housed in a state-of-the-art, 10-story facility in the West Loop area of downtown Chicago. The building is a short walk from the Federal Building that houses the U.S. District Court, the U.S. Court of Appeals, and numerous federal agencies; the Daley Center, where the Illinois state courts sit; and LaSalle Street, the hub of law practice in Chicago. Being located in the heart of one of the major legal centers in the United States enables the law school to supplement its distinguished full-time faculty with outstanding practitioners and jurists who teach courses in their areas of expertise.

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### Degrees Offered

Juris Doctor (J.D.)

Master of Laws (LL.M.)

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### Joint-Degree Programs

J.D./LL.M. in Family Law  
J.D./LL.M. in Financial Services Law  
J.D./LL.M. in Taxation

**With Department of Social Sciences:**  
J.D./M.P.A.

**With Stuart School of Business:**  
J.D./M.B.A.  
J.D./M.S. in Environmental Management  
J.D./M.S. in Financial Markets

**With University of Illinois at Chicago:**  
J.D./Master of Public Health (M.P.H.)

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### Certificate Programs

To earn certificates, students must be admitted and enrolled as law students in the J.D. program.

Criminal Litigation  
Environmental and Energy Law  
Intellectual Property Law

International and Comparative Law  
Labor and Employment Law  
Litigation and Alternative Dispute Resolution  
Public Interest Law

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### Research Centers

#### Center for Access to Justice and Technology

Chicago-Kent College of Law established the Center for Access to Justice and Technology (CAJT) to make justice more accessible to the public by promoting the use of the Internet in the teaching, practice and public access to the law. The one focus of CAJT is to help pro se litigants obtain greater access to justice. Many self-represented

litigants, even in simple cases, struggle to navigate through an unfamiliar and procedurally complex court system. The Center conducts research, builds software tools, teaches classes, and supports faculty, staff and student projects on access to justice and technology.

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## Global Law and Policy Initiative

The Global Law and Policy Initiative (GLAPI) aims to develop a better understanding of the evolving global environment and to strengthen democratic institutions wherever they may be found. It brings together the Chicago-Kent faculty, the Chicago community and Chicago-Kent students who have an active interest in broadening their involvement in international law.

In addition, GLAPI provides a forum to promote the exchange of views and experiences among academics, policymakers and business leaders about critical issues of global policy. GLAPI-sponsored dialogues cover a wide range of topics, including the rule of law, international policing, anti-corruption strategies, economic development, technology and human rights.

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## Institute for Law and the Humanities

The Institute for Law and the Humanities was created to facilitate, support and encourage symposiums, lectures, scholarship and faculty discussion on the relationship between law and other humanistic disciplines. It provides opportunities for faculty and students to integrate

humanities-based studies with the study of law and explore the increasingly rich and diverse scholarship in areas such as legal philosophy, legal history, law and literature, and law and religion.

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## Institute for Law and the Workplace

The Institute for Law and the Workplace is a national center for research, training, dialogue and reflection on the law that governs the workplace. The Institute pools the resources of leading scholars and the practicing

professional community to train students and professionals, monitor policies and trends, and reflect upon major issues in a neutral setting.

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## Institute for Science, Law and Technology

The Institute for Science Law and Technology is a joint venture of the academic units of IIT designed to meet the growing need for science- and law-trained professionals capable of addressing the complex issues that arise in a global, technologically driven marketplace of ideas, product standards, and conflicts. The most difficult challenges at the intersection of law and science today arise from new technologies. New possibilities in biotechnology, such as cloning and genetic engineering, raise difficult

questions about ethics and challenge traditional legal concepts. Environmental concerns about the generation of greenhouse gases, rain forest devastation and sustainable development challenge public policy. The Internet and other new information networks escape legal control at national boundaries. The Institute serves as a cross-disciplinary forum for lawyers, scientists, ethicists, psychologists, businesspeople, designers and engineers to confront the challenges presented by new technologies.

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## Research and Training Facilities

### The Downtown Campus Library

The Downtown Campus Library contains more than 500,000 volumes and supports the Chicago-Kent College of Law, the Stuart School of Business, and the Public Administration programs. A special collection known as the Library of International Relations contains a diverse collection of international reference materials in law, business, economics and history, as well as important collections of documents from a wide variety of international organizations. The library, which is both wired and

wireless, seats more than 450 people and contains computer classrooms, copier rooms and nine reservable rooms for group study. Seating throughout the library provides access to all of the network computer facilities, including online research systems both remote (e.g., LexisNexis, Westlaw, and numerous other subscription databases in law and business) and internal, such as Web-based interactive tutorials, computer-assisted legal instruction, productivity tools and e-mail.

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### Computer Facilities

Chicago-Kent boasts a computer network that is among the most technologically advanced of any law school in the nation. Wireless technology allows complete access to the network and is available throughout much of the building, including the atrium area that spans the concourse, first and second floors; all floors of the library; many classrooms; and the student lounge. Students with laptops can also use network ports available almost everywhere in the building. Every seat in the library

and almost every classroom seat has a hardwired computer node with adjacent power connections. Networked workstations are devoted to student use throughout the building in three computer labs as well as in student lounges, the library, and even the cafeteria and atrium. Web-based student resources, including online registration and grading systems, are available 24/7 from anywhere with an Internet connection. Faculty members routinely prepare interactive tutorials that can be accessed by students ahead of class.

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### The Judge Abraham Lincoln Marovitz Courtroom

The Judge Abraham Lincoln Marovitz Courtroom, named for the late distinguished Chicago-Kent graduate and senior judge of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, integrates design features from the best courtrooms and trial advocacy training facilities in

the nation. Planned for both law school instruction and actual legal proceedings, the Marovitz Courtroom incorporates the latest computer and audiovisual technology in a traditional setting.

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## Research and Clinical Training Areas

### Legal Research and Writing

Chicago-Kent has one of the most rigorous and comprehensive legal research and writing programs in the country. The required five-course curriculum introduces students to basic and advanced research techniques; memorandum and brief writing; transactional writing

and client representation; and specialized research and writing in such areas as securities, labor and employment, environmental, international, public interest, or intellectual property law.

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### Clinical Education

The Law Offices of Chicago-Kent, a teaching law office located in the law school, is one of the largest in-house clinical programs in the United States. The center is staffed by more than a dozen full-time attorneys and serves more than 1,000 clients each year. Students who intern in the law offices have the opportunity to work on cases in a wide variety of clinical practice areas — civil practice, criminal law, environmental law, family law, health law, immigration law, intellectual property law, mediation, and tax law — under the supervision of a clinical professor.

Other skills training opportunities are available through the Judicial and Advanced Externship programs. Students in the Judicial Externship Program are placed with participating judges in the federal district, appellate and bankruptcy courts. Judicial externs work directly with the judge and the judge's senior law clerk and perform the same duties as the law clerk, including researching, writing memoranda of law, drafting opinions, and generally observing and participating in the day-to-day operation of the court. Those selected for the Advanced Externship Program work with teaching attorneys in a wide range of government and private practice settings.

# Chicago-Kent College of Law

## Faculty

Visit the Chicago-Kent Web site for detailed faculty biographies ([www.kentlaw.edu/faculty](http://www.kentlaw.edu/faculty)).

Kari L. Aamot, Assistant Professor of Legal Research and Writing. B.A., St. Olaf College; J.D., University of Minnesota Law School.

Susan Johanne Adams, Professor of Legal Research and Writing, Associate Director of the Legal Research and Writing Program, and Director of Writing Services. B.A., M.A., University of Wisconsin; J.D., Valparaiso University School of Law.

Lori B. Andrews, Distinguished Professor of Law, Director of the Institute for Science, Law and Technology, and Associate Vice President. B.A., Yale College; J.D., Yale Law School.

Bernadette Atuahene, Assistant Professor of Law. B.A., University of California, Los Angeles; M.P.A., Harvard University; J.D., Yale Law School.

Kimberly D. Bailey, Assistant Professor of Law. B.A., Indiana University Bloomington; J.D., University of Michigan Law School.

Katharine K. Baker, Professor of Law and Associate Dean. B.S., Harvard-Radcliffe College; J.D., University of Chicago Law School.

Felice Batlan, Assistant Professor of Law. B.A., Smith College; J.D., Harvard Law School; Ph.D., New York University.

Matthew I. Bernstein, Assistant Professor of Clinical Practice. B.A., Arizona State University; J.D., Chicago-Kent College of Law.

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Evelyn Brody, Professor of Law. B.A., Yale University; J.D., Georgetown University Law Center.

Bartram S. Brown, Professor of Law and Co-Director of the Program in International and Comparative Law. B.A., Harvard University; J.D., Columbia University; Ph.D., Graduate Institute of International Studies (Switzerland).

Gerald Brown, Director of the Graduate Program in Taxation and Senior Instructor. B.S.C., DePaul University; J.D., University of Chicago.

Howard S. Chapman, Professor of Law. B.S., J.D., University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign.

Sungjoon Cho, Associate Professor of Law. LL.B., M.P.A., Seoul National University; LL.M. University of Michigan Law School; S.J.D., Harvard Law School.

Lewis Collens, President Emeritus of Illinois Institute of Technology and Professor of Law. B.S., M.A., University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign; J.D., University of Chicago.

Richard J. Conviser, Professor of Law. B.A., J.D., University of California, Berkeley; Dr. Jur., University of Cologne (Germany).

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Rhonda E. de Freitas, Assistant Clinical Professor of Law. B.A., Florida International University; J.D., Loyola University Chicago School of Law.

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Graeme B. Dinwoodie, Professor of Law, Associate Dean, and Director of the Program in Intellectual Property Law. LL.B., University of Glasgow; LL.M., Harvard Law School; J.S.D., Columbia Law School.

Howard C. Eglit, Professor of Law. B.A., University of Michigan; J.D., University of Chicago.

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Harold J. Krent, Dean and Professor of Law. A.B., Princeton University; J.D., New York University School of Law.

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## Admission Requirements

Applicants for admission to Chicago-Kent must have received a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university prior to beginning classes at the law school. Students are admitted to the law school based on the information contained in their applications, their LSAT scores, undergraduate records, personal statements and their letters of recommendation. All candidates must

take the LSAT and register with the Law School Data Assembly Service. For additional information on admission requirements, potential students should contact the law school admissions office at 312.906.5020 or visit the Chicago-Kent admissions Web site at [www.kentlaw.edu/adm](http://www.kentlaw.edu/adm).

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## Juris Doctor

The college offers both full-time and part-time divisions. Entrance, scholastic and graduate requirements are the same for both divisions, and full-time faculty teach in both divisions. Entering classes begin only in the fall. Three years are normally required for full-time day division students to complete the 87 credit hours needed for the Juris Doctor (J.D.) degree. Evening division and part-time day division students normally take four years,

including one summer session, to graduate. A selection of courses is offered each summer, mostly in the evening. First-year courses are required, while most courses in the second and third years are elective although the faculty recommends that all students take certain upperclass courses. In addition to traditional courses, the curriculum offers a wide variety of innovative courses and seminars to enrich the student's academic experience.

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## Master of Laws (LL.M.)

Chicago-Kent offers Master of Laws (LL.M.) degree programs in taxation, international and comparative law, international intellectual property law, family law, and financial services law. Each program requires 24 credit hours. The courses are taught by outstanding practitioners and offer students the opportunity to do advanced research and writing under the direct supervision of a faculty member. A student may pursue these programs

on a full- or part-time basis. The LL.M. in International and Comparative Law is offered to foreign attorneys. Chicago-Kent also offers combined J.D./LL.M. degree programs in taxation, family law and financial services law, which enable students to earn both degrees after seven semesters in residence instead of eight.

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## J.D./LL.M. in Family Law

Chicago-Kent offers a combined J.D./LL.M. program in family law that allows students to gain the broad expertise required of contemporary family law practitioners. The practice-oriented curriculum— the only one of its kind

in the United States— encompasses family law and attendant, increasingly complex issues of tax, finance, real estate, business entities, contracts and child psychology.

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## J.D./LL.M. in Financial Services Law

Deregulation of financial services, tax reforms, and revolutionary market forces have created an environment in which attorneys and other professionals must broaden their knowledge and sharpen their analytical skills and understanding in these areas. The graduate program in financial services law offers both full- and part-time stu-

dents a unique opportunity to broaden their understanding of the principles underlying increasingly complex systems and services, deepen their knowledge of particular topics of interest, and enhance their skills as professionals. Courses are offered on weekday evenings and on Saturdays.

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## J.D./LL.M. in Taxation

The law school offers a combined J.D./LL.M. program in taxation that enables a student to earn both a J.D. and a Master of Laws (LL.M.) in taxation in a total of seven semesters of full-time study instead of eight. A student may take six LL.M. courses (12 credit hours of coursework) while a J.D. candidate. These 12 credit hours will be applied toward both the J.D. and the LL.M. The student will earn the J.D. in the usual time but will then go

on, as a graduate student with advanced standing, to earn the LL.M. in only one additional semester instead of two. A degree of Master of Laws in Taxation is a recognized certification of exceptional knowledge and skill in tax law and tax planning.

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### **J.D./M.B.A.**

A joint degree J.D./M.B.A. program in conjunction with IIT's Stuart School of Business allows students to receive both J.D. and M.B.A. degrees in a reduced time period, depending on undergraduate preparation. The primary objective of the program is to provide law students with a strong academic background in management. This program is particularly valuable for those law students who intend to be involved in activities and commercial trans-

actions within the business community. The M.B.A. program's focus on professional specialization, combined with business-oriented law courses in the law school curriculum, enhances a lawyer's ability to work effectively as part of the corporate and business world.

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### **J.D./M.S. in Environmental Management**

The law school offers a joint J.D./M.S. in Environmental Management degree program in conjunction with IIT's Stuart School of Business. The Environmental Management Program is a unique multidisciplinary program integrating engineering, law and business management to answer the increasing demand for

management-level personnel who have an understanding of environmental issues. An attorney with environmental training is able to work either as a lawyer or in corporate or governmental management.

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### **J.D./M.S. in Financial Markets**

The law school, through the Stuart School of Business, offers a joint-degree J.D./M.S. in Financial Markets. The program is designed for students who wish to specialize in securities and commodities law for a law firm, brokerage firm, commodity exchange or trading company. Students

gain a unique perspective on the economics of financial products and markets that are used to advise clients, to propose regulation, or to litigate.

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### **J.D./M.P.A.**

The law school offers a joint-degree J.D./M.P.A. in conjunction with IIT's Graduate Program in Public

Administration. This program explores practices and policies in the public sector.

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### **J.D./Master of Public Health (M.P.H.)**

The law school offers a joint-degree J.D./M.P.H. in conjunction with the University of Illinois at Chicago. Students in the program must independently matriculate into the UIC School of Public Health. The comprehensive curriculum addresses contemporary issues at the intersection of public health, law and medicine. Students in the joint-degree program acquire legal tools to help solve

pressing public health problems; to learn how to impact public policymakers; to explore and understand the empirical assumptions about public health that drive legal decision-making; and to discover how emerging medical technologies and new healthcare delivery mechanisms are likely to be regulated.

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## Certificate Programs

Students enrolled in the J.D. program at Chicago-Kent may earn certificates in specialized areas. Certificates indicate that, as part of the required J.D. curriculum,

the student has completed an identified subset of elective courses in the area of specialization.

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### Criminal Litigation

Chicago-Kent's Program in Criminal Litigation is designed to give students a comprehensive and balanced professional education to prepare them for the practice of criminal law. To earn the certificate, students must complete 24 credit hours of coursework from an approved curriculum. With emphases on both theory and practical

skills development, the certificate program represents an opportunity to synthesize the goals of Chicago-Kent's academic program in criminal law with those of the Trial Advocacy Program and the Chicago-Kent Law Offices.

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### Environmental and Energy Law

The Program in Environmental and Energy Law trains students to be environmental and energy professionals as well as law practitioners. Taking an interdisciplinary approach to the field's scientific, economic and ethical aspects, the program immerses students in the statutes and administrative regulations, case decisions, and theoretical underpinnings of environmentalism. The program attracts students from a wide range of professions. A

highly regarded faculty teaches a carefully considered curriculum addressing a wide variety of cutting-edge issues.

Students in the program complete 14 credit hours of approved coursework. If students are full-time, these courses are taken during the second and third years; if students are part-time, courses are taken during the second, third and fourth years.

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### Intellectual Property Law

Intellectual property lawyers work where the law intersects with technology, science and the arts to protect their clients' creative products. The field of intellectual property law focuses on issues relating to patents, copyrights, trade secrets, unfair competition and antitrust. As part of the program's rigorous practical skills training, students learn how to draft intellectual property documents through specialized legal research and writing

courses and develop litigation skills by participating in moot court competitions. The program encourages scholarship and discourse among academics, practitioners and students with events like the Chicago Intellectual Property Colloquium. Students complete 20 credit hours of approved coursework, including courses in patent law, copyright law, and trademark and unfair competition law.

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### International and Comparative Law

In a climate of continuous change, Chicago-Kent's Program in International and Comparative Law addresses the law's global implications and extensive reach. Students can learn how to conduct an international business transaction, develop the skills to navigate between different legal regimes, and learn about the legal structures of international institutions and organizations. The program offers opportunities to link coursework to externships, foreign law study and projects in nations across the globe. Students in the program must success-

fully complete 14 credit hours of course study in international and comparative law, including a 2-credit seminar.

Students can take advantage of the Library of International Relations, which contains a diverse collection of international legal, historical and business-related reference materials and is a depository library for the United Nations and the European Union.

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## Labor and Employment Law

The Program in Labor and Employment Law is the centerpiece of Chicago-Kent's Institute for Law and the Workplace. Through a logical, carefully paced sequence of coursework and practical skills training, the program provides comprehensive, rigorous preparation for the field of labor and employment law. To earn a certificate, pro-

gram participants must complete four core courses, a seminar course, a practicum and additional electives. The core courses are Labor Law; Employment Relationships; Employment Discrimination; and a specialized advanced legal research and writing course in labor and employment law.

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## Litigation and Alternative Dispute Resolution

Chicago-Kent's Program in Litigation and Alternative Dispute Resolution offers an innovative curriculum that stresses the connection between legal doctrine, skills and values, and the art of lawyering. The program provides comprehensive training in trial skills, negotiation and mediation, and a rigorous curriculum of clinical education. Students in the program complete a series of courses

that includes alternative dispute resolution, jurisprudence, evidence, pretrial litigation and trial advocacy. In-house clinical education takes place in the Law Offices of Chicago-Kent, the school's acclaimed teaching law firm, where students work with clinical professors on cases in criminal, civil rights, employment, family, health and tax law.

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## Public Interest Law

The Certificate in Public Interest Law builds on Chicago-Kent's strong public interest tradition and adds a concentrated curriculum to the rich array of activities, courses and resources that encourage Chicago-Kent students to consider public interest law and prepare students to be effective public interest lawyers. The certificate requires 12 credit hours, including Public Interest Law and Policy and a specialized advanced legal research and writing course concentrating on public interest law. Because the substantive scope of public interest lawyering is so broad, each student meets with the director of the program to plan additional courses and at least one public interest clinic or externship to satisfy individual career

and interest objectives. Each student also meets several times with the Career Services Office to complete a personalized Public Interest Career Path Plan.

The Public Interest Law Certificate is distinct from, but coordinated with, the current volunteer program of pro bono activities at the law school. The Dean's Certificate of Service, which can be obtained by volunteering for pro bono service during law school under the Public Interest Resource Center (PIRC), is a requirement for the Certificate in Public Interest Law, but the PIRC certificate remains a distinct credential that any student can obtain.

## **Trial Advocacy**

Chicago-Kent offers a two-semester sequence in trial advocacy taught by judges and practitioners with extensive trial experience. In the first semester, students practice jury selection, opening statements, direct examination, cross-examination and closing arguments, and they conduct at least two full trials. In the second

semester, students learn strategic trial techniques and conduct at least four full trials.

An advanced course in litigation technology ensures students are prepared to use computer technology in the courtroom, a critical aspect of contemporary trial practice.

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## **Course Descriptions**

See the Chicago-Kent College of Law Web site for detailed information about faculty ([www.kentlaw.edu/faculty](http://www.kentlaw.edu/faculty)) and courses ([www.kentlaw.edu/academics/courses.html](http://www.kentlaw.edu/academics/courses.html)).