

LECTURE PROGRAMS AND OTHER ACADEMIC OPPORTUNITIES

The regular curriculum at Yale Law School is augmented by a host of events that enrich legal education and scholarship. Distinguished speakers—lawyers, judges, public figures, government officials, scholars, and other prominent individuals—are invited by faculty members, student organizations, and academic programs within the school to give talks or participate in panel discussions on a wide variety of topics throughout the year. Conferences sponsored or cosponsored by the school or by its faculty or students address issues of legal import both here and abroad. Additionally, an abundant resource of endowed funds allows the school to invite many specially designated fellows who not only give lectures but also spend time mentoring students with similar academic or professional interests.

LECTURE PROGRAMS

A sampling of the endowed lecture programs from the 2025–2026 academic year follows:

The *Robert M. Cover Lectureship in Law and Religion* brings speakers to Yale to explore the historical, philosophical, sociological, and literary intersections between law and religion. Daniel Boyarin, the Hermann P. and Sophia Taubman Emeritus Professor of Talmudic Culture in the Departments of Middle Eastern Languages and Cultures and Rhetoric at the University of California Berkeley, gave the Robert M. Cover Lecture, titled “Halakha and Aggada: After ‘Nomos and Narrative.’”

The *Gruber Distinguished Lecture in Global Justice* and the *Gruber Distinguished Lecture in Women’s Rights* are signature lectures featuring speakers whose exceptional achievements have served the causes of global justice and women’s rights. On October 20, gender equality and Caribbean constitutional law expert Tracy Robinson gave the fall 2025 Gruber Distinguished Lecture in Women’s Rights, titled “Attention to Gender in a Not-So-Righted-Order.” Employment and labor law professor Veena Dubal gave the spring 2026 Gruber Distinguished Lecture in Global Justice on March 2, titled “Contemporary Challenges in Higher Education.”

The *John R. Raben/Sullivan & Cromwell Fellowship* brings to the Law School a leading expert in securities law or accounting for business enterprises to deliver a public lecture. Josh Lerner, the Jacob H. Schiff Professor of Investment Banking at Harvard Business School, delivered the John R. Raben/Sullivan & Cromwell Fellowship Lecture titled “The Government as Investor in an Era of Great Power Competition” on February 9.

The *James A. Thomas Lectures* are given by scholars whose work addresses the concerns of communities or groups currently marginalized within the legal academy or society at large. On April 13, US Supreme Court Associate Justice Ketanji Brown Jackson gave the 2025–2026 James A. Thomas Lecture titled “Equity and Exigency: A First-Principles Solution for the Supreme Court’s Emergency Docket.”

The *Judge Ralph K. Winter Lectureship on Corporate Law and Governance* supports lectures on corporate law and governance and related topics. Douglas G. Baird, the

Harry A. Bigelow Distinguished Service Professor of Law at the University of Chicago Law School and the Chair of the National Bankruptcy Conference, gave the Judge Ralph K. Winter Lecture on Corporate Law and Governance on April 6. His lecture was titled “Two Stories of Corporate Governance.”

Other named lecture and fellowship programs at Yale Law School include the following:

The *Timothy B. Atkeson Environmental Practitioner in Residence Program* brings to the Law School practitioners from a variety of environmental law practice settings to lecture, teach seminars, and counsel students on career opportunities.

The *Robert L. Bernstein Fellowships in International Human Rights* are awarded annually to two Yale Law School graduates pursuing projects devoted to the advancement of human rights around the world.

The *Ralph Gregory Elliot First Amendment Lectureship* provides for lectures, preferably on an annual basis, on some aspect of the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

The *John Hart Ely Fellowship Lecture on Professional Responsibility* highlights research and teaching in the field of ethics and professional responsibility.

The *Fowler Harper Memorial Fund and Fellowship* brings to Yale Law School a prominent person who has made a distinguished contribution to the public life of the nation.

The *Arthur Allen Leff Fellowship* brings to Yale Law School individuals whose work in other disciplines illuminates the study of law and legal institutions.

The *Charles S. Mechem, Jr. Fellowship* provides for lectures and other presentations by senior corporate executives to foster an understanding of decision-making in the business environment.

The *Judge Jon O. Newman Lectureship* supports an annual lecture in global justice, or public international, human rights, or comparative law, by a distinguished individual who is not a citizen of, and does not reside in, the United States.

The *Storrs Lectures*, established in 1889, constitute one of Yale Law School’s oldest and most prestigious lecture programs. They are given annually by a prominent scholar who discusses fundamental problems of law and jurisprudence.

SPECIAL INITIATIVES

Yale Law School is shaped by the intellectual interests of its faculty and students. Those interests find expression not only in the established curriculum and other academic opportunities, but also in new activities that emerge from time to time.

THE HOWARD WEXLER BRODIE ’93 CENTER FOR JEWISH AND ISRAELI LAW

The Howard Wexler Brodie ’93 Center for Jewish and Israeli Law is a home for research in and engagement with Jewish law, Israeli law, and the intersection of the two fields. In keeping with the Law School’s tradition of fostering new directions in legal theory, the center will apply novel thinking to age-old questions in each field. Through a social-science orientation, the center serves as an interdisciplinary hub for Yale Law School’s offerings related to Jewish and Israeli law including scholarship, research projects,

events, and student reading groups. The center is directed by Yair Listokin, Shibley Family Fund Professor of Law.

THE BUDGET LAB

The Budget Lab at Yale is a nonpartisan policy research center dedicated to providing in-depth analysis of federal policy proposals for the American economy. Recognizing the need for comprehensive assessment beyond financial and macroeconomic impacts, the Budget Lab aims to fill a critical gap in policy evaluation, particularly focusing on the long-term effects of proposed policies on the economy, the income distribution, and recipients.

The lab aims to paint a broader and more realistic picture of how Americans will be impacted by proposed government initiatives, providing policymakers with tools and analysis to think not only about the costs of policies but also about benefits and the return on investments. A key aspect of the Budget Lab's commitment to transparency is its open-access model code. The code used to produce analysis is publicly available, fostering trust and allowing policymakers to understand how The Budget Lab arrives at its results.

The Budget Lab was founded by Professor Natasha Sarin, Danny Yagan of UC- Berkeley, and Martha Gimbel. More information is available at <https://budgetlab.yale.edu>.

THE CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF FREE SPEECH AND ACADEMIC FREEDOM

The Center for the Study of Free Speech and Academic Freedom is an academic center focused on improving the understanding and practice of free inquiry and civic discourse. The center brings to campus scholars, university leaders, advocates, and policymakers for both private workshops and public events to discuss the state of free speech and academic freedom, best policies and practices for realizing a robust culture of free speech, and the future of free speech and academic freedom in the United States and across the world. The center helps track emerging threats to academic freedom, advocate for policies to protect free speech and academic freedom, foster better understanding of and appreciation for the principles of free speech and free inquiry, and support scholarly and public conversations on critical issues relating to free speech and academic freedom. The center is directed by Professor Keith E. Whittington.

MICHAEL S. AND ALEXA B. CHAE INITIATIVE IN PRIVATE SECTOR LEADERSHIP

Part of The Tsai Leadership Program at Yale Law School, the Michael S. and Alexa B. Chae Initiative in Private Sector Leadership provides focused educational and professional development to Yale Law School students who aspire to nontraditional careers and leadership roles in the private sector. The Chae Initiative helps prepare students for careers in areas such as business, finance, investing, management consulting, and entrepreneurship. The Chae Initiative advises students as they master the intellectual foundations of numeracy through courses that teach corporate finance, statistics, accounting, entrepreneurship, and data science and also supports professional development through workshops, alumni networking opportunities, and

other programs that cover the values, ethics, skills, and theories of management and leadership across a wide spectrum of private sector organizations. The Chae Initiative is premised on the notion that a law degree is an all-purpose thinking and problem-solving degree and provides a crucial foundation that will serve graduates for many business leadership roles. More information is available at <https://law.yale.edu/leadership/private-sector>.

GLOBAL HEALTH JUSTICE PARTNERSHIP

The Global Health Justice Partnership (GHJP) is a program hosted jointly by Yale Law School and Yale School of Public Health that tackles contemporary problems at the interface of global health, human rights, and social justice. The GHJP is pioneering an innovative, interdisciplinary field of scholarship, teaching, and practice, bringing together diverse thought leaders to collaborate on research, policy projects, and academic exchanges.

THE GRUBER PROGRAM FOR GLOBAL JUSTICE AND WOMEN'S RIGHTS AT YALE LAW SCHOOL

The Gruber Program at the Law School consists of four core components:

1. the Global Constitutionalism Seminar,
2. a distinguished lecture series,
3. postgraduate fellowship program, and
4. support for clinical and experiential learning initiatives.

The Global Constitutionalism Seminar is an annual event in which Supreme Court and constitutional court judges from around the world meet with faculty members to discuss issues of common concern. The two Gruber Distinguished Lectures in Global Justice and Women's Rights are signature lectures featuring pathbreakers in those fields. The lectures are often accompanied by complementary events, which may include panel discussions, faculty workshops, and class visits. The Gruber Fellowships in Global Justice and Women's Rights allow recent graduates of Yale graduate and professional schools to spend a year working on practice-based projects of their own design in the fields of global justice and/or women's rights. Through the Gruber Project for Global Justice and Women's Rights, the program also supports a number of hands-on clinical and experiential learning opportunities, including a pilot one for "visiting practitioners in residence." Gruber Project initiatives have included litigation and policy advocacy on behalf of refugees, asylum seekers, domestic violence survivors, global health justice issues, workers' rights, reproductive justice, and female veterans.

THE INFORMATION SOCIETY PROJECT

The Information Society Project (ISP) is an intellectual center founded in 1997 by Professor Jack Balkin. Over the past twenty years, the ISP has grown into a tightly knit community working to illuminate the complex relationships between law, technology, and society. The ISP hosts a core group of resident fellows, visiting fellows, Yale faculty, and student fellows; it also maintains an international network of affiliated fellows. The ISP promotes discussions through its speaker series, ideas lunches, and conferences; it also influences the development of law and policy through clinical work, amicus briefs,

white papers, and scholarship. Additionally, the ISP is an umbrella organization for a range of initiatives, including

1. the Abrams Institute for Freedom of Expression, which supports research on First Amendment freedoms of speech and press and promotes engagement between academics and legal practitioners;
2. the Media Freedom and Information Access (MFIA) Clinic, which brings litigation to promote freedom of speech, freedom of the press, and government accountability and transparency;
3. the Knight Law and Media Program, which sponsors law and media programming;
4. the Wikimedia/YLS Initiative on Intermediaries and Information, which generates awareness of and research on issues relevant to the global open Internet;
5. Privacy Lab, a nexus for workshops and discussions about software, hardware, and spectrum freedom;
6. the Knight Digital Public Sphere initiative, which supports research and programming at the intersection of online discourse and democracy;
7. the Majority World Initiative (MWI) which will support social media governance scholars from the Majority World, commonly referred to as the Global South; and
8. the Program for the Study of Reproductive Justice (PSRJ), which sponsors academic research on reproductive health issues and supports young scholars interested in academic or advocacy careers. More information on the ISP and its work is available at <https://law.yale.edu/isp>.

THE JUSTICE COLLABORATORY

The Justice Collaboratory at Yale Law School is a group of nationally recognized academics, researchers, and social scientists from Yale and beyond who have joined together to build a more just, effective, and democratic criminal legal system. They do this by advancing public policies that are scientifically proven to build strong, safe communities. Their vast interdisciplinary network spans departments and includes lawyers, doctors, poets, historians, psychologists, philosophers, sociologists, and political scientists.

The work of the Justice Collaboratory is based on powerful and proven theoretical approaches. They amplify and translate evidence-based theory into practical recommendations for policy and practice. The Justice Collaboratory is also home to *The Notebook*, an annual publication dedicated to exploring critical themes through writing, visual art, and interdisciplinary exchange. Each volume brings together unique voices to examine a central theme. For more information on affiliated Yale faculty, courses, fellowships, projects, or to read *The Notebook*, please visit <https://www.justicehappenshere.yale.edu>.

ABDALLAH S. KAMEL CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF ISLAMIC LAW AND CIVILIZATION

The Abdallah S. Kamel Center for the Study of Islamic Law and Civilization is an academic endeavor entirely devoted to improving the understanding of Islamic law and civilization by organizing interdisciplinary discussions with leading scholars and thinkers and supporting the research of promising junior scholars. It brings prominent scholars of Islam and fields related to Islamic civilization to Yale Law School for public

lectures and seminars, and it sponsors resident research fellowships. The center is directed by Professors Aslı Bâli, Owen Fiss, and Anthony Kronman and serves the entire university. For more information on the center's activities, including the Abdallah S. Kamel Lectures on Islamic Law and Civilization, visit <https://law.yale.edu/kamel>.

LAW AND POLITICAL ECONOMY

Law and Political Economy (LPE) at Yale is the intellectual home for consideration of questions of political economy at Yale Law School and supports an interdisciplinary network of scholars who explore connections between politics and the economy, through teaching, scholarship, workshops, and convenings.

THE LAW AND RACIAL JUSTICE CENTER

The Law and Racial Justice Center (RJC) brings together New Haveners; Yale students, staff, and faculty; local government officials; and local and national experts to imagine and implement projects that advance racial justice. The center aspires to work together in community, collaborate across disciplines, and create opportunities for student-centered experiential learning. The RJC's signature program, Access to Law School, is an innovative law school pipeline program designed for people from the New Haven area who are first generation, low-income, formerly incarcerated, or members of an under-represented group who are considering attending law school. Fellows who have completed the program attend schools such as Fordham, Howard, Quinnipiac University, St. John's, UC-Berkeley, UConn, Western New England, and Yale. In May 2025, three RJC fellows graduated from law school. For more information, visit <https://law.yale.edu/centers-workshops/law-and-racial-justice-center>.

THE LAW, ENVIRONMENT & ANIMALS PROGRAM

The Law, Environment & Animals Program (LEAP) at Yale Law School is a multidisciplinary think-and-do tank dedicated to developing new legal and policy strategies to address animal exploitation and its impacts on the living world, and to drawing attention to the urgent practical, legal, and moral questions raised by humanity's treatment of animals and their habitats.

LEAP leads a diverse program of activities that empower students and scholars at Yale to drive positive change for animals, people, and the environment upon which they depend. The program includes academic courses; research and policy work; the Climate Change and Animal Agriculture Litigation Initiative (CCAALI); the Yale Bird-Friendly Building Initiative; a student fellows program, with active support for student research projects and publications; and regular lectures, panels, roundtables, and events that bring leading thinkers—including lawmakers, scholars, scientists, artists, journalists, and advocates—to Yale's campus to inspire and inform the program's work. LEAP's work is highly interdisciplinary, and it often partners with schools, departments, and other centers and programs across Yale University and beyond. More information is available at <https://law.yale.edu/animals>.

THE ARTHUR LIMAN CENTER FOR PUBLIC INTEREST LAW

The Arthur Liman Center for Public Interest Law, based at Yale Law School, promotes access to justice and the fair treatment of individuals and communities. Through its

research, teaching, fellowships, and colloquia, the Liman Center helps develop diverse initiatives to bring about more just legal systems.

The Liman Center faculty teach seminars each year; topics include “Imprisoned: Conception, Construction, Abolition, and Alternatives” and “Accessing and Rationing Legal Remedies: Funding Claimants and Courts in the U.S. and Europe.” Liman Center faculty also collaborate with students on innovative research that informs contemporary challenges in legal systems. Current projects include research on the use of solitary confinement, conditions imposed on people sentenced under federal law and put on “supervised release,” access to voting for people in detention, the effect of detention on health, mechanisms to lessen the impact of convictions and hence provide “relief” from the fact of conviction, and how concerns about “safety” and “security” frame social policy.

Each year, the center awards several Liman Fellowships to Yale Law School graduates to spend a year working in the public interest at host organizations around the United States. In addition, the center supports Liman Summer Fellowships for undergraduate students at Barnard College, Brown University, Bryn Mawr College, Harvard University, Morehouse College, Mount Holyoke College, Princeton University, Spelman College, Stanford University, and Yale University, enabling them to intern for nonprofits or state and local government agencies. The Liman Center is also home to fellows-in-residence, who participate in teaching and research at the Law School.

The center hosts an annual colloquium to bring together scholars, students, lawyers, social scientists, fellows, and other experts to address issues in criminal and civil law reform and in legal education. More information is available at <https://law.yale.edu/liman>.

CAROL AND GENE LUDWIG PROGRAM IN PUBLIC SECTOR LEADERSHIP

Part of The Tsai Leadership Program at Yale Law School, the Carol and Gene Ludwig Program in Public Sector Leadership provides focused educational and professional support to Yale Law students who aspire to nontraditional careers and leadership roles in the public sector. The Ludwig Program helps prepare students for careers in areas such as government, nonprofits, and other institutions focused on serving the public. The mission of the Ludwig Program is to ensure that Yale Law students are capable of translating principle into practice; can display a firm grasp of the political, economic, civic, and operational dimensions of policy and nonprofit work; and are well-equipped to engage in ethical reflection and decision-making. The Ludwig Program is premised on the notion that those who serve the public should be flexible, broad-gauged thinkers who make empirically grounded decisions and are deeply committed to a vibrant democracy and the well-being of others. More information is available at <https://law.yale.edu/leadership/public-sector>.

MIDDLE EAST LEGAL STUDIES SEMINAR

The Middle East Legal Studies Seminar is an annual meeting convened by the Law School in a Middle East country or nearby venue. Occasionally the seminar meets in New Haven. It was created to provide a forum in which influential scholars and opinion leaders from the legal communities of the Middle East could exchange ideas and form productive working relationships. Every year, roughly forty lawyers, judges,

and academics from the region meet with Yale professors and students to discuss an agreed-upon topic of common importance. Recent topics have included the concept of political legitimacy, history and identity, and the causes and consequences of current unrest in the Middle East. For additional information, contact bradley.hayes@yale.edu.

THE ORVILLE H. SCHELL, JR. CENTER FOR INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS

The Schell Center offers law students and graduates diverse opportunities to apply the lessons they are learning in the classroom to further the cause of human rights and to examine human rights practice critically. It also brings critical human rights discussion to the wider university community. Throughout the academic year, the Schell Center sponsors lectures, panels, symposia, and informal discussions on a wide range of human rights issues, including the weekly Human Rights Workshop and the annual Bernstein Symposium. The Allard K. Lowenstein International Human Rights Clinic offers hands-on experience to work with partner organizations around the globe.

The center provides fellowship opportunities for summer and postgraduate human rights experience. Kirby Simon Summer Human Rights Fellowships fund students spending all or part of the summer engaged in human rights internships or research. Kirby Simon Fellowships have supported summer human rights work in one hundred countries to date. The Robert L. Bernstein Fellowship in International Human Rights, inaugurated in 1997, funds several recent Yale Law School graduates annually for a year of full-time human rights advocacy work. The Robina Foundation Human Rights Fellowship supports postgraduate work at appropriate international or foreign courts and tribunals and intergovernmental human rights agencies. To date, the Bernstein and Robina Fellowships have funded 132 graduates to pursue human rights work after law school.

The directors of the Schell Center are Professors Claudia M. Flores and Paul W. Kahn. The executive director is Dina Francesca Haynes. The Schell Center's email address is schell.law@yale.edu.

THE SOLOMON CENTER FOR HEALTH LAW AND POLICY AT YALE LAW SCHOOL

The Solomon Center for Health Law and Policy at Yale Law School is the first of its kind to focus on the intersection of law and the governance, business, and practice of health care in the United States. The center brings together leading experts and practitioners from the public and private sectors to address cutting-edge questions of health law and policy, and to train the next generation of top health lawyers, industry leaders, policy makers, and academics.

The center was established to meet a critical need for a new academic and legal-professional discipline that responds to the rapidly evolving environment of health care and its centrality in the nation's economy and government. The center's programming includes many course offerings, both academic and experiential; career planning; academic research, policy work, and litigation briefs; and numerous high-profile panels and conferences that bring academic, government, and business leaders in health care to the Law School. It hosts academic visitors from all disciplines to enrich its programming and course offerings and to actively support student research,

fieldwork, and publications. The center also helps coordinate eight Medical-Legal Partnerships (MLPs) that combine health and legal services at a single site of care for underprivileged populations and give students legal experience directly in the medical setting. The Yale Health Law & Policy Society (YHeLPS), the student arm of the center, is an active partner in events and student programming. More information is available at <https://law.yale.edu/solomon-center>.

THE JOSEPH C. TSAI LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

The Joseph C. Tsai Leadership Program at Yale Law School provides students with expanded curricular and co-curricular offerings to ensure the next generation of dynamic leaders have the knowledge and professional training required to confront and embrace the biggest challenges of an ever-evolving world. Additions to the curriculum include numeracy courses such as accounting, corporate finance, and statistics; policy-making; and emerging issues related to technological change, big data, and globalization. Students are able to hone professional management skills through specialized programming, including workshops that help students acquire financial literacy and other skills as well as opportunities for direct engagement with leaders. The program also brings alumni and other distinguished leaders to campus to advise students on the many paths available to a graduate of Yale Law School, harnessing the power of the Yale Law School alumni community. Program opportunities are open to every Yale Law student, no matter what career path they choose. More information is available at <https://law.yale.edu/leadership>.

THE PAUL TSAI CHINA CENTER

Founded by Professor Paul Gewirtz in 1999 as the China Law Center, the Paul Tsai China Center is the primary home for activities related to China at Yale Law School. The center is a unique institution dedicated to helping advance China's legal reforms, contributing to the development of U.S.-China relations, and increasing understanding of China in the United States. In interaction with research and teaching at Yale, the center works collaboratively with top experts in Chinese universities, government, and civil society on projects in areas such as judicial reform, administrative and regulatory reform, antidiscrimination, criminal justice, and other aspects of public interest law. The center's work also includes a range of efforts on U.S.-China relations more broadly, including analyzing and recommending U.S. government policies and leading dialogues with Chinese counterparts that bring together former senior government officials and top experts from both countries to address a broad range of economic, security, and political issues in the U.S.-China relationship. Areas of focus include multilateral diplomacy with U.S. allies and partners, technology and trade policy, Asia-Pacific regional security issues, and human rights policies, among others. As the foundation of all these projects, the center staff undertakes teaching, research, and writing that seek to contribute to the education and training of a younger generation and more widely advance understanding of China and U.S.-China relations. Yale Law School students are involved in all aspects of the center's work.

In March 2016, Yale Law School received a gift of \$30 million in honor of its distinguished alumnus, the late Dr. Paul C. Tsai '54 LL.M., '57 J.S.D., to support the continuing work of the Law School's China Center. This gift was given by his son,

Joseph C. Tsai '86 B.A., '90 J.D. In recognition of this gift, the center was renamed the Paul Tsai China Center.

More information is available at <https://law.yale.edu/china-center>.

THE YALE CENTER FOR ENVIRONMENTAL LAW & POLICY

The Yale Center for Environmental Law & Policy, a collaborative initiative between Yale Law School and the Yale School of the Environment, pioneers innovative and analytically rigorous approaches to environmental decision-making across disciplines and scales. Beyond conducting cutting-edge research, the center serves as a vibrant hub for fostering interdisciplinary dialogue and collaboration on environmental law and policy issues—from local to global context—across the Yale campus.

Current projects include the biennial Environmental Performance Index (<http://epi.yale.edu>), which ranks countries on their sustainability performance across eleven policy categories covering both environmental public health and ecosystem vitality; the Global Commons Stewardship Index (<https://resources.unsdsn.org/global-commons-stewardship-index-2021>), which ranks countries based on their impact on the shared resources of the Global Commons; the Yale Initiative on Sustainable Finance (<https://cbey.yale.edu/yale-initiative-on-sustainable-finance-yisf>); and Remaking the Global Trading System for a Sustainable Future (<https://remakingtradeproject.org>) as well as a new initiative on artificial intelligence and sustainability. Additional research themes include sustainability metrics, corporate sustainability strategy, climate-change policy, and global governance. For additional information on the center, please visit <https://envirocenter.yale.edu>.

THE YALE CENTER FOR LAW AND PHILOSOPHY

The Yale Center for Law and Philosophy was founded in 2005 as a joint venture of the Law School and the Yale Philosophy department. It aims to encourage advanced work, including research degrees, at the interface of philosophy and law. Members of both faculties are affiliated with the center, as are a number of visitors. The center's programs include regular workshops and conferences, attracting leading philosophers of law from around the world. The center supports a postdoctoral fellowship, which provides substantial funding for research. The center also helps to coordinate courses across the Law School and the Philosophy department. Professor Scott Shapiro is the director. More information is available at <https://law.yale.edu/centers-workshops/yale-center-law-and-philosophy>.

THE YALE LAW SCHOOL CENTER FOR GLOBAL LEGAL CHALLENGES

The Yale Law School Center for Global Legal Challenges bridges the divide between the legal academy and legal practice on global legal issues. It provides a forum where academic experts and students regularly interact with public and private sector actors responsible for addressing global legal challenges. By bringing these communities together, the center aims to inject new ideas into legal policy debates and grow a new generation of lawyers with a sense of their capacity and responsibility to use international law, foreign affairs law, and national security law to address real challenges facing the nation. For more information, visit <https://law.yale.edu/glc>.

THE YALE LAW SCHOOL CENTER FOR PRIVATE LAW

The Yale Law School Center for Private Law serves as a focal point for research and teaching in private law at the Law School and, more generally, at the university. The center, which brings together scholars, students, and practicing lawyers from across the United States and abroad, promotes the interdisciplinary study of private law, including contracts, property, torts, equity, and restitution, and also remedies and private dispute resolution. It emphasizes economically informed philosophical, sociological, and doctrinal approaches. The center engages students, scholars, and practicing lawyers in guest lectures, seminars, workshops, and other activities. The directors of the center are Daniel Markovits and Henry Smith. More information is available at <https://law.yale.edu/centers-workshops/yale-law-school-center-private-law>.

THE YALE LAW SCHOOL CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF CORPORATE LAW

The Yale Law School Center for the Study of Corporate Law was established in 1999 to promote teaching and research and to enhance the quality of students' educational experience in the business law area. The center's focus of study is wide-ranging, reflecting the shifting priorities of the business and regulatory environment. It includes corporate and commercial law and the law of other nongovernmental organizations; the regulation of financial markets and intermediaries; the legal framework of finance, including the law of bankruptcy and corporate reorganization; and antitrust law and the law of regulated industries.

The center annually hosts the Weil, Gotshal & Manges Roundtable, a one-day event on the issues of the day, and two endowed lectures, the John R. Raben/Sullivan & Cromwell Fellowship Lecture and the Judge Ralph K. Winter Lectureship on Corporate Law and Governance. Throughout the year, the center sponsors the Bert W. Wasserman Workshop in Law and Finance, which invites scholars from other universities to present their current research; the Marvin A. Chirelstein Colloquium on Contemporary Issues in Law and Business, which is organized as a lunch lecture series; numerous additional occasional lectures, panels, and symposia, such as the Hilibrand Series on Contemporary Issues in White Collar Practice; and an annual talk presenting data gathered from surveys of working lawyers on the topic of skills that students interested in business-law-related careers need to develop. Together, these programs seek to convey to students a broad spectrum of career experiences through presentations by distinguished alumni and other members of the bar, judiciary, government, and investment and business communities and to help students structure their educational experience at Yale Law School so that they can be best prepared to embark on the path within business or business law that most interests them. The center also hosts the Craig Wasserman '86/Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz Alumni Breakfast Program, which features panels on contemporary business law issues held over breakfast for alumni in New York City. Finally, the center provides support for the Law School's joint J.D./Ph.D. in finance program with the Yale School of Management, which is a program intended for students wishing to pursue an academic career in the business-law area.

Professors Roberta Romano and Sarath Sanga are the center's co-directors. Nancy Liao is the John R. Raben/Sullivan & Cromwell Executive Director. The center has a Board of Advisors, chaired by Robert J. Giuffra Jr. '87. In addition to Dean Cristina

Rodríguez, faculty members serving on the center's Executive Committee are Ian Ayres, Amy Chua, Henry Hansmann, Alvin Klevorick, Anthony Kronman, Zachary Liscow, Yair Listokin, Jonathan Macey, Joshua Macey, Daniel Markovits, Noah Messing, John Morley, Sven Riethmueller, Natasha Sarin, and Alan Schwartz. David Zornow '80 and Victoria Cundiff '80, members of the center's board and frequent visiting lecturers at the Law School, are center fellows. W. Bentley MacLeod, a faculty member of the Yale Department of Economics, is also a center fellow.

For additional information on the center's upcoming and past activities, the business law curriculum at the Law School, and the joint J.D./Ph.D. in finance program with the School of Management, visit <https://ccl.yale.edu>.

YALE LAW SCHOOL LATIN AMERICAN LEGAL STUDIES

Several initiatives are designed for the mutual production and dissemination of knowledge between Yale and leading Latin American law schools. The Latin American Linkage Program is a summer exchange of law students from Yale, two universities in Chile, two in Argentina, and three in Brazil. During their summer recess, Yale students spend three weeks meeting leading legal academics, practitioners, and government officials and working with law students in Argentina, Chile, or Brazil. In the spring, students from the Latin American partner schools visit Yale for a three-week behind-the-scenes look at legal education at Yale, sitting in on classes; giving presentations; participating in study groups; and meeting with faculty, student leaders, and judges and lawyers in various academic and social settings. In addition, leading legal scholars from Latin America, the Caribbean, Spain, and the United States meet each June for the Seminario en Latinoamérica de Teoría Constitucional y Política (SELA), a three-day seminar exploring the foundational principles of constitutional democracy. SELA is cosponsored by Yale and law schools in Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Mexico, Peru, Puerto Rico, and Spain and represents the hub of the Latin American Legal Studies program. SELA not only provides the institutional basis for the Linkage exchange but also for an in-house speaker series at Yale (the Latin American Series), innumerable faculty visits, and many collaborative research and translation projects. Professor Daniel Markovits is the faculty director at Yale. For additional information on Latin American Legal Studies at Yale see <https://law.yale.edu/centers-workshops/yale-law-school-latin-american-legal-studies> or contact bradley.hayes@yale.edu.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDY IN LEGAL HISTORY

The study of legal history occupies an important place in the Law School's curriculum. Recent, current, and future offerings include courses on the history of the common law, constitutional history, American legal history, European legal history, Chinese legal history, the administrative state, mass incarceration, legal theory, criminal procedure, property, human rights, empire, and the laws of war, among others. Faculty from the Yale Department of History offer further courses in South Asian legal history, the legal systems of antiquity, and more. Seminars and lectures by outside scholars supplement the regular curricular offerings. The Legal History Forum, a workshop dedicated to scholarship in legal history, brings legal historians from around the world to present new scholarship to interested faculty and students from the Law School and other Yale departments. The Law School encourages advanced study and original research in the history of law. Students may obtain course credit for supervised research with

individual professors. Students interested in pursuing a career in the field of legal history might pursue the joint J.D./Ph.D. Program in History or in American Studies.

VISITING RESEARCHERS

Each year the Law School has in residence a small number of visiting researchers engaged in nondegree research. Visiting researchers may audit up to two courses per term (with the consent of individual instructors) and use library facilities for their work. Each visiting researcher is charged a registration fee. For the academic year 2026–2027 the fee is \$4,000 per term or \$8,000 per academic year. No financial aid is available from the Law School for participants in this program.

The visiting researcher application is available on the Law School website at <https://law.yale.edu/vr>. Applications must include the application form; a current résumé or curriculum vitae; a description of the proposed research, including a statement explaining why Yale Law School is a particularly appropriate affiliation for the proposed work; two letters of recommendation; all official transcript(s) of the applicant's academic record; the proposed length and dates of stay at Yale Law School; an official Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) report, unless the applicant is a native English speaker or the applicant's undergraduate education or first law degree was completed at an institution where English is the language of instruction; and the \$75 (USD) application fee. The admissions committee requires a minimum score of 5.5 on the Internet-based TOEFL test. Yale Law School does not accept the IELTS examination. Final official transcripts may be certified electronic transcripts or traditional paper transcripts. In either case, they must be sent to the Law School directly from the issuing institution or its authorized agent. All documents must be in English or accompanied by a certified English translation.

Application deadlines are March 15 for the fall term and September 1 for the spring term.

FELLOWSHIPS FOR POSTGRADUATE RESEARCH

Yale Law School offers a number of fellowships for alumni interested in pursuing careers in public interest law or academia. The Yale Law School Public Interest, Bernstein, Liman, Heyman, Gruber, Ford Foundation, and Robina Fellowships, among others, support work in various types of public interest positions. The Cover Fellowships, as well as fellowships affiliated with a number of centers and programs, are available for Yale Law School alumni interested in careers in law teaching. For a complete list of fellowships, visit <http://law.yale.edu/publicinterestfellowships>.