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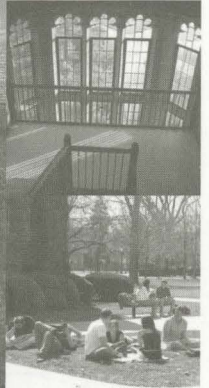
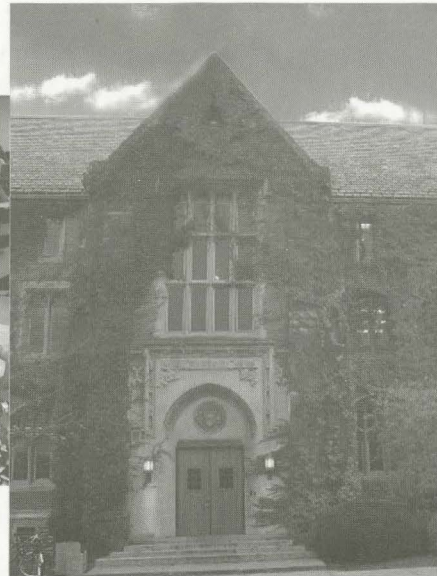
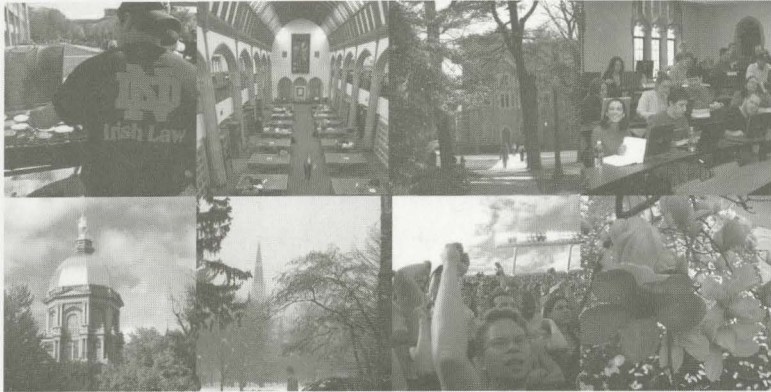


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An Insider's Guide to Notre Dame Law School



Dear Notre Dame Law School Class of 2011,

Welcome as a potential student to Notre Dame Law School! I am thrilled to be among the first to receive you into our family. I know that this is an exciting time for you and that, if you are anything like I was just a couple of years ago, you probably have plenty of questions about law school and Notre Dame. That's why we've prepared the *Guide*. I hope it will answer many of your questions and that it will provide a window into Notre Dame Law School. I also hope that once you look through that window, you'll be as eager to join us as we are to have you!

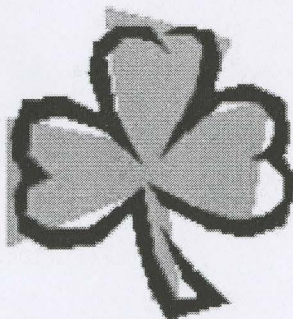
This is called an *Insider's Guide* because it has been written entirely by students. Over the past year, we've updated and revised old sections, compiled and created new sections, and edited and re-edited the whole in hopes of making your transition to law school at Notre Dame easier. This isn't a comprehensive guide to everything you need to know to get through law school, but it is a great place to start. Whether you're trying to figure out where to live next year, what is the best way to get to and around South Bend, where to find a good ethnic restaurant, or what law students do on the weekend, the *Guide* will be a terrific resource.

We all treasure our experiences here at NDLS. The professors, the students, and the staff of this law school are unique – their warmth, friendship, and true support have made studying law at Notre Dame fun and, undoubtedly, have provided us with a better hope that our enthusiasm, and that of other students, will be apparent throughout the *Guide*. The entire staff has appreciated reflecting on our experiences here and enjoyed putting the *Guide* together for you. And, although we know that you have been receiving a variety of information from the Law School and the University, we hope that this look at NDLS from the perspective of your soon-to-be colleagues will be valuable as you prepare for classes in August.

Once again, welcome! I hope to see you in August!

Best wishes,

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A Different Kind of Lawyer

It's Not Just Hype

On almost every piece of material you've received from the Notre Dame Law School Admission Office, you've seen the claim that Notre Dame educates "A Different Kind of Lawyer." But until you come to Notre Dame, it is hard to really understand what this means. To find out, take it from the mouths of the professors and students who shape the Notre Dame Law School experience:

What does it mean to be a different kind of lawyer in the Notre Dame tradition?

Sometimes we're tempted to say that a Notre Dame lawyer is a different kind of lawyer because he or she is an ethical lawyer. But that can't be right. Our profession is in pretty deep trouble if the only ethical lawyer is a different one. Maintaining high ethical standards ought to be something that characterizes our whole profession – not something that causes Notre Dame lawyers to stand apart.

It cannot be that being a different kind of lawyer is defined by the kind of law one practices, for that would leave too many of our graduates out of the definition.

So what then, does it mean to be a different kind of lawyer?

The implications of our Catholic mission for your legal education are many, and don't worry – I'm not going to identify them all in this short speech. I'm just going to identify one way in which I hope you will fulfill the promise of being a different kind of lawyer. And that is this: that you will always keep in mind that your legal career is but a means to an end, and that end is building the kingdom of God. You know the same law, are charged with maintaining the same ethical standards, and will be entering the same kinds of legal jobs as your peers across the country. But if you can keep in mind that the fundamental purpose in life is not to be a lawyer, but to know, love, and serve God, you truly will be a different kind of lawyer.

♣Amy Coney Barrett, J.D., NDLS Class of 1997, 2006 NDLS Professor of the Year
Excerpted and edited from the Commencement Speech given to the Class of 2006

I was having trouble deciding what law school to attend ... that is, until I visited Notre Dame. You will feel the difference once you are here. This law school works on the philosophy that we can ALL succeed. You will find that other schools have a more "it's either me or you" mentality. At Notre Dame we care about each other. And although I am studying very hard, I would actually categorize my first semester as "fun".

♣Rachel Perkins, Class of 2009

In order to become "A Different Kind of Lawyer," you first need to choose a different kind of law school. Notre Dame Law School aspires to demolish the unflattering stereotypes that are sometimes associated with lawyers. As both a student and a graduate you will be expected to embody the characteristics of the Notre Dame lawyer – exceptional moral and ethical standards, extraordinary ability, and a compassion for others. With the honor of a Notre Dame degree comes the responsibility to maintain this distinct reputation.

♣Nelson Jarrin, Class of 2010

A Catholic Law School

Calling and Identity

To begin his first year Criminal Law class, Professor Richard Garnett tells his class, “We believe in God here. You are free to disagree. But at Notre Dame, belief in God means that the law is about more than a paycheck. It means the law is about justice. And we believe justice is a reflection of the mind and heart of God.”

At Notre Dame, we affirm that every human person is created in the image and likeness of God. Students of all faiths, races, and political beliefs attend this school. They are all welcomed, loved, and accepted in a community that many students have characterized as closer than they would have expected, and closer than any other law school with which they are familiar. You do not have to be Catholic to attend Notre Dame or to enjoy this school.

When you get here, however, you will notice that who we are, as a Catholic law school, is neither vague, nor ethereal; who we are is a transcendental sign to the world. In an age of moral relativity, we champion God’s natural law. In an American academia that is largely Godless, we acknowledge our dependence on our Heavenly Father. In a society that values individualism and secularism, we define the human person in relation to others. In a culture that celebrates diversity for its own sake, we rejoice not in our differences, but in the unity that we forge by focusing our shared identity as children of God.

Our natural law identity is represented by the Natural Law Institute, housed here at Notre Dame. It is also reflected in the courses on St. Thomas Aquinas; Morality and the Law; and End of Life Issues. Our humble dependence is embodied in our professors, many of whom begin class with a prayer and lead student prayer groups and faith discussion groups outside of the classroom.

Our relational nature is apparent in our vibrant community, which is seen at Sunday Mass in the law school, clothing and food drives for the poor, and meaningful student/professor relationships. It is seen in a faculty that goes out of its way to help students learn and find meaningful employment.

Our focus on unity is evident in our shared mission of justice. A banner hanging in the library reads: “If you want peace, work for justice.” Our Legal Aid Clinic testifies to this mission, as does our Public Defender Program, and the number of Notre Dame law students who enter public service or social justice related professions.

St. Thomas More is quoted as saying, “Each day you hold your self like water in your hands. If you spread your fingers just a bit, the water spills out; you lose your very self.” At Notre Dame, we firmly hold our relational, our universal, our Catholic identity as a sign to the world of the duty of justice of all to all. We know who we are. Thus, we know what we are called to do.

Catholic in Many Ways

Come to Notre Dame Law School and you will not miss the fact that this is a Catholic law school – we believe a premier and Catholic law school. A marble bust of St. Thomas More, the patron saint of attorneys, sits outside the library. Crucifixes are in most rooms in the building. Some professors pray “In the Name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit” before each class. But these are just trappings – the real nature of Notre Dame Law School’s identity as a Catholic law school comes from its devotion to integrating diverse approaches to the life of faith with the life in the law.

The word "Catholic" has several meanings. To most people, it refers to things having to do with the Roman Catholic Church – the Mass, the Pope, the Rosary, etc. Notre Dame is Catholic in that sense – we have regular Masses, there is a full-time priest-professor (Father Coughlin), and there are classes offered in canon law. Catholic also refers to the universal church – what the Bible refers to as Christ's body. Notre Dame is catholic in that sense as well – there are Christians of many different denominations at the law school. Groups such as the Christian Legal Society provide opportunity for fellowship. The beliefs of Protestant and Orthodox Christians are as welcome in class discussions as the beliefs of Roman Catholic Christians. Catholic also means broad in sympathies, tastes and interests. Again, Notre Dame is catholic – viewpoints from all points of the political spectrum are welcomed and probed, believers of all faiths are encouraged to contribute to the dialogue about the law, students of all races find a home in the law school community, and the international LLM program means we always have a number of foreign attorneys in our midst. Notre Dame Law School embraces the diverse views of the nation and world in which we live with the special emphasis on the historic Roman Catholic faith.

A Catholic Law School means recognition that there is a God. It means that we use our gifts and skills for a higher purpose than the worldly measures of success. Being a non-Catholic, it is important that it does not mean "hitting you over the head" with Catholicism or trying to convince you that Catholic is right and your religion is wrong.

♣ Geoffrey Spiess, Class of 2008

Rather than lose your faith during law school, Notre Dame gives you every opportunity to form a deeper connection with God. Law school is a lot of work. A first year student could easily forget about God and get caught up in endless studying and worrying. Notre Dame makes it easy to keep your faith even when you are working hard.

Notre Dame is not just concerned with making you a great lawyer, many people here also want to help you become the person that God wants you to be. Morning prayer starts every day in the law school and daily Mass ends it. Numerous clubs bring in speakers to discuss moral and philosophical issues. None of the other schools that I considered, before deciding on Notre Dame, had the same level of commitment to the faith.

♣ Michael Gray, Class of 2010

As an Asian American from New England and a practicing Hindu, I quickly learned that Notre Dame truly is accepting of people of all backgrounds and faiths. I have had no troubles at all fitting in here, and many of my non-Catholic and non-religious classmates have shared the same experience. If you want to take advantage of Notre Dame's Catholic tradition, then there are plenty of opportunities to do so. However, if you do not want to, I am sure you will still have a great time here.

♣ Manish Antani, Class of 2009

Far from being unimportant to the study of law, Catholicism presents us with an imperative to undertake a legal education informed by the faith. Nothing about the Catholic intellectual and moral tradition alters the definition of larceny. But it must alter the way in which we approach the normative questions integral to legal

analysis. Cutting one's study of law off from one's faith introduces contradictions into one's understanding of truth; it implies that we can answer fundamental questions without any concern for God. If Catholicism is true, it has to be true all week long, not just on Sunday, and I have to learn how to practice law in a way that reflects that fact.

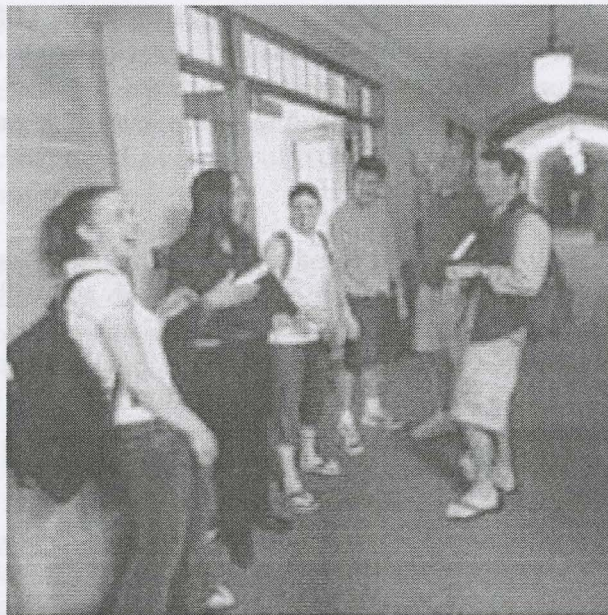
♣ Paul Krog, Class of 2010

A Cross hung in every classroom at the law school I attended before transferring to Notre Dame Law School, just as Crosses are hung in classrooms at NDLS. Yet, a profound difference exists in the way our professors represent our Catholic faith in the classroom at NDLS. Notre Dame professors live their faith. They don't shy away from tackling complex moral issues or from presenting a Catholic viewpoint in conjunction with the study of black-letter law. I will not be the lawyer society detests: bending the truth and raising doubts so clients may be judged in a more favorable light than the truth. Discussing moral issues with my ND Law colleagues prepares me to discern the distinction between what is legal and what is right and to serve our community through faith-based leadership in legal matters.

♣ Kathryn Barrett, Class of 2008

Notre Dame embraces Catholicism in its literal sense as being universal. The pennants in the lounge from all the previous undergraduate institutions provide a moving testament to this. It was a true honor when I purchased my alma mater, North Dakota State University, pennant over break to hang up with all the others.

♣ Chad Prososki, Class of 2008



A Community

Okay, You'll Hear A Lot About This

You will spend a lot of time in the law school building, there's no way around it. Three years at Notre Dame Law School are both difficult and enjoyable. Let's face it, law school anywhere is hard work, but going to law school at any of the top tier law schools in the country will be incredibly demanding. You have to read thousands of pages of legal material each semester, write at the highest standards, be prepared for picayune questions from professors, and study hard for endless weeks to prepare for exams that determine your entire grade – and that's just the first semester. The long hours and work aside, spending three years at Notre Dame is enjoyable. It's enjoyable because the people who come here care more about people than grades; more about community than competition. Grades are still important, and some competition still exists, but the most distinctive feature of Notre Dame Law School is the genuine concern that everyone here shows for each other.

Returning to Notre Dame as a law student five years after completing my undergraduate degree has been a very positive experience. The values and sense of community that the University strives to instill in her graduates are qualities that have taken root and matured in me during my time away. In the process of applying to law schools I found that there were plenty of places that said they would train me to be a competent lawyer, but no other place promised the opportunity to become a better person. My acceptance to Notre Dame Law School . . . their acknowledgement that I could be “a different kind of lawyer” . . . was one of the proudest moments of my life.

♣ Danica Skeoch, Class of 2010

The sense of community at Notre Dame Law School is above and beyond what I experienced in college. Here at NDLS the faculty, staff, and students are genuinely warm and kind hearted, making it a truly special place. The Law School has done a tremendous job in bringing in not only intelligent and successful individuals, but more importantly, people of great substance and character. While NDLS prepares us for the legal profession, it also reinforces the importance of life outside the workplace and the role all of us must play to bring out the best within ourselves and society. I sincerely believe that I could not have found a better place to call home for the next three years.

♣ Dennis Wu, Class of 2010

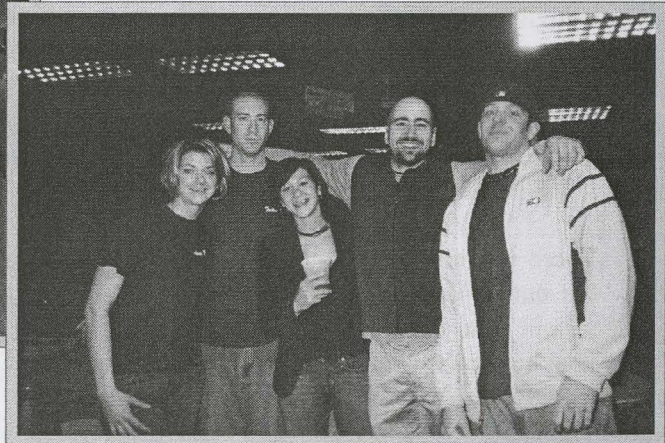
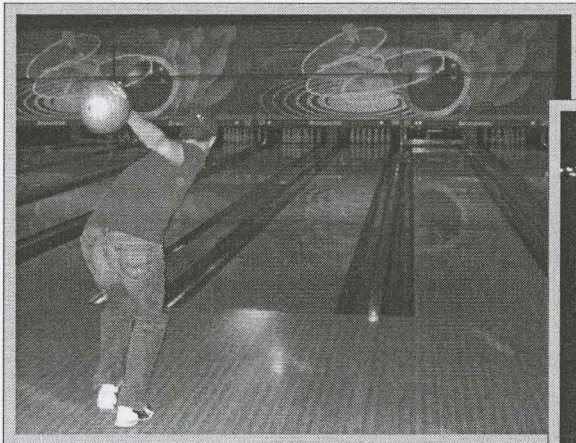
There is a strong sense of community within not only Notre Dame Law School, but the entire University. Cooperation is encouraged, not competition. Many see law school as a place to learn about law; Notre Dame is a place to learn not only about law, but about life.

♣ Sara Arbogast, Class of 2008

Most law schools promote themselves with familiar phrases about community, describing professors' open door policies, the investment by the administration in the students, and the students' integration into campus life. Notre Dame meets and exceeds those expectations. Professors and administrators are intent on producing comfortable but challenging conditions which allow students to succeed. The law school is a unique, tight-knit community resting inside the famous Notre Dame campus atmosphere that the rest of the country knows from movies and TV -- an atmosphere that lots of people want to be a part of.

♣ Erin Watkins, Class of 2010

The experiences excerpted here are not isolated incidents. Notre Dame's community is dedicated to seeing every student succeed both as a student and in life. The community here is deeper than just caring professors -- it extends through all levels of the law school. The sense of community comes as much from helpful and friendly secretaries and dedicated administration as from the faculty. And this sense of community also reflects itself in the interactions between students.



We Are Growing...

If you've visited the law school recently, or plan on visiting sometime soon, it's safe to say you've probably noticed, or will notice, the fairly large hole and seven foot fence we're currently sharing space with. If you, like most people, don't consider this sight the epitome of the picturesque scene we've all come to expect from Notre Dame, don't worry, the hole is just the beginning of a plan that will add a very new, and very beautiful building to Notre Dame's campus. The hole isn't just any old hole, but it is the future site of the new Eck Hall of Law. Groundbreaking for this exciting new addition to the law school took place in July 2007 and promises to be pivotal to the Law School's continued success and outstanding reputation. What's better is that as an entering student you will have the chance to be part of these exciting changes and will be able to take full advantage of the opportunities the changes will present to you as an NDLS lawyer!

Currently, NDLS is housed in one signature gothic style building, which has been its home since the 1930s. While this building has endured several expansions and hundreds of law students over the years, the NDLS administration is looking to propel the school into the new millennium and ensure its continued success. The new gothic style building, which is scheduled for completion in January 2009, will be connected to the current law school and will increase the law school's overall space by 80 percent. The new building will feature state of the art technology in new classrooms, faculty offices, and study space. The building's design is forward thinking, providing for the flexibility to change based on the developing needs of students and faculty. In addition to these features, the Eck Hall of Law will also integrate classrooms and faculty offices, rather than setting aside separate areas for each, in an effort to foster dialog between the faculty, administration, and student body. Additionally, the new building will also feature a new chapel below the common areas. All of these features are geared toward fostering and reinforcing the strong sense of community that is the foundation of Notre Dame Law School.

While Eck Hall of Law is scheduled for completion in January of 2009, the construction of this new building isn't all that the law school has planned. Also instrumental to the construction project is the renovation of the current law school building. Once Eck Hall is completed in 2009, the law school will move into the new building, while our current home is renovated. Once the renovation is complete (in another 18 months), we will have one, new, state of the art structure which will carry the law school into the future and ensure its success for generations to come.



Faculty Stories

The Sources of All Knowledge Speak Out

Students at Notre Dame are clearly very impressed with their faculty. Here, we've asked a few faculty members to tell you themselves what they think is special about Notre Dame, and why they continue to teach here (despite the much higher firm salaries that they could earn).

Notre Dame is a truly distinctive place with a truly unique mission. We seek to be a great university that preserves, and remains faithful to, our Catholic identity. This mission is a challenging, but critically important one, and we at the law school play an instrumental role in fulfilling it. For better or worse, many of the most important questions in our nation become, at some point, legal questions. I feel privileged to be a part of a community of scholars that seeks to engage those questions both rigorously and completely, by fostering a debate that is both catholic (small c) and Catholic (large C).

Notre Dame also is the kind of place that fosters scholarly exchange between students and faculty. We take our teaching seriously here, and we like and respect our students. I have learned a great deal from my students, both inside the classroom and outside. This kind of interaction enables the true integration of scholarly research and teaching. Just as much of my research starts with ideas that were initially batted around in the classroom, my teaching is also informed by my scholarship. Finally, Notre Dame is a community where people care about one another. Our students rally around colleagues in need, and they understand (or, at least I hope that they understand) that the faculty are always here to help as well.

♣ Professor Nicole Garnett

As a Notre Dame law student in the 1980s, I experienced first-hand the cooperative and nurturing environment that Notre Dame Law School offers. Many of my professors, some of whom are now my colleagues, taught me much more than the law as they ably combined their professional careers, personal lives and religious beliefs, and encouraged us by word and example to do the same. Serving as a faculty member offers me a unique opportunity to combine my chosen profession with my religious beliefs and to contribute to a community that has enriched my life in so many ways. I hope that I can encourage future generations of law students to grow in faith and knowledge during their time at Notre Dame Law School. Whether in or out of the classroom, I strive to challenge these Notre Dame lawyers to keep a healthy balance among their careers, family and faith, and to use their legal training to serve others.

♣ Professor Matthew Barrett

I came to Notre Dame in 1973, having lived virtually my whole life on the East Coast, and expected to stay for two or three years before returning 'home.' Instead, I am now in my 35th year on the Law School faculty. In this more than quarter-century, I have found that Notre Dame is a special place. The University has tremendous resources that have enabled me to develop and mature as a teacher and scholar. My colleagues are intelligent and supportive, and the students are bright and great fun to teach. For me and my family, this is clearly now "home."

♣ Professor Joseph Bauer

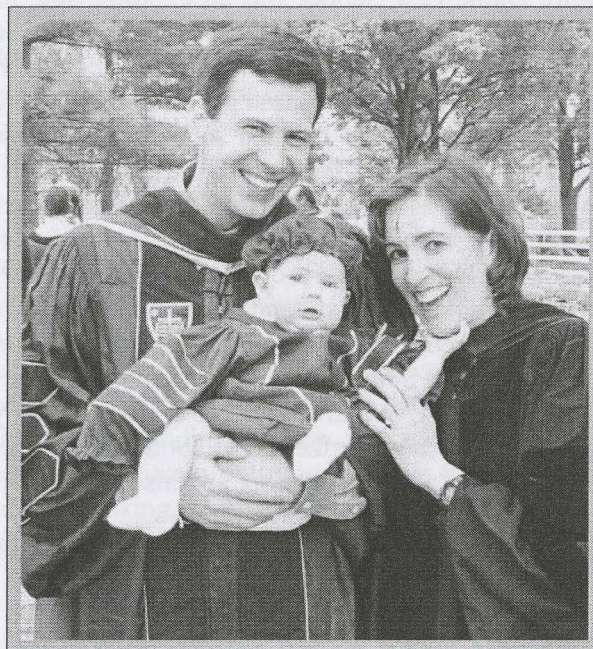
I first laid eyes on the Golden Dome in 1962 when I visited the Law School as a prospective student. Had anyone told me then that I would spend 27 years (and counting) on the faculty here, I would have been stunned by disbelief; at the time, I aspired only to succeed as a law student. Since I came from a small eastern liberal-arts college, Notre Dame seemed big and scary to me. As it turned out, the Law School formed a true, small community within a larger, but still true University community.

Life at Notre Dame proved, and still proves, exhilarating. We have a vibrant teaching faculty – one that takes a deep interest in our students. We have exceptionally bright – and good – people as our students. Equally important to me, they are a delight to work with. Despite the inevitably growing gap between their constant youth and my steadily advancing age, my time here has been a joy; there's no place I'd rather be. Students seem to feel the same way – many leave here more attached to Notre Dame Law School than to their undergraduate school. 'Nough said!

♣ Professor Fernand "Tex" Dutilleul

At Notre Dame, we aspire to provide a counter-cultural voice -- one that affirms the dignity of the human person, the complementary relation between faith and reason, and a vision of law and lawyering that is rooted in vocation, intellectual rigor, and service. Our foundations in faith mean that our students and our faculty enjoy the freedom to pursue questions that are too often pushed "off the table" elsewhere and to strive to integrate their work, faith, family, and ideals. I'm proud to be a part of this community.

♣ Professor Rick Garnett



The Parents' Turn

Everyone's Got an Opinion

And whose opinion matters more than your parents'? For many of us, our parents were a major consideration when choosing a law school. We aren't the only ones excited about being here: our parents and families are excited too (which makes buying Christmas presents easy – shop at the SBA for law school merchandise); and they want you to know how they feel.

After graduating from UCLA, I had the privilege of attending Notre Dame Law School. Not only did I receive a superb legal education, but I made life-long friends. During the last 30 years I have practiced civil litigation across the country and my association with Notre Dame has provided me with many wonderful professional opportunities that would not have otherwise been available. My wife and I are thrilled that our daughter Jacqueline is attending the Law School and that she will have the same opportunity for a very special career as a result.

♣ Rich Cahill '78, father of Jackie Cahill, Class of 2010

When we found out that Michael was going to law school at Notre Dame, the most excited person in our family was his Grandma. She is handicapped and has to watch mass from her home in Michigan. The Mass that she watches is actually filmed at the Basilica at Notre Dame and broadcast on the Hallmark Channel. She was thrilled that she could keep an eye out for him at Mass. He goes to Mass off campus now, but Grandma is still excited that he is at Notre Dame and continues to watch the Mass on TV. It is a silly story, but it just goes to show the unique allure of Notre Dame. Going there will make your relatives proud!

♣ Susan and David Gray, parents of Michael Gray, Class of 2010

Being accepted to Notre Dame Law School was an exciting time in our home, not only for Johnny but for his whole family. When the acceptance letter arrived my husband told everybody at his place of employment, "My son is going to Notre Dame!" I felt like I was living a part in the movie *Rudy*. Johnny is a first generation college graduate so you can only imagine how proud we were when he decided to continue his education in law school. During his first visit to Notre Dame, he fell in love with the campus. He chose Notre Dame for many reasons but the main reason was the Notre Dame traditions. During his orientation week at Notre Dame, Johnny got to experience his first tradition. Notre Dame Law students are requested to choose a four-hour service project. It isn't mandatory, but the majority of the students do volunteer. Johnny knows first hand that you have to work for things in life, and that if you are fortunate to succeed then you give back to your community. Not only was Johnny able to give back to the South Bend community, he was able to meet his fellow classmates and make new friends. We are sure that the next three years will be an exciting yet challenging time for Johnny but we feel good about his decision. We know that he is surrounded by students that care about each other and also by so many Notre Dame traditions that make him feel at home.

♣ John and Eileen Bloor, parents of Johnny Bloor, Class of 2009

My daughter had acceptance letters from many of the top law schools in the country, so it was a difficult task to try to choose which school to encourage her to attend. Of course, there were numerous factors to consider, but ultimately, it all boiled down to

encouraging her to go to the school where I felt that, in addition to receiving a fabulous education, she would also have the best opportunity to continue her growth as an individual. At Notre Dame, I knew she would receive affirmation from those surrounding her, both fellow students and faculty, that the morals and virtues that I have tried to instill in her are ones we should all strive towards and allow to become the very fabric of our beings. I believe that the ND Law School Experience will reconfirm for my daughter the importance of a virtuous character, honesty, integrity, and justice, and provide her with the best possible opportunities to continue to grow in all aspects of her life.

♣ Susan Brown, mother of Rebecca Brown, Class of 2008

Our daughter, Julia, has found Notre Dame to be a truly special place. She bonded almost immediately with her fellow 1Ls and has become a part of the Notre Dame community. There is no question that law school—anywhere—is challenging, but the atmosphere does not have to be one of cutthroat competition. Notre Dame has proven that law school can be a positive experience. We, of course, want our daughter's happiness above all, and when we hear her say, "I am so glad I chose Notre Dame, I wouldn't want to be anywhere else," then we're satisfied.

♣ Ann and David Bochnowski, parents of Julia Bochnowski, Class of 2009

I have a Double Domer son who graduated from Notre Dame Law School in 1985; he is now a successful partner in a Chicago law firm. During her time in college, my granddaughter Lindsay expressed a desire to attend Notre Dame Law School. For over a year I have been praying that she would be accepted. The acceptance came and we were all extremely happy. I hope and pray that the Good Lord will let me live long enough to see her graduate. I would love to be there for it. Go Irish.

♣ Raymond Creagh, grandfather of Lindsay Hawley, Class of 2010

I encouraged my daughter to attend Notre Dame because it is a great school, and has a great reputation, but most importantly because it is a place where one can obtain an excellent education in an environment of enlightened perspectives where the benefit of man and life's purpose become one.

♣ Rick Zehner, father of Michelle Zehner, Class of 2008

The Notre Dame Law School experience has been wonderful! My daughter researched and visited other quality law schools but Notre Dame was always her first choice. Though classes are academically challenging, she likes and respects her professors and is enjoying learning in a place where her Catholic faith makes a difference. She enjoys knowing that her classmates from other parts of the country are also committed to excellence in education. What I have found so impressive is the supportive environment surrounding the Law School. All contact I have had with the University has been helpful— from preliminary visits to the Law School to questions regarding financial aid, housing, campus security, parking, and more. I know that my daughter is in a safe place having fun with great friends while earning a first class legal education. Living 1,500 miles away, knowing my daughter is at a place like Notre Dame Law School is reassuring to me.

♣ Gary Walker, father of Kirsten Walker, Class of 2009

Before Classes Start & Orientation

Like Kindergarten – You Get to Stand in Line

Getting everything in order before class starts is pretty simple at ND. The law school will send you a continuous stream of correspondence making sure you know when and where you can get everything you'll need: parking permits, books, supplies, etc. The law school will also let you know the schedule for registration, and there is a great orientation program to make sure enrollment goes smoothly and you're ready for that exciting first day of class.

Health Insurance

Health insurance is required to enroll in classes. During the summer, you will receive insurance information. If you have insurance already, send proof of insurance to Health Services. If you forget, the University will bill you for the standard student insurance. If you forget to mail the insurance information in during the summer, take proof of insurance to Health Services (on the west side of campus, on the corner of Dorr Road and Holy Cross Drive) before classes start or during the first week. Also, after classes have started, check to make sure you haven't been charged for the University health insurance if you already had your own. Student Accounts has been known to make this mistake, but will correct it without much fuss.

Campus Parking

Campus parking is a must for those living off campus, though some living in houses near campus may find a brisk jaunt to the law school better than the trek from the C1 lot where most law students park. A parking decal is easy to obtain, affordable, and useful, especially since fines for parking in the all-too-inviting bookstore lot near the law school can add up fast. For the 2007-2008 academic year, the parking decal cost \$95. The easiest way to get your parking decal is to sign up online – just remember your license plate and registration. You'll be able to pick up your permit within a few days of signing up. We recommend taking care of this ASAP, but don't worry – the University police are really lenient the first week. Just stay out of the bookstore lot and the circle by the law school!

Student IDs & Computer IDs

We recommend getting your student ID prior to Orientation. This will save time, since the freshmen class of about 2,000 will be arriving and settling in at the same time we have orientation. You should receive information about where to do this (usually South Dining Hall) over the summer. When you get your student ID, you will also have the option to get a meal plan or add Domer Dollars to your student ID. See "Eating on Campus" for more information about meal plans and Domer Dollars.

It might also prove useful to get your computer set up for ResNet, the University's computer network. Everyone is issued a "Net ID" which will be your key to technology while at Notre Dame. Go to the Office of Information Technology (OIT) building located between the football stadium and Hesburgh Library (the really tall building with "Touchdown Jesus") to get the required information and software for dial-up access from an off-campus apartment. You can also buy computer supplies here, like the heavily discounted software for Microsoft Office. Once again, the sooner you get this done the better, as they tend to be swamped during the first couple weeks of classes. The law school has its own computer staff, so you may want to check with them first. Believe me, you will get to know Dan Manier, Joshua Baltazar, and Jeremy Brown very well. More information about technology is on the Class of 2011 website, and this will be updated in late spring or early summer.

Orientation

You'll receive information from the law school about the mandatory Orientation Weekend. Besides introducing you to the school and getting all of the formalities of enrollment taken care of (which can now almost be done completely on the web), Orientation will be the first time that you officially meet your classmates and some of the 2Ls and 3Ls as well. Take advantage of getting to know the unique and interesting people you'll be sharing the next three years of your life with before you are swamped with reading assignments and studying. One of the opportunities to meet people during Orientation are the optional group service projects, such as volunteering for the afternoon at a Goodwill Store or making care baskets at a woman's shelter.

Orientation is also a good opportunity to explore campus and see all the places you'll never go to once you start school and discover that the law school is your second home. Orientation Weekend is also the time that you can find the class assignments for the first day of law school. Check the assignment board, located in the basement by the lounge, on Sunday to see how much you have to read for Monday morning.

The first day of Orientation will be long and draining. Be prepared to be overwhelmed by people, books, materials, forms, etc. Dress comfortably; in particular wear comfortable shoes, because a campus tour should be on the schedule. Also, bring some sort of money (cash, checks, credit cards) to pay for fees and your books, and don't forget to bring a bag or backpack to carry those incredibly heavy books back home.

It's tempting to buy your books before Orientation, but it's not a good idea. First, you won't get your final schedule until Orientation. And, more importantly, during the Orientation "field trip" to the bookstore, 2Ls and 3Ls will be on hand to make sure you buy the exact books you need for your classes and make recommendations as to study aids.

Another great inside tip (that not too many students know about on the first day but learn to LOVE) is that at Notre Dame, you can "charge" purchases at the bookstore to your student account. What this means is that as long as you have your student ID card, you can go to the bookstore and pay for your books (and your new Notre Dame sweatshirt) with it. The purchase will automatically show up on your student account. Also, your student account does not accrue interest like credit cards, so you can actually put your books on your student account and pay them off throughout the course of the semester. However, be aware that the Office of Student Accounts knows of this strategy and will not allow you to simply keep a running balance straight through to graduation. If you abuse the privilege of "charging" to your student account at the bookstore, they will cut off your card, so be careful. It is always a good idea to bring along a credit card during Orientation, just in case.

The Big Day: 1L Day One

Or, What in the World Have I Gotten Myself Into

For some, the first day of classes in law school is no big deal; for others it can be a terrifying experience. Many may have read *1L* or watched the *Paper Chase*, but it is safe to say that while the books might represent Harvard in the 1960s, they do not even come close to representing the Notre Dame experience. No professor even resembles Kingsfield, but they do expect you to have prepared well for class each day. Some will use the Socratic method a lot (calling on a random student to discuss the cases assigned for that class period); others will not use it quite as much.

The best way to prepare for classes is to do the assigned readings, and be ready to answer questions about the material. Please, please, please – don't think you can blow off the reading just because it's the first day. The professors do call on students on the first day and, while they won't expect you to be perfect, they will expect you to have read the material. Once again, welcome to law school. You'll quickly learn to love it.

You may find that briefing the cases is also helpful, which basically means writing a quick summary of the facts, what legal issue(s) are presented, how the court resolved the issue, and the reasoning that it used. At least one of your teachers will explain this process to you within the first couple of days. Briefing the cases as you read also makes outlining easier at the end of the semester.

On the first day, be sure to bring your textbooks, laptop and/or notepad, a pen or pencil, and money or your ID card to purchase food and beverages. If you do have a laptop, note that the building is wired for wireless internet, so bring a wireless card with you for the down time between classes. Beware of surfing the net in class, however. Not only is it disrespectful but at least one professor is sure to catch you off guard. You are not required to use a laptop in class, although the vast majority of students do. The rest take notes by hand. It's a matter of personal preference. Even if you don't take notes by hand, it's helpful to bring paper to class. Some professors make diagrams or use tables, which can be tough to duplicate with a laptop.

You'll also want to bring a combination or key lock for the lockers, graciously provided for us by the administration, as the books get heavy quickly! If for some reason there is already a lock on your assigned locker, see the registrar of the law school.

As far as dress for the first day of classes, wear whatever you feel comfortable in. If there's one thing Notre Dame students are not, it's uniform. You will be required to wear a suit the second day of Orientation, but after that, it's (almost) anything goes. The last thing you want to worry about is your clothes being uncomfortable on your first day of law school.

Finally, don't stress out about the first day. Professors will be understanding, helpful and kind – just make sure you've done the readings. The 2Ls and 3Ls, as well as the law school staff, will be around and eager to help you with any questions or problems that you have. Enjoy the first day of many, and welcome to Notre Dame Law School!

1L Classes

Life, As You Know It, Is Over

On the plus side, you'll probably love your first year of law school classes. First-year classes are when you get to know your classmates' minds and skills. You'll bond together against a common enemy – failure, and chances are, you'll prevail.

Civil Procedure

Civil Procedure is the set of rules governing civil trials in the federal court system. The class focuses on the constitutional and statutory framework within which the civil justice system operates. In particular, it examines the sources and limitations of judicial power over people and organizations (personal jurisdiction) and over cases (subject matter jurisdiction). The course also explores the extent to which state law must be applied in federal court.

In addition, the course examines how litigation is conducted in federal courts, from the initiation of the lawsuit (pleadings) to the manner in which claims and parties are added to or dropped from the lawsuit (joinder, intervention, interpleader, class actions), to the exchange and gathering of information among parties to the lawsuit (discovery), to the resolution of the lawsuit (summary judgment, trial, appeals) and the impact of the completed lawsuit on future litigation (claim and issue preclusion). Four credits (Fall).

Constitutional Law

Constitutional Law examines the structure of our government as defined by the federal Constitution, Supreme Court precedents interpreting that document and the traditional practice of the elected branches. Two major themes are the distribution of power among the three branches of the federal government and the division of power between the federal government and the states. Four credits (Spring).

Contracts

Contracts presents a comprehensive study of the creation, transfer and termination of contract rights and duties. Contracts deals with the formation of private law between parties, the resolution of ambiguities that are within contracts, and the resolution of disputes that arise from them. Four credits (Fall or Spring).

Criminal Law

Criminal Law deals with the basic principles of American criminal law, such as the definition of crime, defenses, proof and punishment, and the basic structure and operation of the American criminal justice system. You will learn what the cool sounding and often-used Court TV terms, such as voluntary manslaughter and malice aforethought, really mean. *Law and Order* will make a whole lot more sense after this course. Four credits (Fall).

Ethics I

This course studies and analyzes law as a profession, as well as the duties and responsibilities of lawyers to society, clients and the profession. Ethics helps lawyers develop awareness and understanding of their relationship and function in our legal system, and the consequent obligation of lawyers to maintain the highest standards of

ethical professional conduct. Professors discuss topics from ethical billing practices to an attorney's duty to report a colleague for misconduct. One credit (Spring), satisfactory/unsatisfactory.

Legal Research

Legal Research is designed to introduce you as a 1L to the tools and methodology of legal research and to help develop the research skills that are essential both in law school and in law practice. Although seemingly impossible, you will also quickly learn your way around the library. You'll not only learn the location of Reporters, Digests, Law Reviews and ALRs, but you'll also learn what to do with them once you find them. This is a team-taught seminar, guaranteed to take you back to your childhood with the showing of a certain cartoon about how a bill becomes a law. One credit (Fall).

Legal Writing

Legal Writing introduces you to the new world of the legal discourse community. The course provides instruction, experience and guidance in learning how to write the basic documents – memos, letters and briefs – you will someday write as lawyers. You will learn to despise the passive voice, nominalizations and the other cardinal sins of the legal writing world. Two credits (Fall).

Moot Court

Moot Court introduces you to techniques of appellate advocacy. Each student is required, with a partner, to brief and argue one appellate case before a panel of “judges.” This is one of the most fun classes of the 1L year. Two credits (Spring).

Property

This course addresses the issues surrounding the creation, transfer, sale, possession, and inheritance of both real and personal property. Although you didn't know that you wanted to, you will learn the difference between a fee simple absolute and a fee tail. You will also become familiar with covenants, servitudes, future interests, and the always helpful landlord-tenant relationship. This is the only class during first year that discusses RAP. Four credits (Spring).

Torts

Torts addresses the legal rules which determine whether civil liability attaches to conduct resulting in harm to others. “Tort” is most often defined as a “civil wrong.” Brush up on your Latin, and be prepared for some of the most interesting cases you will read during your first year. Topics include proximate cause, negligence, assault, false imprisonment, and foreseeability. Prepare for class by repeating: Duty – Breach – Causation – Damages. Four credits (Fall or Spring).

Transfer Students

Welcome to the Club

First off, welcome to Notre Dame! If you are still unsure whether Notre Dame Law School is the right place for you, please know that the student body, faculty, and administrators welcome new students to the Notre Dame family with open arms. As a transfer, you can expect a helpful and intelligent student body, a variety of law school functions and social events, a faculty who are known nationally and internationally for their legal scholarship, and hopefully a terrific football season. Further, you are able to participate in the Notre Dame OCI process, become an officer in a law school club or organization, and become heavily involved in the law school community very quickly.

You will find that your transition will be fairly smooth, and within a week or two, you will get the hang of life at Notre Dame Law School. The Admissions Office and administrators like Peter Horvath, Dean Peshel, and Anne Hamilton, will be able to assist you with any questions you have about moving to South Bend, applying for financial aid, enrolling in classes, getting your first day of class assignments, and setting up your email. Further, the student body and the faculty are extremely friendly and always willing to help.

General Information

In general, be sure to read the Irish Law Insider's Guide sections that pertain to activities to do prior to the start of classes and before orientation. For activities like getting a student ID, setting up your email account, getting a parking pass, and signing up for a meal plan, follow the same instructions given to first-year law students. Many of the simple activities, like getting a student ID or getting your books, can be done in the weeks prior to classes starting. Generally, you should plan on arriving to Notre Dame either a week or two before classes start to give yourself time to move into your apartment, familiarize yourself with South Bend, and ensure that you have done all the little things that need to be taken care of prior to school starting.

The To-Do-Quickly List

The biggest problem that you will face is how quickly you must act to complete a long to-do list of activities to get ready for the coming year and, specifically, the first day of class. Once admitted, a to-do list will arrive with your acceptance in the mail, and it will include a timeline establishing dates to accept admission to the law school, a date that financial aid should be transferred from your old institution to Notre Dame, and a list of other mandatory activities, like talking to Anne Hamilton about a class schedule. Further, if you want to interview during Notre Dame OCI, which begins the first week of classes, you will have to talk to Notre Dame Career Services for assistance with Symplicity. Try to stick to the dates listed on the to-do list to ensure that all the mandatory activities will be done prior to the start of classes.

Locating an Apartment and Moving

Since transfers are admitted later than first year students, getting an apartment can be a challenge because many of the apartment complexes do not have vacancies. Living in the Fischer-O'Hare-Grace apartments is great because they are the cheapest apartments in South Bend and the closest to school, but the availability is very limited because they are usually already filled by rising 2Ls and 3Ls and incoming 1Ls. Many recent transfer students found availability at: Castle Point, Main Street Village, and the Georgetown Apartment complexes. If you cannot visit South Bend before the start of the school year to find a place to live, try web sites like www.rent.com so that you can read about apartment descriptions in the area and also see pictures of the various complexes. Craig's List is another option. The listings for South Bend are limited, but a few transfers have found last minute

housing here. Admissions also maintains a spread sheet of all apartments, homes, rooms for rent, and other housing options.

Finding a place to live might depend on whether you decide to live with a roommate. Having a roommate is a great way to get to know people. (The buddy system never fails!) Often there are 1Ls who are still looking for a roommate. You can also contact Heather Moriconi in Admissions to see whether there are any other 2L transfers who are looking for roommates.

In addition to finding a place to live, depending upon what state you are coming from and how much furniture you are bringing with you, moving can become very expensive and time-consuming. Many students will not bring much with them if they are coming from out of state, opting to buy furniture when they arrive in South Bend. However, other students will want to bring enough furniture to fill an apartment, which will require a moving truck. If your move requires a moving truck, think about driving a U-Haul yourself and paying for movers to come load and unload the truck or consider hiring a moving company to load, ship, and unload your furniture. Remember that the beginning of the school year is a very busy time for movers, so moving companies will need to know about a possible move as early as possible to plan for it and give you an estimate of the cost.

Class Schedule, Books, First Day Assignments

The registrar, Anne Hamilton, will either contact you or you will have to contact her about the courses available for the upcoming semester. She will email you a list of classes with the times they meet and the number of credits that each class is worth. The minimum number of credits per semester is fourteen and the maximum is seventeen. Most students take around fifteen credits. In arranging your schedule, keep in mind fall semester of your second year is probably the busiest semester of law school—without the added headaches of transferring—since interviews occur, the workload for upper level courses is more than first year courses, and home football games eat up entire Saturdays!

In the past, some transfers were unable to register for their own classes online. If you have this problem, contact Anne Hamilton. If you email your desired course schedule to her, she will enroll you in the classes that you have selected. If you are not sure what classes to take, contact the admissions office and ask for the names and email addresses of current students that you could contact to discuss your course schedule. Also, remember that if you are unhappy with a class that you selected, you will have a week to add or drop a class once school begins.

After you have selected a class schedule that you feel comfortable with, go to the bookstore and purchase your books. All of the law books and legal study aids are on the second floor of the bookstore, arranged by the call number of the class. If you have any questions, the staff can assist you. The first day of class assignments are posted on the bulletin boards near the men's restroom in the basement of the Law Building. The assignments are usually not listed until a day or two before the start of classes. Check the boards frequently before classes start because new assignments are posted randomly and frequently.

Law Review and Law Journals

As a transfer student, you are able to participate in the same writing competition in which Notre Dame rising 2Ls compete to obtain spots on the Law Review or one of the Law Journals. If you are interested, you must complete the note, following the competition instructions, and send it in by the due date. Peter Horvath has more information about the completion instructions. If selected, you will find out around the time you hear from the Notre Dame Admissions Office. As a member of the

Law Review or a Law Journal, you can improve your research and writing abilities, meet new people and become friends with other staff members, and help build your resume.

Jobs

As a transfer student, you can participate in the OCI process at Notre Dame. The OCI process consists of four phases, and it begins during the first week of classes and ends in mid-October before fall break. If you are interested in participating in any of the phases and especially if you are interested in participating in phase one, contact Career Services as soon as possible to get a password for Symplicity, which contains a schedule of when employers will be interviewing at NDLS. Last year, bidding for employers in Phase One began the first week in August, so act quickly if you want to participate in Phase One. (Note that most of the "Big Firms" were Phase One firms!) Make sure you know how the ND "bidding system" works: no employer prescreening! You simply "bid" for employers by ranking them. How you rank employers really does matter, so if you really want to interview with Crane Poole & Schmidt, rank them number one.

Career Services is extremely helpful and will be more than happy to review your resume, list of references, writing sample, and cover letters. To have your documents reviewed, you can either meet with a staff member in person by scheduling an appointment or send your documents via e-mail during the summer. NDLS also has great access to resources like Vault that will help you in your employer selection process. The Career Service Advisors are also great resources for advice on which firms hire a lot of NDLS grads (ie, the firms with whom everyone tries to interview).

As a transfer, list the law school that you previously attended on your resume and include your class rank, GPA, and various activities you participated in at that school. Even though you are participating in the Notre Dame OCI, employers will be more than willing to meet with you and make you job offers. To determine whether you qualify to interview with a specific firm, compare your GPA from your previous law school to the minimum GPA the firm is willing to interview. Be sure to have a good answer as to why you transferred and never put down the law school that you previously attended during an interview.

If you are not interested in working at a law firm, Career Services can advise you on other forms of employment, such as a legal aid position or a judicial clerkship. Meet with a staff member to discuss your interests or call them over the summer so that you have a head start on the employment process. The Career Services staff has a tremendous amount of knowledge about public interest careers and judicial clerkship opportunities.

I graduated from Notre Dame in 2004 and went back home to Texas for my first year of law school. I did well my first year, but I always felt like something was missing. I missed the type of student body that Notre Dame attracted. I missed the campus, the faith life, Notre Dame's commitment to service, and the amazing classroom discussions. I decided to leave Texas and return to South Bend for my remaining two years of law school.

By changing schools, I broke my apartment lease in Texas, incurred a huge moving expense, and had to rush to complete a long to-do list of activities prior to classes starting. As a Notre Dame 2L, I am so happy that I transferred! I was able to participate in the OCI process and I received job offers from my top two Texas firms. Also I was able to quickly become involved with various law school organizations and one of the Law Journals. I miss my friends from Texas, but transferring to Notre Dame was the right decision because the Notre Dame student body is less competitive, more welcoming, and more involved, and so many more opportunities for career choices and public interest work have become realistic possibilities. ♣ Wendy Sue Kosek, Class of 2007

I had one interviewer tell me no employer would hire me this summer because I did not have "any Notre Dame grades" yet, so I was not a true NDLS student (He was very wrong.) Do not let your status as a transfer daunt you...you got into NDLS! You deserve to be here and are on the same footing as your peers. It is very possible to get a summer associate position through OCI, so if you want to participate, do it!

♣ Kathryn Barrett, Class of 2008

RELAX, YOU'RE WITH FRIENDS

Above all, get to know people, especially non-transfers. Sign up to participate in clubs at Activities Night, attend SBA "Bar Reviews" on Thursday nights, tailgate and go to football games, or play on one of the sports teams. The first few days you may feel like "that transfer," but within a few weeks you will easily be part of the Notre Dame family. Welcome home!



Non-Traditional Students

You're Not Unemployed...You're a Student!

If you're more than a year or two out of undergrad, or married, or have children, or some combination of the above, then you're probably tired of people thinking you're crazy for wanting to go back to school. The good thing is, we don't think you're crazy.

In fact, yet another up-side to the whole community thing at Notre Dame Law School is that it is a real benefit to students who have additional demands on their time or who have been out of the academic groove for a while. Students, professors and administrators alike are willing to help, incredibly understanding, and genuinely interested in the unique perspective such students bring to the classroom and the community. As a Catholic university, Notre Dame is certainly pro-family, from the plethora of cheap-or-free entertainment options to the "family time" hours at the athletic and recreational centers on campus. And, the lower cost of just about everything in South Bend means that students with spouses and families just might be able to make those student budgets stretch a little farther here than in the various urban meccas tempting with their siren songs.

This section is devoted to the information and resources that non-traditional students in particular might find helpful. But even if you don't meet that description, keep reading. If we've done our job properly, you just may discover some hidden gems of wisdom that will have you feeling like an insider in no time.

Housing

As an addendum to the overall section on apartments and housing, we recommend you hit the web or make some phone calls to verify the information in this guide. Some of the complexes may actually have three-bedroom, or bigger, units, but they weren't originally included in this guide because they are out of the typical student's price range. But with a spouse and a child, or two, or more (don't laugh – one member of the Class of 2008 has four children), that extra space is likely more important to you than a few extra dollars to drop at Bookmaker's.

Most married students cannot say enough good things about University Village, Notre Dame's housing for married students. If you're even thinking about Notre Dame, be sure to check it out. It's tight living, but it's the BEST deal in town. It's all the perks of on-campus housing for dirt cheap. The amenities include water, sewer, trash, local phone service, Ethernet, an all-enclosed playground in the center of the buildings, an organic community garden, a playroom, NDSP and fire security (which lowers our renter's insurance dramatically), and a club house that's free to rent. Rent is a little over \$400, which includes local phone service, but does not include long distance and electricity. There are tons of activities going on all the time: BBQs for couples without children, family campouts on the playground, Village picnics, playgroups, Rosary group, La Leche League, story time, etc. They also have a program called Parents' Night Out each month, which is essentially free babysitting by members of the freshman class for a few hours.

Transportation is easy because of the convenient shuttle. The bus picks up residents at their doors and drops them off at the door to the Law School. Best of all, it's free. It's a great way to save on a parking pass and a walk-free way to give older relatives/visitors a tour of the campus.

Other housing options include both renting and buying a single-family home. If you're interested in buying, check out realtor.com or similar sites listing houses for sale. If you'd rather rent, the

University's Residence Life and Housing website has a section for graduate students – orlh.nd.edu/housing/graduate/index.htm – that includes links for both family housing and off-campus options. Once you're an "admitted and confirmed student," you can go through the off-campus section of this website to access a master list of all rental properties in the area that have registered with Notre Dame. This is an extremely valuable list that will simplify your house hunting greatly.

Finally, the admitted students' website will include a list of houses available for rent or sale, usually from current or recently-graduated law students. Heather Moriconi in the Admissions Office helps facilitate the passing of property from one law school generation to the next, so if you're looking to rent, be sure to let Heather know.

Some web sites that may be useful:

www.apartmentz.info/south-bend.html

www.rentclicks.com/default.asp?ws=476

orlh.nd.edu/housing/family/index2.htm

Jobs

Okay, so South Bend isn't exactly New York or Chicago. Maybe they're just giving away jobs to everybody who sets foot in the big cities, but in our little hamlet, finding a job for your spouse might take just a smidge of effort. Fortunately, there are many resources to help here as well. For starters, try the University itself. One of the area's largest employers, Notre Dame always seems to have several openings, including some that are particularly appropriate for spouses of students.

While you're looking for university employment, don't forget about nearby colleges and universities: Notre Dame's sister school, Saint Mary's College; Holy Cross College; Bethel College; Indiana University-South Bend; Goshen College, and Ivy Tech. Still in the educational vein, South Bend Community Schools, Penn-Harris-Madison district, and the City of Mishawaka schools are the major school systems in the area.

If your spouse works in a health care field, there are two major hospitals in the area, South Bend Memorial and St. Joseph's Regional Medical Center, which would be good starting points. And if there's one thing South Bend has plenty of, it's doctors of every conceivable specialty.

If there's something else South Bend has plenty of, it's retail space. Right next door to Notre Dame is the Grape Road Shopping Conglomerate, a couple miles' worth of virtually every big box chain store known to man, as well as a good-sized regional mall (see "Shopping") and chain restaurants galore (see "Restaurants"). Such places are always in need of additional help. Pretty much no matter where you go to law school, your spouse may need to sacrifice a little in terms of their career aspirations, just as you two agreed would be the case when you decided to embark on this path (You *did* have that "sacrifice today for a better future tomorrow" talk, right?).

Another option to consider is choosing a place to live where your spouse can commute somewhere other than South Bend for his or her job. For example, the cities of Edwardsburg, Niles, St. Joseph and Benton Harbor in southwest Michigan all offer expanded opportunities for a job search if you're willing to drive a little further.

To the east of South Bend, Elkhart and Goshen offer additional options, and to the west, Chesterton, Merrillville, and even Chicago are potentially doable. Sometimes the spouse does the commuting, sometimes the law student. Students have lived in South Bend during the week and returned to

faraway families only on the weekends. Students have driven an hour (or more) each day for class and returned home each night. One student arranged his class schedules so that all his classes were on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. His only complaint seemed to be that the drive down could be a bit iffy if the weather is bad.

If all else fails, check the South Bend Tribune, www.southbendtribune.com, for job listings. There are jobs here. There must be, or else they wouldn't keep building new subdivisions.

Child Care

As challenging as it can be to go back to a college-esque environment as a married person, in a perfect world there would be a special notation on one's diploma for undertaking to earn a degree full-time while not only being married, but a parent besides. As noted earlier, Notre Dame is perhaps one of the few places where one can study law in an environment conducive to raising children. Many of the faculty are themselves raising young families, and a number of students have rightly perceived that the family-friendly community of both Notre Dame and the South Bend-Mishawaka area, coupled with a lower cost of living, make this an especially attractive place to pull off the feat of going to school and being a parent.

And while the stars may align just right and permit your spouse to stay home with the children while you attend classes and study, the likelihood is that you will need child care in South Bend. The following is a list of just a few of the major child-care options in South Bend (read: the options this writer actually investigated for his own children). It is by no means a complete or comprehensive list. A number of other possibilities exist, from licensed pre-schools to church-run co-ops to nice neighbors who take care of kids in their own homes. As with any city, big or small, the decision of where to leave your children for several hours a day is as personal as it is important, so we encourage you to use this information as a starting point.

Early Childhood Development Center of Notre Dame

hr.nd.edu/worklife/ecdc.shtml 574-631-3344

The Early Childhood Development Center, or ECDC, is affiliated with the University but is officially its own organization, with a separate Board of Directors. It actually operates two facilities – one on the campus of Notre Dame, on Bulla Road right across from Fischer-O'Hara-Grace, and another on the campus of nearby Saint Mary's College.

The advantages of ECDC are location – right on campus; you must be affiliated with Notre Dame as a student, staff, or faculty member in order to qualify; and, at the Notre Dame site, the cost is calculated on a sliding scale determined by your income (which in the case of students means it is likely to be the lowest point on the scale!). The disadvantages are that, because it is an extremely popular and sought-after program, it fills up quickly – as soon as February for the year beginning the following August. But don't despair – schedule changes and cancellations do occur, so if you're interested, be sure to get on the waiting list just in case. Another disadvantage – they don't enroll children under two years of age.

La Petite Academy

www.lapetite.com/home.html 574-255-3701; 219-234-7109

La Petite Academy is a nationally-based chain of day-care facilities. In this area you have your choice of the Mishawaka location, just off Main Street on Catalpa; the South Bend Memorial Hospital location on St. Joseph Street; or an Elkhart location. What makes La Petite Academy unique is its standardized curriculum – every location in the country works

from the same basic handbook in terms of lessons and goals. You can learn more about their curriculum and how it is applied at the website listed above.

Growing Kids Learning Center

www.growingkids.com

574-273-9048 (location closest to campus)

Growing Kids Learning Center is a local chain of facilities that is well-liked by its patrons. The location at Douglas and 23 is most convenient to campus, unless you live closer to one of the others. The children love "Main Street," an indoor playroom decorated like a town. They can play inside or outside the "buildings," climb, slide and jump about. Growing Kids is one of the few day care centers that offers late-evening care – until 11:30 pm.

Starz Academy

No official website

574-259-1966 (location closest to campus)

It's unfortunate that Starz Academy apparently still doesn't have a website, because it's another extremely convenient option in this area. However, there is more information at indiana.schooltree.org/private/Starz-Academy-015264.html. There are several locations around town, including one on Edison Road near Grape, and another on State Road 23 in Granger. A third is located on Jefferson Boulevard near Ironwood. The big feature at Starz Academy that the children love is a giant indoor play structure that enables them to climb way up high, look out plexiglass windows, and eventually climb or slide down. Think of a McDonald's Playland, but bigger. Starz Academy emphasizes the different curricula in their classrooms, as well as their security procedures for drop-off and pickup.

Beyond these options, literally dozens of other day-care facilities exist in the South Bend area. Some elementary work on Google will turn up websites such as www.daycare-info.us/IN/South-Bend.asp that can help you find many of those other options. But of course, web searches and cold-calling can only go so far when it's the care of your children at stake. Only personal visits to see the facilities and meet the teachers will truly suffice, and for that you kind of have to be here. Still, hopefully this information will help you use your limited time most efficiently.

A Few More Words About Children . . . and Insurance

Another challenge you'll face is finding decent, affordable health care for you and your children. If your spouse can cover them (and maybe you, too) through his or her work, then you're in much better shape. But you may find that your most obvious option is to enroll your entire family in the university-sponsored student insurance plan. While there's certainly nothing wrong with this option and it may be all you or your spouse need, you may feel a little better knowing that your children have additional coverage. Take a look at Hoosier Healthwise. It's Indiana's version of the federally supported State Children's Health Insurance Program, which means yes, it's a form of government assistance. But virtually every student family in University Village participates in the program, and it's designed to help people in situations like yours. Find out more information at www.in.gov/fssa/hoosier_healthwise/, and remember: everybody's doin' it.

If you can't or don't want to qualify for Hoosier Healthwise, the consensus seems to be that Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield is the next best alternative for health insurance. Explore your options and get a rough quote at www.anthem.com.

Another option is the BABE store. The BABE store is a great way to get stuff your kids need for free. By going to your doctor appointments when you're pregnant, and/or taking your kids to their

doctor appointments, you can earn BABE coupons. You can also earn them by attending approved parenting classes, seminars, La Leche League meetings, etc. You can use the coupons to shop at the BABE store. It's a great reward system for those who are proactive about taking care of their kids. There are at least two BABE stores in the area. They offer clothing, diapers, wipes, toys, cribs, car seats, strollers, formula, baby bath, bottles, bibs, and seasonal things. It doesn't take much to earn the coupons, and it doesn't take many coupons to buy things.

Budget Savers

Okay, so you're here, you've found a place to live, your spouse has a meager source of income to supplement your loans, and your kids are in decent day care and are adequately insured. On those rare occasions when you're not studying, how can you and your family have a good time on the approximately eleven cents per day you can devote to recreation?

The following suggestions offer ways to make those dollars stretch – without going without:

- If you live in South Bend, get a library card, which allows you to check out children's movies for free; grown-up videos are \$0.75. Sure beats Blockbuster! Also, don't forget the Kresge Library right here at the law school has several dozen popular movie titles available for free checkout. Granted, most of them have a legal theme to them, so they might not be the best choice for those nights you want to think about anything other than the law. But in general, it's another free entertainment option to keep in mind.
- The South Bend Library card also enables you to check out FREE passes to the Studebaker Museum, Healthworks, the College Football Hall of Fame, and the Northern Indiana Center for History, which has a kids' museum and a homes tour, where you can tour the Oliver Mansion and a working-class family's home.
- The Rockne Memorial recreation center and the Rolfs Sports Rec and Aquatic Center offer family swim times on the weekend – no charge to ND students and their families. Also, because you are a student, your spouse can get his or her own ID card to access Rockne and Rolf, free of charge.
- The Notre Dame bookstore has an "AWESOME" story time every Tuesday at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. They read a story, sing songs, and do a craft. (A lot of moms at the Village either walk or take the shuttle together for the morning time.)
- Papa Murphy's has the best pizza for the price around. It's take and bake, but their ingredients are so good and fresh (think fresh, homemade dough), you might find yourself nibbling the cheese and tasting the sauce while you wait for your oven to heat up. It's located at 316 West Cleveland Road, between Grape and Main, next to Talbots. Their phone number is 574-272-0072.
- Admiral Petroleum (on 933, aka Michigan Ave.) always has the cheapest prices around. Phillips 66 (next to the Village) is a decent second choice for gasoline.
- Notre Dame Security Police has a car-seat expert on staff who can inspect your car-seat(s). Even better, they can get you a free car-seat, if you need one. The South Bend Police Dept. can do the same. They love it when parents get their car-seats inspected, so they will reward you with tons of freebies.
- Consider using prepaid phone cards for your long distance needs. Sam's Club has the best deal at 3.47 cents per minute – no surcharge. It's cheaper than most long distance plans. Plus, it's renewable at the same rate. Even if you factor in the cost of a Sam's Club membership, you come out ahead (but surely you can find somebody who already has a membership and tag along with them).

Survival Tips

We end this section with a few quick pointers on how to manage the juggling of your many responsibilities. We would not presume to declare any one way to be *the* way to get through law school as a non-trad. Indeed, part of the beauty of being a non-trad is to come up with the best solution that meets your unique needs. But there are still some things that can apply across the board – universal truths, if you will – which, in keeping with most hard-and-fast laws of nature, you may feel free to accept or reject.

- As an older student, you've probably spent some considerable time in the workforce, and as a result, you've learned how to manage your time and developed the discipline to stay relatively focused from 9 to 5, or longer. These skills will serve you very well in law school, where the direct demands on your time are much fewer – you're only in class a few hours a day – but the workload is enough that if you stick to the 40 (or more) hour week you're already used to, you'll find you have a lot more time than you thought you would (but note this is *not* the same thing as “a lot of time”).
- Speaking of computers, deciding whether or not to take notes by hand or on computer is a matter of personal preference. But it helps to think about this issue in terms of your past experience – did you use a computer in your job? Are you more used to writing or typing in your pre-law-school day-to-day routine? The bottom line is, don't listen to advice that “feels” wrong to you. Only you know what will work best for you, based on what has worked best for you before.
- If you want to meet other people in the same boat as you, there are several clubs and organizations at school that can help. There is a Married Students Organization, and a Military Law Students Organization. The Married Law Students Organization hosts events where you can meet other students and their families.
- Don't be afraid to socialize. The married and unmarried students, the younger and older students, the students *with* children and the students who *are* children, all tend to mingle and interact almost without any regard for their demographic differences. Many non-trad students agree that the thing they found most surprising about Notre Dame was how they did *not* feel ostracized or segregated on account of their status. Of course, friendships form and groups solidify during the first few weeks of classes, but there is amazingly little homogeneity. As daunting as it may seem to be returning to school with “peers” who are from a few to several years younger, the bottom line is that you're all there for the same reason. The reading, the materials, the assignments, the workload – all are equally new and challenging and time-consuming to everyone. In the end, you find out, as happens in all good tests of character, that you have a lot more in common with one another than you ever would have guessed.

Coming Home Again

For those of you known to all as Double Domers

It is not uncommon for Notre Dame undergraduates to apply to and be accepted at the Law School immediately following graduation. These affectionately named “Double Domers” don’t skip a beat, pursuing their law degree at the University they love. However, for a variety of reasons, including work and service programs, some soon-to-be Double Domers spend a few years away from Notre Dame before deciding to return. The concept of going back to school after an extended absence can be daunting, but as we all come to find out, returning to Notre Dame is just like coming home again.

Many current Double Domers agree that one of the most wonderful aspects of returning to Notre Dame for law school is that you come to deeply appreciate things you may have taken for granted. Walking out of the front door of the law school on to South Quad in the early evening becomes a very special moment. The thrill you feel seeing the Dome as you drive toward Main Circle never seems to dissipate. Your ability to walk up the stairs of the Main Building without fear will be envied by all your law school classmates who know the legend.

Some students may be nervous about the idea of returning to campus when their friends have graduated. They wonder if they will feel isolated or out of place. This couldn’t be farther from the truth. The faculty and staff at the law school are truly great people, some of them Double Domers themselves, and the law students are a friendly and welcoming group. They each bring to the classroom their experiences from their respective colleges. They are eager to learn about Notre Dame traditions from a genuine Double Domer, and eager to share their undergraduate stories. You will be making new friends by sharing your old memories. The Notre Dame family is alive and well at the law school.

As a Double Domer, whether you are coming straight out of undergrad or have taken a few years off, be sure to take time to really take advantage of all that Notre Dame has to offer you, including its incredible support system. Reconnect with your former professors, they are always happy to hear about your challenges and your successes. Take time to walk or bike around the campus, taking in the sights of your earlier years with new eyes. Walk up the front stairs of the Main Building . . . you have earned it, you have come back home.

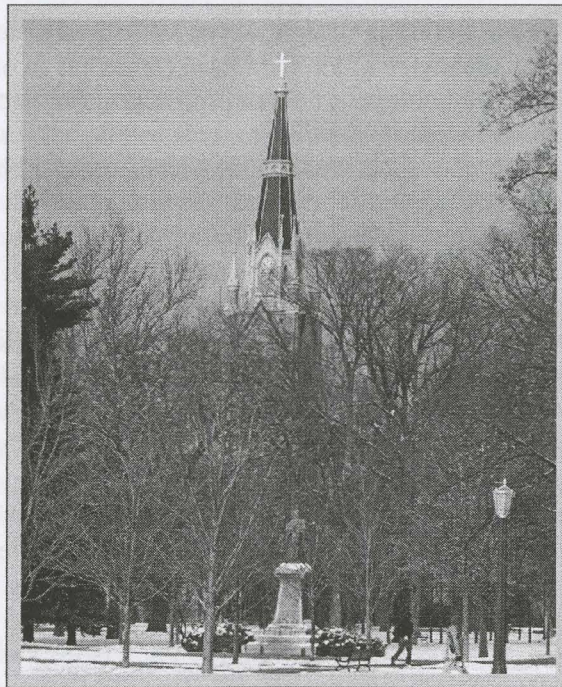
AS GOOD AS IT GETS

Whether you plan to enroll in the Law School immediately following graduation or are coming home after some time away, you will promptly appreciate the palpable benefits of a second-go-round at Notre Dame. New classmates will seek your leadership and guidance on everything from where to grab a cup of coffee to the mechanics of course registration to the lyrics of the fight song. Old classmates will envy your continued access to guaranteed football season tickets as they languish in the uncertain realm of the annual lottery—fortunately you can offer the solace of a free place to sleep whenever they visit South Bend to see the Irish play. During your career search, you’ll have the distinct advantage of speaking with alumni as an alum yourself, recounting shared experiences under the Dome and facilitating fruitful employment discussions. In short, life as a double Domer affords a unique opportunity to pass along your wealth of community knowledge and collegiate lore to the next generation of Domers, bask in familiar surroundings, all while pursuing a legal education that is second to none. Soak it up!

SOUTH BEND PART DEUX

At this point you have probably already had several family members and friends remind you that going to Notre Dame Law School equates to three more years in South Bend. The prestigious seven-year track is in no way a prison sentence leaving you stranded in the frozen tundra of Northwest Indiana. As an undergrad at Notre Dame we all lived comfortably in the Notre Dame bubble. When we did leave campus it was to grab a quick bite to eat or find an SYR outfit. For the most part, undergrads are fairly far removed from the South Bend community. While there are innumerable ways to become involved in and enjoy the Notre Dame community, we often ignore the fact that there is an entire world outside the bubble.

As a law student you will have the opportunity to discover the many wonderful activities the South Bend community has to offer (yes I promise they *do* exist). There is a whole world outside of Grape Road, from the South Bend Farmers Market to the many local family owned restaurants and pubs. One of the great advantages of being a Double Domer is that you already know your way around South Bend. You can fast forward through the first month of weekly trips to TGI Friday's and Meijer and really begin to explore the South Bend community. If you are totally unfamiliar with the area, your professors can be great resources. Remember, many of your professors have lived in the area for several years and have great recommendations for things to do in the local community. When you are done exploring, or just need a break, you always have the support and community of Notre Dame and Notre Dame Law School to come home to.



Study & Time Management Tips

Or the Anti-"Paper Chase"...

You'll quickly find that everyone in law school handles the academic side of school a little differently. . . but there are some common things that help everyone. Here's a sampling of what those who have been through it have discovered:

Read Thousands of Pages and Still Be Home by Six

Legally Blonde is a perfect example of everything that scares 1Ls about law school: the fiercely competitive classmates, hostile study groups, and unforgiving professors that tortured Reese Witherspoon's character. That's in addition to the lost hours of sleep and the thousands of pages of reading into a big tangle of worry, fear, and concerns about whether or not you needed to rethink your wardrobe for law school.

Luckily, all of these fears will vanish rapidly, except maybe one. The pages of reading you'll do each semester will easily reach into the thousands. However, unlike *Legally Blonde*, you will be helped and supported by classmates, faculty, and administrators.

For many students, the hours between classes provide enough time to review homework assignments, eat lunch with friends, and take occasional walks around the lakes when the weather cooperates. If you are careful and focused during the day, it frees up your nights to exercise, have dinner, talk to family and go out with friends, guilt free. Also, you'll want at least one day per weekend free, especially during the fall for football. If you plan ahead, you'll find that minimizing the stress of the first year isn't impossible.

Basically if you love reading huge numbers of court cases night after night, this place will be like Disneyland. Even if that isn't listed as one of your hobbies coming in, law school really isn't that bad. One thing that makes it manageable is your mind set. I basically knew what I was signing up for when I came here--lots of reading, some late nights, etc. And in that sense, law school has not disappointed. But the fact that I was prepared to do a lot of work has made it a lot easier. In undergrad, I had a job and other things to worry about, but here, learning the law is my main responsibility and so spending a lot of time doing it doesn't really bother me so much. You will have to devote a lot of time to getting your work done – some people decide to devote about 20 hours a day to this. But don't let those people scare you. If you are like most people here, you will do your work and still have time left over to watch TV, go to football games, attend concerts or movies at the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center and mingle in South Bend's cosmopolitan night scene.

And one more thing: make sure you complain incessantly about how much work you have. It is a favorite pastime of 1L's and you won't fit in unless you do so.

♣ Zach Dougherty, Class of 2008

Prioritizing v. Procrastination

Despite a number of claims to the contrary, a day in the life of a typical law student doesn't have to consist of working constantly, pausing only to sneak in an occasional meal or doze off for a few hours before the 8:35 a.m. class for which you, naturally, didn't have time to fully read. That's not

to say law school is a walk in the park, by any means. You can have a little fun, and the semblances of a life, as long as you remember that there is work to be done.

Weekdays are fairly standard for most first year law students: wake up around 7:30 or 8:00 a.m. (except for those blessed days when class starts a bit later, giving you more precious hours of sleep), pack up for the day and go to the law school. Plan to remain there until sometime late in the afternoon, or possibly early evening – this is a very realistic scenario. It's always good to grab a quick breakfast (those cereal bars are great on the run), or at least coffee (the Chocolate Macadamia in the Irish Café is very popular).

Especially your first year, you should try to have the reading done in advance and hope that, should you be called on to answer, the professor wouldn't ask you about the one point in the assignment you didn't understand or skipped over (in an Irish law school, Murphy's law is reality). If you don't get a chance to read, take plenty of notes, and plan on studying them later, although it's amazing how "later" often seems to mean the week before the final.

Aside from class, there's still plenty of work to be done for the day. Between classes is a great time to sneak in a reading or two, if you spent too much time yesterday hanging out with your friends. Lunch at the venerable (and nearby) South Dining Hall with friends is also a welcome break from the day's labor, and it's fun to sit around and relax for a while, eating whatever "gourmet" selection is up in the rotation. Some people treat law school like a job: work during the day (go to class, get the work done), and play at night (it doesn't always work that way, but it's a decent plan). Then, evenings are actually good times, assuming you've used your time wisely and gotten everything done.

These suggestions may not work for everyone. You know, better than anyone, what works best for you. Even if you're a procrastinator, eventually, you're going to have to do work. If you don't study every day, be prepared to work hard during the last few days before finals. If nothing else, though, hopefully this article helps you understand that you don't have to go full tilt and work 24-7 while you're here.

Law school and life is about priorities. This simple concept can make a huge difference in your law school experience. Keeping your life in balance while acclimating to law school will enable you to remain a whole person. You don't want to become a law school drone. No one wants to hang out with a one-sided. Law school, though challenging, is not as bad as many make it out to be – if it was, no one would go! It will be challenging, but if you keep your life in balance you will find it can be a lot of fun, too.

♣ Chai Park, Class of 2008

In undergrad, most of us could play all semester and then pull a few all-nighters before finals and get good grades. I think the most important thing for law students to realize is that those days are over! Law school involves an immense amount of material. The only way to do well at the end of the semester is to keep up with your readings, go to class, review your notes, and ask questions when you have them. If you procrastinate, you will be overwhelmed and will probably receive grades you've never seen before. Keep up with your work each week and you will do fine.

♣ Anthony Favero, Class of 2008

Trust Yourself

The best advice we can give you is to trust yourself. Remember that you got into Notre Dame for a reason – you wouldn't be here if you weren't smart and capable of learning. Law school involves a lot of work, of course, but some of the biggest difficulties stem from the fact that it's a new way of learning, with a new lexicon and ways of thinking. But that doesn't mean that you can't rely on ways of studying that you have cultivated in the past. The most important aspect of studying in law school is to do what makes you feel comfortable that you are following along with the professor in class. Some students never make a single mark in their books, others highlight in "technicolor," still others type detailed briefs of the cases and notes from the readings. But no matter what you choose, if you feel like you're comprehending the reading and understanding class discussion, then ignore what others do and stick with what works for you.

If it feels good, do it. If you are more comfortable taking notes in a legal pad, do it. Taking notes on a laptop may not be the best way for everyone to learn. You had successful study habits that got you here, so don't feel like you need to change them to emulate what your classmates are doing. If you feel like you are comprehending the material, then don't alter your approach just because the person next to you is highlighting their book in more/fewer colors. Also, don't look over your shoulder. Never judge how much you are doing by how much others are doing. Only you know the amount of time that you must spend in order to grasp the concepts.

Do not be intimidated by people studying on Friday and Saturday nights, or outlining criminal law instead of going to the football game. Not everyone needs to do this in order to be successful in law school. Unfortunately, the opposite is true as well. If you feel like you need to study instead of going out, trust yourself and get your work done. You might be glad you did. You know what work you need to do, so do it, and when you are not doing it, do not be afraid to have a good time.

♣ Michael Ball, Class of 2008

The most important thing to know when entering law school is yourself – know how you best learn. If you need flashcards, make them, if you are a visual learner outline and map key terms. Remember what worked for you as an undergrad and continue doing that. Don't worry about what others are doing or how and when others are studying. The only thing that matters is what works for you. Know yourself, and you will do fine.

♣ Courtney Homan, Class of 2008

Getting adjusted to law school can be a challenge; there is always work to do and always ways you could improve and continue to revise the work you've done. You have to learn that there is a time for work and a time for play. Taking time for yourself to do what you enjoy is essential. It is what will give you energy and motivation throughout the semester. Professor Bellia emphasizes that law school is a marathon, not a sprint. Keep that in mind, do your best, but remember who you are and what makes you happy.

♣ Akia Haynes, Class of 2008

Briefing — a daily activity for 1Ls

When you get to law school, most of you will be immediately hit with the terms “briefing” and “outlining.” While a large part of you may be familiar with these all-too-familiar law school requirements, you may not know exactly how to perform them.

Briefing basically means breaking down the facts, explanations, holding, etc. of the cases you study in class. This is vital to your understanding of your required courses, because the whole course is studied through examining these cases. Once you understand the holding and the rule of law extracted from the cases you study, the law appears far simpler. Here’s a quick breakdown of how you brief cases, so you’ll be prepared to dive in on the very first assignment.

Many students have varied ways of reading cases in order to brief them. Some “brief” in the margins, underlining or writing terms in the book. Others utilize the practice of using different colored highlighters for different parts of the case, and then go back and write down the important elements of the case in organized categories.

The standard categories are as follows:

1. **Case name** – This is the name(s) of the parties, and can also include the court, the docket number, the state, and the year. It’s your choice whether or not to include the extra elements.
2. **Facts** – The standard “what happened” in this case. Who are the parties, what is the dispute?
3. **Procedural History** – What has this case been before, and how did that court rule? Did the trial court rule for the plaintiff or the defendant, and how?
4. **Issue** – What is the issue at hand in the case? This is usually phrased as follows: “Whether the defendant is liable for damages suffered even if he used proper care.” It almost always starts with “whether.”
5. **Rule of Law** – What laws, case law or black letter laws, are being used in this decision? This could mean excerpts from the Model Penal Code, the Restatement, Statutes, or previous decision, to name a few.
6. **Holding** – How did the court rule? And, what new law has been established?
7. **Judgment** – Short and sweet; who won?
8. **Reasoning** – How did the court come to its decision on this issue?

These are just broad category suggestions. In no way are they required in every brief. Some students use more categories, others use just the most important ones: facts, issue, holding, reasoning. The key to briefing is just to make sure you understand all elements of the case. That way, if you get called on in class, you can look down at your brief and have all the information right in front of you. And when you outline, you have the holding and the facts ready at your disposal. Speaking of outlining....

Unveiling the Mysterious Outline Process

Outlining is absolutely necessary for law school success. With that said, it’s important for you to understand that outlining techniques vary greatly between students. There are students who start outlining for each class 48 hours before the final, and others that spend every Saturday of the semester outlining. Both techniques have landed students on law review. But if you’re tempted to try the 48-hour approach, keep two things in mind. First, only experienced procrastinators need apply. This approach requires that you study up to 16 hours a day for two weeks straight – many can’t handle that pressure, and those who can still curse themselves for getting into such a bind.

Second, both approaches ultimately take similar amounts of time. The workload is just distributed differently.

To best prepare for outlining of any kind, read for class every day. Read every page that's assigned, even the notes. I'll venture to say that a large portion of students would disagree with that last point, but I personally think it's important. Take notes over what you have read. You can take notes in the margin rather than in a separate notebook. This can work, but if you use this method and choose not to outline as you go, keep in mind that you'll have to flip through 2000 pages to review at the end of the semester.

Go to every single class. Take notes over what is said. If the professor's version of the law and the book's version don't seem to connect, talk to the professor about it. Make sure that you understand the material as you go. Whenever your class is moving on to a new subject (e.g. from conspiracy to complicity), make sure you understand the old subject.

The key to outlining is to review all of your notes and then condense them. Again, there are several approaches to this. For a closed book exam, it's best to have a summary of the semester that is less than 25 pages long. This alone will take several drafts. For some people, that's enough. Others try to condense the class further, to a page or two of black-letter law that you can easily remember, and that will jog your memory if you get stuck. The point of outlining, though is that the process of review and "boiling down" prepares you for the final. It ensures that you see everything at least once, and the important information a dozen times. Remember that for a closed book exam, the sole purpose of outlining is to review and to memorize. The final product doesn't need to be pretty. If you have an open book exam, your outline can be more detailed but should be indexed and tabbed for fast reference. Set the schedule that fits your personality, test type and your tolerance for stress.

Some tips for outlining:

Consider your outline as the master document for your course. Include essentials of the course, and don't refer to other materials repeatedly once you have included them in your outline.

Keep your outlines updated. Take some substantial time to create your outline, and then simply update them on a week by week basis. It's much easier to add a week of class as opposed to two months, right before the finals.

Condense your outline before finals. Take an outline filled with material and break it down to just the major parts of the course, the major doctrines. That way if you're stuck you'll have a few pages memorized that give you a break down of what you've learned.

Create your own outline. The reason outlining is helpful is because it aids you in studying. Commercial outlines or outlines made by other students are good to see what you may have missed in your outline, but relying solely on them defeats the purpose of outlining as a review.

Keep it organized. Use underlining, italics, tabs, colors, etc. to easily identify important subjects. Don't make it a mass of bullet points; you won't understand them later.

Ask for help. The 2Ls and 3Ls have been through this process before, and are glad to help. Your questions WILL be answered—one of the reasons you decided to attend Notre Dane is the true spirit of cooperation in the law school...use it!

Surviving and Thriving in Law School (From students past and present)

Time can be your dearest ally or your worst enemy. The key to success in law school is apportioning your time to ensure that you have balance in your life: Your brain needs rest and your body needs exercise. Get into a steady routine early. Plan each

week and stick to your plan. Getting good grades requires a lot of time and there is no getting around it. Everyone in your class is of roughly the same intelligence, (if you are one of those very few geniuses, please disregard all of my remarks) so in order to make yourself stand out when test time comes you need to have put forth a special effort to learn the material backwards and forwards. This cannot be done at the end of the semester, it must begin from day one.

So my main piece of advice I could give would be to get serious about your studies early on in the year, turn off your internet and pay close attention all class, every class. By focusing in class you will save a lot of time when you are worried about what will be on the exam. The stuff you talk about in class will be on the exam! Finally, I reiterate balance. Keep your body fit, and enjoy yourselves. Being sick will make you waste more time with inefficient studies. Good luck.

♣ Richard W. Mear, Class of 2006

The biggest thing to staying cool is to get into a rhythm and just follow it everyday. If you force yourself to stay on the ball and hit the books you'll make time for all the really fun stuff. What I cut out of my life was the hours of sitting around watching TV, screwing around on the internet, and sadly, recreational reading. This might sound horrifying now, but once you really get immersed in the situation you'll see that even a spare hour is a pretty precious thing. You'll get so used to it though that warning bells will be going off in your head when you finally do get some free time. "Shouldn't I be spending this time doing something better?" As the semester wears on you may start seeing people disappearing into the nether reaches of the library, never going out to bars, not even going to football games. Don't buy into the hype. It's just not necessary to be successful. There's no award for spending the most time in the library. Notre Dame is a destination, people want to come here for a reason, and its not the interior walls of the dingy law library. Go out and immerse yourself in the university experience. Pep Rallies, Football Games, Hockey Games, Basketball Games, Dining Halls, Intramural Sports and the events at the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center are all vital to staying sane. If you put in the time, the academics will take care of themselves.

If I had to give you one piece of academic advice (and I believe I'm contractually bound to) it would be to selectively cut corners. Use study aids as supplemental, not primary sources of information. Additionally do not brief a case beyond the first week of class unless a professor absolutely requires a perfectly expressed statement of the case. Highlight, or take some notes in the book, so you have quick access to the relevant info should you forget a holding, but don't put in the extra hours in making it squeaky clean unless a professor absolutely demands it.

♣ Mike Avent, Class of 2008

In undergrad, almost all those who are intelligent enough to be admitted to Notre Dame could avoid studying during the semester, pull a few all-nighters before finals, and still get good grades. I think the most important thing for incoming law students to realize is that those days are over! Law school is a super-intensive endeavor, with literally thousands of pages to read and digest over the course of the semester. Those students who stay up on their reading, adequately preparing for their classes each day, find it all very doable, and generally do well grade-wise. Those who procrastinate in their reading, putting it off until the week before finals, find themselves overwhelmed.

So, my advice to incoming students with regard to studying is: Be self-disciplined. Do your reading when it is assigned! You can still go to football games, hang out with friends, and generally be a well-rounded person. But, you must determine to be a law student FIRST!

♣ Joe La Rue, Class of 2006

Early on in the fall semester, Professor Garnett distributed a “survival” tip sheet for his incoming 1Ls. The tip that left the greatest impression on me was his advisement to us to “take care of each other.” That’s what the Notre Dame Law School community is all about. This school recognizes cooperation over competition, respect over righteousness, and ethics over easy answers. Many law schools will preach justice and truth; Notre Dame calls for us to live each day in search of these things. How privileged we are to study law in this environment!

♣ Jaclyn Villano, Class of 2005

Adjusting to the demands of life in law school can be overwhelming, but NDLS and the friends you’ll make here help to maintain a perspective, and always provide you with that needed chuckle. The atmosphere is definitely not one of competition, but rather one of support and encouragement. We’re all in the same boat – we can take pride in one another’s accomplishments and help pull each other up from heavy demands of the work load. You’ll be surrounded by inspiring and intelligent peers and professors who continually amaze and encourage you to work hard, but be sure above all else to enjoy everything that the NDLS community has to offer.

♣ Kathleen Eich, Class of 2005

I think it is easier to come in with the expectation that the first year is going to be very demanding and that you will probably have to work harder than you ever did in college. That being said, it is also important to make some time for yourself along the way. Work hard, and stay focused, but keep perspective and know that everything is going to be just fine in the end.

♣ Ana Perez-Arrieta, Class of 2005

The most important thing for a 1L to remember is not to get caught up in what everyone else is doing. Find what works for you – when to study, where to study, what your outlines look like, etc. – and don’t worry that your classmates are doing something different. The test is not how many hours someone sees you pouring over your casebook in the library. Instead, test your mastery of the subject by investigating the numerous questions in the “notes” sections of the casebook, taking practice exams, discussing your questions with a study group, and trying to answer the questions that the professor is asking your peers during class. You’ll know you’re doing well when you can anticipate what the professor is going to ask before she asks it.

♣ John Bradley, Class of 2005

Don’t forget there is life outside of law school. Take time for yourself. Schedule time when you absolutely won’t study – whether that’s every Saturday or a couple evenings a week. Don’t let work overwhelm you. Taking breaks help you remember the other stuff in life that makes you happy – and keeps you sane.

♣ Michelle Tyler, Class of 2005

Please recognize the importance of these three years of your life. I don't mean the pressure of making the grade and finding the job. I'm referring to the fact that for most of you this will be your last chance to be a student. Your last chance to spend the day in old jeans and T-shirts. Your last chance to stay out all night and sleep in the next morning. In short, your last stop before the working world. Realize that it is possible, if you are (key word) disciplined, to have a full and complete life and still make stellar grades. Prepare for class. Don't wait until the last minute to start outlining. Make serious efforts to understand the material as you go along. Come up with a schedule that works for you and stick with it. Law school has been infinitely more fun than I ever could have hoped it would be. Make sure you experience the whole of it while you're here.

♣ Kristen Bailey, Class of 2005

I have three pieces of advice for future 1Ls:

(1) Time management is of the utmost importance. Constantly ask yourself 'how can I use this present moment most efficiently?' You certainly need time to read, to think about what you've read, to outline, to formulate questions for the professors, but you also need time to do the other things in your life . . . like reading a book for pleasure or going to the football games.

(2) Your classmates are your most valuable resource. Talk to them about the law; debate with them. Ask them hard questions; ask them for study tips but also be prepared to share your own. Lawyers need to be able to talk well with people, and law school is a great time to develop these skills even more than you already have.

(3) Learn to love the study of law. It is not just a professional degree; law school touches every aspect of life, and since you have to study so much, make sure you enjoy it. Some of the cases are actually interesting, and as you learn more, you often find yourself becoming fascinated by things that would have bored you to death in your days before law school. Love the law, and be prepared to eat, drink and breathe it.

♣ Anson Rhodes, Class of 2005

Faculty

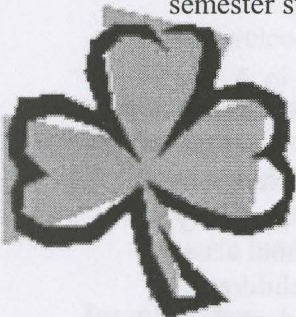
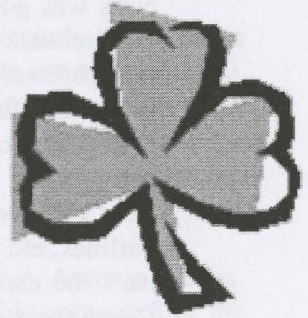
Intimidating? Sometimes. Convivial? Always!

The faculty sets Notre Dame Law School apart. It is easy to be impressed by the credentials of a particular law school's faculty but we believe no school in the country has a faculty that has as many well-respected AND gracious professors as we do. For example, a previous *Insider* staff member left the law school at 10:30 one night after it had snowed heavily and was walking down Notre Dame Avenue. Dean O'Hara stopped as she was driving by and offered a ride. It's the little things that make the faculty here special.

Student Perspectives on the Faculty

This is a sampling of comments about particular faculty members we received from students, but we also heard about how Professor Velasco can be found pacing the halls at the beginning of the semester memorizing all his students' names; how Professor Rick Garnett plays basketball with a student team each winter; how Professor Nagle has students in the Christian Legal Society to his home every semester for a barbeque; and how the research librarians will regularly drop whatever they're doing to help students research for projects.

One of the highlights of my experiences here came in Professor Mason's Civil Rights class. She arranged for the entire class to visit Father Hesburgh in his office on the 13th floor of the library that bears his name. He had been appointed by President Eisenhower to the original U.S. Commission on Civil Rights. He spent over an hour telling us stories about his experiences on that commission and his reflections on them more than forty years later. The fact that Father Hesburgh is right here, able to share that history with us, is an example of what makes Notre Dame so special. I'll never forget that she made it possible for me to spend an hour with such an outstanding person and appreciate the human realities of the law we had just spent a semester studying with her.



The Professors Garnett are very committed to students learning the concepts and thinking for themselves. Both of their classes were very stimulating and encouraging in that they actually did help me to see how being a "different kind of lawyer" had implications for ethics, practice and my personal faith as an individual and a Christian.

Many professors are very friendly and helpful – it's a true open door policy. Especially Professor A. J. Bellia and Professor Tidmarsh; they have a way of making you feel like you're never interrupting, and what you have to ask them is important.

My advisor, Professor Seckinger, has been really great. He invited all his advisees (1Ls, 2Ls and 3Ls) out to dinner, paid for our meals and let the 1Ls use the opportunity to get all kinds of advice and study tips from the older students. I feel like this was a really friendly gesture on

his part and he really wanted to help us feel comfortable as our workload increases.

In my first few days on campus a 2L told me that at the end of the year I'd actually be sad that Contracts was over because A. J. Bellia was just that good. I didn't believe him at first, but now I do. I think that truly exceptional teachers are rather rare and he is undoubtedly one of the finest. His lucid and concise explanations of even the most elusive subtleties of contract law make it almost easy – and his Seinfeld references and personal stories make it fun.

Professor Tidmarsh was late for a meeting one day. Nevertheless, he stayed in his office with me and explained something TWICE, until I understood it. It was a HUGE help.

I've had great interactions with so many professors. Probably the best was with Professor Amy Barrett, when I went to ask her a question about Civil Procedure class. She actually bothered to ask me how the class was going, and if I thought I was following along. That struck me, because I think the common perception about law school is that the professors don't really care if you understand or not, they just stand in front of the room, belittle people who don't know the answers, and then give grades out at the end of the semester. But here she was caring. And she isn't the only one who cares either – all the professors have been very open to questions, making comments on drafts of my outlines, etc. From talking to friends at other law schools, I know this isn't the case at other places. I think that is really what sets Notre Dame apart.



Every year, Professor Velasco gives a speech called "Life in A Big Firm: How To Have One." He gives a refreshing and encouraging perspective on the demands and pressures of life in a large law firm, emphasizing the tactics he used as an associate to simultaneously bill impressive numbers of hours while still having dinner with his family almost every night, and even managing to teach a Sunday School class. As someone who came to law school with a spouse and children, I found it inspiring to hear first-hand from someone who had made it work. I'm very grateful that Professor Velasco, and many others on the faculty, are so willing to share from their experiences as practicing attorneys to help us, as students, determine how to prioritize our goals and balance the competing demands in our lives, both during law school and afterward.



I've had so many wonderful experiences with teachers that it's hard to pick one or two to comment on. Professor Bauer is a wonderful teacher, and he brings a lot of energy and fun to Civil Procedure. One

of my favorite memories from 1L year is the day we did the *Burger King* case. Imagine our shock and surprise when he came to class wearing a Burger King crown! So during his birthday party (which his 1L class throws for him every year), we all wore the crowns. He spent the class period telling us war stories from his practice days.

The best piece of advice I have heard was from Professor Rick Garnett. He emphasizes to his 1L Criminal Law students that it is important to 'take care of each other.' These first few months I have been surprised to see how much the students at Notre Dame take that to heart.

And Here They Are...The Professors at NDLS

For the first year, you will all take the same classes, fifteen credits per semester. Teaching assignments change frequently, and the first-year curriculum has undergone a major restructuring for Fall 2007, so we cannot say at press time who will be teaching which first-year classes. Note also that there are often visiting professors (who come to the law school for a semester or a year only), and adjunct professors, such as John Gallo (teaches Federal Criminal Practice), who is a practicing attorney in Chicago but drives to Notre Dame once a week to teach.

In this section we provide brief bios of every full-time professor on faculty, including their alma mater, the main courses they teach, and whatever interesting or curious tidbits we could dig up. First-year courses are listed in bold, so as to give you some idea of whose wisdom you may well be soaking up in a few short months.

Amy Coney Barrett

Teaches: **Civil Procedure**, Evidence, Statutory Interpretation Seminar.

J.D. from Notre Dame. She clerked for U.S. Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia. Professor Barrett is known for her no-nonsense attitude and her incredible command of the material. Her students will tell you that learning from her is a pleasure. She is always warm and welcoming to students who stop by her office for help.

Matthew Barrett

Teaches: Accounting for Lawyers, Federal Income Tax, Not-for-Profit Organizations.

J.D. and B.B.A. from Notre Dame. He's no relation to Professor Amy Barrett. Professor Barrett is very helpful, and extraordinarily kind to Federal Tax-challenged students. He's also a big fan of accounting/tax trivia.

Joseph Bauer

Teaches: **Civil Procedure**, Conflict of Laws, Copyright & Trademark, Antitrust.

J.D. from Harvard University. The most important thing to say about Professor Bauer is that his birthday is November 3. His student-planned yearly birthday party is one of the most highly anticipated events of any 1L's first semester. We don't want your class to be the one that breaks the tradition of surprising him with a unique celebration. Also, you may spend weeks on *Pennoyer*, but you'll know it like the back of your hand.

A. J. Bellia

Teaches: **Civil Procedure, Contracts**, Federal Courts, Federalism, Federalism Seminar

J.D. from Notre Dame. Professor Bellia is one half of Notre Dame's two husband-wife teaching teams. He clerked for U.S. Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia. His contracts class is highlighted by his humorous asides. His other classes are similarly known for tangential detours that seem off-the-wall or silly—but more often than not, there is a very salient point lurking within, which he skillfully brings out and relates back to the material. Also you can find him leading the Rosary in the law school chapel several days a week during the lunch hour.

Patricia Bellia

Teaches: **Constitutional Law**, Administrative Law, Cyberlaw, Copyright & the Constitution.

J.D. from Yale. She wore red every day when the Boston Red Sox were in the World Series in 2004. She is perhaps the fastest lecturer on the faculty, but the sheer force of her brilliance is so powerful that you manage to catch it all, even if your typing speed can't keep up. Don't think you'll go unnoticed in her class – she has a knack for knowing people's names on the first day.

G. Robert Blakey

Teaches: Constitutional Criminal Procedure, Jurisprudence, Criminal Procedure, Terrorism.

J.D. from Notre Dame. Not only did he write the RICO statute (seriously, he did!), he has been involved in RICO prosecutions in more than twenty states. He knows an amazing amount of legal trivia (ask him sometime how the Basilica got those beautiful stained glass windows). He also did extensive work on the investigations of the assassinations of JFK and Martin Luther King, Jr.

Gerard Bradley

Teaches: Trial Advocacy, Legal Externship-Public Defender.

J.D. from Cornell. He writes extensively on religion and the law, and constitutional law. He worked as a prosecutor in New York for many years, and has fantastic stories to tell.

Associate Dean Margaret Brinig

Teaches: **Contracts**, Family Law, Law and Economics Seminar

J.D. from Seton Hall. Professor Brinig is new to the Law School as of Fall 2006. The early word is her Law and Economics Seminar highlights the subtle and rarely noticed L&E implications in the realm of her specialty, Family Law. She is a leading scholar in both areas and her addition to the faculty was extremely anticipated.

Alejandro Camacho

Teaches: **Property**, Environmental Law, Regulatory Innovation Seminar

J.D. from Harvard. One of the faculty's newest rising stars, Professor Camacho has already become well known for passing out candy on the first day of his classes. He takes advantage of technology in the classroom to bring cases to life with PowerPoint slides and photos of the various properties and landscapes at issue.

Paolo Carozza

Teaches: Comparative Legal Traditions, International Law, Jurisprudence, International Human Rights.

J.D. from Harvard. Professor Carozza clerked for the Supreme Court of the Federated States of Micronesia. He leads morning prayer in the law school chapel, and he and his wife

recently completed a pilgrimage with a local priest and others on their bicycles. In 2005, Professor Carozza was elected by the Organization of American States to be a member of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights.

Bridgette Carr

Teaches: Immigration Law, Legal Aid I & Ethics

J.D. from University of Michigan. Professor Carr's research and teaching interests focus on human rights, immigration, and international refugee law.

Lisa Casey

Teaches: Business Associations, Commercial Law of Sales, Securities Regulation.

J.D. from Stanford. You're likely to experience Professor Casey if you are at all interested in corporate law.

Douglass Cassel

Teaches: Accountability for Gross Violations of Human Rights, LLM Thesis

J.D. from Harvard. Professor Cassel is the new director of Notre Dame Law School's Center for Civil and Human Rights. The CCHR is primarily the domain of LLM students, many of whom come to Notre Dame from other countries. But the Center's human rights mission has made its mark in the legal community, and J.D. students have excellent opportunities to study this vital and complex area of international law with Professor Cassel and others.

Fr. John J. Coughlin, O.F.M., B.A., M.A., Th.M., J.D., J.C.L., J.C.D.

Teaches: **Legal Ethics**, Intro to Canon Law, Canon Law of Marriage, Professional Responsibility.

J.D. from Harvard. Despite apparently having more initials after his name than any other professor in the building (has law degrees from Harvard University and the Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome), Fr. Coughlin is both friendly and approachable. Fr. Coughlin presides over daily Mass in the law school chapel, and frequently also presides at the Sunday Mass in the law school lounge.

Fernand "Tex" Dutile

Teaches: **Criminal Law**, Law of Education.

J.D. from Notre Dame. No one knows how a professor from Maine with a Boston accent got to be called "Tex" but his criminal law class is very popular with first year students, despite his other nickname – The Smiling Assassin. Along with his University position as faculty NCAA rep comes an enormous football national championship ring from 1988.

Associate Dean Ed Edmonds

Teaches: **Legal Research**, Sports Law

J.D. from University of Toledo. Dean Edmonds is the new director of the Kresge Law Library, having taken over from the retired Dean Roger Jacobs. Dean Edmonds starts every Legal Research class with an unrelated PowerPoint emphasizing some aspect of the Notre Dame and/or Catholic legal tradition. Not only does he also teach classes in sports law, but he routinely makes use of sports-related cases to make the study of legal research more fun.

Barbara Fick

Teaches: Labor and Employment Law, Employment Discrimination Law, Negotiation, Advanced Topics in Labor Law.

J.D. from University of Pennsylvania. Professor Fick worked at the NLRB. She's known for her demanding grading, but class time is interesting and students really learn labor law.

John Finnis

Teaches: Social, Political, and Legal Thought of Shakespeare, Social, Political and Legal Thought of Aquinas.

He earned his LL.B. from Adelaide University (Australia) in 1961 and his Ph.D. from Oxford University as a Rhodes Scholar in 1965. Every year, he spends one semester in South Bend, and the other semester at Oxford. He's a well known and often quoted legal philosopher. Students in Jurisprudence read one of his many books. Considered the world's foremost living authority on natural law, he is occasionally described as "the smartest man on the planet."

Judith Fox

Teaches: Consumer Law, Legal Aid I, and Legal Aid II.

J.D. from Notre Dame. Teaches Legal Aid Clinic course and manages students in their work at the clinic. Her sections focus on debtor/credit issues, and family law.

Nicole Garnett

Teaches: **Property**, Land Use Planning, Local Government Law, Urban Property Seminar.

J.D. from Yale. Professor Garnett is one half of the other husband and wife teaching team (married to Rick Garnett). She clerked for U.S. Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas. Recently appointed by President Bush to serve on the National Prison Rape Reduction Commission. Bright and funny, Professor Garnett can demonstrate most property law concepts by reference to "The Carolina Blue House" and the use of table saws in suburbia.

Richard Garnett

Teaches: **Constitutional Law**, **Criminal Law**, Constitutional Criminal Procedure, Death Penalty, First Amendment.

J.D. from Yale. He clerked for U.S. Supreme Court Chief Justice William Rehnquist. Rick Garnett is married to Nicole Garnett. Only Professor Garnett's family and his obsession with Duke basketball beats his love of teaching the law. Professor Garnett's teaching and writing interests are quite broad, and he is always willing to help students with their own forays into academic writing. In terms of article publications, he is among our most prolific active faculty members.

Jimmy Gurulé

Teaches: **Criminal Law**, Complex Criminal Procedure, Criminal and Scientific Evidence, International Criminal Law, Law of Terrorism, White Collar Crime

J.D. from University of Utah. A former Undersecretary of the Treasury for Enforcement and an internationally known expert in complex criminal litigation, Professor Gurulé also recently helped train the Iraqi judges presiding over the Saddam Hussein trial. If you're interested in criminal law, Professor Gurulé can be a great resource. He has a passion for encouraging students to pursue this side of the law – with the utmost integrity. His classes are always peppered with "war stories" from his days prosecuting major crimes. He is a demanding professor, but you leave his class really knowing criminal law.

Michael Jenuwine

Teaches: Legal Aid I.

J.D. from University of Chicago. Another professor who teaches in the Legal Aid Clinic and supervises student work there.

Robert Jones

Teaches: Legal Aid I, and Legal Aid II.

J.D. from Harvard, B.A. from Notre Dame. Another professor who teaches Legal Aid and assists students in their work at the clinic. Professor Jones focuses on landlord/tenant law. Professor Jones also works with GALILEE

Cathleen Kaveny

Teaches: **Contracts**, Complicity Seminar, Ethics and Law at the End of Life, Mercy and Justice.

J.D. from Yale. Whether the topic is consideration or chickens, Professor Kaveny has a real knack for bringing potentially dull cases to life with her vivid descriptions of the "characters," whom she often "casts" for hypothetical Hollywood movies. Pop-culture references flow freely in her class. Her pre-exam pep talks have a well-earned reputation for helpfulness.

Associate Dean William Kelley

Teaches: **Constitutional Law**, Constitutional Law II, Administrative Law

J.D. from Harvard. Professor Kelley served as Associate White House Counsel for President George W. Bush (that's right, Harriet Meiers was his boss!) But he finished his recent stint serving our country and is teaching again at Notre Dame. Rumor has it that he spends entire class periods drinking Diet Coke from a giant cup.

Dwight B. King

Teaches: **Legal Research**.

J.D. from University of Michigan. Poetry and cartoons are both part of the teaching of legal research when Dwight is in the room. He also serves as Head of Library Research Services. Dwight is a very popular teacher of legal research.

Michael Kirsch

Teaches: Federal Income Tax, International Taxation, Estate and Gift Taxation.

J.D. from Harvard. Professor Kirsch valiantly attempts to make tax law interesting to the unenlightened, with some success.

Donald Kommers

Teaches: Comparative Constitutional Law.

M.A. and Ph.D. from University of Wisconsin-Madison. He also teaches an undergrad course in American Constitutional Law, for which he usually hires at least one law student to be a teacher's assistant.

Jennifer Mason McAward

Teaches: Civil Rights Law, Constitutional Law II, Post-Conviction Remedies.

J.D. from NYU. Professor Mason is one of the Law School's newest hires, and also one of the Law School's greatest treasures. She clerked for U.S. Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor. She brings an unabashed passion to her subjects of interest, and often brings home the truly personal dimension of civil rights and habeas corpus cases by revealing far

more of the facts than are included in the opinion. Her effervescent personality and her unmistakable sincerity combine to make her classes a true joy to attend.

Lloyd Mayer

Teaches: Federal Income Tax, Election Law, Taxation of Business Enterprises.

J.D. from Yale. Reviews from students are positive, and indicate that he has a way of actually making Federal Tax somewhat understandable, no small feat. In addition to being sophisticated and erudite, Professor Mayer is reportedly one of that rarest breed of law school professor: a political moderate.

John Nagle

Teaches: **Constitutional Law, Property**, Biodiversity and the Law, Environmental Law, Election Law, Legislation.

J.D. from University of Michigan. Professor Nagle's property class is a joy for students and teacher alike, and his sense of humor never fails to delight. He has a knack for personalizing even the most arcane and technical constitutional cases, managing to relate them to his daughters or family vacations in order to liven up the discussion.

Sean O'Brien

Teaches: Human Rights Practice

J.D. from Notre Dame Law School. As Assistant Director of the Center for Civil and Human Rights, Sean has extensive experience in domestic and international human rights work.

Christopher S. O'Byrne

Teaches: Legal Research

J.D. from University of Washington. Professor O'Byrne brings an engaging personality, a strong commitment to service and the mission of the Notre Dame Law School and Catholic legal education, and a great deal of enthusiasm.

Mary Ellen O'Connell

Teaches: International Law, International Art Law, International Law and the Use of Force, International Dispute Resolution

J.D. from Columbia University. Professor O'Connell is a new addition to the law school. Her students appreciate her teaching style and the skill with which she imparts her extensive knowledge to them.

Patti Ogden

Teaches: Legal Research

J.D. from University of Texas.

Warren Rees

Teaches: **Legal Research**, Advanced Legal Research.

J.D. from Southern Illinois University. Warren is a quiet fountain of knowledge for first years eager to learn how to do effective legal research. Although he earned his wings as a pilot not too long ago, it's those "Buff Warren" posters that really keep his head in the clouds.

Charlie Rice

Teaches: Jurisprudence, Morality and the Law.

J.D. from Boston College. He is Professor Emeritus at NDLS and spends fall semester as a visiting professor at Ave Maria. Professor Rice coaches the Bengal Bouts (boxing matches in March where students box each other to raise money for charity). He's also a well known scholar in natural law and constitutional law.

Honorable Kenneth Ripple

Teaches: Conflict of Law, Federal Courts, Judicial Process Seminar.

J.D. from University of Virginia. Judge Ripple currently serves on the United States Court of Appeals for the 7th Circuit in addition to teaching at NDLS. His classes are in the evenings in order to accommodate his judicial duties. His twenty years of experience on the federal bench provides a unique and fascinating insight into the topics he teaches. Judge Ripple's style is to cut to the heart of the matter and teach you what you need to know to be successful in practice.

Executive Associate Dean John Robinson

Teaches: **Civil Procedure, Ethics I**, Trusts and Estates, Street Law.

J.D. University of California-Berkeley. Professor Robinson's sense of humor is renowned throughout the law school and his knowledge of the details of the cases he teaches never ceases to wow his first year students.

Robert Rodes

Teaches: Jurisprudence, Ethics II, Medieval Legal History, Administrative Law.

L.L.B. from Harvard. Professor Rodes has extensive, albeit often obscure, knowledge about other countries, and can converse as easily about the constitution of India, as of the United States. Plus, he loves to play cards, and he has an extremely quirky sense of humor.

Vincent Rougeau

Teaches: **Contracts**, Real Estate Transactions, Catholic Social Thought.

J.D. from Harvard. Professor Rougeau brings a lot of energy to his classes and obviously enjoys his role in the learning process. His one-man rendition of the drunken negotiations in *Lucy v. Zehmer* is already an instant classic.

James Seckinger

Teaches: Deposition Skills, Trial Advocacy.

J.D. from Notre Dame. He teaches one of the most widely respected Trial Advocacy programs in the United States.

Thomas L. Shaffer

Teaches: **Property**, Legal Aid, Poverty Law Topics, Elderlaw Seminar

J.D. from Notre Dame. Yes, he really is the nation's most prolific legal author. You will undoubtedly have the opportunity to read one of his books at some point in your law career. If you are lucky, you will also get to work with him at Legal Aid.

J. Eric Smithburn

Teaches: Evidence, Juvenile Law, Family Law.

J.D. from Indiana University (Bloomington). Professor Smithburn has strict rules for the students in his classes. The classes are always worth it, though, because he's an amazing teacher, who makes his students really understand and enjoy his classes.

O. Carter Snead

Teaches: **Torts**, Bioethics Seminar, Constitutional Criminal Procedure.

J.D. from Georgetown. Professor Snead was the General Counsel for the President's Council on Bioethics for 2 years, and continues to aid the Counsel as an Expert Consultant. He teaches Torts with a youthful sense of humor with which his students identify. Make sure you know the facts of every case down cold, and pay attention to the squibs and notes. Although Professor Snead is a new addition to the faculty, he has already earned a nickname from his students: The Alabama Slammer.

Jay Tidmarsh

Teaches: **Torts, Civil Procedure**, Constitutional Law II, Federal Court Jurisdiction, Modern Tort Liability, Remedies, Complex Civil Litigation, Law Review.

J.D. from Harvard. Well-liked and funny, Professor Tidmarsh has *the* coolest ties in the law school. He also uses "props" and card tricks to demonstrate the cases read by his class. Many believe that Professor Tidmarsh is the one member of the Law School faculty who could teach any course in the catalog if he wanted to. Give him a casebook and six weeks to prepare, and he'll give you an educational experience that's second to none. He also has the amazing power to make Civil Procedure seem as interesting as Dickens.

Julian Velasco

Teaches: Business Associations, Corporate Finance, Securities Regulation, Mergers and Acquisitions.

J.D. from Columbia. Professor Velasco is known for memorizing the names and faces of his students before classes even start! His classes are often scheduled for early in the morning, but Professor Velasco practically vibrates with so much energy that you tend to forget it's 8:30 AM. His exams are very tough, but very fair, and he even offers a five-page explanation of his exam philosophy. And he excels at relating his corporate law interests to the unique mission of NDLS.

Christine Venter

Teaches: **Legal Writing, Moot Court**, Gender Issues and International Law

J.D. from University of Cape Town School of Law (South Africa). Professor Venter is the director of the first year Legal Writing program, which includes Moot Court in the spring semester. She coordinates the adjunct instructors in the program as well as teaching a section herself. Professor Venter is beloved for her ability to turn students into capable legal writers with just two hours of class time per week.

Career Services

JOBS! JOBS! JOBS!

The Career Services Office (CSO) is a resource that is open to all law students throughout the year. The CSO staff members are very good at what they do and are always willing to help. In addition to providing basic information about how to do a job search, CSO sponsors numerous events throughout the year with speakers from many different practice areas, including public service, government, and the private sector to help students find out what kind of job they may want. From judicial clerkships to public interest, from big-city firms to the public defender, CSO can help you find a job.

The CSO doesn't provide direct career counseling to 1Ls until November 1 (this is a policy observed by almost all ABA accredited law schools.) After that time, you'll find them extremely helpful. In particular, they will help each of you create an appropriate resume and cover letter to send out in "resume drops" (bulk mailings to certain firms via the CSO sent out in early December) or to individual firms for summer jobs. We recommend having a resume ready when you come in August since CSO collects 1L resumes at the end of September and will review them in order to have an edited version ready for you in November.

Mock interviews are available to all students through the CSO. During special mock interview programs, professional interviewers will come in, interview you and then offer feedback on how to improve. However, at any time during the year, the CSO counselors are happy to step in and create a simulated interview situation for any student. CSO has a wealth of information on employers, cities and practice areas, and they are eager to share. They also offer seminars and programs throughout the year on a broad range of topics, which include solo practice, networking, resume & letter writing, judicial clerkships, first-year job search series, public sector jobs, and more. Practicing attorneys, recruiting coordinators in firms, judges, professors, and the Career Services staff all have presented at these programs. They also have a tendency to serve food at their functions, which makes CSO events popular with students.

At the end of your first year, CSO will introduce you to the on-campus interview process, or OCI, which is available to 2Ls and 3Ls, primarily in the fall. The job search for second year students is important because often the position you have during your 2L summer (between your second and third year) will turn into your first permanent position. CSO will encourage you to begin your job search before returning to school for the second year. The office is open during the summer, and career services personnel remain in contact during this time to help students plan and organize the job search.

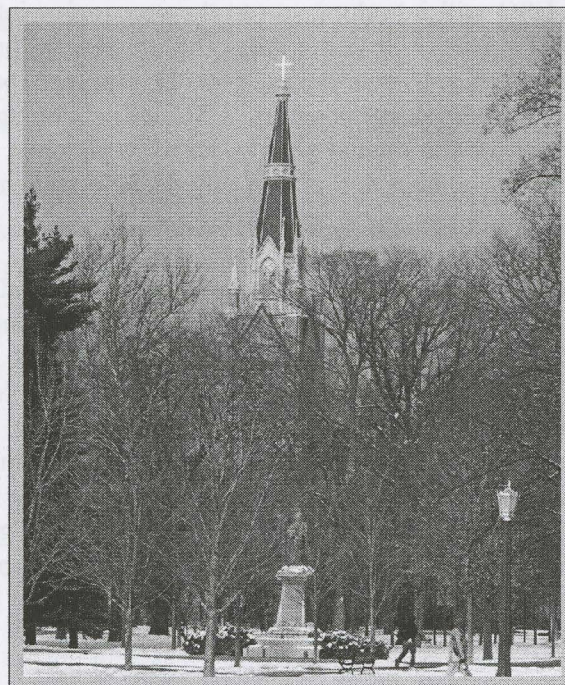
Notre Dame has an extensive OCI program with hundreds of public and private employers who come to campus from across the country. Oddly, these visits often coincide with home football weekends. Students sign up for interviews, ranging in length from 20 to 30 minutes, with employers they are interested in, via on-line database of employers, which you will learn about in the spring. After the interview, usually within a few weeks, the firm will contact you. If they are interested in hiring you, you may get what's called a "call-back." Typically, the firm will invite you to their office (at their expense) where you will spend the day being interviewed by various attorneys, asking questions and, generally, getting wine and dined. The idea is for you to get to know them and for them to get to know you. Some firms wait until the end of "the season" before making any hiring decisions, others make offers throughout the season. CSO is available to help you throughout the process, including the etiquette of interviews, call-backs and offers.

Not surprisingly, public interest law is also quite popular among Notre Dame law students, and the Career Services Office can provide advice for obtaining any necessary funding for those positions as well. They even have a career counselor whose focus is helping students find public interest opportunities. Judicial clerkships, state and federal, are another option, both for the summer and after graduation. Hiring guidelines for federal clerkships determine when application can be made for these highly coveted positions.

One career resource that can be very helpful is the Notre Dame alumni network. Alumni clubs are located across the country and are always willing to involve more people in their activities. Emails are frequently sent out in regards to alumni club activities in cities throughout the country during academic breaks. These activities are a great way to make contacts that could lead to a job, so take advantage of them when you are at home. Also, one of the things that distinguishes Notre Dame is the willingness of the students to help each other. This transfers across into the alumni network as well, and the university's alumni directory (about the size of a phone book) is full of individuals ready to help Notre Dame students in any way they can.

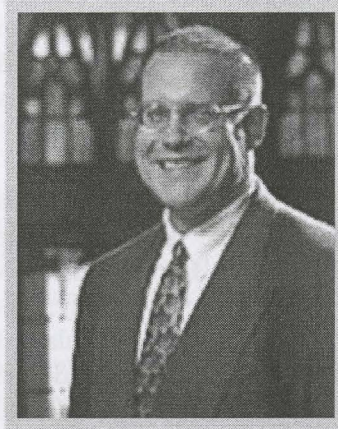
I never really was a fan of "guidance counselors"—that is, until I came to Notre Dame Law School. My previous experiences had given me reason to be leery. Notre Dame has shown that it's a different kind of school once again. At the end of October, NDLS Career Services sent out a reminder that on November 1 1L students should remember to stop by the CSO open house to meet the staff and pick up their revised resumes. I had forgotten to send them my resume (even though they had been requested by October 1.) I frantically emailed the staff. The next day, I went to the CSO open house. You can imagine my surprise when at 11 AM I opened my information packet and found a revised version of my resume, complete with very helpful constructive criticism and explanations explaining the reasons why each change was made. The willingness to go above and beyond the call of duty to assist students is a common occurrence at NDLS!

♣ **AJ Hofland, Class of 2009**



Student Services

Go See Peter, He Can Help



Peter Horvath, the Director of Student Services, serves as a liaison between students and the administration in the law school. Most aspects of non-classroom law school life come within his bailiwick. Among his other duties, Peter approves student organization expenditures, helps student groups find additional funding when necessary, and ensures that students are aware of the various and sundry policies in duLac (University rules, www.nd.edu/~orlh/dulac/index.htm) and the Hoynes Code. (available online at www.nd.edu/~ndlaw/currentstudents/hoynes/hoynes_code_brochure.pdf).

In addition to handling various fiscal matters, Peter deals with individual and group student concerns, exam schedule conflicts, exam accommodations due to illness or disability, and excused absences. Peter also provides counseling services for students with academic or personal challenges. Additional counseling resources at Notre Dame can be found at the student services website.

Some common problems that require Peter's help:

- If you have five exams in three days, go see Peter
- If your student group's faculty advisor left the country before approving the expenditures for that special party, go see Peter
- If you are depressed and you can't take an exam, go see Peter
- If you broke your leg and you can't get around, call Peter
- If you wake up thirty minutes after your Civil Procedure exam began, go see Peter really fast – he can help.

For a number of reasons, I wasn't quite ready to start law school when I started law school. The big two were that I had put my house on the market in March (thinking it would easily sell by August in time to move), but I hadn't gotten a single offer by the time orientation started; and that my wife and I were expecting our second child sometime in October. I was concerned about the potential impact of both of these factors on my first semester of law school, but in retrospect, things could not have gone more smoothly. Peter in Student Services put my wife and me at ease from the very start, and when I finally got an offer on my house, every professor was extremely understanding about missing class. I had some catching up to do, of course, but in general I feel like I didn't miss a beat. And fortunately, the baby came during Fall Break – what a good kid! ♣ Brian Foster, Class of 2007

The 2L and 3L Years

The Rest of the Story...

In addition to a lot of lawyer jokes, chances are you'll have heard this bit of conventional wisdom by the time you make it to law school: *The first year, they scare you to death. The second year, they work you to death. The third year, they bore you to death.* I admit there is some truth to this: the first year is scary and the second year is busy. The third year is something else again, but I'm not sure it's boring.

One of the difficulties in describing life beyond the 1L year is that there is no one experience or class schedule common to all. We all have to take the required upper-level classes (Federal Income Taxation, Jurisprudence, Business Associations, Ethics II, and a writing requirement) and get our 90 hours to graduate, but the way we go about it varies greatly. As a 2L, you can go to London for a year, a summer, or not at all. You can be involved in journals or law review, or try out for one of the legal competition teams including moot court, barristers, and client counseling. You can sign up for the legal aid clinic or the public defender externship and deal with real clients. You can concentrate on getting your required courses out of the way as a 2L and save hands-on classes like trial advocacy, deposition skills, and moot court for later. Or do just the opposite. You'll probably be involved in one or more of the law school clubs, and you may be an assistant rector in one of the dorms on campus. One of the few things you are almost guaranteed to do as a 2L is participate in on-campus interviews in the fall semester – which accounts for a lot of “busy” and a lot of “stress” for the typical student.

Third year is usually described as the year they bore you to death. At least at Notre Dame, that seems to be far from the truth. Many 3Ls undertake a job search in the fall, similar to their 2L year. Others may already have offers from their summer employment. By the time your third year rolls around, you'll probably feel like an old hand at the whole law school thing. You'll know the *Eldridge* factors, the definition of hearsay, and what “the punctilio of an honor most sensitive” is. Things will make more sense, you will see connections, and you will be able to anticipate your professor's next words. Fall semester, you'll spend realizing that the “lasts” are beginning: your last first day of school, your last first home football game, your last home football game, etc. You'll spend more time just hanging out with your law school friends, ignoring your work (or at least until right before Thanksgiving when you realize it might be a good time to start those two papers you should have been working on all semester). One way or another, things all get done (or at least this writer hopes so, since she hasn't started her papers either).

Spring semester brings more “fun stuff”, like registering for the bar exam, taking the MPRE (multi-state professional responsibility exam), figuring out moving details. But, there are things that are actually fun. You'll also have to vote for 3L awards, attend or host the 100 Days parties, order your tickets for graduation, write your last paper, acquire your academic garb, take your last exam, house your relatives when they come for graduation, receive your diploma, and, finally, try to figure out how to say thank you to the people who've made the last three years so special.

Like I said, boring may not be the right word to describe third year...

Outside 120 and 121

Do Something for Your Fellow Man

You can't learn law in a bubble. Notre Dame offers a number of hands-on opportunities (class or co-curricular credit) for 1Ls, 2Ls and 3Ls. All the options are wonderful experiences and serve as reminders that there is life outside of law books and that there is a great need for dedicated lawyers in the community around us.

GALILEE

GALILEE is an acronym for Group Alternative Live-In Legal Education. The program is designed to acquaint Notre Dame law students with the legal problems of the urban poor in ways impossible to learn in the classroom and to broaden students' understanding of the legal profession through exposure to various areas of public interest law.

The GALILEE program takes place over Christmas break and students receive one co-curricular credit for participation. Students generally participate during their 1L year, although 2Ls and 3Ls are welcome as well. GALILEE provides students with the opportunity to live for a few days in the inner city (of students' choosing) to learn the legal needs of the urban poor, and to observe the ways in which these needs are presently met. As a result, students develop ways to incorporate their religious and ethical value systems into their future practice of law.

Legal Aid Clinic

The Legal Aid Clinic is open to students who have completed three semesters of law school (3Ls and 2Ls in the spring). It requires class time and "Clinic time." Students work with NDLS professors as their supervising attorneys to aid those local people who cannot afford counsel. Students can choose to work on Landlord/Tenant law, Consumer Protection, Mental Illness/Disability, Immigration, or Asylum cases. Indiana allows students to conduct motion hearings, evidentiary hearings, negotiations and administrative hearings on behalf of their clients. In addition, students interview and counsel clients. The credits vary depending on the class.

Public Defender Externship

Open to students who have completed three semesters of law school, the Public Defender Externship involves assisting actual public defenders in representing indigent clients at the St. Joseph County Courthouse – Trial and Misdemeanor Division. Students can expect to represent clients in many capacities including negotiating plea bargains with prosecutors, preparing and conducting bench trials, interviewing and subpoenaing witnesses, and writing and filing discovery motions. Plus, students enrolled in Public Defender Externship are eligible to take Public Defender Ethics, which satisfies the Ethics requirement.

Street Law

Students in their 2L and 3L years may participate in "Street Law." Students pair up and teach practical legal issues in the areas of criminal, juvenile, family, housing, consumer, individual rights and environmental law to local high school students. The law students develop the curriculum, create the lessons, and test the high school students.

Moot Court

The Moot Court program, conducted by students, coordinates intramural and intercollegiate competitions in its appellate, trial and international divisions. Hone your skills for working with clients in the future!

Moot Court Appellate

In fall of 2L year, students earn one co-curricular credit while writing a brief and preparing an oral argument. The top advocates will be invited to join one of NDLS's appellate moot court teams and compete in regional and national competitions during the remainder of law school.

Moot Court Trial

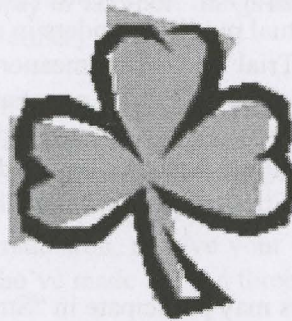
3Ls who desire an in-depth acquaintance with the subtleties of trial practice may participate in the Moot Court Trial Division. Top students will have an opportunity to represent the Law School in the annual National Trial Competition.

Moot Court International

Students who have completed their first year of law school may earn one co-curricular credit in the fall semester by preparing a brief on a topic of international law. The writers of the best briefs are invited to join the International Moot Court team. Team members earn an additional co-curricular credit in the spring semester by preparing for and competing in the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition, which has written and oral advocacy components.

Legal Externship

Students may earn one unit of co-curricular externship credit for student volunteer legal work of six weeks or more during the summer months in any court, agency, or public or private law office.



Student Organizations

Change the World and Eat Lots of Free Pizza (and Subs)

While there are approximately 575 law students at Notre Dame, there are nearly thirty student organizations, and each year students form new organizations. Early in the semester, the SBA organizes a club night. All the student clubs have tables in the lounge and provide information on who they are and what their plans are for the coming year. Most club meetings and guest lectures are held during the lunch period between classes (12:15-1:00 M-F). The clubs almost always provide lunch (predominantly pizza), so if you're feeling particularly poor, it's usually a great way to pick up a free lunch and learn something new. If you want to start a new club, talk to Peter Horvath in Student Services for requirements and paperwork.

Student Organizations

American Civil Liberties Union

The Notre Dame American Civil Liberties Union (ND ACLU) is the student chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU). Since its founding in 1920, the ACLU, a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization, has been the guardian of the individual rights and liberties guaranteed by the Constitution and laws of the United States through direct advocacy efforts in the nation's courts, legislatures, and communities. The ND ACLU seeks to further the civil liberties through advocacy, dialogue, and education, staying ever respectful of the religious nature of the University of Notre Dame.

American Constitution Society for Law and Policy

The American Constitution Society for Law and Policy (ACS) is one of the nation's leading progressive legal organizations. Founded in 2001, ACS is comprised of law students, lawyers, scholars, judges, policymakers, activists and other concerned individuals who are working to ensure that the fundamental principles of human dignity, individual rights and liberties, genuine equality, and access to justice are in their rightful, central place in American law.

Asian Law Students Association

ALSA provides its members with a forum for addressing their needs and expressing their concerns. Through its activities, ALSA informs its members about events of particular interest to Asian American law students and promotes the public's awareness of Asian American issues.

Black Law Students Association

Since 1972 Notre Dame's Black law students have been organized as a chapter of the Black Law Students Association. The purposes of BLSA are to articulate and promote the professional needs and goals of African-American law students; to foster and encourage professional competence; to focus upon the relationship of the Black attorney to the American legal structure; and to instill a greater awareness of and commitment to the needs of the Black community.

Business Law Forum

The BLF's goal is to promote interest in transactional and business law among members of the Notre Dame Community. Presentations throughout the year are aimed at bringing in speakers to the Law School from the worlds of both business and law. In the past, speakers

have included General Counsels of various corporations, attorneys specializing in transactional work, as well as attorneys whose practices involve sports law. Other goals of the BLF include increasing student awareness of the opportunities that are available to them when business and the law are combined.

Christian Legal Society

CLS is an ecumenical group of law students and professors committed to reflecting Christian principles in their practice of the law. CLS invites legal practitioners and scholars to speak on topics such as social responsibility, professional success and practical advice for Christian living in the legal profession. Other CLS activities include Bible studies, service projects, fellowship activities, and seminars sponsored by the national CLS.

Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty

The Notre Dame Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty is committed to opposing the application of capital punishment in the United States and around the world. In pursuit of this goal, the coalition seeks to network with attorneys and organizers who work on death penalty issues as well as promote dialogue and education on death penalty issues within the Notre Dame Law School community.

Delta Theta Phi Law Fraternity

Delta Theta Phi is a professional organization concerning itself with the needs of students, the University and the legal community. The Fraternity provides a forum for students, lawyers, and other members to network, exchange knowledge and ideas, and create life-long personal and professional associations. Its mission is to foster lifelong friendships and professional affiliations through legal education, international networking and mutual respect. Delta Theta Phi is the only law fraternity with an authoritatively recognized law review.

Environmental Law Society

The Environmental Law Society is a group of students focused on increasing awareness of environmental issues in the law school community and learning more about law and the environment. They support talks and programs at the law school and encourage networking with legal professionals who work with the environment.

The Federalist Society for Law and Public Policy Studies

The Federalist Society is a non-partisan organization dedicated to advancing legal scholarship through open-ended debate on a wide variety of issues and policy questions. Though the Federalist Society takes no official positions on any political or legal question, the organization and its members are guided by three principles: 1) The state exists to preserve freedom; 2) The separation of powers is essential to our Constitution; 3) It is emphatically the province and duty of the judiciary to say what the law is, and not what it should be. To this end, the Notre Dame Chapter hosts law professors, judges and policy-makers to speak and debate on various legal and political topics. The highlight of the year comes in February when law students across the country gather at the annual Student Symposium, for a weekend's worth of panels filled with prominent members of academia.

Hispanic Law Students Association

The Hispanic Law Students Association seeks to support all incoming law students interested in Hispanic culture and to welcome them with current HLSA members who may serve as mentors or guides. While encouraging diversity, HLSA also seeks to promote inclusiveness among all students and with other Notre Dame law clubs or ethnic law associations. Events

sponsored by HLSA include an exam outlining session, mentoring, social outings, cookouts, and Latin dancing excursions. HLSA also awards the prestigious Graciela Olivarez Award, in honor of the first woman and first Hispanic to graduate from the law school, to a Hispanic Lawyer or Judge annually.

Intellectual Property Law Society

IPLS aims to foster leadership in, promote intellectual curiosity about, and encourage dialogue on IP law. The Society challenges its members to engage educators and practitioners, as well as each other, in learning about the various areas of IP law. Active participation in the IP community is strongly encouraged, both by way of written publications and oral presentations designed to educate the student body about IP law. By hosting professionals in academia, government, and the private sector at the Law School, the group and its members seek to stay current with IP law developments and learn of available resources that may be valuable both during school and following graduation.

International Human Rights Society

The goal of the International Human Rights Society is to increase awareness of human rights abuses around the world through advocacy. The organization also seeks to enhance the practical skills of future human rights attorneys by providing opportunities to work with human rights organizations during the school year and providing funds for summer internships in human rights. Finally, IHRS works to increase the knowledge and understanding of human rights by all of Notre Dame's future attorneys, with the understanding that human rights cross professional specialties and are essential in the practice of every sphere of law.

International Law Society

Notre Dame's ILS is a club organized around the goal of contributing to the development of international law by fostering interest and understanding in the field. The club seeks out speakers on a variety of international law topics ranging from use of force and the Geneva Convention to international business and adoptions. The society also seeks to help students who are interested in careers as international lawyers by providing information on jobs in international law.

Irish Law Society

Founded in 1996, the Irish Law Society is a group of Notre Dame law students dedicated to creating an awareness and interest amongst the greater Notre Dame community in legal issues in Ireland and especially on civil rights issues involved in the ongoing Peace Process. Past events include talks by Congressman Peter King(R-NY), award-winning journalist Don Mullan, human rights lawyer Eamonn MacMenamin, NPR Reporter MaryAnn Maguire; a forum on The Good Friday Agreement with a panel of prominent Irish-American judges and attorneys, Belfast Attorneys from Madden and Finucane, and Peace Activists. Social/Fundraising events have included several social nights at Club 23 with traditional Irish Music by Kennedy's Kitchen.

Italian Law Students Association

The Italian Law Students Association is a social organization created for the benefit and support of students at Notre Dame Law School. Law students of Italian heritage, or just interested in the Italian culture, are encouraged to participate in social events and community activities to promote and benefit the Italian community.

Jewish Law Students Society

The Jewish Law Students Society (JLSS) is an organization of law students interested in promoting awareness of Jewish cultural, legal and religious heritage; fostering dialogue on legal, political and ethical issues important to the Jewish people; and raising funds for students interested in working on causes within and beyond the Jewish community. Our recent activities have included bringing in speakers on issues of importance to the Jewish community, participating in community service and charity events, raising awareness of Jewish culture, and celebrating Jewish holidays. Membership in the JLSS is open to all law students regardless of religion or ethnicity; our activities extend beyond the law school to include the University and local Jewish communities.

Jus Vitae

Jus Vitae is an organization founded on the belief that all human life is sacred. We seek to uphold the value of human life, from conception to natural death, through activism, community service, education and prayer. Among the events and activities our members have participated in recent years are: sponsoring pro-life speeches; conducting legal research on pro-life issues; publishing a newsletter for the law school community; volunteering at the local care center for women; praying outside the local abortion clinic; maintaining a small library of pro-life literature, cassettes, and videos; and attending the March for Life in Washington, D.C.

Legal Voices for Children & Youth

Legal Voices for Children and Youth promotes and enhances awareness of legal issues related to children and teenagers. The group develops educational outreach programs for the student body, provides service activities, and offers opportunities to participate in activities which enhance understanding of child advocacy law. LVCY works towards these goals by focusing on academics, service, and skills.

Married Law Students Organization

The organization's goals are to promote family involvement and understanding in the law school experience. Additionally, the organization exists to address the needs and concerns of married students at NDLS. Activities include tailgates, picnics, skating parties, and holiday dinners, all geared toward the whole family.

Military Law Students Association

The Military Law Student's Association was formed to promote community among veterans and active duty personnel at the Notre Dame Law School, to promote awareness of military-related issues among the Law School Community, to foster a military-related alumni network, and to provide charitable services to veterans and others living in Michiana. We are especially active in the Toys for Tots drive during the Christmas season. Membership is open to any interested member of the Notre Dame/Saint Mary's Community. Prior military service is not required.

Native American Law Students Association

The Native American Law Students Association is a social organization created for the benefit and support of students at Notre Dame Law School. The group focuses on generating awareness of Native American issues within the Law School, actively serving the community, and fellowship by sponsoring guest speakers and providing funding for summer internships in Native American law practice. NALSA is open to law students of Native American heritage and to those simply interested in Native American culture and legal issues.

Phi Alpha Delta

As the world's largest legal fraternity, PAD was founded on ideals of integrity and professional service. It exists to form bonds between law students, professors, and members of the Bench and bar.

Public Interest Law Forum

PILF aims to promote awareness of and interest in public interest law. PILF defines "public interest law" broadly in recognition of the wide variety of career opportunities typically encompassed within the category of "public interest law," including careers as legal services providers, criminal defenders and prosecutors, government attorneys, judicial clerks, and attorneys for non-governmental and non-profit organizations. PILF fundraises for summer public interest fellowships, invites speakers on public interest law topics and has worked with the administration to develop a Loan Forgiveness program for NDLS, so that public interest law can be economically feasible for NDLS graduates.

Social Justice Forum

Established in 1983, the Social Justice Forum (SJF) exists to promote and encourage social responsibility within the Notre Dame Law School and to create and maintain a network of concerned individuals who are willing to work toward social justice. To these ends, students and faculty members have sponsored speakers and community service projects, proposed changes in curriculum structure and placement programs, and helped to establish the Notre Dame Law Student Sponsored Fellowship.

Sports and Entertainment Law Forum

New to Notre Dame Law School, the Sports and Entertainment Law Forum was established to promote discussion and dialogue in the law school community concerning the interaction between law and the sports and entertainment industries. It seeks to bring speakers to campus to discuss these topics, as well as to promote educational and professional opportunities in this field.

Student Bar Association

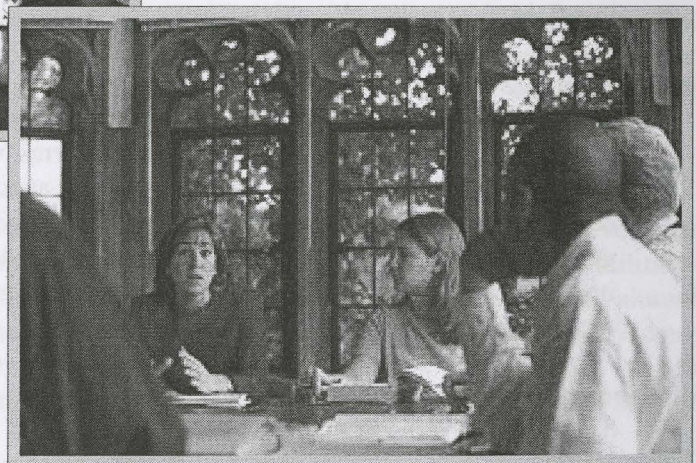
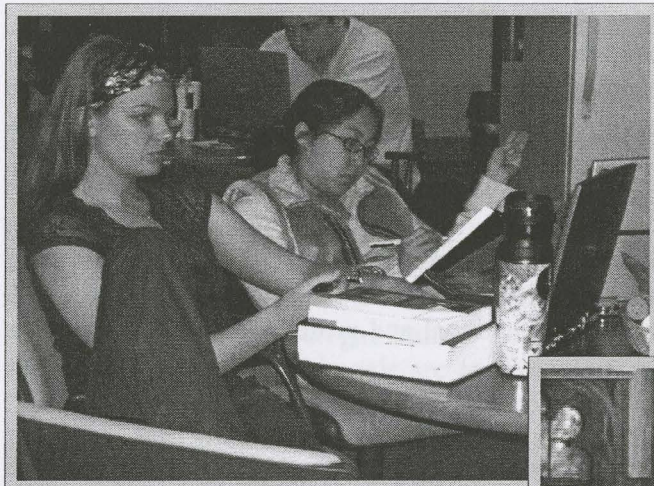
The Student Bar Association is the student government at the Law School; all students are considered members. The association performs various tasks related to student life, both social and academic, such as orientation, appointment of students to various faculty committees, intramural athletics and several social functions throughout the year. More generally, the officers attempt to represent student interests in any matter of sufficient importance. At the national level, the association is a member of the Law Student Division of the American Bar Association.

St. Thomas More Society

The mission of the St. Thomas More Society is to foster full integration of our Catholic faith into the daily practice of law, and thereby to emulate St. Thomas More, the patron saint of lawyers. STMS members strive to fulfill this mission by living lives worthy of the title Christian and by holding fast to the teachings of the Gospels and the Magisterium of the Church. Activities are open to Catholics and non-Catholics alike.

Women's Legal Forum

Open to all students and faculty, WLF was formed to promote discussion and understanding of legal issues affecting women and of issues affecting women lawyers and their colleagues, and thus affecting society as a whole. Activities include faculty and outside speakers, host panels and discussions, and participation in local community service events. WLF holds fundraisers and each year sponsors several fellowships which are awarded to students who seek summer work in public interest areas affecting women. Many professors are very generous and donate one-of-a-kind items to be auctioned off at the Father Mike Talent Show in March each year.



The London Law Program

Or “Programme,” as It’s Spelled Across the Pond

The London Law Program is the highlight of many students’ tenures here at Notre Dame Law. It allows students to deepen their understanding of U.S. law through the study of its English common law roots, as well as compare the common law system with other legal systems.

The happiness of London is not to be conceived but by those who have been in it. I will venture to say, there is more learning and science within the circumference of ten miles from where we now sit, than in all the rest of the world.

-S. Johnson

Notre Dame students may study in London in either the summer program or the year-long program. Notre Dame’s Summer London Program is the oldest summer law program located in London, and international students enroll from all over the world. Many come from Australia, and each year, approximately forty U.S. law schools are represented in the Notre Dame program. The summer program lasts for about six weeks, and it starts about six or seven weeks into the summer as to provide time for students to complete internships if they wish to do so. Furthermore, the classes are planned so that the students are able to take advantage of their time in Europe by traveling as class demands permit.

The Second Year in London Program is also quite popular. As the name indicates, during this program, students spend their entire second year in London. The program begins in late September so as to give students time to apply for summer jobs before traveling to London. There is a diverse assortment of course offerings, including some of the required classes. Most students find that to be a blessing because no one wants to be stuck taking all four of their post-1L requirements in the third year (that year is for golf, remember?). When you get to your second year (if you don’t go to London yourself) you’ll see lots of new faces around the school. Be careful when you ask them if they’re enjoying their first year. They might have just returned from London. Anyone who has been for the year will tell you the lasting friendships they formed with their classmates and the invaluable experience of it all.

Both the Summer and 2L programs are taught by a distinguished faculty of American and international professors, and the facilities are first rate. We even have our own beautiful building! It’s located right in Central London—right next to the National Gallery, which is in Trafalgar Square. There’s a library with wireless capabilities, several computer labs, lockers, and a café and lounge area with a television, vending machines, and ping pong tables in the basement. Even though you’ll get quite your fill of exercise walking around London, the building also has a gym, which contains exercise machines and a basketball court for your pleasure.

Although the program has an international focus, students need not be planning to work in the areas of international law upon graduation to appreciate the courses. In this ever-shrinking world, a lawyer working in any legal arena should be aware of the world around him, and this is just the program to provide that perspective. Don’t forget the website: www.law.nd.edu/london/index.html (where you’ll even find a “Survivor’s Guide”).

The London Programme’s varied course offerings coupled with the city’s rich legal and social history make for an enjoyable law school experience. Moreover, there is

nothing like taking courses in international law in a city as culturally and ethnically diverse, dynamic, and modern as London. And, as an added bonus, weekend travel to other parts of Europe, which many students take up while here, is relatively inexpensive!

♣ Chai Park, Class of 2008

When a man is tired of London, he is tired of life; for there is in London all that life can afford.

-S. Johnson



Journals & Law Review

Excuses to Stay in the Law School into the Wee Hours

Although you won't be involved with any of the journals or law review in your first year, you will certainly hear plenty about them. A law review or journal is a legal periodical that includes articles by members of the legal community and public policy figures on a current topic of interest. Students in their second or third years have the opportunity to publish a note or case comment on a particular subject. The subjects of the articles, case comments and notes vary depending on the focus of the publication.

Notre Dame Law School has four Journals. Each journal has about 20 members per class. First year students compete for staff positions on the journals during a writing competition at the end of the spring semester. For Law Review, however, the top 10-15% of people in the class "grade on" and do not have to submit a writing sample. A few other spots are reserved for which students may compete with a writing sample. There will be a meeting near the end of your first year where the editors-in-chief will present information about each journal, and explain what the writing competition is all about. The actual writing competition is conducted after exams are completed, and you mail your submission back to the law school. The writing competition consists of a 10-12 page, closed-universe Comment (legal research paper) on a specified topic. 1Ls may choose to apply to Law Review and all the journals, some of the journals, or just one journal. Grading is blind, and Journal offers are typically made at the end of July.

1L Writing Competition tip: details matter! Check, double-check, and triple-check your footnotes against the Bluebook (a manual of style for legal papers). Proofread your Comment thoroughly, and make sure you take a position in your argument.

♣Susan Brunka, Class of 2008 & Editor in Chief, Vol. 33,
Journal of Legislation

The journals provide a great opportunity for students to improve their organizational, management, leadership, and writing skills. Second year law students serve as staff members for the periodicals, while third year students make up their editorial boards. While staff member requirements vary by journal, in general, the Notre Dame Law Journals are a fantastic way to gain legal research and writing experience, impress employers, get to know your classmates, and fulfill your upper-level writing requirement.

The University of Notre Dame publications include: *The Notre Dame Law Review*, *The Notre Dame Journal of Law, Ethics and Public Policy*, *The Journal of College and University Law*, and *The Journal of Legislation*.

The Notre Dame Law Review

The Notre Dame Law Review was founded in 1925 and was known as the Notre Dame Lawyer until the name was changed in 1982. It is published five times a year by students of the Law School. It affords qualified students an invaluable opportunity for training in precise analysis of legal problems and in clear and cogent presentation of legal issues. The Law Review contains articles and lectures by eminent members of the legal profession and comments and notes by members of the staff. Entirely student edited, the Law Review has maintained a tradition of excellence, and its membership has included some of the most able judges, professors and practitioners in the country. Members of the staff are selected at the end of the first year of study on the basis of either academic standing or demonstrated writing

ability. The editor-in-chief of the Law Review is elected by the staff from senior members on the basis of scholastic, literary and leadership achievements. The editor-in-chief, in turn, selects the other officers.

The Notre Dame Journal of Law, Ethics and Public Policy

The Notre Dame Journal of Law, Ethics and Public Policy (JLEPP) is unique among legal periodicals insofar as it directly analyzes law and public policy from an ethical perspective. The Journal of Law, Ethics and Public Policy strengthens the Law School's moral and religious commitment by translating traditional Judeo-Christian principles into imaginative, yet workable, proposals for legislative and judicial reform. Directed at both scholarly and public audiences, the Journal publishes in a symposium format and solicits contributions from distinguished scholars and prominent members of the public community. Issues in 2007-08 focus on the Judiciary, and Juvenile Law. These are always interesting and stimulating events to attend.

Second-year members of the journal spend their time "admining" (checking cites of the authors), and writing their own note. JLEPP is also unique because 2L members will receive three graded credits (as opposed to the pass fail credits that members of other journals receive.) 2L members will also attend during first semester a once a week seminar on one of the two issues that will be published during their 3L year. Third-year members serve as editors and senior staff members. The Editor-in-Chief is chosen by the members of the journal, and then he or she chooses 3Ls to fill out the rest of the positions. Third-year members receive one pass fail credit each semester.

The Journal of College and University Law

The Journal of College and University Law, published by the Notre Dame Law School and the National Association of College and University Attorneys, is the only law review in the United States dedicated exclusively to the law of higher education. Since post-secondary education represents a microcosm, virtually all legal issues of significant interest – including, for example, interests of race, gender, freedom of speech, religion and bioethics – arise on our campuses. The Journal has a national circulation of 3,800. Headed by both faculty editors and a student editor, the Journal maintains a staff of 25 students who both process the work of outside authors and contribute their own work for publication. The Journal publishes four times a year.

The Journal of Legislation

The Journal of Legislation is published by students of the Notre Dame Law School. Of national orientation and scope, the Journal contains articles by both public policy figures and distinguished members of the legal community. In addition, it publishes notes written by members of the staff. All material contained in the Journal concerns either existing and proposed legislation or public policy matters. Some articles and notes make specific suggestions regarding legislative change. The Journal is presently one of the country's leading legislative law reviews and is a member of the National Conference of Law Reviews. Staff members are selected among students who have either written a note of "publishable quality" or completed a major research project approved by the editorial board. Journal work enables students to add to their legal education practical experience with legislation and the legislative process. These programs enable students at the Law School to influence various legislators, public interest groups and members of Congress.

Assistant Rectors

Back to Undergrad?

Notre Dame offers a unique opportunity for its graduate students to get involved in undergraduate life. The position of Assistant Rector is open to all rising 2Ls and 3Ls; in the 2007-08 school year about 42 out of 58 assistant rectors were law students. Student Affairs likes to hire rising second-year law students as assistant rectors because, with two years remaining in law school, law students can provide continuity in the hall by serving a two-year term.

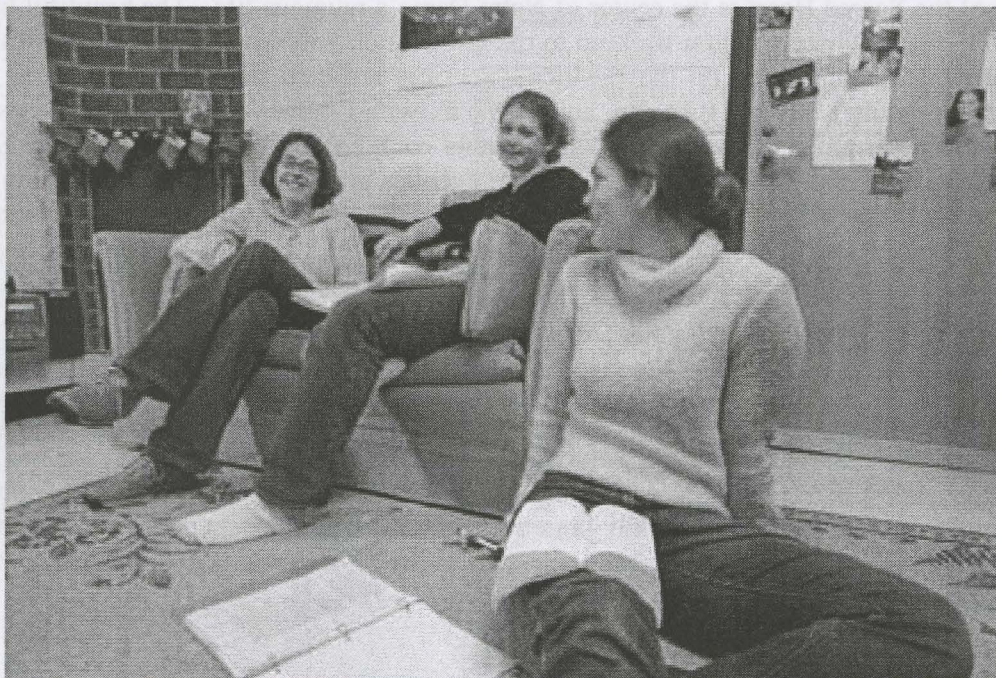
Assistant rectors live side-by-side with undergrads in their respective residence halls. ARs, as they are called, contract for a full-time academic-year appointment, and are provided with an apartment (fully or partially furnished), a meal plan, laundry benefits, partial tuition remission (3 credits) and a stipend of approximately \$7,000 per semester.

The job of AR isn't something to do for the perks – although the perks are wonderful. Rather, it's a true ministry position. You are expected to give a great deal of yourself, but the returns can be immeasurable. Responsibilities in the hall include working closely with the Rector, being "on duty" two to three nights per week, supervising RAs and hall council, helping with dorm Mass,* counseling residents on academic, social, and disciplinary issues, and generally being available as a resource. The exact responsibilities vary among residence halls because each rector determines how they want to make use of their assistant rectors.

The job is not the typical 9 to 5, which makes it perfect for law students. The relationships I am forming with my residents are amazing. The position helps me keep an important perspective on everything, which is often hard to do in law school. I highly recommend it.

♣Matthew Pepping, Class of 2008

For those who think they might want to apply for an AR position, the best advice is to talk to current ARs, and even spend some time in the dorm with them. Applications are generally available early second semester, and interviews are held in March. * Note: ARs are not required to be Catholic.



Worship

Taking Time to Be Holy

Not surprisingly, there are numerous opportunities to participate in Catholic services at Notre Dame, from formal High Mass at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart to more humble celebrations of daily Mass in the dorms. Both on and off campus, however, there are also many opportunities for those not of the Catholic faith to worship. In addition to many Protestant congregations, there are three synagogues, an Islamic center and an LDS ward in South Bend.

We've included a sampling of worship opportunities on campus and in the area. The list is by no means exhaustive, and if you don't find what you're looking for here, please check the yellow pages and ask around the law school. The Campus Ministry website (<http://campusministry.nd.edu>) also contains a listing of area churches under Liturgy and Music, as well as fuller listing of the various services on campus.

Worship at the Law School

There are opportunities for prayer and worship each day at the law school. The St. Thomas More Chapel, located on the first floor, is the center of the law school's formal religious life. The St. Thomas More Society prays the Rosary on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Mass is celebrated on Fridays at 12:15 p.m., as well as other times during the week. Morning prayer is held at 8:05 a.m. daily. The chapel is open 24-7 for students wishing to retreat for meditation and prayer.

Many law students join together each Sunday at 5:00 p.m. in the lounge to celebrate Mass. Students often wander down from the library to join the law school community in worship.

The Christian Legal Society hosts a regular student-led Bible study as well as outside speakers. The St. Thomas More Society hosts speakers and discussions of current topics of interest to Catholics in the law.

The Basilica of the Sacred Heart is the center of Notre Dame's religious life. The beautiful basilica is next to the Main Building. As you walk up to the law school, you can see the Virgin Mother on the Main Building and the cross on the Basilica. Services are held throughout the week at the Basilica, including daily Mass at 11:30 a.m. and 5:15 p.m. with Confession before each Mass. The Basilica is a functioning church, and parishioners gather each Saturday at 5:00 and every Sunday morning at 10:00 a.m. and 11:45 a.m. Vespers, the evening prayer of the Church, is sung every Sunday that school is in session at 7:15 p.m. in the Lady Chapel of the Basilica; the service lasts about 45 minutes and is a great way to end the weekend. The Rosary is prayed each evening, regardless of the weather, at the Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes, which is located below the Basilica, across from the lakes.

No one should miss the opportunity to participate in services at the Basilica at least once. The Tenebrae service on Holy Thursday and the Celebration of Christ's Passion on Good Friday are especially poignant. Services during Advent are beautiful. Additionally, there are many opportunities to attend mass after home football games. It starts 30 minutes after the game in a number of dorms, and 45 minutes after the game in the Basilica and the Stepan Center. For more information, please visit the Archdiocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend's website, www.diocesefwsb.org.

Each dorm on campus (including the graduate housing at FOG) celebrates Mass on Sunday evening and at least one night during the week. Many law students who were undergraduates at Notre Dame enjoy going back to their old dorms for Mass.

Catholic	
Little Flower 54191 North Ironwood Drive South Bend, IN 574-272-7070	St. Hedwig 331 South Scott Street South Bend, IN 574-287-8932
St. Joseph 226 North Hill Street South Bend, IN 574-234-3134	St. Matthew Cathedral 1701 Miami Street South Bend, IN 574-289-5539
St. Pius X 53553 Fir Road Granger, IN 574-272-8462 www.stpius.net	St. Adalbert 2420 West Huron Street South Bend, IN 574-288-5708 (Spanish-language Mass daily)

Jewish	
Sinai Synagogue (Conservative) 1102 East LaSalle Avenue South Bend, IN 574-234-8584	Temple Beth-El (Reform) 305 West Madison South Bend, IN 574-234-4402
Hebrew Orthodox Congregation 3207 South High Street South Bend, IN 574-291-4239	Jewish Federation of St. Joseph Valley 3202 Shalom Way South Bend, IN 574-233-1164

Other Christian	
Calvary Baptist Church 3001 West Cleveland Road South Bend, IN 574-272-8334	Calvary Temple (Assemblies of God) 3717 S. Michigan St. South Bend, IN www.calvary-temple.org
Caroline Street Church of Christ 1827 Caroline Street South Bend, IN 574-287-5603	The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints 930 Park Place Mishawaka, IN
Christ the King Lutheran Church (ECLA) 17195 Cleveland Road South Bend, IN 574-272-4306	Clay United Methodist 17646 Cleveland Road South Bend, IN 574-272-8068
Community Baptist Church 5715 Miami St. South Bend, IN 574-291-1884 www.communitybaptist.com	Community Congregational Church 19671 Cleveland Road South Bend, IN 574-272-2991

<p>Cornerstone Community Church 52277 Hickory Road Granger, Indiana 574-277-4737 www.cornerstone101.com</p>	<p>Emmaus Evangelical Lutheran Church (Missouri Synod) 929 East Milton South Bend, IN 574-287-4151 www.emmaus24.org</p>
<p>Faith Temple Church of God in Christ 2313 Linden Ave. South Bend, IN</p>	<p>Good Shepherd Lutheran Church (ELCA) 1021 Manchester Drive South Bend, IN 574-232-9418</p>
<p>Grace Church (Non-denominational) 52025 Gumwood Road Granger, IN 574-272-2040 www.grace-baptist.org</p>	<p>Granger Community Church (Non-denominational) 630 University Drive East Granger, IN 574-243-3500 www.gccwired.com</p>
<p>Episcopal Cathedral of Saint James 117 North Lafayette Boulevard South Bend, IN 574-232-4837</p>	<p>South Bend Christian Reformed Church 1855 North Hickory Road South Bend, IN 574-272-8424 www.sbcrc.org</p>
<p>St. Michael & All Angels Episcopal Church 53720 North Ironwood South Bend, IN 574-243-0632</p>	<p>Trinity Evangelical Free Church 61770 Miami Rd. South Bend, IN 574-291-4741 www.tefs.org</p>
<p>Vineyard Community Church 1006 South Merrifield Avenue Mishawaka, IN 574-257-1924</p>	<p>Westminster Presbyterian (PC U.S.A.) 1501 West Cleveland South Bend, IN 574-272-8141</p>

Community Service

Opportunities to Serve the Local Community

As someone interested in Notre Dame's philosophy of "educating a different kind of lawyer," you may be searching for community service opportunities in the South Bend area. And for those of you concerned about the demands of first year studies, you may find that spending a few hours in community service is a fulfilling and relaxing study break!

As you advance in your legal career, you will find that a law degree and your specialized training give you unique opportunities and abilities to serve the community. The one-credit GALILEE (Group Alternative Live In Legal Educational Experience) course – a three day group-designed program of public interest and legal aid exploration in the city of your choice over Christmas break – attempts to reveal some of these opportunities so that you may carefully consider the direction and pursuits of your legal career. After your first year of studies, you may participate in the Notre Dame Legal Aid Clinic or the Immigration Clinic. In addition, the Public Interest Law Forum gives law students grants for unpaid summer internship positions in legal aid and public interest. There are also a number of highly competitive alumni-sponsored summer public interest internships throughout the country. The Career Services Office also provides career direction and networking in the legal aid and public interest fields.

However, you don't need a law degree to serve the community. Various organizations within the law school participate in community service activities including raising funds for disaster relief and for people in need in the South Bend and larger community, collecting clothing for the YWCA Women's Shelter, sponsoring blood drives at the law school and providing Thanksgiving Dinners to area families in need. The Student Bar Association has a Service Committee that plans a Halloween Party for the Boys and Girls Club, an Easter Party, a day at the ND Baseball game and many other activities as well. However, many organizations in the local area also need individual volunteers. The following is a list of local agencies' contact information.

AIDS Ministries/AIDS Assistance

Debra Stanley, 574-288-2887

www.aidsministries.org

Volunteers work with the agency to support and enhance the lives of those infected with or affected by HIV and AIDS.

American Red Cross

John Pintor, 574-234-0191 ext. 21

www.stjoe-redcross.org

Community Volunteer Services plans, programs, recruits, trains and places volunteers to meet community needs through community education and emergency services.

Ark Angels, Inc.

Ron King, 574-233-5940

Volunteers tutor youth in age appropriate and manageable groups and also are encouraged to bring their own passion or interest area into the enrichment structure. Volunteers can help with special teen leadership groups on the weekends.

Big Brothers Big Sisters

Deborah Burrow, 574-232-9958

In the one-to-one Program, a volunteer is matched with a child and they build their friendship through doing activities together in the community. Our School Mentor Program requires one hour once a week after school. Our Community Mentor Program is the same as our School Mentor Program but is offsite.

Boys & Girls Club

Dawn Woods, 574-232-2048

www.bgcsjc.org

Volunteers assist with tutoring, health and recreation programs for children ages 6 to 18.

Broadway Christian Parish

Nancy Nicols, 574-289-0333

Volunteers help with the Sunday Community meal (cooking, serving and cleaning up), the Jubilee Christmas, the Summer Arts Program for Children, and weeding and planting flowers in the Peace garden.

Cardinal Nursing and Rehabilitation Center

Beverly Shamborg, 574-287-6501

Volunteers are needed to visit clients on a one-to-one basis and organize evenings of bingo.

CASIE Center

Caron Marocha, 574-282-1414

CASIE Center provides services for abused and neglected children. Volunteers assist staff with both routine duties and special projects that benefit children and their families.

Catholic Charities

Rob Ercoline, 574-234-3111 ext. 22

www.diocesefwsb.org/charity

Catholic Charities offers a variety of services. Volunteers can help with the food pantry, coordinate food drives, assist refugee and immigrant families, and assist with office work.

Center for Basic Learning Skills

Sister Marita Stoffel, 574-259-5427 (4:00-9:00 pm)

Volunteers tutor adults working toward their GED, two hours, once a week.

Center for the Homeless

Adam Kronk, 574-282-8700

www.cfh.net

Volunteers are able to assist with children's and adult activities, children's and adult tutoring, serving meals, chapel services, exercise programs, special events, and the front desk. They are also able to assist in the Montessori classroom, with the donation room, and with both the teen and adult leadership programs.

Chapin Street Clinic (St. Joseph Health Center)

Michelle Peters, 574-239-5299

Volunteers work in a one of three medical clinics that provide services to low-income adults and families. Volunteers will perform clerical duties, take back patients, follow doctors, and any other service the center needs.

Charles Martin Youth Center

Gladys Muhammad, 574-280-7092

Volunteers work with children in after-school tutoring programs, computer skills training for kids, conflict resolution programs, and to help clean-up grounds and inside the building.

Chiara Home

Sr. Gretchen, 574-287-5435,

chiarahome@att.net

Chiara Home provides temporary out of home respite care for people with special needs. Volunteers needed to assist with personal care of guests (i.e. feeding, entertaining, companionship, cooking meals). Volunteers also assist staff with both routine duties and special projects and activities.

Circle of Mercy

Rhonda Cartwright, 574-287-0500

Circle of Mercy works through Catholic Charities to serve families with parents who work or are in school to provide quality child care. Volunteers work with children in the classroom setting to enhance educational experiences Any skills or special interests volunteers possess that would benefit the children's development are greatly appreciated.

College Football Hall of Fame

Jim Baumgartner, 574-235-5709

www.collegefootball.org

Volunteers can help out in a variety of areas, ranging from guest services to special events to greeter. Call for more information.

Corvilla, Inc.

Diane Dolde, 574-289-9779

www.corvilla.org

Small organization that provides loving homes and services for people with developmental disabilities. Seeking volunteers to help with "fun" activities for residents, i.e. bowling, picnics, dances, hayrides, and movies. Volunteers can also help with the web site, developing brochures and helping with fund-raising events.

El Campito Day Care Center

Rosa Rickman, 574-232-0220

Volunteers act as role models for young children from single-parent families. Volunteers also assist regular daycare instructors in planning and implementing their organized program and with childcare during parenting classes.

Family and Children Center

Doug Brown, 574-259-5666 ext. 256

www.familychildrencenter.org

Join the Family Partners program to take a child to your place of worship or become a sponsor if you can give 3-4 hours per month sharing activities with a child.

Food Bank of Northern Illinois

Leno Maldonado, 574-232-9986

Salvage/Reclamation-Sorting, separating, and organizing food products that are canned, boxed or bottled. Pantry Reception/Stocking the pantry shelves and assists customers with their shopping. Special Events-Letter Carrier Food Drive, Crop-Walk, National Make a Difference Day, U93 Giving Tree.

Harbor Light Hospice

Jody Combino, 574-232-5501

Volunteers provide companionship, spiritual support, music therapy, bereavement services, and administrative support to the patients and their families. They also make crafts and bake favorite foods for the patients.

Healthwin Specialized Care

Karen Martindale, 574-232-0100 ext. 207

Volunteers work one on one with our residents, reading, socializing, spending time outdoors, pushing residents to and from activities, and assisting the Activity Staff with group activities or outings into the community.

Home Management Resources

Elena Flynn, 574-233-3486

Home Management Resources is a charitable organization dedicated to strengthening the family. Volunteer positions exist in childcare, clerical, and computer technology.

Hope Rescue Mission

Linda Clevenger, 574-235-4150 ext. 222

www.hoperescuemission.org

Volunteers needed for cleaning, painting, construction, preparing and serving meals, chapel service, tutoring, mentoring, counseling, clerical, teaching classes, and assisting with addiction programs.

Hospice of St. Joseph County, Inc.

Jackie Boynton, 574-243-3127

www.centerforhospice.org

Volunteers provide respite care and support services for terminally ill patients and their families.

Indiana Legal Services

Heather Mezosi, 574-234-8121

www.indianajustice.org

ILS is funded to provide free legal representation to low income persons in civil matters. ILS seeks volunteers to serve as Intake Workers to assist potential clients with the application process and summarize legal problems for staff attorney review.

La Casa De Amistad

Olga Larimer, 574-233-2120

Help students with schoolwork. Be seen as a big brother or sister. Provide students with self-esteem and a positive look at the future through education and self-respect to improve their way of life.

Life Treatment Centers, Inc.

Bela Szaley, 574-233-5433 ext. 205

Volunteers work in many different areas of our treatment facility, including, assisting in staffing the residential and detoxification areas, kitchen help, clients follow up, tutoring, front desk staffing, maintenance assisting, chart breakdown and assisting our group facilitators and administrative staff, all to assist persons with addictions to gambling, alcohol and chemical dependencies.

Literacy Council of St. Joseph County, Inc.

Brenda O'Connell, 574-235-6229

www.stjoereads.org

Volunteers tutor adults in both basic reading and English as a Second Language. Requires a 6-month commitment.

Logan Center

Crystal Prentice, 574-289-4831

www.logancenter.org

Volunteers are involved in a variety of activities with people with disabilities, including art classes, bowling, dances, and Saturday morning recreation times.

Michiana Dismas House

Maria Kaczmarek, 574-233-8522

Volunteering at Dismas House, a faith based prisoner reentry program, gives students the opportunity to serve the broader community. It provides students with the framework to examine the complex issues of social and criminal justice. Volunteer cooks are needed to help prepare evening meals and dine with the residents Monday-Thursday, serve as mentors or tutors and help with home repairs or with special events. Other opportunities include student residency, internships and work study positions.

Milton Home

Maria Krewson or Lou Ann Nebelung, 574-233-0165

Volunteers visit with elderly residents on a one-to-one basis and also assist with evening activities from 6:30-7:30.

Northern Indiana Center for History

Deb Neumann, 574-235-9664

Volunteers serve as docents in the Oliver Mansion and the Worker's House; help at special events; serve as greeters in the front lobby at the Center for special events; digitize/scan photos in the Archives; help with mailings, help in the Museum Store; internships in the Education Department/Marketing.

OASIS

Mary Czarnecki, 574-246-0144

The OASIS Older Adult Safe House provides a Safe House for senior citizens who have been neglected/abused. Volunteers provide for the security, safety and comfort of residents

Portage Manor

Toni Grisham, 574-272-9100

Volunteers needed to pay regular visits to individual residents who have no family. There are also opportunities for students who do need work. Group volunteer opportunities are also available.

Potawatomi Zoo

Jason Jacobs, 574-288-4639

www.sbpark.org/zoo/zoo.htm

The zoo in South Bend has many opportunities for students to volunteer, including presentations and fundraisers.

REAL Services

Deb Leach, 574-284-2644 ext. 262

www.realservices.org

Volunteers can be matched on a one-to-one basis with clients who need transportation or companionship. A 6-month commitment is requested. Volunteers are also needed to assist elderly/disabled clients of REAL Services with one-time assignments for outside yard work projects. Group opportunities are available.

Reins of Life

Chris Flowers, 574-232-0853

Volunteers act as horse leaders or side walkers for people with disabilities during therapeutic horseback riding classes. There are also opportunities to help with special events and care for horses.

Robinson Community Learning Center

574-631-8750

Volunteers typically work one-on-one with students after school: reading to them, having them read out loud, having them write and do listening activities. These sessions are expected to last one hour, and volunteers are asked to come twice a week, either on M-W, or on T-Th.

St. Joe Regional Medical Center – Community Outreach

Denise Kapsa, 574-237-7247

www.sjmed.com

We invite pre-med students to consider being a part of the continuum of care of our patients. Students can choose from Emergency Room, Cardiac Care, Post Surgical, Medical/Renal, Oncology, Orthopedics, Rehab and Outpatient Pediatrics Therapy. Choose one 4 – hour shift, one day per week for a semester. Uniform top will be provided and a meal ticket. No transportation available. The medical center is less than 2 miles from the ND campus. Transpo is available.

St. Margaret's House

Kathy Schneider or Patricia Marvel, 574-234-7795

www.stmargarethouse.org

The House is open to adult women and girls and boys under twelve. Volunteers needed for cook and kitchen help, receptionist, tutoring, assist with donations, assist with food pantry, assist with art program, interact with children, interact with women, assist with clothes closet, and miscellaneous jobs as needed.

St. Vincent De Paul Society

Patrick McGowan, 574-234-6211

www.stvinnies.org

Volunteers work in the thrift store to prepare used goods for sale and help with special projects at Christmas. Anyone organizing a food or clothing drive can work through this grassroots organization.

Salvation Army

Liz Fallon, 574-233-9471

Volunteers provide food for Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter baskets for families in South Bend. Student volunteers can "adopt" a South Bend family through the Salvation Army.

S-O-S of Madison Center

Mary Waggoner, 574-283-1308

S-O-S is the rape crisis center for St. Joseph County. After training, Volunteer Advocates sign up for one six-hour shift per week during which they agree to be reachable by phone in the event crisis intervention services are needed.

SCCSC Adult Education

Gayle Silver, 574-283-7563

www.sbcsc.k12.in.us/adult.htm

Volunteers work individually or in small groups with adult students (16 years of age and older) who are studying basic academic, job, life skills (including literacy), learning English as a Second Language (ESL), and/or preparing for the GED exam.

South Bend Heritage Foundation

Gladys Muhammad, 574-289-1066

Volunteers are able to work in all facets of neighborhood revitalization.

South Bend Juvenile Correctional Facility

Tom Ferrara, 574-232-8808 ext. 369

Volunteers aid the students in tutoring one-on-one in their academic deficiencies.

Southern Care Hospice

Loretta Bingham, 574-259-0895

Volunteers needed to do everything from patient sitting while a care-giver gets out for a short while for a much-needed break, to bringing a rented movie and a bag of popcorn to share with a lonely elderly person in a nursing facility. They can work in the office filing, packets, shredding.

Twenty-First Century Scholars

Anthony Byrd, 1-888-603-5981 ext. 235

Volunteers assist with enrollment, mentoring, campus visits, service learning projects, clerical assistance, parental support and chaperoning activities. We can build a volunteer position to meet your schedule and interests

United Religious Community

Carol Thon, 574-282-2397

www.uresjc.org

Volunteers needed to work on special projects, with the Victim Offender Reconciliation Program and with the Advocacy Centers where volunteers work one-on-one with community residents unable to meet basic needs: This is a good platform for service-learning in the area of psychology. Computer skills are also needed. A regular commitment is expected one day a week (M-F, 9-12).

West Side Neighborhood Partnership Center

Juanetta Hill, 574-235-5800

Volunteers work directly with youth tutoring, reading programs, sports and recreation, Conversational Spanish interactive/play learning programs, and with administrative support.

Women's Care Center

Deborah Allen, 574-234-0363

www.womenscarecenter.org

Volunteers help welcome pregnant women and couples by helping them gather the resources that they need to complete the pregnancy. Volunteers are also needed for counseling and childcare assistance for clients.

Youth Service Bureau

Bonnie Stryker, 574-235-9231

The Youth Services Bureau has several day and evening service opportunities including supervision and recreation for teens living at the runaway shelter, providing supervision for small children during monthly educational meetings for their parents, and staffing the newly created helpline. Hours of service are geared to student needs.

YWCA of St. Joseph County

Volunteer Coordinator, 574-233-9491

Volunteers serve as children's activity aids, clerical assistants, mentors, court monitors, as well as cover crisis lines, sort donations, assist in the kitchen, provide transportation, create welcome bags, plan parties for clients and help with food drives.

Outside the Law School Bubble

Contrary to popular belief, it is possible and even quite common for law students to get involved in the larger campus community. Current students have been liturgical choir members, symphony orchestra members, assistant rectors, assistant coaches for the fencing and crew teams, involved in service organizations, and Mass volunteers, just to name a few possibilities. Although it might seem like you need to stay in and study, getting involved can really help maintain your sanity, especially during your 1L year. Non-law related activities and people can give you a much needed break from the law school bubble. Trust us, it's good for your social life to hang out with people who don't make law-related jokes and won't laugh at yours when you make them (and believe us, you will).

Notre Dame Center for Social Concerns (CSC)

574-631-5293

The Center for Social Concerns is a service and community-based learning center here at the University of Notre Dame. The Center provides educational experiences in social concerns inspired by Gospel values and Catholic social tradition by sending students out into various service and experiential learning placements. Check out the web site:

<http://socialconcerns.nd.edu/>

Campus Ministry

574-631-8520

The Basilica offers three weekend Masses, two daily Masses, and a host of other special services and sacramental ministries on a weekly basis. If for some crazy reason you are awake at 8 AM on 'football' Sundays, Mass is also broadcast on the Hallmark Channel. Training is offered at the beginning of each semester for opportunities to participate at Mass in various positions (lector, altar server, usher). Once you have been trained, you will be assigned a few Masses throughout the semester. Everyone who is trained gets to serve at least once. Also, you can receive training at the Basilica to be an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. For information about assisting at liturgies, please contact Harv Humphrey in Campus Ministry.

<http://campusministry.nd.edu/>

Choirs

For information about Basilica Choirs, please contact Gail Walton at 574-631-7779 or gwalton@nd.edu. There are several Basilica choirs: Basilica Schola, Notre Dame Liturgical Choir, Notre Dame Women's Liturgical Choir, and the Notre Dame Folk Choir.

For information about the Music Department Choirs, please contact Alexander Blachly at 574-631-5105 or ablachly@nd.edu. There are three ND choirs: Notre Dame Chorale, Notre Dame Glee Club, and Notre Dame Collegium.

SafeWalk

Help keep our campus safe by participating in SafeWalk. SafeWalk is a program by which Notre Dame students can call 634-BLUE to have a student escort walk them from any point on campus after dark. SafeWalkers are student employees of the Security Police department, have photo ID cards and are in radio contact with the Security Police Communication Center. Hours are 8 PM to 2 AM during the academic year. [Http://www.nd.edu/~ndspd/safebroc.html](http://www.nd.edu/~ndspd/safebroc.html)

Playing in the Notre Dame Symphony Orchestra has been a great way to relax and feel like I'm involved in the larger Notre Dame community. It has also presented some unique opportunities. Last spring, I traveled with the orchestra to play a St. Patrick's Day concert with the Irish band, The Chieftains, at Carnegie Hall. This winter the orchestra will be touring in Florida, and I'm excited to once again be able to go with them. The traveling all takes place over breaks, so it doesn't interfere with school, and rehearsals during the semester are definitely worth the time. There's nothing like a little Brahms to take your mind off your classes for a little while.

♣Rebecca Philips, Class of 2008

Getting involved in theatre productions at Notre Dame has given me the chance to get involved outside the law school. I've become friends with many undergrads and graduate students in other departments. I was especially excited to be involved in the debut performance of "Loyal Daughters" this year. It gave me a chance to help raise awareness of the problem of sexual assault on campus and hopefully put an end to it at Notre Dame and elsewhere.

♣Lisa Velte, Class of 2007

I auditioned for and joined the Basilica Schola my first week of classes 1L year, and it has been one of the best experiences I have had here. The Schola is a small choir of about 12-16 people, and it is primarily aimed at faculty, staff, and graduate students. We sing Renaissance motets and some Gregorian chant, and our major responsibility is singing Vespers for part of the semester and a few Masses here and there. We only practice an hour a week, so there's no problem balancing my homework load and Schola practicing and performing. It's really a great way to get away from the law, even if it's only a short time. What better way to kick back and relax than singing incredibly beautiful music?

♣Kristin West, Class of 2008



Notre Dame Traditions

A Rich History

It is very possible that few colleges (and undoubtedly even fewer law schools) are so rich in the history and tradition that make the collegiate atmosphere so much fun. At the root of much of Notre Dame's tradition is its football team. On football weekends, the campus bustles with tens of thousands of visitors from all over the world clamoring to take part in the traditions of Notre Dame. Take some time away from your books to enjoy the rich history that is Notre Dame. For greater depth on Notre Dame traditions and some wonderful campus photos, visit www.nd.edu/~wcawley/default.htm and www.archives.nd.edu/ringel/default.htm, but here are a few traditions to help you become acclimated:

How did a school in Indiana become the "Fighting Irish?"

While the true etymology of the "Fighting Irish" is unknown, two stories endure. One suggests that while Notre Dame was leading Northwestern 5-0 at halftime, Northwestern students began to chant, "Kill the Fighting Irish, Kill the Fighting Irish." Another story suggests that one Notre Dame player chastised his teammates during a 1909 halftime in Michigan when Notre Dame was trailing by saying, "What's the matter with you guys? You're all Irish and you're not fighting worth a lick."

Law School Specific Traditions

The Facebook – otherwise called the Student Directory, it has everyone's picture in it, so you can look up that guy or girl you met the first day and whose name you just can't remember.

3L "100 Days" Parties – Starting 100 days before graduation, the 3Ls hold parties for themselves every 10 days leading up to the final farewell. 1Ls and 2Ls also invited – we are a family, after all.

Law Ball and Barrister's Ball – one semi-formal, one formal, both great occasions to get all dressed up for a night with friends

Father Mike Show/WLF Auction – one of the highlights of the spring semester, the Father Mike Show is a talent show of sorts, with law students *and faculty* strutting their stuff on stage. In between acts, the Women's Legal Forum auctions off a number of items donated by faculty and staff. You've got to see it to believe it!

Bowling – Every spring ND law students come together for some good clean bowling fun (including 1Ls – yes, you will have time). Grab a group of 6-10 friends, pick a team name, make t-shirts, and come out once a week for 2 hours of relaxation (told you you'd have time). It can be as competitive or goofy as you like. Of course, those "in the know" realize that "bowling" is just another way of saying "pre-gaming."

Other Traditions

The Knute Rockne Memorial Building – Students rub nose on the bust of Knute Rockne for good luck on their final exams

The Golden Dome – While not "enforced" it is said that only those who are alumni of Notre Dame may walk up the steps of the Main Building. Those of us who have yet to earn our degrees should enter at ground level.

ND Football

It's Not Just Football, It's NOTRE DAME Football

Things you should know about Notre Dame Football:

Victories - Since the AP began certifying winners of its national title in 1936, Notre Dame has won more national championships than any other college. Notre Dame has won eight, AP national titles: 1943, 1946, 1947, 1949, 1966, 1973, 1977, 1988.

Legendary Players and Coaches - A few notables include: Knute Rockne, Lou Holtz, Ara Parseghian, the Four Horsemen, Joe Montana, Tim Brown, Paul Hornung, and Joe Theismann.

Notre Dame Stadium - The house that Knute Rockne built and one of the most hallowed arenas in the history of college and professional sports. Although Notre Dame's enrollment is just over 11,000 students, our stadium has a capacity of more than 80,000. Don't worry though, the stadium has been full for almost 200 straight games. Although the stadium's size is impressive, it is the history and tradition that make it such an important part of Notre Dame. Every weekend the faithful stream into South Bend and turn Notre Dame's picturesque campus into an enormous football festival focused

Movies You Have to See:

Knute Rockne: All American - In possibly his most famous role, Ronald Reagan plays George Gipp, former Notre Dame football player in this biographical picture that traces the life of former Notre Dame football player and coach, Knute Rockne.

Rudy - Rudy is the classic story of Rudy Ruettiger, an undersized Notre Dame undergraduate who fulfilled his dream of playing football for the Irish. Often considered one of the greatest sports movies in recent history (Fun fact: Vince Vaughn has a brief role in the movie).

The Fight Song:

The Notre Dame Victory March is easily the most recognizable fight song in all of collegiate athletics. It is a fixture at the pep rallies, marches, and football games.

The Notre Dame Victory March

Rally sons of Notre Dame:
Sing her glory and sound her fame,
Raise her Gold and Blue
And cheer with voices true:
Rah, rah, for Notre Dame
We will fight in ev'ry game,
Strong of heart and true to her name
We will ne'er forget her
And will cheer her ever
Loyal to Notre Dame
Cheer, cheer for old Notre Dame,
Wake up the echoes cheering her name,
Send a volley cheer on high,
Shake down the thunder from the sky.
What though the odds be great or small
Old Notre Dame will win over all,
While her loyal sons are marching
Onward to victory.

Football Weekend

Pre-Game Activities

A home football “weekend” in the shadow of the Golden Dome starts as early as Wednesday. That is when you first start to notice the many, many fans. These are not just people coming to the game; these are people on a pilgrimage to one of the meccas of American sport.

So while you start to feel the beginning of the home football weekends on Wednesday and Thursday, the festivities truly kick off on Friday at noon with the football luncheon in the Joyce Center. The luncheons are opportunities to meet with Irish coaches and players, and the keynote speaker is always Notre Dame’s head coach, Charlie Weis. By mid-afternoon the “buzz” on campus is evident: the marching band performs, the parking lots fill, and the Hammes Bookstore looks like Wal-Mart at noon on Christmas Eve as the Fighting Irish fans stock up on gear for the game.

Friday’s events culminate in the famous Friday-night pep rallies. Don’t be deceived by the title – this is not your average pep rally! The gates to the Joyce Center (or the stadium) usually open at 5:30 PM and by the time the “Best Band in the Land” marches in at 6:30 PM, the arena is packed to the rafters with 12,000 fired-up fans. The pep rallies feature cheerleaders, the Notre Dame band, the football players and coaching staff, and special featured guests. Past guests have run the gamut from Wayne Gretzky to Dick Vitale, Regis Philbin to Joe Montana, and Dusty Baker to Jenny McCarthy. After the pep rally it’s off to some of the famous sports bars around South Bend to rub elbows with alumni, fans and fellow students. Don’t miss out on the Midnight Drum Circle.

Saturdays are game days and they are packed with activity. Most people start their day off with a trip to the Grotto to light a candle and tour through the Basilica, where you might see the team going to Mass. After seeing the team walk across campus from Mass you might be hungry, so grab a bratwurst and a soda from one of the dozens of student-run concession stands set up on the quads or one of the famous steak sandwiches at the Knights of Columbus Center across the South Quad from the Law School. Another must see on game days is the band’s “Concert on the Steps” at Bond Hall, an hour and a half before kick-off, where you can hear the best college fight song in the land, the Notre Dame Victory March. By now it’s nearing noon and it’s probably time to check out the open air tailgating parties going on in the parking lots surrounding the stadium.

Game time is almost always 3:30 PM. But the TV coverage doesn’t matter because one of the best fringe benefits of being a law student at Notre Dame is getting to buy football season tickets in the student section, often somewhere in the vicinity of the 20-yard line. So after tailgating, grab your ticket booklet and ID, and head over to the stadium. Don’t forget to bring comfortable shoes – the students at Notre Dame stand for the entire game. Several hours later, feeling tired and hopefully very happy (because Notre Dame won) you file out of the stadium and either participate in some post-game tailgating or head over to the law school for a post-game reception. The reception in the law school lounge for alumni and students is a great opportunity to network with visiting ND law alumni.

TIMELINE OF EVENTS FOR FOOTBALL TRADITIONS

Friday:

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| 4:30 PM | Notre Dame Marching Band has a practice march from the Main Building to the practice field. |
| 5:45 PM | Gates open for the Pep Rally for students |
| 6:30 PM | Pep Rally begins at the Joyce Center (or the Stadium for selected games) |
| 11:55 PM: | Drummer’s circle near the Main Building |

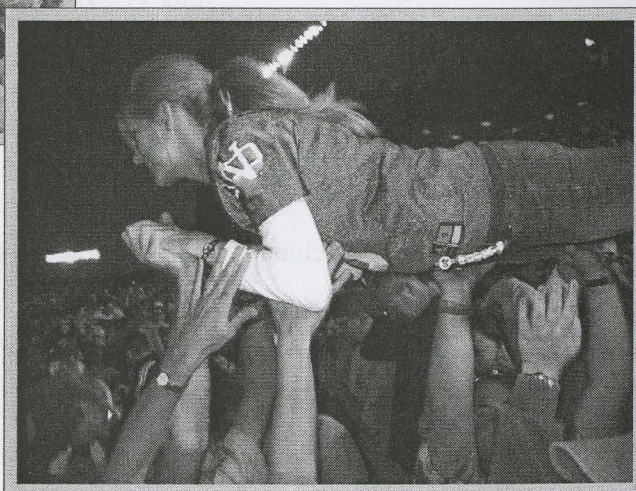
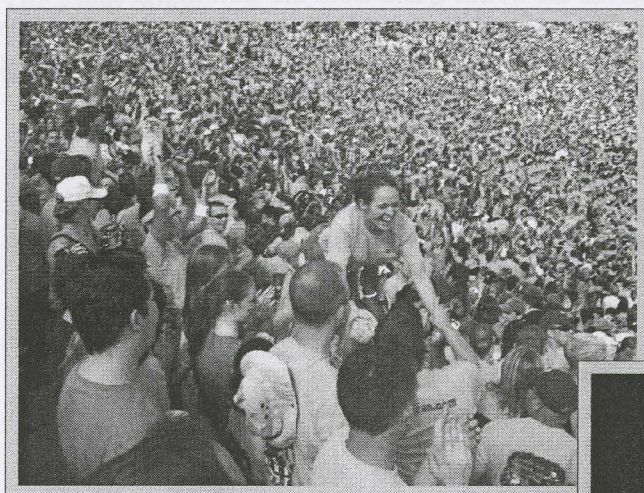
Saturday:

- 2 Hours before the game: Glee Club Concert at the JACC
1.5 Hours before the game: Concert on the Steps (Marching Band) – Bond Hall steps
1 Hour before the game: Trumpets play in the Main Building rotunda
35 Minutes before the game: Band marches from the Main Building to the Stadium
30 Minutes after the game: Mass at the Basilica and Stepan Center
30 Minutes after the game: Candlelight dinner at South Dining Hall (most games)

The 2008 Notre Dame Football Schedule:

Sept. 6	SAN DIEGO STATE
Sept. 13	MICHIGAN
Sept. 20	at Michigan State
Sept. 27	PURDUE
Oct. 4	STANFORD
Oct. 11	at North Carolina
Oct. 25	at Washington
Nov. 1	PITTSBURGH
Nov. 8	at Boston College
Nov. 15	at Navy (Baltimore)
Nov. 22	SYRACUSE
Nov. 29	at USC

Whether you are a football fanatic or generally apathetic about sports, participating in the “ND football experience” can be a very exciting and rewarding experience.



The Ticket Process

Getting into the House That Rockne Built

As a Notre Dame student you are guaranteed the opportunity to buy season tickets for a seat (or, more accurately, a "stand") at the Irish home football games. The ticket process is relatively easy and painless. The Athletic Department often revises the process but here are the basics of the system.

First, be sure you have already gotten your student ID prior to the designated date for the ticket lottery. At some point during Orientation you will receive a Ticket Order form. On the date and time indicated on that form, bring a form of payment, your Ticket Order form and your student ID to the stadium ticket office (on the east side of the stadium, by Juniper Road), and a friendly person in a yellow jacket will put a Lottery Number on your Ticket Order form. Generally speaking, your seat location is determined by your designated purchase time. The earlier you go, the closer your seat is to the field.

Typically, groups of students have the ability to sit together. In the past, large groups of 1L's have submitted their ticket order forms together, ensuring a group setting for the games. The easy way to make that happen is by sending representatives to the ticket office at the designated times to obtain a Lottery Number and the Student Ticket Booklet for each person in the group. Each representative can bring up to six IDs and order forms. Also, for the married folks among you, you can purchase a second season ticket booklet for your spouse/child at the student rate if you have proof of marriage with you (i.e., a copy of your marriage certificate). The cost is the same for both booklets.

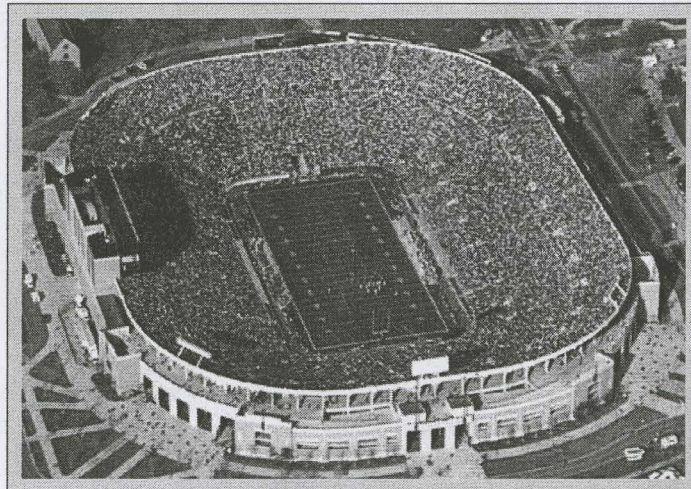
On game day, enter through the student section with your signed Ticket Booklet and your student ID. Don't detach your tickets, by the way, because you won't be able to get in if you do.

Once you have your ticket, you may want to exchange it in some way. Without a doubt, you will see many, many signs begging for tickets in the law school. The rules on ticket exchange are generally restrictive but if you ask a 2L or a Double Domer, you can probably find a way to find or trade a ticket. Ticket exchange programs are currently being reevaluated by the ticket office, ask around campus once you arrive for the latest information.

The demand for Notre Dame football tickets, regardless of the kind of season we are having, is enormous and some people are willing to pay *a lot* of money for a ticket. Although you may be tempted to sell your ticket so you can afford to buy *Prosser on Torts* and the like, be aware of the Athletic Department's Resale Policy. If you sell an individual ticket for more than face value, you lose ticket privileges for two years. If you sell your ticket booklet for more than face value, you lose ticket privileges for five years. Ticket privileges for repeat offenders may be permanently revoked.

Ticketing for Other Sports

Student season tickets for men's basketball are handled differently, as there are only a limited number of tickets available to students. In 2007 the Athletic Department distributed tickets at an event called "Late Night with the Leprechaun Legion." Resembling the 'Midnight Madness' season opening rallies across the country, this event is a chance to meet the team and get inspired for the season. Upon arrival students receive a ticket voucher redeemable for a season ticket booklet later in the evening. Basketball ticket rules are less strict than those for football. Individual tickets can be detached from a booklet and be used by any student with an ID so you can buy a book and share the tickets with your buddies. Tickets for games during academic breaks are much cheaper (and sometimes free), if you happen to be in town. General admission is charged at women's basketball, hockey, baseball, women's soccer, men's soccer, and volleyball games, but students are admitted free with an ID. Admission is free for everyone at most other varsity sporting events. See und.collegesports.com/tickets/nd-tickets.html for more information.



Athletics

Class, Brass, & Kicks (Butt)

Athletic Department

Just the mention of Notre Dame suggests images of legends. National Championships, NCAA tournament appearances, New Year's Day Bowl Games. With colors of Navy Blue and Gold, and the occasional Kelly Green for good luck, the Fighting Irish mystique makes the University of Notre Dame's athletic department the most storied collegiate program in the country. Its rich history is embedded with tales of heroes who have overcome overwhelming odds to lead the Irish to victory. A truly national University, the Irish sports teams are comprised of athletes from coast-to-coast, and you're sure to find at least one "subway alumni" in every city across the country.

Joyce Center

Notre Dame's legendary double-domed home of basketball, fencing, hockey, volleyball, and swimming. Named after former executive vice-president and chairman of the Faculty Board on Athletics, Father Joyce, the Joyce Center houses Notre Dame's athletic offices in addition to several varsity teams. It opened in the fall of 1968 and is due for renovation. Within the past several years, the building has hosted other community events, including a U2 concert, World Wrestling Federation shows, and the Harlem GlobeTrotters show.

Facilities and teams

From legendary Notre Dame Stadium to the Joyce Center to the one-of-a-kind Loftus Field House, which boasts the finest indoor track-and-field complex not in a dome, the Irish sporting venues are about a five minute walk from anywhere on campus. Fall sports include football, women's volleyball, cross-country, and men's and women's soccer. Winter sports include ice hockey, fencing, men's and women's swimming, and men's and women's basketball. Spring sports include baseball, softball, men's and women's tennis, men's and women's lacrosse, men's and women's track-and-field, and men's and women's golf.

National Championships

The women's soccer team captured its second national championship in 2004, demonstrating again that championship caliber play is expected under the Golden Dome. A member of the Big East Conference in all major sports, with the exceptions of hockey (CCHA) and football (independent), Notre Dame has claimed 23 team national championships to date. The Irish fencing team has racked up seven national championships, the most recent being in 2005, and the women's basketball team captured the national title in 2001. Notre Dame football has won more national championships (11) and hosted more Heisman Trophy winners (7) than any other program in the nation. The football team hasn't captured a national championship since 1988, but expectations are high for 2008 after a tough but promising 2007 season and impressive performances in 2005 and 2006 under head coach Charlie Weis. Domers across the country are confident the luck of the Irish will return soon.

Student Section

Notre Dame students love their varsity teams, and they are some of the best fans in the nation. Well over 90% of the Notre Dame student-body attends football games, a weekly rite of passage on the typical fall Notre Dame weekend. Standing upon the wooden bleachers in the Notre Dame

student section, one can be sure to leave the stadium feeling somewhat hoarse – certainly in merriment of another football triumph.

Support for the basketball team is no less energetic. Often affectionately referred to as the “Leprechaun Legion,” the Irish hoops fans know how to show their support for the guys and gals on the hardwood. The same goes for the faithful who turn out for soccer, volleyball, hockey, and the many other competitive and entertaining athletic teams.

Regardless of the sport or season, Notre Dame athletics are a fun, unique, and special aspect of student life under the Dome.

Pep Rallies

The appetizer for the Notre Dame Football Weekend is the traditional Friday evening pep rally at the Joyce Center. The rally normally attracts high-profile speakers and holds an electric capacity crowd on the edge of their *feet*. In preparation for the Penn State v. ND game in 2006, the pep rally was held in Notre Dame Stadium. More than 35,000 fans attended the rally. In the past, Irish legends such as Joe Montana, Tim Brown, and Daniel E. “Rudy” Reuttiger have spoken to the fans. These rockin’ events ensure that the Irish faithful are ready to support the team on Saturday.

Bookstore Basketball (www.nd.edu/~bkstr)

Some schools have Gus Macker tournaments, we have Bookstore Basketball. Bookstore Basketball, the largest 5-on-5 tournament in the world, is held in April every year. It is wildly popular (over 500 teams compete), and a wonderful respite before exams. It’s so well-known, it’s even sponsored by Adidas. Law school teams frequently participate in the tournament, with mixed success. Their website has all sorts of fascinating information (for instance, did you know that Tim Brown participated in Bookstore Basketball and won a Heisman Trophy?).

Bengal Bouts (bengalbouts.nd.edu)

“Strong bodies fight, that weak bodies may be nourished.”

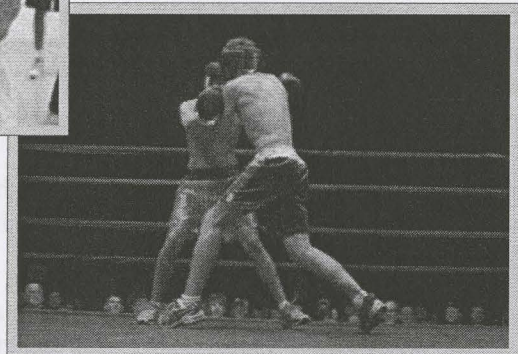
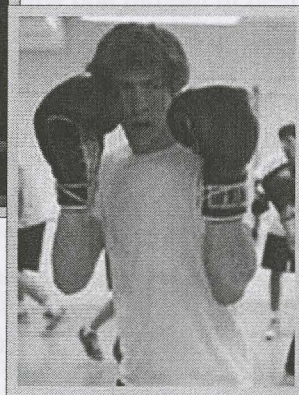
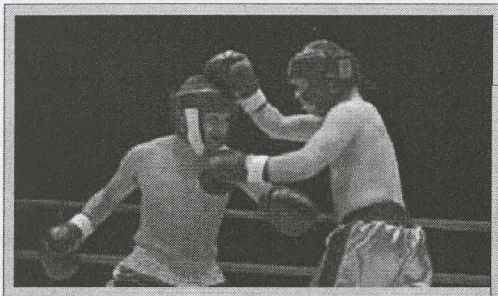
Dominic J. “Nappy” Napolitano

Although it is a lesser known tradition outside of Notre Dame, the Bengal Bouts represent a very important ND tradition. For over 75 years, the men of Notre Dame have fought under this mantra in the spirit of charity. The Bengal Bouts is an activity of the Notre Dame Men's Boxing Club and is the largest amateur boxing tournament in the world. More than just a boxing tournament, though, the Bengal Bouts is a charity fundraiser for the Holy Cross missions in Bangladesh (thus, the “Bengal”).

The Bouts started, as so many other ND traditions, with Knute Rockne. In the early 20th century the University, strapped for cash, put the then-varsity boxing team on the chop block after a winless season. Knute stepped in, sensing an excellent off-season conditioning program for his football players. He turned the varsity team into an intramural competition. With his God-given wisdom, Knute also tied the competition to a missionary purpose, thereby ensuring the tournament's longevity at ND.

The law school has a strong winning tradition in the Bouts. Every year a group of about 10 students competes, and several have made it to the championship round. You're very likely to know at least one champion during your time here. Training for novices starts late second semester. 1Ls can either view this as some MUCH needed stress relief, or a hindrance to their studying. If you're managing your time properly, you can afford at least a few visits per week to the boxing gym. Training in earnest begins first day of undergrad classes, second semester.

The women of Notre Dame have an opportunity to box in the Baraka Bouts. The Baraka Bouts are only a few years old.



Intramurals

Your Chance for Physical Activity, or Stop Studying and Do Something Fun

Even though you're in law school, you can still be active! In fact, many students find that participation in intramurals can be a great way to get your mind off the stresses of law school. Generally speaking, Notre Dame has two main gym facilities: Rolfs and 'The Rock,' which are free to students and open most of the day. You may find that having time to get to the gym is tougher now (was it ever easy?), but there are plenty of chances to get involved in organized leagues through RecSports or even the law school itself.

Just after the start of the academic year begins, the RecSports office runs a flag football league where students can compete for a chance to play for the championship in Notre Dame Stadium. There are graduate student and open leagues. Teams can be single sex or co-ed. Sign-up is early in the semester, so be on the lookout for fliers in the law school and at the two gyms on campus, Rolfs and 'The Rock.' Flag football is popular among the law school students, and with teams like the "Bad News Barristers" prowling the intramural gridiron, the law school almost always has a team in the stadium game. Join a team and help keep the tradition alive.

There are many other RecSports leagues held in the fall and winter. Soccer, both indoor and outdoor, is another law school favorite. For those students looking for a change from the norm, dodgeball, horseshoes, or innertube water polo are great options. Basketball starts after Fall Break in October, with another exciting playoff bracket. Just like in the football league, the IM basketball championship game is played where the varsity team plays – this time on the floor of the Joyce Center.

The spring season offers the most intramural diversity. Upon your return from Winter Break, the law school bowling and basketball leagues await you. Ask any law student (we'll call him "that guy") and that guy will tell you that Thursday night bowling is one of the most popular activities during the spring semester. For basketball, the law school has an informal league with competition among law students, mostly on week nights. Finally, once the ground thaws, RecSports offers the popular graduate softball league, among other enjoyable sports and games.

If you want any more information on any of these programs, you can visit the RecSports website at recsports.nd.edu/programs/intramurals/index.html.

Eating on Campus

Service with a Smile

Located in the Law School lounge, the **Irish Café** is open daily to serve the needs of your taste buds. It offers daily soup selections, along with a daily lunch special. Also available are deli sandwiches, salads, desserts, and an extensive selection of coffees and other beverages. It's most popular at lunch (especially on rainy days when no one wants to leave the Law School). On most days, if you're planning on having a calzone or picking up a danish for breakfast, stop in early or they'll probably be out.

The lounge is a great place to see people, watch TV, check your e-mail, nap, or read The Observer (Notre Dame's daily newspaper). The lounge is usually full of activities from arranging Thanksgiving baskets for needy families to Westlaw and Lexis displays offering free goodies. The lounge also has pennants from the undergraduate schools that Notre Dame law students have come from. The collection dates back to the 1980's. If you're the lucky first NDLS student from your undergrad, you will have the opportunity to add your school's pennant to the wall.

The Irish Café is not the only on-campus eatery; there are seven other "express" options for lunch, serving sandwiches, salads, pasta and other quick, often portable, victuals. They include **Café Commons** (in Mendoza College of Business), **Café de Grasta** (in Grace Hall), **Café Poche** (in Bond Hall/Architecture), **Decio Commons** (in the Decio Faculty Building), **Waddick's** (in O'Shaughnessy Hall), **Warren Grille** (at the golf course) and the **Bookstore Café**.

North Dining Hall and **South Dining Hall** are located on the North Quad and South Quad, respectively. They offer a variety of all-you-can-eat-but-not-take-out food at every meal. You don't need a meal plan to eat there, but it is a lot cheaper if you have one.

The dining hall at Notre Dame is unlike any other dining hall I've ever eaten in before. The selection is unbelievable and a lot of food is made to order. When you can sample breakfast food, dinner entrees, Asian cuisine, pasta, pizza, a full salad bar, and Mexican fare all in the same meal, who's going to complain? There really is something for everyone. Be careful not to gain the "first year fifteen" though!

Shannon Morales, Class of 2007

Huddle Food Court in LaFortune Student Center includes five food sources: **Burger King**, **Subway**, **Starbucks** and **Huddle Mart** (think: convenience store with a deli counter, salad bar and ice cream cones) upstairs and **Sbarro** downstairs. Also downstairs: the bank, the barber shop, the hair salon, the travel agency, the print shop, the design shop, the florist and the arcade, so you can multitask at lunch.

Varying in formality and price and menu, there are four restaurants on campus. **Sorin's**, located in the Morris Inn, gets the prize for high-end and doesn't garner a lot of student business (probably because they don't take FlexPoints). **Legends of Notre Dame** which is located just south of the stadium, on the other hand, is both pub and restaurant, and thus more welcoming to students (and not just because they accept FlexPoints). **Greenfields** International Café is located in the Hesburgh Center for International Studies, located across from the bookstore, and offers delicious breakfast and lunch fare with an international twist. On the south side of South Dining Hall, **Reckers** is the only 24-hour eatery on campus and, as such, is very popular with students at all hours of the day and night.

Meal Plans, Domer Dollars and Flex Points

Meal Plans

Meal Plan allows you to eat a specified number of meals per semester *at the dining halls only*. If you have a “premium” meal plan (14 or 21 meals per week), your unused meals expire at the end of each week. If you have a “block” meal plan (25 to 120 meals per semester), your unused meals expire at the end of the semester. Meals do not roll over to the next semester (but if you break your leg halfway through the semester, and your mom comes to town to take care of you for three months, and she cooks good food for you every night, and you can’t really use your meals at the dining halls, Food Services will work with you on this policy).

Some of the major meal plans are listed below, but keep in mind that grad students can pretty much tailor a plan to their needs. If you plan on eating at one of the dining halls, it's more economical to buy a lot of meals. Just make sure you use them – they expire at the end of the semester. For updates, check food.nd.edu/mealplans/grad_meals.html

Select 120 with Flex Points
Number of block meals: 120
Flex Point value: \$110
Cost: \$1,130
Average meals per week: 7.5

Select 32 with Flex Points
Number of block meals: 32
Flex Point value: \$110
Cost: \$400
Average meals per week: 2

Select 80 with Flex Points
Number of block meals: 80
Flex Point value: \$110
Cost: \$800
Average meals per week: 5

Select 25 with Flex Points
Number of block meals: 25
Flex Point value: \$110
Cost: \$340
Average meals per week: 1.5

Select 50 with Flex Points
Number of block meals: 50
Flex Point value: \$110
Cost: \$550
Average meals per week: 3

Domer Dollars

Domer Dollars can be purchased on a dollar-for-dollar basis and can be used in a wide variety of ways on campus. In addition to food purchases, you can buy stuff at the bookstore, the copy shop and other services on campus. For those living on-campus, one of the most useful features of Domer Dollars is that they can be used to do laundry or to purchase items from the vending machines in residence halls. Unlike meal plans and Flex Points, Domer Dollars do not expire but continue on your account for as long as you are a student here. If there is a balance when you graduate, you'll get it back. One drawback of Domer Dollars is that you apparently have to actually purchase them and can't just charge them to your student account.

Flex Points

Flex Points can also be purchased on a dollar-for-dollar basis and used for food at (almost) any campus restaurant. You can have Food Services add Flex Points to your card and charge it to your student account. Flex Points roll over until the end of the spring semester when they expire. It's easy to use them up, though, if you are approaching the end of the semester with a balance remaining – just treat your buddies to a cool drink at Legends or stock up on 20-ounce colas at the Huddle. One advantage of Flex

Points, at least if you have a weakness for shopping in the bookstore, is that you can't blow all of your lunch money on the latest ND apparel.

(Mostly) Free Food!!!

Quarterdogs

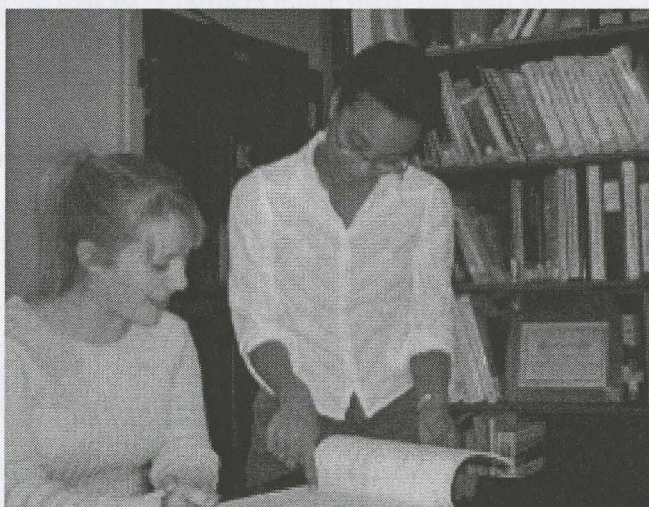
The existence of quarterdogs is a little-known secret even amongst the undergrads, and only a very few law students – mostly Double Domers– have been able to take advantage of this phenomenon. Every day at midnight in LaFortune, the Huddle sells its hot dogs for a quarter each until they run out. Trust me, there are few things greater than getting four hotdogs for a dollar in the middle of an all-nighter at the law school. Onions, mustard, and ketchup are available to round out your dawgin' experience.

Coleman-Morse Center (Co-Mo)

Also known as the "free pop" building (or free soda, or free coke), the home of campus ministry provides free popcorn and free carbonated beverages. Technically, though, you're supposed to leave a quarter for your first cup.

Law School Lunch Meetings

Pizza and Jimmy John's are available about three times a week to anyone willing to attend the lunchtime meetings. Don't worry, 25% of everyone else at the meeting is also there just for the food.



Groceries

Places to Buy Food, Drinks, and . . . Nine Irons?

The Usual Suspects

Aldi

Closest to Campus: 3502 North Bendix Drive, South Bend

Other locations: 202 East Ireland Road, South Bend

Unsurpassed for low prices, but the selection is always uncertain, and you must remember to bring your own bags (unless you want cucumbers and ice cream rolling around in the back of your car). But if you're on a budget, its peccadillos are completely worth it.

Kroger

Closest to Campus: Western Avenue, South Bend;

Other locations: East Ireland Road, South Bend; Hickory Road, Mishawaka

Typical grocery store – no bells and whistles, but the prices are fair. Be sure to get the discount card!

Martin's

Closest to Campus: State Road 23 and Ironwood, South Bend

Other locations: Western Ave., South Bend; Erskine Plaza, South Bend; State Road 23, Granger; McKinley Road, Mishawaka; Ironwood Road, Mishawaka; Bittersweet Road, Mishawaka, State Road 23 & Gumwood

Chain supermarket local to the Michiana area. A typical big grocery store with some specialty items like sushi, a sizeable deli, and a not-too-shabby wine selection. The store at SR23 and Ironwood also houses a Starbucks outlet, has a good selection of prepared food (including excellent garlic mashed potatoes), great baked goods and is open 6 a.m. to midnight. It also has a small café area that's nice for studying. The new store at SR23 and Gumwood is a 71,000-square-foot store which includes a two-story, open-concept Side Door Deli Café with seating for 188, free WiFi and a salad bar with over 70 items (and Starbucks Coffee). This new store has an excellent variety of natural and organic products.

Meijer

Closest to Campus: Grape Road, Mishawaka

Other locations: Cleveland Road, South Bend; Portage, South Bend

The Midwest's very own contribution to the super-store lineup. Even if you don't buy anything, it is a must-see. You can buy a lobster, whipped cream, a nine-iron, a car battery and embroidery floss on the same trip. They also feature some self-checkout lanes – which come in handy on Sunday afternoons when everyone in Michiana descends on the place. Those of you coming from big cities will need resuscitation after seeing the prices. Best of all, it's open 24 hours.

Sam's Club

Closest to Campus: Indian Ridge Road, Mishawaka, next to Wal-Mart

A members-only shopping club like BJ's or Costco. Everything is in bulk, which carries two benefits: lower prices and time savings. The hours aren't as convenient as the other grocery stores in the area, but the saved money and time might compensate.

Super Target

Closest to Campus: University Drive, Granger (off Main in Mishawaka)

Other locations: Ireland Road, South Bend; Midway Road, Goshen (regular Targets)

Another multi-service grocery/department store. Not as many extras as Meijer and Super Wal-Mart, but there is a pharmacy, photo lab and optical store as well as groceries and the usual department store fare.

Wal-Mart Supercenter

Closest to Campus: Indian Ridge Road, Mishawaka

Other locations: Portage Road, South Bend

Wal-mart may be the epitome of capitalism, but it's hard to resist the low prices. Like a mini-city, it has everything you could possibly want. Both locations are open 24 hours.

And the Out-of-the-Ordinary

Asian Grocery Markets

Locations: Asian Food Market, 1837 South Bend Ave., South Bend

Saigon Market, 206 West Colfax, South Bend

Mekong Oriental Market, 428 Lincolnway West, South Bend

House of Asian Foods, 113 North Dixie Way, South Bend

Oriental Market, 3618 Grape Road, Mishawaka

Sari Sari Oriental Grocery, 307 East McKinley, Mishawaka

International Market, State Road 23 (Kroger Complex), Mishawaka

Indian Market, 620 Edison, Mishawaka

Fair Trade Coffee

Sacred Heart Parish Center 574-631-7508

Fair Trade is a program that pays farmers a fair wage for their products, and ensures that the products are grown in environmentally sound conditions, without any civil rights abuses. The university offers bulk coffee, and will hopefully begin offering bananas and other products soon.

FTC is also available in the dining halls. For more information on the Fair Trade campaign, see www.nd.edu/~psa/byron/campaigns/fairtrade/index.html

Farmer's Market

Location: 1105 Northside Blvd., just South of the river

South Bend has the nation's largest farmer-owned market. Local farmers sell their own products in season and imported produce at other times of the year, as well as bulk spices and organic

meats at killer prices. Other merchants sell antiques and crafts. The obscenely good Great

Harvest Bread Company also occupies a stall. It's open year round, during the day on Tuesday,

Thursday and Saturday. During growing season, there are additional hours on Friday. And it's all inside, so you don't have to worry about the weather.

Italian Markets

Locations: Macri's Bakery, 214 North Niles, South Bend

Bamber's Superette, 1145 Mishawaka Ave., South Bend

Organic & Natural Products

Locations: Harmony Market, 5616 Grape Road, Mishawaka; 574-273-4026

Down to Earth, 14678 State Road 23, Granger; 574-271-1497

Garden Patch Market, 228 W Edison Road, South Bend; 574-255-3151

Mexican & Latin American Foods

Locations: Santa Rosa, 429 South Walnut, South Bend

Super Mercado Rosales, 620 South Meade, South Bend; 1518 South Michigan, South Bend

Jose and Marciela Navarro (specialty Mexican cheeses), call Broadway Christian Church for information, 574-289-0247.

Fair trade clothing, jewelry and home items

Just Goods

1211 Mishawaka Avenue, South Bend

574-286-5878

“Just Goods” offers clothing, jewelry and products for the home, made with respect for the workers and the environment. Since this shop is across from the Farmer’s Market and just down the street from Bamber’s Superette, you can support local business owners and farmers in one trip! “Just Goods” is open Tuesdays and Saturdays from 9 AM to 3 PM.

<http://www.justgoods.net/index.htm>

Ten Thousand Villages

919 W. McKinley, Mishawaka

574-255-3536

You can purchase unique gifts and home furnishings while providing a vital, fair wage to Third World people. You can find fair trade coffee, textiles, and children’s toys here.

<http://www.tenthousandvillages.com/>

Housing

Yes, There are Nice Places to Live in South Bend

This is our attempt to help you find a place to live. Honestly, finding a place to live in a city where you don't have any connections to is not easy, but we hope that this list of apartment complexes, ratings, and references will help you track down someplace you will enjoy living during your three years at Notre Dame. Fortunately, housing in the South Bend/Mishawaka area is very affordable, especially if you're used to living on the East or West Coasts.

We have tried to include comments from students who are residents of the facilities reviewed. We have also tried to include off-campus complexes where a lot of law students live and others that seem like they might work for law students. There are two complexes we want to warn you against. Hillcrest Apartments and the Notre Dame Apartments, while close to campus, are not in particularly nice areas and are not known for being well-maintained.

Caveat emptor (we're law students – we had to use at least one Latin phrase). Keep in mind that you should verify this information and any information you get from the Housing Office with the landlord or management agency.

Getting Started

Call the University Office of On-Campus and Off-Campus Housing 574-631-5878 and ask them to send you the informational packets on on-campus and off-campus housing options. The information provided on on-campus housing is thorough and very helpful. The packet on off-campus housing (you'll get it in the mail, but you can also log onto their website and print it once you have an AFS ID) has a lot of practical information, like phone numbers and addresses, but it doesn't really tell you what different housing opportunities are like, how far they are from campus, who lives there, etc. We've tried to fill in some of those gaps with the information below. The packet the University puts together for off-campus housing can be really excellent if you're looking to sublet, want to find a roommate, would like to live with a family, etc. Make sure you look at it and cross-reference with the information below.

If you want to live on-campus, submit your application AS SOON AS POSSIBLE! There are many more graduate students who would like the convenience of living in university housing than there are spots. The university recommends you submit your housing applications as soon as you are accepted. If you wait to look for housing, it's unlikely that you'll find an availability on-campus. There is a waiting list, but a spot on a list is not a roof over your head.

Decide what you need out of a living situation before you begin your search. Sit down and ask yourself whether you need to live alone or want to be surrounded by people, do you already have a roommate(s) in mind, what kind of hours you like to keep, what kind of study habits do you have, do you like to cook, do you have a car, how much can you afford to spend, etc. If you know what you want in a place to live, it will be a much smoother process.

Look online. Go to www.southbend.com/RealEstateHome.shtml and search by South Bend and Notre Dame University campus. Also try www.apartmentguide.com. To find apartments around Notre Dame, choose to look for apartments in the state of Indiana in the metro area "Michiana and NW Indiana." On the next screen, choose St. Joseph County. Quite a few of the rental companies have good websites as well. The best we have found is www.edwardrose.com. They run several complexes in both Mishawaka and South Bend.

Good Luck! The good news is that even if you don't like your first year living situation, you'll probably never be there because it's first year, and let's face it, you live at the library! To be totally honest, almost everyone I know is happy with his or her living situation. South Bend is cheap, the people are nice and nothing is too far from campus. So don't sweat the housing search too much and worry about more important things – like finding a bag big enough to haul around 137.5 lbs of law textbooks!

On-Campus Housing

General Contact Info & Website

www.nd.edu/~orlh/housing/graduate/index.htm 574-631-5878

Fischer Graduate Housing

Rent, Utilities & Parking

\$535/month, deposit of \$535

Amenities & Pets

All utilities included. Parking available steps from your door (for an annual fee of \$95). Unfortunately, there's no covered parking so come January get your shovel and scraper ready! There is coin laundry within walking distance. It is only accessible to Notre Dame graduate students, so you can feel safe washing your lucky exam socks alone late at night. No pets (not even fish anymore).

Description

New construction two-bedroom apartments. These are the nicest option for on-campus housing so everyone wants to live here. People who stay on campus for more than one year generally request to live here. You're still right on campus, but you're safely separated from the undergraduate dorms by a parking lot.

Everyone living here is a graduate student. If you apply to live in graduate student housing the University will match you up with one or more roommates from any of the graduate programs, but you can also request a roommate. People keep odd hours because everyone is a student, but there are 24 hour quiet hours (which most people abide by – this doesn't mean that having people over for a party will necessarily get you in trouble, but you may have to tone it down a bit on occasion). It is clean and, best of all, it's managed directly by the University, so problems tend to get fixed extremely fast.

Distance to the Law School

About a 10 minute walk from your door across campus to the door of the law school. You can ride your bike, but you'd never need to drive – although it's not unheard of for people to drive to the lazy lot (you'll have to ask some 2L or 3L about other places we park but aren't supposed to when you get to campus). The student shuttle also stops at FOG, which will also deliver you to the law school in ten minutes. (It takes about 30 minutes to ride back because the shuttle stops at Saint Mary's, Holy Cross and University Village as well. At night and especially during the holiday season, though, it is well worth the time, given how beautiful the campus looks.)

Student Comments

The first great thing about Fischer is the price. It's dirt cheap, and it includes some pretty good furniture. All utilities are paid for at a flat rate (also a very low price), so we had our AC roaring 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. There is almost no noise whatsoever, any time – so it's no Turtle Creek (i.e. MTV Spring Break). The apartment is a decent size – living room, small breakfast nook, 2 bedrooms, bathroom + extra sink, and kitchen. The kitchen is adequate, with a garbage disposal, but unfortunately no dishwasher. Decent closet space, but not great. No laundry machines – you have to walk to the community center, and sometimes it's a very cold walk. Never a security problem, nice area, no thugs or ruffians around. A few more notes: you have a chance of getting a crappy, antisocial roommate – it is a grad student residence, after all. I've lucked out twice, but I know people who haven't fared as well. Also, all ND on-campus housing has PLENTY of rules that they try to mom-and-dad you with – but enforcement is lax. Finally – if you want to live here, book your spot EARLY – it fills up fast.

O'Hara-Grace Graduate Housing

Rent & Lease Terms

\$445/monthly, deposit of \$445

Amenities & Pets

All utilities included. Again, parking is available for an annual \$95 fee. Still no covered parking, though. There is a coin laundry in walking distance. It is only accessible to Notre Dame graduate students. Again, no pets.

Description

Older four-bedroom townhouses. You're right next to Fischer, still safely separated from the undergraduates. There are probably more 1Ls (that's you) in O'Hara-Grace simply because it's harder to get a spot in Fischer. Some 1Ls complain that the apartments are a little run down, but maintenance is reliable. A slightly shorter walk to the law school than from Fischer. You can ride your bike, but you'd never need to drive.

Student Comments

It's cool, depending on who you're living with. A lot of 1Ls live around you and you get to know/party with them. Plenty of space.

O'Hara-Grace Townhouses are located on-campus, right next to the Fischer Graduate Student Housing complexes. Each townhouse is fully furnished and has four bedrooms, one and a half bathrooms, a kitchen, and living area. The bedrooms are located on the upper floor while the living area and kitchen are located on the first floor. It is cheaper to live in O'Hara-Grace than in the Fischer apartments. However, it comes with its share of drawbacks as well:

Four students share one full bathroom. That's one shower for four people!
Four students share one phone line. Students can opt for a personal line for a hefty fee. But it's well worth the price if you want to make and receive phone calls freely.
The buildings (and the furniture) are older than those in the Fischer apartments.

Living at O'Hara-Grace has its advantages too. It is close to school & many of your friends live nearby. Also, the rent (for the entire semester or year) is directly deducted

from your student account so you never have to worry about paying rent and/or electricity.

Between O'Hara-Grace and the Fischer apartments, I would personally would prefer to live in Fischer. I moved off-campus after my first year at O'Hara-Grace. And I wonder if I would have moved at all if I was living in Fischer.

Cripe Street Apartments

Rent & Lease Terms

\$570/month.

Amenities & Pets

Includes rent and phone. No pets.

Description

Housing for married students without children. More information on the website provided above.

University Village Apartments

Rent & Lease Terms

2 bedrooms, \$465/month; 4 bedrooms, \$710/month

Amenities & Pets

Includes washer and dryer, rent and phone.

Description

Housing for married students with children. More information provided on University Housing website.

Off-Campus Housing

Autumn Lakes

1109 Hidden Lakes Drive, Mishawaka 46544

888-223-4129

www.edwardrose.com/autumnlakes/index.html

Rent & Lease Terms

	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom
Bathrooms	1-1.5	2
Price from	\$555-595	\$695-705
Deposit	\$200	\$200
Square Footage	691-790	977-1016
	2 Bedroom Townhouse	3 Bedroom Townhouse
Bathrooms	2-2.5	2.5
Price from	\$1070-1100	\$1200
Deposit	\$500	\$500
Square Footage	1829-1942	2003
Terms of lease:	6 or 12 months	

Bittersweet Pointe

411 Rosewood Drive, Mishawaka 46544

888-202-3153; 574-257-0024

www.apartmentguide.com

Rent & Lease Terms

	2 Bedroom	3 Bedroom
Bathrooms	1	1
Price	\$510-550	\$685-705
Deposit	\$100	\$100
Square Footage	821	1008
Terms of lease:	12 months	

Amenities & Pets

Pets up to 20 pounds are welcome.

Distance from the Law School

3.25 miles

Clover Ridge Apartments

1801 Irish Way, South Bend IN 46637

574-272-1441

www.apartmentguide.com

Rent & Lease Terms

	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	3 Bedroom
Bathrooms	1	2	2
Price	\$710	\$960	\$1130
Deposit	\$250	\$250	\$250
Square Footage	750	1000	1000
Terms of lease:	10 or 12 month.		

Amenities & Pets

Only includes water, sewer and trash for utilities. \$300 pet deposit. Cable and Internet are available. Air Conditioning; Summer Lease Agreements; Laundry Facility; Cable/Satellite TV; Swimming Pool; Cats Allowed; Outdoor Tennis, Basketball, and Volleyball Courts; 24 Hour Answering Service for Maintenance

Distance to the Law School

Just a minute farther down the road than Turtle Creek and Oak Hill. You could walk to campus in 20 minutes or ride your bike in 10 or so. If you have a car you'll probably want to drive, and that will only take about 10-12 minutes door to door.

Description

Close to campus, supermarket and drug store. Remodeled in 2000.

Who Lives There

Pretty much exclusively students, both graduate and undergraduate.

Candlewood Apartments

3902 St. Andrew's Circle, Mishawaka, IN 46545

574-271-9010

www.clovermanagement.com/apartments/indiana/southbend/candle.html

Rent & Lease Terms

	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	3 Bedroom	3 Bedroom
Townhouse				
Bathrooms	1	1 1/2	2	2 1/2
Price	\$640-690	\$700-750	\$910-920	\$1,025
Square Footage	710-925	950-1150	1160	1430
Deposit	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$250

Terms of lease: 6, 9 or 12 months.

Amenities & Pets

Heat is included with your rent, but all other utilities are your responsibility. Carports or garages are available for no charge. Dogs under 35 lbs and cats allowed – \$250 deposit (\$100 of which is nonrefundable) and \$25/month extra. Limit of two pets. Washers and dryers in all apartments; believe me this is such a huge convenience! Indoor pool & outdoor pool. Playground for the kids and a weight room.

Distance to the Law School

Usually under 10 minutes (to C-lot) with a six or seven minute average. Too far to ride a bike, so make sure you have a car.

Description

Right by the movie theater on Edison Road and not too far from campus, Candlewood apartments are spacious and in great condition. Quiet with a strictly enforced noise policy and safety patrol at night.

Who Lives There

While the management claims that there are very few law students and most of the residents are senior citizens and families, don't believe them. This is one of the more popular places for law students to live.

Student Comments

Convenient location with moderate prices. quick access to shopping and restaurants on Grape and McKinley as well as Cinemark Movies 14. Heavy traffic on Edison can make exiting an adventure, but apartment buildings are far enough from the street to avoid noise problems. Facilities include an indoor and outdoor pool, small exercise area, and covered carports. Two-bedroom apartments include a small washer/dryer unit (a real plus) and a dishwasher. Some of the bedrooms do not have phone jacks. Atmosphere varies depending on the number of students in the building. Generally, Candlewood is quiet with law students scattered throughout the complex.

Castle Point Apartments

18011 Cleveland Road, South Bend, IN 46637

574-272-8110

www.castle-point.com

Rent & Lease Terms

	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	2 Bedroom, Den
Bathrooms	1	1.5	1.5
Price	\$499 - \$625	\$640-925	\$925+
Deposit	\$300	\$300	\$300
Square Footage	739-944	1025-1109	1340

Terms of lease: 3, 6, 9, 12, 14 or month to month. Also, ask about student options.

Amenities & Pets

This place has every amenity known to man. It's more of a country club than an apartment complex. You have a pool, tennis courts, basketball courts, a workout facility, a banquet hall, etc. Cats only.

Distance to the Law School

About a 10-15 minute drive. You could possibly ride your bike in the warm weather.

Description

The closest thing to Camelot you'll find in South Bend. The complex was built on this bizarrely landscaped hilly terrain to look like a medieval forest (no, I'm not kidding). The buildings are named things like "Enchanted Forest" and "Camelot". If you have King Arthur fantasies, look no further. In all seriousness, the apartments are relatively new and very attractive. Most students living here are very happy with the experience and have enough space to throw a few parties for the rest of us.

Who Lives There

Students and non-students alike. Quite a few law students live at Castle Point, especially 1Ls.

Student Comments

While most residents agree that the medieval theme of Castle Point is silly, bordering on ridiculous, the complex offers a reasonably priced alternative to living on campus that is no more than a ten minute drive from the Law School.

Units are fairly spacious for the price. Many of the units have been recently renovated with new carpets, paint, kitchen counters, bathrooms and wallpaper (these units are available for a small surcharge). However, all the units have old (and noisy) appliances. Dishwashers are standard, the kitchens have ample counter space and each unit is wired for cable television in both the living room and the bedroom(s). While each building has a laundry room, there are not many machines in each facility, which can be inconvenient, especially on Saturday and Sunday. Laundry is expensive. The staff is helpful and willing to work with students to accommodate preferences and possibly bring the rent down.

The facility also has a fitness club, an outdoor pool (open only in the summer for reasons which will soon be obvious to you) and several tennis courts. The tennis courts are nice, but the weight room is a joke. Admission is free.

Courtyard Place

425 South 25th, South Bend, IN 46615

574-288-2597

Rent & Lease Terms

	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	Deluxe
Bathrooms	1	1.5	1.5
Price	\$489-499	\$529-549	\$549
Deposit	\$0	\$350	\$350
Square Footage	527	664	763
Terms of lease: 3, 6 or 12 months			

Amenities & Pets

laundry facilities, free parking & heat, no pets

Distance to the Law School

Two miles from campus.

Creskside Terre

1000 Creskside Court, Mishawaka 46544

574-255-6572; 888-504-6186

www.apartmentguide.com

Rent & Lease Terms

	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom
Bathrooms	1	1.5
Price	\$505	\$575
Deposit	753	924-1030
Terms of lease: 3, 6 or 12 months		

Amenities & Pets

clubhouse, pool, pets allowed, but must be under 25 lbs. full grown

Distance to the Law School

3 miles

Georgetown

4315 Wimbledon Ct., South Bend, IN 46637

574-272-7286; 888-997-3662

www.apartmentguide.com

Rent & Lease Terms

	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	2 Bedroom + den
Bathrooms	1	1.5	1.5
Price	\$675-725	\$775	\$875
Deposit	\$250	\$250	\$300
Square Footage	820-1020	1100	1200
Terms of lease: flexible			

Amenities & Pets

Garage included in rent. Notre Dame student 5% monthly discount. Pets allowed.

Distance to the Law School

About a seven minute drive, straight north from campus.

Description

Not far from campus. Very nice, but you pay for the quality.

Who Lives There

Very few students. Mostly young families and professionals.

Student Comments

Apartments are spacious, clean, and well-maintained. Each apartment includes a washer and dryer. All appliances are new. Garages are also available. Apartment complex has outdoor swimming pool, tennis and basketball courts, and clubhouse. Located in a quiet residential area about 1/2 mile north of Cleveland Road.

On the down side, one of the more expensive apartment complexes in the area. Traditionally, Georgetown has not been a popular choice among law school students – the tenants are primarily younger professionals, families, and senior citizens. Not the best place to live if you like throwing late-night parties at your apartment.

Although a bit expensive, these apartments feature a number of nice amenities and are located fairly close to campus. Those interested in Georgetown may also want to look at Main Street Village Apartments in Granger. For a slightly higher price, Main Street Village offers brand new apartments with more amenities.

Hurwich Farms

2687 Arabian Court, South Bend, IN 46628

574-273-1800; 888-495-7078

www.edwardrose.com/hurwichfarms/index.html

Rent & Lease Terms

	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom
Bathrooms	1	2
Price	\$550-590	\$680-715
Deposit	\$200	\$200
Square Footage	688-841	922-991
Terms of lease:	6 or 12 months	

Amenities & Pets

Washer and dryer included. Gas and water paid. No pets.

Distance to the Law School

It's a hike. Probably a good ten to fifteen minute drive during "rush hour."

Indian Lakes Apartments

5726 Seneca Drive, Mishawaka, IN 46545

574-277-6541

www.edwardrose.com/indianlakes

Rent & Lease Terms

	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	2 Bedroom
Bathrooms	1	1	2
Price	\$560-650	\$670-690	\$710-735
Deposit	\$200	\$200	\$200
Square Footage	713	890	922

Terms of lease: 6 or 12 months, but negotiable

Amenities & Pets

Washers and dryers included. Water and gas included in rent. Parking is available in front of building, or you can rent a carport for \$22/ month. Each apartment has a patio or balcony off the living room with enclosed storage. Two entrances on each floor. Third floor apartments have cathedral ceilings. There is a swimming pool open from the end of May to the end of September as well as a basketball court. No pets.

Distance to the Law School

Just a little over three miles from campus. About a 10 minute drive with traffic.

Description

You will never have to drive more than three minutes to get to any major store. Literally right next to Sam's Club. Beware, the drive back during rush hour can take as long as 20 minutes. The corner apartments have porches that are perfect for hanging a hammock on.

Who Lives There

Lots of graduate students. Very few undergraduates.

Student Comments

The best thing about living here is the noise policy. People are seriously considerate about other people's hours. I would say that most of the people here are grad students of some kind. I have found their staff to be very helpful. I did all of my planning from out of town and never had a problem with getting information or reaching my rental agent.

Irish Hills

4245 Irish Hills Drive, South Bend, IN 46614

574-291-6808; 888-942-7522

www.edwardrose.com/irishhills

Rent & Lease Terms

	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom
Bathrooms	1	1-1.5
Price	\$400-570	\$505-655
Deposit	\$200	\$200
Square Footage	544-714	707-900
Terms of lease:	6 or 12 months	

Distance to the Law School

4 miles

Main Street Village

5504 Town Center Drive, Granger, IN 46530

574-272-7450; 888-307-2942

www.mainstreetvillageapartments.com

Rent & Lease Terms

	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	3 Bedroom
Bathrooms	1	2	2
Price	\$700-945	\$890-1185	\$1495-1580
Deposit	\$350	\$350	\$350
Square Footage	653-851	999-1185	1312-1360

Terms of lease: 3, 6, 9, or 12 months

Amenities & Pets

Up to two pets allowed (subject to weight limits), but require \$300 deposit. You name it, this place has it. Terrific athletic facilities, pool, clubhouse with surround-sound theater, even a carwash. The apartments include washers and dryers. Some apartments have fireplaces in the apartments, and parking attached. You can also get detached parking for a fee. Hospitality suites are available for rent for guests (especially useful at graduation).

Distance to the Law School

4 miles – probably about fifteen minutes during “rush hour.”

Description

The premium apartment complex in the area. Technically in Granger, but very close to the shopping and restaurants in Mishawaka.

Who Lives There

Young professionals and families. A substantial number of law students live there.

Student Comments

Very nice apartments with several floor plans available. Some include a small office with shelving. All of the apartments have a washer and dryer. With very few children or undergrads living in the complex, the apartments stay relatively quiet (unless someone with dogs lives near you). The office staff handles any issue (noisy pets, fixing drains, etc.) very quickly. A very nice outdoor pool is open all summer. Free breakfast is offered in the clubhouse every Tuesday and Thursday. Police patrol the complex very frequently and each apartment has an alarm system.

Of course, the downside is the expense (the lowest rate is \$700 per month!). If you plan on staying in the area during the summers and after graduation, I recommend looking for a house to purchase. Furthermore, none of the utilities are included in the rent. Phone/internet/cable options are pretty limited right now, but the office promises more companies will be available soon. Also, the management allows you to install a dish in most cases.

You might also want to know that a huge hospital is being built across the street from the complex, which will most likely bring lots of traffic and emergency vehicles. If you value comfort and convenience over “smart spending,” this is the place to stay.

The Pointe at St. Joseph

307 East LaSalle Ave. South Bend, IN 46617

574-272-2684; 888-661-6741

www.apartmentguide.com

Rent & Lease Terms

	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom
Bathrooms	1	2
Price	\$645-690	\$710-890
Deposit	\$200	\$200
Square Footage	700-800	1020-1151

Terms of lease: 6 or 12 months

Amenities & Pets

Pets allowed, with \$125 refundable deposit.

Distance to the Law School

A five to ten minute drive. Wouldn't bike it as it takes you through some pretty rough neighborhoods.

Description

Nice looking complex overlooking the St. Joseph River downtown. Only a few blocks from Corby's and Macri's. Ready access to the river walk and the chase (for kayaking).

Who Lives There

Mix of students and young professionals.

Student Comments

The Pointe is a great place. The apartments are spacious and clean. They come with washer and dryer. Everything is included in the price, except electricity and gas. The staff is friendly and usually services your requests promptly. Not many students so it's very quiet. Although it's in downtown South Bend, it's pretty safe. However, my wife and I are pretty careful if we venture out past 10:00 PM. My car was broken into once, but nothing was stolen. If I were to come back to South Bend after graduation, I'd stay at the Pointe again and not look anywhere else.

Riverside North Apartments

1671 Riverside Drive

574-233-2212

www.chrisken.com/portfolio/riversidenorth.htm

Rent & Lease Terms

	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	3 Bedroom
Bathrooms	1	1, 2	2
Price	\$550-575	\$595-810	\$880-925
Deposit	\$250	\$250	\$250
Square Footage	700	900-1200	1300-1410

Terms of lease: 6, 9 or 12 months.

Amenities & Pets

Dishwasher, compact washer & dryer included in rent, electric heat is not included in the rent. Apartments are fully carpeted, with walk-in closets and a porch/balcony for each unit. Carports can be rented month to month (especially for the winter). Pets accepted but there is breed restriction.

Distance to the Law School

Right around five minutes to get to the school parking lot (and another five minutes walking from there).

Description

A quiet, fairly affordable complex two miles west of campus.

Who Lives There

Mainly families and elderly residents, with only a handful of law students living there and seemingly no undergraduates around.

Student Comments

It is a more affordable alternative to Candlewood or some of the other places if you want to live by yourself. There is a \$25/month Notre Dame discount, so be sure to ask for that when you are applying. I've found on-site management to be pretty friendly and helpful. It's kept up pretty well for an older building, and repairs have been attended to within 24 hours of my requests. It is a great quiet place to study if you like to do that at home instead of at school. It is conveniently located to school and to groceries, and it is a great place if you are a jogger. The complex is situated across from the river, so when it's warm enough you can jog or bike up and down the river, which is about as pretty as South Bend can get (away from the Notre Dame campus, that is). Also very safe, if you're considering living alone.

Runaway Bay

302 Runaway Bay Circle, Mishawaka, IN 46545

888-440-0776

<http://www.runaway-bay.com/HomePage.html>

Rent & Lease Terms

	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom
Bathrooms	1	1, 2
Price	\$595-655	\$680-775
Deposit	\$200	\$200
Square Footage	676-841	868-1000
Terms of lease:	6 or 12 months	

Distance to the Law School

About a ten minute drive to campus – just south of Grape Road.

Student Comments

Runaway Bay offers a good combination of quality for price in an apartment complex. They may run slightly more expensive than some complexes, but the additional square footage in your kitchen and bathroom make it worthwhile.

Every unit has a fireplace and balcony. Most have laundry hook-ups with the option to rent a washer and dryer (this is where they get you, though). If you prefer to use this room for storage space, a public washer and dryer is available for every twelve units. The walls are a bit thin, so don't talk about your guests as they arrive since they can hear everything in the hallway.

The service from the office and repair staff is great. They resolve every repair the day you raise it. The facility has a fitness room, an outdoor pool and two tennis/basketball courts. Pets are allowed, but only up to 35 pounds.

Turtle Creek Apartments

1710 Turtle Creek Drive, South Bend, IN 46637

574-272-8124

<http://aimcou.com/turtlecreeknd/default.asp?CommID=14>

Rent & Lease Terms

	Studio	1 Bedroom	2 Bedrooms	2 Bedroom
Townhouse				
Bathrooms	1	1	1	1.5
Price	\$493-543	\$593	\$693	\$943
Security Deposit	\$400	\$400	\$400	\$400
Square Footage	255-400	650	850	1200

Amenities & Pets

Water and electric are not included. They normally run about \$30-50/ month. Parking is included, visitor parking is available. You can pay a little extra for a covered carport. Pool, beach volleyball court, outdoor barbeques, cement turtles, "rally in the alley." Pets are allowed.

Distance to the Law School

A hop, skip and a jump between the athletic fields on foot gets you to the law school in 15 minutes. On your bike under 10 minutes. I drive and park in C1 by the stadium and I get from my door to school in 10 minutes. In terms of distance, you won't find a more convenient location than this.

Description

This is the closest possible living arrangement to campus. The apartments are nice and in relatively good shape. The management is professional and there is a police officer living in the complex.

Who Lives There

The undergraduate hockey team! Well, not just them, but TC is notorious for its rowdy undergraduate parties, so know in advance what you are getting yourself into. The trick is to request to live in the one building which only has quiet students . . . seriously they have one, I live there, it's as silent as the grave. Meanwhile people are doing kegstands in the building next door. If you like the undergrad life and aren't quite ready to let go, then live in one of the "not so quiet" buildings. There are a few law students here, but mostly people who don't mind a little noise. People here are friendly and the maintenance staff is great.

Student Comments

"The boys lacrosse team lives here, what can I say."

"I recommend living here, it's equidistant from groceries, the bar and school!"

University Park Apartments

Douglas Road & Grape Road, Mishawaka

574-277-7730

http://www.moveitonup.com/states_in_southbend.asp

Rent & Lease Terms

	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	3 Bedroom
Bathrooms	1	1	1.5	1.5
Price	\$555-593	\$614-663	\$725-743	\$835-853
Security Deposit	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200
Square Footage	702	905	1000	1200

Amenities & Pets

Trash removal and water included in rent, but not gas or electric. Parking is free in front of your building or you can pay \$15/month to rent a carport. 24-hour coin laundry available on property. There are washer/dryer connections available in the townhouses: you can install your own or rent from the management. You can have two pets, 75 lbs max. The pet will cost \$15/ month with a refundable \$200 deposit.

Distance to the Law School

Only a couple miles from the law school. About a 5-10 minute drive.

Description

One of Gene Glick's properties. Everything is in great condition and the management is responsive and professional. The apartments are nice and the appliances are fairly new . . . no 30 year old stoves like at O'Hara-Grace or Turtle Creek. Best of all, there is a rent discount for Notre Dame Law Students!

Who Lives There

Graduate students, both married and single, but not many children.

Student Comments

University Park is located near the corner of Grape and Douglas Roads in Mishawaka. It is approximately 2.5 miles from campus. In good traffic, the drive is seven minutes to campus. To get from door to door in most conditions is a 15-20 minute proposition. For ND students and employees, the complex does not require a security deposit. The apartments are clean and functional, and the staff is generally friendly. There is a pool and a sauna on site. On the bad side, there is only one central laundry facility that you must drive to in order to wash clothes. Also, there are more townies than in other complexes. The distance is a good buffer from campus and its bustle. The proximity to Grape Road shopping is a double-edged sword because while it is convenient to have close shopping, there can be noise problems. All in all, though, this is a great option for 1Ls; it can be summed up as convenient, clean, and affordable housing.

Williamsburg On the Lake

302 Village Drive, Mishawaka, IN 46545

574-256-0237

http://www.moveitonup.com/states_in_mishawaka.asp

Rent & Lease Terms

	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	2 Bedrooms	3 Bedrooms
Bathrooms	1	1	1.5	1.5
Price	\$550-577	\$630-661	\$735-751	\$890-901
Square Footage	700	905	1,000	1,200
Deposit	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200

Terms of lease: 3, 6, 9, 10 or 12 months

Amenities & Pets

Gas included in your rent. Parking is available right in front of the buildings. You can also rent a carport for \$15/month on a month to month basis (I recommend a carport for the winter). There are 24 hr/day coin laundry facilities on the property. The townhouses have washer/dryer connections, so you can install your own or rent from the management company for \$28/month. You can have up to two pets. The weight limit is 80 lbs. There is a deposit fee, which changes depending on how "damaging" your pet looks, so call and ask.

Distance to the Law School

About a 10 minute drive.

Description

You know you're not an undergrad anymore when you move into an apartment like this. The apartments are very well kept and spacious. Manager Gene Glick is known for taking great care of his properties and his renters. There is a strictly enforced noise policy, so don't live here if you like to play your electric guitar.

Who Lives There

According to their leasing office there are a lot of law students at Williamsburg, but not many undergraduates. The management said their tenants range from single, married and married with small children.

Student Comments

Rent is reasonable and gas is included. Electricity is a separate utility, more expensive in the summer due to air conditioning. Management is alert and always helpful. Laundry facilities are available near the clubhouse (which includes a meeting room and an outdoor pool). A washer/dryer combo is available for a minimal rental cost inside the apartment as well as a reserved carport.

Houses and Rooms/Apartments in Houses

The housing office has a list of houses, rooms, and apartments in houses that are available for rent. If you are interested, please contact the housing office or go to the office's website at www.nd.edu/~orlh. You can also find a local real estate agent.

If you want to buy houses, the best time to look is in the spring, and fortunately, property prices in South Bend are very good. Also check out www.Southbend.com/RealEstateHome.shtml. Check the Class of 2011 web site for a list of houses 3Ls are interested in selling too!

Banks & Banking

Where to Store that Student Loan Money

Area Banks

Bank One/Chase

2101 South Bend Ave.

574-283-4150

www.BankOne.com

Two locations in the South Bend/Mishawaka area. Value One Checking offers a basic checking account with a \$9 monthly service fee that is waived with a minimum balance of \$700. Basic One Checking offers a lower monthly fee for people who prefer internet and ATM banking. Special offer to Notre Dame students at this branch: first box of checks free.

1st Source Bank

2230 South Bend Ave.

574-235-2230

www.1stsource.com

Sixteen branches in the South Bend/Mishawaka area. Operates an ATM machine in the Hesburgh Library. Value Checking offers a basic checking account with no activity, maintenance, or per check fees. Also ask about special accounts for Notre Dame students.

Fifth-Third Bank

218 West Washington

574-245-5000

www.53.com

Two branches in South Bend/Mishawaka area. Totally Free Checking offers basic checking with no fees and no minimum balance. An e53 account offers free checking with statements available on-line. Free gift with any new account. The bank's name comes from the names of two banks that merged to form it – the Fifth Bank of Ohio and the Third Bank of Ohio.

Keybank

525 West Cleveland (next to mall)

574-237-5384

www.keybank.com

Eleven branches in the South Bend/Mishawaka area. ATM machines located throughout the area. Key Student Checking is a free checking account that provides students convenience and cost-savings. Key Express Free Checking is a basic checking account with no fees and no minimum balance. Key Advantage and Key Privilege are designed for higher balances and business banking, and require a minimum balance.

MFB

100 East Wayne Street, Suite 150

574-289-1100

www.mfbbankonline.com

Seven branches in the South Bend/Mishawaka area. Ultimate Checking is their basic checking account. Offers "Courtesy Pay", a special overdraft privilege for checking clients.

National City

1345 North Michigan

800-774-2424

www.national-city.com

Thirteen branches in the South Bend/Mishawaka area. Offers a checking service designed for students, as well as regular checking accounts. Many of the checking accounts also have overdraft protections.

Notre Dame Federal Credit Union

19033 Douglas Road

800-522-6611

(ATM in LaFortune Student Center at Notre Dame)

www.ndfcu.com

Six branches in the South Bend/Mishawaka area. Numerous ATM machines on campus, including an office in the LaFortune Student Center. Share Draft Checking offers basic checking account with no fees. Interest is paid on balance. Very popular with law students.

Teacher's Credit Union

110 North Main Street

574-232-8012

www.tcunet.com

Six branches in the South Bend/Mishawaka area. Numerous ATMs. Because it's a credit union, it may be available to all students. However, it does offer free Internet bill paying, and the first box of checks is free.

Campus ATM's**Decio Hall**

Accessible from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Operated by Notre Dame Federal Credit Union.

Grace Hall

Accessible from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Operated by Notre Dame Federal Credit Union.

Hammes-Notre Dame Bookstore

West side of the building in the west entrance. West doors are kept locked, so you need to walk through the Bookstore. Access limited to Bookstore hours. Operated by Notre Dame Federal Credit Union.

Hesburgh Library

In the basement. Available only when library is open. Operated by First Source Bank.

Joyce Athletic & Convocation Center

Southwest corner of building facing parking lot C1. 24 hour access. Operated by Notre Dame Federal Credit Union.

LaFortune Student Center

In the basement of the building. Operated by Notre Dame Federal Credit Union. 24 hour access.

Main Building (the Dome)

In the basement. Accessible from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Operated by Notre Dame Federal Credit Union.

North Dining Hall

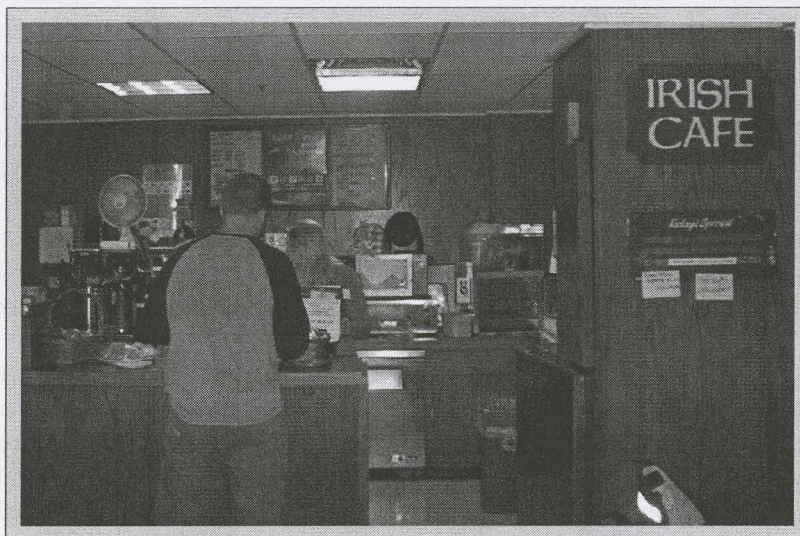
24-hour access. Operated by Notre Dame Federal Credit Union. This is also the ATM within shortest walking distance to graduate student housing.

Reckers

Next to the entrance for Reckers on the south side of the South Dining Hall. 24 hour access. Operated by Notre Dame Federal Credit Union, and a very short walk from the law school.

Notre Dame Federal Credit Union is the only on-campus bank. First Source, Chase, Fifth-Third, LaSalle, National City, Teachers Credit Union and Wells Fargo are all in the area. Bank of America has an ATM in the University Park Mall in Mishawaka, but the ATM does not allow deposits.

♣Susan Brunka, Class of 2007



Copies

Where to Go to Get Resumes Copied and Printed

Allegra Print & Imaging

1539 North Ironwood Drive, South Bend

574-234-9484

129 North Main Street, South Bend

574-234-9484

www.allegranetwork.com

Can order copies online as well as in-store, which is very helpful if you're running late. However, the online ordering requires a password, so you'll have to plan ahead.

The Copy Shop

LaFortune Student Center (on-campus)

574-631-2679

www.ndcopyshop.com

Has student discounts. Recently merged with Print Services, so the Copy Shop now offers large format printing and copying. Now known as FedEx/Kinkos – LaFortune.

Kinko's

2202 South Bend Ave., South Bend

574-271-0398

www.fedex.com/us/officeprint/main

At the corner of Ironwood and SR-23, right behind Starbucks. Open 24 hours. Everything you'd expect from Kinko's, including self-service. Kinko's has combined with Federal Express, so you can ship your resumes all over the world when you finish copying them.

Mail Boxes Etc.

2043 South Bend Ave., South Bend

574-277-6245

5776 Grape Road, Mishawaka

574-273-8382

www.mbe.com

Since it combined with UPS, it's good for when you need copies . . . or when you have to ship your copies somewhere . . . or both!

Computers

Computers are essential to law school. We can't imagine what typing 60-page law review notes with hundreds of footnotes or even moot court briefs on a typewriter was like. You will be frustrated enough if you have to type your bar application on a typewriter during your third year to make you forgive any problems you have ever had with a computer.

The overwhelming majority of students bring a laptop to class to take notes/surf the internet/chat. Now, with the introduction of Electronic Blue Book, most students will also use their laptops for exams. Professors allow students to use laptops during class to take notes and the like, but it's usually not a good idea to hide behind your screen when you are answering a question. The entire building has a wireless computer network, so it's especially nice to have a wireless card. The network supports both Macs and PCs and laptop users can even print directly to the printers in the computer labs from anywhere in the building.

The Law School works out a great deal every year with a major computer manufacturer to provide sale-priced notebooks to its students. Generally there's the "cheap model" (read "everything you need") and then the "expensive model" (read "nice, but not necessarily what you need"). The expensive model is nice, but, as has already been mentioned, the cheap model offers everything you need. For the most up to date information, please check the website at <http://lawlibrary.nd.edu/technology/>.

For those who don't have a laptop or a computer at all, the law school has two computer clusters that are open 24 hours a day. On the main floor of the library you will find the main cluster with 34 PCs and 2 Macs. On the third floor, the instructional law has an additional 13 computers that are available for student use except when Westlaw and Lexis hold computer training (these sessions are often pretty good, by the way, and you get free points and/or goodies). The labs have three high speed laser printers and printing in the law school is free for law students.

Computer clusters are also sprinkled around the campus and, of course, are available to you as a Notre Dame student. Because you have your own private account on the university server, you are able to access work saved to the "N:" drive from anywhere, on campus or off, which is especially handy when you've inadvertently used your last diskette as a coaster. One word of caution, however: if you choose to print in a "remote forum" (say, at the main library), printing will be charged against your student account. Students start each semester with \$100 on their account for printing and pages are 10¢ each.

You will get free access to Westlaw and Lexis when you arrive on campus (enjoy them...they'll never be truly free again). Westlaw and Lexis are powerful legal databases that provide access to just about any legal source you can think of (except the one you need at 2:00 a.m. the night before a paper is due). Both provide training, competitions to encourage use, and free printing. The Lexis and Westlaw printers in the law school can be selected from the company's internet sites and are available from anywhere, including off campus. Lexis and Westlaw also provide employment opportunities for 2Ls and 3Ls as student representatives. In addition to handing out points, the reps get extra training in using Lexis and Westlaw – and then hang out at the lab, ready, willing and able to answer all your research questions.

If you have computing questions, the Law School has several onsite computer experts and they're incredibly helpful. Contact Dan Manier (manier.2@nd.edu, 631-3939), Director of Information Technology, Joshua Baltazar, (baltazar.1@nd.edu 631-9793), or Jeremy Brown (jbrown7@nd.edu, 631-9793) for assistance. Campus-wide computing assistance is available through the Office of Information Technology, Room 111, CCMB (www.nd.edu/~ndoit, 631-1111)

Cell Phones

Can You Hear Me Now?

As cell phones are rather popular these days and many law students carry them, we thought we ought to mention something about them in this Guide. Since all of the major cell phone companies provide service in South Bend, picking a provider is probably going to be based on what kind of a plan you can get, and what type of service you might expect to experience at Notre Dame itself.

Reception inside of the law school building is a tricky thing, although it is somewhat better now that the wireless computer network has been installed. Quality of reception varies by both the provider, and model of cell phone. The University partnered with Verizon and AT&T and allowed these providers to install a significant number of new antennas around campus, so service is relatively reliable with these providers in most parts of the law school and around campus. Those with T-Mobile and Sprint sometimes have service, but it is somewhat less consistent than AT&T and Verizon.

In the library, reception varies wildly although it's usually a no-go in the stacks and the deep bowels of the library. The policy for cell phones in the library is to be courteous: don't make calls from the library and don't take calls in the library. Leaving your phone on vibrate-only mode is fine unless you leave and leave your phone on your desk and your significant other calls repeatedly wondering where you are. And, as every law student soon discovers, remember that when you take your call out of the library and into the hallway, there are still people about, people who may not be interested in learning all about your weekend in New York.

If you're looking to get a new plan, Verizon and AT&T tend to have the best reception, followed by T-Mobile and Sprint. Just keep in mind that you might need more minutes than you had before. Those cell phones will be very useful both for keeping in touch with loved ones who haven't seen you since you disappeared into the law school library and for your job search.

Law school lore used to say that our building is built like a castle – impenetrable to invading armies and cell signals alike. While this remains true for many service providers, keep in mind that if you are fortunate enough to have service in the classrooms, this may be more of a curse than a blessing. Many professors will pause their lectures when a phone rings, most that don't send a glare in the direction of the ring, and all of them don't like it. We recommend not letting it happen.

Common Providers

Cingular

In University Park Mall, Mishawaka

574-243-8069

Nextel

In University Park Mall, Mishawaka

574-271-8399

Sprint PCS

2035 South Bend Avenue, South Bend

574-277-7727

In University Park Mall, Mishawaka

Verizon Wireless

505 W Douglas Road, Mishawaka,

574-271-9819

Liquid Refreshments

This is an Irish School, After All

A great deal of the University social scene happens in bars. Even if you don't drink, you should be prepared to visit with your friends at one (or more) of these places occasionally. If you do drink, you should know that this is a town that takes their drinking very seriously.¹

Bookmakers

2046 South Bend Avenue, South Bend

574-272-1766

A large bar near campus which has undergone several name changes. The food is not great, but Bookmakers, due to numerous TVs, is a good place to watch a game. Watch out for large crowds during major sporting events and a really smokey atmosphere.

Blarney Stone/Library/Finnegan's

Michigan and Wayne, South Bend

This bar has been known in the past for its numerous name changes and the ease with which undergrads were able to gain entry using questionable identification. The current version (Blarney Stone) has gained popularity among two groups, law students and athletes. It is not uncommon to see members of the football or basketball team in the mix here.

C.J.'s

417 North Michigan Street, South Bend

574-233-5981

The best burger in the area, hands down. C.J.'s is a place to catch lunch or dinner, a drink and listen to live music.

Club 23

744 North Notre Dame Avenue, South Bend

574-234-4015

Club 23 is an undergrad bar with sticky carpets and great drink specials. They play karaoke on Monday nights and get amazingly busy, especially the Monday after the law school starts.

Club Fever (Formerly Heartland)

222 South Michigan Street, South Bend

574-234-5200

One of South Bend's only true "night clubs." This club features a mixture of locals, undergrads and grads dancing to the latest music.

Club Landing

1717 Lincolnway East, South Bend

574-289-4122

A place to go dance and grab a beer, mostly a younger crowd. Salsa dancing on Thursdays. This bar is more of a locals' bar which is a shame because it features a dance floor, several bars and a very extensive outdoor deck which overlooks the river.

Club LaSalle

115 West Colfax, South Bend; <http://www.lasallegrill.com/club/clublasalle.html>

574-288-1155

The classiest place to get a drink in South Bend and the only true cigar bar. Located above the LaSalle Grill in downtown South Bend, business casual dress is required most nights. A great

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It's kind of a dichotomy, though. You can't buy liquor from a grocery (or similar) store on Sunday, but you can drink at a bar. Something to think about when making plans.

place to catch live jazz on the weekends. They have a large humidor and personal cigar boxes you can rent.

Corby's Irish Pub

441 East LaSalle, South Bend

574-233-5326

Corby's is the quintessential Notre Dame bar and has been featured in the movie *Rudy*. Corby's has several pool tables and a great outdoor area. The bar is packed to capacity during home games and is a huge hit with most law students. Corby's has become the place to meet your fellow law students on the Thursday before the start of law school.

Current Affair Martini Bar; http://www.nilesriverfrontcafe.com/martini_bar.phtml

In the Niles Riverfront Café, 219 North Front Street, Niles, MI

269-684-2233

Upscale, chic lounge with specialty drinks, wines, micro-brews and, of course, martinis! The Riverfront is also a coffeehouse and smoke-free.

Fiddler's Hearth

127 North Main Street, South Bend; <http://www.fiddlershearth.com/>

574-232-2853

Arguably one of the best, if not the best, bars in South Bend. Fiddler's Hearth features the best Guinness in town, cider on tap, good Irish-pub fare and lots of good music. Popular every night of the week, especially with law students looking to enjoy a relaxed evening out, it tends to get very packed on Friday and Saturday nights. Wednesday night is open mic night and has featured the musical abilities of several law students. Try their Sunday Brunch while listening to live music too!

Legends

University of Notre Dame; <http://www.legendsofnotredame.org/club/>

574-631-2582

The on-campus bar/nightclub, formerly known as Senior Bar. Though the bar has the best collection of bottled beers in the area, it also features the worst service. Your experience may include a 30 minute wait for your drink followed by a visit by the waitress informing you that they are out of whatever you ordered. Sign up for their weekly newsletter to keep on top of what bands are playing there every week.

Linebacker Lounge ("Backer")

1631 South Bend Avenue (walking distance from campus)

574-289-0186

All roads lead to the Backer! The Backer tends to get packed every Friday and Saturday after midnight. The Backer is a true Jekyll and Hyde bar which may be empty prior to midnight and standing room only thereafter. The floor is sticky, the temperature is extreme, and the fun is unlimited. There is a cover, but in exchange you receive a ticket good for one drink. The house specialty is a long island ice tea which is well worth the cover. It is almost impossible to get into on Football weekends. The Backer is truly a Notre Dame Institution.

Mishawaka Brewing Company

3703 North Main, Mishawaka; <http://www.mishawakabrewingcompany.com/>

574-256-9993

German-style food and their own really good micro-brewed beers (and root beer!) are the signatures of the Brew Co. The focus here is more on relaxing with friends and taking your mind off of things than anything else. Definitely one place you have to try while you're here. Tuesday night \$4 pitcher specials.

NOMA

119 North Michigan Street, South Bend

Eclectic/fusion bar and restaurant. The DJ in the bar helps create a unique atmosphere. Upscale and new to SB.

Oaken Bucket

1212 South Ironwood, South Bend

574-289-1616

Not too many people know about this place, but it is one of the best burgers in the area. It is about a 10 minute drive from campus, but it is definitely worth the trip, especially if you are looking for food along with your drinks!

Oyster Bar

Main Street, South Bend

574-288-3776

Right next to Fiddler's Hearth, it is one of the few three floor bars in South Bend. The food is good and they have a large selection of drinks. Don't forget the third floor bar (faster drinks) and pool tables.

Pat's Colonial Pub

901 West 4th Street, Mishawaka

574-259-8282

Near downtown Mishawaka; ND Fight Song played here frequently. Again, we know of no law students who have ever actually been to Pat's.

Rumrunners

100 Center, Mishawaka (just off Main)

574-259-7522

A dueling piano bar and grill, one of the draws is Wednesday nights – 75 cent well drinks all night long. A big Wednesday hang out for grads and undergrads.

The Vine

103 West Colfax, South Bend; <http://www.thevinesb.com/>

574-234-9463

Wine bar in downtown South Bend. Really good food and drinks.

Restaurants

Everything from Fine Dining to Late-night Dives

Some Social Suggestions. . .

	Start with. . .	Go to. . .	End with. . .
After Exams	Leahy's / Morris Inn	CJ's	The Backer
Girls' Night Out	A day spa	Fondue!	La Salle
Guys' Night Out	Between The Buns	CJ's	Beer (anywhere)
Football Weekend	Corby's	Legends	The Backer (if you can fit)
Parental Visit	Fiddler's Hearth	The Emporium	Turn in early
Hot Date	Carraba's	Francesco's	South Bend Chocolate Café

American

You've heard of most of these places. South Bend has no shortage of chain restaurants. You will find we have omitted fast-food restaurants – don't worry, there's an overabundance of those, too.

Applebee's

6615 North Main Street, Mishawaka

574-273-0003

Offers steak, ribs, burgers, soups and sandwiches. There is also a location north of the Toll Road on Portage Road that tends not to be as busy as the restaurants on Grape Road after football games.

Between the Buns

1803 South Bend Ave., South Bend

574-247-9293

A friendly, neighborhood sports bar since 1985. Great burgers and fried foods! TV monitors in each booth to watch your favorite sports or news programs.

Buffalo Wild Wings (BW3s)

123 West Washington, South Bend

574-232-2293

4343 N. Grape Rd., Mishawaka

574-272-9464

Wings, beer, sports . . . all the essentials. Even if you don't like wings, they have plenty of other kinds of food, even meat-free food. A great place to watch sports.

Chili's

4810 Grape Road, Mishawaka

574-271-1330

Try their Fajita-Rita Monday Nights (fajitas for two are \$10 with \$2 margaritas).

Culver's

5520 North Main Street, Mishawaka

574-271-7161

Somewhere between fast-food and sit-down, Culver's offers the usual burgers, fries, sandwiches and salads along with frozen custard for dessert. Keep an eye out for the "Flavor of the Day," and remember—they call them "Butterburgers," which means they're as unhealthy AND great-tasting as they sound. Free ice cream with a kid's meal.

Damon's The Place For Ribs

52885 U.S. 31 North

574-272-5478

Also the place for big screen TVs. You can find better ribs elsewhere, though.

Doc Pierce's

120 North Main Street, Mishawaka

574-255-7737

Place for steaks – under same ownership as the Emporium.

East Bank Emporium

121 S. Niles Ave., South Bend

574-234-9000

A multi-level restaurant overlooking the St. Joseph River and the East Race waterway. Casual and fine dining, including prime rib, steak, and seafood.

Famous Dave's Bar-B-Que

6402 Grape Road, Mishawaka

574-277-1888

Halfway-decent chain BBQ place. The menu is more fun and slightly (but only slightly) more authentic than Smokey Bones, and the quality of the food is not as great as it once was, but for unobjectionable chain BBQ, you can't go wrong here.

Garfield's Restaurant & Pub

In University Park Mall

574-273-2113

Houlihan's

4240 North Main, Mishawaka

574-271-3663

One of the nicer chains in the area, featuring private wine boxes belonging to local and regional VIPs (If Coach Charlie doesn't have one yet, he surely will soon). Also offers a delicious weekend brunch.

Jersey Mike's Giant Subs

5718 North Main, Mishawaka

574-247-0056

Located next to Indian Lakes Apartments. They offer great subs at a great price –these authors highly recommends at least one lunch trip there.

Jimmy Johns

54570 North Ironwood, South Bend

574-277-8500

At the corner of Ironwood and SR 23, this place has great subs. Plus, they deliver right to the Law School and they're open late–crucial during finals week.

J&W Taste of New Orleans

1212 Beyer Street (right next to the Farmer's Market), South Bend

574-289-9237

Professor Garnett tells us it is cheap (and tasty) New Orleans, Southern, and Cajun food. Even though he has spent some time in Alaska, I would take his word on this. Closed Sunday.

K's Grill & Pub

1733 South Bend Avenue (SR23), South Bend

574-277-2527

They bring out homemade cookies as appetizers. Ask the waitress about the "student discount" -- \$1 hotdogs and \$1 beers. You have to ask to get it.

Legends of Notre Dame

On campus

574-631-2582

Impressive selection of domestic, import and local beers. A little pricey for the quality of the food, but the location can't be beat. Local and up-and-coming bands perform many weekends.

Le Peep

127 South Michigan, South Bend

574-288-7337

307 East University Drive, Mishawaka

574-271-7337

Voted best breakfast in South Bend, according to their own materials. It's definitely worth the honor. Great lunch options too.

Lone Star Steakhouse

4725 Grape Road, Mishawaka

574-272-5656

Does a mean pork chop and Delmonico steak.

Main Street Grille

112 North Main, Mishawaka

574-254-4995

Casual but upscale with an adjoining art gallery.

Macri's

214 North Niles, South Bend

574-280-4824

227 West University Drive, Mishawaka

574-277-7273

Run by an Italian family. Sandwiches are terrific—try the Godfather. The desserts are terrific, as well. The downtown South Bend location is a good place for lunch with family or friends. Try the Mishawaka location to watch a game or play trivia.

Max & Erma's

4340 North Main Street, Mishawaka

574-243-5600

Another Midwest-based chain, this is one of the newest additions on the Main Street corridor in Mishawaka. Great burgers in two sizes — "Max" and "Erma" — and best of all, fresh-baked chocolate chip cookies and milk for dessert. Or if you prefer, they have a sundae bar too.

Morris Bistro

211 North Michigan, South Bend

574-245-6085

Located on the lower level of the Morris Performing Arts Center. Open for lunch and for two hours before performances at the MPAC.

Nick's Patio

1710 N. Ironwood, South Bend

574-277-7400

Open 24-hours! Traditional American cuisine, good service, close to campus for those late-night study breaks.

Outback Steakhouse

4611 Grape Road, Mishawaka

574-271-2333

If you've never been, you've gotta go. It's worth the price. We suggest the Bloomin' Onion.

Old Country Buffet

5540 Grape Road, Mishawaka (Wilshire Plaza)

574-277-7077

Not for the small of stomach. For sheer volume of food for the money, nothing beats the OCB. The salad bar is quite good, as are the multiple-drink refills and the ice cream bar. There are different entrées for every day of the week, and during Lent, they have fish fry Fridays.

Panera Bread

4310 North Main, Mishawaka

574-243-0001

1290 East Ireland Road, South Bend

574-231-4932

Great soup and sandwiches, and fast service too!

Red Lobster

3930 North Main, Mishawaka

574-255-6306

Ryan's Steakhouse

4811 Grape Road, Mishawaka

574-277-4949

Smokey Bones BBQ

4010 North Main, Mishawaka

574-255-2561

Rustic, mountain lodge décor, yummy BBQ.

TGI Friday's

4730 Grape Road, Mishawaka

574-271-8443

1240 East Ireland Road, South Bend

574-291-9070

Asian, Indian and Mediterranean Food

Number 1 Chinese Restaurant

301 S. Michigan Street

574-234-8888

The best lo mein in town, and a pretty decent lunch buffet. Conveniently located across the street from the IRS.

Cambodian Thai

299 S. Michigan St., South Bend

574-289-2877

Wide selection at affordable prices.

Golden Dragon

3302 North Portage Ave., South Bend

574-243-8800

Their sign reads: "We Delivery!" which makes ordering out from one of their three locations that much more enjoyable.

Hanayori of Japan

3601 Grape Road, Mishawaka

574-258-5817

They cook at your table – be sure to make reservations, especially for dinner.

Mikado

402 N. Dixie Way (US 31), South Bend

574-272-2535

Just a few minutes north of campus, Mikado offers Japanese cuisine at low prices and no wait: you will always be quickly seated and served. Make sure to order saki bombs for the table.

Tokyo Japanese Restaurant

123 North Street Joseph

The priciest of area Japanese restaurants, it is widely regarded as being a surprisingly good sushi joint. Downtown South Bend.

Toyo Grill

620 West Edison Road

574-254-9120

Great Wall

222 South Dixie Way (US 31)

574-272-7376

Sunday buffets are the way to go at the Wall.

Mandarin House

2104 Edison Road

574-287-4414

Many recommend the lunch specials.

Seoul Garden Korean and Japanese Restaurant

1628 E. McKinley, South Bend

574-255-6960

Great selection and good prices.

Sunny's Korean Garden

512 South Spring, Mishawaka

574-255-5274

Receives many recommendations from the Professors Garnett (try the Princess Chicken).

Khun Daeng-Thai Kitchen

302 East Russ Avenue, Mishawaka

574-259-0735

Another fabulous restaurant that looks like a house from the outside. Don't be put off – go inside and treat yourself to the best Thai in the area. Pad thai is good, curry is very good. Great menu overall, and they will modify for vegan palates or to suit your spiciness preferences.

Siam Thai Restaurant

211 North Main, South Bend

574-232-4445

Small and quaint, but terrific food. Wide array of dishes and desserts as well as the full selection from Republic of Teas. The Pad Thai is superb – try it spicy!

Star of India

620 West Edison, Mishawaka

574-254-9924

An excellent and affordable lunch buffet, offered every day of the week, is the best way to get started at Star of India.

Taj Restaurant

508 West McKinley, Mishawaka

574-254-9070

Wonderful Indian cuisine! Wonderful lunch buffet too.

Café Gulistan

13581 Red Arrow Highway, Harbert, Michigan

269-469-6779

Middle-eastern/Mediterranean cuisine. Worth the 40-minute drive!

Elia's Mediterranean

115 Dixieway North, South Bend

574-277-7239

Great falafel, tabbouleh and lentil soup!

Italian

When the moon hits your eyes. . . choose a fine bottle of wine, order spaghetti to share, and you've got all the makings of amoré. Now if you were only sure that darn pesto bit wasn't stuck between your front teeth.

Bruno's

2610 Prairie Ave., South Bend

574-288-3320

Famous for pizza, but offers amazing pasta dinners! This family-operated restaurant is a must. You may even get to meet the owners Bruno or Rosa when you are there! We recommend the luncheon all-you-can eat pizza and pasta buffet too!

Carrabba's Italian Grill

210 West Day Road, Mishawaka

574-247-9460

An Italian chain restaurant with fine food and a nice atmosphere.

Ciao's Italian Bakery & Restaurant

123 North Michigan, South Bend

574-289-2426

Casual, serving lunch and dinner. The desserts are amazing.

Cosimo & Susie's

2446 Miracle Lane, Mishawaka

574-258-4911

May look like a dive from the outside, but it receives a Professor Garnett A+ for authenticity. Cash only.

Fazoli's

52772 US 33 North

574-277-4008

Serves fast-food Italian. Does not win any awards for authenticity. You've got to love the magical breadstick lady with her basket of goodies.

Francesco's

1213 Lincoln Way West

574-256-1444

Dine in an old stone home, far away from campus and lit by candles. You can't get much better than that.

Olive Garden

6410 Grape Road, Mishawaka

574-277-6503

Also does not win awards for authenticity. Not a bad place to go with your friends for those days when you've got two hours for lunch, especially during their all-you-can eat pasta promotion.

Papa Joe's Casa De Pasta

1209 Union Street, Mishawaka

574-255-0890

Classic old-school family joint. Only open on Friday and Saturday nights. Large portions and cozy atmosphere. You feel like you're being served by family when you go to this restaurant.

Papa Vino's

5110 Edison Lakes Parkway

574-271-1692

Great food, but almost always crowded. Italian with a funky twist. Don't eat for days before going here, or you'll be crying because it smells so good but you just can't fit any more in.

Parisi's

1412 South Bend Ave. (SR 23)

574-232-4244

A parent favorite on football weekends. They advertise that you can see the Dome from your table. A bit pricey for the quality, but hey, it's tradition. Isn't everything else here?

Polito's

4615 Grape Road, Mishawaka

574-243-5385

A well-kept Michiana secret serving excellent pizza and pasta. Across from Meijer. Delicious, authentic and won't break the bank.

Reggio's

1215 East Jefferson, Mishawaka

574-255-0588

Eat on red-checkered tablecloths at plastic tables & chairs. The owners like to come out of the kitchen and socialize with their guests. Big Italian laughs are in store for you here.

Sunny Italy Café

601 North Niles Avenue

574-232-9620

Yet another small, family-owned Italian restaurant. Like the others, it receives excellent reviews for authenticity. Checkered tablecloths and loud waiters. You'd think you were in Italy for all the choices here in Michiana, except it can't possibly snow this much in Italy.

Tosi's Restaurant

4337 Ridge Road, Stevensville, Michigan

800-218-7745

A relatively short ride to get there is rewarded with some of the best minestrone outside of Chicago. Directions at www.tosis.com

Wood Fire Italian Trattoria

134 S. Front St., Dowagiac, Michigan

269-782-0007

Live jazz on Wednesdays and Sundays. Fine Italian cuisine...more than half of their food is baked in their traditional wood fire oven. A short drive from South Bend..worth the trip! Directions at www.woodfiredining.com/page15.php

Mexican**Chipotle Mexican Grill**

5545 N. Main St., Mishawaka

574-320-0257

The taste and size of their burritos cannot be beaten, especially considering they use all natural and fresh ingredients. And, their fast-food service is complemented by an array of alcoholic beverages and an inviting sit-down atmosphere.

Don Pablo's

4160 Grape Road, Mishawaka

574-254-9395

Where to go for American-Mexican. Their salsa choices and free soft flour tortillas are worth the trip.

Fiesta Tapatia

119 West McKinley, Mishawaka

574-258-4202

Great homemade salsa and fresh chips

Hacienda

5836 Grape Road, Mishawaka 574-277-1318
700 Lincoln Way West, Mishawaka 574-259-8541
Portage Road, South Bend 574-273-3843
4650 Miami, South Bend 574-291-5766

The granddaddy of casual Mexican restaurants in Michiana, Hacienda is the reason that our old Chi-Chi's is now a Chinese buffet. The food is wonderful (for a quick Mexican chain), the atmosphere fun and the prices incredibly low. They are famous for their wet burritos. Plus, they'll give you a sombrero on your birthday. Your South Bend Experience just isn't complete until you've tried Hacienda.

La Esperanza

1636 North Ironwood Drive, South Bend 574-273-0345

Where to go for authentic Mexican food. A quality restaurant located close to campus with excellent prices. The trout and pork chops are excellent, as are the desserts.

Mazatlan Authentic Mexican Restaurant

507 West McKinley, Mishawaka 574-259-4430

Inexpensive lunch and dinner specials.

Irish**Fiddler's Hearth**

127 North Main Street 574-232-2853

Best bangers and mash in town. If you don't eat sausage, there's tons of other delicious and authentic food on the menu. They frequently have live music and an open-mike night, which is usually pretty fantastic. Seating is community, so you'll probably get to know your neighbors. A final plus is that since it's also a bar, they're open pretty late. The Sunday Brunch is great and the live music is so enjoyable!

O'Sullivan's Crossing

235 South Michigan Street 574-289-3333

Great for big parties where everyone wants something different. It's like nothing else in the area. Assemble exactly what you want (lots of meat, veggie, spice, sauce choices) and the staff cooks it for you (so it's a little like B.D.'s Mongolian Barbecue). The staff is extremely friendly and helpful. You are guaranteed to go home stuffed.

Bakeries & Breakfast

Yes, there's more to breakfast than just coffee. Stick your library cup in the dishwasher and venture out to one of these finds for real morning food.

Bamber's Superette

1145 Mishawaka Ave. 574-287-1871

Very European and eclectic. Wonderful breads and pastries...but get there early on Saturday morning before the chocolate danishes sell out!

Breadsmith

2022 South Bend Avenue, South Bend 574-273-9130

Amazing breads, not far from StudeBagels.

Colonial Pancake House

508 Dixie Way North (Route 31), South Bend

574-272-7433

Standard breakfast place, located on 31 between the Toll Road and Cleveland.

Dainty Maid Bake Shop

231 South Michigan, South Bend

574-232-8219

We recommend the gingerbread men.

Farmer's Market Café

1105 Northside Boulevard, South Bend

574-282-1259

It is like you have stepped back in time when you enter this Café and eat at their counter!

Breakfast is served all day but they have great burgers and other diner items. Try the vegetarian market burger. You won't be disappointed! And, you can check out the vendors in the indoor Market after you eat. The Market and Café are open Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays from 8 AM to 2 PM.

Greenfield's

On campus (in the Hesburgh Center, south of the law school)

Best café on campus. Serves Notre Dame waffles and other great food for breakfast. Drive in early, park at the lazy lot and stop by for breakfast. Very popular for lunch with its international menu. Watch out, though—it's one of the priciest places to eat on campus.

IHOP

4115 North Main St., Mishawaka

574-259-5309

One of the many breakfast places along Main in Mishawaka.

Krispy Kreme Doughnuts

5615 North Main, Mishawaka

574-271-7099

There's nothing quite like one of their glazed donuts hot off the conveyor belt.

Macri's

214 North Niles, South Bend

574-282-1010

Considered by these authors to be the best bakery in South Bend. Good bread, terrific danishes.

If you want to impress your family or friends with a terrific desert, try the cannoli or cheesecake.

Not open on Sundays. Their wedding cakes have a terrific reputation.

Nick's Patio

1710 North Ironwood Drive, South Bend

574-277-7400

A favorite late-night spot for many ND students, Nick's really does serve breakfast 24 hours a day. When you can stomach eggs & cheese after dancing the night away at the Backer, you'll know you have the stamina of a Domer.

The Original Pancake House (Bibler's)

1430 North Ironwood, South Bend

574-232-3220

Ritual stop for many after Sunday Mass. Pancakes from around the world, omelette specialties, more breakfast choices than you knew existed. Try the apple pancake – you may as well be eating dessert.

StudeBagels

1801 South Bend Avenue, South Bend

574-277-4440

Did you know that *Studebakers* were once manufactured in South Bend? You can grab breakfast or lunch here!

Coffeehouses

Ah, caffeine. . . it may be one of your closest friends over the next few years. But remember to get it in a "library-approved" container so you can take it with you wherever you go in the law school.

Barnes & Noble Café

4601 Grape Road, Mishawaka

574-277-9482

Lots of tables for studying with good lighting as another bonus. Just stay away on "game night" when flocks of kids squawk upon the place.

Borders Books

4230 Grape Road, Mishawaka

574-271-9930

Smaller than Barnes & Noble, but less busy. Electrical outlets in the café area make laptop users happy.

Chicory Café Co.

574-234-1141

105 East Jefferson, South Bend

A French quarter style coffee house. Live music on Saturday nights. Enjoy specialty food items fundamental in New Orleans, but new to the Midwest, such as beignets, muffulettas, and po' boys.

FIX Coffeehouse

2406 Mishawaka Avenue, South Bend

574-288-3499

Features the work of area artists; has an open mike night every Friday. Free wireless internet access!!

Higher Grounds

109 West Washington Street, South Bend

574-282-2522

Next to the Football Hall of Fame.

Lula's Café

631 Edison Road

574-273-6216

Located right across from the Backer, Lula's is a great place to get a cup of coffee, read, or just hang out. Popular law school study group spot, but be aware they play music and have an extensive collection of board games to add to your procrastination. Check out the Irish music jam on Monday nights.

Niles Riverfront Café

269-684-2233

219 North Front Street, Niles

Coffeehouse and gift shop. www.nilesriverfrontcafe.com

Desserts**Cold Stone Creamery**

620 West Edison, Mishawaka

574-257-7884

This one's new and it's pretty cool (pun intended). Go see for yourself.

Ritter's

3921 North Main Street, Mishawaka
4540 Miami St., South Bend

574-255-8000

One of the best-kept secrets in South Bend – located on Main Street between Day and Edison and also south of town near Erskine Plaza. Their famous frozen custard tastes great in the late summer heat.

Say Cheesecake Coffee & Bakery

213 North Main, South Bend
Next to Siam.

574-233-2233

The South Bend Chocolate Company

122 South Michigan Street

574-287-0725

Make sure to stop by the Chocolate Company for dessert and specialty coffee drink. Serves chocolates, coffee and desserts, in addition to lunch and dinner items.

Fine Dining

So it's Valentine's Day and you're out with your honey. Or you have to take a suit out for a business dinner. The fine dining choices below guarantee a high score.

Bistro on the Race

501 North Niles, South Bend

574-233-5000

Upscale business casual, with cigar lounge and live entertainment. Your date will be impressed – or at least think you aspire to Manhattan taste. Minimalist décor, maximum quality. Live jazz and blues in the martini lounge.

Bonefish Grill

620 West Edison

574-259-2663

Seafood and steak with great appetizers. Try the Bangor Shrimp. A little pricey, but they offer half price martinis on Mondays. A great place for a date or dinner with friends.

The Carriage House

24460 Adams Road, South Bend

574-272-9220

Open Tuesday through Saturday evenings. The Carriage House is the only restaurant in the area, outside Chicago, to receive the AAA Four Diamond Award. Caveat emptor: the unmatched high rating means equally unmatched high prices.

Checkerberry Inn

62644 Country Road 37, Goshen

574-642-4445

East Bank Emporium

121 South Niles Avenue, South Bend

574-234-9000

Located downtown on the river. Full glass wall allows multiple seating levels to take advantage of the view. Inexpensive compared to other nicer restaurants.

Fondue!

100 North Center, Mishawaka

574-257-1792

Upstairs in the old brewery. Who knew fondue could be more than cheese? Unique dining experience – just keep your hands away from the hot oil! 25% off on Thursdays for students.

LaSalle Grill

115 West Colfax Avenue, South Bend

574-288-1155

Very good food, very expensive prices. After dinner go upstairs and try Club LaSalle for a surprisingly chic little bar that will often host some good jazz and a full humidor.

Tippecanoe Place

620 West Washington, South Bend

574-234-9077

The old Studebaker Mansion provides great atmosphere. You can choose to eat in the library, the parlor, or any number of individual rooms. Prices are fairly high, but the food is wonderful – try the highly recommended Sunday brunch for an exceptional value. A good place to have your parents take you when they're in town for a game.

The Vine

103 West Colfax, South Bend

574-234-9463

A newer restaurant, located under the Palais Royale in downtown South Bend. Expanded menu, separate bar. Good food, especially the bruscetta. Named for its specialty wine bar.

Yesterday's Food and Spirits

12594 State Road 23, Granger, IN

574-272-7017

You may want to save this for when the parents are visiting, or when you're planning an important romantic event, because it's fairly expensive. However, it's beautiful, and worth every penny. Be sure to get reservations first, though: they often fill up in advance. Make sure to get dessert.

Pizza – Dine In**Barnaby's**

713 East Jefferson, South Bend

574-288-4981

3724 Grape Road, Mishawaka

574-256-0928

Pick your table, circle your toppings, and walk the card up to the counter. Then they'll call your number when the pizza's ready. It's a simple enough system once you figure it out, but on your first visit it might seem a little confusing. Once you've mastered the pizza system, come back for the Beef Bar—made-to-order burgers and other variations. The Mishawaka branch makes the best pizza in town.

Bruno's

2610 Prairie Avenue (the original), South Bend

574-288-3320

202 West Edison Road, Mishawaka 574-256-9000

They make the best New York style pizza. At the original restaurant, all you need is the all-you-can eat pizza and pasta buffet bar!

Rocco's

537 North St. Louis Blvd., South Bend

574-233-2464

A Notre Dame favorite, but they don't take credit cards. Also, they're closed Mondays.

Pizza – Delivery

Bruno's

2610 Prairie Avenue, South Bend 574-288-3320

202 West Edison Road, Mishawaka 574-256-9000

119 N. Dixie Way, South Bend 574-273-3890

Domino's

1627 Edison Road, South Bend 574-271-0300

Marco's

52750 North 933, South Bend 574-243-1122

Papa John's

1827 South Bend Avenue, South Bend 574-271-1177

Pizza Hut

217 South Bend Avenue, South Bend 574-273-9944

Pizza – Pick-up

Papa Murphy's

316 W. Cleveland Rd., Granger 574-272-0072

Delivery

For those nights you wish to stay at home and have dinner delivered, consider ordering through the Dine-In Delivery Service: <http://www.dineinonline.com/> Many area restaurants make it possible to have their food delivered right to your doorstep for a nominal fee!

Movies

Where to Find the Silver Screen

The law library has a collection of law-themed movies which you can check out, both VHS and DVD, and South Bend has all the usual suspects in movie rental places (Blockbuster, Hollywood Video, Family Video). But sometimes you'll *really* want to get away from the real world. Where better than at the movies? Here's a sampling of some of the nearby theaters.

Movie Theaters

Cinemark Movies 14

910 West Edison, Mishawaka

This is the closest theater to campus, just down Edison, before you get to Grape Road.

www.cinemark.com

574-254-9689

Cinemark 6

3464 Grape Road, Mishawaka

Dollar movies! Need we say more?

www.cinemark.com

574-277-8691

Kerasotes Theatres Showplace 16

450 Chippewa Drive, South Bend

Kerasotes is a bit farther from campus, maybe 15 minutes, but another nice place to catch a flick.

www.kerasotes.com

574-299-6060

Vickers Theatre

6 North Elm Street, Three Oaks, MI

Not into mainstream movies? Check out the indie/art films at Vickers. They also have a silent film festival in mid-August, if you are in town then.

www.vickerstheatre.com

269-756-3522

Tri-Way Drive-in

4400 North Michigan Road, Plymouth, IN

Want to be really retro? Try going to the nearest of Indiana's drive-in movie theaters. Yep, we said *drive-in*. The drive-in season at Tri-Way runs from April to September, which is why you'll find more information in the Summer in the South Bend *Tribune*.

www.tri-waydrive-in.com

574-936-7936

On campus film venues

Student Union Board: www.nd.edu/~sub/entertainment.html Tickets are only \$3. All movies are shown in the theatre in DeBartolo Hall (a classroom building, not to be confused with the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center.)

ND Cinema: www.nd.edu/~ftt/filmscreenings.shtml

Browning Cinema in the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center is the only THX certified cinema in the state. This is a 200-seat facility. Tickets are only \$3 for students.

The DeBartolo Performing Arts Center

Dedicated and opened in the fall of 2004, the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center (DPAC) is a fabulous new addition to campus culture. The 150,000 square foot building has over 170 rooms, including the Regis Philbin Studio Theatre, the Patricia George Decio Theatre, the Judd and Mary Lou Leighton Concert Hall, the Chris and Anne Reyes Organ and Choral Hall, and the Michael Browning Family Cinema.

The 2007-08 performance schedule includes such guests as the Vienna Boys Choir, Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra with Wynton Marsalis, and the St. Petersburg Ballet Theatre. Student tickets are always available at a discounted price to any of these events. DPAC is a great opportunity to experience the arts without even having to leave campus!

The Family Cinema runs the PAC Classic 100 every school year, which plays a classic movie on the big screen every weekend. Student tickets are only \$3.00! It also occasionally plays sneak previews of upcoming movies. This year Notre Dame students got to see *School for Scoundrels* and Mel Gibson's *Apocalypto* weeks before general audiences.

For more information, see <http://performingarts.nd.edu>



Bowling

You Don't Want To Be The Only Law Student Who Can't Bowl

Each spring semester, the Student Bar Association organizes the law school bowling league. The league typically runs from January until mid-April when we enter the final stretch of the semester and finals. There are as many teams as there are lanes, and teams usually have 5 to 10 members; team names often have a legal flavor to them. Scores are based on the top five scores in the same game by any five members of your team. At least 100 law students (and most of the time, many more) participate during these busy weeks. The scores range from people who score less than 25 to those who own their own bowling balls (one lights up as it speeds down the lane) and regularly make 200. It's really less about bowling and more about having a little fun with your classmates. Of course, there is some friendly competition; after all, we are law students. The following list of bowling alleys is nowhere near all-inclusive, but these are the most familiar haunts for most law students.

Beacon Bowl

4210 Lincoln Way West, South Bend

574-234-4176

Beacon Bowl is a 10-15 minute drive from campus. On Thursday nights, Beacon Bowl has College Night All-You-Can-Bowl. They also have Rock-n-Bowl (black lights & '80's rock) night after 11 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays.

Chippewa Bowl

225 West Chippewa Avenue, South Bend

574-291-5093

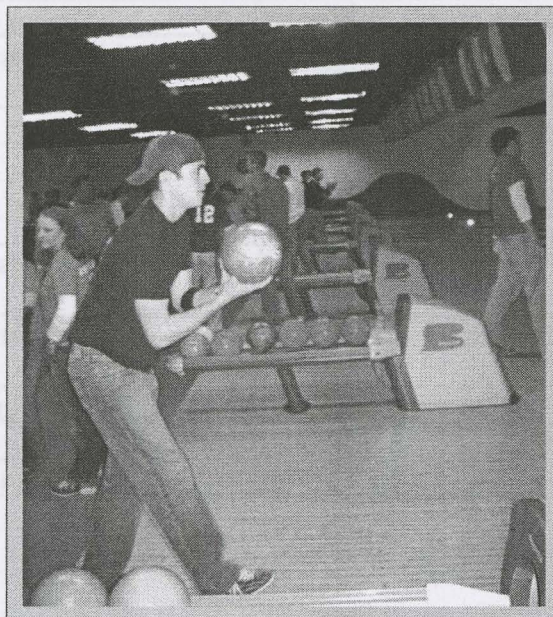
Chippewa Bowl is about ten minutes south of campus, across the street from the Showplace 16 Theater. Rock-n-Bowl Fridays from 11 p.m. to 2 a.m. Chippewa Bowl has daily specials that frequently change, so be sure to call ahead and see what great deal you can get.

Strikes and Spares

5419 North Grape Road, Mishawaka

574-243-2695

This is the area's newest bowling alley and is conveniently located on Grape Road, along with everything else. It's a little smaller than other places, but smoke-free, which is a major plus.



Golf

What the Third Years You Never See in Class are Doing

Miniature Golf

Putt-Putt Fun Center 3615 North Main Street Mishawaka, IN 574-259-4171	With three courses and 54 holes of fun, in addition to a games room and snack bar, this could be just the break you need. But if you have more serious golfing in mind, check out the courses below.
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Indiana Courses

9-Hole Notre Dame Course

574-631-6425

Distance from Campus: On campus	Price: \$5, \$8 on weekends, but only \$3 during winter season
Driving Range: NO	Twilight Rate: YES
Par: 35	Cart Rate: Believe me, you don't need a cart
Pro Shop: Not Really	Yardage: Short

Warren Course

574-631-4653

Distance from Campus: Across Douglas Road	Price: \$17, \$22 on weekends (student prices)
Driving Range: YES – \$9 large bucket, \$6 small bucket	Twilight Rate: \$15
Par: NONE	Cart Rate: \$18 per rider
Handicap/Slope Rating: 70.6/122	Yardage: 6346
Pro Shop: YES	Accepts tee times 14 days in advance

Blackthorn

574-232-4653

Distance from Campus: 8 miles	Price: \$46, \$56 on weekends (cheaper in the Fall)
Driving Range: YES – \$9 large bucket, \$6 small bucket	Twilight Rate: \$25 after 3pm
Par: 72	Cart Rate: \$19 (\$14 at Twilight)
Handicap/Slope Rating: 72.7/129	Yardage: 6497
Pro Shop: YES	Accepts tee times 14 days in advance

Elbel

574-271-9180

Distance from Campus:	Price: \$14, \$18 on weekends (walking)
Driving Range: YES –\$5 large bag, \$3 small bag	Twilight Rate: \$11, \$13 on weekends
Par: 72	Cart Rate: \$15 for round, \$7.50 for half-round
Handicap/Slope Rating: 68.3/108	Yardage: 6100
Pro Shop: YES	

Erskine

574-291-3216

Distance from Campus: 10 miles	Price: \$14, \$18 on weekends
Driving Range: NO	Twilight Rate: \$11, \$13 on weekends
Par: 70	Cart Rate: \$15 for round, \$7.50 for half-round
Handicap/Slope Rating: 68.5/120	Yardage: 6098
Pro Shop: YES	

Studebaker Park

574-287-6634

Distance from Campus: 5-10 miles	Price: \$7, \$8 weekends (9 holes), extra \$3 for all 18
Driving Range: NO	Twilight Rate:
Par: 29	Cart Rate: \$10/per 9 holes
Handicap/Slope Rating: N/A	Yardage: 1898
Pro Shop: YES	

Juday Creek

574-277-4653

Distance from Campus: 6.5 miles	Price: \$26, \$31 on weekends
Driving Range: YES – \$6 large bag, \$4 small bag	Twilight Rate: \$10
Par: 72	Cart Rate: \$14
Handicap/Slope Rating:	Yardage:
Pro Shop:	www.judaycreek.com

Michigan Courses

Brookwood Golf Course

269-695-7818

Distance from Campus: 15 miles	Price: \$17, \$23 on weekends
Driving Range: YES – \$7 large bag, \$6 small bag	Twilight Rate: \$9 all you can walk
Par: 72	Cart Rate: \$8 (9 holes), \$13 (18 holes)
Handicap/Slope Rating: 70.0/124	Yardage: 6418
Pro Shop: YES	

Hampshire

269-782-7476

Distance from Campus: 25-30 miles	Price: \$20, \$27 on weekends
Driving Range: NO – but there is a practice area	Twilight Rate: \$10 (4pm), \$12 on weekends (3pm)
Par: Original – 72; Dogwood – 72	Cart Rate: \$11
Handicap/Slope Rating: Original – 71.0/123; Dogwood – 69.2/122	Yardage: Original – 6645; Dogwood – 6179
Pro Shop: YES	Two 18 hole courses

Whittaker Woods Golf Community

269-469-3400

Distance from Campus: 30-45 miles	Price: \$65, \$85 on weekends
Driving Range: YES – \$4 for bag	Twilight Rate: None
Par: 72	Cart Rate: included
Handicap/Slope Rating: 74.3/144	Yardage: 7072
Pro Shop: YES	

Area Attractions

Where to take/send your visiting relatives
when they are driving you crazy

Although Indiana is the "Crossroads of America" (as Professor Rick Garnett would say, the place you go when you're trying to get somewhere else), the Michiana area, as it's commonly called, does have many things to do. Sure, there aren't any amusement parks, but there are dozens of wineries in Michigan, two nuclear power plants (surprisingly fun to tour), museums in South Bend, parks, bike trails, rivers and of course, beautiful Lake Michigan with its countless nearby beaches. Picturesque towns and antique shopping centers abound. If you can't find something to do, you're just not looking hard enough.

College Football Hall of Fame

111 South St. Joseph Street, South Bend

574-235-9999

www.collegefootball.org

Located in downtown South Bend, the Hall of Fame is home to the second most recognizable football field in South Bend. If you are a sports buff, this should be on your list of things to do when you're looking to get away from the Law School. Admission is \$7 for students. The Hall of Fame is open daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., with extended hours on home football weekends, and lots of special activities.

East Race Waterway

126 North Niles Avenue, South Bend

574-233-6121

This is the first artificial whitewater course in North America. Opened in 1984, the raceway hosts national and world class whitewater slalom races. The waterway brings Olympic winners and national champions to South Bend each session. Recently, they even hosted the Olympic whitewater qualifying trials. If you have your own kayak and are a member of the East Race Whitewater Club, you can experience year-round whitewater rafting in the heart of South Bend. Anyone can raft down the East Race in the summer too (for a fee)!

Fernwood Botanical Garden and Nature Preserve

13988 Range Line Road, Niles, MI

269-683-8653

www.fernwoodbotanical.org

Fernwood is another place to get your gorgeous greens. The gardens have flowers and plants blooming at all seasons. They decorate the gardens for Christmas with lights and exhibits. During Christmas, there is live music in some of the pavilions. As romantic evenings go, it's tops.

Hackers Golf and Games

3019 South 11th Street, Niles, MI

269-684-6868

They've got miniature golf, batting cages, go-carts, a driving range, arcade games and billiards. Unfortunately, they're only open from about April to the beginning of October. Their hours vary with the weather.

Morris Performing Arts Center

211 North Michigan Street, South Bend

574-235-9190

www.morriscenter.org

Located in downtown South Bend, the Morris hosts the Broadway Theater League, the South Bend Symphony Orchestra, and the Southold Dance Theater. They bring in lots of big name acts, like A Perfect Circle and Alison Krauss, as well as top tier shows, such as "Mamma Mia" and

“Wicked”. It is also conveniently located next to three of the best restaurants in downtown South Bend.

Northern Indiana Center for History

808 West Washington Street, South Bend

574-235-9664

www.centerforhistory.org

Besides the frequently changing exhibits, which range from the History of Women in Sports to International Christmas Trees, the NICH boasts a beautiful botanical garden, a favorite spot for weddings and parties. Part of the NICH is the Copshaholm mansion, one of the former Studebaker family mansions. During the Christmas holiday, the Center and the mansion are decorated beautifully . . . worth the price of admission alone. Open from 10-5, Monday through Saturday, and 12-5 on Sunday. Admission ranges from \$5-12, depending on how old you are and what you want to see.

Potawatomi Greenhouse and Conservatories

2105 Mishawaka Avenue, Mishawaka

574-235-9442

<http://www.sbpark.org/conservatory/conservatory.html>

Feeling blue in the middle of winter? Check out these lovely conservatories full of plants and flowers. There is even an Arizona Desert Dome. Admission is \$1!

Potawatomi Zoo

500 South Greenlawn, South Bend

574-235-9800

www.sbpark.org/zoo/zoo.htm

The oldest zoo in Indiana will celebrate its 104th birthday this year. It is home to over 400 animals, birds and reptiles. Especially fun in the summer, it also has special programs for kids of all ages. Open daily 10-5. Admission is \$4-6.

Shipshewana

www.shipshewana.com

Shipshewana is a town, founded by the Amish, with beautiful stores and rolling hills just east of South Bend. You can also take buggy rides, make cheese, and learn the history of Amish culture at their local museum. The main attraction, though, is the flea market. Not only is it huge (more than 1000 vendors), it's the only place in Indiana you can find fake Burberry purses for \$1, and Amish-built furniture for affordable prices. Sadly, the main flea market is only open from the beginning of May to the end of October, but the town has lots of other stores and auctions to keep you busy.

South Bend Chocolate Factory

3300 West Sample Street, South Bend

574-233-2577

Factory tours of a chocolate factory. Is there any more to say?

South Bend Regional Museum of Art

120 South St. Joseph Street, South Bend

574-235-9102

www.sbrma.org

The SBRMA changes exhibits frequently, and showcases both well-known artists, and local artists. As well, they have special programs and classes. Open 9-5, Monday through Friday. Admission is a \$5 donation that goes to supporting art in the community.

South Bend Silver Hawks

501 West South Street

www.silverhawks.com

574-235-9988

In the spring and summer months, you can take a trip to the "Cove" and watch the Class A affiliate of the Arizona Diamondbacks play baseball at Coveleski Stadium in downtown South Bend. Dollar Mondays are popular with many law students, as admission, hot dogs, soda and beer are all \$1 each.

St. Patrick's County Park

50651 Laurel Road, South Bend

www.sjcparks.org

574-277-4828

With almost 300 acres, St. Patrick's features wooded trails, ponds and St. Joseph River frontage; activities include hiking, canoeing, hayrides, cross country skiing, winter intertubing and picnic sites. Call the same number for information on all the county parks.

Studebaker National Museum

201 South Chapin Street

www.studebakermuseum.org

574-235-9714; 888-391-5600

South Bend is the home of the original Studebaker factory, but now all that's left is the history of the famous car maker. The museum recently relocated from South Main Street to its beautiful new location near Tippecanoe (see the Restaurant section) and the NICH. Go just to see the car hanging from the ceiling. It is open Monday through Saturday 10-5, and Sunday 12-5. Admission is \$5-8.

Vickers Theatre

6 North Elm Street, Three Oaks, MI

www.vickerstheatre.com

269-756-3522

Located about a 35-minute drive to the west in Three Oaks, Michigan, the Vickers Theatre is a turn-of-the-century film house that's been restored into an intimate art house with film, live theatre, music, poetry readings and more.

Shopping

From Quick Fix To Deluxe Get-Away

University Park Mall

South Bend, IN

www.simon.com/mall/default.aspx?ID=192

Located at the intersection of Grape and University in Mishawaka, the University Park Mall offers stores where one could find almost anything, from new running shoes, to books, CDs and DVDs, to hip clothing for the semi-formal dance *and* Thursday night bowling. The mall is anchored by department stores such as J.C. Penney's and Macy's, but includes a variety of specialty stores, highlights of which are listed below. The food court also offers many options at a low price as well. Mall hours are Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m.-9 p.m., and Sunday 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Stores include: Gap, Banana Republic, Victoria's Secret, Limited, Express, Express for Men, Ann Taylor, Abercrombie and Fitch, Aeropostale, American Eagle, Eddie Bauer, Hollister Co., Wilson's Leather, Radio Shack, Foot Locker, Bath and Body Works, Sam Goody.

Besides the stores located inside the mall, there are a number of strip malls close by. Stores in these strip malls include: Target, Marshall's, Best Buy, Bed Bath & Beyond, Linens & Things, TJ Maxx, Kohls, Home Depot, Meijer, Burlington Coat Factory, Circuit City, David's Bridal, Michaels, and Joann's Fabric.

Lighthouse Place Premium Outlets

Michigan City, IN

www.premiumoutlets.com

Although one might guess this mall is located in Michigan, this is actually not the case. Located in a small community, the shops, and the city get their name from being on the corner of Lake Michigan, but in fact are still within in the state of Indiana. About 45 minutes from Notre Dame (via Interstate 90), the outlet malls make a perfect Saturday afternoon study break for anyone looking for great deals on premium brand products. Mall hours are Monday through Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. (6:00 p.m. in the winter), Sunday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Stores include: Ann Taylor Loft, Bath and Body Works, Burberry, Coach, Donna Karan, Eddie Bauer, Gap Outlet, Guess, Harry and David, J. Crew, Jones New York, Nine West, Polo Ralph Lauren Factory Store, Timberland, Tommy Hilfiger, Ultra Diamond Outlet and more.

Magnificent Mile

Chicago, IL

www.themagnificentmile.com

Although certainly not as convenient as the University Park Mall, or Lighthouse Outlets for that matter, Chicago offers another world of shopping. The Magnificent Mile is known as the premier shopping area in Chicago and one of the top in the world. Odds are, if it exists, you can find it here, though you may end up paying a few extra pennies for it.

Department stores include Bloomingdale's, Nordstrom's, Nieman Marcus, Saks Fifth Avenue, and Macy's. Some stores are located in their own buildings, and there are five shopping centers as well. Other specialty stores include: Banana Republic, Gap, Burberry, Benetton 012, Louis Vuitton, Giorgio Armani, J. Crew, Gucci, Ralph Lauren, Hugo Boss, and Coach. For a full listing of stores, locations, hours, as well as nearby hotels and other attractions see the Magnificent Mile website.

Of course, Chicago offers much more than the Magnificent Mile for shopping. Also see www.chicago.il.org/shopping.html.

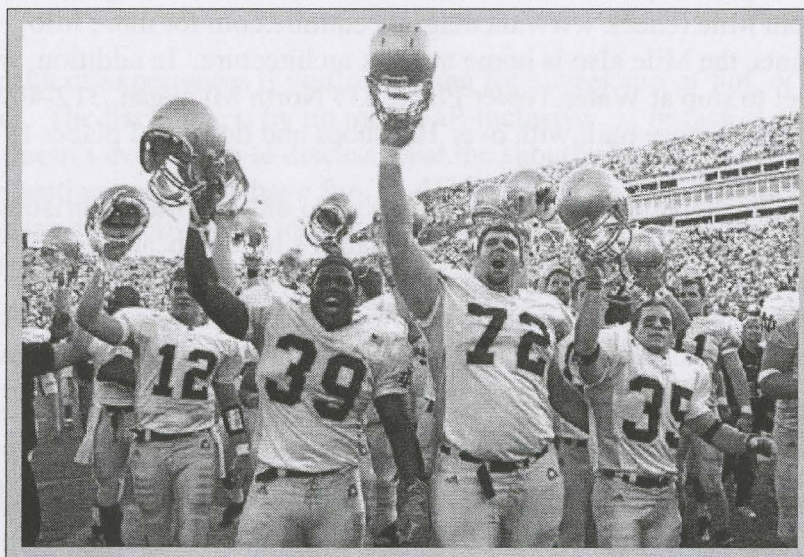
Circle Center Mall

Indianapolis, IN

www.simon.com/mall/default.aspx?ID=163

Located in downtown Indianapolis, Circle Center Mall is the ultimate get-away for shoppers. It includes over 100 stores, spanning two city blocks and boasting four floors of shopping paradise. The directions for getting there are simple. Take U.S. 31 South to downtown Indianapolis (via Meridian); the mall will be on the right, between Washington and Georgia. Mall hours are Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., Sunday 12 p.m. to 6 p.m. For a complete listing of stores, locations, restaurants, and area attractions see the Circle Center Mall website.

Department stores include Nordstrom's. Specialty stores include: Coach, The Disney Store, Abercrombie and Fitch, Aeropostale, American Eagle Outfitters, Banana Republic, Eddie Bauer, Gap, Hollister Company, PacSun, Sam Goody, Finish Line, Nine West, Brookstone, Ann Taylor, Express, and Victoria's Secret.



Road Trips

Getting Out of South Bend

Do you have the time?

Actually, we're not asking if you have the time to leave the Bend for a break – we know you'll want/need to eventually – but rather we're trying to help make sure you get there in good time. If you want to compare the time in South Bend to your time, please review this web site: <http://www.timeanddate.com/worldclock/city.html?n=892>

Chicago

You may want to get away from South Bend every once in a while. Fortunately, the Windy City is less than two hours away and offers more to do than you can imagine.

Getting There

It's really easy to get to Chicago. If you're driving, just hop on the toll-road (80/90) and take it west. You can either stay on 90 which takes you over the Skyway and into the city from the south side (great if you want to go to a White Sox game), or you can get off and take Lake Shore Drive. This provides one of the most scenic views around and leaves you minutes from downtown. Also, if you don't feel like driving, the South Shore train leaves from the South Bend airport and can take you right into downtown. It's about ten bucks each way, less on the weekends. See www.nictd.com for schedules and rates.

Shopping & Dining

In a city of three million people, there are more places to shop and eat than you can imagine. One of the places you will probably want to check out is the stretch of Michigan Avenue known as the Magnificent Mile (check www.themagnificentmile.com for more info). Aside from shops and restaurants, the Mile also is home to great architecture. In addition, while you're there, don't forget to stop at Water Tower Place, 835 North Michigan, 312-440-3166. Inside the building is an eight-story mall with over 100 shops and dozens of places to eat.

Another place to check out is State Street. The best time to do this is around Christmas. I know that you will have finals looming over your head, but it's hard to beat the beauty at this time of year. There's a chill in the air, the trees lining the street are all decorated and lit, and don't forget to see the windows at Marshall Field's (now owned by Macy's, so the name might change) at 111 North State. People come from all over just to see how they have decorated them for the season. Don't forget that you can shop there too (usually after you've secured a summer job).

If you make your trip while it's still warm outside, check out the beaches. North Avenue beach will probably be the most popular choice and the busiest. Afterwards, try visiting Navy Pier (just look for the 150-foot high Ferris wheel . . . it's kind of hard to miss). They have all kinds of shops and restaurants, an IMAX theatre, and on certain nights they have fireworks shows. Call 800-595-PIER for more info.

These are just a few of the things you can do in Chicago. For more choices as far as restaurants, bars, nightclubs, and more, try www.chicago.citysearch.com.

Sporting Events

Chicago is a sports town; that's all you really need to say. There are the Bears and the Bulls – and the Blackhawks, the Cubs and the White Sox. While you may not be a fan of any Chicago teams, you can still go and see your favorite teams play against them. And by watching the fans go after, then lose, then regain a home-run ball hit into the stands, you will be ready to talk about wild animals in Property (trust me, it will make sense come spring semester).

Cubs games in the summer and fall are good times. Even if the Cubbies are losing, Wrigley Field will still be full. If you're going for the game, anywhere is a good seat but if you're going for atmosphere, try getting bleacher seats. Be warned though – bleacher seats are the most popular and tend to sell out the fastest.

Museums and Other Attractions

Yes, Chicago has a cultural side too. If you've got the time, check out the "Museum Campus" on the lakeshore. The Museum of Science and Industry, 773-684-1414, the Field Museum 312-922-9410 (look for the really big dinosaur skeleton), the Shedd Aquarium, 312-939-2426, and the Adler Planetarium, 312-922-STAR, are all located next to each other. And if you're into art, the Art Institute, 111 South Michigan, 312-443-3600, with its famous bronze lions guarding the steps, is a must.

Other areas of interest include the Civic Opera House (home to the Lyric Opera), the Second City comedy club (which has come to campus on occasion), the Steppenwolf Theater Company, the Auditorium Theatre, the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, and Brookfield or Lincoln Park Zoos (the Nation's oldest free zoo).

In Closing

Chicago offers a wealth of experiences if you're looking for a weekend of fun, or just a day away from the books. The list above is by no means all-inclusive . . . in fact, it only covers part of the city and doesn't even begin to discuss what the suburbs have to offer. Remember that your purpose in getting away is to have fun, so don't try and do too much in one day. Besides, that just means that you'll have to make another trip later which is just another day of not having to worry about work.

Indianapolis

Indianapolis, Indiana's capital and largest city, is located about three hours south of South Bend. Although Indianapolis does not have as many attractions and sights as Chicago, it's definitely worth making at least one visit there during your law school career.

Getting There

There's really only one way to get from South Bend to Indianapolis – by car. Just follow U.S. 31 south for about 130 miles. Once you get to Indianapolis, U.S. 31 becomes Meridian Street, which will take you into downtown. With the exception of the Indianapolis Motor

Speedway and the airport, just about anything of interest in the city is either in the downtown area or on the city's north side.

Shopping & Dining

Indianapolis has six major shopping malls that are located throughout the city. The two best known malls are Circle Centre Mall (located downtown, see Shopping for more information) and The Fashion Mall at Keystone at the Crossing (located on the north side near the intersection of 86th Street and Keystone Avenue). The north side neighborhood of Broad Ripple (located near the intersection of Westfield Boulevard and College Avenue) is home to some of Indianapolis' best ethnic restaurants, including several French, Greek, and Indian establishments. Broad Ripple also has several nice shops and nightclubs. The Jazz Kitchen (5377 North College Avenue) is Indianapolis's premier jazz venue for local, regional and national talent. For blues, you'll want to visit The Slippery Noodle Inn (372 S Meridian Street), also Indiana's oldest bar (est. 1850). Both offer full menus in addition to some great music.

Sporting Events

Indianapolis is best known throughout the world for auto racing. Three of the biggest races in the world take place at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway (located near the corner of 16th Street and Georgetown Road on the city's west side) – the Indianapolis 500 (IRL race in late May), the Brickyard 400 (NASCAR race in early August), and the U.S. Grand Prix (Formula One race in mid-September). Although each race draws hundreds of thousands of spectators, getting tickets to any of these events should not be too difficult.

Indianapolis also has a number of major professional sports teams including the Indianapolis Colts, the Indiana Pacers (NBA) and the Indiana Fever (WNBA). The Indianapolis Indians, the Triple-A affiliate of the Milwaukee Brewers, play ball at Victory Field in downtown Indianapolis. If you end up working in downtown Indy for the summer, be sure to take advantage of at least one of the Indians' day games – Victory Field is incredible and has been recognized as the Best Minor League Ballpark in America by Sports Illustrated. Victory Field, the RCA Dome (home of the Colts) and the Conseco Fieldhouse (home of both the Pacers and the Fever) are literally within walking distance of each other. Indianapolis is also known as the amateur sports capital of the world, hosting numerous college and amateur championship events, including the NCAA Men's Final Four in 1997 and 2000.

Museums and Other Attractions

The Indianapolis Children's Museum (located at the corner of North Meridian and 30th Street) is the largest children's museum in the world. Besides numerous hands-on and regular exhibits, the museum also has an IMAX theater. There are several attractions in White River State Park (on West Washington Street, just west of the Statehouse), including the NCAA Hall of Champions, the Eiteljorg Museum (collection of Native American paintings and artifacts), and the Indianapolis Zoo. Our Hoosier editor also notes the Soldiers and Sailors Monument in the Circle was the first in the country to honor the common soldier, and that the Statehouse is magnificent.

Michigan City

Michigan City, Indiana, is home to both Indiana's maximum security correctional facility and the Lighthouse Place Premium Outlet Center. We recommend visiting the latter. Lighthouse has a terrific variety of outlets spread out in a pedestrian mall.

Getting There

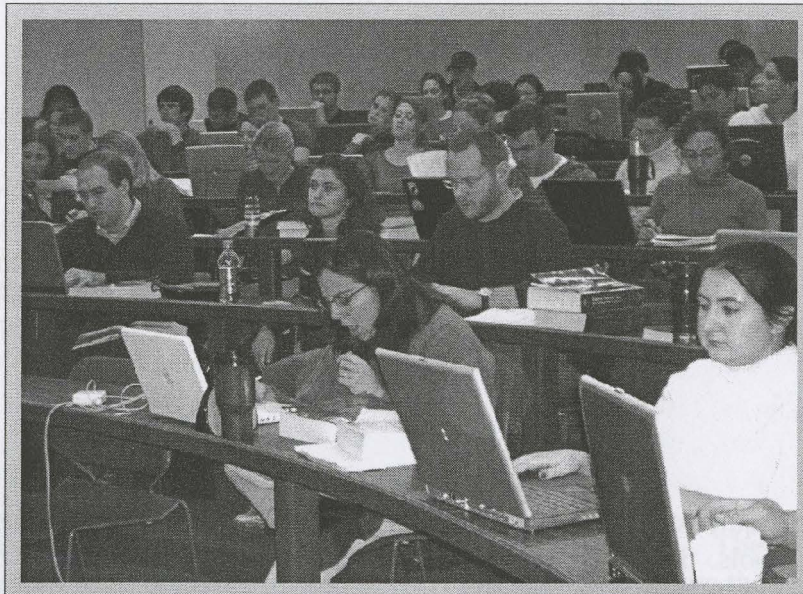
There are several variations on this route to the outlet stores, but this is the easiest way to get there. Take I-80/90 west to Michigan City (exit 39). Drive north on US 421/ Franklin Street for nine miles to Sixth Street, which will take you through downtown Michigan City. Turn left on Sixth Street and go about two blocks to the Outlet Center. It takes about an hour to drive to Michigan City from South Bend. You can also take the South Shore Line from the South Bend Airport. The train stops at 11th Street, which is six blocks south of the Outlets. A shuttle meets selected trains.

Shopping

There are more than 120 outlets at Lighthouse (see Shopping). Law students have been known to get incredible deals on suits for interviews from Brooks Brothers and Hart Schaffner & Marx. There are also numerous housewares outlets with much better prices than you can find in South Bend. If you have a long list of basic things you need to furnish your apartment in South Bend, a trip to Michigan City may be worthwhile.

Other Attractions

Uhm, did we mention the maximum security prison? (Actually, the Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty has sponsored trips to the prison at Michigan City, as it is the home of Indiana's Death Row.) Of course, there are also numerous beaches in nearby Berrien County, where you can enjoy the greatest of all Great Lakes.



Summer in South Bend

It's Not Always Cold Here. Really.

Between local law firms and research positions, quite a few law students will find themselves staying in South Bend for the summer. For those transplants to South Bend, don't despair. There is actually quite a bit going on in the area during the summer. Below are some of my favorites. The Student Bar Association usually organizes a list of students who will be residing in any given city, including South Bend, so you can meet up with your peers and go explore.

Silver Hawks Minor League Baseball Team

www.silverhawks.com

574-235-9988

South Bend is home to one of the Arizona Diamondbacks' minor league teams.

Home games run from April through August. Coveleski Stadium hosts a beer garden and runs promotional events throughout the home schedule. Tickets are \$5-7 each.

Sunburst Marathon

www.sunburstraces.org

574-647-3394

"From Hall of Fame to Notre Dame." The Sunburst offers something for both the serious runner and the casual fitness enthusiast. Opportunities include not only a marathon but also a half-marathon, 10K, 5K and fun walk. Sunburst also sponsors the traditional pre-race dinner and race day festivities. Races begin at the College Football Hall of Fame and historically finish on the 50-yard line of the Notre Dame Stadium. The event takes place the first week of June.

East Race Waterway

www.sbpark.org/parks/erace.htm

574-299-4765

The East Race Waterway is a 1500+ foot long artificial whitewater course operated by the South Bend Parks and Recreation Department. The Waterway routinely hosts national and world-class whitewater slalom races but is also open to the public on summer weekends. Rental inflatable kayaks and rafts are available beginning at the price of merely \$2/person/ride. If you rent your vessel from the park district, they will also supply personal flotation devices, helmets and paddles. A rescue team is on duty along the course during public operation hours.

Public Swimming Pools

www.sjcparks.org

574-277-4828.

South Bend can get quite sticky in the summer, but fortunately many area parks have public swimming pools. The most impressive is the Olympic-size wave pool in Mishawaka's Merryfield Park.

Local Wine Tasting

www.michiganwines.com

Michigan is home to a large number of vineyards, many within 20 to 30 minutes of South Bend. See the website above for a list of wineries. You can also access summer hours, tasting room information and a tour map. Some of the wineries even host special events – the Round Barn Winery, for example, has classes on the art of winemaking and summer jazz concerts.

South Bend Farmer's Market

South Bend hosts a farmer's market that is open year round but is clearly best in the summer months. You will find vendors selling fresh produce, meats, flowers, antiques and other handicraft items. In the center of the market, there is also a great restaurant that features menu items made from the fresh ingredients – found right there at the market. During the summer, the farmer's market is open on Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday of each week. Get there early to get the best selection.

U-Pick Fruit Markets

www.swmichigan.org

Southwestern Michigan grows a wide array of farm-fresh fruits and vegetables every year. Michigan is well known for its cherries and blueberries but is also among the state leaders for apples, plums, sweet cherries, asparagus, grapes, snap green beans, pears, strawberries, sweet corn, cauliflower, peaches and cucumbers. The area boasts over 60 roadside markets and pick-your-own farms. You can research farms and what is in season in advance, or simply drive up I-94 and look for signs. If you'd rather have Indiana produce (or if for some reason you can't leave the state), visit www.in.gov/oca/other/markets.html for a comparable list of Indiana u-picks and agri-tourism.

Drive-in Movies

www.driveinmovie.com

574-936-7936

Indiana has over 20 drive-in movie theatres in operation. The nearest is Tri-Way Drive-in in Plymouth. The site boasts three screens and a double feature every night, except on the Memorial Day and Labor Day weekends when they run pictures from dusk to dawn. Their season runs from April through September. Tri-Way Drive-In is located at 4400 North Michigan Road in Plymouth, Indiana.

Vickers Theatre

www.vickerstheatre.com

269-756-3522

A turn-of-the-century film house located about 40 minutes away. The theatre focuses on independent films but has offered other art forms including live theater, music ranging from folk to punk, as well as performance art and poetry readings. The

Vickers Theater's Outdoor Film Event (Sounds of Silents Film Festival) in August is well-respected among theater patrons.

College Football Hall of Fame Enshrinement Festival

www.collegefootball.org

574-235-9999

Held in August each year, the Enshrinement Festival is an opportunity to rub shoulders with college football legends. Events include acceptance speeches, a Youth Football Clinic, a Celebrity Flag Football Game and a party with fans on the Gridiron Plaza.

Fridays By The Fountain

www.morriscenter.org

574-235-9198

Every other Friday, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. throughout the summer, the Morris Performing Arts Center located in downtown South Bend sponsors an outdoor fair on their front lawn. Community members who work downtown come out during their lunch hour to enjoy live music, contests and tastes from local eateries.

You should also check out the Morris's website for its calendar of summer events. Tickets can be a little pricey on a student budget but the Center does attract well-known performers like Lynyrd Skynyrd and Jewel. The Morris is also the home of the Broadway Theatre League, the South Bend Symphony Orchestra and the Southold Dance Theater.

"Meet Me On The Island"

"Meet Me On The Island" is a summer concert series sponsored by WVPE (local NPR station) at the Century Center Convention Complex downtown. Listen for the many radio spots in advance of events.

St. Joseph County Parks

www.sjcparks.com

St. Joseph County is home to over 100 great parks. My personal favorite is the Shiojiri Niwa Friendship Japanese garden in Mishawaka's Merryfield Park Complex. Throughout the summer the parks department sponsors classes and programs at the parks like the Leeper Park Art Fair. Information is available on the website above. The parks department also publishes spring and summer activity guides.

Summer Festivals

Most of the towns in the area host a summer festival each year. South Bend and Mishawaka usually hold their events in June. You can hit up South Bend's Summer in the City Festival in a couple of hours. Mishawaka's Summerfest is a more elaborate festival encompassing three days of special events including a fireworks display, a movie in the park, live concerts and more. Everything but the carnival games are free. Be sure to check out the whole schedule and come and go throughout the weekend. And, don't forget the numerous smaller towns in the region which also like to celebrate summer in style.

Sources of Information on Local Events

WNDU

www.wndu.com/community

WNDU, the local television station, hosts a calendar of local events accessible through their website that is really quite thorough. Check it out throughout the summer for the latest on what is going on around town. Events are already being posted for Summer 2008.

Michiana Area Yellow Pages

For more events, see the Schedule of Events in the very front (page 10 or so) of the Michiana Area Yellow Pages that comes out in May each year.

South Bend Tribune

<http://www.southbendtribune.com>

The South Bend Tribune is the local newspaper. You can find lots of information on the arts and entertainment in the area, especially in the Sunday paper!

Airports

South Bend Regional Airport – www.sbnair.com

South Bend Regional Airport (SBN) is located a short 15-minute drive from campus. While your trip may require a connecting flight, SBN can accommodate your travel needs. Fares from this smaller airport are usually not prohibitively expensive, and many students find the added convenience well worth the extra cost. Don't worry – flying around the country for interviews during your second year is no problem because law firms will fly you right out of South Bend.

There is plenty of airport parking available at a reasonable price (\$6 per day). Taxi fare between campus and the airport is about \$12-14, depending on the cab company. Another affordable alternative is the TRANSP0 #4 bus, which circles through downtown South Bend and out to the airport every day except Sunday.

O'Hare and Midway – www.flychicago.com

Chicago's O'Hare International Airport is just over a two-hour drive from Notre Dame. O'Hare offers non-stop flights to destinations throughout the world as well as airfares that are usually cheaper than South Bend Regional. Midway Airport, located on Chicago's southwest side, is also about two-hours from South Bend. Most of the major airlines also have service out of Midway. Information on parking at either Midway or O'Hare airports can be found at www.parkridefly.com. This site offers discounts for online reservations and parking at reasonable prices.

Many students who fly out of O'Hare or Midway use the United Limo/Coach USA bus service (www.coachusa.com) to travel from campus to the airports. Coach USA picks up near the Eck Center on campus as well as at the South Bend Regional Airport. The bus fare is \$35 one way or \$61 round trip. The bus ride takes about three hours. If you want to travel even cheaper, you can ride the South Shore Line (see the buses and trains section).

Indianapolis International – www.indianapolisairport.com

Indianapolis International Airport, located on the southwest side of Indianapolis, is about a three-hour drive from the Notre Dame campus. Although there are flights to fewer destinations than O'Hare, you can access just about any major city in the East, South, and Midwest. Because the Indianapolis market is not dominated by a single airline, airfares out of Indianapolis are some of the cheapest in the Midwest.

The best alternatives for getting to the airport are by car or Greyhound bus. There is plenty of parking at the airport available at a reasonable price. A few South Bend taxicab companies will take passengers from South Bend to the Indianapolis airport, but be careful as fares can be expensive.

Buses & Trains

Amtrak – www.amtrak.com

The South Bend Amtrak station is located west of Downtown at 2702 West Washington Avenue. While the station is somewhat difficult to find, law students who use the trains have been happy with the convenience and price. If you find someone to drive you, the Amtrak station in Niles was in the movie *Planes, Trains and Automobiles*! The trains coming in and out of South Bend are often delayed due to freight trains on the same route, so call 1-800-USA-RAIL to check the train status before you head to the station. If you don't want to deal with the delays and extra cost of the Lakeshore Limited and the Capitol Limited (the routes that come through South Bend), you can go directly to Chicago on the South Shore Line and then either walk or take the bus to Union Station for about the same time (except for the fact that it's on time) and about half price. Check the Amtrak website for current routes and prices.

South Shore Railroad – www.nictd.com

The South Shore Railroad is a commuter rail line that connects South Bend with downtown Chicago. The South Shore departs from the South Bend Regional Airport and makes numerous stops throughout Northwestern Indiana en route to Chicago. Schedule and fare information is available on their website. Depending on where you want to go in Chicago, the one-way fare is \$9 on weekends and \$11 on weekdays and the trip will take about two and a half hours. Weekend and holiday trains are less frequent than weekdays.

If you are planning to take the train to catch a flight from one of the Chicago airports, and also plan to return to South Bend the same way, make sure you check www.nictd.com for times before you book your flight. Trains do not normally run early enough to catch flights before noon or one in the afternoon, especially on weekends, and don't count on getting a train back to South Bend after ten at night. Also, make sure to allow yourself at least one hour for connections once you get into Chicago. The South Shore stops at Millennium Park and from there you have to take a CTA bus or the L-train to either airport.

Greyhound Bus – www.greyhound.com

Greyhound has several buses each day from South Bend to various destinations, including: Chicago, Toledo, Kalamazoo, Fort Wayne, Indianapolis, Milwaukee, and Madison. Although it is usually the cheapest option, we'd recommend not taking it for long trips. Greyhound buses depart from South Bend Regional Airport.

Chicago Buses and Trains – <http://tripsweb.rtachicago.com>

The above website is a must if you plan on going to Chicago without a car. It has convenient pull-down menus to help plan your trip within the city, which is especially helpful when trying to get to one of the airports from the South Shore Line.

In the pull-down “select a landmark” menu Millennium Park is where the South Shore Line stops.

Directions to/from the airports and Millennium Park:

Millennium Park to MDW (Midway)

From the Madison/Wabash CTA (.2 mi W of Michigan Ave.), take the Orange line train West to Midway

MDW to Millennium Park

Take the Orange line East to the Madison/Wabash CTA. Walk .2 miles East to Millennium Park

Millennium Park to ORD (O’Hare)

From the Madison/Wabash CTA (.2 mi W of Michigan Ave.), take the Brown line North to the Clark/Lake CTA, transfer to the Blue line to O’Hare

ORD to Millennium Park

Take the Southbound Blue line to the Washington/Dearborn CTA, from there take the #20 bus Eastbound to Washington and Michigan. The Millennium Park station is .1 mi South.

Getting Around South Bend

Driving around South Bend and Mishawaka is fairly straightforward. The towns themselves are essentially laid out in a grid, so once you learn the major cross streets (Grape Road, Douglas Road, Edison Road, Cleveland Road, McKinley Ave.) it is easy to get a bearing as to where you are. The key road to know is Edison Road in South Bend – this is the road that runs along the south side of Notre Dame’s campus.

With traffic, it will take no more than 10 minutes to drive from several of the apartment complexes in Mishawaka (Indian Lakes, Williamsburg on the Lake, Main Street Village) to Notre Dame’s campus. The majority of the chain restaurants and grocery stores, located around Grape Road and Main Street in Mishawaka, are within 10 minutes of Notre Dame. Another important thing to note is that Notre Dame’s campus and the majority of apartment complexes in South Bend and Mishawaka are located between Exits 77 and 83 off the Toll Road and it will take you no more than 10 minutes to get to either exit.

Driving into downtown South Bend is a bit tricky as the roads do not remain parallel and often change names. This can be frustrating. Another important road “change” to know is that US-933, also known as US-31, becomes Michigan Ave. and then forks and becomes Main Street in South Bend. It sounds confusing but don’t worry, you’ll learn this drive quickly.

We recommend the South Bend Chamber of Commerce web site:

<http://www.exploresouthbend.org/visitormap.php> You can download and print maps of South Bend and Mishawaka.

Bikes

Notre Dame has a fairly large campus with student parking at the edges. Many students take advantage of the bike racks at the law school and ride in either from home or from the parking lot. Dwight King, one of the research librarians, can often be seen in his bicycle helmet, walking into the law school in all kinds of weather.

If you decide to take a bike to the law school, remember to bring a U-lock. Bike theft is the most-reported campus crime: the local crooks will even take rusty, beat-up bikes. Campus Security offers free bicycle registration, online at www.nd.edu/~dnemeth/bike/bikereg.html. They also offer a "lock-up" for bike storage during the winter months, at the Stadium. And, every fall there is a used bike auction where you can pick up one of the bikes which have remained unclaimed from the winter lock-up as well as any bikes that Security has "liberated" from bike racks around campus after the students have gone home for break.

Bike Shops

Any of these shops should have relatively current trail information.

Pro-form

2202 South Bend Ave. <http://proformbike.com>

574-272-0129

The closest bike shop to campus, at Ironwood and State Route 23. A nice high-end shop. The staff at Pro-form is probably the most knowledgeable in the area regarding road cycling. If you're a strong cyclist and are looking for a group ride of 40+ miles at 22-23 m.p.h., be at Pro-form at 5:30 on Thursdays. Only go if you've been training, the ride has a race-like intensity.

Albright's Cycling and Fitness

2720 Lincolnway West, Mishawaka <http://albrightscycling.com>

574-255-8988

About fifteen minutes from campus by car. Less expensive than Pro-From and still a good shop.

Outpost Sports

3602 North Grape Road, Mishawaka www.outpostsports.com

574-259-1000

Has some mountain biking equipment.

Mountain Biking & Trails

The local trail in South Bend is in Rum Village Park and consists of about four miles of winding single track created by mountain bikers with the blessing of the City. Difficulty depends on how fast you ride – some narrow stretches and tight corners make this a fun diversion, especially since it is only a fifteen-minute bike ride or five-minute drive from campus. To get there head south on US 31 (Michigan Ave) and turn right a mile or so past

downtown on Ewing. There is a sign on this corner pointing to Rum Village Park and Nature Center. The trails in the main part of the park are off limits to bikes, so go past the park and turn left on Gertrude. The entry to the ride area is on your right a few hundred yards up. The City is pretty serious about controlling erosion in the area, so if the sign says it's closed, as it frequently is in wet weather, don't ride. If you get caught, you risk confiscation of your bike, and telling the cop you are a law student isn't likely to help your cause. Rum Village Park is also home to the local Frisbee golf course.

If you have time to get away for a few hours there are more riding options. Southern Michigan has a few rides, though you'll probably notice the topography is still pretty flat. T.K. Lawless County Park in Cass County is about an hour away and has a little over ten miles of trails for mountain biking. To get there, take US 33 north towards Niles, and turn east on MI 60. Shortly after Vandalia turn right on Lewis Lake Road and then east on Monkey Run Street. There is a sign for the park on M60. Parking costs a couple of bucks. If you find out why they call it Monkey Run Street let us know.

If you are not looking for single track there are a couple of good trails for family cycling in the area, including a Rails to Trails path that runs from Kalamazoo to South Haven in Southwestern Michigan, and a bicycle trail at Potato Creek State Park. There is also a trail running from Holland, Michigan up the coast of Lake Michigan to Grand Haven (about 23 miles).

Road Biking

If you're into riding on the road, and have a road bike, get in touch with the ND Cycling Club. The club's website is www.nd.edu/~bike and their email address is bike@nd.edu. The website may not show it, but this is a committed group of cyclists. That said, the group is relaxed and friendly and eagerly welcomes newcomers. The club leads group rides of about 30 miles, six days a week in the fall. The rides include riders of mixed abilities, and vary from 15-22 m.p.h. The club's main focus is racing in the spring. The club races in the Midwest Collegiate Cycling Conference, which includes schools such as Michigan, Purdue, Michigan State, Illinois, and Indiana. Club members race 6-8 weekends during the spring at different schools throughout the region, all on the University's AMEX. The races are divided by ability level, so rookie racers can also get a taste of the action.

Map

For those of you who are new to South Bend/Mishawaka area, we shall make it easy. As someone who has lived here for 22 years, I can tell you that you will be able to happily survive once you learn three key streets - State Road 23, Grape Road and Main Street. As you will soon learn, there is much more to be discovered, but for now, the basic necessities all exist right within this five mile radius. If nothing more, at least this should be a good place to get started with your transition to South Bend.

1. Martin's Supermarket- complete with a Starbucks
CVS Drug Store
Atria II - the little sister of #3
2. Kinko's - a necessity for that first resume drop
Blockbuster Video - three words: cheap, cheap, cheap
3. Atria I - a good place in town for a haircut/color
4. CVS Pharmacy
5. U.S. Post Office
6. Family Dollar
Save-A-Lot Grocery
7. Movies 14 - popular movie theatre
8. Barnes & Noble Bookstore/Cafe
9. Denver Mattress Co. - a cheap place to get the bed that you will be missing when you are up late studying
10. Value City and Value City Furniture - cheap furniture, great clearance prices if you are okay with moving a random set of chairs
11. Kroger Grocery - trust me, Martin's is better
Walgreen's Drug Store
12. [Now an empty building, we are sad to report.]
13. Best Buy
14. Circuit City
K's Merchandise - if you can wade through the junk, you can find some halfway sturdy furniture
15. Office Max/Copy Max
16. Wal-Mart
Sam's Club
17. Menard's - save big money at Menard's on odd things like lamps, rugs & tools
18. Super Target - what can't you buy there??
19. Meijer- see #18
20. Kohl' Department Store
Border's Bookstore
Dick's Sporting Goods
Old Navy
Bed, Bath & Beyond - bedding, kitchen stuff, some furniture, towels, etc.
21. Ja'Ross Salon- the other nearby place to get a decent haircut

