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GOODWIN H. LIU

ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT
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Goodwin Liu is an Associate Justice of the California Supreme Court. Nominated by Governor Jerry Brown, Justice Liu was sworn into office in 2011 and retained by the electorate in 2014 and 2022. Before joining the state’s highest court, Justice Liu was Professor of Law and Associate Dean at the UC Berkeley School of Law. His primary areas of expertise are constitutional law, education law and policy, and diversity in the legal profession. Justice Liu continues to teach constitutional law as a visiting professor at Harvard, Columbia, and Stanford law schools. He is an elected member and Chair of the Board of Directors of the American Academy of Arts & Sciences. He is also an elected member of the American Philosophical Society, the American Academy of Political and Social Science, and the American Law Institute, serving on its governing Council. Justice Liu also serves on the Board of Directors of the James Irvine Foundation and the Spencer Foundation, and previously served as President of the Yale University Council and as a member of the Board of Trustees of Stanford University, the National Academy of Sciences Committee on Science, Technology, and Law, the Board of Directors of the National Women’s Law Center, and the California Commission on Access to Justice.



The son of Taiwanese immigrants, Justice Liu grew up in Sacramento and attended public schools. He earned a bachelor’s degree from Stanford, a master’s degree from Oxford University on a Rhodes Scholarship, and a law degree from Yale. He clerked for Judge David Tatel on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit and for Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg on the U.S. Supreme Court. He has also worked in the litigation practice of O’Melveny & Myers, served as Special Assistant to the Deputy Secretary of the U.S. Department of Education, and helped launch the AmeriCorps national service program at the Corporation for National Service.

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"No, I Can't Leave Political Conversations at the Door": From a Mixed-Status Household to Undocumented College Student Advocacy, 41 UCLA CHICANX/LATINX LAW REVIEW 69 (2026), <https://escholarship.org/uc/item/6bm333bf>.

SCHOLARSHIP FROM THE S.J.D. CLASS OF 2026

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Passthrough Funding in the U.S. and Nigeria: Can States Lawfully Withhold Federal Funds from Local Governments? 96, PENNSYLVANIA BAR ASSOCIATION QUARTERLY, 117-131, (2025).

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Cheng-Hsiu (Shin) Yang

Pro Bono Distinction

Lucia Ferrer

Marwyn Michel Jackie Hilz

Zuhui Huang

Anastasia Maitre

Diya Maria Abraham

Juan Pablo Ossa Márquez

Janah Murad

Advika Muralidharan

Jannet Riveros Gomez

Xuejun Shi

Aline Soenen

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Best Draft

Aisha Aoumaich Mouri

UCLA LAW U. SERVE L.A. STUDENT AWARD

Awarded for outstanding pro bono or public interest contribution as a UCLA Law student.

María Paula Herrera Duque

UCLA LAW-YUANDA SCHOLARSHIP

A scholarship established by John H. Huang (LL.M. '97) awarded to an expert in Chinese law through an intensive competition.

Qiwei Sun

SCHOLARSHIP FROM THE LL.M. CLASS OF 2026

Shannon Rose Chamberlain

To Will or Not to Will: East Asian Americans and Their Legal Challenges When Planning for Their Estates Within the United States Probate System, 30 UCLA ASIAN PAC. AM. L.J. (forthcoming 2026).

SPECIAL PRIZES AND AWARDS PRESENTED TO MEMBERS OF THE J.D. CLASS OF 2026

MICHAEL T. MASIN SCHOLARS

Presented to the twelve law students with the highest grade point averages after their first year of law school. The fund associated with the award was established by Michael T. Masin (Class of 1969), his wife Joanne, and the Masin Family Foundation.

Ali Bradus	Joseph T. Keane	Sorcha Whitley
Heather Connolly	Charlotte Richards Pettit	Bella Zhu
Matthew DuMont	Rachel Samouha Rabbanian	
Mitchell Golden	Malia Smith	

MASIN FAMILY ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE GOLD AWARD/DEAN'S AWARD

Given to the highest performing student in a competitive law school course with a curve. The fund associated with the award was established by Michael T. Masin (Class of 1969), his wife Joanne, and the Masin Family Foundation.

Maeve Anderson, Energy Law and Regulation (2024 Fall)
Shane Ball, Administrative Law (2024 Fall); Policy Challenges in Tax Law (2025 Spring); International Trade Law (2025 Fall)
Philip Bauer, Legal Research and Writing (2024 Spring)
Noah Benjamin, Criminal Procedure: Adjudication (2025 Fall)
Andrew Bilodeau, Employment Discrimination Law (2025 Fall)
Mehek Boparai, The Trafficking in Human Beings: Law and Policy (2025 Fall)
Talia Boyadjian, Criminal Law (2024 Spring)
Ali Bradus, Employment Law (2025 Fall)
Melanie Chambraud, Civil Procedure (2023 Fall)
Michael Chesnut, Indigenous Peoples in International Law (2025 Spring)
Lauren Cohen, Criminal Law (2025 Spring)
Heather Connolly, Torts (2023 Fall); Contracts (2023 Fall); Wills and Trusts (2024 Fall);
Introduction to Federal Income Taxation (2024 Fall); Securities Regulation (2025 Spring);
Quantitative Methods in the Courtroom (2025 Spring); Community Property (2025 Fall); Evidence (2025 Fall)
Matthew Cooke, Legislation and Statutory Interpretation (2024 Spring);
Contemporary Philosophy of Law: The Cutting Edge (2024 Fall)
Logan Cyr, Legal Research and Writing (2024 Spring); International Intellectual Property (2025 Spring)
Tyler De Groot, Introduction to Federal Income Taxation (2024 Spring)
Melissa Deng, Consumer Financial Protection (2024 Fall)
John Dover, Telecommunications Regulation (2024 Fall)
Rachel Dumiak, Patent Law (2024 Fall); Professional Responsibility (2024 Fall)
Matthew DuMont, Property (2024 Spring); Federal Indian Law I (2024 Fall)
Sara Eckmann, Wills and Trusts (2025 Fall)
Pelin Ensari, International Human Rights Law (2025 Spring)
Rebecca Ferrer, Contracts (2023 Fall); Legal Research and Writing (2024 Spring)
Duke Fishman, Renewable Energy Project Finance (2024 Spring)
Lauren Frey, Professional Responsibility (2025 Spring)
Tori L. Funk, Housing Law and Policy (2024 Fall)
Daniel Gerber, Representing Talent in the Entertainment Industry (2024 Fall)
Mitchell Golden, Civil Procedure (2023 Fall); Property (2024 Fall)
Andrew J. Gomez-Blumenfeld, Business Torts (2024 Spring); Professional Responsibility (2024 Fall);
Criminal Procedure: Investigations (2025 Spring); Antitrust Law I (2025 Fall); Intellectual Property (2025 Fall)
Amber Grimmer, Critical Issues in Human Rights (2025 Spring)
Cameron Gunn, Prison Law and Policy (2025 Fall)
Jeffrey Hamilton, Business Bankruptcy (2024 Spring)
Olivia Johnson, Property (2024 Spring); Entertainment Law (2024 Fall)
Timothy Jones, International Business Transactions (2025 Spring)
Jasmeen Kaur, Legal Research and Writing (2024 Spring); Nonprofit Law and Policy (2025 Fall)
Aliyah Kazemaini, Harmonizing Hollywood: Entertainment Disputes, Ethics and Peacemaking (2025 Spring)

Joseph T. Keane, Federal Courts: Judicial Power and the Law of Government Accountability (2024 Spring);
 Criminal Procedure: Investigations (2024 Fall); Family Law (2024 Fall); Criminal Procedure: Habeas Corpus (2025 Spring);
 Remedies (2025 Spring)

Rayna Klugherz, Criminal Law (2025 Fall)

Adam Kobza, Business Bankruptcy (2025 Spring)

Jackson Leake, Business Associations (2024 Spring); Intellectual Property (2024 Fall); Property (2025 Spring)

Ellen Lee, Legal Research and Writing (2024 Spring); Venture Capital and the Start-Up Company (2025 Spring)

Liam Lustberg, Local Government Law (2024 Fall); Land Use and Urban Planning Law (2024 Fall)

Peter Marcus, Evidence (2024 Fall)

Malik Marshall, Torts (2023 Fall); Constitutional Law I (2024 Spring);
 Hollywood Guilds: A Framework for Navigating The Industry (2025 Fall)

Nathan Martin, Transnational Litigation in U.S. Courts (2025 Fall)

H. Reynolds Martínez, ?There is No Such Thing as a Public School? (2025 Spring)

Colin McAlister, Intellectual Property (2025 Spring); Artificial Intelligence Law (2025 Spring)

Neill McComb, Business Strategy and Corporate Governance (2025 Spring)

Simon McMurchie, Civil Rights: A Design Approach (2025 Spring)

John Melton, Civil Procedure (2023 Fall); Disability Law (2025 Fall)

Sierra Kalei Miral, Legal Research and Writing (2024 Spring)

Amanda Miskell, Law & Dissent (2024 Fall)

Soraya Alejandra Morales Nuñez, Constitutional Law I (2024 Spring)

Devyn Nordstrom, International Trade Law (2024 Fall); Estate Planning (2025 Fall)

Lauren Parker, Civil Procedure (2023 Fall); Property (2024 Spring)

Charlotte Richards Pettit, Contracts (2023 Fall); Legal Research and Writing (2024 Spring)

Sam Poursafar, State and Local Taxation (2025 Fall)

Jackson Reinhardt, Copyright Law (2024 Fall); SVOD / AVOD (2025 Spring); Motion Picture Distribution (2025 Fall)

Patrick Reiser, Business Associations (2024 Spring)

Isadora Reisner, Contracts (2023 Fall); Legal Research and Writing (2024 Spring); Art and Cultural Property Law (2025 Fall)

Grayson Rost, Criminal Law (2024 Spring); Remedies (2025 Spring)

Rachel Samouha Rabbani, Constitutional Law I (2024 Spring)

Immeke Schmidt, Federal Indian Law II (2025 Spring); Federal White Collar Crime (2025 Fall)

Lindsey Segal, Legal Research and Writing (2024 Spring)

Eli Sills, Torts (2023 Fall); Race, Racism, and Law (2025 Spring)

Aditya Sivakumar, Business Skills for Lawyers (2024 Fall)

Malia Smith, Environmental Law and Policy (2024 Spring)

Calvin Thrift, Legal Research and Writing (2024 Spring)

Elisabeth Van Tassell, Torts (2023 Fall)

Madelyn Whalen, Evidence (2024 Fall)

Sorcha Whitley, Torts (2023 Fall); Criminal Law (2024 Spring); Restitution and Unjust Enrichment (2025 Fall)

Jordan Williams, Lawyering in Administrative Agencies - Current Issues at the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) (2025 Spring)

Ying Yang, China and the International Legal Order (2024 Fall)

Siena Zarrell, Trademark Law (2025 Spring)

Milan Adaea Bross Zavolta, Legal Research and Writing (2024 Spring); Mergers & Acquisitions (2025 Spring)

MASIN FAMILY ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE SILVER AWARD/DEAN'S AWARD RUNNER-UP
 Given to the second highest performing student in a competitive law school course with a curve.

Maeve Anderson, Legal Research and Writing (2024 Spring)

Ali Bradus, Legal Research and Writing (2024 Spring); Constitutional Law I (2024 Spring); Evidence (2024 Fall);
 Professional Responsibility (2024 Fall)

Caroline Burg, Legal Research and Writing (2024 Spring); Professional Responsibility (2024 Fall)

Melanie Chambrud, Contracts (2023 Fall)

Lauren Cohen, Federal Courts (2025 Spring)

Heather Connolly, Legal Research and Writing (2024 Spring); Constitutional Law I (2024 Spring); Business Associations (2024 Fall);
 Remedies (2025 Spring)

Sydney Considine, Intellectual Property (2024 Fall)

Matthew Cooke, Criminal Law (2024 Spring)

Etai Dayani, Real Estate Transactions (2025 Spring)

John Dover, Torts (2023 Fall)

Sara Eckmann, Business Associations (2025 Spring)
 Benjamin Gabayan, Business Skills for Lawyers (2025 Fall)
 Nancy Gomez, Civil Procedure (2023 Fall); Legal Research and Writing (2024 Spring)
 Andrew J. Gomez-Blumenfeld, Civil Procedure (2023 Fall)
 Daniel Green, Introduction to Federal Income Taxation (2024 Fall)
 Alexandra Guadagno, Legal Research and Writing (2024 Spring)
 Ramzi Haddad, Civil Procedure (2023 Fall)
 Nina H. Chanoff, Civil Procedure (2023 Fall)
 Kasper Jastrzebski, Community Property (2025 Fall)
 Olivia Johnson, Contracts (2023 Fall)
 Kundan Kakaria, Introduction to Federal Income Taxation (2024 Spring)
 Austin Kaplan, Antitrust Law I (2024 Fall)
 Joseph T. Keane, Contracts (2023 Fall)
 Liz Ketcham, Criminal Law (2024 Spring)
 Daniel Kiefus, Criminal Law (2024 Fall)
 Amanda Kodabash, Remedies (2025 Fall)
 Jackson Leake, Torts (2023 Fall); Secured Transactions (2025 Fall)
 Ellen Lee, Civil Procedure (2023 Fall); Music Law (2025 Spring)
 Anna Lee, Legal Research and Writing (2024 Spring)
 John Lillis, Artificial Intelligence Law (2025 Spring)
 H. Reynolds Martinez, Legal Research and Writing (2024 Spring)
 Miranda Matern, Legal Research and Writing (2024 Spring)
 Colin McAlister, Entertainment Law (2024 Fall)
 Rebekah Courtney Kahn Micu, Evidence (2024 Fall)
 Stephanie Milbrodt, Property (2025 Spring); Employment Law (2025 Fall)
 Charlotte Richards Pettit, Criminal Law (2024 Spring); Property (2024 Spring); Art and Cultural Property Law (2024 Fall);
 Trademark Law (2025 Spring)
 Jackson Reinhardt, AI and Entertainment Law (2024 Fall); Entertainment Law (2025 Spring);
 Representing Talent in the Entertainment Industry (2025 Fall)
 Robert Rios, Constitutional Law I (2024 Spring)
 Paige Sachwitz, Contracts (2023 Fall)
 Lindsey Segal, Securities Regulation (2025 Spring)
 Malia Smith, Torts (2023 Fall); Legal Research and Writing (2024 Spring); Evidence (2024 Fall)
 Paige Tobin, Property (2024 Spring)
 Michael Torres, Wills and Trusts (2024 Fall)
 Elisabeth Van Tassell, Property (2024 Fall)
 Haowen Wang, Trademark Law (2024 Spring)
 Sorcha Whitley, Contracts (2023 Fall); Legal Research and Writing (2024 Spring); Property (2024 Spring);
 Administrative Law (2025 Spring)
 Beck Williams, Torts (2023 Fall)
 Camryn Yee, Professional Responsibility (2025 Spring)
 Bella Zhu, Civil Procedure (2023 Fall)

ALBERT J. AND MAE LEE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Shakiba Mashayekhi

ANN R. STEIN LAW SCHOLARSHIP

Jones C. Allison

BENJAMIN AARON AWARD

A prize for a graduating third year law student who has published the best piece of student work during the academic year in one of UCLA's Law Reviews.

Maeve Anderson

BLANCHE H. LYLE SPECIAL DEAN'S FUND

Kaitlyn Rose Garrison

BRUCE I. HOCHMAN AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN THE STUDY OF TAX LAW

Presented to the student in the graduating class who has demonstrated outstanding proficiency in the field of tax law. Bruce I. Hochman was a member of the first UCLA Law School class in 1952.

Shane Ball

BURTON MARKS - HARVEY A. SCHNEIDER CRIMINAL LAW SCHOLARSHIP

Established by friends, colleagues and family of Burton Marks, a member of the Class of 1955, to award outstanding performance in advanced studies in criminal law.

Allie Frank

CONTINUING EDUCATION OF THE BAR (CEB) AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN LEGAL RESEARCH AND WRITING

Presented at UCLA Law to promote the success of students who perform at the highest level. Honorees include those whose work was named the best brief in their class.

Isadora Mona Reisner

CRIMINAL LAW AND POLICY CONSORTIUM (CLPC) AWARD

This prize is awarded to a graduating student who has made a substantial contribution to the Criminal Law and Policy Consortium. Whether through academic excellence, leadership of student organizations, participation in projects, and/or involvement in events, this student has helped to enrich the criminal law and policy community with their efforts.

Nina H. Chanoff

DICK ZIMBERT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Fund to provide a scholarship each year to highly deserving and needy student in the Law School's Entertainment and Media Policy Program who demonstrates unique insight, superior judgement, intellectual and legal sensibilities.

Tahirah Newkirk

DISASTER RELIEF FELLOWSHIP

Fellows received stipends to work with local organizations to offer direct legal assistance to Los Angeles communities facing legal challenges due to the fires. They supported small businesses and individuals with housing, employment, and benefits-related issues.

James Harkness-Corral

EDGAR A. JONES JR. FUND SCHOLARSHIP

Samuel Christian Wagner

FRED AND MARY LEYDORF SCHOLAR

Honor awarded to outstanding UCLA Law student Research Assistants for excellence in faculty research assistance.

Shane Ball Kasper Jastrzebski

GEORGE L. MARINOFF MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Kaitlyn Rose Garrison

GOLDYNE SAVAD SCHOLARSHIP

Elisabeth Anne Van Tassell

INGRID EAGLY CRIMMIGRATION SUMMER FELLOWSHIP

Summer public interest fellowship for students working at intersection of immigration and criminal law.

Alexandra Sarkis

THE INTERNATIONAL AND COMPARATIVE LAW PROGRAM AWARD

This prize is awarded to the graduating student(s) who made the largest contribution to the International and Comparative Law Program as a 2L. Whether through leadership of student organizations, participation in projects, or involvement in events, these students helped enrich the ICLP community with their efforts.

Pelin Ensari Charlotte Richards Pettit

THE INTERNATIONAL AND COMPARATIVE LAW SPECIALIZATION AWARD FOR J.D. STUDENTS

This prize is awarded to the J.D. student(s) graduating with the International and Comparative Law Specialization who achieved the highest overall GPA.

John Dover

IRWIN E. BRILL AND RUTH BRILL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Zachary Wong

JERRY PACT AND JUDITH ROEDELHEIMER PACT CONSTITUTIONAL LAW SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to law students who have demonstrated excellence in the field of constitutional law.

Mitchell Golden

JONATHAN R. YAROWSKY FELLOWSHIP

Supports UCLA Law students with deep interest in public policy areas that lend themselves to careers in the federal government or Washington, DC-based private practice.

Liam Lustberg

Hailey Skye Salmonsén

Matthew Weinberg

JULIAN N. EULE MEMORIAL FUND

Malik Marshall

Soraya Alejandra Morales Nuñez

Rachel Samouha Rabbanian

JUSTICE JOHN PAUL STEVENS SUMMER FELLOWSHIP

Summer public interest fellowship for students pursuing public interest and social justice law.

Asmaa Ahmed

Daniel Baruch Green

Anagha Chandramouli

Sanyika Maloney

Tori L. Funk

Eric Tien

LAWRENCE E. IRELL PRIZE

Jackson Reinhardt

Sorcha Whitley

LEE AND BARBARA WENZEL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Jamala Shikh-Ali

MANUEL G. GONZALEZ III SCHOLARSHIP

Duke Fishman

LEON C. FAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to law students with demonstrated interest in entertainment law.

Grace Clerk

Shakiba Mashayekhi

Rachel Alexandra Dumiak

Jordon Williams

MARTIN C. PACTER SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Awarded to worthy law students who have demonstrated outstanding aptitude in the area of family law.

Joseph T. Keane

MARVIN JUBAS LAW SCHOLARSHIP

Samuel Christian Wagner

MELVILLE B. NIMMER MEMORIAL PRIZE

Awarded to the UCLA law student who has the highest grade in Copyright Law for the academic year.

Jackson Reinhardt

POSNER MEMORIAL ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

Maegan Grace Douglas

PROMISE INSTITUTE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS AWARD

This prize is awarded to the graduating J.D. student(s) who made the largest contribution to human rights research and advocacy during their 2L year.

Amber Grimmer

Daniel Kiefus

Alexandra Quintana

RICHARD T. DRUKKER PRIZE

Awarded to the student who served as the Editor-in-Chief of the UCLA Law Review.

Malia Smith

RONALD B. LABOWE ('53) SCHOLARSHIP IN COMMERCIAL LAW

This scholarship is granted to a third year UCLA law student who has demonstrated excellence in the study of commercial law.

Jeffrey Hamilton

RUSSELL P. SERBER MEMORIAL FUND

Tori Alvarez

Shakiba Mashayekhi

SANFORD M. GAGE AWARD

Established by Sanford M. Gage, Class of 1958, and is given to a third year student who has excelled in the fields of torts, evidence, and/or trial practice.

Madelyn Whalen

SALZBURG CUTLER FELLOWSHIP

The following students were selected through competitive application to receive an Award from the International & Comparative Law Program to participate in the prestigious Salzburg Cutler Fellows Program, which empowers the next generation of leaders in international law to engage critically with pressing global challenges in law and public service.

Shane Matthew Ball

Aniq Mansoorali Chunara

Amber Grimmer

SHEPARD BROAD SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship was established by the Shepard Broad Foundation to recognize the talent and promise of the highest performing students after the first year of law school.

Matthew DuMont

Sorcha Whitley

Mitchell Golden

Bella Zhu

Charlotte Richards Pettit

SKYE DONALD SPIRIT OF THE COMMUNITY AWARD

Awarded to one or more students who demonstrate integrity, generosity and a focus on the well-being of the law school community.

Shakiba Mashayekhi

STANLEY G. PEARSON ENDOWMENT FUND

Allie Zenwirth

TRUE BRUINS R.A.I.S.E AWARD

Honors UCLA students who take initiative to help a fellow Bruin in crisis. Celebrates Bruins who exemplify True Bruin values of Respect, Accountability, Integrity, Service and Excellence.

Lauren Leah Cohen

UCLA LAW ENHANCEMENT AWARDS

Award provided to graduating students who, through their leadership in student organizations and journals, or other co-curricular activities, have significantly improved and enriched the UCLA law community.

Alexander Dang

Shakiba Mashayekhi

Maegan Grace Douglas

Brittney Yaa Kesewaa Mensah

Mitchell Golden

UCLA LAW RESEARCH FOR CHANGE FELLOWSHIP

The Rosalinde and Arthur Gilbert Foundation provided a generous grant to establish the UCLA Law Research for Change Initiative. This program has allowed for direct support of faculty scholars and students in the production of impactful research on important issues of criminal law and policy.

Abigail Branham

Hailey Salmonsén

Elizabeth Pring

Siena Zarrell

UCLA LAW U. SERVE L.A. STUDENT AWARD

Awarded for outstanding pro bono or public interest contribution as a UCLA Law student.

Alex Austin

Clover W. Li

Kat Black

Malik J. Marshall

Nina H. Chanoff

Shakiba Mashayekhi

Zane G. Gonzalez

Gina Christine Sheeks Tandoc

UCLA-LOS ANGELES PUBLIC DEFENDER FELLOWSHIP

The UCLA-Los Angeles Public Defender Fellowship recognizes a graduating student's commitment to upholding the legal rights of Los Angeles County's most vulnerable residents. The student who receives the one-year post-graduate Fellowship will join Immigration Unit of the Los Angeles Public Defender's Office.

Victoria Calderón

UCLA LAW PRO BONO DISTINCTION

The following students fulfilled the UCLA Law Pro Bono Pledge to make a significant pro bono contribution during their time at UCLA School of Law. Pro Bono Distinction is awarded to J.D. students who have logged at least 50 hours. Pro Bono High Distinction is awarded to J.D. students who have logged at least 150 hours. A J.D. graduate may be selected Pro Bono Highest Distinction in recognition of their contribution to pro bono service during their time at UCLA Law. There is no single criteria for this award, although consideration will be given to hours volunteered as well as any UCLA pro bono leadership roles held.

Highest Pro Bono Distinction

Alex Austin

High Pro Bono Distinction

Maddie C. Bello	H. Reynolds Martínez
Kat Black	Stephanie Milbrodt
Nina H. Chanoff	Gina Christine Sheeks Tandoc
Rayna Klugherz	Brendan Wong
Clover W. Li	Allie Zenwirth
Amanda Parham	Katelyn Zou

Pro Bono Distinction

Asmaa Ahmed	Kaitlyn Garrison	Tarj Patel
Caili Neahla Anderson	Nancy Gomez	Sam Poursafar
Jonathan Banasihan	Zane Gonzalez	Alexandra Quintana
Felicia Beck	Daniel Baruch Green	Emily Robbins
Ian Bertrando	Amber Grimmer	Grayson Rost
Andrew Bilodeau	Alexandra Guadagno	Yalda Saii
Abigail Branham	Claire Hyatt	Alexandra Sarkis
Victoria Calderón	Madison Ing	Riley Jade Shapiro
Matthew Cooke	Michaela Mansfield	Jamala Shikh-Ali
Alexander Dang	Malik Marshall	Eli Sills
Yesenia De La Cruz	Caelin Marum	Erica Simpson
Destinee Noel Dickson	Shakiba Mashayekhi	Mia Stone
John Dover	Miranda Matern	Eric Tien
Pelin Ensari	Brittney Yaa Kesewaa Mensah	Elisabeth Van Tassel
Allie Frank	Devyn Nordstrom	Samuel Wagner
Lauren Frey	Ambika Nuggihalli	Eden Yeh
Tori L. Funk	Frances Parker-Hale	

UCLA LAW REVIEW

Gabriel Aguilar	Matthew DuMont	Stephanie Milbrodt
Cathy Balfe	Janelle Teresa Eley	Soraya Alejandra Morales Nuñez
Brayden Bell	Mitchell Golden	Rebecca Nathan
Talia Boyadjian	Daniel Baruch Green	Devyn Nordstrom
Ali Bradus	Amber Grimmer	Julianne Ortega
Dylan Brenner	Alexandra Guadagno	Mark Pampanin
Hunter Robinson Candreva	Lauren Hurlbut	Amanda Parham
Anagha Chandramouli	Kate Inman	Eugene Park
Nina H. Chanoff	Olivia Johnson	Lexi Phelan
Reilly Charles	Sunna Juhn	Elizabeth Pring
Michael Chesnut	Liz Ketcham	Stephanie Purwanto
Luke Colvard	Elizabeth Grace Kim	Isadora Reisner
Heather Connolly	Blake Krawl	Grayson Rost
Matthew Cooke	Dylan Kuennemann	Lindsey Segal
Melissa Cortina	Sora Lee	Riley Shapiro
Lily Costa	Joshua Liss	Jamala Shikh-Ali
Logan Cyr	Michaela Mansfield	Malia Smith
Alexander Dang	Brittney Yaa Kesewaa Mensah	Sallyanne Tejan

Jorelle Trinity
Jessica Tsukiji
Aiden Alexander Valdez
Elisabeth Van Tassell

Sorcha Whitley
Beck Williams
Max Winlock
Brendan Wong

Eden Yeh
Allie Zenwirth
Qifan Zhang

STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION

The UCLA Law Student Bar Association (SBA) is the law school's student government which provides funding for student organizations, represents student concerns, and enhances professional and social interests for all law students.

President

Destinee Noel Dickson

Vice President

Melanie Chambraud

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Madison Ing

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Aliyah Kazemaini

Communications Chair

Cameron Olmert

Barristers' Chair

Ekene Anene

Social Chair

Lauren Parker

3L President

Janelle Teresa Eley

3L Representatives

Rose Becker
Joseph Keane
Devyn Nordstrom
Madison Thomas

At-Large Members

Aniq Chunara
Cassandra George
Katelyn Zou

UCLA LAW TRIAL ADVOCACY AWARDS

CAPPELLO CERTIFICATE IN TRIAL ADVOCACY

Awarded to students who develop their trial skills by completing significant coursework and participating in multiple extracurricular trial-related activities.

Caili Anderson
Abigail Branham
Anagha Chandramouli
Janelle Eley
Jay Foss

Alexandra Guadagno
Jennifer Melgoza
Ambika Nuggihalli
Ellen Park
Lauren Parker

Riley Shapiro
Audrey Loren Shepard Judd
Madison Thomas
Madelyn Whalen

CAPPELLO TRIAL TEAM

Selected to compete externally for #1-ranked trial team in the country.

Caili Anderson
Abigail Branham
Anagha Chandramouli
Janelle Eley
Jay Foss

Alexandra Guadagno
Jennifer Melgoza
Ambika Nuggihalli
Ellen Park
Lauren Parker

Riley Shapiro
Audrey Loren Shepard Judd
Madison Thomas
Madelyn Whalen

IRVING H. GREEN PRIZE IN TRIAL ADVOCACY

Given annually to the students with the greatest contributions to the Cappello Trial Team.

Ambika Nuggihalli

TRIAL TEAM TOP GUN

Audrey Loren Shepard Judd

ORDER OF BARRISTERS

The Order of Barristers is a national honorary organization whose purpose is the encouragement of oral advocacy and brief writing skills through effective law school appellate moot court and mock trial programs. The Order provides national recognition for individuals who have excelled in advocacy and service at their respective schools. These students were selected based on their demonstrated commitment to UCLA's moot court and mock trial programs, involvement in oral advocacy and brief writing, and service to the UCLA advocacy community.

Abigail Branham
Matthew Cooke
Alexander Dang**
Daniel Baruch Green
Audrey Loren Shepard Judd**
Nickolas McLean

Ellen Park
Lauren Renee Parker
Riley J. Shapiro
Madison Thomas
Madelyn Whalen**
Sorcha Whitley

**Also awarded the Order of Barristers Statue of Justice (the Order's highest honor)

UCLA LAW TRIAL TEAM PRESIDENT

Madelyn Whalen

NORTON ROSE UCLA LAW TRIAL COMPETITION FINALISTS

Abigail Branham

Ellen Park

Madison Thomas

UCLA LAW MOOT COURT HONORS PROGRAM AWARDS

UCLA LAW MOOT COURT PRESIDENT

Alexander Dang

MOOT COURT HONORS

Nicholas Bertos

Reilly Charles

Matthew Cooke

Alexander Dang

Destinee Noel Dickson

Matthew DuMont

Mitchell Golden

Andrew J. Gomez-Blumenfeld

Daniel Green

Cameron Gunn

Joseph T. Keane

Anna J. Lee

Sora Lee

Miranda Matern

Riley Jeanette McCoy

Nickolas McLean

Simon McMurchie

John Melton

Mateo Ndoci

Julianne Ortega

Ellen Park

Charlotte Richards Pettit

Derek Song

Sorcha Whitley

Beck Williams

Lily Louise Wilmot

MOOT COURT TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS, 2025

Mitchell Golden - Finalist

UCLA LAW INTERNAL MOOT COURT COMPETITION, 2025

Matthew DuMont - Best Respondent Brief

Mitchell Golden - Best Overall Advocate / Best Petitioner Advocate / Best Overall Brief / Best Petitioner Brief

Charlotte Richards Pettit - Second Best Petitioner Brief

MOOT COURT TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS, 2024

Andrew J. Gomez-Blumenfeld - Winner

John Melton - Finalist

Alexander Dang - Finalist

Sorcha Whitley - Finalist

UCLA LAW INTERNAL MOOT COURT COMPETITION, 2024

Nicholas Bertos - Best Overall Brief / Best Respondent Brief

Alexander Dang - Best Overall Advocate / Best Petitioner Advocate

Andrew J. Gomez-Blumenfeld - Second Best Petitioner Advocate / Second Best Petitioner Oral Advocate

Daniel Green - Second Best Petitioner Brief

Ramzi Haddad - Second Best Respondent Oral Advocate

Simon McMurchie - Best Overall Brief / Best Petitioner Brief

John Melton - Second Best Respondent Advocate / Second Best Respondent Brief

Sorcha Whitley - Best Respondent Advocate / Best Overall Oral Advocate / Best Respondent Oral Advocate

SKYE DONALD MEMORIAL 1L MOOT COURT COMPETITION, 2024

Matthew Cooke - Winner

Reilly Charles - Finalist

Alexander Dang - Finalist

UCLA TRANSACTIONAL COMPETITION AWARDS

LOWELL MILKEN INSTITUTE-SANDLER PRIZE FOR NEW ENTREPRENEURS

Awarded to the winners of a team business plan competition open to all enrolled UCLA students, designed to recognize student innovation and support the real-world launch of promising new business ventures.

2026

Derek Song - First Place, Team EndoSight Systems

SCHOLARSHIP FROM THE J.D. CLASS OF 2026

Maeve Murphy Anderson

Land in Transition: Repurposing Water-Constrained Farmland for Sustainable Solar Development in the San Joaquin Valley, 43 UCLA J. ENV'T. L. & POL'Y. 235 (2025).

Shane Matthew Ball

Beyond European Rearmament: Why Rearmament Should Be a Global, Democratic Project, 30 UCLA J. INT'L L. & FOR. AFF. (forthcoming 2026).

Matthew Cooke

Republicanism, Reconstruction, and Federalism: Article IV's Guarantee of a Republican Form of Government as a Forgotten Source of Congressional Power, 73 UCLA L. REV. ____ (forthcoming 2026).

Alexander Dang

The Rule of Lenity and the Best Reading of Sentencing Laws, 73 UCLA L. REV. ____ (forthcoming 2026).

Melissa Lee Deng

The Ghost of Reclamation Past: Visions of Tulare Lake's Future, CAL. WATER L. J. (forthcoming 2026).

Mitchell Golden

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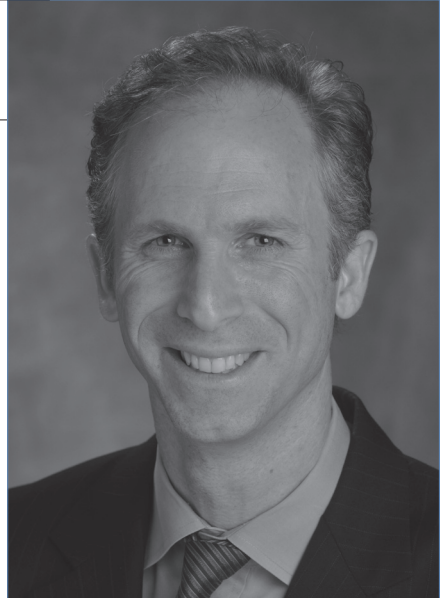
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Patrick D. Goodman teaches Remedies, Wills and Trusts, American Law in the Global Context, and a seminar in Law and Popular Culture. He is also the creator and co-developer of Law 101: Introduction to Legal Analysis, a new, required first-year course. He has also taught Legal Research and Writing, Written Legal Analysis, Writing for Practice, and the California Appellate Advocacy Clinic, a live-client appellate course in juvenile law he founded at the UCLA School of Law in partnership with Los Angeles County. He is a coauthor of *Cracking the Case Method: Legal Analysis for Law School Success* (3rd ed. West 2022).

Professor Goodman is the only faculty member to be named Senior Continuing Lecturer in the history of the UCLA School of Law. In 2010, Professor Goodman was awarded the UCLA Distinguished Teaching Award, the University's highest teaching honor. In 2013, he received the UCLA School of Law's Rutter Award for Excellence in Teaching. Professor Goodman has been elected the UCLA School of Law Professor of the Year by the graduating class seven times in nine years.

Prior to law school, Goodman earned a Master of Education degree from UCLA. At Columbia Law School, Goodman was a Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar and recipient of the 1996 Jane Marks Murphy Prize for Excellence in Clinical Advocacy. After law school, Goodman joined Morrison & Foerster in Los Angeles as a litigation associate. In 1998, he began at the Los Angeles County Counsel's Office as an attorney specializing in juvenile law and appellate practice, and he later was promoted to Senior Associate County Counsel. In November 1999, Goodman became Deputy County Counsel, a position he held before joining the UCLA School of Law faculty. Professor Goodman has served as lead counsel in over one hundred appeals, and he supervises certified UCLA law students in the California Court of Appeal.

Professor Goodman's areas of interest also include the use of scientific evidence in the courtroom. His 1996 article *Forensic Hair Comparison Analysis: Nineteenth Century Science or Twentieth Century Snake Oil?* (co-authored with Clive A. Stafford Smith) has been cited in dozens of journal articles, trial briefs, and judicial opinions, as well as *New Yorker* magazine, and it is the lead source for the American Law Reports summary of the subject. The article helped lead the FBI in 2015 to formally acknowledge it had provided flawed forensic hair comparison evidence testimony in hundreds of criminal cases over the prior two decades.



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