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BRANDEIS SCHOOL OF LAW

# WELCOME to BRANDEIS LAW

Greetings from the University of Louisville Brandeis School of Law!

It's our honor to introduce ourselves to you and offer a glimpse into what makes Brandeis Law so extraordinary. From our ties to the thriving Louisville legal market to our emphasis on experiential education, we work hard to set you up for success in your career.

Brandeis Law is a supportive learning community of talented individuals whose collegial demeanor complements their commitment to professional excellence. Maintaining open-door policies and open lines of communication, our dedicated faculty go the extra mile to be accessible and approachable, while alumni throughout the region and nation serve as mentors and networking leads.

Looking for a city that's perfect for young, aspiring professionals? Louisville has something for everybody: museums and eclectic galleries for art lovers, a vibrant local music scene, distinctive restaurants to please every palate, dozens of craft breweries and distilleries, a renowned public park system, professional soccer teams and so much more. The largest city in Kentucky, Louisville's warm, welcoming atmosphere and its affordability make it feel like the biggest small town you'll ever love.

We're excited to show you more about who we are and why we might just be the right fit for you!

IF WE WOULD GUIDE BY  
THE LIGHT OF REASON  
WE MUST LET OUR MINDS BE

**BOLD**

LOUIS D. BRANDEIS

U.S. SUPREME COURT JUSTICE

*Melanie B. Jacobs*

**MELANIE B. JACOBS**

DEAN & PROFESSOR OF LAW

# COMMUNITY SPIRIT

At Brandeis Law, we are dedicated to embodying UofL's Cardinal Principles, including **accountability, respect, inclusivity** and **leadership**. Our students come to us with a diversity of unique experiences and need not fit a mold to find their niche. They are ready to learn and eager to invest themselves in the law school, university and Louisville communities. Collaboration is key, whether in everyday interactions with supportive colleagues or more formally through student organizations and governance. Together our students achieve greatness, and they take that spirit of togetherness with them into their careers.

## WAKE GARDNER

MARIANNE T. ANDERSON FELLOWSHIP

Before law school, I was a lobbyist in New Mexico. I worked on behalf of businesses both big and small, and I hope to get to work on something that will help business thrive in my home state.

# LEARNING by DOING

Practical training is the hallmark of the Brandeis Law curriculum. Authentic experiential education takes our students beyond the classroom and into the real world.

Through our five **legal clinics**, students serve the community by providing accessible, specialized legal assistance under the supervision of experienced clinical faculty. Our **externship program** offers students countless opportunities to earn course credit while gaining hands-on legal experience in a variety of work environments.

**Funded fellowships** support students planning to pursue careers in public interest law. Our signature **Samuel L. Greenebaum Public Service Program**, which requires students to complete at least 30 hours of pro bono public service, promotes Brandeis Law's mission of preparing thoughtful, socially responsible lawyers.

## JASMYNE JONES

BREONNA TAYLOR LEGACY FELLOWSHIP

My community has made me who I am and has allowed me to grow. It's exciting to bring people up with me as I pursue my legal education.

## ALEXIS ECARMA

BRANDEIS HUMAN RIGHTS ADVOCACY PROGRAM

My main goal after college was to go to law school. What has really helped me in law school has been support from the community. I look forward to participating in various clinics and externships so I can get practical experience as a budding lawyer.

# EXPERTISE with IMPACT

Our faculty don't just talk the talk, they walk the walk. Renowned authorities in a variety of legal practice areas but uniform in their dedication to student success, our faculty exercise their talents both in and beyond the classroom, making a profound impact on the world and inspiring our students to do the same.

## TONY ARNOLD

ENVIRONMENTAL LAW,  
PROPERTY & LAND USE

Jointly appointed in the Department of Urban and Public Affairs, Dr. Arnold's interdisciplinary research at the intersection of land use, water resources, public policy and social justice is internationally recognized. He is faculty advisor for the Journal of Animal and Environmental Law and the founding director of the Resilience Justice Project, which aims to address the vulnerabilities of marginalized communities to events such as climate change, disasters and gentrification. Dr. Arnold's distinguished record of service includes roles on the boards of the West Jefferson County Community Task Force (an environmental justice organization) and the Kentucky chapter of the Nature Conservancy.



## CEDRIC MERLIN POWELL

CONSTITUTIONAL LAW,  
RACE & THE LAW

As a child, Professor Powell watched civil rights lawyers in his hometown in action, inspiring him to use the power of law to impact social change. He has written extensively on affirmative action, critical race theory, the First Amendment and hate speech, and his scholarship critiques neutrality as a means of preserving structural inequality. Co-founder of Brandeis Law's signature Central High School Partnership, Professor Powell knows what our students have to offer: "We want them to make a contribution, whether as a corporate lawyer or public interest lawyer, to make the legal community here in the commonwealth and beyond better."

## CASSIE CHAMBERS ARMSTRONG

FAMILY LAW, ACCESS TO JUSTICE

Professor Armstrong is a native of eastern Kentucky and author of *Hill Women: Finding Family and a Way Forward in the Appalachian Mountains*. After graduating from Harvard Law School, she worked as an attorney at the Louisville Legal Aid Society and the Kentucky Equal Justice Center, where she represented victims of domestic violence in family law matters. From 2018 to 2020, Professor Armstrong served as the Vice Chair of the Kentucky Democratic Party, and in 2023, she was elected to the Kentucky State Senate, where she serves on the Standing Committees for Agriculture, Health Services and Natural Resources & Energy.

# BRANDEIS LEGACY

Whether you want to work for a firm, a corporation, a nonprofit, the government or even yourself, a Brandeis Law education can take you there. We couldn't be prouder of our alumni's success.

**Shannon Fauver '03**, alongside '07 classmates **Laura Landenwisch, Dawn Elliott, Joe Dunman** and **Dan Canon**, argued before the U.S. Supreme Court (and won!) on behalf of the Kentucky plaintiffs in *Obergefell v. Hodges*, the landmark civil rights case that guaranteed marriage equality nationwide. Dunman and Canon have since joined our esteemed faculty.



**Lucy Helm '82**, Chief Partner Officer at Starbucks, has been a champion of equity and inclusion, leading the company's pay equity initiative and creating its pro bono services program, which has become a model for other corporate legal departments. Helm is now the chair of the board of Mercy Corps, a global development and relief organization.



# ACCESSIBLE EXCELLENCE

**\$25,500**

RESIDENT  
TUITION

**\$0**

APPLICATION  
FEE

**\$30,500**

NONRESIDENT  
TUITION

**638**

COMPLETE  
APPLICATIONS

**118**

FIRST YEAR  
ENROLLMENT

**156**

MEDIAN LSAT  
25<sup>th</sup> 152 75<sup>th</sup> 158

**3.68**

MEDIAN UGPA  
25<sup>th</sup> 3.31 75<sup>th</sup> 3.83

**56%**

WOMEN

**21%**

STUDENTS  
OF COLOR

**24%**

LGBTQ+

**19%**

AGE 30+

**27%**

FIRST  
GENERATION

**36%**

OUT OF  
STATE

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All figures reflect first-year students enrolled August 15, 2023. Tuition rates include bundled University fees and annual law school technology fee. Tuition rates apply to the 2023-2024 academic year and are subject to change in future years. The University of Louisville is an equal opportunity institution.