# **PRE-LAW**

### PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Students from all academic disciplines are encouraged to explore the possibility of attending law school. Through our Signature Learning curriculum, Capital students receive a strong liberal arts background as recommended by the American Bar Association for admission to law school. Internships, open houses, and special preparation for taking law school entrance exams are just some of the ways Capital readies its undergraduates for the rigors and rewards of law school. The university's Columbus location gives pre-law students the added benefits of internships and job opportunities in Ohio's state capital and largest city. Capital's pre-law students will develop strong oral and written communication skills, excellent reading comprehension and reading speed, as well as creative, critical and analytical thinking skills, and a knowledge of the institutions and values of society. More highlights of Capital's program include individualized attention from a pre-law advisor, local, national, and international internship opportunities, an emphasis on preparation for admission to law school, and our Pre-Law Society. One of the advantages of Capital's pre-law program is that our students have the opportunity to develop close relationships with faculty who can provide recommendations for law school applications. Because our classes and campus are small, relationships between students and faculty are personal.

#### CAREERS AND PLACEMENT

Over the years, hundreds of Capital graduates have gone on to attend law schools around the country, including Pennsylvania, New York, Duke, Georgetown, Emory, Ohio State, Wake Forest, Indiana, Pepperdine, Case Western, and Cincinnati. Others have chosen to stay closer to home and pursue their law degree right here at Capital.

#### MAJORS AND ELECTIVES

As a pre-law student, all areas of study at Capital are available to you. Students are encouraged to choose a major they are passionate about, will be challenged by, and that will prepare them for the rigor of law school. When your schedule allows, excellent elective options include English, Philosophy, Statistics, Criminology, and more. A sample four year schedule in your chosen area of study can be found on that major's fact sheet.



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## AS A GRADUATE, YOU WILL BE PREPARED TO:

- Communicate well orally and in written form. The ability to speak and write well is a prerequisite for a successful law career
- Think critically, creatively, and analytically. A successful lawyer must be able to use reason and logic to arrive at viable arguments and conclusions
- Demonstrate a knowledge of the institutions and values of society so you may understand the context in which the law operates

#### WHAT ARE OUR GRADS DOING NOW?

- Attending Law School
- Editor, Ohio State Criminal Law Journal
- Law Clerk
- Practicing Corporate, Civil, or Criminal Law
- Advocating for human trafficking survivors and fighting for anti-human trafficking efforts
- Assistant Prosecuting Attorney
- Pro Bono work



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