Diversity Organizations

The University of Tulsa College of Law believes diversity of people, ideas, opinions and culture is essential to a productive society and community and is an integral part of academic achievements and established standards of excellence. TU Law welcomes and values individuals who differ in age, culture, exceptionalities, ethnicity, race, gender, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, religion, socio-economic status, personal experiences, values and world views. Accordingly, TU Law declares its continuing commitment to promote diversity in the legal profession and ensure equal opportunity and inclusion for law students, faculty and staff.

Black Law Student Association

The Black Law Student Association’s purpose is to articulate and promote the professional needs and goals of black law students and foster their professional competence. Through our programming, we focus on the relationship of the black attorney to the American legal structure and influence the legal community to bring about meaningful change in the black community.

Latino Law Student Association

The Latino Law Student Association (LLSA) is dedicated to promoting the educational, cultural and social needs of Hispanic law students. LLSA is a member of the Hispanic National Bar Association Law Student Division, which is dedicated to assisting local chapters with job opportunities and educational loans available to Hispanic law students. LLSA is one of TU Law’s newest student organizations and is devoted to increasing the number of Hispanic law students and to promoting their success in the legal profession.

Law Fam

Law Fam is an organization tailored to support students who have to balance law school and family life. Our definition of family is a group of persons connected by blood, affinity or law; a group consisting of parents and children; or a group of persons in a relationship. The variety of members enables a reliable network to reach out for advice or for company or during a crisis. Law Fam plans events specifically focused on providing opportunities for members to mingle with peers while sharing and spending time with their families. Additionally, Law Fam works to address the needs of members and brainstorm solutions.

OutLaws

OutLaws is TU Law’s LGBTQ+ student society dedicated to building allies and support for LGBTQ+ students and supporters of LGBTQ+ rights. We seek to foster a positive environment for LGBTQ+ students, allies and friends at the law school and serve as a resource to LGBTQ+ students, with a focus on helping each student develop academically, socially and professionally. Members choose their level of involvement, and confidentiality is always respected.

Women’s Law Caucus

The Women’s Law Caucus (WLC) was organized to encourage more women to enter the legal profession, erase continued professional discrimination against women, provide mutual support for fellow students and call attention to the needs and problems of women as attorneys. WLC focuses on three areas: 1) recruitment and orientation—empowering women in their pursuit of a legal degree; 2) curriculum and materials—sharing the current atmosphere of women in the field with members and law students; and 3) placement—bringing guest speakers, recruiters and resources to campus that allow members an opportunity to network, grow professionally and prepare for the legal field.

JOURNALS

Tulsa Law Review

The Tulsa Law Review (TLR) has served as the flagship law journal for TU Law since 1984. To date, we have published 54 volumes of the journal comprising 188 issues. TLR publishes outstanding scholarly works covering the full spectrum of the law intended to stimulate critical thinking, provoke legal debate and guide the law in a direction that better serves our society. Student editors commit two years to the journal. 2L associate editors spend the year writing a note or comment for potential publication in TLR and, along with 3L staff editors, help the board edit forthcoming articles for publication in the journal. 3L board members run TLR, doing everything from selecting articles to supervising the associate editors.

Energy Law Journal

The Energy Law Journal (ELJ) is a bi-annual, preeminent energy publication that includes articles, book reviews, notes and committee reports by practitioners, internationally known academics, federal judges, high-ranking government officials, members of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and ELJ members. The journal reaches approximately 3,000 subscribers in the United States and 10 foreign countries and has been cited by the Supreme Court, federal courts and agencies, state courts and agencies, international citations and other law reviews, treatise and journals. Students are eligible to apply upon completion of their first year of law school and will begin candidacy in the fall semester each year. The ELJ allows students to gain valuable writing and editing skills as well as networking opportunities. Students who staff and edit ELJ are also able to participate in producing the journal’s sister publication, the American Bar Association Section of Environment, Energy, and Resources’ The Year In Review.
LEGAL FIELD ORGANIZATIONS

Business Law Society

The goal of the Business Law Society (BLS) is to connect law students who have an interest in corporate law with the corporate and business sectors within the legal field. BLS allows students to gain practical knowledge in business law and to gain insight from practicing lawyers in all areas of business law. BLS exists to enhance and promote the legal education curriculum in business, corporate and financial law that builds on the resources of TU and the surrounding areas of the Tulsa community.

Criminal Law Club

The purpose of the Criminal Law Club (CLC) is to provide students with educational and networking opportunities in the criminal law academic, professional practice and advocacy communities. We aim to facilitate exposure opportunities for students who would otherwise not see the inner workings of the criminal justice system until they are practicing. CLC further aims to provide students with the opportunity to formulate their own opinions. Our motto is: Discuss, Debate, Decide. We bring to campus speakers at the top of their field to share their opinions and spark conversation among peers. FedSoc traveled to the nation’s capital in November 2019 for the National Lawyers Symposium.

Paw Law

Paw Law is TU Law’s Student Animal Legal Defense Fund chapter. We are a law student group that is affiliated with the Animal Legal Defense Fund and share its mission to protect the lives and advance the interests of animals through the legal system. We work with organizations in Tulsa to promote animal welfare and support institutions such as the SPCA, Domestic Violence Intervention Services, Inc. and Paws for Paws. If you love animals, this is the place for you. Additionally, we host great events that are a lot of fun.

Law & Medicine Society

Interested in the interconnected fields of law and medicine? Join us to learn more about the opportunities in health law, hear interesting speakers and get involved in volunteer opportunities.

Federalist Society

The Federalist Society (FedSoc) is a national conservative nonprofit that focuses on constitutional issues in a setting that allows for each individual to formulate their own opinions. Our motto is: Discuss, Debate, Decide. We bring to campus speakers at the top of their field to share their opinions and spark conversation among peers. FedSoc traveled to the nation’s capital in November 2019 for the National Lawyers Symposium.

Native American Law Student Association

The Native American Law Student Association is dedicated to creating a forum for all students interested in Indian law. Members participate in the National Native American Moot Court Competition in February and travel to Albuquerque, New Mexico for the Federal Indian Bar Conference in April. The group is also active in researching issues that impact the American Indian populations.

Immigration Law Society

The Immigration Law Society (ImmLaw) builds and supports the immigration law community at TU Law through educational opportunities and community impact so that TU is a destination for students seeking to focus on immigration law. We educate and train students legally to serve the immigrant community, educate and empower immigrant community members to exercise and fight for their rights and encourage local attorneys to donate pro bono time to immigration needs. Each month, ImmLaw hosts a lunch meeting where we invite speakers from the community to talk about their careers and immigration-related efforts.

Resources, Energy and Environmental Law Society

The Resources, Energy and Environmental Law Society (REELS) is for TU Law students interested in these fields. REELS’ mission promotes the conservation of energy and natural resources, the sustainability of the environment and the exploration of how practicing law can help achieve these goals. Students’ needs and wants with regard to energy and environmental issues are represented through scholarship and fellowship among students and faculty. REELS provides a forum for the presentation of ideas to benefit the university community.

Phi Delta Phi

Phi Delta Phi (PDP) is the oldest international legal fraternity. To become a member, students must be in the top third of their class, be an officer of an organization recognized by TU Law or be involved with a law journal.

Normative Law Society

The Normative Law Society (NormLaw) is a student organization that promotes the exploration of issues in the discipline of moral philosophy within the context of law. NormLaw promotes the understanding and appreciation of the ethical dimensions inherent to the study of law. We aim to contribute to the environment of the National University of Tulsa College of Law in which ethical considerations are recognized and respected.