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rates revealed

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criminal and health law

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## Employment Honor Roll

# You're hired

Grads of some schools land jobs at  
better-than-expected rates. We identify  
the 40+ law schools that over-perform  
when it comes to job placement.



# Schools that ace all the vital signs



## Health Law

### A+

Georgia State University

Loyola University Chicago

▶ Saint Louis University

### A

Arizona State University

Case Western Reserve University

Cleveland-Marshall College of Law

Georgetown University

Hofstra University (Deane)

IU McKinney School of Law

Mitchell Hamline School of Law

Northeastern University

Quinnipiac University

Seton Hall University

Temple University

UC Hastings

University of Houston

University of Maryland

University of Memphis

### A-

Albany Law School

American University

Boston University

Brooklyn Law School

DePaul University

Florida State University

Penn State University - Dickinson Law

Southwestern Law School

Suffolk University

University of Baltimore

University of Minnesota

University of San Diego

University of Washington

Villanova Law

Our nation's health care system continues to grow. Earlier this year, it reached a milestone when it became the nation's largest field of employment.

As this industry continues to swell, its legal complexities do as well. They run the gamut and are always evolving, as health care continues to be a political hot button.

The law schools that do best in health law have strong ties to their neighboring medical communities, such as hospitals, as well as to state and federal regulatory agencies.

preLaw bases its grades on comprehensiveness of curriculum and faculty, whether there is a center, clinical and externship opportunities, and whether there is a journal and student groups.

Three schools earn an A+ in our rankings — **Georgia State University College of Law, Loyola University Chicago School of Law and Saint Louis University School of Law.** An additional 16 schools earned an A, and 14 earned an A-, to complete our honor roll.

Saint Louis University has had one of the top programs for health law for several years, run through its Center for Health Law Studies.

**AT THE SAINT LOUIS UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW, a law student and public health student join in a group discussion at a joint class/lecture.**

“The Center for Health Law Studies continues to set the standard for excellence in health care law and justice,” said Dean William Johnson. “My colleagues in the center are leaders in their field, mentoring young scholars and educating our future attorneys. They embody our social justice mission. Through scholarship and advocacy, they use their expertise to promote



◀ **PROFESSOR ROB GATTER, director of the Center for Health Law Studies at Saint Louis University School of Law, introduces a guest speaker at a health law lecture.**



access to justice and better our communities.”

The school recently hired two additional faculty members, Ruqaiyah Yearby and Ana Santos Rutschman, both nationally renowned in the field. Loyola University Chicago also runs its program through a center, the Beazley Institute for Health Law and Policy. It offers 35 health law courses online, and hosts an annual symposium.

Georgia State University’s Center for Law, Health & Society is focused on advancing the key role that law plays in promoting society’s health. The program focuses on regulation of health care business, bioethics and medicine, public health and the environment, health sciences and technology, international health and human rights, and health equity and social justice.

**Case Western Reserve University School of Law** in Cleveland has the oldest health care law program in the nation. It’s also one of the best, earning an A, and boasting 22 health law courses as well as a Health Law Center and Public Health Law Lab.

Practical training opportunities are just steps away from the law school. The Cleveland Clinic, University Hospital and Case Western’s School of Medicine are all nearby.

The co-director of the school’s Health Law Center is Sharona Hoffman, who’s the second most cited female health law scholar in the nation.

When it comes to being nationally recognized, the **University of Houston Law Center** fits the bill. With 29 health courses offered, it has one of the more comprehensive curricula in the nation. The school’s Health & Policy Institute is a member institution of the Texas Medical Center, the world’s largest complex for health care and biomedical innovation. This gives students access to industry leaders.

**The Sandra Day O’Connor College of Law at Arizona State University** in Tempe, runs the Center for Public Health Law and Policy, which, among many other roles, hosts the Western Region Office of the national network for Public Health Law.

Headed by Professor James G. Hodge, Jr., the Western Region Office provides assistance and to public health practitioners, officials, attorneys and advocates across nearly a dozen Western states, as well as nationally.

Also nationally ranked, the center explores a host of health issues, from national health care reform, communicable disease control, human subject research protection, emergency legal preparedness, obesity and injury prevention, health information privacy and vaccination law and policy.

Students get the chance to work with the center, the Western Region Office and other health-care providers and agencies to get hands-on experience.

**Quinnipiac University School of Law** guarantees each student a spot in clinical legal education courses, in either a clinic or externship. That kind of practical training experience is considered key when it comes

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**Don't settle for less than having it all.**

<b>PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE</b> Ranked #1 by <i>The National Jurist</i>	<b>HEALTH LAW</b> Ranked #14 by <i>U.S. News &amp; World Report</i>
<b>BEST SCHOOLS FOR GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC INTEREST JOBS</b> Ranked #10 by <i>The National Law Journal</i>	<b>MOST WICKED AWESOME IN BOSTON</b> Ranked #1 by <i>Above the Law</i>
<b>PUBLIC INTEREST</b> Ranked #2 by <i>preLaw</i>	<b>MOST LIBERAL STUDENTS</b> Ranked #2 by <i>The Princeton Review</i>

**Northeastern University**  
School of Law

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to this specialty.

At Quinnipiac University, which is based in North Haven, Conn., a full-time tenured faculty member teaches the externship course, which means he or she works individually with each student to select and arrange a placement and maintains a close relationship throughout the instruction.

And placement is broad. The school offers externships in state agencies, such as the state Department of Health, as well as nonprofit entities in disability and health-related services; hospitals and other health providers; insurance companies; private law firms with health law departments and pharmaceutical companies.

The school has an Immigration Law Project, which is timely, given today's news. In that, students help immigrants, particularly children, who may have physical or mental health issues relating to their

predicaments.

The students assist immigrants with asylum, standby guardianship, special immigrant juvenile status and other needs. One of the school's aims is to assist those who have been victims of human trafficking,

who suffer from a myriad of health issues.

Quinnipiac's Health Journal is working on a symposium called, "The Health Law and Police Implication of Human Trafficking" which is slated to be held in March of next year.



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## The Intersection of Health + Law

**PreLaw Magazine recognizes Quinnipiac as a top school for health law**

Discover health law at a school with an innovative approach and an interprofessional focus. Our state-of-the-art School of Law Center is physically connected to Quinnipiac's Schools of Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences.

Our Health Law concentration is just one of an array of dynamic options for law students looking for rigorous preparation in a distinctly collaborative setting. Other benefits include:

- Center for Health Law & Policy
- Health Law Journal
- Health law externships in private law firms, legal aid agencies, public health departments, pharmaceutical companies, hospital legal counsel offices, and government agencies

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Quinnipiac Law Adjunct Professor Robert Messey, physician and attorney, teaches a unique course titled Anatomy for Lawyers.