

# *Drake Law Announcements*

*December 3, 2025*

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## **Pop-Up Drake Bulldog Shop – December 4!**

The Bulldog Shop will be at the Law School in Porterhouse Lounge on Thurs., December 4 from 9:15 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.

Buy a Drake Law gift for family or friends or find something for you as you go into finals! [Merchandise will be 25% off!](#)

Payments can be made with cash, card or Apple pay. Don’t miss out!

## **Security Reminder**

As finals approach it is important to remember that Opperman and Cartwright Halls are open to the public during posted library hours. Please do not leave laptops or other valuables unattended. Also, if the building is locked, do not open the door for someone you do not recognize. In the past few weeks unauthorized individuals have been let into the building after hours. Do not hesitate to contact a staff member or call Public Safety at 515-271-2222 anytime you have concerns.

### **Law School Closed during Drake's Holiday Break December 20 -January 4**

Drake University will be closed from December 20 through January 4. Student ID Card access to buildings, including Cartwright and Opperman Halls, will not be available starting at the end of the business day on Friday, December 19. Please take anything you might need with you when leave for break (and don't forget to check for any perishables in the fridges, carrels, or lockers). Drake will reopen on Monday, January 5.

### **Grade Release in January**

Grades should be available in Self-Service for 1Ls after January 7. Grades for all other students will be released as they are available, which should be no later than January 14. Student ranks are calculated after all grades have been submitted.

### **Spring 2026 Law and Economics Reading Group**

Professor Kidd will be hosting a law and economics reading group next semester. It is not affiliated with any course, and is not available for credit, but will provide an opportunity for economic-minded folks to get together regularly and discuss. The only qualification for joining the reading group is a firm commitment to read in advance of the meetings and come prepared for a vigorous discussion. Prof. Kidd will provide the reading materials and refreshments.

The two books that will be discussed are Fredrich Hayek's *Individualism and Economic Order* and Johan Norberg's *The Capitalist Manifesto: Why the Global Free Market Will Save the World*. You do not need to agree with the premises of either author to join the reading group; spirited and respectful disagreement is what makes for a great reading group.

Anyone who is interested should contact Prof. Kidd directly ([jeremy.kidd@drake.edu](mailto:jeremy.kidd@drake.edu)), indicating an interest.

### **Food Insecurity Resources Available**

Here is a link to resources to assist those who are facing food insecurity:

<https://t.e2ma.net/webview/r64lwj/03b7ffd51b70cfe31c075bcd1657d24b>

### **AccessLex Law School Scholarship Databank**

Numerous postings for national law student scholarships and writing competitions are available at <https://www.accesslex.org/databank>. Students can search by scholarship details and deadlines.

### **IP Scholarship Opportunity**

Applications are now being accepted for the Mark T. Banner Scholarship. This scholarship is part of The Richard Linn American Inn of Court's commitment to fostering the development of intellectual property lawyers of high ethics, civility and professionalism, and including those from diverse backgrounds. Applicants must have a demonstrated commitment to a career in Intellectual Property Law.

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The recipient of the scholarship receives \$10,000 to be applied to their legal education. This scholarship is available to law students who have entered into a JD program at an ABA-accredited law school in the United States and who will continue in that program through at least the Fall 2026 semester. Scholarship recipients are selected by the Mark T. Banner Scholarship review board. Please visit <https://www.linninn.org/Pages/scholarship.shtml> for award criteria and application details. Applications need to be submitted by December 6, 2025.

### **Press Release**

#### **Drake Law School Dean Roscoe Jones, Jr. Appointed to Two National Leadership Roles**

*December 2, 2025*

Drake University Law School is pleased to announce that Dean Roscoe Jones, Jr., has been appointed to two prominent national leadership positions, underscoring his leadership and Drake Law's expanding presence in national conversations shaping the legal profession. More information can be found [here](#).

#### **TimelyCare – Drake's new virtual health and well-being platform**

Drake recently partnered with [TimelyCare](#) to deliver a new virtual health and well-being platform for students. (Please note that TimelyCare replaces the previous virtual platform, Uwill.) With TimelyCare you can access free, 24/7 virtual care from anywhere. See attached flyer for more detail or scan the QR code to get started.



#### **Join Drake Law Connect - exclusively for members of the Drake Law community**

All students are invited to join Drake Law Connect, a professional development platform for students, alumni, faculty and staff focused on making connections. It's never been easier to connect with Drake Law alumni and build your network. [Click here to get started](#).

Questions? Please contact [Tiffany Contreras](#).

#### **Religious Observance Accommodations**

If an academic deadline or exam conflicts with your religious observance, please contact Dean Battles before the conflict to arrange reasonable accommodations.

#### **ADA accommodation renewal**

Remember that accommodations must be renewed annually! To establish or renew accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), contact the [Office of Access and Success](#) for an appointment. Drake provides reasonable accommodations, as required by federal law, so that students' success is not hindered by disabilities.

### **Drake Law Women Emergency Fund**

The DLW Emergency Fund offers confidential financial assistance to any Drake law student experiencing unforeseen emergencies. Applications for funding are anonymous and are open to all students. For more details and to fill out an application, visit the Resources tab of SBA's website here: <https://drakelawsba.org/dlw-emergency-fund/>. Questions can be directed to [roxsanna.allen@drake.edu](mailto:roxsanna.allen@drake.edu).

### **Drake Public Safety carries Naloxone (Narcan)**

Naloxone (Narcan) can potentially save someone's life by reversing the effects of an Opioid emergency, such as Fentanyl. Drake Public Safety (DPS) carry Narcan when patrolling campus, and their typical response time is 2-3 minutes. In addition, Narcan dispensary kits are now available in all residence halls and at Olmsted Center Student Services. DPS can be contacted 24/7 by calling 515-271-2222.