

LEGAL WRITING PROGRAM AGAIN RANKED AS ONE OF THE BEST IN THE NATION

Washburn University School of Law's Legal Analysis, Research, and Writing Program (LARW) is ranked 11th among all law schools in the *U.S. News and World Report's* 2014 Best Graduate Schools ranking. The LARW program at Washburn Law is the only law school specialty program in Kansas and the Kansas City metro area to receive a national ranking for 2014.

Highlights of the Legal Analysis, Research, and Writing Program at Washburn Law include:

- Focus on preparing students for the actual practice of law
- Professors dedicated to legal writing as one of their primary fields for teaching, scholarship, and service
- Foundation in legal reasoning, research, and oral advocacy

From its inception, the strength of Washburn Law's LARW program has



been its commitment by faculty to provide integrated skills education essential in producing competent, practice-ready graduates committed to serving their clients, the legal profession, and society at large. Our full-time LARW professors co-direct the first-year program and are members of the Association of Legal Writing Directors (ALWD) and the Legal Writing Institute (LWI). As experts in their field, LARW faculty members have shared their teaching expertise with peers at the Free University of Tbilisi in the Republic of Georgia and with visiting Chilean law professors.

Washburn Law legal writing professors regularly teach a seminar session in the Washburn Law Clinic, helping students to make a smooth transition between classroom and practice, and our legal writing students observe oral arguments before state and federal appellate courts.

Fall 2012 Entering Class



The entering class of 2012 includes students from around the world — spanning Arizona to Virginia; New York to California; and from Armenia and Bolivia. Sixty-three percent are from Kansas. They represent 52 different undergraduate schools. The top feeder school is the University of Kansas with 21 undergraduates. There are 11 Kansas State University graduates, followed by Washburn University with 10, and Fort Hays State University and Wichita State University with five each.