

Student Organizations

While active membership will vary each year, the law center welcomes and encourages student development and participation in a wide variety of organizations.



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Student Bar Association (SBA) touro-sba@tourolaw.edu

SBA is the Law Center's student government and the umbrella organization for all other student organizations. It is governed by a six-member executive board and representatives from each class in both the full-time and part-time divisions. The SBA fosters relationships among students, faculty and administration; represents the student body at faculty meetings and on committees; conducts programs and funds student organizations. All students are members of the SBA.

American Bar Association/Law Students Division (ABA/LSD)

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ABA/LSD is the on-campus chapter of the American Bar Association. Members participate in national competitions in negotiation, client counseling and appellate advocacy, and represent the school at regional and national meetings.

Black Law Students Association (BLSA) blsa-staff@tourolaw.edu

BLSA is part of the National Black Law Students Association. The goal of the organization is to encourage scholarship and excellence among black law students. The Law Center chapter sponsors many activities and operates a mentoring program.

Catholic Law Society catholic@tourolaw.edu

The Catholic Law Society aims to help members integrate their Catholic faith into their profession as lawyers through prayer, study, conversation, and fellowship. The goal is for students to achieve successful legal careers with peace and a healthy work/life balance. The group networks with outside organizations to foster friendships, employment and internship opportunities, and to promote the Law Center.

Criminal Law Society (CLS) crimlawsociety@tourolaw.edu

CLS is made up of members who share a passion and interest in criminal law and criminal justice themes. CLS provides its members with educational forums where both prosecution and defense points of view are represented. The society holds networking social engagements with prosecutors and Legal Aid defense lawyers.

Environmental Law Society envlawsociety@tourolaw.edu

The Environmental Law Society's goal is to promote an interest in environmental law and awareness of issues affecting both the natural environment and the legal landscape. The group sponsors events with guest speakers to further student knowledge and education in this area.

Family Law Society (FLS) familylawsociety@tourolaw.edu

The goal of FLS is to develop a network with domestic violence agencies and child protection services to facilitate clothing and food drives for victims. FLS develops networking opportunities for students to participate in internships with local family law firms, and arranges visits to the Supreme and Family Courts to witness first-hand matrimonial/family law trials.

Federal Bar Association - Eastern District of New York Chapter (FBA-EDNY), Student Division fedbarassoc@tourolaw.edu

The Student Division of the FBA-EDNY Chapter sponsors programs and symposiums designed to give the students in attendance "access" to judges, law clerks, and attorneys practicing in the federal courts. They sponsor practitioner panels on various issues, invite distinguished individual speakers to offer their commentary on issues of interest to the society membership and the law center community, and participate in events offered by the Federal Bar Association.

Federalist Society federalistsociety@tourolaw.edu

The Federalist Society is a national organization of lawyers and law students dedicated to conservative and libertarian issues and causes. The Law Center chapter conducts programs and sponsors appearances by distinguished professors and jurists from around the country.

Health Law Projects (HeLP) healthlawprojects@tourolaw.edu

HeLP provides information, both substantive and vocational, to students interested in health and disability law, and involves students in various community outreach efforts. The group sponsors programs and symposiums designed to provide members and students in attendance access to attorneys and noted practitioners in the various fields of health (medical) and disability law.

Immigration Law Society immigrationlaw@tourolaw.edu

The goal of the Immigration Law group is to promote legal awareness and education in the area of immigration and naturalization law, and to foster interest in a career in immigration law.

Intellectual Property Law Society ipls@tourolaw.edu

The Intellectual Property Law Society is dedicated to conducting programs, providing information and offering networking opportunities in areas such as patent, copyright and trademark law; hardware and software contracts; e-commerce; privacy and computer crime; and First Amendment rights in the digital age.

Italian Student Bar Association italianlaw@tourolaw.edu

The goal of the Italian Student Bar Association is to hold programs with prominent guest speakers, raise funds and awareness for charities in which the society supports, and to foster Italian and Italian-American culture within the school.

Int'l Refugee Assistance Project, Touro Chapter (IRAP) irap@tourolaw.edu

IRAP of Touro is a student chapter of the Iraqi Refugee Assistance Project national organization. The national organization organizes law students and lawyers to develop and enforce a system of legal and human rights for refugees through a combination of direct legal aid and systemic advocacy. IRAP is the first organization dedicated to providing comprehensive legal aid to refugees seeking resettlement, providing representation for those who have none, and helping vulnerable families and refugees navigate the complex rules and processes of the international resettlement system.

Jewish Law Students Association (JLSA) jlsa-staff@tourolaw.edu

JLSA is the on-campus chapter of the National Jewish Law Students Network. The group's focus is on Israeli and Jewish law, and on Jewish cultural activities. Membership is open to all students, regardless of religious affiliation.

Lambda Law Students Association (LAMBDA) lambda@tourolaw.edu

LLSA seeks to create and foster an environment that raises awareness for the legal and social issues of the LGBT community. LLSA educates both the students and greater Touro Law Center community on these issues through a wide spectrum of events that includes panel discussions, guest speakers, and hot topic debates and discussions. The group also sponsors events and workshops for academic development.

Latino American Law Students Association (LALSA) lalsa@tourolaw.edu

LALSA focuses primarily on the interests of the Law Center's Latino/Latina community through educational and social programs. Members also participate actively in regional and national Hispanic bar associations.

Muslim Legal Society (MLS) m ls@tourolaw.edu

MLS provides information, both substantive and vocational, to students interested in the law as it relates to religion, philanthropy and knowledge in global current events. The society sponsors programs and symposiums designed to give the students in attendance “access” to noted attorneys and individuals associated with the practice in these fields.

Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity International (PAD) pad@tourolaw.edu

PAD sponsors professional and social activities for students, faculty and administration, with an emphasis on academic excellence and professional responsibility.

Public Interest Law Organization of Touro (PILOT)

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PILOT is dedicated to student awareness of and involvement in public interest law and serving persons or groups with limited access to justice and the judicial system. The group sponsors programs on careers in public interest law and raises funds to supplement those provided by the school for Public Interest Law Fellowships and the Loan Forgiveness Program.

Public Speaking Club (PSC) publicspeaking@tourolaw.edu

The goal of PSC is to provide students with the opportunity to enhance their public speaking skills. The group facilitates open meetings as a platform for students to practice public speaking. Students present short speeches to an audience of peers. The topics and/or content of speeches are created with a legal context.

Real Estate Law Society rels@tourolaw.edu

The Real Estate Law Society provides an opportunity for students (some of whom are real estate brokers, salespersons, or property managers) to explore legal and business issues related to the purchase, sale, leasing and development of commercial and residential real estate.

Republican and Conservative Law Society republican@tourolaw.edu

The Republican-Conservative Law Society seeks to increase political awareness and activism in the law school community. They provide a forum within the law school for the discussion and promotion of Republican and Conservative politics. They foster political education by encouraging political discussion and debate at events. They plan to bring local and national level Republican and Conservative leaders and politicians to the law school for roundtable discussions, question and answer sessions, and lectures. The group encourages political debate with other political organizations on campus, and participates in community activities, including volunteering during campaign events.

Students Helping Students shs@tourolaw.edu

SHS is a student-centered program that was started in 2010. The SHS program’s mission is two-part: first, to serve as a source of comfort, guidance, and referral for fellow students no matter what their concerns or issues might be; and second, to compassionately and competently assist their peers who are at risk or in the throes of mental health problems. SHS assistants are available to offer internal and external resources to students in order to get them through their difficult time whether it be academic, social or personal. All conversations are confidential.

Suffolk County Bar Association, Student Committee scha-sc@tourolaw.edu

The SCBA Student Committee is a student chapter of the Suffolk County Bar Association, a private organization representing lawyers of Suffolk County. They are dedicated to offering networking and professional development opportunities for Touro Law students.

Tort Law Society tortlawsociety@tourolaw.edu

The Tort Law Society was formed with the goals of providing information, substantive and vocational, to students interested in the as it relates to tortious conduct such as car accidents, premises liability, medical malpractice, mass torts and being introduced to the concurrent fields that deal with tortious conduct, such as doctors, economists and medical providers. The group sponsors programs and symposiums designed to give students the ability to meet and interact with noted attorneys in the tort law area.

Unemployment Action Center, Touro Chapter (UAC)

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UAC provides representation for unemployment insurance claimants throughout New York City and Long Island. The Chapter coordinates the training of advocates, carried out in accordance with the guidelines established by the UAC Board of Directors, to ensure the competence of the representation provided by the Chapter.

Veterans Law Student Organization (VLSO) veteranlaw@tourolaw.edu

VLSO helps Touro Law students affected by veteran issues establish a community of support, increase understanding of veteran issues, encourage participation in pro bono projects that address veteran issues, and work with the Veterans’ and Servicemembers’ Rights Clinic and the Alumni Veterans Advisory Council. Students who are veterans, have family members who are veterans, or are interested in veterans law and veteran issues are welcome to join.

Women’s Bar Association (WBA) wba-staff@tourolaw.edu

WBA is an active voice at the Law Center on gender-related legal issues. They sponsor frequent programs on subjects such as women in the courts, sexual harassment, workplace issues, and breast cancer and reproductive rights. WBA also offers social and networking opportunities with students, alumni and local practitioners.

Touro Law Honor Societies and Journals

Moot Court Board mootcourt@tourolaw.edu

To learn more, visit us at www.tourolaw.edu/mootcourt.

Journal of Race, Gender & Ethnicity journalofrge@tourolaw.edu

To learn more, visit us at www.tourolaw.edu/journalrge.

Touro Law Review tlr@tourolaw.edu

To learn more, visit us at www.tourolawreview.com.

Trial Advocacy and Practice Society (TAPS) taps@tourolaw.edu

To learn more, visit us at www.tourolaw.edu/taps.

Faculty-Run Journals:

Journal of Aging, Longevity, Law, and Policy joallp@tourolaw.edu

The Journal of Aging, Longevity, and Law is an interdisciplinary journal that features a wide range of topics involving the elderly and the consequences of an aging population for the law and the legal system. It is produced and edited by Touro Law faculty and students and publishes articles by faculty, lawyers, judges, healthcare professionals, and students. Student Editors work closely with faculty to develop research, writing, and editing skills, and to learn more about this growing field of the law.

Journal of Experiential Learning mberman@tourolaw.edu

The Journal of Experiential Learning is a vehicle for dialogue about experiential legal learning and its future as an integral part of legal education. The Journal, which has an Advisory Board and an Editorial Review Board of nationally known legal educators and administrators, is published online by the law school at least twice per year.

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