**Office of Academic Support**

The Massachusetts School of Law strives to ensure the success of each student. Law school is challenging and even the most successful students may need assistance adapting to a new academic discipline. Students may notice difficulty in absorbing new material, completing academic work, or understanding reading materials; anxiety about critical reading, writing, or test taking; and reluctance to speak in class. The office of Academic Support provides our students with an opportunity to meet individually or collectively with a professor to consult about learning concerns. In addition, it provides students an opportunity to find support in mapping out their law school path to ensure success beyond the classroom.

There are many resources here at the law school to support you. From academic advisors, to student mentors, to a writing lab staffed with full-time faculty, and to specific sessions designed to support students in developing strong reading comprehension, writing skills, test-taking skills, and with time management and organization. In addition, there is support to help students navigate the law school curriculum by providing help with course selection with an eye towards ensuring success on the bar exam as well as positioning students for employment upon graduation.

***All Sessions are on Saturdays.***

**Fall 2022 Calendar**

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| **Date** | **Time** | **Session Subject** |
| 27 -Aug | 9 A.M. to 11 A.M. | *Final Orientation Session: Skills, Success & Academic Support* |
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| 3 – Sep | 9 A.M. -10:00 A.M. | *Creating Your Outline: Bring your Civil Procedure and BE syllabus and case book to session.* |
| 10th-Sep | 9 A.M.-10:30 A.M. | *Writing Skills, Time Management & Organization* |
| 30th – Sep | 9:00 A.M. – 10:30 A.M. | *Exam Writing Mid-term Prep Civil Procedure Via zoom:*  *Paula Colby-Clements is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.*  *Topic: Mid Term Prep Civil Procedure*  *Time: Sep 30, 2022 09:00 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)*  *Join Zoom Meeting*  *https://mslaw-edu.zoom.us/j/98364037188?pwd=MHlDSEZGd0FiWTNSNU8xemQycWNudz09*  *Meeting ID: 983 6403 7188*  *Passcode: 314190* |
| 8th -Oct | 8 A.M.-10:00 A.M. | *Exam Writing Mid-term Prep Business Entities* |
| 15th –Oct. | 9 A.M. – 10:00 A.M. | *Academic Support Drop-in Session* |
| 8th-Nov | 9-11:00 A.M. | *Law School Exam Writing* |
| 21st -Nov | 8 A.M.-10:00 A.M. | *Law School Exam Writing* |

**Mentoring/Tutoring:**

**Professor Gus Panagakis is available for tutoring or mentoring every Monday afternoon, in person, from 4PM to 6PM. Students are encouraged to reach out to Professor Panagakis for added support. You may reach Professor Panagakis directly at:** [**panagakis@mslaw.edu**](mailto:panagakis@mslaw.edu)

**We encourage students to drop in during mentoring hours for any academic support you need. Whether its help briefing cases, outlining, or just asking questions about how to navigate classes and receive encouragement. Please don’t hesitate to stop by.**

**Writing Lab: The MSLAW Writing Lab is available to help students with their legal writing. Please contact Professor Anne Hemingway for drop in hours or to schedule an individual appointment.** [**hemingway@mslaw.edu**](mailto:hemingway@mslaw.edu)