



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 formal academic support offering specific sessions designed to support students in developing strong reading comprehension, writing skills, test-taking skills, and time management skills, to academic advisors, faculty mentoring, and a writing lab staffed with full-time faculty. 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.

Fall 2023 Calendar

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Session Subject</u>
26 -Aug	9 A.M. to 11 A.M.	<i>Final Orientation Session: Skills, Success & Academic Support</i>
2 – Sep	8:30 A.M. -10:00 A.M.	<i>Creating Your Outline: Bring your Civil Procedure, Business Entities, and Criminal Law syllabus and case books to session.</i>
9 th -Sep	9A.M.-10:30 A.M.	Writing Skills, Time Management & Organization.
23 rd Sep	9:00 A.M. – 10:30 A.M.	<i>Law School Mid-term prep: Overview and Exam Writing (Civ Pro)</i>



		<p><u>Exam Writing Mid-term Prep Business Entities/Criminal Law</u></p> <p><i>Paula Colby-Clements is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.</i></p> <p><i>Topic: Academic Support Session Exam Writing: BE and Criminal Law</i></p> <p><i>Time: Sep 29, 2023 11:00 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)</i></p> <p><i>https://mslaw-edu.zoom.us/j/99424859388?</i> <i>pwd=dm9VV0ZFL2pYWmJmbE9ndGJka0RZQT09</i></p> <p><i>Meeting ID: 994 2485 9388</i></p> <p><i>Passcode: 555432</i></p>
29 th Sep	11AM to 1PM	
21 st –Oct.	9 A.M. – 10:00 A.M.	<i>Academic Support Drop-in Session</i>
4 th -Nov	9-11:00 A.M.	<i>Law School Exam Writing</i>
11 th -Nov	8 A.M.-10:00 A.M.	<i>Law School Exam Writing</i>

ACADEMIC SUPPORT DROP IN: Tuesday 11:00 AM to 12:30PM. Professor Colby-Clements Office.

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

Writing Lab: (1L Support) Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday 4PM to 6PM. hemingway@mslaw.edu

(Writing and Legal Advocacy Support): Tuesday/Thursday 2:30PM to 4:30PM
pota@mslaw.edu

Writing is located in the Demosthenes Writing Room (located next to Professor Rodriguez in back of library)

We encourage students to drop in during Academic Support, Mentoring or Writing Lab drop-in hours as needed. Whether it's help briefing cases, outlining, or just asking



questions about how to navigate classes and receive encouragement. Please don't hesitate to stop by.