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Welcome to the Georgetown Law Institute for Technology Law & Policy!

Whether you are familiar with the Tech Institute's work or meeting us for the first time, I'm grateful for the opportunity to share with you the critical importance of our programs right now.

Watching our legal system change even as it's being taught to them, our students are understandably concerned about the world they will soon enter as lawyers. At the same time, fast-moving tech developments raise urgent legal and policy questions around privacy, speech, fairness, and power; the shape of our society now and for future generations depends on how we answer them.

The Tech Institute sits at the intersection of these vast uncertainties, preparing students not just for their first jobs, but for long, evolving careers in a rapidly changing field. Your support can help ensure that Georgetown Law students and graduates are able to meet this moment.

For nearly 10 years, the Tech Institute has played an integral role in preparing the next generation of lawyers and policymakers to advance justice, inclusion, and accountability in technology law and policy. With 70+ cutting-edge courses, 19 full-time faculty advisors, numerous accomplished adjunct faculty and fellows, and direct access to D.C.'s policymaking ecosystem, our leading program blends law and technology curriculum, real-world policy work, practitioner mentorship, and personalized academic and career advising to bring students a dynamic legal education that reflects the complexity of today's technology landscape.

More than 140 Georgetown Law students each year benefit directly from the work of the Tech Institute, through our J.D. Tech Law Scholars program, graduate programs, and the Georgetown Law Technology Review. With the first class of Tech Law Scholars graduating in 2020, we are growing a robust alumni base worldwide. The Tech Institute also employs student research assistants and postgraduate law fellows who gain valuable topical and professional experience while contributing to our mission: studying how to center humans and the social good, using technology as a tool.

This year, we're launching a new initiative—staffed in part by students and recent Georgetown Law graduates—to explore AI's sweeping impact on the legal field. As the largest law school annually producing the most new lawyers, we have a responsibility to our students (and their future employers) to lead this conversation.

I invite you to get to know our students, faculty, and staff, and to help us ensure students have the tools they'll need to advance justice, inclusion, and accountability in their future careers. Your support helps sustain academic programming, specialized career services, and meaningful job opportunities at a time when federal internships and public sector roles are increasingly limited.

To learn more, please visit our website at www.law.georgetown.edu/tech-institute. There, you'll find links to join our mailing list, follow us on LinkedIn and Bluesky, and make a gift in support of the Tech Institute's programs. I also welcome you to contact me at natalie.roisman@georgetown.edu.

Gratefully,
Natalie Roisman
Executive Director, Georgetown Law Institute for Technology Law & Policy

Degree Programs: Educating the Next Generation of Tech Policymakers

OUR IMPACT BY THE NUMBERS

11
scholarships awarded to incoming Tech Law Scholars through the Erika and Allen Lo Endowed Scholarship

202
works published since 2016 in the *Georgetown Law Technology Review*

19
full-time faculty researching and teaching technology law

232
degree program graduates since 2020

80+
classes offered in the 2024-2025 academic year

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Donara Aghajani
TECH LAW SCHOLAR (L'25)

I was drawn to the Tech Law Scholars Program because it offers a unique academic and hands-on learning experience in technology law and policy, which sets it apart from other law schools.

I was confident that the program would enable me to explore different areas of tech law policy, providing me with exciting opportunities to learn and collaborate with professionals in the space... I would advise prospective students who are considering Georgetown Law to explore all of the great opportunities available at Georgetown. Especially for students with an interest in technology law and policy, attending law school in D.C. opens up opportunities to engage in work on Capitol Hill, with think tanks and nonprofits, and with federal agencies.

Tech Law Scholars Program for J.D. Students

The Technology Law and Policy Scholars Program is a selective program for approximately 25 J.D. students per year that provides each cohort an opportunity to engage in rigorous academic work, develop practical skills, and acquire a deep understanding of the legal and policy debates related to new and emerging technologies.

Tech Law Scholars participate in unique year-long seminars during their 1L and 2L years, focus their courses in the tech curriculum, and complete a substantial piece of scholarly writing on a technology topic. Students also participate in mentoring programs and, as alumni, return to engage with subsequent classes as resources and mentors. The Tech Institute also conducts academic and career advising, organizes a variety of programs to support students' career objectives during and after law school, and hosts the Tech Law Scholars Distinguished Speaker Series.

The program is led by Academic Program Director Mary Pat Dwyer and was named one of 10 finalists in Bloomberg Law's 2024-25 Law School Innovation Program, thanks to its interdisciplinary curriculum, year-long seminars, the connection to ethics and the institutions that shape law and policy, and the strong experiential learning component.

Technology Law and Policy L.L.M. Program

The Technology Law and Policy LL.M. is designed both for recent law school graduates interested in entering technology-related fields, and for mid-career lawyers and policymakers seeking to hone their expertise.

Each LL.M. class is comprised of U.S. and foreign-trained lawyers, who bring their respective backgrounds and knowledge to make courses and career conversations more robust. Lawyers from 14 countries across 5 continents comprised the 2024–2025 LL.M. cohort.

Master of Law and Technology for Non-Lawyers

Georgetown's Master of Law and Technology program provides a unique opportunity for individuals without a law degree to understand the quickly evolving legal landscape shaping tech policy. Students in the program gain a foundational understanding of the American legal system, as well as established laws governing technology and the intersection of the law with emerging technologies.

In this unique interdisciplinary program, students pair their law school classes with courses in the Communication, Culture & Technology Master's Program.

Student Experience: Creating Opportunities Inside and Outside the Classroom

Our location in the heart of Washington, D.C. offers unparalleled opportunities for students to gain firsthand experience with technology law and policy issues, whether in our innovative tech clinics, simulation, or practicum offerings, or through internships and externships.

Experiential Learning

Georgetown offers unique experiential learning opportunities to develop practical technology law and policy skills. In *Computer Programming for Lawyers*, students learn to code in Python and understand the Linux command line. The class is designed for students with no prior coding experience. Experienced coders may take an intermediate class that focuses on specific client problems.

Students can also take advantage of tech-focused clinics — Professor Laura Moy's *Communications & Technology Clinic* or Professor Amanda Levendowski's *Intellectual Property and Information Policy Clinic* — to gain real world experience representing clients. Even during 1L year, students can step into the shoes of practitioners during Week One, which uses simulations in areas such as IP and branding, law and policy issues affecting social media platforms, and business use of AI to introduce students to using practical skills in real-world scenarios.

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

Nina-Simone Edwards
GLTR MANAGING EDITOR (L'24),
SENIOR INSTITUTE ASSOCIATE

I was a student attorney in the Intellectual Property and Information Policy Clinic, a member and later managing editor of the Georgetown Law Technology Review, and I enrolled in as many tech-related classes as I could.

Beyond the welcoming community, I appreciated the limitless opportunities for tech and policy experiences at Georgetown Law. I learned to code, attended a variety of fun and educational events, and discovered that privacy spans nearly every area of law and is a universal right everyone should understand and have.

Georgetown Law Technology Review

The *Georgetown Law Technology Review* is a student-run legal publication that combines cutting-edge legal scholarship with technical writing to advance cross-disciplinary collaboration and innovation. GLTR has published leading scholarship on online manipulation, broadband infrastructure, patent reform, the rule of evidence, and numerous other topics. It is committed to open-source publication, publishing a wide-range of scholarship, and hosting biannual symposia highlighting current issues.

Tech & Society Initiative

As a founding member of Georgetown's University-wide, cross-campus Tech & Society Initiative, the Tech Institute routinely partners on and participates in events and conversations on interdisciplinary tech policy issues. The Tech Institute convenes various gatherings during the University's Tech & Society Week each year, including affording our LL.M. students the opportunity to present their research on technology governance issues at a widely-attended public event. Through the Tech & Society Initiative, our faculty also have hosted student and post-doctoral researchers who work on projects sponsored by multiple departments, providing a uniquely interdisciplinary experience.

Technology Impact Lab

In Spring 2024 and 2025, Professors Paul Ohm and Meg Leta Jones offered the Technology Impact Lab course, a new initiative aimed at shaping the future of technology through interdisciplinary collaboration and innovation that will level up the next generation of tech policy professionals. Among other partners, the Lab cohort worked with the Colorado Attorney General's Office to evaluate children's privacy under the Colorado Privacy Act.

Faculty Initiatives: Envisioning a More Inclusive Tech Future

Through thoughtful scholarship, conferences, and convenings, the Tech Institute faculty focus on visionary, groundbreaking research and engage real-world policymakers whose decisions drive today's technology landscape. The Tech Institute brings together thought leaders in academia, government, civil society, and industry to inform scholarship and make it actionable.

Redesigning the Governance Stack

This research initiative from Tech Institute Faculty Co-Directors Professors Paul Ohm and Julie Cohen, with Tech Institute Faculty Advisor Communication, Culture & Technology Associate Professor Meg Leta Jones, addresses new institutional approaches to information harms and seeks to draft a completely new blueprint for an effective approach to public oversight of firms operating in the information economy. The team will design administrative structures, cultures, and expertise to shape the information economy in furtherance of the common good.

South Carolina Justice Navigators Network

The South Carolina Justice Navigators Network pilot program, designed by Tech Institute Faculty Co-Director Professor Tanina Rostain, trains non-lawyer, social service professionals in Legal Link's Legal First Aid™ curriculum. Navigators are given technology tools and critical legal information to support Lowcountry residents experiencing barriers to accessing the legal system. SCJNN has trained 100+ navigators from a range of community service provider organizations since its launch in 2023.

Global TechNet Working Group

Since its launch in January 2020 by Tech Institute Faculty Advisor Anupam Chander, the Global TechNet Working Group has sponsored significant conversations on global issues in law and technology, including organizing conferences and symposia on digital sovereignty and inclusive digital trade. The Global TechNet Working Group also hosts the AI Governance Virtual Symposium Series.

Judicial Innovation Fellowship

The Judicial Innovation Fellowship pilot program, led by Professor Rostain and JIF co-founder Jason Tashea, places tech and design fellows in state courts to help build critical data infrastructure, simplify processes, and improve the usability of court services. The JIF fellows conducted year-long projects in 2023-2024, working with courts in Kansas, Tennessee, and Utah. JIF won the 2023 American Legal Technology Award for court technology and improvement.

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

Ashwin Ramaswami
TECH LAW SCHOLAR AND
FRITZ FAMILY FELLOW WITH THE JUDICIAL
INNOVATION FELLOWSHIP (L'24)

Technology is not built in a vacuum: it intersects with the structures of governance, law, policy, and power that pervade our society today. I thought it was really important to learn more about how our society works through law and policy, and Georgetown is a great place to do that while also having the opportunity to do public service .... JIF [gave me] the opportunity to not only work on an interdisciplinary project with my technical background, but be able to work towards an initiative that concretely improves the lives of the least well-off in society through both technology and law.

Engagement: Georgetown Law Welcomes Key Players in Tech Law and Policy

> Our events bring scholars, non-governmental organizations, and policymakers from across the nation's capital and around the world to engage with the Georgetown Law community and the public on the critical issues for decisionmakers in shaping the future of tech policy.

Policymaker Perspectives

We frequently host senior-level representatives of the U.S. government, foreign governments, industry, and civil society on key issues in the tech policy space. As just a few examples, the Tech Institute has welcomed for remarks, panels, or fireside chats leaders such as: U.S. Senator Ron Wyden; U.S. Senator Sheldon Whitehouse; U.S. Representatives Ted Lieu (L'94) and Ken Buck; former Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information Alan Davidson; and the Chair of the Korean Privacy Commission.

We also offer nonpartisan, educational training from Georgetown faculty and staff for government employees. Georgetown Law's Tech Foundations for Government Staff is an immersive program covering developments in current and emerging technologies for Capitol Hill and federal agency staff. It includes in-depth presentations and Q&A with legal scholars, technologists, and practitioners about how various technologies work, how they are used, the policy questions they raise, and how to address those questions in the real world. In 2024, we engaged more than 50 government staffers in sessions on AI law and policy, and we will offer our 2025 program on campus during Congressional recess August 5-7.

Distinguished Speakers

The Tech Law Scholars Distinguished Speaker Series and Alumni Book Talks engage students, recent alumni, and the Georgetown community through discussions with influential, senior-level leaders in and outside the legal field. Past speakers have included tech journalist Kara Swisher (SFS'84) in conversation with Georgetown Law Distinguished Visitor from Practice Douglas Emhoff, and Consumer Technology Association CEO Gary Shapiro (L'80) in conversation with Tech Institute Distinguished Fellow Gigi Sohn.

A Hub for AI Law and Policy Leadership

The Tech Institute is committed to exploring the rapidly evolving intersection of AI and the law through events and initiatives, in addition to academic offerings, journal publication, and faculty and staff thought leadership in the field. This work is expanding every day to keep up with new developments.

Our AI projects involve a wide range of legal and policy questions surrounding the use of AI and how it should be regulated. We collaborated with Lawfare to host a conference called AI on Trial: Liability in the AI Ecosystem, hosted a discussion on AI regulation with members of Congress, and partnered with the Georgetown Center for Security and Emerging Technology and the Georgetown Beeck Center for Social Impact + Innovation to produce reports on a series of roundtables centered on the federal government's use of AI, acquisition of AI talent, and purchase of AI technology.

In addition to questions of what laws and policies should govern AI, we are exploring how AI developments are changing the shape of legal practice and education.

AI EVENT SPOTLIGHT

Summit on Emerging Technology Policy

The Tech Institute hosted the Georgetown Law Summit on Emerging Technology Policy. This two-day event convened policymakers, academics, and students to discuss where we are, what comes next, and how to center accountability, inclusion, and justice in the creation of policies to address emerging technologies. AI was discussed at every session, with panels including faculty and alumni from a wide range of graduation years. Keynote speaker Halimah DeLaine Prado (L'00), General Counsel at Google, opened the event in conversation with Georgetown Law Professor Kristin Henning. Georgetown Law Board of Visitors members Belinda Nixon (L'94) and Lauren Van Wazer (L'90), and Georgetown Alumni Board member and former Chair Miriam Vogel (L'01) also returned to share their deep technology experience.

Our Faculty: Driving the Tech Law and Policy Conversation

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