

2022



# JD Orientation

## SECTION 1

# Welcome to Georgetown Law

Dear 1Ls,

You will hear this many times over the next few weeks, but welcome to Georgetown Law! We are delighted you are here and cannot wait to meet you over the course of the coming days and weeks as you embark on your first law school semester.

The Office of the Dean of Students and the Office of Student Life have built a JD Orientation full of opportunities to learn more about each other, about Georgetown Law, and about Washington, DC. We hope that you will review this schedule and take advantage of its many offerings.

As a reminder, you'll notice in your schedule that events starting Wednesday, August 24, are in different colors.

**Mandatory sessions are in blue** and your attendance is required.

You will also see a series of **"Breakout Sessions" in green**. Throughout the day on Wednesday and Thursday, we have arranged for a menu of six of these sessions, addressing many critical topics for new students. These range from how to think about success in law school, to strategic financial aid and planning, to advice from upper-level students. **These sessions are optional, but strongly encouraged**. You'll note that each session is repeated at a variety of times (sort of like a conference schedule). We strongly recommend you plan to attend most, if not all, of the six.

Finally, there are a number of social, cultural, and wellness activities throughout the Orientation, such as fitness classes, a section dinner, and our always highly-anticipated Faculty Moot Court. We hope you'll join us for as many of these as your schedule allows.

Once again, welcome to Georgetown and Hoya Saxa!

Mitch Bailin, Dean of Students  
Sarah Stanley, Director of Student Life

# TUESDAY 8.23

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

## Welcome Breakfasts

- Welcome for Military-Connected Students, McDonough 520
- Welcome for Graduates of Catholic and Jesuit Universities, McDonough 113
- Welcome for First-Generation College Students, Sport and Fitness Lobby

9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

## Faculty Talks for First-Year, Transfer, Visiting, and Graduate Students

*See the addendum for full list and descriptions of Faculty Talks*

9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

## City Tours with Faculty, Staff, and Peer Advisors

*See the addendum for full list and instructions for City Tours*

10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

## On the Hour from the Tower: Campus Tours

*Peer Advisors will be on hand every hour to take you around your new Georgetown Law home. Meet a group at the clocktower on the :00 to catch a tour.*

10:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

## Sport and Fitness Center Tours

*Meet at the Sport and Fitness front desk for a tour of our gym facilities, described as some of the best in the city! Leaving every hour on the :30.*

11:30 a.m. – 6:45p.m.

## Library Tours

*All incoming students are invited to participate in a tour of the Law Library. Library tours meet in the Atrium of the Edward Bennett Williams Law Library. Tours take approximately 30 minutes. If you have any questions, please email the Law Library's Reference Desk.*

*(Pre-registration encouraged: <https://bit.ly/3Paau6>)*

12:00 p.m. – 12:45 p.m.

## Fitness Class: Gentle Yoga

# WEDNESDAY 8.24

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

## Check-in, McDonough Atrium

Check-in should be completed before your section's respective Deans' Welcome, even if you are attending other sessions prior.

10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

## Deans' Welcome for Section 1, McDonough 205

Dean Treanor and other faculty deans will welcome Section 1 to Georgetown Law and formally kick off your Orientation.

### Breakout Session: 11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

McDonough 141  
**1L 101: Preparing for Your First Class**

McDonough 109  
**Key Information for Financial Aid and Financial Planning**

McDonough 200  
**What I Wish I Knew: Peer Advisor Panel**

### Breakout Session: 12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

McDonough 141  
**1L 101: Preparing for Your First Class**

McDonough 109  
**Key Information for Financial Aid and Financial Planning**

McDonough 200  
**What I Wish I Knew: Peer Advisor Panel**

**1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.**

### Lunch with Peer Advisors

#### Section 1 Pick-up: McDonough 202

We hope you'll join us for lunch in order to meet your '22-'23 Peer Advisors, along with your section-mates, and get the inside scoop on Georgetown Law and 1L year!

### Breakout Session: 2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

McDonough 141  
**1L 101: Preparing for Your First Class**

McDonough 109  
**Key Information for Financial Aid and Financial Planning**

McDonough 140  
**Defining Success: Your OWN Version**

### Breakout Session: 3:45 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.

McDonough 141  
**1L 101: Preparing for Your First Class**

McDonough 109  
**Key Information for Financial Aid and Financial Planning**

McDonough 140  
**Defining Success: Your OWN Version**

McDonough 200  
**Practice Law/Practice Well: Lawyers in Balance**

Here are some other things to check out when you have some free time!

#### On the Hour from the Tower:

##### Campus Tours 10am to 2pm

Peer Advisors will be on hand every hour to take you around your new Georgetown Law home. Meet a group at the clocktower on the :00 on the Eleanor Holmes Norton green to catch a tour.

##### Sport and Fitness Tours, 10am to 2pm BURN class at 12pm

Meet at the Sport and Fitness front desk for a tour of our gym facilities leaving every hour on the :30. If you're up for it, join a BURN fitness class at 12pm.

#### Student Organization Drop-Ins 10am to 5pm

Come by Gewirz 12 during any down time to meet some upper-level students active in our student organizations. They'll be rotating throughout Wednesday and Thursday, as will the snack assortment! See the addendum for the list of organizations and when they'll be available for you to say hello.

#### Library Tours

**11:15am, 1:45pm, 2:45pm, 3:45pm**

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Pre-registration is encouraged: <https://bit.ly/3Paeeu6>

#### Library Research Fair

**1:30pm to 4:30pm**

Meet librarians and representatives for the legal research platforms Bloomberg Law, Lexis+, and Westlaw Edge.

7:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

National Mall Jog, Hotung Patio

Join a group of classmates for a jog around the neighborhood. It's a great way to meet more folks and get more familiar with the neighborhood. The jog will be 3-4 miles and the group will run at a slow to moderate pace with frequent stops.

10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Practice Law/Practice Well: Campus Resources

At Georgetown Law, many of our students, staff, faculty, and alumni prioritize well-being and self-care. Throughout the year, you'll hear the phrase "Practice Law/Practice Well" to describe our many well-being programs and services. We encourage you to check out the Sport & Fitness Center, stop by our wellness resources tabling, or do whatever it is that helps you maintain healthy habits.

- Wellness Resource Fair, McDonough Atrium
- Immunization Clinic, Gewirz Lower Level
- Sport and Fitness Tours
- Fitness Class: Gentle Yoga, 12:00 p.m.

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Business Law Scholars Reception, McDonough 209

Come meet other students interested in Business and Corporate Law, meet program director Professor Hills, and see the brand new Business Law Scholars space. Refreshments provided. RSVP to [businesslawsscholars@georgetown.edu](mailto:businesslawsscholars@georgetown.edu).

11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

**Mandatory Visa Information Session for New International JD Students in F-1 Visa Status**

McDonough 141

**Breakout Session: 1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.**

McDonough 200

**Pathways to Practice:  
Meet the JD Career Teams**

McDonough 110

**Defining Success:  
Your OWN Version**

McDonough 109

**What I Wish I Knew:  
Peer Advisor Panel**

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4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**Myths and Realities of Law School, McDonough 205**

Dean of Students Mitch Bailin and Director of Student Life Sarah Stanley will address some of the common myths and happier realities surrounding the first year of law school. They'll offer lots of tips about how to thrive and succeed in this exciting new adventure, with a special guest appearance from Student Bar Association President Mariaeugenia Gurdian.

5:15 p.m. – 6:45 p.m.

**Section Dinner, McDonough 202**

Take some time to get to know your section before the Faculty Moot Court later tonight.

6:45 p.m. – 7:45 p.m.

**Travel to Faculty Moot Court**

This year, we're doing the Faculty Moot Court at the nearby Shakespeare Theatre Company (610 F St NW). It's a quick walk from campus and a great way to see our neighborhood!

8:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

**Faculty Moot Court, Shakespeare Theatre Company**

Always the highlight of the Orientation program, seven of our distinguished professors, who collectively have argued and briefed scores of cases before the U.S. Supreme Court, will present a "moot court," or mock argument, of 303 Creative LLC v. Elenis, a case that will be heard by the Supreme Court this coming fall.

**More Library Tours**

11:45am., 2:45pm., 3:45pm., 4:45pm

Pre-registration is encouraged: <https://bit.ly/3Pa0eU6>**More Student Organization Drop-Ins**

1:30pm to 5pm in Gewirz 12

# FRIDAY 8.26

1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

**Introduction to the First-Year Experience, McDonough 202**

*A faculty member teaching one of your section's Fall courses will teach the first hour of the course, then spend some time talking with you about why your professors teach what they do the way they do in the first year.*

3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Welcome Block Party & Reception, Eleanor Holmes Norton Green

*And just like that, you're done with Orientation! Come celebrate the start of your Georgetown Law experience at the Welcome Block Party with students, faculty, and staff. We look forward to seeing you there!*

# Breakout Sessions

## **1L 101: Preparing for Your First Class**

Director of Academic Success Lisa Curtis will discuss how to prepare for law school classes and offer some tips for continued academic success throughout the year.

## **Defining Success in Law School: Your OWN Version**

Dr. Amy Uelmen invites you to think about your goals for law school and what success looks like to you. In this session, Dr. Uelmen will accompany students through a series of exercises to help frame your approach to law school and you'll have the opportunity to connect with other first-year students outside your section.

## **Key Information for Financial Aid and Financial Planning**

Law school is a big investment, but the Office of Financial Aid is here to make sure you are fully equipped to manage your finances during your time at Georgetown and down the line.

## **Pathways to Practice: Meet the JD Careers Team**

Representatives from the Office of Career Strategy (OCS) and the Office of Public Interest and Community Service (OPICS) — together, the JD Careers Team — will present on the support and services they provide to students, with a focus on 1L year. How do you align your goals, values, and career? Learn about resources that will support you on your career exploration journey - from online education modules, to networking and recruiting events, to individualized job search advising and ongoing professional development.

## **Practice Law/Practice Well: Lawyers in Balance**

Lawyers in Balance (LIB) teaches law students mindfulness practices that will help them successfully navigate law school, defuse stress, and develop as leaders and problem-solvers. Trained facilitators (Law Center staff members) will lead students in a brief mindfulness practice and provide an introduction to the LIB program during this session.

## **What I Wish I Knew: Peer Advisor Panels**

The Peer Advisors will be on hand to give their best advice for 1L, what they wish they knew before starting their first year at Georgetown Law, and to answer your questions about the upcoming year and beyond!

# Breakout Session Schedule

SESSION	Breakout I Wed 11:15am	Breakout II Wed 12:30pm	Breakout III Wed 2:30pm	Breakout IV Wed 3:45pm	Breakout V Thurs 1:30pm	Breakout VI Thurs 2:45pm	Breakout VII Thurs 4:00pm
1L101	✓	✓	✓	✓			
Defining Success			✓	✓	✓	✓	
Financial Aid	✓	✓	✓	✓			
Pathways to Practice					✓	✓	✓
Lawyers in Balance				✓			
What I Wish I Knew	✓					✓	✓