
THE SKADDEN, ARPS HONORS PROGRAM IN LEGAL STUDIES

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LAUNCH YOUR LEGAL CAREER AT CITY COLLEGE

PREPARE FOR LAW SCHOOL BY BECOMING A SKADDEN SCHOLAR

OUR MISSION

The Skadden, Arps Honors Program in Legal Studies is a unique partnership between Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom, LLP—one of the preeminent law firms in the world—and The City College of New York. Our purpose is to prepare students from low-income and underrepresented groups for successful legal careers and to enrich and diversify the legal profession. The Program, which accepts rising juniors, admitted its first cohort in April 2009.



SKADDEN SCHOLARS

LEARN FROM DISTINGUISHED FACULTY



Develop analytical and critical thinking skills by taking a four-course sequence of honors seminars taught by the Joseph H. Flom Professor of Legal Studies:

- **Political Theory and Civil Liberties**
- **Jurisprudence**
- **American Constitutional Development**
- **Advanced Legal Analysis**

Pictured center: Lynda Dodd, J.D. (Yale, 2000) and PhD (Princeton, Politics, 2004) is the Joseph H. Flom Professor of Legal Studies. Before coming to City College, she taught constitutional law, civil rights, jurisprudence, and torts at American University's Washington College of Law.

SKADDEN SCHOLARS

LEARN THROUGH EXPERIENCE

Through selective internships our students are exposed to the intricacies and dynamics of resolving legal disputes.

- Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom, LLP
- The White House
- The Brennan Center for Justice, NYU Law School, New York, NY
- Mound, Cotton & Greengrass, LLP
- Legal Aid Society, New York, NY
- The Bronx Defenders, Bronx, NY
- The Family Center, New York, NY
- Sanctuary for Families
- Justice Fisher, Deputy Chief Administrative Judge for New York City Courts
- Human Rights Watch, New York, NY



Judge Fern Fisher with Skadden Scholars

- National Law Center on Homelessness and Poverty, Washington, DC
- Office of Senator Christine Gillibrand
- New York Department of Housing & Preservation, New York, NY
- The Brooklyn District Attorney's Office, Brooklyn, NY
- The New York State District Attorney's Office, New York, NY

SKADDEN SCHOLARS

LEARN FROM MENTORS

Our Program partners with top-notch attorneys who will teach you what it takes to be a lawyer.

“The Skadden Program has made a tremendous impact on my life. It has opened my eyes to a world of opportunities I previously did not think were accessible to me and has helped me tap into a reservoir of inner potential I did not know existed. ”
CHRIS PEREZ, CCNY '11



Eric Friedman, Executive Partner, with Skadden Scholars

SKADDEN SCHOLARS

LEARN FROM LECTURES GIVEN BY EXCEPTIONAL SCHOLARS AND ADVOCATES IN THE LEGAL FIELD



- **Professor Barry Friedman**, Jacob D. Fuchsberg, Professor of Law, NYU Law School
- **Professor Jamal Greene**, Columbia Law School
- **Pardiss Kebriaei**, Staff Attorney, Center for Constitutional Rights
- **Professor Kenneth Mack**, Professor of Law, Harvard Law School
- **John Payton**, President and Director-Counsel of NAACP Legal Defense Fund
- **Professor Patricia Williams**, James L. Dohr Professor of Law, Columbia Law School

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LEARN FROM EACH OTHER AND FROM DEDICATED INSTRUCTORS AND STAFF



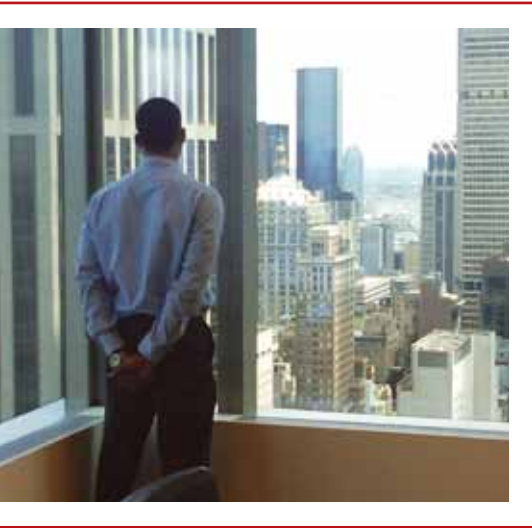
Students bond during the Summer Institute while participating in LSAT classes, Seminars and in the Skadden, Arps Honors Center.

“Growing up in NYC and graduating from City College helped shape my ideals and prepared me to pursue a legal career advancing social justice principles. After a decade representing low income people in New York City in a variety of legal matters, I can now share my legal experiences with aspiring lawyers at CCNY where I learned so much. ”

RODRIGO SANCHEZ-CAMUS, CCNY '98

THE PROGRAM

The Skadden, Arps Honors Program in Legal Studies is a two-year program of study that students apply to when they are rising juniors. It includes the following:



- Financial support
- One full year of subsidized LSAT preparation
- Internships
- Mentoring by practicing lawyers
- Skadden Honors Center
- Law school application workshops
- Writing workshops and tutors
- Lectures by top legal scholars
- Visits to local law schools
- Innovative pre-law curriculum

ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible, you must be a second-term sophomore or have 55 to 75 college credits. Students from all majors may apply.

The Skadden, Arps Honors Program in Legal Studies is looking for students who:

- 1) have GPAs at or over 3.2 and strong writing and critical thinking skills,
- 2) demonstrate a strong desire to go to law school and
- 3) exhibit maturity and self-discipline.

YOUR OBLIGATION

Skadden Scholars are required to make a two-year commitment to the Program, which includes two summers and one winter intersession. Scholars spend four weeks studying the LSAT during their first summer and also prepare for the LSAT during the fall, winter and spring terms of their junior year. Scholars must take the LSAT exam in October of their second year in the Program whether or not they plan on applying to law school at that time. Scholars are required to take one seminar each term (four in total) and to attend a six-week internship as rising seniors. Students must maintain a high GPA to remain in the Program.

HOW TO APPLY

All application materials are available at www.cuny.edu/skadden

- The application deadline is March 1 for CCNY students and February 1 for transfer students
- Transfer applicants must apply to CUNY at www.cuny.edu/apply and indicate City College as their first choice
- Submit a FAFSA form as early as possible

FINANCIAL AID

- Up to \$5,000 dollars in aid for eligible students
- \$1,800 internship stipend
- Subsidized LSAT course
- Free writing and LSAT tutoring



Skadden Scholars interning at the Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP office in New York City

ABOUT THE CITY COLLEGE OF NEW YORK

The City College of New York, the flagship of The City University of New York, is located on a beautiful 36-acre campus in Northern Manhattan, distinguished by some of the earliest and still most beautiful university Gothic architecture in the nation. Founded in 1847, today the College offers more than 80 undergraduate majors and more than 40 graduate programs—including 13 doctoral programs. Professional schools of architecture, engineering, education and biomedical education, and an alumni roster second to none in the nation—including Felix Frankfurter, Colin Powell and nine Nobel Laureates—make City College a leading American institution.

ABOUT SKADDEN, ARPS, SLATE, MEAGHER & FLOM LLP

Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP, with approximately 2,000 lawyers in 24 offices on five continents, serves clients in every major international financial center. In addition to handling many of the most significant corporate and litigation matters worldwide, Skadden is well-known for its longtime commitment to diversity and its history of public sector work, a description of which can be found on the Diversity and Community Involvement pages, respectively, at www.skadden.com.