Welcome to Notre Dame Law School!

On behalf of the Notre Dame Law School student body, we are thrilled to be among the first to welcome you to the NDLS Community! We know that this is an exciting time for you and – if you are anything like we were just a couple of years ago – you probably have plenty of questions about law school and Notre Dame whether it’s about academics, professors, student life, or just where to get a good dinner. That’s why we’ve prepared the Guide.

This is called an Insider’s Guide because it has been written by students. Over the past year, we’ve updated and revised old sections, compiled and created new ones, and edited and re-edited the whole book in hopes of making your transition to Notre Dame easier. This isn’t a comprehensive guide to everything you need to know to get through law school or survive in South Bend, but it is a great place to start. Whether you’re trying to figure out where to live next year, the best way to get to and around town, what law students do on the weekend, or which daycare is best for your kids, the Guide is a terrific resource. Please note that some information may have changed since the date of publication, so be sure to confirm pertinent information.

We all treasure our experiences here at NDLS. The professors, the students, and the staff of the Law School are unique – their warmth, friendship, and true support have made studying law at Notre Dame fun! We hope that our enthusiasm will be apparent throughout the Guide. We have appreciated reflecting on our experiences here and enjoyed putting the Guide together for you. Although we know that you will receive a variety of additional information from the Law School and the University, we hope that this look at NDLS from the perspective of your soon-to-be colleagues will be valuable as you prepare to start here in August.
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A DIFFERENT KIND OF LAWYER

It’s Not Just Hype

On almost every piece of material you’ve received from the NDLS Admissions Office, you’ve probably seen references to “Educating a Different Kind of Lawyer” and “the Notre Dame Difference.” It is really hard to understand what these phrases mean until you come to Notre Dame. To find out, take it from the mouths of the students who shape the Notre Dame Law School experience.

Sometimes we’re tempted to say that a Notre Dame lawyer is different because he or she is an ethical lawyer. But that can’t be right. Our profession is in pretty deep trouble if the only ethical lawyer is a “different” one. Maintaining high ethical standards ought to be something that characterizes our whole profession – not something that causes Notre Dame lawyers to stand apart. So what does it mean to be a different kind of lawyer and what is the Notre Dame difference?

“I was attracted to the spirit of service that is so integral to the NDLS community. It has been my experience that NDLS truly did educate a ‘different kind’ of lawyer – ethical, service minded, community focused. NDLS embodies the values I hold dear and admire.”

Sam Ballingrud
Class of 2017

“There are many reasons I chose NDLS, but the most important to me was the school’s commitment to forming a different kind of lawyer. I firmly believe that is not a marketing pitch - it is a mission statement. It affects every part of the school, from admissions to graduation and beyond. It involves education, service, camaraderie, and opportunities that are second to none. NDLS students study in London, extern in Chicago, provide aid to the indigent, team with the business school to help countries rebuild after war, contribute to human rights, and help build small businesses - and that’s before graduation! The education, opportunities and experiences NDLS provides creates lawyers who seek to improve the world, not just get jobs. And who could pass up an opportunity to make a difference in the world?”

Eric Nichols
Class of 2016

“When I applied to law schools, I was looking for a top-ranked program with an emphasis on serving the community through the practice of law. I was looking for a faculty committed to excellent instruction, as well as a community that would challenge me to achieve my potential as a person and a professional. In addition to one of the most beautiful campuses I have ever seen, Notre Dame offered absolutely everything I was looking for in a law school”.

Audrey Beck
Class of 2017
A Community

Okay, You’ll Hear A Lot About This

You will spend a lot of time in the Law School building, there’s no way around it. Three years at Notre Dame Law School are both difficult and enjoyable. Let’s face it, law school anywhere is hard work and going to law school at any of the top tier law schools in the country will be incredibly demanding. You have to read thousands of pages of legal material, write at the highest standards, be prepared for picayune questions from professors, and study hard for endless weeks to prepare for exams that determine your entire grade - and that’s just the first semester. The long hours and work aside, spending three years at Notre Dame is enjoyable. It’s enjoyable because the people who come here care more about people than grades; more about community than competition. Grades are still important, and some competition still exists, but the most distinctive feature of Notre Dame Law School is the genuine concern that everyone here shows for each other. Students recognize that when a classmate succeeds, everyone at the Law School succeeds.

“The sense of community at NDLS is truly top-notch. Whether you’re looking to study, catch a football game, go to dinner, or attend Mass, there’s someone in the law school that’s going to want to go with you. Coming from an undergraduate university with what I thought was an unbeatable community atmosphere, I set the bar extremely high for Notre Dame. I can honestly say that the bar has been exceeded. Not once have I felt alone while I’ve attended NDLS. From faculty to fellow students, anyone and everyone is willing to help you in any way that you may need.”

Megan Davis
Class of 2017

“Aside from loving the Catholic mission of Notre Dame, the community and support I received from the law school during the admissions process was above and beyond what I could have asked for. Based on my 1L year thus far, it is clear to me that NDLS faculty and staff continue to encourage the sense of community and support all throughout your three years in law school.”

Lauren Nottoli
Class of 2017
“The entire community at NDLS is exceptionally approachable. I have already had many conversations with professors who truly maintain an open door policy; even if I don’t really have a specific question or topic in mind, I know I can approach any professor whether they teach my class or not. Professors love talking to students and take a genuine interest in helping students develop as professionals. Students are also incredibly approachable; I have already taken many 2Ls and 3Ls up on their offers to lend advice. My fellow classmates are brilliant yet there is a very communal aspect amongst our classmates”.

Rebekah Newman  
Class of 2017

“The community at NDLS is supportive and collaborative. Partly owing to the ethical and service minded, focus as well as the lack of a ranking system. There is a strong spirit of community in ND, a sense that we are all in this together”.

Sam Ballingrud  
Class of 2017

“The community at Notre Dame is incredible. It can be competitive in a sense simply because it’s law school, but it is such a welcoming place that it doesn’t ever really feel that way. I have met so many great people here, and I’ve been amazed at how quickly it feels like “home” here”.

Sara Gordon  
Class of 2017

The experiences excerpted here are not isolated incidents. Notre Dame’s community is dedicated to seeing every student succeed both as a student and in life. The community here is deeper than just caring professors – it extends through all levels of the Law School. The sense of community comes as much from helpful and friendly secretaries and dedicated administration as from the faculty. This sense of community is chiefly reflected in the interactions between our students.
We probably aren’t the first to tell you that Notre Dame is a Catholic university – perhaps you’ve watched a football game and seen Touchdown Jesus peering over the edge of the Stadium! But what does it mean to be a Catholic university and how does that play into both the Law School and student life?

The University was founded with the mission that its graduates would receive an education of the mind, heart, and spirit, and then use their talents to serve the greater good. That mission is both distinctly Catholic while being totally accessible to students from other faith traditions, or none at all. Students who buy into this mission – if that’s the type of lawyer they want to be and how they want to use their skills – will find a very welcoming place at the Law School regardless of their religious affiliation.

"The Catholic identity of NDLS has two distinct effects on the law school experience. The first is that the religious character of NDLS allows students and professors alike to transcend discussions of pure legality to ones of moral rightness. This shift enriches the legal scholarship and student experience of the institution. The second, and perhaps wider-reaching, effect is that the law school community is imbued with a significant amount of collegiality and openness. The Catholic disposition requires that the academic environment reflect a genuine care for and interest in the individual and his or her good. Many law schools will articulate this vision; at NDLS it is not mere lip service, but a reality.”

Nicholas Schilling  
Class of 2017

“As a non-Catholic at Notre Dame, I was nervous about how I would fit in at Notre Dame. I have never felt anything but welcomed at Notre Dame. Don’t kid yourself, the school is Catholic and you see it everywhere you go. It is not simply Catholic in heritage, it is Catholic in practice. But as somebody who is not Catholic, I have enjoyed learning about a culture different than my own, discussing issues with friends with different viewpoints, and appreciating the beauty that is available on campus. There are many students here all over the religious spectrum and nobody I know has felt out of place due to that difference.”

Jason Becker  
Class of 2015
Notre Dame Law School consists of two buildings joined by an archway; Biolchini Hall and Eck Hall. Our beautiful new and renovated buildings were ranked #8 Best Law School Facility in 2014 by prelaw magazine and combine the University’s storied charm and tradition with cutting-edge technology.

The Eck Hall of Law was constructed in 2009 and features state-of-the-art technology in new classrooms, faculty offices, and study spaces. The building’s design is forward thinking, providing for the flexibility to change based on the developing needs of students and faculty. It integrates classrooms and faculty offices in an effort to foster dialog between the faculty, administration, and student body. Additionally, the building features a new chapel below the Eck Commons. All of these features are geared toward fostering and reinforcing the strong sense of community that is the foundation of Notre Dame Law School.

Biolchini Hall was renovated in 2010 to house the expanded Kresge Law Library and some administrative offices, including Admissions and Career Development. This renovated space is built upon an incredible legacy of all the individuals who have worked, taught, and studied here for the past 80 years and the many benefactors who contributed to make this new facility a reality. The inside of the law library looks amazingly similar to Hogwarts Castle.

The Kresge Law Library has 26 study rooms available to law students. Study rooms have to be reserved through the online reservation form that can be found on the Law Library’s web page. The Library seats 550 people, 150 at individual study carrels. Whatever your preferred study habits, you will find a comfortable study place in the Library - whether it’s in the traditional, gothic reading room or in the comfy and cozy oversized couches and chairs or at a study carrel or in a study room with fellow classmates, the Library can meet anyone’s study needs.

If you haven’t yet decided to attend Notre Dame, you really should visit to see the facilities. You’ll be spending a lot of time in the building during law school, and we think ours is terrific. We hope you will have the opportunity to visit the Law School soon.
BEFORE CLASSES START & ORIENTATION

Like Kindergarten – You Get to Stand in Line

Getting everything in order before class starts is pretty simple at NDLS. The Law School will send you a continuous stream of correspondence making sure you know when and where you can get everything you’ll need: parking permits, books, supplies, etc. The Law School will also let you know the schedule for registration, and there is a great orientation program to make sure enrollment goes smoothly and you’re ready for that exciting first day of class. Just make sure to check your email often since that is how most of the information is sent to you.

Health Insurance

Health insurance is required to enroll in classes. During the summer, you will receive insurance information. If you have insurance already, send proof of insurance to Health Services. You will receive several emails about the deadline for showing proof of your own insurance. If you forget, the University will bill you for the standard student insurance. If you forget to mail the insurance information in during the summer, take proof of insurance to Health Services in Saint Liam Hall before classes start or during the first couple of weeks. Also, after classes have started, check to make sure you haven’t been charged for the University health insurance if you already had your own. Student Accounts has been known to make this mistake, but will correct it without much fuss. Your account will be credited the full price of the school’s insurance policy as soon as you show proof of your own insurance.

Students must show proof of insurance within the first month of school or else they will be automatically enrolled in the school’s health insurance plan. Cost for coverage for a spouse and family can be found here: http://uhs.nd.edu/insurance-billing/2014-2015-rates/. Notre Dame will change its providers on a regular basis and the student plan does not always include maternity benefits. As a result, students who wish to have children while in law school may want to consider other types of insurance. Spouses who are young and healthy may find that an individual policy is cheaper and may better suit their needs than the school policy or that they would prefer employer coverage. http://uhs.nd.edu/new-studentsparents/

Prescription drug benefits include a $5 copayment for generic drugs and $25 for brand name drugs. Some medications are not covered. Birth control is covered for non-contraceptive reasons only. Students on the student health insurance plan must pick up their medications at the ND pharmacy.

Students may elect to purchase their own comparable insurance plan instead of using the school plan. For a list of frequently asked questions for the university sponsored insurance plan visit: http://uhs.nd.edu/insurance-billing/. Many students who are not covered by their parents’ health insurance plans elect to purchase individual plans in their home states before coming to law school. Prices and benefits will vary from state to state.

Campus Parking

Campus parking is a must for most of those living off campus, though some living near campus may find a brisk jaunt or bike ride to the Law School better than the trek from the C1 lot where most law students park. A parking decal is easy to obtain, affordable, and useful, especially since fines for parking in the all-too-inviting bookstore lot near the Law School can add up fast. For the 2013-14 academic year, the parking decal cost $100. The easiest way to get your parking decal is to sign up online – just remember your license
plate number and registration. You’ll be able to pick up your permit a few days after orientation at the Parking Office (Room 119 Hammes Mowbray Hall) during the first week of classes. We recommend taking care of this ASAP, but don’t worry – the University police are really lenient the first week. Just stay out of the bookstore lot and the circle by the Law School.

**Student IDs**

We recommend getting your student ID prior to orientation. This can save time, since the freshmen class of about 2,000 will be arriving and settling in at the same time we have orientation. You can get your ID at Card Services located in Grace Hall over the summer. When you get your student ID, you will also have the option to get a meal plan or add Domer Dollars to your student ID. See “Eating on Campus” for more information about meal plans and Domer Dollars.

**Computer IDs**

It might also prove useful to get your computer set up. At some point early in the summer, everyone is issued a “Net ID” which will be your key to technology while at Notre Dame. You’ll be able to use it to sign in to your school e-mail, as well as to check tentative class schedules and eventually even final grades. Having a Net ID also lets you sign in to the computer lab in the Law School building, which boasts high speed internet.

If you have a laptop with a wireless card, set up for on campus internet access is quick and painless, but it can be nice to take care of before the first day of classes. If you have any trouble, you can definitely check in with the friendly Law School computer staff. The OIT website provides resources on how to set up Wi-Fi and on campus printing. They will also help you to connect tables, iPods, smartphone, etc. to Wi-Fi.

The University does provide dial-up internet to those living off-campus. However, they only have 92 modems, shared among all of the faculty, staff, grad students, and off-campus seniors. More often than not, it’s impossible to get through, so this may not be the best option if you would like to have reliable internet at your apartment. If you are interested in having it set up, go to the Office of Information Technology (OIT) building located between the football stadium and Hesburgh Library (the really tall building with “Touchdown Jesus”) to get the required information and software. You can also buy computer supplies here, like the heavily discounted software for Microsoft Office. Once again, the sooner you get this done the better, as they tend to be swamped during the first couple weeks of classes. The Law School has its own computer staff, so you may want to check with them first. More information about technology is on the Class of 2017 website, and this will be updated in late spring or early summer.

**Orientation**

You’ll receive information from the Law School about the mandatory [Orientation Weekend](#). Besides introducing you to the school and getting all of the formalities of enrollment taken care of (which can now almost be done completely on the web), Orientation will be the first time that you officially meet your classmates and some of the 2Ls and 3Ls. Take advantage of getting to know the unique and interesting people you’ll be sharing the next three years of your life with before you are swamped with reading assignments and studying. One of the best opportunities to meet people during Orientation is participating in one of the optional group service projects, such as volunteering for the afternoon at a Goodwill Store or making care baskets at a women’s shelter.
Orientation is a good opportunity to explore campus and you will be given the class assignments for the first day of law school. Most professors will email out first week assignments right before and during orientation. Some class assignments will be received though Sakai and follow up assignments may be received on The Westlaw Education Network (TWEN). You will have the opportunity to purchase books during orientation so there is still adequate time to complete your work. Keep an eye on your new ND e-mail to stay informed.

The first day of Orientation may feel long and draining but it introduces you to law school and tries to make it less scary. Be prepared to be overwhelmed by people, books, materials, forms, etc. Dress comfortably and in particular, wear comfortable shoes, because a campus tour should be on the schedule (an umbrella or at least a jacket might not be a bad idea if it looks stormy). Also, bring some sort of money (cash, checks, credit cards) to pay for fees and your books, and don’t forget to bring a bag or backpack to carry those incredibly heavy books back home. Bring a lock for your locker and you can store any books that you don’t want to bring home at the school.

It’s tempting to buy your books online before Orientation, but it’s not always the best idea. First, you won’t get your final schedule until Orientation. There is a tentative schedule posted online at InsideND, about a month before classes start, but many classes are later rearranged and students get sent to different sections (with different textbooks). Besides, during the Orientation “field trip” to the bookstore, 2Ls and 3Ls will be on hand to make sure you buy the exact books you need for your classes and make recommendations as to study aids. Also, some books are the same price or cheaper at the bookstore. Books may be rented at the bookstore as well and the cost is much less than purchasing. With that being said, lately, 1L’s are purchasing or renting their books online from Amazon or Chegg as well as other vendors. Last year a student purchased his books during the week of orientation from Chegg and they all arrived before class started. Make sure you have the correct IBM number when ordering books online.

Another great inside tip (that not too many students know about on the first day, but learn to LOVE) is that at Notre Dame, you can “charge” purchases at the bookstore to your student account. What this means is that as long as you have your student ID card, you can go to the bookstore and pay for your books (and your new Notre Dame sweatshirt) with it. The purchase will automatically show up on your student account. Also, your student account does not accrue interest like credit cards, so you can actually put your books on your student account and pay them off throughout the course of the semester. However, be aware that the Office of Student Accounts knows of this strategy and will not allow you to simply keep a running balance straight through to graduation. If you abuse the privilege of “charging” to your student account at the bookstore, they will cut off your card, so be careful. It is always a good idea to bring along a credit card during Orientation, just in case.
THE BIG DAY: 1L DAY ONE

Or, “What in the World Have I Gotten Myself Into?”

For some, the first day of classes in law school is no big deal; for others it can be a terrifying experience. Many may have read 1L or watched the Paper Chase, but it is safe to say that while the books might represent Harvard in the 1960s, they do not even come close to representing the Notre Dame experience. No professor even resembles Kingsfield, but they do expect you to be prepared for class each day. Most will use a form of the Socratic Method but volunteering and discussion is also encouraged.

The best way to prepare for classes is to do the assigned readings, and be ready to answer questions about the material. Please, please, please - don’t think you can blow off the reading just because it’s the first day. The professors do call on students on the first day and, while they won’t expect you to be perfect, they will expect you to have read the material. You may find that briefing the cases is helpful, which basically means writing a quick summary of the facts, what legal issue(s) are presented, how the court resolved the issue, and the reasoning that it used. At least one of your teachers will explain this process to you within the first couple of days. Briefing the cases as you read also makes outlining easier when you begin this process.

On the first day, be sure to bring your textbooks, laptop and/or notepad, a pen or pencil, and money or your ID card to purchase food and beverages. Beware of surfing the net in class, however. Not only is it disrespectful, but at least one professor is sure to catch you off guard. You are not required to use a laptop in class, although the vast majority of students do. The rest take notes by hand. It’s a matter of personal preference. Even if you don’t take notes by hand, it’s helpful to bring paper to class. Some professors make diagrams or use tables, which can be tough to duplicate with a laptop.

You’ll also want to bring a combination or key lock for the lockers, graciously provided for us by the administration, as the books get heavy quickly! You can also buy locks at the bookstore for a reasonable price. If for some reason there is already a lock on your assigned locker, see Peter Horvath, Director of Student Services.

As far as dress for the first day of classes, wear whatever feels comfortable. If there’s one thing Notre Dame students are not, it’s uniform. You will be required to wear a suit the second day of Orientation, but after that, (almost) anything goes. The last thing you want to worry about is uncomfortable clothes on your first day of law school.

Finally, don’t stress out about the first day. Professors will be understanding, helpful, and kind – just make sure you’ve done the readings. The 2Ls and 3Ls, as well as the Law School staff, will be around and eager to help you with any questions or problems you have. Enjoy the first day and welcome to Notre Dame Law School!

“I would advise incoming students to enjoy their summer beforehand but to come in with the mindset that they will be studying and working as hard, if not more, than many full time jobs. Also to make sure that you take the much needed breaks for the football games.”

Chad Davis
Class of 2017
1L Classes

Let the Learning Begin

It is important to remember that your primary purpose for coming to law school is to learn the law and classes must come first. The curriculum in the first year consists of 15 credit hours each semester. The classes are required and demanding. That being said, if you put in the time you will do fine. The first year is mostly about disciplining yourself to allot the proper amount of time for class preparation each day. This amount varies from person-to-person, but regardless of how long it takes you to adequately prepare, remember to set aside some time to do other things besides studying. Anticipated course and semester hours are as follows:

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Although you may not love every class, you will enjoy them. The course schedule is designed to give students the foundation necessary for any legal career. The material is interesting and, because all of the first years take these same basic classes, your newfound knowledge and common research and writing assignments are a great way to bond with your classmates. As early as fall break, you will miss not having your new friends around for a whole week.

Remember, classes come first, but Notre Dame offers so much more. Learn to balance your schedule to allot as much time as is necessary for each class, and still be able to take advantage of the ample opportunities the Notre Dame community provides.

“All of the faculty members really push students to think critically about the cases and rules we study, to analyze what makes each situation unique. They encourage contributions and make cold calling a little less terrifying by helping you along as you think about a case. They also bring in very modern examples of specific legal questions to help us apply rules that are centuries old to modern day.”

Rebekah Newman
Class of 2017

Civil Procedure

Civil Procedure examines the procedures used to resolve civil litigation, with an emphasis on litigation in federal courts and on federal constitutional provisions also relevant in state court. Addresses jurisdictional principles and procedural doctrines involved in structuring a lawsuit; commencing a lawsuit; developing facts and narrowing legal claims during pretrial; trying a lawsuit; and determining post-trial consequences of a judgment. Also considers the extent to which state law must be applied in federal court. If time permits, explores settlement and other alternative methods for resolving disputes.
**Constitutional Law**
Constitutional Law examines the structure of our government as defined by the federal Constitution, Supreme Court precedents interpreting that document, and the traditional practice of the elected branches. Focuses on the distribution of power among the three branches of the federal government, and the division of power between the federal government and the states.

**Contracts**
Contracts presents a comprehensive study of the creation, transfer and termination of contract rights and duties.

**Criminal Law**
Criminal Law deals with the basic principles of American criminal law such as the definition of crime, defenses, proof, punishment, and the basic structure and operation of the American criminal justice system. You will learn what the cool sounding and often-used Court TV terms, such as voluntary manslaughter and malice aforethought, really mean. *Law and Order* will make a whole lot more sense after this course.

**Legal Research**
Legal Research is designed to introduce you to the tools and methodology of legal research and to help develop the research skills that are essential both in law school and in law practice. You will quickly learn your way around the library. You will not only learn the location of Reporters, Digests, Law Reviews, and ALRs, but you will also learn what to do with them once you find them.

**Legal Writing**
Legal Writing introduces students to the world of the legal discourse and provides instruction, experience, and guidance in learning how to write the basic legal documents you will someday write as lawyers.

**Legal Writing II (Moot Court)**
Introduces students to techniques of appellate advocacy and requires each student to brief and argue one appellate moot court case. This course is a lot of fun.

**Property**
This course deals with the nature of and justification for the ownership of property, including land, personal property, and intellectual property. It considers which things may be treated as property, how property is acquired, and the rights included with property ownership. Much of the course considers the ownership and use of land, covering such topics as the estates system, easements, covenants, servitudes, zoning, the government’s eminent domain power, and takings law.
Torts

Torts addresses the legal rules that determine whether civil liability attaches to conduct that results in harm to others. “Tort” is most often defined as a “civil wrong.” Brush up on your Latin, and be prepared for some of the most interesting cases you will read during your first year. Topics include proximate cause, negligence, assault, false imprisonment, and foresee ability. Prepare for class by repeating: Duty – Breach – Causation – Damages.

“The faculty is incredible. I have bragged tirelessly to my family and friends about them. They are extremely approachable and friendly, but they will challenge you in a way that will prepare you to be the best law student (and eventually the best lawyer) that you can be. They are certainly not out to get you (which is what I expected law school to be like), but they want to help you in any way that they can. Learning at NDLS is an interactive, interesting experience that will challenge you and change the way you think for the better.”

Megan Davis
Class of 2017

“The faculty is excellent. All of the professors I know are brilliant and accomplished, yet friendly and approachable. I have received helpful advice from my professors on topics ranging from how to brief cases for a specific class, how to best construct outlines, to how to go about acquiring a summer job. They are there and more than willing to help with anything. And they’re funny people too—I didn’t anticipate how much laughing I would do in each class.”

Sara Gordon
Class of 2017
NON-TRADITIONAL STUDENTS

You’re Not Unemployed… You’re a Student!

If you’re more than a year or two out of undergrad, or married, or have children, or some combination of the above, then you’re probably tired of people thinking you’re crazy for wanting to go back to school. The good thing is, we don’t think you’re crazy.

In fact, yet another up-side to the whole community thing at Notre Dame Law School is that it is a real benefit to students who have additional demands on their time or who have been out of the academic groove for a while. Students, professors, and administrators alike are willing to help, incredibly understanding, and genuinely interested in the unique perspective such students bring to the classroom and the community. As a Catholic university, Notre Dame is certainly pro-family, from the plethora of cheap-or-free entertainment options to the “family time” hours at the athletic and recreational centers on campus. And, the lower cost of just about everything in South Bend means that students with spouses and families just might be able to make those student budgets stretch a little farther here than in the various urban meccas.

This section is devoted to the information and resources that non-traditional students in particular might find helpful. But even if you don’t meet that description, keep reading. If we’ve done our job properly, you just may discover some hidden gems of wisdom that will have you feeling like an insider in no time.

**Housing**

As an addendum to the overall section on apartments and housing, we recommend you hit the web or make some phone calls to verify the information in this guide. Some of the complexes may actually have three-bedroom, or bigger, units, but they weren’t originally included in this guide because they are out of the typical student’s price range. But with a spouse and a child, or two, or more, that extra space is likely more important to you than a few extra dollars to drop at Starbucks.

Most married students cannot say enough good things about Cripe Street and University Village, Notre Dame’s housing for married students. If you’re even thinking about Notre Dame, be sure to check them out. It’s tight living, but it’s one of the best deals in town. It’s all the perks of on-campus housing for dirt cheap. The amenities include water, sewer, trash, local phone service, Ethernet, an all-enclosed playground in the center of the buildings, an organic community garden, a playroom, NDSP and fire security (which lowers our renter’s insurance dramatically), and a club house that’s available to reserve. Cripe Street, one bedroom apartments for married couples without children, runs a little over $600 a month, while University Village, for couples with children, is around $500 for two bedroom apartments and $700 for four bedroom apartments. Rent includes internet and local phone service, but does not include long distance and electricity. There are tons of activities going on all the time: BBQs for couples without children, family campouts on the playground, Village picnics, playgroups, Rosary group, La Leche League, story time, etc. They also have a program called Parents’ Night Out each month, which is essentially free babysitting by members of the freshman class for a few hours.
Transportation is easy because of the convenient shuttle. The bus picks up residents at their doors and drops them off at the door to the Law School. Best of all, it's free. It's a great way to save on a parking pass and a walk-free way to give older relatives/visitors a tour of the campus.

Other housing options include either renting or buying a single-family home. If you're interested in buying, check out realtor.com or similar sites listing houses for sale. South Bend boasts relatively cheap homes – there are many two and three bedroom homes for sale for about $100,000. The city does have some rough neighborhoods, especially south and west of campus, but there are also many safe, family-friendly neighborhoods that are surprisingly affordable.

If you’d rather rent, the University’s Residence Life and Housing website has a section for graduate students at http://housing.nd.edu/graduate/ that includes links for family housing. Finally, the admitted students’ website will include a list of houses available for rent or sale, usually from current or recently-graduated law students. The Admissions Office will help facilitate the passing of property from one law school generation to the next, so if you’re looking to rent, be sure to let Admissions know.

Some web sites that may be useful:
www.apartmentz.com
http://www.rentals.com/Indiana/South-Bend/
http://housing.nd.edu/graduate/

Jobs
There are many resources to help your spouse find a job locally. For starters, try the University itself. One of the area’s largest employers, Notre Dame always seems to have several openings, including some that are particularly appropriate for spouses of students.

While you’re looking for university employment, don’t forget about nearby colleges and universities: Notre Dame’s sister school, Saint Mary’s College; Holy Cross College; Bethel College; Indiana University-South Bend; Goshen College, and Ivy Tech. Still in the educational vein, South Bend Community Schools, Penn-Harris-Madison district, and the City of Mishawaka schools are the major school systems in the area.

If your spouse works in a health care field, there are two major hospitals in the area, South Bend Memorial and St. Joseph’s Regional Medical Center, which would be good starting points. And if there’s one thing South Bend has plenty of, it’s doctors of every conceivable specialty.

If there’s something else South Bend has plenty of, it’s retail space. Right next door to Notre Dame is Eddy Street Commons and the Grape Road Shopping Conglomerate, a couple miles’ worth of virtually every big box chain store known to man, as well as a good-sized regional mall (see “Shopping”) and chain restaurants galore (see “Restaurants”). Such places are always in need of additional help. Pretty much no matter where you go to law school, your spouse may need to sacrifice a little in terms of their career aspirations, just as you two agreed would be the case when you decided to embark on this path (You did have that “sacrifice today for a better future tomorrow” talk, right?).
Another option to consider is choosing a place to live where your spouse can commute somewhere other than South Bend for his or her job. For example, the cities of Edwardsburg, Niles, St. Joseph, and Benton Harbor in southwest Michigan all offer expanded opportunities for a job search if you’re willing to drive a little further.

To the east of South Bend, Elkhart and Goshen offer additional options, and to the west, Chesterton, Merrillville, and even Chicago are potentially doable. Sometimes the spouse does the commuting, sometimes the law student. Students have lived in South Bend during the week and returned to faraway families only on the weekends. Students have driven an hour (or more) each day for class and returned home each night. One student arranged his class schedules so that all his classes were on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. His only complaint seemed to be that the drive could be a bit iffy if the weather was bad.

If all else fails, check the South Bend Tribune, www.southbendtribune.com, for job listings. There are jobs here. There must be, or else they wouldn’t keep building new subdivisions.

**Spousal IDs**
The Admissions Office can help you get an ID card for your spouse. The Admissions Office has the form for you to complete, then they generate a “Spouse of Student” ndID number. After the ndID number is generated your spouse may take the information and $5.00 cash to Card Services which is located in Grace Hall on the 4th floor. Card Services will take a photo of your spouse and issue the card. Spouses of students that have ID cards are entitled to an array of campus benefits including spousal football and basketball tickets, free admission to other sporting events and access to fitness facilities. Contact Julie Lusk, NDFS, Card Services Manager if you have any questions.

**Child Care**
As challenging as it can be to go back to a college-esque environment as a married person, in a perfect world there would be a special notation on one’s diploma for undertaking to earn a degree full-time while not only being married, but also a parent. As noted earlier, Notre Dame is perhaps one of the few places where one can study law in an environment conducive to raising children. Many of the faculty are themselves raising young families, and a number of students have rightly perceived that the family-friendly community of both Notre Dame and the South Bend-Mishawaka area, coupled with a lower cost of living, make this an especially attractive place to pull off the feat of going to school and being a parent.

And while the stars may align just right and permit your spouse to stay home with the children while you attend classes and study, the likelihood is that you will need child care in South Bend. The following is a list of just a few of the major child-care options in South Bend (read: the options this writer actually investigated for his own children). It is by no means a complete or comprehensive list. A number of other possibilities exist, from licensed pre-schools to church-run co-ops to nice neighbors who take care of kids in their own homes. As with any city, big or small, the decision of where to leave your children for several hours a day is as personal as it is important, so we encourage you to use this information as a starting point.

**Early Childhood Development Center of Notre Dame**
http://www3.nd.edu/~ecdnd/ 574-631-7808
The Early Childhood Development Center, or ECDC, is affiliated with the University but is officially its own organization, with a separate Board of Directors. It actually operates two facilities – one on the campus of Notre Dame, on Bulla Road right across from Fischer-O’Hara-Grace, and another on the campus of nearby Saint Mary’s College.
The advantages of ECDC-ND are location – right on campus; you must be affiliated with Notre Dame as a student, staff, or faculty member in order to qualify for the ND location; and, at the Notre Dame site, the cost is calculated on a sliding scale determined by your income (which in the case of students means it is likely to be the lowest point on the scale). The disadvantages are that, because it is an extremely popular and sought-after program, it fills up quickly – as soon as February for the year beginning the following August. But don’t despair – schedule changes and cancellations do occur, so if you’re interested, be sure to get on the waiting list just in case. Another disadvantage – they don’t enroll children under two years of age.

La Petite Academy
http://www.lapetite.com
877-620-0199/Mishawaka; 574-234-7109/South Bend
La Petite Academy is a nationally-based chain of day-care facilities. In this area you have your choice of the Mishawaka location, just off Main Street on Catalpa; the South Bend Memorial Hospital location on St. Joseph Street; or an Elkhart location. What makes La Petite Academy unique is its standardized curriculum – every location in the country works from the same basic handbook in terms of lessons and goals. You can learn more about their curriculum and how it is applied at the website listed above.

Growing Kids Learning Center
www.growingkids.com
574-273-9048/location closest to campus
Growing Kids Learning Center is a local chain of facilities that is well-liked by its patrons. The location at Douglas and State Road 23 is most convenient to campus, unless you live closer to one of the others. The children love “Main Street,” an indoor playroom decorated like a town. They can play inside or outside the “buildings,” climb, slide, and jump about. Growing Kids is one of the few day care centers that offers late-evening care – until 11:30 p.m.

Starz Academy
www.starzacademy.com
574-259-1966/location closest to campus
There are several locations around town, including one on Edison Road near Grape, and another on State Road 23 in Granger. A third is located on Jefferson Boulevard near Ironwood. The big feature at Starz Academy that the children love is a giant indoor play structure that enables them to climb way up high, look out plexiglass windows, and eventually climb or slide down. Think of a McDonald’s Playland, but bigger. Starz Academy emphasizes the different curricula in their classrooms, as well as their security procedures for drop-off and pickup.

Beyond these options, literally dozens of other day-care facilities exist in the South Bend area. Some elementary work on Google will turn up websites such as www.indiana.gov/fssa/2552.htm. Click “care finder (childcare)” to find inspection reports and http://www.4csindiana.org can help you find many of those other options. But of course, web searches and cold-calling can only go so far when it’s the care of your children at stake. Only personal visits to see the facilities and meet the teachers will truly suffice, and for that you kind of have to be here. Still, hopefully this information will help you use your limited time most efficiently.

A Few More Words About Children…and Insurance
Another challenge you’ll face is finding decent, affordable health care for you and your children. If your spouse can cover them (and maybe you, too) through his or her work, then you’re in much better shape. But you may find that your most obvious option is to enroll your entire family in the university-sponsored student insurance plan. While there’s certainly nothing wrong with this option and it may be all you or your spouse need, you may feel a little better knowing that your children have additional coverage. Take a look at Hoosier Healthwise. It’s Indiana’s version of the federally supported State Children’s Health Insurance
Program, which means yes, it’s a form of government assistance. But virtually every student family in University Village participates in the program, and it’s designed to help people in situations like yours. Find out more information at [www.in.gov](http://www.in.gov) (click the Family & Health tab) and remember: everybody’s doin’ it.

If you can’t or don’t want to qualify for Hoosier Healthwise, the consensus seems to be that Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield is the next best alternative for health insurance. Explore your options and get a rough quote at [www.anthem.com](http://www.anthem.com).

The University also has the Wellness Center. The Wellness Center is a Full-Service medical facility that is open Mon. – Fri. 7 a.m. – 7 p.m. and Sat. 8 a.m. - 12 noon. They offer routine care, urgent care as well as pediatric care. They also have lab services available, physical therapy and everything in between. Eligible spouses and children of law students may receive services at the Wellness Center. Most commercial insurances are accepted and co-payment is due upon service. The Wellness Center cannot file medical claims for Medicaid recipients, therefore visits will be on a fee-for-service basis. It is required that you verify eligibility with marriage certificates for spouses and birth certificates for children.

Another option is the BABE store. The BABE store is a great way to get stuff your kids need for free. By going to your doctor appointments when you’re pregnant, and/or taking your kids to their doctor appointments, you can earn BABE coupons. You can also earn them by attending approved parenting classes, seminars, La Leche League meetings, etc. You can use the coupons to shop at the BABE store. It’s a great reward system for those who are proactive about taking care of their kids. There are at least two BABE stores in the area: [http://www.qualityoflife.org/che/babe/](http://www.qualityoflife.org/che/babe/) The stores offer clothing, diapers, wipes, toys, cribs, car seats, strollers, formula, baby bath, bottles, bibs, and seasonal things. It doesn't take much to earn the coupons, and it doesn't take many coupons to buy things.

**Budget Savers**

Okay, so you’re here, you’ve found a place to live, your spouse has a meager source of income to supplement your loans, and your kids are in decent day care and are adequately insured. On those rare occasions when you’re not studying, how can you and your family have a good time on the approximately eleven cents per day you can devote to recreation?

The following suggestions offer ways to make those dollars stretch – without going without:

♣ If you live in South Bend, get a library card, which allows you to check out educational movies for free. They also have a huge array of children’s movies, and adult fare including new releases, available for $.50 a day. Sure beats Redbox! Also, don’t forget the Kresge Library right here at the Law School has over a hundred popular movie titles available for free checkout. Granted, most of them have a legal theme to them, so they might not be the best choice for those nights you want to think about anything other than the law. But in general, it’s another free entertainment option to keep in mind.

♣ The South Bend Library card also enables you to check out FREE passes to the Studebaker Museum, Healthworks, and the Northern Indiana Center for History, which has a kids’ museum and a home’s tour, where you can tour the Oliver Mansion and a working-class family's home.
There are several great parks in the area. One of the best is Rum Village. With tons of short hiking trails, a Frisbee golf course, a giant playground, and an educational nature center aimed at kids with tons of great seasonal programs, the park is well worth the drive to the south edges of South Bend. Check [http://www.sbpark.org](http://www.sbpark.org) for more information on Rum Village and the other South Bend parks, including maps and lists of upcoming events.

The Rockne Memorial recreation center and the Rolfs Sports Rec and Aquatic Center offer family swim times on the weekend - no charge to ND students and their families. Also, because you are a student, your spouse can get his or her own ID card to access Rockne and Rolfs.

The Notre Dame bookstore has an “AWESOME” story time every Tuesday at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. They read a story, sing songs, and do a craft.

Admiral Petroleum (on 933, aka Michigan Ave.) always has the cheapest prices around. Phillips 66 (next to the Village) is a decent second choice for gasoline.

Notre Dame Security Police has a car-seat expert on staff that can inspect your car-seat(s). Even better, they can get you a free car-seat, if you need one. The South Bend Police Department can do the same. They love it when parents get their car-seats inspected, so they will reward you with tons of freebies.

**Survival Tips**

We end this section with a few quick pointers on how to manage the juggling of your many responsibilities. We would not presume to declare any one way to be the way to get through law school as a non-traditional student. Indeed, part of the beauty of being a non-trad is to come up with the best solution that meets your unique needs. But there are still some things that can apply across the board – universal truths, if you will – which, in keeping with most hard-and-fast laws of nature, you may feel free to accept or reject.

If you are an older student, you’ve probably spent some considerable time in the workforce, and as a result, you’ve learned how to manage your time and developed the discipline to stay relatively focused from 9 to 5, or longer. These skills will serve you very well in law school, where the direct demands on your time are much fewer – you’re only in class a few hours a day – but the workload is enough that if you stick to the 40 (or more) hour week you’re already used to, you’ll find you have a lot more time than you thought you would (but note this is not the same thing as “a lot of time”).

Speaking of computers, deciding whether or not to take notes by hand or on computer is a matter of personal preference. But it helps to think about this issue in terms of your past experience – did you use a computer in your job? Are you more used to writing or typing in your pre-law-school day-to-day routine? The bottom line is, don’t listen to advice that “feels” wrong to you. Only you know what will work best for you, based on what has worked best for you before.

If you want to meet other people in the same boat as you, there are several clubs and organizations at school that can help. There is a Married Students Organization and a Military Law Students Organization. The Married Law Students Organization hosts events where you can meet other students and their families.
Don’t be afraid to socialize. The married and unmarried students, the younger and older students, the students with children and the students who are children, all tend to mingle and interact almost without any regard for their demographic differences. Many non-trad students agree that the thing they found most surprising about Notre Dame was how they did not feel ostracized or segregated on account of their status. Of course, friendships form and groups solidify during the first few weeks of classes, but there is amazingly little homogeneity. As daunting as it may seem to be returning to school with “peers” who are from a few to several years younger, the bottom line is that you’re all there for the same reason. The reading, the materials, the assignments, and the workload - all are equally new and challenging and time-consuming to everyone. In the end, you find out, as happens in all good tests of character, that you have a lot more in common with one another than you ever would have guessed.

Accomplishing a law degree at NDLS, while challenging, is certainly possible as a non-traditional student - even with children. Time management becomes critical and there will certainly be times you wonder what you have gotten yourself into, but those are few and far between. It is important to let your spouse and/or child(ren) know that your time will be at a premium and there will be events that you simply cannot participate in, but the sacrifice is certainly worth the future. Rest assured - in the end it will be worth it and with a little effort and understanding, your family will too!
COMING HOME AGAIN
For Those Of You Known To All As Double Domers

It is not uncommon for Notre Dame undergraduates to apply to and be accepted at the Law School immediately following graduation. These affectionately named “Double Domers” don’t skip a beat, pursuing their law degree at the University they love. However, for a variety of reasons, including work and service programs, some soon-to-be Double Domers spend a few years away from Notre Dame before deciding to return. The concept of going back to school after an extended absence can be daunting, but as we all come to find out, returning to Notre Dame is just like coming home again.

Many current Double Domers agree that one of the most wonderful aspects of returning to Notre Dame for law school is that you come to deeply appreciate things you may have taken for granted. The thrill you feel seeing the Dome as you drive toward Main Circle never seems to dissipate. Your ability to walk up the stairs of the Main Building without fear will be envied by all your Law School classmates who know the legend.

Some students may be nervous about the idea of returning to campus when their friends have graduated. They wonder if they will feel isolated or out of place. This couldn’t be farther from the truth. The faculty and staff at the Law School are truly great people, some of them Double Domers themselves, and the law students are a friendly and welcoming group. They each bring to the classroom their experiences from their respective colleges. They are eager to learn about Notre Dame traditions from a genuine Double Domer, and eager to share their undergraduate stories. You will be making new friends by sharing your old memories. The Notre Dame family is alive and well at the Law School.

As a Double Domer, whether you are coming straight out of undergrad or have taken a few years off, be sure to take time to really take advantage of all that Notre Dame has to offer you, including its incredible support system. Reconnect with your former professors, they are always happy to hear about your challenges and your successes. Take time to walk or bike around the campus, taking in the sights of your earlier years with new eyes. Walk up the front stairs of the Main Building . . . you have earned it, you have come back home.

As Good As It Gets

Whether you plan to enroll in the Law School immediately following graduation or are coming home after some time away, you will promptly appreciate the palpable benefits of a second-go-round at Notre Dame. New classmates will seek your leadership and guidance on everything from where to grab a cup of coffee to the mechanics of course registration to the lyrics of the fight song. Old classmates will envy your continued access to guaranteed football season tickets as they languish in the uncertain realm of the annual lottery—fortunately you can offer the solace of a free place to sleep whenever they visit South Bend to see the Irish play. During your career search, you’ll have the distinct advantage of speaking with alumni as an alum yourself, recounting shared experiences under the Dome and facilitating fruitful employment discussions. In short, life as a Double Domer affords a unique opportunity to pass along your wealth of community knowledge and collegiate lore to the next generation of Domers, bask in familiar surroundings, all while pursuing a legal education that is second to none. Soak it up!
South Bend Part Deux

As undergrads at Notre Dame, we all lived comfortably in the Notre Dame bubble. When we did leave campus it was to grab a quick bite to eat or find an SYR outfit. For the most part, undergrads are fairly far removed from the South Bend community. While there are innumerable ways to become involved in and enjoy the Notre Dame community, we often ignore the fact that there is an entire world outside the bubble.

As a law student you will have the opportunity to discover the many wonderful activities the South Bend community has to offer. There is a whole world outside of Grape Road, from the South Bend Farmers Market to the many local family-owned restaurants and pubs. One of the great advantages of being a Double Domer is that you already know your way around South Bend. You can fast forward through the first month of weekly trips to TGI Friday’s and Meijer and really begin to explore the South Bend community. If you are totally unfamiliar with the area, your professors can be great resources. Remember, many of your professors have lived in the area for several years and have great recommendations for things to do in the local community. When you are done exploring, or just need a break, you always have the support and community of Notre Dame and Notre Dame Law School to come home to.
STUDY & TIME MANAGEMENT TIPS

Or the Anti-“Paper Chase” . . .

You’ll quickly find that everyone in law school handles the academic side of school a little differently . . . but there are some common things that help everyone. Here’s a sampling of what those who have been through it have discovered:

Read Thousands of Pages and Still Be Home by Six

Legally Blonde is a perfect example of everything that scares 1Ls about law school: the fiercely competitive classmates, hostile study groups, and unforgiving professors that tortured Reese Witherspoon’s character (Elle Woods). That’s in addition to the lost hours of sleep and the thousands of pages of reading into a big tangle of worry, fear, and concerns about whether or not you needed to rethink your wardrobe for law school.

Luckily, all of these fears will vanish rapidly, except maybe one. The pages of reading you’ll do each semester will easily reach into the thousands. However, unlike Legally Blonde, you will be helped and supported by classmates, faculty, and administrators.

For many students, the hours between classes provide enough time to review homework assignments, eat lunch with friends, and take occasional walks around the lakes when the weather cooperates. If you are careful and focused during the day, it frees up your nights to exercise, have dinner, talk to family and go out with friends, guilt free. Also, you’ll want at least one day per weekend free, especially during the fall for football. If you plan ahead, you’ll find that minimizing the stress of the first year isn’t impossible.

“Come to law school expecting to work hard and to be surprised by how much you enjoy it. Be excited and thankful for the opportunity!”

Audrey Beck
Class of 2017

Prioritizing v. Procrastination

Despite a number of claims to the contrary, a day in the life of a typical law student doesn’t have to consist of working constantly, pausing only to sneak in an occasional meal or doze off for a few hours before the 8:15 a.m. class for which you, naturally, didn’t have time to fully read. That’s not to say law school is a walk in the park, by any means. You can have a little fun, and the semblances of a life, as long as you remember that there is work to be done.
No two NDLS students have the same schedule. Some arrive at the law school early to get started on their work but others arrive just in time to get to their 9:00 a.m. class. Plan to remain at the law school until sometime late in the afternoon, or possibly early evening - this is a very realistic scenario. Either way, if you arrive early or just in time for class it’s always good to grab a quick breakfast (those cereal bars are great on the run), or at least coffee (the Chocolate Macadamia in the Crossings is very popular).

Especially your first year, you should try to have the reading done in advance and hope that, should you be called on to answer, the professor wouldn’t ask you about the one point in the assignment you didn’t understand or skipped over (in an Irish law school, Murphy’s law is reality). If you don’t get a chance to read, take plenty of notes, and plan on studying them later, although it’s amazing how “later” often seems to mean the week before the final. Don’t be afraid at the beginning of the semester when it seems like it takes you forever to read. Ten pages per hour is normal!

Aside from class, there’s still plenty of work to be done for the day. Between classes is a great time to sneak in a reading or two, if you spent too much time yesterday hanging out with your friends. Lunch at the venerable (and nearby) South Dining Hall with friends is also a welcome break from the day’s labor, and it’s fun to sit around and relax for a while, eating whatever “gourmet” selection is up in the rotation. Some people treat law school like a job: work during the day (go to class, get the work done), and play at night (it doesn’t always work that way, but it’s a decent plan). Then, evenings are actually good times, assuming you’ve used your time wisely and gotten everything done.

These suggestions may not work for everyone. You know, better than anyone, what works best for you. Even if you’re a procrastinator, eventually, you’re going to have to do work. If you don’t study every day, be prepared to work hard during the last few days before finals. If nothing else, though, hopefully this article helps you understand that you don’t have to go full tilt and work 24-7 while you’re here. It may be cliché but law school is a marathon, not a sprint. It is important to do all your work fully but avoid burnout.

“Law school is all about discipline- study hard and prepare for each class, but don’t forget about life outside of the library. Life is too precious to live inside the law building for three years! Notre Dame is a great place with wonderful people, and you’ll miss so much if you never take a break from studying to enjoy the campus and activities here”.

Sami Lyew
Class of 2017

“Be prepared to work harder than you have ever before. You cannot cram, the sheer volume of information you are bombarded with makes that impossible. Every single day you need to be working to comprehend and master the material. It is a sustained effort, a marathon, and most of us did not get that in undergrad”.

Sam Ballingrud
Class of 2017
**Trust Yourself**

The best advice we can give you is to trust yourself. Remember that you got into Notre Dame for a reason – you wouldn’t be here if you weren’t smart and capable of learning. Law school involves a lot of work, of course, but some of the biggest difficulties stem from the fact that it’s a new way of learning, with a new lexicon and ways of thinking. But that doesn’t mean that you can’t rely on ways of studying that you have cultivated in the past. The most important aspect of studying in law school is to do what makes you feel comfortable and make sure you are following along with the professor in class. Some students never make a single mark in their books, others highlight in “technicolor,” still others type detailed briefs of the cases and notes from the readings. But no matter what you choose, if you feel like you’re comprehending the reading and understanding class discussion then ignore what others do and stick with what works for you.

*I advise incoming students to not worry if they aren’t sure exactly what they want to do with their law degree. Some people have a pretty specific idea upon entering law school, but it seems like the vast majority of people don’t. And that’s totally fine. At some point, you’ll have to make a decision of course, but I think it’s great to start law school with an open mind and get a clear picture of how many opportunities there are out there.*

*Sara Gordon*

*Class of 2017*
**HOW TO BRIEF A CASE AND OUTLINE**

*Briefing – a Daily Activity for 1Ls*

When you get to law school, most of you will be immediately hit with the terms “briefing” and “outlining.” While a large part of you may be familiar with these all-too-familiar law school requirements, you may not know exactly how to perform them.

Briefing basically means breaking down the facts, explanations, holding, etc., of the cases you study in class. This is vital to your understanding of your required courses, because the whole course is studied through examining these cases. Once you understand the holding and the rule of law extracted from the cases you study, the law appears far simpler. Here’s a quick breakdown of how you brief cases, so you’ll be prepared to dive in on the very first assignment.

Many students have varied ways of reading cases in order to brief them. Some “brief” in the margins, underlining or writing terms in the book. Others utilize the practice of using different colored highlighters for different parts of the case, and then go back and write down the important elements of the case in organized categories.

The standard categories are as follows:

- **Case name** – This is the name(s) of the parties, and can also include the court, the docket number, the state, and the year. It’s your choice whether or not to include the extra elements.
- **Rule of Law** – What laws, case law or black letter laws, are being used in this decision? This could mean excerpts from the Model Penal Code, the Restatement, Statutes, or previous decision, to name a few.
- **Facts** – The standard “what happened” in this case. Who are the parties, what is the dispute?
- **Procedural History** – Where has this case been before, and how did that court rule? Did the trial court rule for the plaintiff or the defendant, and how?
- **Issue** – What is the issue at hand in the case? This is usually phrased as follows: “Whether the defendant is liable for damages suffered even if he used proper care.” It almost always starts with “whether.”
- **Holding** – How did the court rule? And, what new law has been established?
- **Judgment** – Short and sweet; who won?
- **Reasoning** – How did the court come to its decision on this issue?

These are just broad category suggestions. In no way are they required in every brief. Some students use more categories, others use just the most important ones: facts, issue, holding, and reasoning. The key to briefing is just to make sure you understand all elements of the case. That way, if you get called on in class, you can look down at your brief and have all the information right in front of you. And when you outline, you have the holding and the facts ready at your disposal. Speaking of outlining....

**Unveiling the Mysterious Outline Process**

Outlining is absolutely necessary for law school success. With that said, it’s important for you to understand that outlining techniques vary greatly between students. There are students who start outlining for each class 48 hours before the final, and others that spend every Saturday of the semester outlining. Both techniques
have landed students on Law Review. But if you’re tempted to try the 48-hour approach, keep two things in mind. First, only experienced procrastinators need apply. This approach requires that you study up to 16 hours a day for two weeks straight - many can’t handle that pressure, and those who can still curse themselves for getting into such a bind. Second, both approaches ultimately take similar amounts of time. The workload is just distributed differently.

To best prepare for outlining of any kind, read for class every day. Read every page that’s assigned, even the notes. I’ll venture to say that a large portion of students would disagree with that last point, but I personally think it’s important. Take notes over what you have read. You can take notes in the margin rather than in a separate notebook. This can work, but if you use this method and choose not to outline as you go, keep in mind that you’ll have to flip through 2000 pages to review at the end of the semester.

Go to every single class. Take notes over what is said. If the professor’s version of the law and the book’s version don’t seem to connect, talk to the professor about it. Make sure that you understand the material as you go. Whenever your class is moving on to a new subject (e.g. from conspiracy to complicity), make sure you understand the old subject.

The key to outlining is to review all of your notes and then condense them. Again, there are several approaches to this. For a closed book exam, it’s best to have a summary of the semester that is less than 25 pages long. This alone will take several drafts. For some people, that’s enough. Others try to condense the class further, to a page or two of black-letter law that you can easily remember, and that will jog your memory if you get stuck. The point of outlining though is that the process of review and “boiling down” prepares you for the final. It ensures that you see everything at least once and the important information a dozen times. Remember that for a closed book exam, the sole purpose of outlining is to review and to memorize. The final product doesn’t need to be pretty. If you have an open book exam, your outline can be more detailed but should be indexed and tabbed for fast reference. Set the schedule that fits your personality, test type, and your tolerance for stress.

Some tips for outlining:

- **Consider your outline as the master document for your course.** Include essentials of the course, and don’t refer to other materials repeatedly once you have included them in your outline.
- **Keep your outlines updated.** Take some substantial time to create your outline, and then simply update them on a week by week basis. It’s much easier to add a week of class as opposed to two months, right before the finals.
- **Condense your outline before finals.** Take an outline filled with material and break it down to just the major parts of the course, the major doctrines. That way if you’re stuck you’ll have a few pages memorized that give you a breakdown of what you’ve learned.
- **Create your own outline.** The reason outlining is helpful is because it aids you in studying. Commercial outlines or outlines made by other students are good to see what you may have missed in your outline, but relying solely on them defeats the purpose of outlining as a review.
- **Keep it organized.** Use underlining, italics, tabs, colors, etc., to easily identify important subjects. Don’t make it a mass of bullet points; you won’t understand them later.
- **Ask for help.** The 2Ls and 3Ls have been through this process before, and are glad to help. Your questions WILL be answered–one of the reasons you decided to attend Notre Dame is the true spirit of cooperation in the Law School...use it!
Surviving and Thriving in Law School (From students past and present)
Time can be your dearest ally or your worst enemy. The key to success in law school is apportioning your time to ensure that you have balance in your life: your brain needs rest and your body needs exercise. Get into a steady routine early. Plan each week and stick to your plan. Getting good grades requires a lot of time and there is no getting around it. Everyone in your class is of roughly the same intelligence, (if you are one of those very few geniuses, please disregard all of my remarks) so in order to make yourself stand out when test time comes you need to have put forth a special effort to learn the material backwards and forwards. This cannot be done at the end of the semester; it must begin from day one.

“Several weeks into the semester as you read more cases and become familiar with how to prepare for class, you will become a more efficient reader.”

Stephen Astringer
Class of 2015

The biggest thing to staying cool is to get into a rhythm and just follow it every day. If you force yourself to stay on the ball and hit the books you'll make time for all the really fun stuff. What I cut out of my life was the hours of sitting around watching TV, screwing around on the internet, and sadly, recreational reading. This might sound horrifying now, but once you really get immersed in the situation you'll see that even a spare hour is a pretty precious thing. You'll get so used to it though that warning bells will be going off in your head when you finally do get some free time. "Shouldn't I be spending this time doing something better?" As the semester wears on you may start seeing people disappearing into the nether reaches of the library, never going out to bars, not even going to football games. Don't buy into the hype. It's just not necessary to be successful. There's no award for spending the most time in the library. Notre Dame is a destination, people want to come here for a reason, and it's not the interior walls of the law library. Go out and immerse yourself in the University experience. Pep rallies, football games, hockey games, basketball games, dining halls, intramural sports, and the events at the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center are all vital to staying sane. If you put in the time, the academics will take care of themselves.

“Don't let law school be the only thing in your life. Take time to remind your loved ones that they're important to you. Choose an activity that you do outside of law school that will afford you a much-needed break and some sanity. Take the opportunities to attend events with your fellow students. Law school isn't all about studying. Studying is important, but building new relationships, fostering prior relationships, and maintaining mental stability are all equally as important.”

Megan Davis
Class of 2017
Transfer Students

Welcome to the Club

First off, welcome to Notre Dame! If you are still unsure whether Notre Dame Law School is the right place for you, please know that the student body, faculty, and administrators welcome new students to the Notre Dame family with open arms. As a transfer, you can expect a helpful and intelligent student body, a variety of law school functions and social events, a faculty who are known nationally and internationally for their legal scholarship, and hopefully a terrific football season. Further, you are able to participate in the Notre Dame on-campus interview (“OCI”) process, become an officer in a law school club or organization, and become heavily involved in the Law School community very quickly.

Within a week or two, you will start to get the hang of life at Notre Dame Law School. The student body and the faculty are extremely friendly and always willing to help. Take full advantage of the Transfer Liaison appointment by the Admissions Office. He or she was in your situation not more than a year ago and can be a very helpful source for quick answers.

General Information
In general, be sure to read the Insider’s Guide sections that pertain to activities to do prior to the start of classes and before Orientation. For activities like getting a student ID, setting up your e-mail account, getting a parking pass, and signing up for a meal plan, follow the same instructions given to first-year law students. Many of the simple activities, like getting a student ID or getting your books, can be done in the weeks prior to classes starting. Generally, you should plan on arriving at Notre Dame at least two weeks before classes start to give yourself time to move into your apartment, familiarize yourself with South Bend, ensure that you have done all the little things that need to be taken care of prior to school starting, and participate in the first round of on-campus interviews. Additionally, if you want to take Intensive Trial Advocacy, it starts the week before classes so you want to be ready for that if you are enrolled.

The To-Do-Quickly List
The biggest problem that you will face is how quickly you must act to complete a long to-do list of activities to get ready for the coming year and, specifically, the first day of class. Once admitted, a to-do list will arrive with your acceptance in the mail, and it will include a timeline establishing dates to accept admission to the Law School, a date that financial aid should be transferred from your old institution to Notre Dame, and a list of other mandatory activities, like talking to Anne Hamilton about a class schedule. The Admissions Office and administrators like Peter Horvath and Anne Hamilton will be able to assist you with any questions you have about moving to South Bend, applying for financial aid, enrolling in classes, getting your first day of class assignments, and setting up your e-mail. Further, if you want to interview during Notre Dame OCI, which begins the week before classes start, you will have to talk to Notre Dame Career Development for assistance with Simplicity. Try to stick to the dates listed on the to-do list to ensure that all the mandatory activities are completed prior to the start of classes.

Locating an Apartment and Moving
Since transfers are admitted later than first year students, getting an apartment can be a bit more difficult because many of the apartment complexes do not have vacancies. Living in the Fischer-O’Hara-Grace apartments is great because they are relatively cheap and the closest to school (they’re on school property), but the availability is very limited because they are usually filled by rising 2Ls and 3Ls and incoming 1Ls. Many recent transfer students found availability at Castle Point, Main Street Village, and the Georgetown Apartment complexes. The “Housing” section in this guide has some helpful information on local apartments too. If you cannot visit South Bend before the start of the school year to find a place to live, try
web sites like [www.rent.com](http://www.rent.com) so that you can read about apartment descriptions in the area and also see pictures of the various complexes. Craig’s List is another option. The Admissions Office also maintains a spreadsheet of apartments, homes, rooms for rent, and other housing options. Check online for discounts or coupons from websites that refer you to specific apartment complexes. I received a $100 American Express gift check just for telling my complex that I was referred by a website.

Finding a place to live might depend on whether you decide to live with a roommate. Having a roommate might be a great way to get to know people. Often there are 1Ls who are still looking for a roommate. You can also contact the Admissions Office to see whether there are any other 2L transfers who are looking for roommates.

In addition to finding a place to live, depending upon what state you are coming from and how much furniture you are bringing with you, moving can become very expensive and time-consuming. If your move requires a moving truck, think about driving a Budget or U-Haul truck yourself and paying for movers to help load and unload the truck or consider hiring a moving company to load, ship, and unload your furniture. The beginning of the school year is a very busy time for movers, so moving companies will need to know about a possible move as early as possible and give you an estimate of the cost. If you decide to buy or rent furniture in South Bend, there are many wholesale retailers and furnishing stores that will deliver furniture and even set it up in your new apartment. (For more information see “Housing”).

**Class Schedule, Books, First Day Assignments**

If she does not contact you soon, contact our Registrar, Anne Hamilton, about enrolling in courses. She will e-mail you a class list. The minimum number of credits per semester is fourteen and the maximum is seventeen. Most students take around fifteen credits. In arranging your schedule, keep in mind fall semester of your second year is probably the busiest semester of law school since that’s when the bulk of your interviews will occur, the workload for upper level courses is more than first year courses, and home football games eat up entire Saturdays. Additionally, remember that you will be starting fresh GPA-wise. You want to make a strong showing first semester.

If you have problems enrolling for courses online, contact Anne Hamilton, Law School Registrar, with the classes you want and she can enroll you in the classes from her computer. If you are not sure what classes to take, contact the Admissions Office and ask for the names and e-mail addresses of current students that you could contact to discuss your course schedule. The Transfer Liaison can be a big help here. Also, remember that if you are unhappy with a class that you selected, you will have a week to add or drop a class once school begins.

Once you get your classes scheduled, hit the bookstore. Many students will buy the books online for the classes they will not drop. They are MUCH cheaper and you can get express shipping to ensure they’ll be here when classes start. Check out Amazon Student. This website has free trial, plus small fee after six months. Often you will get free two day shipping and freebies such as music downloads that are easily compatible with i-tunes. Also try Bigwords.com. This website compares buy and sell prices for books at countless websites. You may also sell back books if you are a frequent Amazon shopper. They pay shipping and give you extra dollars as amazon credit instead of cash. Most professors email the first day class assignments.
Law Review and Law Journals
As a transfer student, you are eligible to participate in the same writing competition in which Notre Dame rising 2Ls compete to obtain position on the Law Review or one of the law journals. However, by the time you are admitted, the competition is closed. If you did happen to apply prior to the due date and completed the note, you will find out around the time you hear from the Notre Dame Admissions Office.

If you do not participate in a journal during your 2L year, and you are still interested, you may apply as a rising 3L for an editorial position. You will not compete in the same writing competition for rising 2Ls. The process consists of a Bluebook quiz, resume, transcripts, and a writing sample. For the writing sample, your best shot is to submit a longer note-style piece. So if you are interested in trying to get onto a journal or the Law Review as a 3L, you should probably take a seminar class that requires a paper, or do a directed reading with a professor. You are going to have to write a longer paper to satisfy your upper-level writing requirements anyway, so you might as well get it out of the way early and try for a journal with it.

Moot Court
Moot Court programs work differently at different schools. At Notre Dame, we have Appellate Moot Court, International Moot Court, and Trial Moot Court. Students may also compete in various regional competitions without being a part of the official teams. Trial Moot Court takes place in the spring semester and is required for members of the National Trial Competition team. International Appellate Moot Court members participate in the 2L fall semester for a chance to represent the school in the Philip C. Jessup International Moot Court Competition the following spring. Enrollment in Moot Court–International is a prerequisite. The Appellate Moot Court Board participates in various regional and national appellate advocacy competitions. If interested in trying out for Appellate Moot Court Board, you must enroll in Moot Court–Appellate during the fall semester of 2L year. Students write and argue an appellate brief before the current 3L Board for a spot on the Moot Court Board. Those chosen for the Board at the end of the fall write and argue another appellate brief the following spring for spots on the various teams. The Appellate Board Teams consist of one Regional Team, two Seventh Circuit Teams, and two National Teams. Board members participate in the various competitions during 3L year, as well as help judge and pick the incoming 2L Moot Court Board.

“When I learned of my acceptance to Notre Dame Law School, I knew great things were ahead. Shortly after being accepted, the Admissions Office, the Career Development Office, the on-campus recruiting coordinator, and the law school registrar all reached out to help get me on board. Simply put, the process was smooth. Within a few days, I had access to the on-campus recruiting pages through Symplicity and the fall course offerings. I participated in on-campus recruiting and landed a summer position with a great law firm in my target city! Additionally, three student representatives from the Student Bar Association welcomed me to Notre Dame. These students offered suggestions on places to live, classes to take and professors to meet. They even encouraged me to watch the movie Rudy before coming to campus! From the day I stepped into the law school, the faculty and my classmates made me feel at home. I have made friends for life, studied with legendary professors, and watched some great football. I feel so lucky and blessed to be able to say...I’m proud to be ND.”

Ruben Gonzalez
Class of 2015
Jobs and OCI
You’re in law school to get a job. Therefore, you should take the fall interview season seriously.

As a transfer student, we encourage you to participate in the on-campus interview (OCI) program at Notre Dame. The program consists of Early Interview Week (when the majority of big law firms come) and multiple subsequent phases. It begins two weeks before classes start (Early Interview Week) and concludes at the end of football season (not a coincidence). If you want to participate, you should register for a Symplicity account as soon as possible. You will receive an e-mail from the Recruiting Program Manager as soon as your deposit is confirmed notifying you that you are eligible to register. All OCI bidding and scheduling is done through Symplicity. Bidding for employers visiting during Early Interview Week begins in early July, so act quickly if you want to participate in the early OCI phases. Again, most big law firms come during Early Interview Week, but OCI is not only for law firms. Military, government agencies, public interest organizations and other businesses participate as well.

If you were admitted after bidding closes for the early phases and you want to interview with any of those firms, don’t panic! You will receive information and instructions from the Recruiting Program Manager. Incoming transfer students admitted after bidding closes receive priority for available interview slots.

Additionally, the CDO hosts off-campus interview programs in certain popular markets such as Washington D.C., New York, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Miami and Philadelphia. Bidding for the off-campus programs is also handled through Symplicity and is very similar. If your transfer is confirmed in time to participate, you will receive information from the Recruiting Program Manager.

After your transfer is confirmed, you will receive an e-mail from the Career Development Office containing instructions for getting started with a career counselor. You should schedule an appointment to have your application materials reviewed in preparation for interview season: resume, cover letter, and writing sample. A counselor will help you develop a strategy for your job search. You can even arrange for a mock interview. The career counselors can point you to the many research tools and other resources available to NDLS students.

RELAX, You’re With Friends
Above all, get to know people, especially non-transfers. Sign up to participate in clubs at Activities Night, tailgate and go to football games, or play on one of the intramural sports teams. Within a few weeks you will love being part of the Notre Dame family. Welcome!
Students at Notre Dame are clearly very impressed with their faculty. Notre Dame professors are determined to establish close relationships with their students. These distinguished professors seek to develop their students’ academic and professional skills, and at the same time they also seek to instill in their students a strong ethical foundation that creates “a different kind of lawyer”.

The Notre Dame faculty is very accomplished and dynamic. We have people that have clerked on the Supreme Court, been counsel in the White House and various government departments, worked at major law firms, and prosecuted cases for the government. They are now some of the foremost scholars in their fields yet remain committed to being the best teachers that they can be. The professors work with you on becoming a better writer, thinker and lawyer, and they are always willing to help. I believe that it is telling that many have turned down offers from other major law schools to remain at Notre Dame and others have left those other schools to come here. I believe their desire to be at Notre Dame shows that they want to be a part of this school's special experience.

The faculty sets Notre Dame Law School apart. It is easy to be impressed by the credentials of a particular law school’s faculty but we believe no school in the country has a faculty that has as many well-respected AND gracious professors as we do. For example, a previous Insider staff member left the Law School at 10:30 p.m. one night after it had snowed heavily and was walking down Notre Dame Avenue. Our former Dean, Professor O’Hara, stopped as she was driving by and offered a ride. It’s the little things that make the faculty here special.

I first came to Notre Dame as a professor. As a law student, I loved my educational experience, but sorely missed a sense of connection between students and faculty. Notre Dame, by contrast, offers a community unmatched by any other top-flight law school. The members of the faculty, in addition to being outstanding scholars, are devoted teachers who are committed to getting to know their students outside the classroom and to helping them prepare for their careers. This spirit of intellectual friendship also animates a student body as collegial as I have ever encountered. Notre Dame, as a Catholic institution, has community and concern for the whole person built deeply into its DNA. This distinctive aspect of the Law School makes it a wonderful place for Catholics and non-Catholics alike to develop as lawyers, citizens, and human beings.

-- Professor Jeffrey Pojanowski

It is an extreme pleasure to be a part of the community at Notre Dame Law School. We don't just look at our students as people trying to pursue a career path or enter the legal profession, which are of course completely valid pursuits. We look at our students as individuals engaged in an effort to ascertain a vocation that will bring them joy and fulfillment for years to come. To effectuate this process, we push our students to think critically in the classroom about what the law is and what it should be. We believe fiercely in the pursuit of justice, which leads our faculty and students to engage in work that will better the world around us. We aren't interested in just teaching and learning the law; we are focused on understanding the way the law impacts those around us and identifying ways we can serve others. This ethos makes Notre Dame unique amongst law schools and truly without peer.

-- Professor Veronica Root
Notre Dame is a truly distinctive place with a truly unique mission. We seek to be a great university that preserves, and remains faithful to, our Catholic identity. This mission is a challenging, but critically important one, and we at the Law School play an instrumental role in fulfilling it. For better or worse, many of the most important questions in our nation become, at some point, legal questions. I feel privileged to be a part of a community of scholars that seeks to engage those questions both rigorously and completely, by fostering a debate that is both catholic (small c) and Catholic (large C).

Notre Dame also is the kind of place that fosters scholarly exchange between students and faculty. We take our teaching seriously here, and we like and respect our students. I have learned a great deal from my students, both inside the classroom and outside. This kind of interaction enables the true integration of scholarly research and teaching. Just as much of my research starts with ideas that were initially batted around in the classroom, my teaching is also informed by my scholarship. Finally, Notre Dame is a community where people care about one another. Our students rally around colleagues in need, and they understand (or, at least I hope that they understand) that the faculty are always here to help as well.

~ Professor Nicole Garnett

When I joined Notre Dame in 2011, I knew I was coming to a special place. Since then, I've felt incredibly blessed to be part of such an impressive and inspiring community. We—and it's a big "we," drawing together students, alumni, faculty, and staff—are committed to nothing less than excellence in the study and practice of law. But we strive to remember that the law is part of a broader system for governing interactions between people in order to promote their flourishing. At Notre Dame, I'm constantly reminded that the law is more than a profession; it's a calling.

~ Professor Randy Kozel

As a Notre Dame law student in the 1980s, I experienced first-hand the cooperative and nurturing environment that Notre Dame Law School offers. Many of my professors, some of whom are now my colleagues, taught me much more than the law as they ably combined their professional careers, personal lives and religious beliefs, and encouraged us by word and example to do the same. Serving as a faculty member offers me a unique opportunity to combine my chosen profession with my religious beliefs and to contribute to a community that has enriched my life in so many ways. I hope that I can encourage future generations of law students to grow in faith and knowledge during their time at Notre Dame Law School. Whether in or out of the classroom, I strive to challenge these Notre Dame lawyers to keep a healthy balance among their careers, family, and faith, and to use their legal training to serve others.

~ Professor Matthew Barrett
At Notre Dame, we aspire to provide a counter-cultural voice – one that affirms the dignity of the human person, the complementary relation between faith and reason, and a vision of law and lawyering that is rooted in vocation, intellectual rigor, and service. Our foundations in faith mean that our students and our faculty enjoy the freedom to pursue questions that are too often pushed “off the table” elsewhere and to strive to integrate their work, faith, family, and ideals. I’m proud to be a part of this community.

– Professor Rick Garnett

I came to Notre Dame in 1973, having lived virtually my whole life on the East Coast, and expected to stay for two or three years before returning ‘home.’ Instead, I am now in my 37th year on the Law School faculty. In this more than quarter-century, I have found that Notre Dame is a special place. The University has tremendous resources that have enabled me to develop and mature as a teacher and scholar. My colleagues are intelligent and supportive, and the students are bright and great fun to teach. For me and my family, this is clearly now “home.”

– Professor Joseph Bauer

Notre Dame Law School aspires to be a different kind of law school - a place that combines first-rate legal training with an emphasis on the big questions and a community that engages the whole person. We want our graduates to be the kind of lawyers who understand the power of law to shape people's lives and dedicate themselves to using their training to serve others. We aim to produce outstanding lawyers who are leaders in their fields and in their communities, and who can lead distinguished professional lives while maintaining balance. This is a challenging time in the legal profession, but we believe these values are needed now more than ever.

– Professor Mark McKenna
**Student Perspectives on the Faculty**

This is a sampling of comments about particular faculty members we received from students, but we also heard about how Professor Velasco can be found pacing the halls at the beginning of the semester memorizing all his students’ names; how Professor Rick Garnett plays basketball with a student team each winter; how Professor Nagle has students in the Christian Legal Society to his home every semester for a barbeque; and how the research librarians will regularly drop whatever they’re doing to help students research for projects.

One of the highlights of my experiences here came in Professor Mason McAward’s Civil Rights class. She arranged for the entire class to visit Father Hesburgh in his office on the 13th floor of the library that bears his name. He had been appointed by President Eisenhower to the original U.S. Commission on Civil Rights. He spent over an hour telling us stories about his experiences on that commission and his reflections on them more than forty years later. The fact that Father Hesburgh is right here, able to share that history with us, is an example of what makes Notre Dame so special. I’ll never forget that she made it possible for me to spend an hour with such an outstanding person and appreciate the human realities of the law we had just spent a semester studying with her.

Many professors are very friendly and helpful – it’s a true open door policy. Especially Professor A. J. Bellia and Professor Tidmarsh; they have a way of making you feel like you’re never interrupting, and what you have to ask them is important.

My advisor, Professor Seckinger, has been really great. He invited all his advisees (1Ls, 2Ls, and 3Ls) out to dinner, paid for our meals and let the 1Ls use the opportunity to get all kinds of advice and study tips from the older students. I feel like this was a really friendly gesture on his part and he really wanted to help us feel comfortable as our workload increases.

Every year, Professor Velasco gives a speech called “Life in a Big Firm: How To Have One.” He gives a refreshing and encouraging perspective on the demands and pressures of life in a large law firm, emphasizing the tactics he used as an associate to simultaneously bill impressive numbers of hours while still having dinner with his family almost every night, and even managing to teach a Sunday School class. As someone who came to law school with a spouse and children, I found it inspiring to hear first-hand from someone who had made it work. I’m very grateful that Professor Velasco, and many others on the faculty, are so willing to share from their experiences as practicing attorneys to help us, as students, determine how to prioritize our goals and balance the competing demands in our lives, both during law school and afterward.

The best piece of advice I have heard was from Professor Rick Garnett. He emphasizes to his 1L Criminal Law students that it is important to ‘take care of each other.’ These first few months I have been surprised to see how much the students at Notre Dame take that to heart.
And Here They Are...The Professors at NDLS

For the first year, you will all take the same classes, fifteen credits per semester. Teaching assignments change frequently, and the first-year curriculum has recently undergone restructuring, so we cannot say at press time who will be teaching which first-year classes for the 2012-13 academic year. Note also that there are often visiting professors from other universities and adjunct professors, such as John Gallo (teaches Federal Criminal Practice), who is a practicing attorney in Chicago but drives to Notre Dame once a week to teach.

In this section, we provide brief bios of every full-time professor on the faculty, including their alma mater, the main courses they teach, and whatever interesting tidbits we could dig up. First-year courses are listed in bold, so as to give you some idea of whose wisdom you may well be soaking up in a few short months.

A complete listing of all faculty is available at law.nd.edu/faculty.

Roger Alford
J.D. from New York University with Honors. Professor Alford joined the NDLS faculty in January 2012. He teaches and writes a wide range of subject-matter areas. He has been a law clerk to Judge James Buckley and Judge Richard Allison and practiced law in Washington D.C.

Amy Coney Barrett
J.D. from Notre Dame. She clerked for U.S. Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia. Professor Barrett is known for her no-nonsense attitude and her incredible command of the material. Her students will tell you that learning from her is a pleasure. She is always warm and welcoming to students who stop by her office for help.

Matthew Barrett
J.D. and B.B.A. from Notre Dame. He’s no relation to Professor Amy Barrett. Professor Barrett is very helpful and extraordinarily kind to tax-challenged students. He’s also a big fan of accounting/tax trivia.

Joseph Bauer
Teaches: Civil Procedure, Antitrust, Conflict of Laws, Copyright & Trademark.
J.D. from Harvard University. He has been with Notre Dame since 1973 and has served the Law School in numerous ways including positions on the Provost’s Advisory Committee, Law School Appointments Committee and Law School Promotions Committee. As a 1L you may spend weeks on the case of Pennoyer, but the most important thing to remember is that Professor Bauer’s birthday is November 3rd. His annual student-planned birthday party is one of the most highly anticipated events of any 1L’s first semester. Don’t be the class that breaks the tradition of surprising him with a unique celebration.
Anthony Bellia  
J.D. from Notre Dame. Professor Bellia met his wife, Professor Patricia Bellia, while they were both clerking for U.S. Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia. His contracts class is highlighted by his humorous asides. His other classes are similarly known for tangential detours that seem bizarre or silly, but there usually is a very salient point lurking within.

Patricia Bellia  
Teaches: **Constitutional Law**, Administrative Law, Cyber Law, Copyright & the Constitution.  
J.D. from Yale. She is perhaps the fastest lecturer on the faculty, but the sheer force of her brilliance is so powerful that you manage to catch it all, even if your typing speed can't keep up. Don’t think you’ll go unnoticed in her class – she has a knack for knowing people’s names on the first day. She currently holds the University position as faculty NCAA representative.

Geoffrey Bennett  
Teaches: Evidence, introduction to the American Legal System (London Campus).  
B.A. from Cambridge University (England). Professor Bennett is the Director of the Notre Dame London Law Program. He has lectured in law at both the University of Liverpool and the University of Leeds. Professor Bennett’s areas of academic interest include cultural property, criminal procedure and the law of education, contract law and comparative law.

Gerard Bradley  
J.D. from Cornell. Professor Bradley writes extensively on religion and the law and constitutional law. He worked as a prosecutor in New York for many years and has fantastic stories to tell.

Margaret Brinig  
Teaches: **Contracts**, Family Law, Law and Economics Seminar, Alternative Dispute Resolution.  
J.D. from Seton Hall. Professor Brinig’s Law and Economics Seminar highlights the subtle and rarely noticed L&E implications in the realm of her specialty, family law. She is a leading scholar in both areas.

Leslie Callahan  
Teaches: **Legal Writing I, Legal Research and Writing II**.  
J.D. from Harvard. In addition to teaching, Professor Callahan currently serves as a board member and executive committee member for the South Bend Museum of Art and as a board member for the Stanley Clark School.

Paolo Carozza  
J.D. from Harvard. Professor Carozza is the director of NDLS’s programs in international human rights law and on law and human development. His extensive writings in the areas of comparative law, human rights, and international law have been widely published internationally. From ’06-’10 he was a member (President ’08-’09) of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights.
Douglass Cassel
J.D. from Harvard.  Professor Cassel joined the NDLS faculty in 2005.  His current research interests include the human rights responsibilities of transnational corporations, international law options for combating terrorism, strengthening of international human rights institutions, and the history of human rights.

Christine Cervenak
Teaches: Law and Human Development.
J.D. from UCLA.  Christine works closely with Associate Dean Paolo Carozza in launching the new Program on Law and Human Development. She is the Associate Director for the Center for Civil and Human Rights and the Program Director for the Program on Law and Human Development.

Jodi Clifford
Teaches: Intellectual Property Law Clinic.
J.D. from University of Virginia.  Professor Clifford is the founding director of the Intellectual Property and Entrepreneurship Clinic. She was a patent attorney in Cleveland, Ohio prior to joining the faculty.

Barry Cushman
Teaches: Legal and Constitutional History, Constitutional Law, Trusts & Estates.
J.D. from University of Virginia.  Professor Cushman joined Notre Dame Law School in 2012.  He teaches and writes in a wide range of areas including legal and constitutional history, constitutional law and Trusts and Estates.  His book, Rethinking the New Deal Court: The Structure of a Constitutional Revolution, was awarded the American Historical Association’s Littleton-Griswold Prize in American Law.  He has also been honored with the University of Virginia’s All-University Teaching Award.

Father William Dailey
Teaches: Administrative Law, Immigration Law, Professional Responsibility.
J.D. from Columbia Law School.  Father Dailey served as a law clerk to Judge Diarmuid F. O’Scannlain of the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit Court. and practiced in Washington D.C.  He later returned to Columbia Law School as a Visiting Scholar.

Julie Douglas
Teaches: Legal Writing I, Legal Writing II, Moot Court.
J.D. from Notre Dame.  Practiced law in Valparaiso Indiana for ten years in which she primarily represented plaintiffs in employment discrimination cases.  She currently is involved in her children’s schools, Teaches Legal Writing, and is the President of the Valparaiso chapter of Kappa Kappa Kappa, a state-wide philanthropic society which raises money for local charities and scholarships.
Trezlen Drake
Teaches: Legal Research
J.D. from Georgia State. Joined the Kresge Law Library team in August, 2012. She earned a master’s degree in theology from Franciscan University and she was a Ralph Bunche Scholar at Colby College. She received her MLIS from the prestigious law librarianship program at the University of Washington.

Ed Edmonds
Teaches: Legal Research, Sports Law.
J.D. from University of Toledo. Dean Edmonds is the director of the Kresge Law Library. Dean Edmonds starts every Legal Research class with an unrelated PowerPoint emphasizing some aspect of the Notre Dame and/or Catholic legal tradition. Not only does he also teach classes in sports law, but he routinely makes use of sports-related cases to make the study of legal research more fun.

Barbara Fick
J.D. from University of Pennsylvania. Professor Fick worked at the NLRB. She’s known for her demanding grading, but her students really learn a lot in her fascinating classes.

John Finnis
Teaches: Social, Political & Legal Thought of Shakespeare, Social, Political & Legal Thought of Aquinas.
Professor Finnis earned his LL.B. from Adelaide University (Australia) in 1961 and his doctorate from Oxford University as a Rhodes Scholar in 1965. Every year, this well-known and often quoted legal philosopher spends one semester in South Bend and the other semester at Oxford. Considered the world’s foremost living authority on natural law, he is occasionally described as “the smartest man on the planet.”

Judith Fox
Teaches: Legal Aid, Consumer Law, Alternative Dispute Resolution.
J.D. from Notre Dame. Professor Fox supervises students in their work at the Legal Aid Clinic. Her clinic sections focus on debtor/creditor issues and family law.
Nicole Garnett  
J.D. from Yale. Professor Garnett clerked for U.S. Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas. She is married to Professor Rick Garnett. She was appointed by President Bush to serve on the National Prison Rape Reduction Commission. Bright and funny, Professor Garnett can demonstrate most property law concepts by referring to “The Carolina Blue House” and the use of table saws in suburbia. She also loves to use Google maps “street view” to show the properties discussed in class.

Richard Garnett  
J.D. from Yale. He clerked for U.S. Supreme Court Chief Justice William Rehnquist. Rick Garnett is married to Nicole Garnett. Only Professor Garnett’s family and his obsession with Duke Basketball beats his love of teaching the law. Professor Garnett’s teaching and writing interests are quite broad, and he is always willing to help students with their own forays into academic writing. In terms of article publications, he is among our most prolific active faculty members.

Jimmy Gurulé  
J.D. from University of Utah. A former Undersecretary of the Treasury for Enforcement and an internationally-known expert in complex criminal litigation, Professor Gurulé also helped train the Iraqi judges presiding over the Saddam Hussein trial. He has a passion for encouraging students to pursue criminal law with the utmost integrity. His classes are always peppered with “war stories” from his days prosecuting major crimes. His is a demanding professor, but you leave his class really knowing criminal law. He is brilliant!

Bruce Huber  
Teaches: Property, Energy Law and Natural Resources Law.  
J.D. from University of California, Berkeley. Professor Huber has earned several teaching awards. He taught in the Department of Government at Dartmouth College and practiced law in Washington State. Students love the way he raps in class and he has mad rhyming skills!

Michael Jenuwine  
Teaches: Applied Mediation, Law & Psychology, Alternative Dispute Resolution, Legal Aid.  
J.D. from University of Chicago. Professor Jenuwine supervises students in their work at the Legal Aid Clinic. His clinic section focuses on mental health. Also, his classes in Alternative Dispute Resolution and Mediation are favorite skills courses among students.

Robert Jones  
Teaches: GALILEE, Appalachia Externship, Notre Dame Law in Chicago, Lawyering Practice Externship.  
J.D. from Harvard. B.A. from Notre Dame. Professor Jones serves as the director of the Legal Aid Clinic and also supervises students in their work in the clinic (his section specializes in landlord/tenant and social security issues). He also coordinates other experiential learning programs, including the Asylum Externship, student pro bono initiatives, and the GALILEE Program, an immersion experience through which law students learn about legal problems of the urban poor.
Kristine Kalanges
Teaches: Torts, Comparative Legal Traditions, International Business Transactions.
J.D. from Yale. Professor Kalanges joined the Notre Dame faculty in 2012. She is on the faculty advisory committee for the Center for Civil and Human Rights and the Center for Ethics and Culture. She is also a faculty fellow in the Kellogg Institute for International Studies and the Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies. Professor Kalanges is very passionate. She likes to discuss the policy implications of law and facilitates open discussion among students during class.

William Kelley
Teaches: Constitutional Law, Constitutional Law II, Administrative Law.
J.D. from Harvard. Professor Kelley served as Associate White House Counsel for President George W. Bush. Rumor has it that he spends entire class periods drinking Diet Coke from a giant cup.

Daniel Kelly
Teaches: Property, Trusts and Estates.
J.D. cum laude from Harvard and his B.A. summa cum laude from the University of Notre Dame. He has clerked for the honorable Richard C. Wesley of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit. His research teaching interests include property land use, and natural resources law, as well as trusts and estates.

James Kelly, Jr.
Teaches: Community Development Clinic, Real Estate Transactions, Land Use Planning.
J.D. from Columbia. Professor Kelly supervises students in their work at the Community Development Clinic. He founded and runs the Community Development Project.

Dwight B. King
Teaches: Legal Research
J.D. from University of Michigan. Professor King serves as the Head of Library research services and is a very popular legal research professor. Poetry and cartoons are both involved in his teaching of legal research. He also bakes amazing pies that are very popular raffle items at the Father Mike Show.

Michael Kirsch
J.D. from Harvard. Professor Kirsch valiantly attempts to make tax law interesting to the unenlightened, with great success.

Randy Kozel
Teaches: Contracts, Freedom of Speech.
J.D. from Harvard. Professor Kozel clerked for U.S. Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy. He joined the NDLS faculty in 2011 and his scholarship is in areas including freedom of speech, legal change, contract law, and civil procedure.
Jennifer Mason McAward
Teaches: Constitutional Law II, Civil Rights Law, Post-Conviction Remedies.
J.D. from NYU. Professor Mason McAward clerked for U.S. Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O’Connor. She is considered by many students to be one of NDLS’s greatest treasures. She brings an unabashed passion to her subjects of interest and her effervescent personality and her unmistakable sincerity combing to make her classes truly a joy to attend.

Lloyd Mayer
J.D. from Yale. Professor Mayer actually makes Fed Tax understandable, no small feat. In addition to being sophisticated and erudite, Professor Mayer is reportedly one of the rarest breeds of law school professors: a political moderate.

Mark McKenna
J.D. from University of Virginia. B.A. from Notre Dame. Professor McKenna teaches and writes primarily in the area of intellectual property. Particularly recognized as a leading scholar in the trademark area, he has also written about copyright and right of publicity issues. He uses awesome hypos and makes torts fun!

John Nagle
J.D. from University of Michigan. Professor Nagle’s sense of humor never fails to delight and his passion for environmental law makes all of his classes fascinating. He has a knack for personalizing even the most arcane and technical cases, providing fact details not provided by the casebook or relating them to his daughters or family vacations in order to liven up the discussion.

Sean O’Brien
J.D. from Notre Dame. As Assistant Director of the Center for Civil and Human Rights, Professor O’Brien has extensive experience in domestic and international human rights work.

Christopher S. O’Byrne
Teaches: Legal Research
J.D. from University of Washington. Professor O’Byrne brings an engaging personality, a strong commitment to service and the mission of the Notre Dame Law School and Catholic legal education, and a great deal of enthusiasm.

Mary Ellen O’Connell
J.D. from Columbia University. Professor O’Connell came to the Law School in 2005. She has written extensively in the area of international law and teaches a number of courses in the field. Her Contracts class enjoys her unique sense of humor and regular movie clips she brings to class. But be warned: If you look down, she will call on you. If you make eye contact, she will call on you. If you sneeze, she will call on you. If you yawn, she will call on you.
Patricia O’Hara
Teaches: Business Associations, Securities Regulation.
J.D. from Notre Dame. Professor O’Hara joined the Law School faculty in 1981 and then served as the Vice President of Student Affairs for the University from 1990-99 and as the Dean of the Law School from 1999-2009. In 2011, Professor O’Hara returned to teaching at the Law School and her students consider her a joy to have in the classroom.

Jeffrey Pojanowski
Teaches: Torts, Administrative Law, Jurisprudence.
A.B. in Public Policy with highest honors from Princeton University. He graduated magna cum laude from Harvard Law School. He has clerked for judges on the Court of Appeals and the Supreme Court. Professor Pojanowski is very popular among 1Ls for his Torts class. He engages students readily without being overly aggressive and keeps classes entertaining with a great sense of humor and an excellent knowledge of current pop culture events.

Warren Rees
Teaches: Legal Research, Advanced Legal Research.
J.D. from Southern Illinois University. Warren is a quiet fountain of knowledge for 1Ls eager to learn how to do effective legal research. Although he earned his wings as a pilot not too long ago, it’s those “Buff Warren” posters that really keep his head in the clouds.

Honorable Kenneth Ripple
J.D. from University of Virginia. In addition to teaching at NDLS, Judge Ripple currently serves on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit. His twenty plus years of experience on the federal bench provides a unique and fascinating insight into the topics he teaches.

John Robinson
J.D. from University of California-Berkeley. Professor Robinson’s sense of humor is renowned throughout the Law School and his knowledge of case details never fails to wow his first year students.

Veronica Root
Teaches: Contracts, Professional Responsibility.
J.D. from University of Chicago Law School. Professor Root has clerked for the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit. She has been an attorney in Washington, D.C. and writes about and researches corporate compliance.

James Seckinger
Teaches: Deposition Skills, Intensive Trial Advocacy.
J.D. from Notre Dame. Professor Seckinger teaches one of the most widely respected trial advocacy programs in the United States.

Jane Simon
Teaches: Legal Writing I, Legal Writing II.
J.D. cum laude from Indiana University in Bloomington. She clerked for Judge Wayne R. Anderson in the United States District Court for Northern District of Illinois and was a litigator at two large Chicago law firms.
Kate Singer
Teaches: Intensive Trial Advocacy, and Moot Court.
J.D. Notre Dame. She currently teaches in the Intensive Trial Advocacy Program and the Moot Court Trial class, and is also the co-coach of the Barristers and AAJ Trial Teams.

Stephen F. Smith
Teaches: Criminal Law, Constitutional Criminal Procedure- Adjudication, Federal Criminal Law, Criminal Adjudication.
J.D. from University of Virginia. Professor Smith clerked for U.S. Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas. He joined the NDLS faculty in 2009. Professor Smith is known among students for his animated teaching style and unique sense of humor.

O. Carter Snead
Teaches: Torts, Bioethics Seminar, Constitutional Criminal Procedure, Health Law.
J.D. from Georgetown. Professor Snead was the General Counsel for the President's Council on Bioethics for two years, and continues to aid the Counsel as an Expert Consultant. He teaches Torts with a youthful sense of humor with which his students identify. Make sure you know the facts of every case down cold, and pay attention to the squibs and notes. He has also earned a nickname from his students: The Alabama Slammer.

Jay Tidmarsh
Teaches: Torts, Civil Procedure, Constitutional Law, Constitutional Law II, Complex Civil Litigation.
J.D. from Harvard. Well-liked and funny, Professor Tidmarsh has the coolest ties in the Law School. Many believe that Professor Tidmarsh is the one member of the Law School faculty who could teach any course in the catalog if he wanted to. Give him a casebook and six weeks to prepare, and he'll give you an educational experience that’s second to none. He also has the amazing power to make Civil Procedure seem as interesting as Dickens. I dare you to catch him wearing the same tie twice in a semester!

Avishalom Tor
Teaches: Antitrust Law, Behavioral Analysis of Law, Corporate Governance Seminar.
Ph.D. from Harvard. Professor Tor’s research focuses on the study of competition and cooperation in market settings and the legal rules and institutions that regulate them and he teaches in the areas of antitrust, corporate law, and behavioral law and economics. His students find his classes very interesting and unique.

Julian Velasco
Teaches: Business Associations, Corporate Finance, Securities Regulation, Mergers & Acquisitions.
J.D. from Columbia. Professor Velasco is known for memorizing the names and faces of his students before classes even start! He schedules his classes for early in the morning, but he exudes so much energy you tend to forget it’s 8:30 AM. His exams are tough, but fair, and he offers a five-page explanation of his exam philosophy. He also excels at relating his corporate law interests to the unique mission of NDLS.
Christine Venter
Teaches: Legal Writing I, Legal Writing II, International Moot Court, Gender Issues and International Law.
J.D. from University of Cape Town School of Law (South Africa). Professor Venter is the director of the first year Legal Writing program, which includes Moot Court in the spring semester. She coordinates the adjunct instructors in the program as well as teaching a section herself. Professor Venter is beloved for her ability to turn students into capable legal writers with just two hours of class time per week.

Stephen Yelderman
J.D. from the University of Chicago Law School. Professor Yelderman served in the Telecommunication and Media section of the U.S. Department of Justice Antitrust Division and was an early member of Ocean Tomo Intellectual Property Auctions. He also worked as a patent agent in the Silicon Valley and he clerked for the Honorable Neil M. Gorsuch on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit. Professor Yelderman is excellent at presenting material that is often technical and nuanced in a way that is very understandable. He certainly encourages his students to become engrossed in the law.
The Career Development Office (CDO) is an invaluable resource for law students. From judicial clerkships to public interest, from big-city firms to the public defender, the CDO can help you develop the tools and skills you need for a successful job search.

The CDO counselors come from a variety of practice backgrounds and are well-equipped to assist you no matter what your career interests. They conduct an overview presentation for 1Ls in September, and you are invited to attend any CDO events at any time. Beginning on October 15, CDO counselors meet individually with each student to review their resume and cover letter and discuss their career interests and goals. To make that initial meeting as productive as possible, the CDO requests that students prepare a draft of their resume and cover letter in advance and reflect on the career they hope to pursue after graduation.

The CDO has a wealth of resources and information on employers, cities and practice areas, and they are eager to share. They also offer lunchtime programs throughout the year on a broad range of topics, including interview skills, networking, resume and cover letter preparation, judicial clerkships, public sector jobs, and career path planning. Practicing attorneys, recruiting coordinators in firms, judges, professors, student panels, and the CDO staff all present useful information at these programs. Programs are typically held over lunch and food is served, which makes CDO events popular with students!

In the spring semester, the CDO will introduce you to the on-campus interview process, or OCI. The job search for second-year students is important because often the position you have during your 2L summer (between your second and third year) can turn into your first permanent position after graduation. For many students, the search for their 2L summer job will begin during their 1L summer, and the CDO hosts several programs during the spring semester to help 1Ls prepare for their 2L summer job search. The CDO is open during the summer, and CDO counselors remain in contact during this time to help students plan and conduct their job search.

Each summer, the CDO coordinates a nationwide mock interview program in which all rising second-year students are required to participate. The CDO enlists the support of Notre Dame alumni in cities throughout the country where students will be located for the summer. The CDO then connects students with alumni mock interviewers in their area so they can schedule a mutually convenient time for a mock interview. In addition to the summer mock interview program, CDO counselors are available at any time to conduct mock interviews with students. Interviewing is a skill, and like all skills it must be practiced!

While individual outreach by students to prospective employers is the most important part of the job search, Notre Dame also has an extensive OCI program with public and private employers who come to campus from across the country. Students place bids for screening interviews, usually 20 or 30 minutes each. After the interview, often within a few weeks, the firm will contact students they are interested in learning more about to offer them a second round interview or “callback.” Typically, the firm will invite you to their office where you will spend a good part of the day being interviewed by various attorneys. The idea is for you to get to know them and for them to get to know you. A callback often includes lunch or dinner. Some firms wait until the end of “the season” before making any hiring decisions, others make offers throughout the season.
CDO is available to help you throughout the process, including the etiquette of interviews, callbacks, and offers.

Not surprisingly, public interest law is quite popular among Notre Dame Law students. The CDO can provide advice for obtaining any funding that is available for those positions, as many are unpaid. They even have a career counselor whose focus is to help you find public interest opportunities.

Several students also pursue judicial clerkships for after graduation. The CDO has a wealth of experience in assisting students with securing these highly coveted positions. Be sure to ask about the hiring guidelines which determine when to submit applications for clerkships and look for CDO programming on this topic.

One of the most critical aspects of every student’s job search is networking. Notre Dame Law students are fortunate to have access to one of the strongest and most loyal alumni networks in the world. The CDO assists students with leveraging that network by teaching them how to identify and reach out to Notre Dame alumni practicing in their geographic markets and practice areas of interest and facilitating connections wherever possible. One feature that distinguishes Notre Dame is students’ desire to help one another, and this attribute transfers into the alumni network as well.

“In the short time I have been here, I have met so many alumnae from my hometown who attended either Notre Dame for undergrad or for law school and there is an instant connection and want to help each other out in some way. The Notre Dame Career Development office is constantly bringing in speakers / presenters / etc. from all over and they set up opportunities for students to connect with the professionals which is extremely helpful especially if they are from the city you would like to be in post-graduation.”

Amy Povinelli
Class of 2015

“The alumni network is also something that drew me to Notre Dame. Getting a decent job after graduation is very important, and I felt that Notre Dame’s loyal alumni network was a huge step in the right direction.”

Megan Davis
Class of 2017

“Attending Notre Dame was always a dream of mine ever since I was a young boy. That being said, I feel the opportunity to attend Notre Dame Law School was also a very good career move. A main factor in my decision to come to Notre Dame was the vast alumni network in many cities across the country. This really attracted me to Notre Dame as I know I will have many options as to where I want to practice.”

Phil Mannelly
Class of 2016

“I chose Notre Dame for the atmosphere it fosters, its national reputation, and its alumni network. I wanted to attend a law school that had a strong reputation around the country, yet still maintained a really friendly atmosphere. Additionally, the Notre Dame alumni network was especially appealing to me both for what it says about the strong community at Notre Dame and for practical and career-finding purposes.”

Sara Gordon
Class of 2017
Peter Horvath, the Director of Student Services, serves as a liaison between students and the administration in the Law School. Most aspects of non-classroom law school life come within his bailiwick. Among his other duties, Peter approves student organization expenditures, helps student groups find additional funding when necessary, and ensures that students are aware of the various and sundry policies in duLac (University rules, www.nd.edu/~orlh/dulac/) and the Hoynes Code, available on the admitted student website.

In addition to handling various fiscal matters, Peter deals with individual and group student concerns, exam schedule conflicts, exam accommodations due to illness or disability, and excused absences. Peter also provides counseling services for students with academic or personal challenges. (Academic tutoring is provided during 1L year on an invite-only basis, but if your academic challenges become so severe as to warrant this additional help, see Peter and secure a recommendation from your professor.) Additional counseling resources at Notre Dame can be found at the student services website.

Some common problems that require Peter’s help:

- ♣ If you have five exams in three days, go see Peter.
- ♣ If your student group’s faculty advisor left the country before approving the expenditures for that special party, go see Peter.
- ♣ If you are having personal issues and you can’t take an exam, go see Peter.
- ♣ If you broke your leg and you can’t get around, call Peter.
- ♣ If you wake up thirty minutes after your Civil Procedure exam began, go see Peter really fast – he can help.
The 2L and 3L Years

The Rest of the Story...

One of the difficulties in describing life beyond the 1L year is that there is no one experience or class schedule common to all. We all have to take the required upper-level classes (Jurisprudence, Business Associations, Ethics II, a skills requirement and a writing requirement) and get our 90 hours to graduate, but the way we go about it varies greatly. As a 2L, you can go to London for a year, a semester, a summer, or not at all. You can spend a semester in Chicago or Washington D.C. You have the opportunity to be involved in journals or Law Review, or try out for one of the legal competition teams including moot court, barristers, and client counseling. You can sign up for the legal aid clinic or the public defender externship and deal with real clients. You can concentrate on getting your required courses out of the way as a 2L and save hands-on classes like trial advocacy, deposition skills, and moot court for later. Or do just the opposite. You’ll probably be involved in one or more of the Law School clubs, and you may be an assistant rector in one of the dorms on campus. One of the few things you are almost guaranteed to do as a 2L is participate in on-campus interviews in the fall semester which accounts for a lot of “busy” and a lot of “stress” for the typical student.

Third year is sometimes described as the year that law schools bore you to death. At least at Notre Dame, that seems to be far from the truth. Many 3Ls undertake a job search in the fall, similar to their 2L year. Others may already have offers from their summer employment. By the time your third year rolls around, you’ll probably feel like an old hand at the whole law school thing. You’ll know the Eldridge factors, the definition of hearsay, and what “the punctilio of an honor most sensitive” is. Things will make more sense, you will see connections, and you will be able to anticipate your professor’s next words. You’ll spend fall semester realizing that the “lasts” are beginning: your last first day of school, your last first home football game, your last end-of-season home football game, your last Fall Ball, etc. Much like the senior year of college, your familiarity with the academic system will leave you with more time to spend with friends enjoying something other than the M’Naughton test. Enjoy soaking up the last, halcyon days under the Dome – and then bundle off to the library to finish that paper you put off in favor of walks around the lakes and trips to Corby’s.

Spring semester brings more “fun stuff,” like registering for the bar exam, taking the MPRE (multi-state professional responsibility exam), figuring out moving details. But, there are things that are actually fun. You’ll also have to vote for 3L awards, attend or host the 100 Days parties, order your tickets for graduation, write your last paper, acquire your academic garb, take your last exam, house your relatives when they come for graduation, receive your diploma, and finally try to figure out how to say thank you to the people who’ve made the last three years so special.

Like I said, boring may not be the right word to describe third year . . .
THE LONDON LAW PROGRAM

A highlight for many students’ tenures while at NDLS

A Notre Dame student may study in London in the summer program, the semester long or the year-long program. Notre Dame’s Summer London Program is the oldest summer law program located in London. Students come from Australia, and each year, approximately 40 U.S. law schools are represented in the Notre Dame program. The summer program lasts for about six weeks, and it typically starts in late June as to provide time for students to complete internships if they wish to do so. Furthermore, the classes are planned so that the students are able to take advantage of their time in Europe by traveling as class demands permit.

The Second Year in London Program is also quite popular, attracting approximately 25-30 students each year. As the name indicates, during this program, students spend their entire second year in London. The program begins in late September or early October, giving students enough time to participate in on-campus interviews and start the job hunt prior to starting the program. There is a diverse assortment of course offerings, which typically include Business Associations, Jurisprudence, and Evidence. Students will have the opportunity to travel on the weekends. When you get to your second year (if you don’t go to London yourself) you’ll see lots of new faces around the school. Be careful when you ask them if they’re enjoying their first year. They might have just returned from London. Anyone who has been for the year will tell you about the lasting friendships they formed with their classmates and the invaluable experience of it all.

All London programs are taught by a distinguished faculty of American and international professors, and the facilities are first rate. We even have our own beautiful building! It’s located right in Central London—right next to the National Gallery, which is in Trafalgar Square. There’s a library with wireless capabilities, several computer labs, lockers, and lounge area with a television, vending machines, and ping pong tables in the basement. Even though you’ll get quite your fill of exercise walking around London, the building also has a gym, which contains exercise machines and a basketball court for your pleasure.

Although the program has an international focus, students need not be planning to work in the areas of international law upon graduation to appreciate the courses. In this ever-shrinking world, a lawyer working in any legal arena should be aware of the world around him, and this is just the program to provide that perspective. Don’t forget the website at http://law.nd.edu/academic-programs/jd-study-in-london, where you’ll even find a “Survivor’s Guide.”

“...To say that London altered the course of my life trajectory would be an understatement. I want you to imagine that some of the brightest and most resourceful people in the world all got together and collaborated to give you the best law school experience possible. Well, in a few words, that’s essentially what the London program is: a number of great minds with the resources of a great university all conspiring to make your year the best that it can possibly be. However, be forewarned, if you’re not into unparalleled adventure, exceptional people, and brilliant professors, then this program probably isn’t for you...”

Nico Howard
Class of 2015

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LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

The classroom and beyond

Notre Dame Law School is not just here in South Bend or at our campus in London. Students have the opportunity to study for a semester not only in Chicago or Washington, D.C., but globally through an exchange program in Beijing, China, Dublin, Ireland, Milan, Italy, or Santiago, Chile. The program provides the opportunity for students to be immersed in a culture that is both different and unique, allowing students to gain an understanding of how the law functions in other legal systems.

“Studying abroad in Milan, Italy at Bocconi during the Spring semester of my 2L year taught me to think like a lawyer on an international and global scale. In today’s world legal issues across the board, from business law to family law and everything in between, have an international component that requires familiarity with legal traditions and systems other than our common law one. Taking Civil Law in Italian alongside Italian law students, and comparative business law alongside students from across Europe, highlighted differences in sources of law, legal analysis, oral arguments, and even legal education itself. The opportunity not only to participate in and learn about the legal mindset of my international colleagues, but also to research aspects of Italian law in the Italian cultural setting, was a rewarding experience that not only revealed the beautiful complexity of legal relationships to me, but also affected how I analyze legal issues today, both inside and out of the classroom.”

Felicia Caponigri
Class of 2015

NDLS also provides Specializations: Programs of Studies as well as Interdisciplinary Studies. The programs of study allow students to concentrate on a particular legal field, such as, Study of Business Law, Criminal Law, Environmental Law, Global Law, Intellectual Property and Technology Law, Law, Ethics and Public Policy, and Public Law. The Interdisciplinary Studies include Program on Church, State and Society, Constitutional Structure, Law and Economics and The Research Program on Law and Market Behavior. The programs may include keynote speakers, conferences, workshops and other colleges and institutions worldwide.

“Notre Dame Law School provides students with many opportunities to gain out of classroom experience, including externships with various governmental agencies, non-profit organizations, Judges, and organizations here on campus. During my 3L year, I had the privilege of externing at the General Counsel’s Office of Notre Dame where I was able to gain exposure to a variety of different practices areas and further enhance my research and writing skills while also giving back to the University.”

Laura Zell
Class of 2015
OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM

Do Something for Your Community

You can’t learn law in a bubble. Notre Dame offers a number of hands-on opportunities (class or co-curricular credit) for 1Ls, 2Ls, and 3Ls. All the options are wonderful experiences and serve as reminders that there is life outside of law books and that there is a great need for dedicated lawyers in the community around us.

GALILEE

GALILEE is an acronym for Group Alternative Live-In Legal Education. The program is designed to acquaint Notre Dame law students with the legal problems of the urban poor in ways impossible to learn in the classroom and to broaden students’ understanding of the legal profession through exposure to various areas of public interest law.

The GALILEE program takes place over Christmas break and students receive one co-curricular credit for participation. Students generally participate during their 1L year, although 2Ls and 3Ls are welcome as well. GALILEE provides students with the opportunity to live for a few days in the inner city (of students’ choosing) to learn the legal needs of the urban poor, and to observe the ways in which these needs are presently met. As a result, students develop ways to incorporate their religious and ethical value systems into their future practice of law.

Clinical Programs

Students and professors in our Clinical Programs provide legal services to low income residents of the South Bend area. Students who have already completed three semesters of law school are eligible to appear in court on behalf of the clients. The clinic provides litigation services for cases in landlord/tenant law, consumer protection law, mental illness and disability law, and immigration law. There is an additional class section devoted to transactional work in which students draft Wills, Power of Attorney, and other instruments.

Intercollegiate Athletics Externship

An opportunity for 2L and 3L law students to gain practical experience in intercollegiate athletics administration by reviewing contracts; assisting in the creation and revision of departmental policy; and other compliance-related issues. This program is led by Dean Edmonds.

Lawyering Practice Externship

Allows 2L & 3L students to earn 3 - 4 credits by working during the semester while engaging in a one week class. Previous participants have externed at the prosecutors office, judges chambers or on campus offices.

Street Law

Students in their 2L and 3L years may participate in “Street Law.” Students pair up and teach practical legal issues in the areas of criminal, juvenile, family, housing, consumer, individual rights and environmental law to local high school students. The law students develop the curriculum, create the lessons, and test the high school students.

Summer Legal Externship

Students may earn one unit of co-curricular externship credit for student volunteer legal work of six weeks or more during the summer months in any court, agency, or public or private law office.
Many students come to law school for one reason: to be able to follow in the footsteps of Matlock, Perry Mason, and Jack McCoy by arguing cases in court. If you are one such student, or if you are simply curious about litigation, NDLS has plenty of moot court classes you can take, and teams you can join, to build your practical experience. Be sure to yell, “Objection!” at least once during class...there’s nothing like it!

**Moot Court Trial**

This one-credit class is offered to both 2L and 3L students during the Fall semester. Using one case file for the entire semester, students focus and develop trial advocacy skills in preparation for the National Trial Competition (NTC) and the American Association for Justice (AAJ) National Student Trial Advocacy Competition. During the first few weeks of the Fall semester, 2L and 3L students may try out for the Moot Court team. If they make the team, they are automatically enrolled in the two credit class. The coaches decide who is on the AAJ and NTC teams.

*Please note: All members of the NTC team must have taken the Trial Advocacy course or be currently enrolled in the course at the time of the competition. Also, 3L students are only allowed to enroll in this class if they are members of the Barristers Team. Tryouts for Barristers are held the first Monday of the fall semester. If you have any questions, please contact Katherine Singer at Katherine.Singer.7@nd.edu.*

**Moot Court Appellate**

This one-credit class is offered exclusively to 2Ls during the fall semester. All students enrolled in the class may elect to participate in a moot court appellate competition during the Fall. Approximately a dozen students are chosen from this competition to represent Notre Dame Law School on a variety of moot court teams. Notre Dame Law School’s teams include a National Moot Court Team, a Regional Moot Court Team, a Seventh Circuit Team and a Religious Freedom Team.

**International Moot Court**

This one-credit class is offered to 2L and 3L students during the fall semester. During the month of October, all students enrolled in this course may elect to participate in a competition that serves as the tryouts for the Jessup Moot Court Team. Members of this team participate in the Phillip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition.
*Please note: all members of the Jessup Moot Court Team must have taken the International Law course prior to the Jessup Moot Court Competition, or be currently enrolled in the course at the time of the competition. In addition to the teams featured above, consider joining a team sponsored by a NDLS student organization. The Black Law Students Association participates in the Thurgood Marshall Moot Court Trial and Moot Court Appellate competitions and the Intellectual Property Society also sponsors a moot court team. Lastly, you may want to form your own moot court team and participate in one of the many moot court competitions offered around the country. Provided the team has a faculty sponsor and agrees to meet the school’s requirements, you could be eligible for funding to help defray the costs of attending the competition.

“Competing with the Notre Dame Law School Trial team has been one of the most rewarding experiences for me in Law School. It provides the opportunity to hone practical litigation skills while competing in tournaments against other renowned law schools. We gain intimate familiarity with the Federal Rules of Evidence as well as mastering oral advocacy skills that are equally applicable in arguing before a jury in a courtroom or negotiating a deal in a boardroom.”

John Burke
Class of 2013
While there are approximately 560 law students at Notre Dame, there are nearly thirty student organizations, and each year students form new organizations. Early in the semester, the SBA organizes a club night. All the student clubs have tables in the Eck Commons and provide information on who they are and what their plans are for the coming year. Most club meetings and guest lectures are held during the lunch period between classes (12:15-1:00 M-F). The clubs almost always provide lunch (predominantly pizza), so if you're feeling particularly poor, it's usually a great way to pick up a free lunch and learn something new. If you want to start a new club, talk to Peter Horvath in Student Services.

American Civil Liberties Union
The Notre Dame American Civil Liberties Union (ND ACLU) is the student chapter of the national American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU). Since its founding in 1920, the ACLU has been the guardian of the individual rights and liberties guaranteed by the Constitution and laws of the United States through direct advocacy efforts in the nation’s courts, legislatures, and communities. The ND ACLU seeks to further the civil liberties through advocacy, dialogue, and education, staying ever respectful of the religious nature of the University of Notre Dame.

American Constitution Society for Law and Policy
The American Constitution Society for Law and Policy (ACS) is one of the nation’s leading progressive legal organizations. Founded in 2001, ACS is comprised of law students, lawyers, scholars, judges, policymakers, activists and other concerned individuals who are working to ensure that the fundamental principles of human dignity, individual rights and liberties, genuine equality, and access to justice are in their rightful, central place in American law.

Asian Law Students Association
ALSA provides its members with a forum for addressing their needs and expressing their concerns. Through its activities, ALSA informs its members about events of particular interest to Asian American law students and promotes the public's awareness of Asian American issues.

Black Law Students Association
Since 1972 Notre Dame’s Black law students have been organized as a chapter of the Black Law Students Association. The purposes of BLSA are to articulate and promote the professional needs and goals of African-American law students; to foster and encourage professional competence; to focus upon the relationship of the Black attorney to the American legal structure; and to instill a greater awareness of and commitment to the needs of the Black community.

Business Law Forum
The BLF’s goal is to promote interest in transactional and business law among members of the Notre Dame Community. Presentations throughout the year are aimed at bringing in speakers to the Law School from the worlds of both business and law. In the past, speakers have included General Counsels of various corporations, attorneys specializing in transactional work, as well as attorneys whose practices involve sports law. Other goals of the BLF include increasing student awareness of the opportunities that are available to them when business and the law are combined.
Christian Legal Society

CLS is an ecumenical group of law students and professors committed to reflecting Christian principles in their practice of the law. CLS invites legal practitioners and scholars to speak on topics such as social responsibility, professional success and practical advice for Christian living in the legal profession. Other CLS activities include Bible studies, service projects, fellowship activities, and seminars sponsored by the national CLS.

Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty

The Notre Dame Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty is committed to opposing the application of capital punishment in the United States and around the world. In pursuit of this goal, the coalition seeks to network with attorneys and organizers who work on death penalty issues as well as promote dialogue and education on death penalty issues within the Notre Dame Law School community.

Delta Theta Phi Law Fraternity

Delta Theta Phi is a professional organization concerning itself with the needs of students, the University and the legal community. The Fraternity provides a forum for students, lawyers, and other members to network, exchange knowledge and ideas, and create lifelong personal and professional associations. Its mission is to foster lifelong friendships and professional affiliations through legal education, international networking and mutual respect. Delta Theta Phi is the only law fraternity with an authoritatively recognized law review.

Education Law Forum

The purpose of ELF shall be to provide members an opportunity to explore public and private school education law and policy issues, as well as, provide a forum to connect members with service opportunities. ELF’s goals are to coordinate lectures by leaders in education law, policy, and reform, and provide opportunities for students to work with the South Bend Juvenile Justice Center as well as local high school mock trial teams.

Environmental Law Society

The Environmental Law Society is a group of students focused on increasing awareness of environmental issues in the Law School community and learning more about law and the environment. They support talks and programs at the Law School and encourage networking with legal professionals who work with the environment.

Future Prosecuting Attorney's Council

FPAC serves as a forum for students interested in working as prosecuting attorneys or in other fields relating to criminal law. FPAC also connects students with prosecuting attorneys and criminal law practitioners.
The Federalist Society for Law and Public Policy Studies
The Federalist Society is a non-partisan organization dedicated to advancing legal scholarship through open-ended debate on a wide variety of issues and policy questions. Though the Federalist Society takes no official positions on any political or legal question, the organization and its members are guided by three principles: 1) The state exists to preserve freedom; 2) The separation of powers is essential to our Constitution; 3) It is emphatically the province and duty of the judiciary to say what the law is, and not what is should be. To this end, the Notre Dame Chapter hosts law professors, judges and policy-makers to speak and debate on various legal and political topics. The highlight of the year comes in February when law students across the country gather at the annual Student Symposium, for a weekend's worth of panels filled with prominent members of academia.

Health Law Society
The purpose of Health Law Society shall be to foster discussion, interest, and awareness of the intersection between healthcare and law, in accordance with the Catholic mission of the University of Notre Dame, “to create a sense of human solidarity and concern for the common good that will bear fruit as learning becomes service to justice.”

Hispanic Law Students Association
The Hispanic Law Students Association seeks to support all incoming law students interested in Hispanic culture and to welcome them with current HLSA members who may serve as mentors or guides. While encouraging diversity, HLSA also seeks to promote inclusiveness among all students and with other Notre Dame law clubs or ethnic law associations. Events sponsored by HLSA include an exam outlining session, mentoring, social outings, cookouts, and Latin dancing excursions. HLSA also annually awards the prestigious Graciela Olivarez Award, in honor of the first woman and first Hispanic to graduate from the Law School, to a Hispanic Lawyer or Judge.

Intellectual Property Law Society
IPLS aims to foster leadership in, promote intellectual curiosity about, and encourage dialogue on IP law. The Society challenges its members to engage educators and practitioners, as well as each other, in learning about the various areas of IP law. Active participation in the IP community is strongly encouraged, both by way of written publications and oral presentations designed to educate the student body about IP law. By hosting professionals in academia, government, and the private sector at the Law School, the group and its members seek to stay current with IP law developments and learn of available resources that may be valuable both during school and following graduation.

International Human Rights Society
The goal of the International Human Rights Society is to increase awareness of human rights abuses around the world through advocacy. The organization also seeks to enhance the practical skills of future human rights attorneys by providing opportunities to work with human rights organizations during the school year and providing funds for summer internships in human rights. Finally, IHRS works to increase the knowledge and understanding of human rights by all of Notre Dame’s future attorneys, with the understanding that human rights cross professional specialties and are essential in the practice of every sphere of law.
International Law Society

Notre Dame’s ILS is a club organized around the goal of contributing to the development of international law by fostering interest and understanding in the field. The club seeks out speakers on a variety of international law topics ranging from use of force and the Geneva Convention to international business and adoptions. The society also seeks to help students who are interested in careers as international lawyers by providing information on jobs in international law.

J. Rueben Clark Law Society

The J. Reuben Clark Law Society affirms the strength brought to the law by a lawyer’s personal religious conviction. We strive through public service and professional excellence to promote fairness and virtue founded upon the rule of law. As Law Society members we can mentor and support each other, as well as be of service and an influence for good in our community. Membership in the Law Society is multi-faith and is open to any person who shares in the values and objectives of the Law Society. Those values include: public service, loyalty to the rule of law, and appreciation for the religious dimension in society and in a lawyer’s personal life.

Jewish Law Students Society

The Jewish Law Students Society (JLSS) is an organization of law students interested in promoting awareness of Jewish cultural, legal and religious heritage; fostering dialogue on legal, political and ethical issues important to the Jewish people; and raising funds for students interested in working on causes within and beyond the Jewish community. Our recent activities have included bringing in speakers on issues of importance to the Jewish community, participating in community service and charity events, raising awareness of Jewish culture, and celebrating Jewish holidays. Membership in the JLSS is open to all law students regardless of religion or ethnicity; our activities extend beyond the Law School to include the University and local Jewish communities.

Jus Vitae

Jus Vitae is an organization founded on the belief that all human life is sacred. We seek to uphold the value of human life, from conception to natural death, through activism, community service, education and prayer. Among the events and activities our members have participated in recent years are: sponsoring pro-life speeches; conducting legal research on pro-life issues; publishing a newsletter for the Law School community; volunteering at the local care center for women; praying outside the local abortion clinic; maintaining a small library of pro-life literature, cassettes, and videos; and attending the March for Life in Washington, D.C.

Legal Voices for Children & Youth

Legal Voices for Children and Youth promotes and enhances awareness of legal issues related to children and teenagers. The group develops educational outreach programs for the student body, provides service activities, and offers opportunities to participate in activities which enhance understanding of child advocacy law. LVCY works towards these goals by focusing on academics, service, and skills.

Married Law Students Organization

The organization’s goals are to promote family involvement and understanding in the Law School experience. Additionally, the organization exists to address the needs and concerns of married students at NDLS. Activities include tailgates, picnics, skating parties, and holiday dinners, all geared toward the whole family.
Military Law Students Association
The Military Law Student's Association was formed to promote community among veterans and active duty personnel at the Notre Dame Law School, to promote awareness of military-related issues among the Law School community, to foster a military-related alumni network, and to provide charitable services to veterans and others living in Michiana. We are especially active in the Toys for Tots drive during the Christmas season. Membership is open to any interested member of the Notre Dame/Saint Mary’s Community. Prior military service is not required.

Native American Law Students Association
The Native American Law Students Association is a social organization created for the benefit and support of NDLS students. The group focuses on generating awareness of Native American issues within the Law School, actively serving the community, and fellowship by sponsoring guest speakers and providing funding for summer internships in Native American law practice. NALSA is open to all law students interested in Native American culture and legal issues.

Phi Alpha Delta Legal Fraternity, Hoynes Chapter
As the world’s largest legal fraternity, PAD was founded on ideals of integrity and professional service. It exists to form bonds between law students, professors, and members of the Bench and bar.

Public Interest Law Forum
PILF aims to promote awareness of and interest in public interest law. PILF defines “public interest law” broadly in recognition of the wide variety of career opportunities typically encompassed within the category of “public interest law”. PILF fundraises for summer public interest fellowships, invites speakers on public interest law topics and has worked with the administration to develop a Loan Forgiveness program for NDLS, so that public interest law can be economically feasible for NDLS graduates.

St. Thomas More Society
The St. Thomas More Society (STMS) is the Catholic law student group. Our mission is to enhance the Catholic character of the law school, but also to help law students of all faiths maintain a spiritual, social and service life in the law school. We hold lunch time talks about the Catholic faith and the law, pray together, have retreats, go to mass, but we also have social events and serve the South Bend community. Our ultimate goal is to make it easier to grow in faith at law school, not grow away from it.

Social Justice Forum
Established in 1983, the Social Justice Forum (SJF) exists to promote and encourage social responsibility within the Notre Dame Law School and to create and maintain a network of concerned individuals who are willing to work toward social justice. To these ends, students and faculty members have sponsored speakers and community service projects, proposed changes in curriculum structure and placement programs, and helped to establish the Notre Dame Law Student Sponsored Fellowship.
Sports, Communications, and Entertainment Law Forum

The Sports and Entertainment Law Forum was established to promote discussion and dialogue in the Law School community concerning the interaction between law and the sports and entertainment industries. It seeks to bring speakers to campus to discuss these topics, as well as to promote educational and professional opportunities in this field.

Student Bar Association

The Student Bar Association is the student government at the Law School; all students are considered members. The association performs various tasks related to student life, both social and academic, such as Orientation, appointment of students to various faculty committees, intramural athletics and several social functions throughout the year. More generally, the officers attempt to represent student interests in any matter of sufficient importance. At the national level, the association is a member of the Law Student Division of the American Bar Association.

Women’s Legal Forum

Open to all students and faculty, WLF was formed to promote discussion and understanding of legal issues affecting women and women lawyers and their colleagues, and thus affecting society as a whole. Activities include faculty and outside speakers, host panels and discussions, and participation in local community service events. WLF holds fundraisers and each year sponsors several fellowships which are awarded to students who seek summer work in public interest areas affecting women. Many professors are very generous and donate one-of-a-kind items to be auctioned off at the Father Mike Talent Show in March each year.
Excuses to Stay in the Law School into the Wee Hours

Although you won’t be involved with any of the journals or law review in your first year, you will certainly hear plenty about them. A law review or journal is a legal periodical that includes articles by members of the legal community and public policy figures on a current topic of interest. Students in their second or third years have the opportunity to publish a note or case comment on a particular subject. The subjects of the articles, case comments and notes vary depending on the focus of the publication.

Notre Dame Law School has four journals. Each journal has about 20 - 25 members per class. First year students compete for staff positions on the journals during a writing competition at the end of the spring semester. For Law Review, however, the top 15 people in the class “grade on” and do not have to submit a writing sample. Ten spots are reserved for which students may compete with a writing sample. There will be a meeting near the end of your first year where the editors-in-chief will present information about each journal, and explain what the writing competition is all about. The actual writing competition is conducted after exams are completed, and you mail your submission back to the Law School. The writing competition consists of a 4,500 word, closed-universe Comment (legal research paper) on a specified topic. 1Ls may choose to apply to Law Review and all the journals, some of the journals, or just one journal. Grading is blind, and journal offers are typically made at the end of July.

“Participation on one of the highly regarded journals at Notre Dame Law School presents one of the most valuable experiences that law school has to offer. Not only do students get the chance to hone their research and writing skills before entering the legal profession, but students also are given the opportunity to write and publish their own legal academic scholarship. As a result, members often find involvement on these entirely student-run journals both personally and professionally rewarding.”

Jessica Williams
Class of 2013

“Having the privilege to serve on law review is an intellectually challenging but highly rewarding experience. It is an opportunity to be a part of a team that needs your help and talent to produce one of the most revered legal journals in the country. Not to mention, you learn how to Bluebook citations properly and you come to appreciate even the finest details, which will serve you well no matter where you end up after law school.”

Megan McKeown
Class of 2016

The journals provide a great opportunity for students to improve their organizational, management, leadership, and writing skills. Second year law students serve as staff members for the periodicals, while third year students make up their editorial boards. While staff member requirements vary by journal, in general, the Notre Dame Law Journals are a fantastic way to gain legal research and writing experience, impress employers, get to know your classmates, and fulfill your upper-level writing requirement.

**The Notre Dame Law Review**

The Notre Dame Law Review was founded in 1925 and was known as the Notre Dame Lawyer until the name was changed in 1982. It is published five times a year by students of the Law School and 15 student notes are published. It affords qualified students an invaluable opportunity for training in precise analysis of legal problems and in clear and cogent presentation of legal issues. The Law Review contains articles and lectures by eminent members of the legal profession and comments and notes by members of the staff. Entirely student-edited, the Law Review has maintained a tradition of excellence, and its membership has included some of the most able judges, professors and practitioners in the country. Members of the staff are selected at the end of the first year of study on the basis of either academic standing or demonstrated writing ability. The editor-in-chief of the Law Review is elected by the staff from senior members on the basis of scholastic, literary and leadership achievements. The editor-in-chief, in turn, selects the other officers.

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**The Notre Dame Journal of Law, Ethics and Public Policy**

The Notre Dame Journal of Law, Ethics and Public Policy (JLEPP) is unique among legal periodicals insofar as it directly analyzes law and public policy from an ethical perspective. The Journal of Law, Ethics and Public Policy strengthens the Law School's moral and religious commitment by translating traditional Judeo-Christian principles into imaginative, yet workable, proposals for legislative and judicial reform. Directed at both scholarly and public audiences, the Journal publishes in a symposium format and solicits contributions from distinguished scholars and prominent members of the public community. These are always interesting and stimulating events to attend.

Second-year members of the Journal spend their time “ad mining” (checking cites of the authors), and writing their own note. JLEPP is also unique because 2L members will receive three graded credits (as opposed to the pass/fail credits that members of other journals receive.) 2L members will also attend during first semester a once a week seminar on one of the two issues that will be published during their 3L year. Third-year members serve as editors and senior staff members. The Editor-in-Chief is chosen by the members of the Journal, and then he or she chooses 3Ls to fill out the rest of the positions. Third-year members receive one pass fail credit each semester.

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**The Journal of International and Comparative Law**

The mission of the Journal of International and Comparative Law is to provide a forum of discussion for international, comparative, and human rights law; to educate students about international legal issues; to provide open and equal access to our publications; to be economically efficient, environmentally sustainable, and immediately responsive to current events in the field of international law; and to inspire our readers to work on these issues.
The Journal of Legislation

The Journal of Legislation is published by students of the Notre Dame Law School. Of national orientation and scope, the Journal contains articles by both public policy figures and distinguished members of the legal community. In addition, it publishes notes written by members of the staff. All material contained in the Journal concerns either existing and proposed legislation or public policy matters. Some articles and notes make specific suggestions regarding legislative change. The Journal is presently one of the country's leading legislative law reviews and is a member of the National Conference of Law Reviews. Staff members are selected among students who have either written a note of “publishable quality” or completed a major research project approved by the editorial board. Journal work enables students to add to their legal education practical experience with legislation and the legislative process. These programs enable students at the Law School to influence various legislators, public interest groups and members of Congress.

“Throughout my decision-making process, various members of NDLS emphasized the school’s commitment to instilling in its lawyers an appreciation and understanding of moral and social justice considerations in all areas of the law. I know that I wanted to attend a law school that was committed to educating its students about both legal and moral principles of law. NDLS also offers an incredible array of experiential learning opportunities (Chicago, London, Galilee) through which I know I will gain invaluable experience and insight into what kind of career I hope to pursue with my degree.”

Rebekah Newman
Class of 2017
ASSISTANT RECTORS

Back to Undergrad?

Notre Dame offers a unique opportunity for its graduate students to get involved in undergraduate life. The position of Assistant Rector is open to all law students; in the 2013-14 school year 40 out of 62 assistant rectors are law students. New for the 2014-2015 year, the Assistant Rector position is available for 1L students as well as 2L and 3L. Student Affairs likes to hire law students as assistant rectors because they can provide continuity in the hall by serving a multi-year term.

Assistant rectors live side-by-side with undergrads in their respective residence halls. ARs, as they are called, contract for a full-time academic-year appointment, and are provided with an apartment (fully or partially furnished), a meal plan, laundry benefits, partial tuition remission (3 credits) and a stipend of approximately $7,000 per semester.

The job of AR isn’t something to do for the perks, although the perks are wonderful. Rather, it’s a true ministry position. You are expected to give a great deal of yourself, but the returns can be immeasurable. Responsibilities in the hall include working closely with the Rector, being “on duty” two to three nights per week; supervising RAs and hall council; helping with dorm Mass; counseling residents on academic, social, and disciplinary issues; and generally being available as a resource. The exact responsibilities vary among residence halls because each rector determines how they want to make use of their assistant rectors.

"Becoming an assistant rector while pursuing your legal education may be one of the best decisions you can make during your short three years at Notre Dame. It provides you with a family of Notre Dame students right here on campus and allows you the opportunity to help undergraduates grow both professionally and spiritually. While the job duties may vary, one thing that holds true across all of the dorms is that you will learn, as I have, why this university is such an incredibly special place to receive your education."

Megan McKeown
Class of 2016

"Being an Assistant Rector is phenomenal – becoming part of a tight-knit community like the residence halls at Notre Dame is one of the most rewarding experiences I’ve had. Although I didn’t attend Notre Dame as an undergrad, I quickly learned what being part of a community at Notre Dame is all about. Plus, it’s really nice having something to do besides studying law, and there’s always someone new to meet and talk to back in the res hall. Toss in some great benefits (the dining halls are amazing) and you’ve got yourself a pretty great situation working and living with some really great people."

Dan Fotoples
Class of 2013

For those who think they might want to apply for an AR position, the best advice is to talk to current ARs, and even spend some time in the dorm with them. Applications are generally available early second semester, and interviews are held in March.
WORSHIP

Taking Time to Be Holy

Not surprisingly, there are numerous opportunities to participate in Catholic services at Notre Dame, from Mass at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart to more humble celebrations of daily Mass in the dorms. Both on and off campus, however, there are also many opportunities for those not of the Catholic faith to worship. In addition to many Protestant congregations, there are three synagogues, an Islamic center, and an LDS ward in South Bend.

We’ve included a sampling of worship opportunities on campus and in the area. The list is by no means exhaustive, and if you don’t find what you’re looking for here, please check the yellow pages and ask around the Law School. The Campus Ministry website (campusministry.nd.edu) also contains a listing of area churches under Liturgy and Music, as well as fuller listing of the various services on campus.

Worship at the Law School and On-Campus

There are opportunities for prayer and worship each day at the Law School. The St. Thomas More Chapel, located on the first floor, is the center of the Law School’s formal religious life. The St. Thomas More Society prays the Rosary on Wednesdays. Mass is celebrated on Fridays at 12:00 p.m., as well as Sunday at 4:30 p.m. and Monday through Thursday at 5:00 p.m. The chapel is open 24-7 for students wishing to retreat for meditation and prayer.

The Christian Legal Society hosts a regular student-led Bible study, as well as outside speakers. The St. Thomas More Society hosts speakers and discussions on current topics of interest to Catholics in the law.

The Basilica of the Sacred Heart is the center of Notre Dame’s religious life. The beautiful Basilica is next to the Main Building. Both visually and intellectually the Blessed Virgin on the Dome and the Cross on the Basilica steeple are the focal points of campus. Services are held throughout the week at the Basilica, including daily Mass at 11:30 a.m. and 5:15 p.m. with Confession before each Mass. The Basilica is a functioning church, and parishioners gather each Saturday at 5:00 p.m. and every Sunday morning at 10:00 a.m. and 11:45 a.m. Vespers, the evening prayer of the Church, is sung every Sunday that school is in session at 7:15 p.m. in the Lady Chapel of the Basilica; the service lasts about 45 minutes and is a great way to end the weekend. The Rosary is prayed each evening, regardless of the weather, at the Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes, which is located below the Basilica, across from the lakes.

No one should miss the opportunity to participate in services at the Basilica at least once. The Tenebrae service on Holy Thursday and the Celebration of Christ’s Passion on Good Friday are especially poignant. Services during Advent are beautiful. Additionally, there are many opportunities to attend Mass after home football games. It starts 30 minutes after the game in a number of dorms, and 45 minutes after the game in the Basilica and the Stepan Center. For more information, please visit the Archdiocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend’s website, diocesefwsb.org.

Each dorm on campus (including the graduate housing at FOG) celebrates Mass on Sunday evening and at least one night during the week. Many law students who were undergraduates at Notre Dame enjoy going back to their old dorms for Mass.

Going to the log chapel and other dorm masses is a profound way to break out of the law school bubble. The Log Chapel is a 112-year-old replica of the only building that existed on the future site of Notre Dame when Father Edward Sorin (Dumbledore-like statue on the quad) arrived in 1842. It gives you a sense of what it
was like practicing faith on the Indiana frontier, and all that had to be overcome to make Notre Dame what it is today. The Log Chapel Mass is held every Tuesday at 9pm. Most dorm masses are held every day at 10pm, and sometimes have free chili, waffles or milkshakes afterwards.

See Campus Ministries website, campusministry.nd.edu, for more details and a fall schedule of this and other masses on campus (click “liturgy and worship”, then “Mass”).

Catholic
Little Flower
54191 North Ironwood Drive
South Bend, IN
574-243-3434
littleflowerchurch.org

Christ the King
52473 SR 933,1
South Bend, IN
574-272-3113
christthekingonline.com

St. Joseph
226 North Hill Street
South Bend, IN
574-234-3134
stjoeparish.com

St. Matthew Cathedral
1701 Miami Street
South Bend, IN
574-289-5539
stmatthewcathedral.org

St. Pius X
52553 Fir Road
Granger, IN
574-272-8493
stpius.net

St. Adalbert
2505 West Grace Street
South Bend, IN
574-288-5708
stadalbertparish.org

See diocesefwsb.org for complete list of parishes – ND in St. Joseph County
**Greek**
St. Andrew Greek Orthodox Church
52455 North Ironwood Road
South Bend, IN
574-277-4688
saintandrewgoc.org
Contact: Tom Giardina

**Islamic**
Islamic Society of Michiana
3310 Hepler Street #1
South Bend, IN
574-272-0569
michianamuslims.org

**Jewish**
Sinai Synagogue (Conservative)
1102 East LaSalle Avenue
South Bend, IN
574-234-8584
sinaisynagogue.org

Hebrew Orthodox Congregation
3207 South High Street
South Bend, IN
574-291-4239
hocsouthbend.org

Temple Beth-El (Reform)
305 West Madison
South Bend, IN
574-234-4402
http://www.tbe-sb.org/

Hebrew Federation of St. Joseph Valley
3202 Shalom Way
South Bend, IN
574-233-1164
thejewishfed.org

**Mormon**
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints
930 Park Place
Mishawaka, IN
574-243-1654

**Other Christian**
Calvary Baptist Church
3001 West Cleveland Road
South Bend, IN
574-272-8334
cbcconnect.org

Hope City Church
3717 S. Michigan St.
South Bend, IN
574-291-5230
southgate.cc
Caroline Street Church of Christ  
1827 Caroline Street  
South Bend, IN  
574-287-5603

Christ the King Lutheran Church (ECLA)  
17195 Cleveland Road  
South Bend, IN  
574-272-4306  
tkluth.com

Clay United Methodist  
17646 Cleveland Road  
South Bend, IN  
574-272-8068  
claychurch.com

Community Baptist Church  
5715 Miami St.  
South Bend, IN  
574-291-1884  
communitybaptist.com

Episcopal Cathedral of Saint James  
117 North Lafayette Boulevard  
South Bend, IN  
574-232-4837  
stjamessouthbend.org

Faith Temple Church of God in Christ  
2313 Linden Avenue  
South Bend, IN  
574-232-1719  
southbendfaith.com

First Church of God  
33180 US 12  
Niles, MI  
269-683-8848  
nilesfirstchurch.com

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church  
1021 Manchester Drive  
South Bend, IN  
574-232-9418

Granger Community Church (Non-denominational)  
630 University Drive East  
Granger, IN  
574-243-3500  
gccwired.com

St. Michael & All Angels Episcopal Church  
53720 North Ironwood  
South Bend, IN  
574-243-0632  
stmic.org

St. Paul’s Episcopal Church  
616 Lincolnway East  
Mishawaka, IN  
574-255-9090  
www.stpaulsmishawaka.org

Trinity Evangelical Free Church  
61770 Miami Road  
South Bend, IN  
574-291-4741  
tefs.org

The Vineyard Church  
16219 Jackson Road  
Mishawaka, IN  
574-257-1924  
thevineyard.org

Westminster Presbyterian (PC U.S.A.)  
1501 West Cleveland Road  
South Bend, IN  
574-272-8141
COMMUNITY SERVICE

Opportunities to Serve the Local Community

As someone interested in Notre Dame’s philosophy of “educating a different kind of lawyer,” you may be searching for community service opportunities in the South Bend area. And for those of you concerned with the demands of first year studies, you may find that spending a few hours in community service is a fulfilling and relaxing study break.

As you advance in your legal career, you will find that a law degree combined with your specialized training give you unique opportunities and abilities to serve the community. The one-credit GALILEE (Group Alternative Live In Legal Education Experience) course is a three-day, group-designed program of public interest and legal aid exploration in the city of your choice over Christmas break. This program, available to 1Ls, attempts to reveal some of these opportunities so that you may carefully consider the direction and pursuits of your legal career. After your first year of studies, you may participate in the Notre Dame Legal Aid Clinic. The Public Interest Law Forum gives law students grants for unpaid summer internship positions in legal aid and public interest. There are also a number of highly competitive, alumni-sponsored summer public interest internships throughout the country. The Career Development Office is another great resource for career direction and networking in the legal aid and public interest fields.

However, you don’t need a law degree to serve the community. Various organizations within the Law School participate in community service activities throughout the year. These activities include raising funds for disaster relief and for people in need in the South Bend and larger community, collecting clothing for the YWCA Women’s Shelter, sponsoring blood drives at the Law School, and providing Thanksgiving dinners to area families in need. The Student Bar Association has a Service Committee that plans a Halloween party for the Boys and Girls Club, an Easter party, a day at an ND baseball game, and various other activities. If you’d rather get involved off campus many local organizations in the area need volunteers as well. The following is a list of local agencies’ contact information.

AIDS Ministries/AIDS Assistance
Latomya Greene

Volunteers work with both clients and staff of this agency that support and enhance the lives of those infected with or affected by HIV and AIDS.

Alzheimer’s Services of Northern Indiana/Milton Adult Day Services
Barbara Dzikowski

Volunteers work with participants at a Day Center in activities such as board games, crafts, pool, woodworking (with volunteer supervision), assist with serving meals and snacks, and general support in keeping participants actively involved.

American Red Cross
Mark Druyos

Volunteer positions include giving disaster preparedness presentations in schools and the community, working with refugee clients, instructing CPR/First Aid classes, and working on various projects throughout the chapter.
BASS Club
The ‘Bend Area Service/Sports/and Social’ Club provides a variety of opportunities for service in the South Bend community. Recent projects have included Habitat for Humanity, Toys for Tots, Pack-a-Backpack, and park and neighborhood clean-ups. ‘BASS’ aims to integrate individuals new to Michiana by providing a way to meet new people and new areas of the community through service, sporting, and social events. Email: main@theclubmichiana.com

Big Brothers Big Sisters
Laurie Morlan
574-232-9958
This program provides one-to-one child mentoring for school-age children in St. Joseph County. Spend time with a child off-campus on a weekly to bi-monthly basis.

Boys & Girls Club
Vicki Gesche
574-232-2048
Provide youth development programs for school-aged youth in an after-school environment. Serve as mentors, group leaders, and coaches to the kids.

Broadway Christian Parish
Robin Emenaker
574-289-0333
Volunteers assist with organizing the food pantry, distributing toiletries, monitoring the computer lab and hospitality drop-in center, and serving the Sunday community dinner.

Cardinal Nursing and Rehabilitation Center
Sara Hawn
574-287-6501
Volunteers are needed to visit clients on a one-to-one basis and organize evenings of bingo.

CASIE Center
Caroline Hahn
574-282-1414
CASIE Center provides services for abused and neglected children. Volunteers assist staff with both routine duties and special projects that benefits children and their families.

Catholic Charities
Claire Coleman
574-234-3111, ext. 33
Catholic Charities offers a variety of services. Volunteers can help with the food pantry, coordinate food drives and assist with office work.

Catholic Worker House
Women’s House
574-287-7734
Men’s House
574-235-0623
Volunteers can offer hospitality to people in need, help prepare evening meal, talk with guests, collect food from farmer's market, provide manual labor at drop-in center downtown and pick up furniture donations.

Center for the Homeless
Dr. Peter Lombardo
574-282-8700
Volunteers can provide education, training, rehabilitation, housing placement, and job placement programs and services to in-residence guests. Volunteers can tutor adults seeking GED, assist in job retention programs, help at front desk and exercise room, read to, play with, and mentor children.
Charles Martin Youth Center
Gladys Muhammad  574-289-1066 ext. 205
Volunteers work with children in after-school tutoring programs, computer skills training for kids, conflict resolution programs, and to help clean-up grounds and inside the building.

Chiara Home
Sister Gretchen  574-287-5435
Chiara Home provides temporary out-of-home respite care for people with special needs. Volunteers are needed to assist with personal care of guests (i.e. feeding, entertaining, companionsing, cooking meals). Volunteers also assist staff with routine duties, special projects and activities, and help update the webpage.

Children's Dispensary "A Place To Be Me"
Evelyn Goad  574-234-1169
This organization aims to enhance the learning of people with special needs. Volunteers can mentor children with social and cognitive impairments and assist the children in various social and recreation activities.

Corvilla, Inc.
Diane Dolde  574-289-9779
This small organization provides loving homes and services for people with developmental disabilities. They are seeking volunteers to help with “fun” activities for residents (i.e., bowling, picnics, dances, hayrides, and movies).

Dismas of Michiana (Dismas House)
Maria Kaczmarek  574-233-8522
This is a faith-based re-entry program that provides housing and services to adults returning from incarceration so they can successfully adjust to society. The former offenders share the house with local college students and together, they create a positive living environment.

El Campito Day Care Center
Laura Jensen  574-232-0220
The focus at this center is to promote the educational, social, and economic success of culturally diverse children and their families, by providing quality programs and services to those most in need. Volunteers are needed to provide homework assistance for the after-school program, provide Spanish translation for written materials, provide child care assistance for evening meetings, and assist with fund raising activities.

Family Justice Center of St. Joseph County
Annie Envall  574-234-6900
This organization works with victims of domestic and sexual violence to help them and their children break free from the cycle of violence. Volunteers can offer resources for victims of domestic violence, play with children, answer phones, and/or welcome guests.

Family and Children Center
Kregg Van Meter  574-968-9660
Join the Family Partners program to take a child to your place of worship or become a sponsor if you can give 3-4 hours per month sharing activities with a child.
Food Bank of Northern Indiana
Lisa Jaworski
Volunteer to feed hungry people and advocate on their behalf. Service could include sorting donated food product; helping with phones, filing and data entry, or developing marketing pieces (web and brochure).

Hannah's House
Nanci Zehner
Organization aimed at providing shelter, programming and staff support for the physical, emotional and spiritual well being of pregnant young women. Volunteers are needed for light administrative work, cleaning, yard work, light cooking, and childcare.

Harbor Light Hospice
Jody Combino
Volunteers provide companionship, spiritual support, music therapy, bereavement services, and administrative support to the patients and their families.

Healthwin Specialized Care
Karen Martindale
Healthcare for the geriatric, head injured, dementia, and Alzheimer populations. Entertain and share life experiences, play cards, board games and computer games with residents, help residents with scrapbooking, keep bulletin boards updated, help with special events, decorate for holidays, entertain residents with music and help with ND tailgate parties.

Home Management Resources
Elena Flynn
Home Management Resources is a charitable organization dedicated to strengthening the family. Volunteer positions exist in childcare, clerical, and computer technology.

Hope Ministries
Meg Place
This is a faith-based homeless shelter for men, women, and families. Volunteers serve as adult education tutor, early childhood education assistant, front desk receptionist, case manager assistant, development/PR assistance with the annual Street Count of sheltered and unsheltered homeless men, women and children in the community.

Indiana Legal Services
Heather Mezosi
ILS is funded to provide free legal representation to low income persons in civil matters. ILS seeks volunteers to serve as Intake Workers to assist potential clients with the application process and summarize legal problems for Staff Attorney review.

La Casa De Amistad
Jazmin Garcia
La Casa is a youth and community center serving the Latino population. Volunteers are needed for afterschool program, food pantry, tutoring ESL students, preparing newsletter, website updates, and data entry.
LaSalle Council, Boys Scouts of America
Arne Landsverk 574-289-0337
A youth development agency committed to strengthening the lives of kids. Work on a weekly or bi-weekly schedule with the Scouts from various groups around the South Bend area.

Life Treatment Centers, Inc.
Julia Shapiro 574-233-5433
Volunteers work in many different areas of our treatment facility, including assisting in staffing the residential and detoxification areas, kitchen help, clients follow up, tutoring, front desk staffing, maintenance assisting, chart breakdown and assisting our group facilitators and administrative staff. Volunteers assist persons with addictions to gambling, alcohol and chemical dependencies.

Literacy Council of St. Joseph County, Inc.
Paula Lambo 574-235-9781
This program helps to elevate the quality of life in our community by promoting and improving functional literacy. Volunteers are needed for one-to-one tutoring of adults and Spanish literacy.

Logan Community Resources
Nichole Maguire 574-289-4831, ext. 1043
This organization supports people with disabilities in achieving their desired quality of life. Assist with social skills classes, tutoring, and a teen social group at the Autism center.

Memorial Hospital of South Bend
Jeanne Blad 574-647-7084; 574-647-6495
Volunteers needed to push patients in wheelchairs, staff information desks and assist on floors.

Milton Adult Day Services
Norma Napoli 574-232-2666
A therapeutic activities-based program that serves adults who need supervision during the day. Many participants have Alzheimer's disease or dementia. Assist with activities and work one-on-one with clients or small groups of clients for mental or physical exercises.

Northern Indiana Center for History
Deb Neumann 574-235-9664, ext. 239
Volunteers serve as docents in the Oliver Mansion and the Worker's House, help at special events, serve as greeters in the front lobby at the Center for special events, digitize(scan) photos in the Archives, help with mailings, help in the Museum Store, and may be selected for internships in the Education Department/Marketing.

Portage Manor
Toni Grisham 574-272-9100
Volunteers are needed to pay regular visits to individual residents who have no family. There are also opportunities for students who do needle work. Group volunteer opportunities are also available.
Potawatomi Zoo
Kelly Ulrich
potawatomizoo.org
574-235-9800
The zoo in South Bend has many opportunities for students to volunteer, including presentations and fundraisers.

REAL Services
Dee Pasternak
realservices.org
574-284-7138
Volunteers work with the elderly and disabled. Assist clients with lawn care, grocery shopping, light housekeeping and friendly visiting, deliver meals at noon to homebound, advocate for Guardianship and Ombudsman program.

Reins of Life
Chris Flowers
reinsoflife.org
574-232-0853
Volunteers act as horse leaders or side walkers for people with disabilities during therapeutic horseback riding classes. There are also opportunities to help with special events and care for horses.

Robinson Community Learning Center
Jay Caponigro
rclc.nd.edu
574-631-8759
This organization aims to welcome community and Notre Dame partners and strengthen the Northeast Neighborhood of South Bend through relationship-building and educational opportunities. Volunteers are needed for tutoring, GED preparation, computer classes, art classes, exercise classes, and more.

Ronald McDonald Family Room at Memorial Hospital
Kellie Montgomery
rmhc.michiana.org
574-647-7711
Work shifts of three hours, one day a month, to help with mailings and special events to provide respite for families of hospitalized children.

St. Margaret’s House
Patricia Marvel
stmargaretshouse.org
574-234-7795
The House is open to adult women and girls and boys under twelve. Volunteers are needed for cooking and kitchen help, receptionist work, tutoring, assisting with donations, assisting with food pantry, assisting with art program, interacting with children, interacting with women, assisting with clothes closet, and miscellaneous jobs as needed.

St. Vincent De Paul Society
Dale Seely
svdpsb.org
574-234-6000
Volunteers work in the thrift store to prepare used goods for sale and help with special projects at Christmas. Anyone organizing a food or clothing drive can work through this grassroots organization.
Sisters of the Holy Cross
Lee Ann Moore 574-284-5678
Focus is to provide a strong network of volunteer visitation working one-on-one with Sisters assisting with reading, computer e-mail, letter writing, trivia and other social programs. Volunteers needed: Table game players, readers, musicians (especially piano players), activity cart, garden walks, group workshop leaders, decorating and helping with special events and many other fun activities too numerous to list.

South Bend Community School Corporation Adult Education sbsc.k12.in.us/AdultEd/index.htm
Gayle Silver 574-283-7505
Volunteers work individually or in small groups with adult students (16 years of age and older) who are studying basic academic, job, life skills (including literacy), learning English as a Second Language (ESL), and/or preparing for the GED exam.

South Bend Juvenile Correctional Facility in.gov
Beverly Williams 574-232-8808, ext. 350
This is a medium to very-high security juvenile correctional facility for males between the ages of 12 and 18. Volunteer to tutor and mentor boys and offer religious services.

Southern Care Hospice southerncareinc.com
Sarah Fox 574-259-0895
Volunteers are needed to do everything from patient sitting while a care-giver gets out for a short while for a much-needed break to bringing a rented movie and a bag of popcorn to share with a lonely elderly person in a nursing facility. They can also work in the office filing, assembling packets, and shredding.

Take Ten rclc.nd.edu/programs/take-ten/
Ellen Kyes 574-631-8759
This program offers conflict resolution education curriculum that teaches youth to respond to conflict non-violently. Student volunteers are trained to work in teams to go to local schools once per week and implement the curriculum. Students plan and teach the lessons to all grades of children.

The Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, Inc. centerforhospice.org/
Amy Tribbett 574-243-3711
Provide respite and companionship to patients and families on a weekly basis or assist with light housekeeping, errands, and some personal care, to improve the quality of living for patients facing the end of their lives.

Twenty-First Century Scholars www.in.gov/ssaci/2345.htm
Anthony Byrd 1-888-528-4719
Volunteers assist with enrollment, mentoring, campus visits, service learning projects, clerical assistance, parental support and chaperoning activities. They can build a volunteer position to meet your schedule and interests.
United Religious Community
Rev. William J. Wassner 574-282-2397
urcsjc.org

Work to encourage religious cooperation and understanding, effect constructive changes in society, and advocate for those seeking help to meet life's basic needs. Help those with basic needs issues or provide administrative assistance.

Women’s Care Center
Deborah Allen 574-234-0363
womenscarecenter.org

Volunteers assist pregnant women and couples by helping them gather the resources that they need to complete the pregnancy. Volunteers are also needed for counseling and childcare assistance for clients.

Youth Service Bureau
Christina McGovern 574-235-9231, ext. 21
ysbsjc.org

The Youth Services Bureau has several day and evening service opportunities including supervision and recreation for teens living at the runaway shelter, providing supervision for small children during monthly educational meetings for their parents, and staffing the newly created helpline. Hours of service are geared to student needs.

YWCA of St. Joseph County
Laney Dietrich 574-287-9622
michianaymca.org

Volunteers serve as children’s activity aids, clerical assistants, mentors, court monitors, as well as cover crisis lines, sort donations, assist in the kitchen, provide transportation, create welcome bags, plan parties for clients, and help with food drives.
Unlike at many other law schools, at Notre Dame it is quite common for law students to get involved in the larger campus community. Current students have been liturgical choir members, symphony orchestra members, assistant rectors, assistant coaches for the fencing and crew teams, involved in service organizations, and Mass volunteers. Although it might seem like you need to stay in and study, getting involved can really help maintain your sanity, especially during your 1L year. Non-law related activities and people can give you a much needed break from the law school bubble. Trust us: it’s good for your social life to hang out with people who don’t make law-related jokes and won’t laugh at yours when you make them (and believe us, you will).

**Notre Dame Center for Social Concerns (CSC)**

The Center for Social Concerns is a service and community-based learning center here at the University of Notre Dame. The Center provides educational experiences in social concerns inspired by Gospel values and Catholic social tradition by sending students out into various service and experiential learning placements. Check out the web site: [centerforsocialconcerns.nd.edu](http://centerforsocialconcerns.nd.edu)

**Student Activities Office**

The Student Activities Office strives to enhance the overall educational experience of the students and serves the campus community through development of, exposure to, participation in, and assistance with intellectual, spiritual, cultural, recreational, social, leadership, and employment opportunities. The Office also fosters an environment that values differences, the freedom of expression and the holistic development of students. A full listing of student organizations (including those outside the Law School) is available online at [http://sao.nd.edu](http://sao.nd.edu)

**Campus Ministry**

Campus Ministry offers students the opportunity to serve in various lay liturgical ministries. Training is offered at the beginning of each semester for opportunities to participate at Mass in various positions (lector, altar server, usher). Once you have been trained, you will be assigned a few Masses throughout the semester. Everyone who is trained gets to serve at least once. Campus Ministry also runs RCIA and sacrament preparation classes for students and coordinates with PRE programs throughout the diocese – students can serve as teachers in either capacity. For information about assisting at liturgies, please contact Harv Humphrey in Campus Ministry. [http://campusministry.nd.edu/](http://campusministry.nd.edu/)

**Choirs**

There are several choirs that sing at the various Masses held on campus each week. These include the Basilica Schola, Notre Dame Liturgical Choir, Notre Dame Women’s Liturgical Choir, and the Notre Dame Folk Choir. For information about Basilica Choirs, please contact Daniel Bayless at 574-631-6536.

There are also three choirs offered through the Music Department: Notre Dame Chorale, Notre Dame Glee Club, and Notre Dame Collegium. For information about the Music Department Choirs, please contact Alexander Blachly at 574-631-5105 or [blachly.3@nd.edu](mailto:blachly.3@nd.edu)
Graduate Student Union (GSO)

The GSO exists to improve the quality of life for all graduate students at the university. For more information call 574-631-6963.

Knights of Columbus

Notre Dame features the nation’s oldest collegiate K of C council, Notre Dame Council 1477. Housed in their former-post-office headquarters, just across the quad from the Law School, the Knights have biweekly meetings and perform a wide range of charitable works off campus and social events on campus. Plus, they cook campus’s best game day food: Steak sandwiches so good they’ve been featured on ESPN.  http://www3.nd.edu/~knights/index.php

SafeWalk

Help keep our campus safe by participating in SafeWalk. SafeWalk is a program by which Notre Dame students can call 634-BLUE to have a student escort walk them from any point on campus after dark. SafeWalkers are student employees of the Security Police department, have photo ID cards and are in radio contact with the Security Police Communication Center. Hours are 8:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m. during the academic year. http://www.nd.edu/visitors/security-on-campus/

“The Notre Dame community is a family, from freshmen to the dining hall employees to the oldest alumni. We all share the common experience of having been connected to this great university, and the strength of that bond sets us apart from other universities. Notre Dame feels like a small, close-knit community, but with the resources and notoriety of a much larger institution. Within NDLS specifically, the community is more collaborative than competitive, which is not true of all law schools.”

Chris DeLillo
Class of 2016
NOTRE DAME TRADITIONS

A Rich History

It is very possible that few colleges (and undoubtedly even fewer law schools) are so rich in the history and tradition that make the collegiate atmosphere so much fun. At the root of much of Notre Dame’s tradition is its football team. On football weekends, the campus bustles with tens of thousands of visitors from all over the world clamoring to take part in the traditions of Notre Dame. Take some time away from your books to enjoy the rich history that is Notre Dame. For greater depth on Notre Dame traditions and some wonderful campus photos, visit www.archives.nd.edu/ringel, but here are a few traditions to help you become acclimated:

How did a school in Indiana become the “Fighting Irish?”
While the true etymology of the “Fighting Irish” is unknown, two stories endure. One suggests that while Notre Dame was leading Northwestern 5-0 at halftime, Northwestern students began to chant, “Kill the Fighting Irish, Kill the Fighting Irish.” Another story suggests that one Notre Dame player chastised his teammates during a 1909 halftime in Michigan when Notre Dame was trailing by saying, “What’s the matter with you guys? You’re all Irish and you’re not fighting worth a lick.”

Law School Specific Traditions
✦ 3L “100 Days” Parties – Starting 100 days before graduation, the 3Ls hold parties for themselves every 10 days leading up to the final farewell. 1Ls and 2Ls also invited – we are a family, after all.
✦ Fall Ball and Barrister’s Ball – one semi-formal, one formal, both great occasions to get all dressed up for a night with friends.
✦ Father Mike Show/WLF Auction – one of the highlights of the spring semester, the Father Mike Show is a talent show of sorts, with law students and faculty strutting their stuff on stage. In between acts, the Women’s Legal Forum auctions off a number of items donated by faculty and staff. Past donations by professors include meals at their home, canoe trip, poker night and trivia night. You’ve got to see it to believe it!
✦ Bowling – Every spring ND law students come together for some good clean bowling fun (including 1Ls – yes, you will have time). Grab a group of 6-10 friends, pick a team name, make t-shirts, and come out once a week for two hours of relaxation (told you you’d have time). It can be as competitive or goofy as you like.
Other Traditions

♣ **The Knute Rockne Memorial Building** – Students rub the nose on the bust of Knute Rockne for good luck on their final exams.

♣ **The Golden Dome** – While not “enforced” it is said that only those who are alumni of Notre Dame may walk up or down the front steps of the Main Building. Those of us who have yet to earn our degrees should enter and leave at ground level.

The Fight Song
The Notre Dame Victory March is easily the most recognizable fight song in all of collegiate athletics. It is a fixture at the pep rallies, marches, and football games.

Rally sons of Notre Dame:
Sing her glory and sound her fame,
Raise her Gold and Blue
And cheer with voices true:
Rah, rah, for Notre Dame
We will fight in ev’ry game,
Strong of heart and true to her name
We will ne’er forget her
And will cheer her ever
Loyal to Notre Dame
Cheer, cheer for old Notre Dame,
Wake up the echoes cheering her name,
Send a volley cheer on high,
Shake down the thunder from the sky.
What though the odds be great or small
Old Notre Dame will win over all,
While her loyal sons are marching
Onward to victory.

The Alma Mater
After a football game, the team and the fans sing the University alma mater. This is truly one of those moments when you realize that you are not merely a student—you are part of a family.

Notre Dame, our Mother
Tender, strong, and true
Proudly in thy heavens,
Gleams thy gold and blue.
Glory’s mantle cloaks thee,
Golden is thy fame,
And our hearts forever
Praise thee Notre Dame,
And our hearts forever
Love thee Notre Dame.
Athletics

Class, Brass, & Kicks (Butt)

Athletic Department

Just the mention of Notre Dame suggests images of legends—National Championships, NCAA tournament appearances, New Year’s Day Bowl Games. With colors of Navy Blue and Gold, and the occasional Kelly Green for good luck, the Fighting Irish mystique makes the University of Notre Dame’s athletic department the most storied collegiate program in the country. Its rich history is embedded with tales of heroes who have overcome overwhelming odds to lead the Irish to victory. A truly national University, the Irish sports teams are comprised of athletes from coast-to-coast, and you’re sure to find at least one “subway alumnus” in every city across the country.

Compton Family Center

This two rink, 212,000 square feet, state-of-the-art facility has served as the home of the Irish hockey team since October 2011. The arena houses the Lefty Smith rink (the main competition rink) and an Olympic rink. Coach Jeff Jackson and his coaching squad have made the Irish into a top national program, including winning the 2012-13 CCHA Championship, six trips to the NCAA tournament in the past ten years, and a trip to the 2011 Frozen Four. Do not be fooled into thinking the arena is exclusively reserved for the hockey team though. Throughout the year, it serves as a place of recreation for the campus and surrounding community. Activities include intramural sports, drop-in hockey, figure skating, public skating, and various classes that are available for both kids and adults. Information on the activities, skate times, and ice schedules can be found at: www.und.com/sports/comptonarena.

Joyce Center

Notre Dame’s legendary double-domed home of basketball, fencing, volleyball, and swimming. Named after former executive vice-president and chairman of the Faculty Board on Athletics, Father Joyce, the Joyce Center houses Notre Dame’s athletic offices in addition to several varsity teams. It opened in the fall of 1968 and has just finished renovation. Within the past several years, the building has hosted other community events, including a U2 concert, World Wrestling Federation shows, and the Harlem Globe Trotters show.

Facilities and Teams

From legendary Notre Dame Stadium to the Joyce Center to the one-of-a-kind Loftus Field House, which boasts the finest indoor track-and-field complex not in a dome, the Irish sporting venues are about a five minute walk from anywhere on campus. Fall sports include football, women’s volleyball, cross-country, and men’s and women’s soccer. Winter sports include ice hockey, fencing, men’s and women’s swimming, and men’s and women’s basketball. Spring sports include baseball, softball, men’s and women’s tennis, men’s and women’s lacrosse, men’s and women’s track-and-field, men’s and women’s golf, and rowing.

National Championships

The men’s soccer team are national champions as well as the women’s soccer team. The men’s team captured its national championship in 2013, demonstrating again that championship caliber play is expected under the Golden Dome. Notre Dame has claimed over 30 team national championships. The Irish fencing team has racked up eight national championships, the most recent being in 2011, and the women’s basketball team captured the national title in 2001. Notre Dame football
has won more national championships (11) and hosted more Heisman Trophy winners (7) than any other program in the nation. The football team hasn’t captured a national championship since 1988, but expectations are high and Domers across the country are hopeful the luck of the Irish will return soon.

**Student Section**

Notre Dame students love their varsity teams, and they are some of the best fans in the nation. Well over 90% of the Notre Dame student-body attends football games, a weekly rite of passage on the typical fall Notre Dame weekend. Standing upon the wooden bleachers in the Notre Dame student section, one can be sure to leave the stadium feeling somewhat hoarse – certainly in merriment of another football triumph.

Support for the basketball team is no less energetic. Often affectionately referred to as the “Leprechaun Legion,” the Irish hoops fans know how to show their support for the guys and gals on the hardwood. The same goes for the faithful who turn out for soccer, volleyball, hockey, and the many other competitive and entertaining athletic teams.

Regardless of the sport or season, Notre Dame athletics are a fun, unique, and special aspect of student life under the Dome.

**Pep Rallies**

The appetizer for the Notre Dame Football Weekend is the traditional Friday evening pep rally. The rally normally attracts high-profile speakers and holds an electric capacity crowd on the edge of their feet. In the past, Irish legends such as Joe Montana, Tim Brown, and Daniel E. “Rudy” Reuttiger have spoken to the fans. These rockin’ events ensure that the Irish faithful are ready to support the team on Saturday.

**Bookstore Basketball**

Some schools have Gus Macker tournaments, we have Bookstore Basketball. Bookstore Basketball, the largest 5-on-5 tournament in the world, is held in April every year. It is wildly popular (nearly 700 teams compete), and a wonderful respite before exams. It’s so well-known, it’s even sponsored by Adidas. Law School teams frequently participate in the tournament, with mixed success. Last year they finished in 2nd place. Their website has all sorts of fascinating information (for instance, did you know that Tim Brown participated in Bookstore Basketball and won a Heisman Trophy?). Visit [www.nd.edu/~bkstr](http://www.nd.edu/~bkstr) for more information.

**Baraka Bouts**

The women of Notre Dame have an opportunity to box in the Baraka Bouts. The Baraka Bouts are only a few years old. But they are just as intense and entertaining as Bengal Bouts. Visit [http://www3.nd.edu/~wboxing/index.html](http://www3.nd.edu/~wboxing/index.html)
Although it is a lesser known tradition outside of Notre Dame, the Bengal Bouts represent a very important ND tradition. For over 75 years, the men of Notre Dame have fought under this mantra in the spirit of charity. The Bengal Bouts is an activity of the Notre Dame Men's Boxing Club and is the largest amateur boxing tournament in the world. More than just a boxing tournament, though, the Bengal Bouts is a charity fundraiser for the Holy Cross missions in Bangladesh (thus, the “Bengal”).

The Bouts started, as so many other ND traditions, with Knute Rockne. In the early 20th century the University, strapped for cash, put the then-varsity boxing team on the chop block after a winless season. Knute stepped in, sensing an excellent off-season conditioning program for his football players. He turned the varsity team into an intramural competition. With his God-given wisdom, Knute also tied the competition to a missionary purpose, thereby ensuring the tournament’s longevity at ND.

The Law School has a strong winning tradition in the Bouts. Every year a group of about 10 students competes, and several have made it to the championship round. You’re very likely to know at least one champion during your time here. Training for novices starts late second semester. 1Ls can either view this as some MUCH needed stress relief, or a hindrance to their studying. If you’re managing your time properly, you can afford at least a few visits per week to the boxing gym. Training in earnest begins first day of undergrad classes, second semester. Visit http://bengalbouts.nd.edu/ for more information.
**Remain Active Off Campus**

**Solace Yoga**

*Location:* 620 West Edison Road, Suite 132, Mishawaka IN 46545  
574-855-4111

Popular among students for their weekly ½ off student night. Two minutes from campus.

**Tu Sei Bella**

*Location:* 307 Florence Avenue, Granger, IN 46530  
574-217-8436

Zumba Step and Zumba Sentao, Step ‘n’ Tone, Barre Cardio Dance classes.

**Cross Fit**

*Locations:* 233 Florence Avenue, Granger, IN 46530  
574-243-0061  
3927 North Home Street, Mishawaka, IN 46545  
574-360-0966
ND FOOTBALL

It’s Not Just Football, It’s NOTRE DAME Football
http://gameday.nd.edu/

Things you should know about Notre Dame Football:

Victories

Legendary Players and Coaches
A few notables include: Knute Rockne, Lou Holtz, Ara Parseghian, the Four Horsemen, Joe Montana, Tim Brown, Paul Hornung, and Joe Theismann.

Notre Dame Stadium
The house that Knute Rockne built is one of the most hallowed stadiums in the history of college and professional sports. Although Notre Dame’s enrollment is just over 11,000 students, our stadium has a capacity of more than 80,000. Don’t worry though, the stadium has been full for over 200 straight games. Although the stadium’s size is impressive, it is the history and tradition that make it such an important part of Notre Dame. Every weekend the faithful stream into South Bend and turn Notre Dame’s picturesque campus into an enormous football festival.

Movies You Have To See:
Knute Rockne: All American
In possibly his most famous role, Ronald Reagan plays George Gipp, former Notre Dame football player in this biographical picture that traces the life of former Notre Dame football player and coach, Knute Rockne.

Rudy
Rudy is the classic story of Rudy Ruettiger, an undersized Notre Dame undergraduate who fulfilled his dream of playing football for the Irish. Rudy is often considered one of the greatest sports movies in recent history. (Fun fact: Vince Vaughn has a brief role in the movie.)
Pre-Game Activities

A home football “weekend” in the shadow of the Golden Dome starts as early as Wednesday. That is when you first start to notice the many, many fans. These are not just people coming to the game; these are people on a pilgrimage to one of the meccas of American sport.

So while you start to feel the beginning of the home football weekends on Wednesday and Thursday, the festivities truly kick off on Friday at noon with the football luncheon in the Joyce Center. The luncheons are opportunities to meet with Irish coaches and players, and the keynote speaker is always Notre Dame’s head coach, Brian Kelly. By mid-afternoon the “buzz” on campus is evident: the marching band performs, the parking lots fill, and the Hammes Bookstore looks like Wal-Mart at noon on Christmas Eve as the Fighting Irish fans stock up on gear for the game.

Friday’s events culminate in the famous Friday-night pep rallies. Don’t be deceived by the title – this is not your average pep rally! The pep rallies are either on the Irish Green or in the JACC. The Irish Green opens at 4:00 PM and is free to the public. The gates to the Joyce Center (or the stadium) usually open at 5:30 p.m. and by the time the “Best Band in the Land” marches in at 6:30 p.m., the arena is packed to the rafters with 12,000 fired-up fans. The pep rallies feature cheerleaders, the Notre Dame band, the football players and coaching staff, and special featured guests. Past guests have run the gamut from Wayne Gretzky to Dick Vitale, Regis Philbin to Joe Montana, and Dusty Baker to Jenny McCarthy. After the pep rally it’s off to some of the famous sports bars around South Bend to rub elbows with alumni, fans, and fellow students. Don’t miss out on the Midnight Drummer’s Circle.

Saturdays are game days and they are packed with activity. Most people start their day off with a trip to the Grotto to light a candle and tour through the Basilica, where you might see the team going to Mass. After seeing the team walk across campus from Mass you might be hungry, so grab a bratwurst and a soda from one of the dozens of student-run concession stands set up on the quads or one of the famous steak sandwiches at the Knights of Columbus Center across the South Quad from the Law School. Another must see on game days is the band’s “Concert on the Steps” at Bond Hall, an hour and a half before kick-off, where you can hear the best college fight song in the land, the Notre Dame Victory March. After the concert, you can watch the inspection of the Irish Guard before the band marches into the stadium. By now it’s probably time to check out the open air tailgating parties going on in the parking lots surrounding the stadium.

Game time is almost always 3:30 p.m. But the TV coverage doesn’t matter because one of the best fringe benefits of being a law student at Notre Dame is getting to buy football season tickets in the student section, often somewhere in the vicinity of the 20-yard line. So after tailgating, grab your ticket booklet and ID, and head over to the stadium. Don’t forget to bring comfortable shoes – the students at Notre Dame stand for the entire game. Several hours later, feeling tired and hopefully very happy (because Notre Dame won) you file out of the stadium and either participate in some post-game tailgating or head over to the Law School for a post-game reception. The reception in the Law School lounge for alumni and students is a great opportunity to network with visiting ND law alumni.
**Timeline Of Events For Football Traditions**

**Friday:**
4:00 p.m. ...Trumpets under the Dome
4:20 p.m. ....Warm up at the Dome
4:30 p.m. ...Notre Dame Marching Band has a practice march from the Main Building to the practice field
4:50 p.m. ....Rehearsal on Practice Field
6:00 p.m. ...Pep Rally begins
12:00 a.m. ..Drummer’s circle near the Main Building

**Saturday:**
6 hours before the game: .................. Step off at Ricci Band Hall
2.5 hours before the game: .................. Visit from the ND Band and Cheerleaders on the Irish Green
2 hours before the game: .................... Glee Club Concert on the Irish Green
1.5 hours before the game: .................. Concert on the Steps (Marching Band) – Bond Hall steps
1 hour before the game: ...................... Trumpets play in the Main Building rotunda
45 minutes before the game: ............... Band marches from the Main Building to the Stadium
30 minutes after the game: .................. Mass at the Basilica and Stepan Center
30 minutes after the game: ............... Candlelight dinner at South Dining Hall (most games)
45 minutes after the game: .................. Mass at Stepan Center

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**The 2015 Notre Dame Football Schedule:**

September 5....................TEXAS
September 12..................at Virginia
September 19...............GEORGIA TECH
September 26...............MASSACHUSETTS
October 3...............at Clemson
October 10.................NAVY
October 17.................USC
October 31...............at Temple
November 7 .................at Pittsburgh
November 14..............WAKE FOREST
November 21..............Boston College (at Fenway Park)
November 28..............at Stanford
As a Notre Dame student you are guaranteed the opportunity to buy season tickets for a seat (or, more accurately, a “stand”) at the Irish home football games. The ticket process is relatively easy and painless. The Athletic Department often revises the process, but here are the basics of the system.

To purchase a student season ticket, you must be enrolled as a full-time, degree-seeking student. Football tickets are delivered electronically for use as a mobile ticket on your smartphone or as a print-at-home ticket, if you do not own a smartphone. Tickets are emailed to you the week of the first home game, and you will be sent a mobile pdf version. Both versions can be displayed on your mobile device to be scanned for entry. For those students without a smartphone, simply print the pdf version on an 8 1/2 by 11 inch sheet of paper. Your seating is based on a first come, first served basis on each game day. In other words, the longer you tailgate, the higher up you sit. Seating is general admission within the designated area for your class; graduate students are assigned sections 31 and 32. Student ticket purchases may be made with check or credit card. Prices for 2014 season were $245 with a $5 processing fee. You may request a second online ticket application to order a ticket for your spouse/child. Email the ticket office with your name, ndID and name of your spouse/child and they will make a second application available in your student account. The cost for their ticket is the same as a student ticket and you must provide a copy of your marriage license/birth certificate. Each year, the SBA creates a game day t-shirt for the law students. Purchase of this shirt is highly encouraged, partly because the motto is fine legal humor and partly because it makes locating fellow law students to sit with much easier.

On game day, enter through entrance E. The student entrance will open 90 minutes prior to kick-off. Your current student ID card must be presented with your ticket. Once you have your ticket, you may want to exchange it in some way. The rules on ticket exchange are restrictive and students may not trade their student ticket unless they participate in the student ticket exchange program. Check the website at und.com/student-tickets for information about the ticket exchange program.

The demand for Notre Dame football tickets, regardless of the kind of season we are having, is enormous and some people are willing to pay a lot of money for a ticket. Although you may be tempted to sell your ticket so you can afford to buy Prosser on Torts and the like, be aware of the Athletic Department’s Resale Policy. If you sell an individual ticket for more than face value, you lose ticket privileges for two years. If you sell your ticket booklet for more than face value, you lose ticket privileges for five years. Ticket privileges for repeat offenders may be permanently revoked.
Finally, Notre Dame Football is full of traditions, and student participation in cheering on the Irish is a proud one! At some time early in our 1L year, there will be a mock pep rally in which the “special guests” will teach you how to cheer on the Irish. Depending on their schedule of home games, one or two may go by before the SBA can get the appropriate guests to teach. If there is a home game prior to this mock rally, do not despair! Just do what everyone else is doing and you will catch on in no time.

Ticketing for Other Sports
Student season tickets for men’s basketball are handled differently, as there are only a limited number of tickets available to students. Basketball ticket rules are less strict than those for football. Individual tickets can be detached from a booklet and be used by any student with an ID so you can buy a book and share the tickets with your buddies. Tickets for games during academic breaks are much cheaper (and sometimes free), if you happen to be in town. General admission is charged at women’s basketball, hockey, baseball, women’s soccer, men’s soccer, and volleyball games, but students are admitted free with an ID. Admission is free for everyone at most other varsity sporting events. See http://www.und.com/student-tickets/ for more information.
Intramurals/Club Sports

Your Chance for Physical Activity or Stop Studying and Do Something Fun

Even though you’re in law school, you can still be active! In fact, many students find that participation in intramurals can be a great way to get your mind off the stresses of law school. Generally speaking, Notre Dame has two main gym facilities: Rolfs and ‘The Rock,’ which are free to students and open most of the day. You may find that having time to get to the gym is tougher now (was it ever easy?), but there are plenty of chances to get involved in organized leagues through RecSports or even the Law School itself.

Just after the start of the academic year begins, the RecSports office runs a flag football league where students can compete for a chance to play for the championship in Notre Dame Stadium. There are graduate student and open leagues. Teams can be single sex or co-ed. Sign-up is early in the semester, so be on the lookout for fliers in the Law School and at the two gyms on campus, Rolfs and ‘The Rock.’ Flag football is popular among the Law School students, and with teams like the “Bad News Barristers”, “Torts Illustrated” and “There’s 2 Ls in Football” prowling the intramural gridiron, the Law School almost always has a team in the stadium game. Join a team and help keep the tradition alive.

There are many other RecSports leagues held in the fall and winter. Soccer, both indoor and outdoor, is another law school favorite. For those students looking for a change from the norm, dodge ball, horseshoes, climbing, cycling, fishing, sailing, rugby or inner tube water polo are great options. Basketball starts after Fall Break in October, with another exciting playoff bracket. Just like in the football league, the IM basketball championship game is played where the varsity team plays – this time on the floor of the Joyce Center. Become an active member of the Notre Dame community. Click on Club Sports on the RecSports website for the exhaustive list of possibilities. http://recsports.nd.edu/club-sports/.

The spring season offers the most intramural diversity. Upon your return from Winter Break, the Law School bowling and basketball leagues await you. Ask any law student (we’ll call him “that guy”) and that guy will tell you that Thursday night bowling is one of the most popular activities during the spring semester. For basketball, the Law School has an informal league with competition among law students, mostly on week nights. Finally, once the ground thaws, RecSports offers the popular graduate softball league, among other enjoyable sports and games.

If you want any more information on any of these programs, you can visit the RecSports website at http://recsports.nd.edu/intramural-sports/. And, if you would like to join a fitness class, RecSports offers a variety of fitness programs to help you stay fit. You can find the fitness classes online: http://recsports.nd.edu/classes/fitness-classes/.
GROCERIES

Places to Buy Food, Drinks, and . . . Nine Irons?

The Usual Suspects

Aldi
Closest to Campus: 3410 Grape Road, Mishawaka
Other locations: 202 East Ireland Road, South Bend
3505 North Bendix Drive, South Bend
Unsurpassed for low prices, but the selection is always uncertain, and you must remember to bring your own bags and a quarter to rent a cart. But if you’re on a budget, its peccadillo’s are completely worth it. At times it is possible to get appliances and smaller kitchen gadgets for very cheap.

Costco
Closest to Campus: University Park Drive, Mishawaka (just down the road from Super Target)
Membership warehouse club with quality brand name merchandise.

Kroger
Closest to Campus: 2330 Hickory Road, Mishawaka
Other locations: 1217 East Ireland Road, South Bend; 4526 W. Western Avenue, South Bend
Typical grocery store – no bells and whistles, but the prices are fair. Be sure to get the discount card!

Martin’s
Closest to Campus: 2081 South Bend Avenue, South Bend (at the corner of State Road 23 and Ironwood)
Other locations: 7355 Heritage Square Drive, Mishawaka; 4401 Western Avenue, South Bend;
926 Erskine Plaza, South Bend; 12850 State Road 23, Granger; 314 North Ironwood Road, Mishawaka;
306 North Bittersweet Road, Mishawaka, 1302 Elwood Avenue, South Bend.
Chain supermarket local to the Michiana area. A typical big grocery store with some specialty items like sushi, a sizeable deli, and a not-too-shabby wine selection. The store at SR23 and Ironwood also houses a Starbucks outlet, has a good selection of prepared food (including excellent garlic mashed potatoes), great baked goods, and is open 6:00 a.m. to midnight. It also has a small café area that’s nice for studying. The store at Heritage Square Dr. (SR23 and Gumwood) is a 71,000-square-foot store which includes a two-story, open-concept Side Door Deli Café with seating for 188, free WiFi and a salad bar with over 70 items (and Starbucks Coffee). This new store has an excellent variety of natural and organic products as well as a large produce section. Martins-supermarkets.com

Meijer
Closest to Campus: 5020 Grape Road, Mishawaka
Other locations: 3600 North Portage Road, South Bend
The Midwest’s very own contribution to the super-store lineup. Even if you don’t buy anything, it is a must-see. You can buy a lobster, whipped cream, a nine-iron, a car battery and embroidery floss on the same trip. They also feature some self-checkout lanes – which come in handy on Sunday afternoons when everyone in Michiana descends on the place. Those of you coming from big cities will need resuscitation after seeing the prices. Best of all, it’s open 24 hours. Meijer.com
Sam’s Club
Closest to Campus: 120 Indian Ridge Boulevard, Mishawaka, next to Wal-Mart
A members-only shopping club like BJ’s or Costco. Everything is in bulk, which carries two benefits: lower prices and time savings. The hours aren’t as convenient as the other grocery stores in the area, but the saved money and time might compensate.samsclub.com/sams/

Super Target
Closest to Campus: 155 East University Drive, Granger (off Main Street in Mishawaka)
Other locations: 1400 East Ireland Road, South Bend
Another multi-service grocery/department store. Not as many extras as Meijer and Super Wal-Mart, but there is a pharmacy, photo lab and optical store as well as groceries and the usual department store fare.target.com

Wal-Mart Supercenter
Closest to Campus: 316 Indian Ridge Boulevard, Mishawaka
Other locations: 700 West Ireland Road, South Bend; 3701 Portage Road, South Bend
Wal-Mart may be the epitome of capitalism, but it’s hard to resist the low prices. Like a mini-city, it has everything you could possibly want. The locations are open 24 hours.

Whole Foods Market
Closest to Campus: 4230 Grape Road, Mishawaka
On the corner of Grape and Day Roads, this natural and organic foods supermarket. Wholefoodsmarket.com

And the Out-of-the-Ordinary

Asian Grocery Markets
Locations: Asian Food Market, 1837 South Bend Avenue, South Bend 574-271-5688
Saigon Market, 208 West Colfax, South Bend 574-289-7623
Mekong Oriental Market, 628 West Beardsley Avenue, Elkhart 574-522-7535
Oriental Market, 3618 Grape Road, Mishawaka 574-256-9305
Sari Sari Oriental Grocery, 231 East McKinley, Mishawaka 574-254-7274
The Indian Garden Grocery Store, 615 West Edison, Mishawaka 574-255-5600

Bamber’s Superette Food Market
Location: 1145 Mishawaka Avenue, South Bend 574-287-1871
Looking for a little gourmet? Bamber’s Superette is perfect if you’re looking for imported cheeses and meats, hard-to-find European brands, and wines from all over the world. Only about three miles from campus!

Fair Trade Coffee
Location: Sacred Heart Parish Center 574-631-7508
Fair Trade is a program that pays farmers a fair wage for their products, and ensures that the products are grown in environmentally sound conditions, without any civil rights abuses. The university offers bulk coffee, and will hopefully begin offering bananas and other products soon. FTC is also available in the dining halls.
Farmer’s Market

Location: 1105 Northside Boulevard (just north of the river), South Bend 574-282-1259

South Bend has one of the nation’s largest farmer-owned market. Local farmers sell their own products in season and imported produce at other times of the year, as well as bulk spices and organic meats at killer prices. Other merchants sell antiques and crafts. The obscenely good Great Harvest Bread Company also occupies a stall. It’s open year round, during the day on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. During growing season, there are additional hours on Friday. And it’s all inside, so you don’t have to worry about the weather. www.southbendfarmersmarket.com

Italian Markets

Locations: Bamber’s Superette, 1145 Mishawaka Avenue, South Bend 574-287-1871
Macri’s Italian Bakery, 214 North Niles, South Bend 574-282-1010
Oh Mamma’s Italian Deli, 1105 Northside Boulevard (located inside the Farmer’s Market)

Jaworski’s Market

Location: 58413 Crumstown Highway, South Bend 574-287-0091

Jaworski’s is your one-stop shop for specialty meats. Boar’s Head deli meats and cheeses, groceries, deer checking and processing, hog roasts, and event catering. They have been known to have the best polish sausage and jerky around! Homemade bacon available as well. Jaworskismarket.com

Organic & Natural Products

Locations: Down to Earth, 14678 State Road 23, Granger, downtoearthindiana.com 574-271-1497
Garden Patch Market, 228 West Edison Road, Mishawaka, gardenpatchmarketonline.com 574-255-3151
Organic Grains & Grinds, 1105 Northside Boulevard (located inside the Farmer’s Market) 574-259-5653
Rose Quest Nutritional Center, 410 Lincolnway East, Mishawaka, rosequest.com 574-259-5653

Mexican & Latin American Foods

Locations: El Paraiso, 425 North Main, South Bend, elparaisosb.com 574-234-1546
(and they have a great café too featuring $1 tacos on Wed. & Sun.)
Super Mercado Rosales, 1518 South Michigan, South Bend 574-234-5587
Jose and Marciela Navarro (specialty Mexican cheeses), 574-289-0333
call Broadway Christian Church for information

Fair trade clothing, jewelry and home items

Just Goods

714 East Jefferson Boulevard, South Bend 574-286-5878

“Just Goods” offers clothing, jewelry and products for the home, made with respect for the workers and the environment. “Just Goods” is open Tuesday through Friday from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Saturday 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. justgoods.net/

Ten Thousand Villages

214 West Cleveland Road, Granger 574-277-4900

You can purchase unique gifts and home furnishings while providing a vital, fair wage to Third World people. You can find fair trade coffee, textiles, and children’s toys here. http://www.tenthousandvillages.com
Housing

Yes, There are Nice, Affordable Places to Live in South Bend

This is our attempt to help you find a place to live. Honestly, finding a place to live in a city where you don’t have any connections is not easy, but we hope that this list of apartment complexes, ratings, and references will help you track down somewhere you will enjoy living during your three years at Notre Dame. Fortunately, housing in the South Bend/Mishawaka area is very affordable, especially if you’re used to living on the East or West Coasts.

We have tried to include comments from students who are residents of the facilities reviewed. We have also tried to include off-campus complexes where a lot of law students live and others that seem like they might work for law students. There is one complex we want to warn you against. The Hillcrest Apartment Complex, while close to campus, is not known for being well-maintained. Also beware of Kramer Properties. They rent houses and there have been problems getting returns of security deposits.

Caveat emptor (we’re law students – we had to use at least one Latin phrase). Keep in mind that you should verify this information with the landlord or management agency.

Getting Started

Call Residence Life and Housing Office at 574-631-5878 and ask them to send you the informational packets on on-campus housing options. The information provided on on-campus housing is thorough and very helpful.

If you want to live on-campus, submit your application as soon as possible. Note, you must confirm your enrollment with the Admissions Office by returning your seat deposit before you are eligible to submit an application for on-campus housing. For the most part, students are able to obtain graduate housing without a problem, but a waitlist form is available for those who apply late. Keep in contact with the Housing Office if you are on the waitlist and campus housing is your first choice.

Decide what you need out of a living situation before you begin your search. Sit down and ask yourself whether you need to live alone or want to be surrounded by people, do you already have a roommate(s) in mind, what kind of hours you like to keep, what kind of study habits do you have, do you like to cook, do you have a car, how much can you afford to spend, etc. If you know what you want in a place to live, it will be a much smoother process.

Look online. Some suggested websites are:

- [http://www.realst8.com](http://www.realst8.com) (search by South Bend and Notre Dame University campus)
- [www.apartmentguide.com](http://www.apartmentguide.com) (Click search apartments by state, once you select IN, both Mishawaka and South Bend are listed)
- [http://www.apartmentratings.com](http://www.apartmentratings.com)
- [http://rentlikeachampion.com](http://rentlikeachampion.com)

Good Luck! The good news is that even if you don’t like your first year living situation, you’ll probably never be there because it’s first year, and let’s face it, you live at the library! To be totally honest, almost everyone I know is happy with his or her living situation. South Bend is affordable, the people are nice and nothing is too far from campus. So don’t sweat the housing search too much and worry about more important things – like finding a bag big enough to haul around 137.5 lbs of law textbooks!
On-Campus Housing

Living on campus definitely has its advantages. Everything on campus, including the recreational facilities, dining hall, and Law School are within walking distance. It’s a great way to meet other graduate students as a 1L and feel a part of the Notre Dame campus life. There are many social, spiritual, and service options for students living on campus offered by Residence Life. Also, when going out to bars or other activities, living on campus is oftentimes convenient because many 1Ls meet at the graduate housing and take cabs from campus. And during home football weekends, you will be very appreciative of your parking spot at the Fischer and O’Hara-Grace residences.

There are two on-campus options for single graduate students: Fischer or O’Hara-Grace. The complexes are located next to each other and are a 10-15-minute walk to the Law School. Although right on campus, they are separated from the undergraduate dorms by a parking lot. The apartments are furnished so if you are coming from somewhere far away, it makes it easier not having to worry about moving furniture.

If you apply to live in graduate student housing, the University will match you up with roommates from any of the graduate programs (one roommate in Fisher, three roommates in O’Hara-Grace), but you can also request a roommate. From my experience, many 1Ls are paired up with other 1Ls. Stay in contact with housing if you are on the waiting list. Please note at the time of this publication rates for 2013-14 have not yet been released. Please call for current rates.

General Contact Info & Website
http://housing.nd.edu/graduate/ 574-631-5878

Fischer Graduate Housing
Rent, Utilities
$620/month, deposit of $620

Amenities & Pets
♣ All utilities included. Also included are: local phone, Internet connection, and basic cable.
♣ The rent (for the entire semester or year) can be directly deducted from your student account so you never have to worry about paying rent and/or electricity.
♣ Since the housing is run by the University, maintenance issues are typically fixed very quickly.
♣ Parking is available steps from your door for an annual $100 fee. There is no covered parking.
♣ There is a coin laundry in walking distance at the community center. It is only accessible to Notre Dame graduate students.
♣ No pets.

Description
♣ Relatively new construction, fully furnished, two-bedroom apartments. The apartment is a decent size – living room, small breakfast nook, two bedrooms, bathroom with two sinks, and kitchen. The kitchen is adequate, with a garbage disposal, but unfortunately no dishwasher. Lots of storage space.
♣ These are the nicest option for on-campus graduate housing. Most students agree it is definitely worth it to pay slightly more a month to live in Fischer than O’Hara-Grace. Fischer is in much better condition, and the air conditioning makes a huge difference.
♣ More 1Ls live here than in O’Hara-Grace, and it seems that if your preference is to live in Fischer, you will be able to live there as a 1L.
♣ A lot of law students live in Fischer so you will be able to make friends and meet plenty of people from the community.
O’Hara-Grace Graduate Housing

Rent & Lease Terms
$465/monthly, deposit of $465

Amenities & Pets
♣ All utilities included. Also included are: local phone, Internet connection, and basic cable.
♣ The rent (for the entire semester or year) can be directly deducted from your student account so you never have to worry about paying rent and/or electricity.
♣ Because the housing is run by the University, maintenance issues are typically fixed very quickly.
♣ Parking is available steps from your door for an annual $100 fee. Still no covered parking, though.
♣ There is a coin laundry in walking distance at the community center. It is only accessible to Notre Dame graduate students.
♣ No pets.

Description
♣ Older, fully furnished townhouses.
♣ Four bedrooms, one and half bathrooms, a kitchen and living area. The bedrooms are located on the upper floor while the living area and kitchen are located on the first floor. There is more common area here than in Fischer.
♣ You’re right next to Fischer, still safely separated from the undergraduates.
♣ Some 1Ls complain that the apartments are a little run down, but maintenance is reliable.
♣ A slightly shorter walk to the Law School than from Fischer. You can ride your bike, but you’d never need to drive. And the same shuttle will pick you up.
♣ It is cheaper to live in O’Hara-Grace than in the Fischer apartments. However, it comes with its share of drawbacks as well:
  ○ Four students share one full bathroom. That’s one shower for four people!
  ○ The buildings (and the furniture) are older than those in the Fischer apartments.
  ○ No air conditioning.

Cripe Street Apartments

Rent & Lease Terms
$625/month-1 bedroom

Amenities & Pets
Includes rent and phone. No pets.

Description
Housing for married students without children. Preference is given to students whose spouse is residing in the apartment. A copy of marriage certificate is needed as proof of marriage.

Student Comments
Cheap option with quick maintenance. Great for couples where one is a student and the other is working. The dorm experience makes for a really great atmosphere.
University Village Apartments

Rent & Lease Terms
2 bedrooms, $520/month; 4 bedrooms, $785/month
Deposit is one month’s rent

Amenities & Pets
Includes washer and dryer, rent and phone. No pets.

Description
Older apartments located at the corner of Douglas and 933, across 933/Michigan St. from the I-80/90 Toll Entrance. The entrance is off Douglas Road

- 20-25 minute walk through Campus to the Law School
- Part of the University, despite the slight distance from campus, which means wireless internet, local phone service, and basic cable are included.
- No parking fees and an assigned (uncovered) space in front of your building.
- Air conditioning/heating are installed, but you pay for the electricity.
- Since it is for married students with kids, there is a fenced-in playground at the center of the complex as well as a ready supply of friends!
- South Bend Transpo operates a bus which makes a loop of campus and comes through the Village at 35 minute intervals. The schedule and route are available at [http://www.sbtranspo.com/routes/TRANSPO-SWEEP.pdf](http://www.sbtranspo.com/routes/TRANSPO-SWEEP.pdf). The bus is free to Notre Dame students with their student ID.
- More information provided on the University Housing website at [http://orlh.nd.edu/housing/graduate/universityvillage/index.html](http://orlh.nd.edu/housing/graduate/universityvillage/index.html).

Off-Campus Housing

As a 1L, there are a few apartment complexes that stand out as more popular than others with law students. They include Indian Lakes, Eddy Street Commons, Main Street Village, and Runaway Bay. Following is information about these apartments and several others.

Autumn Lakes
1109 Hidden Lakes Drive, Mishawaka 46544 574-255-3432
[edwardrose.com/autumnlakes](http://edwardrose.com/autumnlakes)

Rent & Lease Terms

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Terms of lease: 6 or 12 months.
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Autumn Lakes allows you to pro-rate the month of May if you are on a month-to-month lease. Since school usually is over by early May, this can save you roughly $300 to $500. They often run specials offering $300 off your first full month’s rent when signing a one year lease. Be sure to ask!

Location
Located just off 331, next to Meijer, very close to shopping and dining. About a 10 minute drive to campus.

Amenities & Pets
• Heat is included in the rent which will save you a lot of money during a South Bend winter
• No Pets
• Washer-dryer units are in each apartment
• There is a pool but no exercise room

Description
Nice, affordable and quiet. This complex is a slightly further away from school but traffic is not an issue.

Misc.
Complex was built in 2000.

Castle Point Apartments
18011 Cleveland Road, South Bend, IN 46637 574-272-8110
http://www.cppj.com/

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Terms of lease: 3, 6, 9, 12, 14 or month to month. 9-month lease is an extra $50 a month.

Amenities & Pets
• Apartments are not powered with gas, only electricity, so a winter heating bill can add up.
• There is a pool, tennis courts, basketball courts, a workout facility, a banquet hall, etc.
• Cats only with deposit.
• Each building has a laundry room, no washer/dryers in apartments.

Distance to the Law School
About a 10-15 minute drive.

Description
Complex is more than 30-years-old and many of the kitchens, bathrooms and appliances are noticeably older.
Who Lives There
Students and non-students

Student Comments
Many of the units have been recently renovated with new carpets, paint, kitchen counters, bathrooms and wallpaper (these units are available, but cost more). However, all the units have old (and noisy) appliances. Dishwashers are standard, the kitchens have ample counter space and each unit is wired for cable television in both the living room and the bedroom(s) (cable is not included, however). While each building has a laundry room, there are not many machines in each facility, which can be inconvenient, especially on Saturday and Sunday. Laundry is expensive (depending on which building you live in, you may have to walk outside to do laundry, which can be a big inconvenience in the winter).

The facility also has a fitness club, an outdoor pool (however you can use the indoor pool at the sister complex) and several tennis courts. The tennis courts are nice and you have all the facilities you could want. Admission is free (for residents – guests are allowed but must pay a fee).

Clover Ridge Apartments
1801 Irish Way, South Bend IN 46637 574-272-1441
http://cloverridgeapartments.com/

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Amenities & Pets
- Rent includes water, sewer and trash for utilities. Apartments are not powered with gas, only electricity so a winter heating bill can add up.
- Cable and Internet are also included in the rent
- $300 pet deposit
- Summer Lease Agreements
- Laundry facility
- Cable/Satellite TV
- Swimming pool, tanning bed, outdoor tennis, basketball, and volleyball courts
- 24-hour answering service for maintenance

Distance to the Law School
Just a minute farther down the road than Clover Village and one street closer than Oak Hill. You could walk to campus in 20 minutes or ride your bike in 10 or so. If you have a car you'll probably want to drive, and that will only take about 10-12 minutes door to door.
Description
Close to campus, supermarket and drug store. Originally built in 1973. Remodeled in 2004. Rent is affordable however noise may be an issue on the weekends because of all the undergrads living there.

Who Lives There
Pretty much exclusively students, both graduate and undergraduate.

Clover Village Apartments
1710 Turtle Creek Drive, South Bend, IN 46637  574-272-8124
clovervillageapartments.com

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***Note- rent prices can vary depending on when you decide to sign a lease. Discounts may be available.

Amenities and Pets
- The small studio's higher rent is because for those units, water and electricity are included (plus they have private outdoor patios. Some apartments include water, sewer, trash but not electric.
- In addition to the plans listed above, there is a larger 2 bedroom, 1.5 bathroom town house for about $1200 a month.
- Parking is free, and there is plenty of visitor parking available. Covered parking is available on a month by month basis (meaning you can opt in just for the winter months when you really need it) for $25 a month.
- There is an outdoor pool and hot tub, beach volleyball court, and free tanning at the nearby Fun Tan.
- Pets are allowed for an additional monthly charge.
- Unlike many of the apartment complexes, you can get a 10-month school year lease, instead of a 12 month lease, but you have to ask for it and it may mean a slightly higher monthly rent.

Distance to the Law School
The closest off-campus housing, it's still a brisk 15 to 20 minute walk. On the days when you can cut through the athletic fields, you can save another five minutes. By bike, regardless of the whether the athletic fields are open, it's less than 10 minutes. Incidentally, that's also about how long it takes if you drive and park in the student parking near the stadium, and then walk from there to the Law School. Any way you look at it, in terms of distance, you won't find a more convenient off-campus location than this.
**Description**
Not bad... some of the kitchen appliances are old, but the apartments themselves don't feel dated. The maintenance staff is great, there's a security guard (and at least one of the residents is a police officer), and the management is friendly and helpful.

**Who Lives There**
The undergraduate hockey team! Well, not just them, but the complex is infamous for being the center of rowdy undergraduate parties. Despite its reputation, however, Clover Village has definitely calmed down in the past few years. I do live in one of the quieter buildings (you can request one specifically if you're concerned about being able to study) and, other than on football weekends, I never hear any noise from my neighbors. There are a few law students here, and some families, but mostly undergraduates.

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**The Foundry Lofts & Apartments at Eddy Street Commons**  
1233 North Eddy Street, South Bend 46617  574-303-6446  
foundryliving.com

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**Rent & Lease Terms**

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**Term of Lease:**  
12, 18, 24 months
The three bedroom apartments can only house up to two people unless the third is related by blood, marriage, or adoption. The apartment includes water, trash and parking. Eddy Street is a “live, work and play” development directly across the street from the main entrance of the University. There are apartments, condos, homes, two hotels, offices, shopping, and restaurants as well as a large parking garage. Currently, Eddy Street houses Chipotle, Hot Box Pizza, Outpost Sports, Five Guys Burger and Fries, Notre Dame Bookstore, Jamba Juice, McAlisters Deli, Urban Outfitters, Brothers Bar & Grill, Biggby Coffee, Camelia Cosmetics, GNC, Kilwin’s Chocolates & Ice Cream, Old National Bank, 7 Eleven, AT&T, Nicholas J. Salon & Spa, O’Rourke’s Public House, The Mark Dine & Tap and Anytime Fitness, with more retail stores to come.

**Location**
Directly across the street from the main entrance, approximately 10-15 minute walk to the law school.

**Amenities & Pets**
- Dogs under 15 lbs and cats allowed with a $300 deposit, $150 of which is refundable
- Water and trash is included in rent
- Washer-dryer units in each apartment
- 24 hour Fitness center, tanning bed and business center all included
- Balconette included with each apartment
- Community room with Wii and Xbox systems
- Game Room with billiards and foosball
• Electronic card access to your apartment and amenities
• Intrusion alarms on every apartment
• Fully equipped kitchens with abundance of cabinets and bar
• Exposed brick walls, hardwood style flooring, and 10-foot ceiling
• Parking is included in rent

Who Lives There
Currently the development seems overrun by law, MBA, and med school students (not ND) but on game weekends older alumni are seen throughout the complex.

Student Comments
You can walk to class, it has convenient places to shop and eat right there, it has a gym, and it is safe. However, it is very expensive compared to other housing options in the area.

Georgetown
4315 Wimbledon Court, South Bend, IN 46637 574-343-1677; 888-997-3662
apartmentguide.com

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Terms of lease: 12, 9, 6, 3 months; $50 dollars extra per month on a 9 month lease.

Amenities & Pets
• Garage included in rent, but is not attached
• Utilities are not included
• ***Notre Dame student 5% monthly discount***
• Apartments are spacious, clean, and well-maintained
• Each apartment includes a washer and dryer
• All appliances are new
• Apartment complex has outdoor swimming pool, tennis and basketball courts, and clubhouse
• Pets allowed

Distance to the Law School
Located in a quiet residential area about 1/2 mile north of Cleveland Road. About a seven-minute drive, straight north from campus.

Description
It is close to campus, but you still feel like you are far away from the stress of school. It is surrounded by woods, and has a friendly mixture of residents. Very nice management staff.

Who Lives There
Very few students. Mostly young families and professionals.
Misc.
Complex was built in 1964.

Student Comments
Traditionally, Georgetown has not been a popular choice among law school students – the tenants are primarily younger professionals, families, and senior citizens. Not the best place to live if you like throwing late-night parties at your apartment.

These apartments feature a number of nice amenities and are located fairly close to campus. Those interested in Georgetown may also want to look at Main Street Village Apartments in Granger. For a slightly higher price, Main Street Village offers newer apartments with more amenities.

Indian Lakes Apartments
5726 Seneca Drive, Mishawaka, IN 46545
edwardrose.com/indianlakes

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Terms of lease: 6 or 12 months

If interested in a 9-month lease, sign a 6-month lease and then go month to month. Extra cost of $30 per month for 6-month lease. Every month thereafter is an additional $20.

Amenities & Pets
- Washers and dryers included
- Water and gas included in rent- this includes heat, which will save a lot of money in winter
- Parking is available in front of building, or you can rent a carport for $22/ month
- Each apartment has a patio or balcony off the living room with enclosed storage
- Walk-in closets are standard
- Two entrances on each floor
- Third floor apartments have cathedral ceilings
- There is a swimming pool open from the end of May to the end of September as well as a basketball court
- No pets

Misc.
Complex was built in 1994.

Distance to the Law School
Just a little over three miles from campus. About a 10-minute drive with traffic.

Description
You will never have to drive more than three minutes to get to any major store. Literally right next to Sam’s Club. Blocks from Wal-mart and Target. The drive is about 10 minutes but beware, during rush hour can take as long as 20 minutes. The corner apartments have porches that are perfect for hanging a hammock on.
Who Lives There
A few law students. Very few undergraduates.

Student Comments
The best thing about living here is the noise policy. People are seriously considerate about other people’s hours. I would say that most of the people here are grad students of some kind. I have found their staff to be very helpful. I did all of my planning from out of town and never had a problem with getting information or reaching my rental agent.

Main Street Village
5504 Town Center Drive, Granger, IN 46530 574-272-1450
mainstreetvillageapartments.com

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Terms of lease: 3, 6, 9, or 12 months

Amenities & Pets
- Rent does not include utilities
- Recently built
- The apartments include washers and dryers.
- Air conditioning
- Each apartment has an alarm system
- Curbside garbage pickup
- Some apartments have fireplaces in the apartments, and parking attached (included in rent)
- You can also get detached garage parking for $50/month
- Up to two pets allowed (subject to an 85lb per dog weight limit), but require $300 deposit
- Business Center
- Indoor basketball court
- Gym
- A large pool
- Sauna and tanning facility
- A 10,000-square foot clubhouse with surround-sound theater
- A carwash
- Hospitality suites are available for rent for guests (especially useful at graduation)

Distance to the Law School/Location
4 miles – probably about 15 minutes during “rush hour.” It is technically in Granger, but very close to the shopping and restaurants in Mishawaka.

Who Lives There
Young professionals and families. A substantial number of law students live there.
Student Comments
Very nice apartments with several floor plans available. Some include a small office with shelving. With very few children or under grads living in the complex, the apartments stay relatively quiet (unless someone with dogs lives near you). The office staff handles any issue (noisy pets, fixing drains, etc.) very quickly. A very nice outdoor pool is open all summer. Free breakfast is offered in the clubhouse every Tuesday and Thursday. Police patrol the complex very frequently and each apartment has an alarm system.

Of course, the downside is the expense (the lowest rate is $700 per month!). Furthermore, some student residents have complained that some of the apartments are right next to the highway. They say, however, while it is annoying, you do get used to it.

But overall, if you value comfort and convenience over “smart spending,” this is the place to stay. This is definitely one of the nicest and newest apartment complexes in the area.

The Overlook at Notre Dame
54721 Burdette Street, South Bend, IN 46637 574-243-1700
http://www.overlooknd.com/

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Terms of lease: 12 months

Amenities & Pets
- One-key building & apartment access
- Furnished
- Video-assisted guest access
- Free utilities, WIFI & Cable TV
- Collaboration & Meeting Rooms
- On-site Eatery
- Stacked washer & dryer in each unit
- Upscale kitchen with stainless steel appliances
- Free Exercise Room
- Outside Community Courtyard

Distance to the Law School/Location
Located adjacent to the east edge of campus between Twyckenham Drive and Burdette Street.

Who Lives There
Mix of graduate students, post-doctoral employee, faculty, researcher, for fellow staff member of the University.

This is a new complex created specifically to address the need of additional housing options for graduates and professionals.
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Amenities & Pets

- Rent does not include gas or electric. It does include water, trash, and sewer.
- Pets allowed, with $125 refundable deposit. 80lb limit.
- Washer and dryer in each apartment.
- Air conditioning.
- Apartments have all stainless steel appliances.
- Recently upgraded apartments with new plumbing fixtures, lighting, and countertops.
- 24-hour fitness center.
- Outdoor pool with sundeck.
- Business center, cyber café with free Wi fi and coffee bar.
- Underground heated parking for some apartments.
- Scenic location along the St. Joseph River.
- Heated underground parking.

Distance to the Law School/Location

A quick five-minute drive, two miles south of campus. Wouldn’t bike it as it takes you through some pretty sketchy neighborhoods. It is bordering downtown South Bend and is very convenient to many popular South Bend bars. Ready access to the river walk and the chase (for kayaking).

Who Lives There

Mix of students and young professionals.

Student Comments

I absolutely love The Pointe. Every building is controlled access, the staff is really attentive and friendly, and the apartments are really spacious. It’s a little more than I planned on spending, but you get what you pay for, and in my mind it’s been worth it.

The Pointe is a great place. The apartments are spacious and clean. They come with washer and dryer. Everything is included in the price, except electricity and gas. The staff is friendly and usually services your requests promptly. Not many students so it’s very quiet. Although it’s in downtown South Bend, it’s pretty safe. However, my wife and I are pretty careful if we venture out past 10:00 p.m. My car was broken into once, but nothing was stolen. If I were to come back to South Bend after graduation, I’d stay at the Pointe again and not look anywhere else.
I'm very jealous of my friend's apartment at the Pointe. It's in impeccable condition and everything looks brand new. If it wasn't downtown and was one of the apartment complexes closer to campus in Mishawaka, I would choose the Pointe for sure when I move off campus next year. It is well worth the price. However, it doesn't seem as if many other law students live downtown, and I don't know how safe I would feel going back to the complex alone at night.

Riverside North Apartments
1643 Riverside Drive, South Bend, IN 574-233-2212
http://www.riversidenorth-in.com/

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Terms of lease: 6, 9 or 12 months.

Amenities & Pets

- Rent does not include utilities. Residents pay for water and electric
- Air conditioning
- Dishwasher, compact washer & dryer in each unit
- Apartments have a porch/balcony for each unit
- Swimming pool
- Fitness center
- Carports and garages can be rented month to month (especially for the winter).
- Pets accepted but there are breed restriction
- Across the street from the new South Bend Riverwalk
- Older (built in 1966)
- Discount for ND students

Distance to the Law School/Location
Approximately a five-minute drive, about two miles west of campus.

Who Lives There
Mainly families and elderly residents, with only a handful of law students living there and seemingly no undergraduates around.

Student Comments
It is a more affordable option if you want to live by yourself. There is a $25/month Notre Dame discount, so be sure to ask for that when you are applying. I've found on-site management to be pretty friendly and helpful. It's kept up pretty well for an older building, and repairs have been attended to within 24 hours of my requests. It is a great quiet place to study if you like to do that at home instead of at school. It is conveniently located to school and to groceries, and it is a great place if you are a jogger. The complex is situated across from the river, so when it's warm enough you can jog or bike up and down the river, which is about as pretty as South Bend can get (away
from the Notre Dame campus, that is). The pool and workout facility are pretty nice. Also very safe, if you’re considering living alone.

Runaway Bay
302 Runaway Bay Circle, Mishawaka, IN 46545 574-256-1350
runaway-bay.com/HomePage.html

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Amenities & Pets
- Rent includes water, sewer, and trash. Residents pay for gas and electricity.
- Air conditioning
- Almost every unit has a fireplace and balcony
- Most have laundry hook-ups with the option to rent a washer and dryer (this is where they get you, though at $40-a-month). If you prefer to use this room for storage space, a public washer and dryer is available for every twelve units.
- Clubhouse
- Fitness room
- Hot tub and sauna
- Outdoor pool
- Two tennis/basketball courts and a volleyball court
- There are optional carports and garages
- Pets are allowed, two per apartment, the only limit is no aggressive breeds ($20 pet fee and $200 pet deposit).

Distance to the Law School/Location
About a ten minute drive to campus – just west of Edison on Grape Road, near the shopping and restaurants in Mishawaka.

Student Comments
Runaway Bay offers a good combination of quality for price in an apartment complex. They may run slightly more expensive than some complexes, but the additional square footage in your kitchen and bathroom make it worthwhile.

The walls are a bit thin, so don’t talk about your guests as they arrive since they can hear everything in the hallway.

The service from the office and repair staff is great. They resolve every repair the day you raise it.

Stadium Club
18127 Bulla Road, South Bend, IN 46637 574-243-7530
http://ndstadiumclub.com/

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**Amenities & Pets**
- Rent includes water, sewer, and trash, broadband service, gas and the 1st $50 of your monthly electric bill.
- Air conditioning
- Washer, dryer, dishwasher, stove, refrigerator/freezer.
- Large deck or balcony
- Officer on Property
- Volleyball court
- Picnic area with grills
- VIP card for tenants, giving great discounts at local businesses
- Limited number of 1 bedroom, 1 bathroom units

**Distance to the Law School/Location**
About a 15 minute walk to campus.

**Description**
New complex by Bradley Company. Rent is per apartment, not per person. Second story apartments have vaulted ceilings.

**University Park Apartments**
5630 University Park Drive, Mishawaka, IN 46545
574-277-7730
http://www.liveatuniversitypark.com/

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**Amenities & Pets**
- Rent includes water, sewer and trash, but not gas or electric
- Parking is free in front of your building or you can pay $15/month to rent a carport
- Air Conditioning
- 24-hour coin laundry available on property. There are washer/dryer connections available in the townhouses; you can install your own or rent from the management.
- Tennis court
- Outdoor pool
- Dog park and several playgrounds for children
- All first floor units and townhomes have fenced-in yards, second floor apartments have balconies
- Outdoor storage closet for all units
• You can have two pets in first floor units and townhomes, with no weight limit. On the second floor, you can have one dog up to 25lbs. The pet fee is $15/month with a refundable $200 deposit or $300 for two pets. No pit bulls or other breeds requiring a vicious dog license.
• ND graduate students receive a $20/month discount on rent as well as a reduced security deposit of $25

Distance to the Law School/Location
10 minute drive to the Law School. Near the shopping and restaurants in Mishawaka.

Description
One of Gene Glick’s properties. Everything is in good condition and the management is responsive and professional. The apartments are nice and the appliances are updated on a regular basis, no 30 year old stoves like at O’Hara-Grace or Clover Village. Best of all, there is a rent discount for Notre Dame Law Students!

Who Lives There
Graduate students, both married and single, some children.

Student Comments
University Park is located near the corner of Grape and Douglas Roads in Mishawaka. It is approximately 2.5 miles from campus. In good traffic, the drive is seven minutes to campus. To get from door to door in most conditions is a 15-20 minute proposition. The apartments are clean and functional, and the staff is generally friendly. There is a pool and a sauna on site. On the bad side, there is only one central laundry facility. The distance is a good buffer from campus and its bustle. All in all, though, this is a great option for 1Ls; it can be summed up as convenient, clean, and affordable housing.

It’s a great place to go if you have dogs since all first-floor units have yards and there are multiple areas for dogs to play.

Williamsburg On the Lake
302 Village Drive, Mishawaka, IN 46545 574-256-0237
http://www.williamsburgmishawaka.com/

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Terms of lease: 3, 6, 9, 10 or 12 months
Amenities & Pets
- Rent includes gas, water, sewer, and trash
- You can also rent a carport for $15/month on a month to month basis
- Air conditioning
- There are 24-hour/day coin laundry facilities on the property. The townhouses have washer/dryer connections, so you can install your own or rent from the management company for $28/month.
- Outdoor pool
- Fitness center
- Tennis court
- You can have up to two pets. Two dogs cannot exceed a combined weight of 100 pounds. There is a deposit of $200 for one dog, $300 for two dogs, and a fee of $15 per month.

Distance to the Law School/Location
About a 10-15 minute drive. Located on Main Street, about five minutes from the shopping and restaurants in Mishawaka.

Description
You know you’re not an undergrad anymore when you move into an apartment like this. The apartments are very well kept and spacious. Manager Gene Glick is known for taking great care of his properties and his renters. There is a strictly enforced noise policy, so don’t live here if you like to play your electric guitar. $20 a month discount for students. No security deposit.

Who Lives There
According to their leasing office there are a lot of law students at Williamsburg, but not many undergraduates. The management said their tenants range from single, married and married with small children.

Student Comments
Rent is reasonable and gas is included. Electricity is a separate utility, more expensive in the summer due to air conditioning. Management is alert and always helpful. I would recommend Williamsburg on the Lake because it is a reasonably priced housing complex within 5-6 minutes of campus that actually provides you with a great living space. Any issues we had in the townhouse or even in the leasing process were handled quickly and efficiently. The people in the office are very nice. Added perks: they allow pets, have a swimming pool, and a washer and dryer set is in the townhouse.

Houses and Rooms/Apartments in Houses
If you want to buy a house, the best time to look is in the spring, and fortunately, property prices in South Bend are very good. Also check out http://www.southbendtribune.com/classifieds/realestate/. Check the Class of 2018 website for a list of houses 3Ls are interested in selling too! You can also find a local real estate agent.

Be sure to check out the Off-Campus Connector. http://offcampus.nd.edu/ It is relevant information for students about moving, living and playing off-campus. The website is jointly sponsored by Student Government and Student Affairs. Their mission is to provide students with information about all that the surrounding community has to offer them and to educate and provide resources to interested students about how to transition and live off-campus.
Renters Insurance
The homeowner's (or commercial property owner's) insurance policy that covers the physical dwelling you are renting generally does not cover your possessions inside of the building. A renter’s insurance policy (also known as a tenant's insurance policy) provides protection for your personal property, such as furniture or electronic equipment, in case of perils like fire, theft, or wind damage from a tornado. Coverage often includes liability protection, which covers damages as a result of unintentional bodily injury or property damage to another person.

The University has established a personal property insurance program through Haylor Freyer and Coon (see http://www.haylor.com/ for more information). However, you can generally obtain renter’s insurance through your parent’s insurer. Many popular insurers, such as GEICO, Allstate, and State Farm, offer renter’s insurance. Some apartment complexes may also offer renter’s insurance and will add it to the monthly cost of rent.

Roommates
One helpful way to identify other law students in need of a roommate is the Roommate Identification Form (RIF), coordinated by Karen Srmek, Senior Office Assistant of Admissions. Members of the class of 2018 who complete and submit the RIF will receive an email directing them to a website where all completed RIF’s of entering law students will be published. You can obtain a copy of the RIF on the admitted student website. In addition, attending an Admitted Student Weekend is a great way to meet potential roommates.
**Running**

Whether you competed on a team as an undergrad or simply love to run for fun, there are lots of places to run and races to enter in South Bend. Running is very popular on campus, especially around the lakes.

- This website shows some routes around campus with the distances: http://recsports.nd.edu/fitness/campus-fitness-routes/
- There is a women’s running club on campus that meets a few times a week – check out their website at http://www3.nd.edu/~womenrun/

If you want to get off campus, the East Bank/Riverwalk Trail begins at the old St. Joseph High School (on the corner of Angela and Michigan) and runs along the St. Joseph River. Six miles long, this path is great for running or biking: http://indianatrails.com/content/east-bank-trail-%E2%80%93-south-bend.

There is another trail in progress just northwest of campus called the LaSalle trail. It starts roughly behind Dublin Village/Perkins on the other side of Indiana 933 from campus and will eventually end at the Michigan state line. http://www.sjc.parks.org/lasalle.html.

Several races take place on campus throughout the year, including the Domer Run (3 or 6 miles) in the fall and the Holy Half-Marathon in spring. In addition, you can find a race in the Michiana area almost every weekend. If you’re around in late May, I highly recommend running one of the Sunburst races (http://www.sunburstraces.org/). They offer a 5K, 10K, half-marathon, and marathon, all of which begin at the College Football Hall of Fame and finish on the fifty-yard line inside the football stadium. It’s probably the only time you’ll ever be able to walk on the grass, so take advantage of it! To see an up-to-date calendar of races and perhaps find some group training runs, visit Michiana Runners at http://www.michianarunners.org.

**Biking**

Notre Dame has a fairly large campus with student parking at the edges. Many students take advantage of the bike racks at the Law School and ride in either from home or from the parking lot. Dwight King, one of the research librarians, can often be seen in his bicycle helmet, walking into the Law School in all kinds of weather. Professor Dutile is also an avid bike rider.

If you decide to take a bike to the Law School, remember to bring a lock. Bike theft is the most-reported campus crime; the local crooks will even take rusty, beat-up bikes. Campus Security offers free bicycle registration, online at http://ndsp.nd.edu/parking-and-traffic/

They also offer a “lock-up” for bike storage during the winter months, at the Stadium. And, every year there is a used bike auction where you can pick up one of the bikes which have remained unclaimed from the winter lock-up as well as any bikes that Security has “liberated” from bike racks around campus after the students have gone home for break. If you’re looking to get a bike quickly, several options are listed below.
**Bike Shops**

Any of these shops should have relatively current trail information as well as the department stores such as Walmart, Target and Meijer.

**Pro-Form**

2202 South Bend Avenue, South Bend  
[http://proformbike.com](http://proformbike.com)  
574-272-0129  
The closest bike shop to campus, at Ironwood and State Route 23. A nice high-end shop. The staff at Pro-Form is probably the most knowledgeable in the area regarding road cycling. If you’re a strong cyclist and are looking for a group ride of 40+ miles at 22-23 m.p.h., be at Pro-Form at 5:30 p.m. on Thursdays. Only go if you’ve been training, the ride has a race-like intensity.

**Albright’s Cycling and Fitness**

2720 Lincolnway West, Mishawaka  
[http://albrightscycling.com](http://albrightscycling.com)  
574-255-8988  
About 15-minutes from campus by car. Less expensive than Pro-Form and still a good shop.

**Outpost Sports**

1251 North Eddy Street, South Bend  
[www.outpostsports.com](http://www.outpostsports.com)  
574-855-3201  
Has some mountain biking equipment.

**The Avenue Bicycle Shop**

2716 Mishawaka Avenue, South Bend  
574-855-2453  
574-855-BIKE  
This awesome bike shop just opened in July 2008. A great place to pick up a cheap bike for riding around campus! They also do inexpensive repairs and tune-ups and have a small bike park behind the store with a few ramps. They offer free mobile service pick up on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

**Mountain Biking & Trails**

The local trail in South Bend is in Rum Village Park and consists of about four miles of winding single track created by mountain bikers with the blessing of the City. Difficulty depends on how fast you ride – some narrow stretches and tight corners make this a fun diversion, especially since it is only a 15-minute bike ride or five-minute drive from campus. To get there head south on Indiana 933 (Michigan Ave.) and turn right a mile or so past downtown on Ewing. There is a sign on this corner pointing to Rum Village Park and Nature Center. The trails in the main part of the park are off limits to bikes, so go past the park and turn left on Gertrude. The entry to the ride area is on your right a few hundred yards up. The City is pretty serious about controlling erosion in the area, so if the sign says it’s closed, as it frequently is in wet weather, don’t ride. If you get caught, you risk confiscation of your bike, and telling the cop you are a law student isn’t likely to help your cause. Rum Village Park is also home to the local Frisbee golf course.

If you are ready for an awesome mountain bike ride check out the Outback Trail at Imagination Glen Park in Portage Indiana. Portage is located on the southern tip of Lake Michigan and is only about 45 minutes from campus. The single track trail meanders through the woods for over 10 miles and draws visitors from Indiana, Illinois and Michigan. The trail is available for races and other events, such as the Mid-Week Mountain Biking Madness and Mountain Bike Time Trial. Visit the Outback trail website at [http://www.outbacktrail.org/](http://www.outbacktrail.org/).
If you have time to get away for a few hours there are more riding options. Southern Michigan has a few rides, though you’ll probably notice the topography is still pretty flat. T.K. Lawless County Park in Cass County is about an hour away and has a little over ten miles of trails for mountain biking. To get there, take Indiana 933 north towards Niles and turn east on MI 60. Shortly after Vandalia turn right on Lewis Lake Road and then east on Monkey Run Street. There is a sign for the park on MI 60. Parking costs a couple of bucks. If you find out why they call it Monkey Run Street, let us know.

If you are not looking for single track there are a couple of good trails for family cycling in the area, including a Rails to Trails path that runs from Kalamazoo to South Haven in Southwestern Michigan, and a bicycle trail at Potato Creek State Park. There is also a trail running from Holland, Michigan, up the coast of Lake Michigan to Grand Haven (about 23 miles).

Road Biking
If you’re into riding on the road, and have a road bike, get in touch with the ND Cycling Club. The club’s website is blogs.nd.edu/cyclingirish/ their email address is bike@nd.edu. The website may not show it, but this is a committed group of cyclists. That said, the group is relaxed and friendly and eagerly welcomes newcomers. The club leads group rides of about 30 miles, six days a week in the fall. The rides include riders of mixed abilities, and vary from 15-22 m.p.h. The club’s main focus is racing in the spring. The club races in the Midwest Collegiate Cycling Conference, which includes schools such as Michigan, Purdue, Michigan State, Illinois, and Indiana. Club members race 6-8 weekends during the spring at different schools throughout the region, all on the University’s AMEX. The races are divided by ability level, so rookie racers can also get a taste of the action.

More resources on biking in Michiana
http://bikemichiana.org: resources, news, observations and ideas about bicycling in the Michiana area
http://mbabike.com: Michiana Bicycle Association, sponsors weekly rides and special events.
www.outbacktrail.org. Outback Trail, Portage, IN, Mountain Bike Trails. 45 minutes from campus.

ND Triathlon Club
http://recsports.nd.edu/club-sports/coed-club-sports/coed-triathlon/
The Notre Dame Triathlon Club is focused on providing training for individuals on campus to help them prepare for triathlon competitions. This club is open to all students of Notre Dame, Saint Mary’s, and Holy Cross, and encourages all who are interested in getting in shape and meeting new people. For upcoming triathlon events and competition, as well as merchandise and ways to support the club, contact ndtri@nd.edu.
At some point in your three years in South Bend, the cold winters, lack of sleep, high stress levels, and the endless diet of pizza from the student club meetings will wear down your immune system, making you susceptible to one of the hundreds of germs being carried around by your classmates. Of course, this naturally unhealthy environment is also one where you can’t afford to take time off for extended rest and recuperation. When you do become ill, then, it’s important to get treatment quickly. Luckily, there are several convenient options.

Notre Dame Health Services
574-631-6047
uhs.nd.edu
Located a few buildings north of the Law School in the St. Liam building, the University Health Services offer a wide array of medical services. The walk-in clinic is open 24/7 during the academic year, and appointments with physicians are available from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. The best part? They have free flu shots and excluding fees for any laboratory tests and X-Rays, the services are free with your student ID. The pharmacy is open 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, but if you call in your prescriptions in advance, you can get them at the front desk after hours.

Keep in mind that Health Services has now instituted a nurse appointment system where all patients are set to see a nurse regardless of whether they request to see a doctor. If you are going to the clinic for something that requires a doctor, such as getting a prescription, make that clear when you call the clinic. Health Services will also drive you and pick you up from the hospital if necessary, during certain hours.

Notre Dame Wellness Center
574-634-9355
The Notre Dame Wellness Center is an innovative onsite medical facility that is available for the spouses and children of law students. Operated by Take Care Health Systems and a Walgreens Company, the Wellness Center provides a full suite of health services, delivering patient-centered, quality care in a state-of-the-art facility. The Pharmacy, operated by Walgreens, is a full-service pharmacy offering prescription services and private consultations. Please note you must provide proof of dependents eligibility such as a marriage certificate for your spouse and a birth certificate for your child.

Doctors Express
574-272-2000
7115 Heritage Square Drive #1250, Granger
http://doctorsexpressgranger.com/
Doctors Express urgent care bridges the gap between local physicians and the Emergency Room. For a fraction of the cost, you receive quality care for urgent, non-life-threatening medical issues. Doctors Express treats everything from cuts and bruises to fractures and colds and everything in between. They have on-site lab tests, x-rays and prescriptions with no appointments needed.

Memorial Hospital
574-647-1000
615 North Michigan Street, South Bend
qualityoflife.org
Memorial Hospital is one of the largest in the state, with five hundred beds, a Level II trauma center and ER, and dozens of clinics and services. They are also the preferred hospital of the University's Health Insurance Plan (as of the 2012 - 2013 school year).
Med-Point24
6913 North Main Street, Granger 574-647-1550
http://www.memorialmedicalgroup.org/mp24.cfm
Run by the Memorial Health Care System, the Med-Point 24 is located on Main Street near Cleveland Road in Granger and is ten minutes from Notre Dame.

St. Joseph Regional Medical Center 574-335-5000
5215 Holy Cross Parkway, Mishawaka sjmed.com
The new facility located in Mishawaka opened in December, 2009. It is located on Holy Cross Parkway which is a new road that runs between Edison Lakes Parkway and Douglas Road. The doctors and ER staff are super nice and explain everything. The nurses make you feel very comfortable. Most times you experience a short wait.

Another excellent hospital, St. Joseph Regional Medical Center has some of the best X-Ray and CT Imaging equipment in the country. The Emergency services are available 24/7 for serious and potentially life-threatening health issues. The Urgent Care Clinic is focused on more routine illnesses and injuries (like colds, strep throat, cuts, and sprains), and is open 365 days a year, 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Walk-ins are welcome.

South Bend Clinic – Immediate Care Center 574-234-8161
211 North Eddy Street, South Bend www.southbendclinic.com

Pharmacies
If you do not carry Notre Dame Health Insurance (AETNA) you may have your prescription(s) filled at a local pharmacy listed below. These pharmacies also carry basic over the counter drug and toiletry needs.

CVS:
2051 South Bend Avenue, South Bend 574-273-0080
130 East Cleveland Road, Granger 574-247-2221
2210 East Edison, South Bend OPEN 24 HOURS 574-472-3234
51467 U.S. Highway 31 North, South Bend 574-243-0904

Martin’s Grocery: www.martins-supermarkets.com
12850 State Road 23, Granger 574-277-5521
7355 Heritage Square Drive, Granger 574-807-8220
2081 South Bend Avenue, South Bend 574-233-8229

Meijer:
5020 Grape Road, Mishawaka 574-273-3500
3600 Portage Avenue, South Bend 574-273-3400

Target Stores:
155 East University Drive, Mishawaka 574-243-7442
Walgreens Drug Stores:
Closest to campus – STORE OPEN 24 HRS / PHARMACY OPEN TILL 10:00 PM

1351 North Ironwood Drive, South Bend 574-234-5046
2845 West Cleveland Road 574-277-1538
52482 State Road 933 (aka U.S. Hwy 31), South Bend 574-271-0357
1010 East Ireland Road, South Bend **OPEN 24 HRS** 574-299-0154
15005 State Road 23, Granger 574-271-0357

Walgreens Pharmacy:
107 Saint Liam Hall, Notre Dame 574-239-3847
FAX: 574-232-4839

Walgreens Pharmacy hours are: 9:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and they are closed for lunch between 1:00 – 1:30 p.m. University Health Services under Walgreens management is able to accept private insurance and process insurance claims. In order for Walgreens to file your insurance directly and honor your co-pay amounts, you will need to provide your prescription card or a copy of your card at the time of purchase. You can pay for your prescription at the time of service using cash, check, credit card, HSA account, and even DOMER DOLLARS. The pharmacy also accepts Medicaid for students and dependents. For convenience, Walgreens offers an “Express Pay Account”. This allows you to enter and store your insurance information and a form of payment online confidentially in the Walgreens system. They do carry a limited supply of over the counter meds and you can register for text message alerts and electronic Rx refills. Visit their website for more information [http://uhs.nd.edu/services/pharmacy](http://uhs.nd.edu/services/pharmacy).
CARS

Driver’s License
To obtain an Indiana Driver’s License, applicants must visit an Indiana license branch (BMV), pass both a written test and a vision test, and give proof of identity. The proof of identity requirement is extensive; the BMV requires one primary document (such as a U.S. passport), an additional primary document or a secondary document (such as an out-of-state driver’s license), proof of social security number, proof of Indiana residency, and evidence of U.S. citizenship or lawful residency. For a full list of what constitutes acceptable forms of these documents, visit the BMV website in.gov/bmv and click on the “New Indiana Residents” link in the left-hand column.

Vehicle Registration
To register cars in Indiana, the vehicle owner must visit an Indiana license branch, present the vehicle’s Certificate of Origin or out-of-state title, and give proof of insurance and social security number. All students who change their state of residence to Indiana must also change to an Indiana Driver License and register their vehicles in Indiana within 60 days. However, students are permitted to live in Indiana without changing their legal residence to Indiana. Out-of-state students who keep residency in their original states do not have to change their driver’s licenses or register their vehicles in Indiana, but must keep their home state driver’s licenses and registration up-to-date.

International Students
Foreign nationals are not required to obtain an Indiana Driver License, but must have an out-of-country driver’s license and an international driver’s license to drive in Indiana.

Getting Around South Bend
Driving around South Bend and Mishawaka is fairly straightforward. The towns themselves are essentially laid out in a grid, so once you learn the major cross streets (Grape Road, Douglas Road, Edison Road, Cleveland Road, McKinley Avenue) it is easy to get a bearing as to where you are. The key road to know is Edison Road in South Bend – this is the road that runs along the south side of Notre Dame’s campus.

With traffic, it will take no more than 10 minutes to drive from several of the apartment complexes in Mishawaka (Indian Lakes, Williamsburg on the Lake, Main Street Village) to Notre Dame’s campus. The majority of chain restaurants and grocery stores, located around Grape Road and Main Street in Mishawaka, are within 10 minutes of Notre Dame. Another important thing to note is that Notre Dame’s campus and the majority of apartment complexes in South Bend and Mishawaka are located between Exits 77 and 83 off the Toll Road and it will take you no more than 10 minutes to get to either exit.

Driving into downtown South Bend is a bit tricky as the roads do not remain parallel and often change names. This can be frustrating. Another important road “change” to know is that State Road 933, also known as U.S.-31 or Dixie Way, becomes Michigan Street. and then forks and becomes Main Street in South Bend. It sounds confusing but don’t worry, you’ll learn this drive quickly.
**Auto Repair**

_Rock Auto Service_  
269-262-0927  
314 Fort Street, Niles, MI (approximately 15 minutes from campus)  
Solid, dependable service at a value price. Highly recommended and affordable. All the repair and maintenance work is performed by an ASE Master Certified Technician with over 26 years dealership experience. 10% discount on labor for ND students.  

_M. D. Lillie Auto Service_  
574-271-9411  
51081 Indiana State Route 933, South Bend  
Good reviews. 10 minutes from campus.

**Auto Body Shop**

_Karl Weis Auto Body Shop_  
574-272-1100  
52073 State Road 933 North, South Bend  
Located between Darden and Brick Road, Karl Weis has been serving the South Bend area over 75 years. Full service collision repair shop offering free estimates anytime during business hours. Open 8am – 5pm, Monday through Friday.  

_Devreese Body Shop_  
574-288-0822  
1314 Portage Avenue, South Bend  
Located near the intersection of Portage Avenue and West Angela Boulevard. 10 minutes from campus.
**Voter Registration**

**Registering to Vote**
To be eligible to register to vote in Indiana, you have to be an Indiana resident and live in your precinct for at least 30 days prior to the election. To register, fill out the Indiana Voter Registration form, which is available on the State of Indiana elections website (in.gov/sos/elections). The form will also tell you where to mail it back—just make sure it is returned 29 days before the election in which you want to vote.

You can also register to vote in person at the county clerk’s office, any BMV license branch, or public assistance office.

Once you’ve registered, you should receive your voter registration card in the mail. If you don’t receive it within 30 days, call the St. Joseph County voter registration office at 574-235-9521.

**First Time Voters**
When registering to vote, you will have to present information that confirms your address. A number of documents are okay as long as they contain your name and address – such as an Indiana Driver’s License or other photo ID, a utility bill or bank statement, a government document (i.e., a passport), or a paycheck. If you do not provide one of these documents at the time you register, you will be required to present one when you vote for the first time.

**Voting In Person**
To vote in person, you must present a government-issued photo ID. This is in addition to the documents that confirm your address as a first time voter, discussed above. A government-issued photo ID includes Indiana drivers licenses and U.S. passports, but not your Notre Dame ID card. If you do not have an acceptable photo ID, you can get an Indiana State ID card free from the BMV.

**Voting Absentee**
All registered voters can vote absentee-in-person at the county election board (the County City Building in downtown South Bend), beginning 29 days before Election Day. You don’t even need a reason to vote early—you just show up and vote! Again, make sure to bring your photo ID.

To vote absentee-by-mail you must have a specific reason you will be absent from the county for the entire day, have a disability, be at least 65, have official election duties outside of your precinct, be scheduled to work for the entire 12 hours the polls are open, be confined due to injury or illness, be prevented from voting for religious reasons or you are a participant in the state’s address confidentiality program. If, for some reason, one of these applies to you, you may fill out an Application for Absentee Ballot, available at in.gov/sos/elections.
Caring for a pet while attending law school can certainly be a challenge, but it is definitely possible and can be very rewarding. For those who cannot bear to leave their “four-legged friends” behind, South Bend and the surrounding area offers many available options. Since students do not get to choose their schedules during 1L year, it is critical for them to plan on a daily basis to assure that they are able to make adequate time to care for their pets.

**Veterinary Care**

**Clayview Animal Clinic, PC**
50877 State Road 933, South Bend
clayviewanimalclinic.com
While this clinic is not the closest to campus, its wide range of services including boarding, behavioral counseling, and grooming may appeal to students who need extra assistance in caring for their animals.

**Family Pet Health Center**
2621 Mishawaka Avenue, South Bend
familypethealthcenter.com
This is one of the closer clinics to campus, located only 2.4 miles away. One of the perks of this clinic is that it maintains later hours (until 7 p.m.) on Monday and Thursdays so that may make scheduling visits easier for busy students. They also offer boarding.

**Kryder Veterinary Clinic**
12555 State Road 23, Granger
krydervet.com
A full-service veterinary practice in Granger.

**Magrane Pet Medical Center**
3945 Edison Lakes Parkway, Mishawaka
magranepmc.com
Located 3.6 miles from campus, this clinic offers services such as routine wellness exams, surgery, and dentistry.

**Morris Animal Hospital**
14546 State Road 23, Granger
http://morrisanimalhospital.com/

**Roseland Animal Hospital**
52710 SR 933 North, South Bend
http://roselandanimalhospital.vetstreet.com/

**University Park Vet**
310 East University Drive, Granger
http://www.universityparkvethospital.com/
**Pet Emergency Care**

Animal Emergency Clinic  
2324 Grape Road, Mishawaka  
This clinic is easily accessible, located at the intersection of Grape and McKinley in Mishawaka. This clinic is great if you have after-hours questions and pet emergencies. You can contact them 24 hours a day.

![Pet Emergency Care Image](image)

**Pet Day Care and Boarding**

Kryder Kritter Hotel  
12751 Sandy Drive, Granger  
kryderkritterhotel.com  
Wonderful staff and facilities to leave your dog or cat for full service boarding. Associated with Kryder Vet Clinic.

Linda's Camp K9  
1817 Elder Road, Mishawaka  
campk9dogs.com  
This daycare service features a 2,600 square-foot play area and a 10,000 square foot outdoor fenced-in yard. There are various packages available. All dogs are required to meet with counselors prior to their first visit and it is necessary to complete a questionnaire and provide medical records, so plan ahead! Pricing is available on their website.

**Grooming**

A Few Good Paws  
5114 Fellows Street, South Bend  
afewgoodpaws.com  
A home based salon in the University Park Mall area with over ten years of experience. You can make appointments on the website.
The groomers are not as good at PETCO, but it is cheaper.

PETCO
415 East University Drive, Granger
petco.com
Dog and Cat Grooming Services. Open 7 days a week. All breeds, by appointment.

Petsmart Grooming
4540 Grape Road, Mishawaka
1290 East Ireland Road, South Bend
http://www.petsmart.com/
Knowledgeable in breed specific haircuts, available 7 days a week with convenient evening hours, puppy services. Nice groomers; need vaccination record. I took a yorkie there, she looked super cute and they put a blue and gold ribbon in her hair!

Top Notch Grooming
1305 Fort Street, Niles, Michigan
Award winning Groomers, Bathing, DeShedding, Custom and Breed Standard Trims, Expert Hand Scissoring. Open weekdays 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Dog Parks

Humane Society of St. Joseph County
2506 Grape Road, Mishawaka
humanesocietystjc.org
The Humane Society of St. Joseph County has a fenced-in yard available for unlimited use with purchase of a membership. There are designated areas that separate the large and small dogs. The student rate for a year membership is $15, and ensures access to the facility for a full year. Be sure to have all of your dog’s recent vaccinations on hand, as they are required to register.

LaPorte County Parks
7943 West 400 North, Michigan City
laportecountyparks.org/bark.html
Located about an hour away from campus, Michigan City offers a 3.25 acre “bark park.” Daily fees are $4.00 per day for an out-of-county resident. To use the park, every owner must be able to provide proof that their dog is licensed and has updated vaccinations.

Prickett Marina Park
West of Penn High School on East Jefferson Boulevard
http://mishawaka.in.gov/prickettmarinapark
This park lies between Jefferson Boulevard and the St. Joseph River, next to the Bodine State Fish Hatchery. It features Open-air pavilion for rental, playground equipment, picnic tables/grills, dual boat launch, fishing piers, and off-leash dog run.
BARBER SHOPS, HAIR SALONS & TANNING

Because You Have to Look Good for Those Interviews

There’s no shortage of hair salons in the area and prices generally start around $30, but can run over $60 for a haircut by the most experienced stylists at some salons. Below are some of the more popular salons among students. As for the guys, let’s face it: real men get their hair cut by a barber. Prices tend to run around $16 at all the local shops.

Barbers

**Armando’s Barber Shop**
574-277-0615
1639 Edison Road, South Bend
At the corner of Edison and 23. Armando’s has a reputation for cutting the hair of the “big wigs” at Notre Dame including past football coaches. Within walking distance of campus.

**Barber Shop**
574-631-5144
Lafortune Student Center, Lower Level
Cuts for men $13. Open Tu. – Fri. 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. If you need a quick, classy and convenient cut, look no further than Frank Franko, the barber in the basement of LaFortune. Go in a day in advance (or the morning of if you're not picky as to time), and write your name down in Frank's appointment book. Frank always has a good perspective on what's going on with ND football and is a big boxing fan.

**Big League Barbers**
574-243-1765
219 West University Drive, Mishawaka
http://bigleaguebarbers.com/
Near Applebee’s. Sports themed with TVs. However, it’s not actually staffed by barbers—you’re going to get your hair cut by a cosmetologist. (Yes, there is a difference!)

**Rocco’s Style Shop**
574-277-8065
1437 North Ironwood Drive, South Bend
Like Armando’s, another old Notre Dame favorite, full of Notre Dame paraphernalia. Rocco’s is on the second generation of ownership by the same family. Within walking distance of campus.

Hair Salon’s

**Bangs**
574-243-0960
1639 North Ironwood, South Bend
bangssalon.com
Bright and colorful interior, friendly stylists. They also provide facials, massage, airbrush tanning, make-up, pedicures and manicures. Haircuts start at $30 for women and $17 for men.
Emblazon Salon
2123 Edison Road, South Bend
emblazonsalon.com
A relatively new salon downtown South Bend. Haircuts start at $34.

Great Clips
54586 Ironwood Drive, South Bend
Many locations around town. Inexpensive haircuts beginning at $12.00.

Illusions Salon & Day Spa
2123 Edison Road, South Bend
http://www.spaillusions.com/
At the corner of Edison and Ironwood. Features Aveda products and a full line of spa treatments.

JC Penney Salon
University Park Mall
The stylists aren’t always consistent from haircut to haircut, but it’s probably okay if you have a simple haircut.

Nicholas J. Salon & Spa
1251 Eddy Street #108
nicholasjsalonandspa.com
Spacious and clean. Aveda hair colors, make-up, skin care and aromatherapy. Haircuts start at $30 for women and $18 for men.

Salon 301 Salon & Day Spa
3509 Grape Road, Mishawaka
Featuring Aveda products. They also provide skin care, massages, waxing, manicures and pedicures.

Salon Nouveau
1733 North Ironwood Drive, South Bend
7220 Heritage Square Drive, Granger
salonnouvea.com
Another Aveda salon. Also offers hair extensions, skin care, make-up, nail care, and body care. Haircuts start at $30 for women and $20 for men.

Salon Rouge
620 West Edison Road, Suite 126, Mishawaka
2027 South Bend Avenue, South Bend
http://salonrougeinc.com/
The Edison Road location is inside St. Andrews Plaza (near Candlewood Apartments). Specializing in color and haircuts, but also offers manicures, pedicures and waxing. Owner worked with Vidal Sassoon for 15 years. Haircuts start at $35, but if you are on a budget, ask about their $10 'Model Cuts. The South Bend Avenue location is near campus, walking distance, in the Martins plaza. Great for hair color; ask for Chrissy McCormick. Haircuts start at $35 for women and $22 for men.
University Salon
LaFortune Student Center, Lower Level
Full service salon. Haircuts start at $24 for women and $16 for men.
Mon. – Thur. 9 a.m. – 9 p.m., Fri. 9 a.m. – 7 p.m., Sat. 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Fun Tan
574-272-7653
http://funtan.com/
2258 South Bend Avenue, South Bend
Minutes from campus on the corner of State Road 23 and Ironwood, this salon is open from 7 AM – 10 PM Monday through Friday and 7 AM – 9 PM on Saturdays with extended hours in March, April and May.

Tiki Tan
574-807-8583
3622 Edison Road Suite 500, South Bend
331 Florence Avenue, Granger (newest location in Tuscana Park)
574-247-4450
Very convenient and close to campus – only about 2.5 miles away in Linwood Plaza at Edison and Hickory Road. Their newest location is in Tuscana Park off State Road 23. Tiki Tan has been known to have great prices and is clean and well maintained. They are open until 10 daily and you'll never wait long for one of their beds. They also feature a UV FREE Mystic Tan.
BANKING

Where to Store that Student Loan Money

Area Banks

Chase
2101 South Bend Avenue, South Bend 574-283-4150
5315 North Main Street, Mishawaka 574-243-7839
211 West Washington, South Bend (main branch) 574-283-4100
Chase.com
There are three locations in the South Bend/Mishawaka area. College Checking is a free checking service available only to college students aged 17-24, with no monthly maintenance fee and free online banking with free online bill pay. Chase Free Checking offers a basic checking account with a $6 monthly service fee that is waived with Direct Deposit or five or more debit purchases during each statement period.

Citibank
citibank.com
Citibank does not have bank branches, but has ATMs in area 7/11 stores. You can get cash, transfer money between your checking and savings and see your balance, but you can’t make deposits.

1st Source Bank
2230 South Bend Avenue, South Bend 574-271-4240
6909 North Grape Road, Mishawaka 574-271-4250
405 East McKinley Avenue Mishawaka 574-258-3200
1stsource.com
1st Source Bank has a convenient branch location in the basement of LaFortune Student Center that provides banking services to students, employees and visitors. Personal banking can be conducted at the branch, in addition to university transactions such as student account payments. 1st Source is also a regional bank with sixteen branches in the South Bend/Mishawaka area. They also operate several ATM machines on campus. Easy Checking offers a basic checking account with unlimited check writing, no minimum balance or monthly fee, free online banking, and debit card. Also ask about special accounts for Notre Dame students.

Fifth-Third Bank
301 North Main Street, South Bend 574-245-5000
5645 North Main Street, Mishawaka 574-247-1886
53.com
National bank whose name comes from the names of two banks that merged to form it – the Fifth Bank of Ohio and the Third Bank of Ohio. They have two branches in South Bend/Mishawaka area. Fifth Third Student Checking available to students aged 16-24 with no monthly fee, no minimum balance, and free online banking, debit card, and online bill pay. Fifth Third Free Checking offers basic checking with no fees and no minimum balance and unlimited ATM transactions. Both accounts require a $50 minimum.
Key Bank
525 West Cleveland Road, Mishawaka (next to mall) 574-334-4020
keybank.com
Eight branches in the South Bend/Mishawaka area with 11 ATM machines located throughout the area. Key Student Checking is a free checking account that provides reimbursement of other bank’s ATM surcharges of up to $6 per month, and free bill payment with no monthly maintenance or minimum balance. It’s available for students over 16. Key Express Free Checking is a basic checking account with no fees and no minimum balance. It has all the same perks as Student Checking without reimbursement of other bank’s ATM surcharges.

Mutual Bank
742 East Ireland Road, South Bend 574-299-1500
402 West Cleveland Road, Granger 574-277-4930
4100 Edison Lakes Parkway, Suite 100, Mishawaka 574-273-7660
bankwithmutual.com
Mutual Bank bought out MFB in 2008 and has nine branches in the South Bend/Mishawaka area. Simply Free is their basic checking account with no service fees, and no minimum balance, but requires a $10 minimum deposit to open an account.

Notre Dame Federal Credit Union
19033 Douglas Road, South Bend 574-239-6611
notredamefcu.org
Twelve branches in the South Bend/Mishawaka. Their Share Draft Checking offers basic checking account with no fees, your first 50 checks are free, no monthly service or monthly minimum and free online banking. Several ATM’s located on campus.

Old National Bank
1233 North Eddy Street, Suite 101 574-239-3500
oldnational.com
Recently opened a convenient location in Eddy Street Commons.

PNC Bank
110 North Lafayette, South Bend 574-237-4733
pnc.com
Many branches and ATM’s in the South Bend/Mishawaka area. Free Checking Plus offers free checks, free online banking, unlimited transactions, no minimum balance or monthly fee, $50 minimum opening balance.

Teachers Credit Union
110 South Main Street 574-232-8011
tcunet.com
Six branches in the South Bend/Mishawaka area and numerous ATMs. Because it’s a credit union, it may be available to all students. However, it does offer free Internet bill paying, and the first box of checks is free.
Wells Fargo
100 East Wayne Street, South Bend 574-237-3367
382 West Cleveland Road, Granger 574-271-7603
wellsfargo.com

Wells Fargo has several locations in the South Bend/Mishawaka area, but the one downtown South Bend and the one just north of the University Park Mall are the most convenient. They have free student checking with free online banking and online bill pay. Also, if you have both a checking account and student loans with Wells Fargo they decrease your interest rate by a quarter of a percent if you set up automatic payments.

Campus ATMs (28 total)
http://treasury.nd.edu/assets/137083/atm_map_july_2014.pdf

Compton Family Ice Arena (2 locations)
Operated by NDFCU.

Decio Hall
Accessible from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Operated by NDFCU.

DeBartolo Center for Performing Arts
Operated by NDFCU.

DeBartolo Hall
Operated by NDFCU.

Football Stadium
In service during football games only. Operated by NDFCU.

Grace Hall
Accessible from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Operated by NDFCU and 1st Source Bank.

Hammes Mowbray Hall
Operated by NDFCU.

Hammes-Notre Dame Bookstore
West side of the building in the west entrance. West doors are kept locked, so you need to walk through the Bookstore. Access limited to Bookstore hours. Operated by 1st Source Bank.

Hesburgh Library
In the basement. Available only when library is open. Operated by 1st Source Bank and NDFCU.

Innovation Park
Operated by NDFCU.
Joyce Athletic & Convocation Center (2 locations)
1. Gate 10 facing parking lot C1. 24-hour access. Operated by NDFCU.
2. Concourse limited to building hours. Operated by NDFCU.

LaFortune Student Center (4 locations)
1. Main floor by telephones. 24-hour access.
2. Lower level by elevators. 24 hour access. Operated by NDFCU and 1st Source Bank.
3. Coming Soon – Bank of America
4. Coming Soon – JP Morgan Chase

Legends
Operated by NDFCU

Main Building (the Dome)
In the basement. Accessible from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Operated by NDFCU.

Mendoza College of Business
Operated by NDFCU.

Morris Inn
Operated by 1st Source Bank

North Dining Hall
24-hour access. Operated by NDFCU. This is also the ATM within shortest walking distance to graduate student housing.

Rolf's Sports Recreation Center
Operated by NDFCU.

Reckers
Next to the entrance for Reckers on the south side of the South Dining Hall. 24-hour access.
Operated by NDFCU and 1st Source Bank. A very short walk from the Law School.
Where to Go to Get Resumes Copied and Printed

ArtCraft Printers, Inc.
2213 South Michigan Street, South Bend 574-234-8464
artcraft-printers.com
They offer full service printing and design work.

FedEx Office (formerly Kinkos)
LaFortune Student Center (on-campus) 574-631-6671
2202 South Bend Avenue, South Bend 574-271-0398
52991 State Road 933, South Bend 574-271-6939
http://fedex.com/
Three locations—one on campus, one at the corner of Ironwood and State Road 23, right behind Starbucks, and one at the corner of Michigan and Cleveland. Open 24-hours. It’s very expensive, but convenient—offers many options, including self-service. You can also ship your copies all over the world.

Insty-Prints
129 South Lafayette Boulevard, South Bend 574-289-6977
http://instyprintssouthbend.com/
Across from the County-City Building and near the courthouse downtown.

Notre Dame Law School
Free printing in the law school on the 3rd floor in the computer lab.
Computers are essential to law school. We can’t imagine what typing 60-page law review notes with hundreds of footnotes or even moot court briefs on a typewriter was like. You will be frustrated enough if you have to type your bar application on a typewriter during your third year to make you forgive any problems you have ever had with a computer.

The overwhelming majority of students bring a laptop to class to take notes/surf the internet/chat. Most students also use their laptops for exams. Most professors allow students to use laptops during class to take notes, but it’s usually not a good idea to hide behind your screen when you are answering a question. The entire building has a wireless computer network and supports both Macs and PCs. Laptop users can even print directly to the printers in the computer labs from anywhere in the building.

The Law School works out a great deal every year with a major computer manufacturer to provide sale-priced notebooks to its students. Generally there's the “cheap model” (read “everything you need”) and then the “expensive model” (read “nice, but not necessarily what you need”). For the most up to date information, please check the website at http://law.nd.edu/library/technology-services/.

One thing to note is that the law school does not support the Macs as in-depth as it will a Windows machine. Although the OIT service center is an authorized Apple repair shop, it is known to have extended wait times throughout the year. There is an Apple Store at the University Park Mall. Regardless of which laptop you choose to buy, it is highly recommended that you add a three-year warranty. Students tend to have weird things happen to their computers during the semester.

For those who don’t have a laptop or a computer at all, the Law School has a small computer cluster. There are also high speed laser printers available for student use. Computer clusters are sprinkled around the campus and, of course, are available to you as a Notre Dame student. Because you have your own private account on the University server, you are able to access work saved to the “N:” drive from anywhere, on campus or off, which is especially handy. One word of caution, however: if you choose to print in a “remote forum” (say, at the main library), printing will be charged against your student account. Another great service is Box. It allow students to host their files in the cloud so that they can remotely access them from anywhere with an internet connection. So, basically the N: drive is not just accessible on campus. Information about it can be found here http://oithelp.nd.edu/shared-file-space/box/ and here http://oithelp.nd.edu/shared-file-space/box/faq/. Similarly, but with much less space, students can use Google Drive. Drive works because ND uses Gmail and all the Google apps, and allows students to access it right from their email. A nice feature of Drive is that you can install the application on your computer and when you upload files from a different computer (such as in the library) they automatically sync with your personal computer. I think this is used more (I’ve seen clubs use it for sign-up sheets) but is only 5GB compared to Box's 50GB.
You will get free access to Westlaw, Lexis and Bloomberg when you arrive on campus (enjoy them...they'll never be truly free again). Westlaw and Lexis are powerful legal databases that provide access to just about any legal source you can think of (except the one you need at 2:00 a.m. the night before a paper is due). Both provide training, competitions to encourage use, and free printing. The Lexis and Westlaw printers in the Law School can be selected from the company’s internet sites and are available from anywhere, including off campus. Lexis and Westlaw also provide employment opportunities for 2Ls and 3Ls as student representatives. In addition to handing out points, the reps get extra training in using Lexis and Westlaw – and then hang out at the lab, ready, willing and able to answer all your research questions.

If you have computing questions, the Law School has several onsite computer experts and they’re incredibly helpful. Contact Eric McCartney (mccartney@nd.edu, 574-631-9793) or Dan Manier (manier@nd.edu, 574-631-3939), Director of Law School Technology, for assistance. Campus-wide computing assistance is available through the Office of Information Technology, 370 Information Technology Center, oit.nd.edu, 574-631-5600 or 128 DeBartolo Hall, 574-631-8111.
CELL PHONES

Can You Hear Me Now?

All of the major cell phone companies provide service in South Bend, so picking a provider is probably going to be based on what kind of a plan you can get, and what type of service you might expect to experience at Notre Dame itself. If you're looking to get a new plan, keep in mind that you might need more minutes than you had before. Those cell phones will be very useful both for keeping in touch with loved ones who haven't seen you since you disappeared into the Law School library and for your job search.

Reception inside of the Law School building is a tricky thing. Quality of reception varies by both the provider and model of cell phone. The University partnered with Verizon and AT&T and allowed these providers to install a significant number of antennas around campus, so service is relatively reliable with these providers in most parts of the Law School and around campus. Those with T-Mobile and Sprint sometimes have service, but it is somewhat less consistent than AT&T and Verizon.

In the library, reception varies wildly. The policy for cell phones in the library is to be courteous: don’t make calls from the library and don’t take calls in the library. Leaving your phone on vibrate-only mode is fine unless you leave and leave your phone on your desk and your significant other calls repeatedly wondering where you are. And, as every law student soon discovers, remember that when you take your call out of the library and into the hallway, there are still people about, people who may not be interested in learning all about your weekend in New York.

Law School lore used to say that our building is built like a castle – impenetrable to invading armies and cell signals alike. While this remains true for many service providers, keep in mind that if you are fortunate enough to have service in the classrooms, this may be more of a curse than a blessing. Many professors will pause their lectures when a phone rings, most that don’t send a glare in the direction of the ring, and all of them don’t like it. We recommend not letting it happen.

Common Providers

AT&T
4170 Grape Road, Mishawaka 574-252-2328
1234 North Eddy Street, South Bend 574-287-9890
http://www.att.com/

Sprint PCS
2031 South Bend Avenue, South Bend 574-277-7727
4615 Grape Road, Mishawaka 574-243-2100
sprint.com

Verizon Wireless
505 West Douglas Road, Mishawaka 574-271-9819
560 West Ireland Road, South Bend 574-299-9289
http://www.verizonwireless.com/
Located in the Law School Eck Commons, the “Crossings” is open daily to serve the needs of your taste buds. It offers daily soup selections, along with a daily lunch special. Also available are breakfast sandwiches, deli sandwiches, salads, desserts, and an extensive selection of coffees and other beverages. It’s most popular at lunch (especially on rainy days when no one wants to leave the Law School). On most days, if you’re planning on having a calzone or picking up a danish for breakfast, stop in early or they’ll probably be out.

The commons area is a great place to see people, watch TV, check your e-mail, nap, or read The Observer (Notre Dame’s daily newspaper). The commons is usually full of activities from arranging Thanksgiving baskets for needy families to Westlaw and Lexis displays offering free goodies.

The “Crossings” is not the only on-campus eatery; there are nine other “express” options for lunch, serving sandwiches, salads, pasta, and other quick, often portable, victuals. They include Café Commons (in Mendoza College of Business), Au Bon Pain in Hesburgh Library and Hesburgh Center for International Studies, Café de Grasta (in Grace Hall), Café Poche (in Bond Hall/Architecture), Decio Commons (in the Decio Faculty Building), Waddick’s (in O’Shaughnessy Hall), Warren Grille (at the golf course), ‘a la Descartes (Jordan Hall of Science), Kitz Kafe’ (Stinson-Remick Hall of Engineering) and the Bookstore Café (in the Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore). There are also many options after hours at the Huddle in LaFortune Student Center such as Subway, Burger King, Taco Bell, Pizza Hut and LaFun Ice Cream. See the online map for locations. Some eateries are open late into the night (4:00 a.m. on weekends) while other close by dinner time. See the hours of operation for each location.

North Dining Hall and South Dining Hall are located on the North Quad and South Quad, respectively. They offer a variety of all-you-can-eat-but-not-take-out food at every meal. You don’t need a meal plan to eat there, but it is a lot cheaper if you have one. The daily menu is posted at http://food.nd.edu/places-to-eat/dining-halls.

Huddle Food Court in LaFortune Student Center includes five food sources: Burger King, Subway, Starbucks and Huddle Mart (think: convenience store with a deli counter, salad bar, and ice cream cones) upstairs and Taco Bell and Pizza Hut downstairs. Also downstairs: the credit union, the barber shop, the hair salon, the travel agency, the print shop, the design shop, the florist, and the arcade, so you can multitask at lunch.
Varying in formality and price and menu, there are four restaurants on campus. Rohr’s and Sorin’s, located in the Morris Inn, gets the prize for high-end and doesn’t garner a lot of student business (probably because they don’t take FlexPoints). Legends of Notre Dame which is located just south of the stadium, on the other hand, is both pub and restaurant, and thus more welcoming to students (and not just because they accept FlexPoints). On the south side of South Dining Hall, Reckers is the only 24-hour eatery on campus and, as such, is very popular with students at all hours of the day and night. It is close to the law school and affordable.

**Meal Plans**

Meal Plans allow you to eat a specified number of meals per semester at the dining halls only. If you have a “premium” meal plan (14 or 21 meals per week), your unused meals expire at the end of each week. If you have a “block” meal plan (25 to 120 meals per semester), your unused meals expire at the end of the semester. Meals do not roll over to the next semester (but, if you break your leg halfway through the semester, and your mom comes to town to take care of you for three months, and she cooks good food for you every night, and you can’t really use your meals at the dining halls, Food Services will work with you on this policy).

Some of the major meal plans are listed below, but keep in mind that grad students can pretty much tailor a plan to their needs. You can build-your-own plan with many options. If you plan on eating at one of the dining halls, it’s more economical to buy a lot of meals. Just make sure you use them – they expire at the end of the semester. For updates, check [http://food.nd.edu/meal-plans-card-services/grad-student-and-non-resident-off-campus-undergraduate](http://food.nd.edu/meal-plans-card-services/grad-student-and-non-resident-off-campus-undergraduate).

Select 120 with Flex Points  
Number of block meals: 120  
Flex Point value: $110  
Cost: $1,465

Select 80 with Flex Points  
Number of block meals: 80  
Flex Point value: $110  
Cost: $1,030

Select 50 with Flex Points  
Number of block meals: 50  
Flex Point value: $110  
Cost: $700

Select 32 with Flex Points  
Number of block meals: 32  
Flex Point value: $110  
Cost: $495

Select 25 with Flex Points  
Number of block meals: 25  
Flex Point value: $110  
Cost: $415
Domer Dollars

Domer Dollars can be purchased on a dollar-for-dollar basis and can be used in a wide variety of ways on campus. In addition to food purchases, you can buy stuff at the bookstore, the copy shop and other services on campus. For those living on-campus, one of the most useful features of Domer Dollars is that they can be used to do laundry or to purchase items from the vending machines in residence halls. Unlike meal plans and Flex Points, Domer Dollars do not expire but continue on your account for as long as you are a student here. If there is a balance when you graduate, you’ll get it back. One drawback of Domer Dollars is that you have to actually purchase them and can’t just charge them to your student account. For more information check the website http://food.nd.edu/meal-plans-card-services/domer-dollars.

Flex Points

Flex Points can also be purchased on a dollar-for-dollar basis and used for food at (almost) any campus restaurant. You can have Food Services add Flex Points to your card and charge it to your student account. Flex Points roll over until the end of the spring semester when they expire. It’s easy to use them up, though, if you are approaching the end of the semester with a balance remaining – just treat your buddies to a cool drink at Legends or stock up on 20-ounce colas at the Huddle. One advantage of Flex Points, at least if you have a weakness for shopping in the bookstore, is that you can’t blow all of your lunch money on the latest ND apparel.

(Mostly) Free Food!!!

Quarterdogs

The existence of quarterdogs is a little-known secret even amongst the undergrads, and only a very few law students – mostly Double Domers – have been able to take advantage of this phenomenon. Every day at midnight in LaFortune, the Huddle sells its hot dogs for twenty five cents each until they run out. Trust me, there are few things greater than getting four hot dogs for a dollar in the middle of an all-nighter at the Law School. Onions, mustard, and ketchup are available to round out your dawgin’ experience.

Coleman-Morse Center (Co-Mo)

Also known as the “free pop” building (or free soda, or free coke), the home of Campus Ministry provides free popcorn and free carbonated beverages. Technically, though, you're supposed to leave a quarter for your first cup.

Law School Lunch Meetings

Pizza and Jimmy John's are available about three times a week to anyone willing to attend the lunchtime meetings. Once in a while Chipotle', Chick-fil-A are also served. Don't worry, 25% of everyone else at the meeting is also there just for the food.
LIQUID REFRESHMENTS

This is an Irish School, After All

A great deal of the University social scene happens in bars. Even if you don’t drink, you should be prepared to visit with your friends at one (or more) of these places occasionally. If you do drink, you should know that this is a town that takes their drinking very seriously. (It’s kind of a dichotomy, though. You can’t buy liquor from a grocery (or similar) store on Sunday in the state of Indiana. Good thing Michigan is only 10 minutes to the north.) Italics denote current 1L trends as of publishing. Yes, you do actually have time to go out and enjoy some good times with your classmates.

Bar Louie
574-277-9100
6501 Grape Road, Suite 1100, Mishawaka
barlouieamerica.com
Located in the University Park Mall, this hip but pricy restaurant and bar has an extensive specialty cocktail list as well as a wide assortment of beers and wines. They also offer a full menu and late-night dining.

Between the Buns
574-247-9293
1803 South Bend Avenue, South Bend
betweenthebuns.com
A friendly, neighborhood sports bar since 1985. Great burgers and fried foods! TV monitors in each booth to watch your favorite sports or news programs. Trivia on Tuesday and Wednesday nights. Bloody Mary bar on Saturdays 9 AM before the game.

The Blarney Stone (Formerly Library/Finnegan’s)
574-283-0452
113 East Wayne Street, South Bend
This bar has been known in the past for its numerous name changes and the ease with which undergrads were able to gain entry using questionable identification. The current version (Blarney Stone) has gained popularity among two groups, law students and athletes. It is not uncommon to see members of the football or basketball team in the mix here. Thursdays and Football Fridays

Brothers Bar & Grill
574-287-2767
1234 North Eddy Street, Suite 125, South Bend
brothersbar.com
Nicest, newest bar in town. After opening on Eddy Street in 2011, Brothers became the “go-to” establishment for a lot of the law school. Solid beer selection and great bar food during the day. At night, the best drink specials near campus, good-size dance floor and Top 40 hits. No cover for students. If you like to live dangerously, check out Mason Jar Mondays.

C.J.’s
574-233-5981
cjs-pub.com
236 South Michigan Street, South Bend
The best burger in the area, hands down. C.J.’s is a place to catch lunch or dinner, a drink and listen to live music. Anytime for burgers

Club Fever
574-234-5200
clubfever.biz
222 South Michigan Street, South Bend
One of South Bend’s only true “night clubs.” This club features a mixture of locals, undergrads and grads dancing to the latest music. Thursdays
Club Landing
1717 Lincolnway East, South Bend
574-289-4122
A place to go dance and grab a beer, mostly a younger crowd. Salsa dancing on Thursdays. This bar is more of a locals’ bar which is a shame because it features a dance floor, several bars and a very extensive outdoor deck which overlooks the river.

Club LaSalle
115 West Colfax, South Bend
574-288-1155
clublasalle.com
The classiest place to get a drink in South Bend and the only true cigar bar. Located above the LaSalle Grill, business casual dress is recommended most nights. A great place to catch live jazz on the weekends. They have a large humidor and personal cigar boxes you can rent.

Corby’s Irish Pub
441 East LaSalle, South Bend
574-233-5326
Corby’s is the quintessential Notre Dame bar and has been featured in the movie Rudy. Corby’s has several pool tables and a great outdoor area. The bar is packed to capacity during home games and is a huge hit with most law students. Corby’s also has arguably the best post-bar BBQ right outside its doors, on Football Fridays they bring out the big grill. Fridays/Saturdays

Evil Czech Brewery
3703 North Main Street, Mishawaka
574-855-3070
evilczechbrewery.com
Offers a variety of hand-crafted brewed beers, high quality food, sourced from local farmers, Lightnin’ Lunch – endless small plate buffet, and daily specials.

Fiddler’s Hearth
127 North Main Street, South Bend
574-232-2863
fiddlershearth.com
Arguably one of the best bars in South Bend. Fiddler’s Hearth features the best Guinness in town, cider on tap, good Irish-pub fare and lots of good music. Popular every night of the week, especially with law students looking to enjoy a relaxed evening out, it tends to get very packed on Friday and Saturday nights. Wednesday night is open mic night and has featured the musical abilities of several law students. Try their Sunday Brunch while listening to live music too!

Granite City Food & Brewery
6501 North Grape Road, Mishawaka
574-243-0900
gcfb.net
A Midwest chain that opened a location in the University Park Mall this summer, Granite City offers an extensive food menu as well as a wide variety of beers including in-house microbrews. They also have a Sunday brunch.

Legends of Notre Dame
University of Notre Dame; 574-631-2582
legendsofnotredame.org
The on-campus bar/nightclub, formerly known as Senior Bar. Though the bar has the best collection of bottled beers in the area, it also features the worst service. Your experience may include a 30-minute wait for your drink followed by a visit by the waitress informing you that they are out of whatever you ordered. Sign up for their weekly newsletter to keep on top of what bands are playing there every week. After class
Linebacker Lounge (“Backer”)  574-289-0186
1631 South Bend Avenue (walking distance from campus)
All roads lead to the Backer! The Backer tends to get packed every Friday and Saturday after midnight. The Backer is a true Jekyll and Hyde bar which may be empty prior to midnight and standing room only thereafter. The floor is sticky, the temperature is extreme, and the fun is unlimited. It is well known and loved for nonstop playing of 90's music. There is a cover, but in exchange you receive a ticket good for one drink. The house specialty is a long island ice tea - well worth the cover. It is almost impossible to get into on football weekends. The Backer is truly a Notre Dame Institution.

Madison Oyster Bar  574-288-3776
129 North Main Street, South Bend  madisonoysterbar.com
Right next to Fiddler’s Hearth, it is one of the few three floor bars in South Bend. The food is good and they have a large selection of drinks. Don’t forget the third floor bar (faster drinks) and pool tables.

Main Street Pub  574-271-9898
2046 South Bend Avenue, South Bend  mainstpub.com
With a full menu and numerous TVs, it is a good place to watch a game. Watch out for large crowds during major sporting events and a really smoky atmosphere.

Martha’s Midway Tavern  574-255-0458
810 West 4th Street, Mishawaka  themidwaytavern.com
According to Professor Rick Garnett, if anyone likes live blues music, the Midway Tavern is the place to be. Unfortunately, they do allow smoking.

Maury’s Pat’s Colonial Pub  574-259-8282
901 West 4th Street, Mishawaka
Near downtown Mishawaka. ND Fight Song played here frequently.

Mulligan’s Bar & Grill  574-277-5666
1705 South Bend Avenue, South Bend (near campus)  mulliganssouthbend.com
Mulligan’s was opened by a couple from Florida and describe themselves as “the biggest Irish fans ever” – they haven’t missed a home game in 20 years. Laid-back and usually catering to an older crowd, it has become a popular hangout for law students. They also offer food before 10 p.m. Thursday is country night.

Oaken Bucket  574-289-1616
1212 South Ironwood, South Bend
Not too many people know about this place, but they make one of the best burgers in the area. It is about a 10 minute drive from campus, but it is definitely worth the trip, especially if you are looking for food along with your drinks!

O’Rourke’s  574-251-0355
1044 Angela Boulevard Suite 103, South Bend  orourkespubhouse.com
An authentic Irish Pub new to the Eddy Street Commons. Features daily specials.

South Bend Brew Werks  574-334-0356
216 South Michigan Street, South Bend  southbendbrewwerks.com
RESTAURANTS

Everything from Fine Dining to Late-night Dives

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You’ve heard of most of these places. South Bend has no shortage of chain restaurants. You will find we have omitted fast-food restaurants – don’t worry, there’s an overabundance of those, too.

Applebee’s
6615 North Main Street, Granger 574-273-0003
4515 Lincolnway East Mishawaka 574-256-9501
1150 East Ireland Road, South Bend 574-291-8522
3703 Portage Avenue, South Bend 574-277-2640

Offers steak, ribs, burgers, soups and sandwiches. The location on Portage Road tends not to be as busy as the restaurants on Grape Road after football games.

The Backstage Grill
222 South Michigan Street, South Bend 574-232-0222

Attached to Club Fever, this is a “music and sports-themed restaurant.” Sometimes the performers at Fever will eat there before their shows. Also, with their $5 lunch specials, it’s a good place to get lunch in downtown South Bend. Free wireless.

Bar Louie
6501 North Grape Road, Mishawaka 574-277-9100

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Buffalo Wild Wings (BW3s)
326 West Ireland Road, South Bend
574-232-2293
4343 North Grape Road, Mishawaka
574-272-9464 buffalowildwings.com
Wings, beer, sports . . . all the essentials. Even if you don't like wings, they have plenty of other kinds of food, even meat-free food. A great place to watch sports. Thursday - $.60 boneless wings

Cheddar's
4919 North Main Street, Mishawaka
574-273-0013 www.cheddars.com
Handmade, high quality food at a reasonable price. New restaurant in the area, opened fall of 2012.

Chili's
4810 Grape Road, Mishawaka
574-271-1330 chilis.com
Try their Fajita-Rita Monday Nights (fajitas for two are $10 with $2 margaritas). The bartenders are super nice.

Culver's
5520 North Main Street, Mishawaka
574-271-7161 culvers.com
4402 South Michigan Street, South Bend
574-299-9141
Somewhere between fast-food and sit-down, Culver's offers the usual burgers, fries, sandwiches and salads along with frozen custard for dessert. Keep an eye out for the "Flavor of the Day," and remember---they call them "Butter burgers," which means they're as unhealthy AND great-tasting as they sound. Free ice cream with a kid's meal.

Doc Pierce's
120 North Main Street, Mishawaka
574-255-7737 docpierces.com
Steaks, shrimp, burgers and sandwiches in downtown Mishawaka. Outdoor dining available. Reasonable prices - daily food and drink specials. Under same ownership as the Emporium.

East Bank Emporium
121 South Niles Avenue, South Bend
574-234-9000 eastbankemporium.com
A multi-level restaurant overlooking the St. Joseph River and the East Race waterway. Casual and fine dining, including prime rib, steak, and seafood.

Famous Dave's Bar-B-Que
6402 North Grape Road, Mishawaka
574-277-1888 famousdaves.com
Halfway-decent chain BBQ place. They have six different Bar-B-Que sauces at the table for you to try.
Five Guys Burger and Fries
6501 Grape Road, # 1105, Mishawaka  
1233 Eddy Street Unit 10, South Bend  
Two locations: One is connected to the University Park Mall, and the other is in the Eddy Street Commons.

Flat Top Grill
6501 North Grape Road, Suite 1130, Mishawaka  
Great location at University Park Mall. Create your own tortilla bowl and they stir fry it! Open for breakfast Saturday and Sunday’s; endless options. They offer a student discount!

Golden Corral
135 East Douglas Road, Mishawaka  
Everyone is excited about this buffet. Located in the Grape Road/Main Street area.

Granite City Food & Brewery
6501 Grape Road, Mishawaka  
Connected to the University Park Mall. Casual dining with an on-site brewery.

Houlihan’s
4240 North Main Street, Mishawaka  
One of the nicer chains in the area, featuring private wine boxes belonging to local and regional VIPs. Also offers a delicious weekend brunch.

Jersey Mike’s Giant Subs
5718 North Main Street, Mishawaka  
They offer great subs at a great price –these authors highly recommend at least one lunch trip there.

Jimmy Johns
54570 North Ironwood Road, South Bend  
At the corner of Ironwood and SR 23, this place has great subs. Plus, they deliver right to the Law School and they’re open late–crucial during finals week. Several area locations.

Legends of Notre Dame
On campus (just south of the stadium) 54801 Juniper Road, Notre Dame  
Impressive selection of domestic, import and local beers. A little pricey for the quality of the food, but the location can’t be beat. Local and up-and-coming bands perform many weekends.

Le Peep
127 South Michigan, South Bend  
Voted best breakfast in South Bend, according to their own materials. It’s definitely worth the honor. Great lunch options too.
The Mark Dine and Tap
1234 Eddy Street, Suite 111, South Bend 574-204-2767
The most unique, gourmet and upbeat dining establishment with a vibrant big-city appeal. They provide the highest-quality options for breakfast, lunch, dinner and desserts in the area. (Same owners at Uptown Kitchen)

McAlister's Delis
1130 Angela Boulevard, Suite 102, South Bend 574-232-8560
Fresh taste, quick service. Massive spuds hit the spot on a cold day. Bottomless refills on green tea and other refreshing treats.

Main Street Grille
112 North Main, Mishawaka 574-254-4995
Casual but upscale with an adjoining art gallery.

Maury's Pat's Colonial Pub
901 West 4th Street, Mishawaka 574-259-8282
This “pub” is really a restaurant serving lunch and dinner. Lots of Notre Dame paraphernalia.

Morris Bistro
211 North Michigan, South Bend 574-245-6085
Located on the lower level of the Morris Performing Arts Center. Open for lunch and two hours before performances at the MPAC.

Mulligan’s Bar & Grill
1705 South Bend Avenue South Bend (near campus) 574-277-5666
Mulligan’s specializes in deli sandwiches and has a full menu including hamburgers and steaks.

Nick's Patio
1710 North Ironwood, South Bend 574-277-7400
Open 24-hours! American cuisine, good service, close to campus for those late-night study breaks.

Old Country Buffet
5540 Grape Road, Mishawaka (Wilshire Plaza) 574-277-7077
Not for the small of stomach. For sheer volume of food for the money, nothing beats the OCB. The salad bar is quite good, as are the multiple-drink refills and the ice cream bar. There are different entrées for every day of the week, and during Lent, they have fish fry Fridays.

O'Rourke's
1044 Angela Boulevard Suite 103, South Bend 574-251-0355
An authentic Irish Pub new to the Eddy Street Commons. Features daily specials.

Outback Steakhouse
4611 Grape Road, Mishawaka 574-271-2333
Unfortunately, is not worth the price. Bad service and the food is not cooked right. The only positive thing is the bread is great.
Panera Bread
4310 North Main, Mishawaka
1290 East Ireland Road, South Bend
Great soup and sandwiches, and fast service too!

Red Lobster
3930 North Main, Mishawaka

Rocky River Tap & Table
1032 East University Drive, Granger
Local farmers, brewers and winemakers are featured in this casual restaurant. They offer everything from entrees including steaks, snacks and organic smoothies. The tap features some of the best breweries in the country as well as wines from the local area and the West coast. Open daily at 11:00 a.m.

Rohr's
Located off the lobby of Morris Inn
A casual pub that is a nice gathering spot for drinks and conversation. They offer a lunch time buffet as well as dinner entrees. Endless drink specials and a wide variety of beer, and wine. Open daily until 1:00 a.m. and the weekends until 2:00 a.m.; serving food until midnight.

TGI Friday's
4730 Grape Road, Mishawaka
1240 East Ireland Road, South Bend

Uptown Kitchen
7225 Heritage Square Drive, #208, Granger
Serves breakfast all day. They serve dinner Wednesday through Saturday.

Asian, Indian and Mediterranean Food

Bowl of Pho
5626 Grape Road, Mishawaka
Vietnamese specialties. Do you want to broaden your horizons beyond kung pao whatever and sweet-and-sour who cares? Try Bowl of Pho Vietnamese in Cuisine in Mishawaka (in the shopping center across Grape from Steak-N-Shake). Their pho, Vietnamese beef noodle soup, is the best you'll find in South Bend. Pro tip: Get your rare steak slices brought separately and cook them in the broth. Doctor your soup with sriracha, hoisin sauce, bean sprouts, cilantro, basil, and jalapenos to taste. They also have good bahn mi and rice combination plates.

Café Gulistan
13581 Red Arrow Highway, Harbert, Michigan
Middle-eastern/Mediterranean cuisine. Worth the 40-minute drive!

Cambodian Thai
229 South Michigan Street, South Bend
This tiny restaurant has a wide selection at affordable prices.
Elia’s Wi-Fi Mediterranean
2128 South Bend Avenue, South Bend 574-277-7239
Great falafel, tabbouleh and lentil soup! Open Tuesday through Saturday.

Golden Dragon
1733 South Bend Avenue, South Bend 574-272-888
Their sign reads: “We Delivery!” which makes ordering out from one of their three locations that much more enjoyable.

Hana Yori of Japan
3601 Grape Road, Mishawaka 574-258-5817
Japanese steakhouse and sushi bar. They cook at your table – make reservations, especially for dinner.

Hi-Ho Restaurant
611 West McKinley Avenue, Mishawaka 574-259-7161
Cantonese, Chinese and American.

Ho-Ping House
303 South Dixie Way, South Bend 574-243-3366
Combination of both traditional and contemporary Oriental styles. Cocktails, beer and deserts.

J.W. Chen’s
1835 South Bend Avenue, South Bend 574-271-2777
Amazing homemade Chinese food. The only downside: the restaurant is very small so there can be a long wait. The food is definitely worth it. If you’ve never been there before, Jean, the owner, will sit you down and explain everything on the menu! They also have take-out.

Khun Daeng Thai Kitchen
302 East Russ Avenue, Mishawaka 574-259-0735
Another fabulous restaurant that looks like a house from the outside. Don’t be put off – go inside and treat yourself to the best Thai in the area. Pad Thai is good, curry is very good. Great menu overall, and they will modify for vegan palates or to suit your spiciness preferences.

Mandarin House
2104 Edison Road, South Bend 574-287-4414
Many recommend the lunch specials.

Matuba Japanese Bar & Restaurant
2930 McKinley Avenue, South Bend 574-251-0674
Typical Japanese offerings including sushi. The sushi chef is friendly and enjoys chatting with students, although service can be pretty slow especially during peak times.

Seoul Garden Korean and Japanese Restaurant
1025 West McKinley, Mishawaka 574-255-6960
Great selection and good prices.
Siam Thai Restaurant
211 North Main, South Bend
Small and quaint, but terrific food. Wide array of dishes and desserts as well as the full selection from Republic of Teas. The Pad Thai is superb – try it spicy!

Sohो Bistro
7225 Heritage Square Drive, # 290, Granger
Soho Bistro offers Japanese fare including teppanyaki and sushi, although the restaurant has gotten mixed reviews from students regarding the quality of the sushi especially given the Chicago-esque pricing of most of the offerings.

The India Garden
615 West Edison Road, Mishawaka
An excellent and affordable lunch buffet, offered every day of the week, is the best way to get started.

Sunny’s Korean Garden
512 South Spring Street, Mishawaka
Receives many recommendations from the Professors Garnett (try the Princess Chicken).

Toyo Grill
620 West Edison Road, Mishawaka
Definitely one of the better sushi spots in town, Toyo also offers a wide variety of Japanese food. Located in the St. Andrew’s Plaza strip mall next to Bonefish Grill and Cold Stone.

Italian
When the moon hits your eyes... choose a fine bottle of wine, order spaghetti to share, and you’ve got all the makings of amoré. Now if you were only sure that darn pesto bit wasn’t stuck between your front teeth.

Bruno’s
2610 Prairie Avenue, South Bend
Famous for pizza, but offers amazing pasta dinners. This family-operated restaurant is a must. You may even get to meet the owners Bruno or Rosa when you are there. We recommend the luncheon all-you-can eat pizza and pasta buffet too.

Carmela’s
214 North Niles, South Bend
Connected to Macri’s Deli this restaurant has great food. Awesome atmosphere and very relaxing. Styled after an outdoor bistro. Super nice waiters and it is not crowded. Try the House Zin!

Carrabba’s Italian Grill
210 West Day Road, Mishawaka
An Italian chain restaurant with fine food and a nice atmosphere.

Cosimo & Susie’s
2446 Miracle Lane, Mishawaka
May look like a dive from the outside, but it has received praise for authenticity. Cash only.
Fazoli’s  
52770 Indiana 933 North, South Bend  
317 West McKinley, Mishawaka  
Serves fast-food Italian. Does not win any awards for authenticity. You’ve got to love the magical breadstick lady with her basket of goodies.

Olive Garden  
6410 Grape Road, Mishawaka  
Also does not win awards for authenticity. Not a bad place to go with your friends for those days when you’ve got two hours for lunch, especially during their all-you-can eat pasta promotion.

Papa Joe’s Casa De Pasta  
1209 Union Street, Mishawaka  
Classic old-school family joint. Only open on Friday and Saturday nights. Large portions and cozy atmosphere. You feel like you’re being served by family when you go to this restaurant.

Papa Vino’s  
5110 Edison Lakes Parkway, Mishawaka  
Great food, but almost always crowded. Italian with a funky twist. Don’t eat for days before going here, or you’ll be crying because it smells so good but you just can’t fit any more in.

Parisi’s  
1412 South Bend Avenue (SR 23)  
A parent favorite on football weekends. They advertise that you can see the Dome from your table. A bit pricey for the quality, but hey, it’s tradition. Isn’t everything else here?

Polito’s  
4615 Grape Road, Mishawaka  
A well-kept Michiana secret serving excellent pizza and pasta. Best vodka sauce ever!

Reggio’s  
1213 East Jefferson Boulevard, Mishawaka  
Eat on red-checkered tablecloths at plastic tables & chairs. The owners like to come out of the kitchen and socialize with their guests. Big Italian laughs are in store for you here.

Rocco’s Pizza  
537 North St. Louis Boulevard, South Bend  
A Notre Dame favorite. They are closed on Sunday and Monday.

Sunny Italy Café  
601 North Niles Avenue, South Bend  
Yet another small, family-owned Italian restaurant. Like the others, it receives excellent reviews for authenticity. Checkered tablecloths and loud waiters. You’d think you were in Italy for all the choices here in Michiana, except it can’t possibly snow this much in Italy.
Villa Macri
225 Toscana Blvd., Granger 574-277-7273
A unique upscale restaurant in Toscana Park with a versatile menu and attentive service in a comfortable atmosphere. (Same owners as Macri’s Deli).

Mexican

Chipotle Mexican Grill
5445 North Main Street, Mishawaka 574-271-3353
1250 Eddy Street, Suite 101, South Bend 574-251-0175
The taste and size of their burritos cannot be beaten, especially considering they use all natural and fresh ingredients. And, their fast-food service is complemented by an array of alcoholic beverages and an inviting sit-down atmosphere.

El Paraiso
425 South Main Street, South Bend 574-234-1546
There is a taqueria located in this Mexican grocery just a short walk from the St. Joseph County Library downtown. You have to try the guacamole. Great prices and dollar tacos on Wednesday and Sunday evenings.

Fiesta Tapatia
119 West McKinley, Mishawaka 574-258-4202
Great homemade salsa and fresh chips.

Hacienda
http://haciendafiesta.com/
5836 Grape Road, Mishawaka 574-277-1318
706 Lincolnway West, Mishawaka 574-259-8541
3903 Portage Avenue, South Bend 574-273-3843
4650 Miami, South Bend 574-968-0609
The granddaddy of casual Mexican restaurants in Michiana. The food is wonderful (for a quick Mexican chain), the atmosphere fun and the prices incredibly low. They are famous for their wet burritos. Plus, they’ll give you a sombrero on your birthday. Your South Bend experience just isn’t complete until you’ve tried Hacienda.

La Esperanza
1636 North Ironwood Drive, South Bend 574-273-0345
Where to go for authentic Mexican food. A quality restaurant located close to campus with excellent prices. The trout and pork chops are excellent, as are the desserts.

Mazatlan Authentic Mexican Restaurant
507 East McKinley, Mishawaka 574-259-4430
Inexpensive lunch and dinner specials.

Moe’s Southwest Grill
425A East University Drive, Granger 574-272-2822
Essentially a Mexican food version of a Subway. Burritos, Tacos, Quesadillas, Nachos, Salads, Fajitas and Rice bowls. Located in the same shopping center as Target.

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Tacos El Aguila
2208 West Western Avenue, South Bend
574-287-1537
A little off the beaten path, but the best tacos and burritos in town. Turn down Western from Main Street and once you start to think you've gone "too far" you'll see a white shack with an inflatable bouncy castle out front (they also sell those). You'll know you've arrived. You can get a Mexican Coke and a cabeza burrito that is ironically the size of your head for cheap! Muy authentic.

Irish

Fiddler’s Hearth
127 North Main Street, South Bend
574-232-2853
Best bangers and mash in town. If you don’t eat sausage, there's tons of other delicious and authentic food on the menu. They frequently have live music and an open-mike night, which is usually pretty fantastic. Seating is community, so you’ll probably get to know your neighbors. A final plus is that since it's also a bar, they’re open pretty late. The Sunday Brunch is great and the live music is so enjoyable!

Bakeries & Breakfast

Yes, there’s more to breakfast than just coffee. Stick your library cup in the dishwasher and venture out to one of these finds for real morning food.

American Pancake House
508 Dixie Way North (State Road 933), South Bend
574-247-0810

Bamber’s Superette
1145 Mishawaka Avenue, South Bend
574-287-1871
Very European and eclectic. Wonderful breads and pastries...but get there early on Saturday morning before the chocolate danishes sell out!

Blondie’s Cookies
6501 Grape Road, Mishawaka
574-277-7970
Located in University Park Mall. Super awesome cookies when you crave something homemade and sweet.

Breadsmith
2022 South Bend Avenue, South Bend
574-273-9130
Amazing breads, not far from StudeBagels. Closed Sundays

Country Bake Shop
51318 State Road 933, South Bend
574-277-0703
Quality baked goods at an affordable price.

Dainty Maid Bake Shop
231 South Michigan, South Bend
574-232-8219
We recommend the gingerbread men.
Einstein Bros Bagels
einsteinbros.com
2019 South Bend Avenue, South Bend 574-272-2622
Located by Martin’s grocery store on SR 23. This is more than just bagels. Snacks, Egg and Anytime Creations, Healthy Choices salads and wraps. This is a drive-thru as well!

Farmer’s Market Café
farmersmarketcafe.org
1105 Northside Boulevard, South Bend 574-282-1259
It is like you have stepped back in time when you enter this Café and eat at their counter! Breakfast is served all day but they have great burgers and other diner items. Try the vegetarian market burger. You won’t be disappointed! The market also has the Oh Mamma’s Italian Deli. You can also check out the vendors in the indoor Market after you eat. The Market and Café are open Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

IHOP
ihop.com
4115 North Main Street, Mishawaka 574-259-5309
One of the many breakfast places along Main in Mishawaka.

Krispy Kreme Doughnuts
krispykreme.com
5615 North Main, Mishawaka 574-271-7099
There’s nothing quite like one of their glazed donuts hot off the conveyor belt.

Le Peep
lepeep.com
127 South Michigan, South Bend 574-288-7337
If you’re downtown one morning looking for a place to eat, look no further than La Peep. A Midwestern chain with a special focus on the local community, the breakfast crowd at La Peep draws in working professionals, lawyers and judges from the nearby courthouse. They put a whole pot of coffee and a carafe of water at your table. Awesome omelets and Eggs Benedict, and they always have tasty specials. Their staff wear Eat Like A Champion Today shirts, and they just might let you buy one if you can do a dance that will impress them.

Macri’s Italian Bakery
macrifamily.com
214 North Niles, South Bend 574-282-1010
Considered by these authors to be the best bakery in South Bend. Good bread, terrific danishes. If you want to impress your family or friends with a terrific desert, try the cannoli or cheesecake. Not open on Sundays. Their wedding cakes have a terrific reputation.

The Original Pancake House (Bibler’s)
originalpancakehouse.com
1430 North Ironwood, South Bend 574-232-3220
Ritual stop for many after Sunday Mass. Pancakes from around the world, omelet specialties, more breakfast choices than you knew existed. Try the apple pancake – you may as well be eating dessert.

Perkins’s Restaurant and Bakery
perkinsrestaurants.com
423 South Dixie Highway, South Bend 574-272-0655
Serving breakfast, lunch dinner, snacks and desserts. Open 24 hours on Friday and Saturday.

StudeBagels
1801 South Bend Avenue, South Bend 574-277-4440
Did you know that Studebakers were once manufactured in South Bend? You can grab breakfast or lunch here!
Uptown Kitchen
7225 Heritage Square Drive, #208, Granger 574-968-3030
Located in Toscana Park. Serves breakfast all day. They serve dinner Wednesday through Saturday.

Victorian Pantry
12743 Heather Park Lane, Suite 108, Granger 574-271-7881
Serves a variety of breakfast, lunch, and dessert pastries, coffee, soup, salad, and other lunch items. It offers a decent selection of vegan and vegetarian lunch options and also offers catering services.

West End Bakery
414 West 7th Street, Mishawaka 574-255-1267
Best Belgium bakery in the area – cash only.

Coffeehouses

Ah, caffeine. . . it may be one of your closest friends over the next few years. But remember to get it in a “library-approved” container so you can take it with you wherever you go in the Law School.

Barnes & Noble Café
6501 North Grape Road, Mishawaka 574-247-0864
Lots of tables for studying with good lighting as another bonus. Just stay away on “game night” when flocks of kids squawk upon the place. Located in University Park Mall.

BIGGBY Coffee
1130 East Angela Boulevard, Suite 101, South Bend 574-234-7181

Indulgence Pastry Shop and Café
3622 Edison Road, South Bend 574-232-2955
Freshly made danishes, croissants, homemade cookies, and unique desserts. They also serve light lunch and dinner.

Main Street Coffee House
102 North Main Street, South Bend 574-232-5333
Great locally-owned coffee shop in downtown South Bend. Free wireless.

Quincy’s Café and Espresso
1631 Edison Road, South Bend 574-273-0159
A warm and inviting café. Organic espresso and teas as well as gluten free and vegan selections. Gourmet food options including sandwiches, wraps, salads, soups, bagels, muffins & cookies. Live performances from local artists.

Starbucks
LaFortune Student Center
52991 SR 933, South Bend (Drive-thru) 574-271-1337
2202 South Bend Avenue, South Bend (Drive-thru) 574-277-3684
More locations all over town. Most are drive-thru for the law student on the go!
Desserts

Cold Stone Creamery  
www.coldstonecreamery.com  
620 West Edison, Suite 116, Mishawaka  
574-213-5250  
It’s pretty cool (pun intended). Go see for yourself.

Kilwins Chocolate’s and Ice Cream  
www.kilwins.com  
1044 East Angela Boulevard, Suite 101  
574-234-1212  
A nationwide confectionery and ice cream shops. Homemade fudge, truffles, milkshakes, etc. The Toasted Coconut Ice Cream is awesome! Next to O’Rourkes in Eddy Street Commons.

Let’s Spoon Frozen Yogurt  
letsspoonfroyo.com  
1635 Edison Road, South Bend  
574-342-5847  
Create your own dish and pay by the ounce. On State Road 23, east of campus.

Ritter’s  
ritters.com  
3921 North Main Street, Mishawaka  
574-255-8000  
One of the best-kept secrets in South Bend – located on Main Street between Day and Edison. Their famous frozen custard tastes great in the late summer heat.

The South Bend Chocolate Company  
sbchocolate.com  
122 South Michigan Street, South Bend  
574-287-0725  
Make sure to stop by the Chocolate Company for dessert and specialty coffee drink. Serves chocolates, coffee, and desserts; in addition to lunch and dinner items.

Urban Swirl  
urbanswirlfrozenyogurt.com  
7130 Heritage Square, Suite 440, Granger  
574-387-4035  
Healthy, yummy yogurt with over 14 flavors on tap and 65 topping to choose from.

Yesterday’s Food and Spirits  
yesterdays-granger.com  
12594 State Road 23, Granger  
574-272-7017  
Best dessert in town. You can carry out dessert all day.

Fine Dining

So it’s Valentine’s Day and you’re out with your honey. Or you have to take a suit out for a business dinner. The fine dining choices below guarantee a high score.

Bonefish Grill  
bonefishgrill.com  
620 West Edison, Mishawaka  
574-259-2663  
Seafood and steak with great appetizers. Try the Bang Bang Shrimp. A little pricey, but they offer half price martinis on Mondays. A great place for a date or dinner with friends.

Café Navarre  
cafenavarre.com  
101 North Michigan Street, South Bend  
574-968-8101  
The ambiance of this restaurant is one of a kind. Café’ Navarre offers French, Italian and Spanish, Cuisine as well as top shelf wines. Open for lunch Monday through Friday and is open every evening for dinner at 4:00 p.m.
The Carriage House  carriagehousedining.com
24460 Adams Road, South Bend  574-272-9220
Open Tuesday through Saturday evenings. The Carriage House is the only restaurant in the area, outside Chicago, to receive the AAA Four Diamond Award. Caveat emptor: the unmatched high rating means equally unmatched high prices. Although, now you can eat in the garden and choose entrees in a more affordable price range.

Corndance Tavern  mishawaka.corndance.com
4725 Grape Road, Mishawaka  574-217-7584
Seasonal menu. Good place to go when you don’t want to eat at the “South Bend” chains.

East Bank Emporium  eastbankemporium.com
121 South Niles Avenue, South Bend  574-234-9000
Located downtown on the river. Full glass wall allows multiple seating levels to take advantage of the view. Inexpensive compared to other nicer restaurants.

LaSalle Grill  lasallegrill.com
115 West Colfax Avenue, South Bend  574-288-1155
Very good food, very expensive prices. After dinner go upstairs and try Club LaSalle for a surprisingly chic little bar that will often host some good jazz and a full humidor.

Main Street Grille  mainstreetgrille.com
112 North Main Street, Mishawaka  574-254-4995
Artistic atmosphere. A wide range of foods for lunch and dinner.

Ruth’s Chris Steakhouse  ruthschris.com
902 East University Drive, Granger  574-968-9700
Famous for steak, but they also offer many other options on their menu.

Temper Grille  web.tempergrille.com
1213 East University Drive, Granger  574-273-0443
Food with an attitude. Unique dishes, tapas style menu. Hops, Malts & Barley’s. Also featuring the wine of the month. Must be 21 to dine in the restaurant or on the patio.

Tippecanoe Place  tippe.com
620 West Washington, South Bend  574-234-9077
The old Studebaker Mansion provides great atmosphere. You can choose to eat in the library, the parlor, or any number of individual rooms. Prices are fairly high, but the food is wonderful – try the highly recommended Sunday brunch for an exceptional value. A good place to have your parents take you when they’re in town for a game.

Trio’s
129 North Michigan Street, South Bend  574-288-8746
An upscale restaurant and jazz club downtown with nightly live music.
Yesterday’s Food and Spirits
12594 State Road 23, Granger 574-272-7017
You may want to save this for when the parents are visiting, or when you’re planning an important romantic event, because it’s fairly expensive. However, it’s beautiful, and worth every penny. Be sure to get reservations. Make sure to get dessert because it is the best in town.

Pizza – Dine In or Delivery

Barnaby’s  
southbendbarnabys; barnabyspizzamishawaka
713 East Jefferson, South Bend 574-288-4981
3724 Grape Road, Mishawaka 574-256-0928
Pick your table, circle your toppings, and walk the card up to the counter. Then they’ll call your number when the pizza’s ready. It’s a simple enough system once you figure it out, but on your first visit it might seem a little confusing. Once you’ve mastered the pizza system, come back for the Beef Bar—made-to-order burgers and other variations. The Mishawaka branch makes the best pizza in town. Dine In only

Bruno’s  
brunospizza.com
2610 Prairie Avenue (the original), South Bend 574-288-3320
202 West Edison Road, Mishawaka 574-256-9000
They make the best New York style pizza. At the original restaurant, all you need is the all-you-can eat pizza and pasta buffet bar! Dine In and Delivery

CiCi’s Pizza Buffet  
cicispizza.com
4320 Grape Road, Mishawaka 574-272-3000
All you can eat pizza buffet including pasta and salad. Best choice for the price. Dine In Only

 Domino’s  
www.dominos.com
1627 Edison Road, South Bend 574-271-0300
Delivery Only

 Hot Box Pizza  
gethotboxpizza.com
1234 Eddy Street, South Bend 574-246-9445
Located in Eddy Street Commons. Lots of options from simple to gourmet. Text/email updates offer great deals. $5 lunch deal hits the spot. Dine In, Pick-up, or Delivery

 Little Caesars  
littlecaesars.com
3601 Edison Road, South Bend 574-243-4680
Pick up only.

 Marco’s  
marcos.com
52750 North State Road 933; South Bend 574-243-1122
Delivery Only

 Papa John’s  
papajohns.com
1827 South Bend Avenue, South Bend 574-271-1177
Small Dine In section or Delivery
Pizza Hut
2017 South Bend Avenue, South Bend
Dine In/Delivery
pizzahut.com
574-273-9944

Pizza King
146 Dixieway South, South Bend (Roseland)
Indiana Tradition! Crowd pleaser since 1956. The proof is in the taste. Dine In/Delivery
pizzakingsouthbend.com
574-277-2020

Rocco's
537 North St. Louis Boulevard, South Bend
A Notre Dame favorite. They accept all major debit and credit cards. Closed Mondays.
roccosoriginalpizza.com
574-233-2464

Saylor's Pizza
52154 Indiana 933, South Bend
Dine In/Delivery, $5 larges
saylorspizza.com
574-273-0637

Pizza – Take and Bake
The Upper Crust
316 West Cleveland Road, Granger
theuppercrust.com
574-272-0072

Delivery

For those nights you wish to stay at home and have dinner delivered, consider ordering through the Dine-In Delivery Service: dineinonline.com. Many area restaurants make it possible to have their food delivered right to your doorstep for a nominal fee!
The law library has a collection of law-themed movies which you can check out, both VHS and DVD. South Bend also has all the usual suspects in movie rental places (Blockbuster, Hollywood Video, Family Video). But sometimes you’ll really want to get away from the real world. Where better than at the movies? Here’s a sampling of some of the nearby theaters.

**Movie Theaters**

**AMC Showplace 16**  
[amctheatres.com](http://amctheatres.com)  
450 Chippewa Avenue, South Bend 888-262-4386  
This theatre is a bit farther from campus, maybe 15 minutes, but another nice place to catch a flick.

**Cinemark 6**  
[cinemark.com](http://cinemark.com)  
6424 North Grape Road, Mishawaka 574-277-8691  
$1.50 Evenings and Friday/Saturday before 6:00 p.m.  
$2.00 Friday and Saturday nights  
$1.00 on Wednesdays

**Cinemark Movies 14**  
[cinemark.com](http://cinemark.com)  
910 West Edison, Mishawaka 574-254-9689  
This is the closest theater to campus, just down Edison, before you get to Grape Road. Also close to restaurants and shopping.

**Vickers Theatre**  
[vickerstheatre.com](http://vickerstheatre.com)  
6 North Elm Street, Three Oaks, MI 269-756-3522  
Not into mainstream movies? Check out the indie/art films at Vickers. They also have a silent film festival in mid-August, if you are in town then. Only a 35-minute drive!

**Wonderland Cinema**  
[wonderlandcinema.mooretheatres.com](http://wonderlandcinema.mooretheatres.com)  
402 North Front Street, Niles, MI 269-683-1112  
This theatre is less expensive and it is newly renovated and nice. Located in downtown Niles on the St. Joseph River it has very reasonable prices and free popcorn specials. All shows before noon are $2.50, between noon and 6:00 p.m. $4.00 after 6:00 p.m. $5.00. Also has the Wonderland Café which features Boar’s Head deli meats and cheeses.
**Drive-In Movie Theaters**

Five Mile Drive-in Theatre  
http://www.5-miledriveinsouthwestmi.com/  
28190 M 152  
Dowagiac, MI  
269-782-7879

This drive-in is only about 30 minutes north. It is equipped with concession and bathrooms; shows two movies Friday, Saturday and Sunday, May to September. Four dollars to get in and there is a playground (but it cannot be used during the movie). Bring a blanket or lawn chair or listen in your car. A small battery operated radio works great to listen to the movie FM 87.9 or AM 530. You can check the movie times at wndu.com or call for showings.

Tri-Way Drive-in  
tri-waydrive-in.com  
4400 North Michigan Road, Plymouth, IN  
574-936-7936

Want to be really retro? Try going to the nearest of Indiana’s drive-in movie theaters. Yep, we said drive-in. The drive-in season at Tri-Way runs from April to September, which is why you’ll find more information in the Summer in the *South Bend Tribune*.

**On-Campus Film Venues**

Student Union Board: [http://sub.nd.edu/movies/](http://sub.nd.edu/movies/). Tickets are only $3. All movies are shown in the theatre in DeBartolo Hall (a classroom building, not to be confused with the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center).

ND Cinema: [http://performingarts.nd.edu](http://performingarts.nd.edu) Browning Cinema in the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center is the only THX certified cinema in the state. This is a 200-seat facility. Tickets are only $3 for students.
THE DEBARTOLO PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

Dedicated and opened in the fall of 2004, the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center (DPAC) is a fabulous addition to campus culture. The 150,000 square foot building has over 170 rooms, including the Regis Philbin Studio Theatre, the Patricia George Decio Theatre, the Judd and Mary Lou Leighton Concert Hall, the Chris and Anne Reyes Organ and Choral Hall, and the Michael Browning Family Cinema.

The 2014-15 performance schedule includes such guests as The Gesualdo Quartet, Tom Mueller, Canadian Brass, Cloud Tectonics, Nathan Gunn, as well as ensembleND and the Notre Dame Chorale and Chamber Orchestra. There are also many Opera’s throughout the school year. Student tickets are always available at a discounted price to any of these events. DPAC is a great opportunity to experience the arts without even having to leave campus!

The Browning Cinema runs the PAC Classic 100 every school year, which plays a classic movie on the big screen every weekend. Classic films offered during the 2014-15 season include: Calvary, Dead Man’s Cell Phone, A Trip to Italy and It’s a Wonderful Life. Student tickets are only $3.00! DPAC also occasionally plays sneak previews of upcoming movies.

For more information, see http://performingarts.nd.edu/.
BOWLING

You Don’t Want To Be The Only Law Student Who Can’t Bowl

Each spring semester, the Student Bar Association organizes the Law School bowling league. The league typically runs from January until mid-April when we enter the final stretch of the semester and finals. There are as many teams as there are lanes, and teams usually have five to ten members; team names often have a legal flavor to them. Scores are based on the top four scores in the same game by any four members of your team. At least 100 law students (and most of the time, many more) participate during these busy weeks. The scores range from people who score less than 25 to those who own their own bowling balls (one lights up as it speeds down the lane) and regularly make 200. It’s really less about bowling and more about having a little fun with your classmates. Of course, there is some friendly competition; after all, we are law students. The following list of bowling alleys is nowhere near all-inclusive, but these are the most familiar haunts for most law students.

Chippewa Bowl
225 West Chippewa Avenue, South Bend
Chippewa Bowl is about ten minutes south of campus, across the street from the Showplace 16 Theater. Rock-n-Bowl Fridays from 11 p.m. to 2 a.m. Chippewa Bowl has daily specials that frequently change, so be sure to call ahead and see what great deal you can get.

Strikes and Spares
5419 North Grape Road, Mishawaka
This is the area’s newest bowling alley and is conveniently located on Grape Road, along with everything else. It’s a little smaller than other places, but smoke-free, which is a major plus. Also features "College Night" on Thursday from 5:00 p.m. to close, with $7.95 (including shoe rental) all you can bowl.
GOLF

What the 3Ls You Never See in Class are Doing

Miniature Golf

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<th>Putt-Putt Fun Center</th>
<th>With three courses and 54 holes of fun, in addition to a games room and snack bar, this could be just the break you need. But if you have more serious golfing in mind, check out the courses below.</th>
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Hackers Golf and Games

| 3019 South 11th Street (State Road 933 in Indiana) | 18hole mini-golf, go-karts, slow/fast pitch softball and baseball batting cages, driving range, arcade, pro shop and snack bar. Just over the state line in Niles, this is a great place to unwind for a couple of hours. Golf lessons are available with Tony Polizotto. |
| Niles, MI 49120 |                                                                                                 |
| 269-684-6868    |                                                                                                 |

Indiana Courses

9-Hole Notre Dame Course

| State Road 933 & Dorr Road | Price: $7, $9 on weekends, but only $3 during winter season |
| Notre Dame, IN 46556 | Twilight Rate: YES |
| 574-631-6425 | Par: 35 |
| | Pro Shop: Not Really |

Warren Course

| 110 Warren Golf Course | Price: $22, $28 on weekends (student prices) |
| Notre Dame, IN 46556 | Twilight Rate: $20 |
| 574-631-4653 | Par: NONE |
| | Pro Shop: YES |

Distance from Campus: Across Douglas Road
Driving Range: YES – $9 large bucket, $5 small bucket
Handicap/Slope Rating: 71/122
Yardage: 6744
Accepts tee times 14 days in advance
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<td>21 miles</td>
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<td>sbpark.org/golf/studebaker.htm</td>
<td>574-287-6634</td>
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### Juday Creek
14770 Lindy Drive
Granger, IN  46530  
judaycreek.com
574-277-4653

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### Michigan Courses

#### Brookwood Golf Course
1339 Rynearson Road
Buchanan, MI  49107  
golfbrookwood.com
269-695-7818

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#### Hampshire
29592 Pokagon Highway
Dowagiac, MI  49047  
hampshire36.com
269-782-7476

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#### Plym Park
401 Marmont Street
Niles, MI  49120  
269-684-7331

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AREA ATTRACTIONS

Where to take/send your visiting relatives when they are driving you crazy

Although Indiana is the “Crossroads of America” (as Professor Rick Garnett would say, the place you go when you’re trying to get somewhere else), the Michiana area, as it’s commonly called, does have many things to do. Sure, there aren’t any amusement parks, but there are dozens of wineries in Michigan, two nuclear power plants (surprisingly fun to tour), museums in South Bend, parks, bike trails, rivers, and of course, beautiful Lake Michigan with its countless nearby beaches. Picturesque towns and antique shopping centers abound. If you can’t find something to do, you’re just not looking hard enough.

East Race Waterway
126 South Niles Avenue, South Bend
This is the first artificial whitewater course in North America. Opened in 1984, the raceway hosts national and world-class whitewater slalom races. The waterway brings Olympic winners and national champions to South Bend each session. Recently, they even hosted the Olympic whitewater qualifying trials. If you have your own kayak and are a member of the East Race Whitewater Club, you can experience year-round whitewater rafting in the heart of South Bend. Anyone can raft down the East Race in the summer too (for a fee)! Open June to August (Saturdays 12:00 to 5:00 pm., Sundays 12:30-4:30 p.m.). Rafting is $5 per person; Kayaking is $15 a day.

Fernwood Botanical Garden and Nature Preserve
13988 Range Line Road, Niles, MI
Fernwood is a great place to get your gorgeous greens. The gardens have flowers and plants blooming at all seasons. They decorate the gardens for the holiday season with lights and exhibits. During Christmas, there is live music in some of the pavilions. As romantic evenings go, it’s tops. Open April through November – Admissions $7 per person.

Hacker's Golf and Games
3019 South 11th Street, Niles, MI
They’ve got miniature golf, batting cages, go-carts, a driving range, arcade games, and billiards. Unfortunately, they’re only open from about April to the beginning of October. Their hours vary with the weather.

Madeline Bertrand County Park
3038 Adams Road, Niles, MI
Located just over the Indiana state line, this park offers a public area of natural beauty along the St. Joseph River. Trails lead through pine and oak forests offering opportunities for hiking and bicycling. Trails are groomed and lighted for cross-country skiing in winter and ski rentals are available. One of the park’s most unique and popular features is a challenging 18-hole-Disc Golf course. Covered shelters, and indoor lodge, scenic picnic areas, and children’s playground structures make this a favorite location for family and group outings.
**Morris Performing Arts Center**
211 North Michigan Street, South Bend
574-235-9190
Located in downtown South Bend, the Morris hosts the Broadway Theater League, the South Bend Symphony Orchestra, and the Southold Dance Theater. They bring in lots of big name acts, like Jersey Boys, the Nutcracker Ballet, Stomp, Bring it on – The Musical and West Side Story. It is also conveniently located next to three of the best restaurants in downtown South Bend.

**Niles Haunted House- Scream Park**
855 Mayflower Road, Niles, MI
269-687-3327
Open during the months of September and October, this 44-acre facility boasts a haunted house, hayride, corn maze, and more. The Haunted House is typically $12; however, $30 will gain you access to all five attractions. All proceeds are donated to local charities.

**Northern Indiana Center for History**
808 West Washington Street, South Bend
574-235-9664
Besides the frequently changing exhibits, which range from the History of Women in Sports to International Christmas Trees, the NICH boasts a beautiful botanical garden and is a favorite spot for weddings and parties. Part of the NICH is the Copshaholm mansion, one of the former Oliver family homes. During the Christmas holiday, the Center and the mansion are decorated beautifully - worth the price of admission alone. Open from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Saturday, and noon to 5:00 p.m. on Sunday. Admission ranges from $5-$8, depending on how old you are and what you want to see.

**Potawatomi Greenhouse and Conservatories**
2105 Mishawaka Avenue, Mishawaka
574-235-9442
Feeling blue in the middle of winter? Check out these lovely conservatories full of plants and flowers. There is even an Arizona Desert Dome. Admission is only $3!

**Potawatomi Zoo**
500 South Greenlawn, South Bend
574-235-9800
The oldest zoo in Indiana has been in operation for over 100 years. It is home to over 400 animals, birds and reptiles. Especially fun in the summer, it also has special programs for kids of all ages. Open daily 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. from end of March through Thanksgiving weekend. Admission is $6.50 - $8.50.

**Shipshewana**
Shipshewana is a town, founded by the Amish, with beautiful stores and rolling hills just east of South Bend. You can also take buggy rides, make cheese, and learn the history of Amish culture at their local museum. The main attraction, though, is the flea market. Not only is it huge (more than 1,000 vendors), it’s the only place in Indiana you can find fake Burberry purses for $1, and Amish-built furniture for affordable prices. Sadly, the main flea market is only open from the beginning of May to the end of October, but the town has lots of other stores and auctions to keep you busy.
Silver Beach County Park

Silver Beach County Park has extensive play areas including a water pad, guarded swimming, volleyball, pier fishing, half-mile barrier free walkway and picnic shelters. It also hosts outdoor concerts in the summer and features an indoor carousel, and a museum that highlights the history of Silver Beach. Be sure to eat at Silver Beach Pizza located in the Train Depot and wave back to the Conductors and passengers on the trains.

South Bend Chocolate Factory

Factory tours of a chocolate factory. All you can eat chocolate fountain. Is there any more to say? Basic tour is free; Inside Scoop tour is $4 per person.

South Bend Cubs

In the spring and summer months, you can take a trip to Four Winds Field and watch the Class A affiliate of the Chicago Cubs play baseball in downtown South Bend. Belly Buster Mondays: $15 (includes game ticket and all-you-can-eat hot dogs, hamburgers, peanuts and popcorn).

South Bend Regional Museum of Art

The SBRMA changes exhibits frequently, and showcases both well-known and local artists. They also have special programs and classes. Open 12:00 to 5:00 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday. Admission is a $5 donation that goes to supporting art in the community.

St. Patrick’s County Park

With almost 400 acres, St. Patrick’s features wooded trails, pond, and St. Joseph River frontage; activities include hiking, canoeing, hayrides, cross-country skiing, winter inner-tubing, and picnic sites. Call the same number for information on all the county parks.

Studebaker National Museum

South Bend is the home of the original Studebaker factory, but now all that’s left is the history of the famous car maker. The museum has a new beautiful new location; it is attached to the Northern Indiana Center for History. Go just to see the car hanging from the ceiling. It is open Monday through Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Sunday noon to 5:00 p.m. (last tickets sold at 4:30 p.m.). Admission is $5-8.

Warren Dunes State Park

Also known as “Tower Hill”, this beach has sand dunes that are a must to climb. The park features life-guard swimming, picnicking, over 300 campsites, nature trails and cross-country skiing. It is located close to I-94. Approximately 45 minutes from campus. A great time in summer or winter!
## University Park Mall
Mishawaka, IN
universityparkmall.com

Located at the intersection of Grape and University in Mishawaka, the University Park Mall offers stores where one could find almost anything, from new running shoes, to books, CDs and DVDs, to hip clothing for the semi-formal dance and Thursday night bowling. The mall is anchored by department stores such as J.C. Penney’s and Macy’s, but includes a variety of specialty stores, highlights of which are listed below. The food court also offers many options at a low price as well. Mall hours are Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m.-9 p.m., and Sunday 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.


Besides the stores located inside the mall, there are a number of strip malls close by. Stores in these strip malls include: Target, Marshall’s, Best Buy, Bed Bath & Beyond, TJ Maxx, Kohl’s, Home Depot, Meijer, Burlington Coat Factory, Michael’s, Hobby Lobby, and JoAnn Fabrics.

## Lighthouse Place Premium Outlets
601 Wabash Street
Michigan City, IN
http://www.premiumoutlets.com/outlets/outlet.asp?id=18

Although one might guess this mall is located in Michigan, this is actually not the case. Located in a small community, the shop, and the city get their name from being on the corner of Lake Michigan, but in fact are still within the state of Indiana. About 45 minutes from Notre Dame (via Interstate 80/90), the outlet mall makes a perfect Saturday afternoon study break for anyone looking for great deals on premium brand products. Mall hours are Monday through Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. (6:00 p.m. in the winter), Sunday 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Stores include: Ann Taylor Loft, Bath and Body Works, Burberry, Coach, BCBG Max Azria, Donna Karan, Eddie Bauer, Gap Outlet, Guess, Harry and David, J. Crew, Jones New York, Nine West, Polo Ralph Lauren Factory Store, Timberland, Tommy Hilfiger, Ultra Diamond Outlet, and more.
Magnificent Mile
Chicago, IL
themagnificentmile.com

Although certainly not as convenient as the University Park Mall, or Lighthouse Outlet for that matter, Chicago offers another world of shopping. The Magnificent Mile is known as the premier shopping area in Chicago and one of the top in the world. Odds are, if it exists, you can find it here, though you may end up paying a few extra pennies for it. Department stores include Bloomingdale’s, Nordstrom’s, Nieman Marcus, Saks Fifth Avenue, and Macy’s. Some stores are located in their own buildings, and there are five shopping centers as well. Other specialty stores include: Banana Republic, Gap, Burberry, Benetton, Louis Vuitton, Giorgio Armani, J. Crew, Gucci, Ralph Lauren, Hugo Boss, and Coach. For a full listing of stores, locations, hours, as well as nearby hotels and other attractions see the Magnificent Mile website.

Of course, Chicago offers much more than the Magnificent Mile for shopping. Also see www.chicagotraveler.com/chicago-shopping.htm

Circle Center Mall
Indianapolis, IN
circlecentermall.com

Located in downtown Indianapolis, Circle Center Mall is the ultimate get-away for shoppers. It includes over 100 stores, spanning two city blocks and boasting four floors of shopping paradise. The directions for getting there are simple. Take U.S. 31 South to downtown Indianapolis (via Meridian); the mall will be on the right, between Washington and Georgia. Mall hours are Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., Sunday 12 p.m. to 6 p.m. For a complete listing of stores, locations, restaurants, and area attractions see the Circle Center Mall website.

Getting Out of South Bend

Do you have the time? Actually, we’re not asking if you have the time to leave the Bend for a break – we know you’ll want/need to eventually – but rather we’re trying to help make sure you get there in good time. To compare the time in South Bend to your time, please review this website: http://www.timeanddate.com/worldclock/

Chicago

You may want to get away from South Bend every once in a while. Fortunately, the Windy City is less than two hours away and offers more to do than you can imagine.

Getting There
It’s really easy to get to Chicago. If you’re driving, just hop on the toll-road (80/90) and take it west. You can either stay on 90 which takes you over the Skyway and into the city from the south side (great if you want to go to a White Sox game), or you can get off and take Lake Shore Drive. This provides one of the most scenic views around and takes you minutes from downtown. Be sure to bring money for tolls. Also, if you don’t feel like driving, the South Shore train leaves from the South Bend airport and can take you right into downtown. It is $10.75 each way, less on the weekends. See www.nictd.com for schedules and rates.

Shopping & Dining
In a city of three million people, there are more places to shop and eat than you can imagine. One of the places you will probably want to check out is the stretch of Michigan Avenue, more commonly known as the Magnificent Mile (check www.themagnificentmile.com for more info). Aside from shops and restaurants, the Mag Mile also is home to great architecture. In addition, while you’re there, don’t forget to stop at Water Tower Place (835 North Michigan, 312-440-3166). Inside the building is an eight-story mall with over 100 shops and dozens of places to eat.

Another place to check out is State Street. The best time to do this is around Christmas. I know that you will have finals looming over your head, but it’s hard to beat the beauty at this time of year. There’s a chill in the air, the trees lining the street are all decorated and lit, and don’t forget to see the windows at Macy's (Formally Marshall Field's) at 111 North State. People come from all over just to see how they have decorated them for the season. Don’t forget that you can shop there too (usually after you’ve secured a summer job).

If you make your trip while it’s still warm outside, check out the beaches. North Avenue beach will probably be the most popular choice and the busiest. Afterwards, try visiting Navy Pier (just look for the 150-foot high Ferris wheel . . . it’s kind of hard to miss). They have all kinds of shops and restaurants, an IMAX theatre, and on certain nights they have fireworks shows. Call 800-595-7437 for more info.

These are just a few of the things you can do in Chicago. For more choices as far as restaurants, bars, nightclubs, and more, try www.chicago.citysearch.com.

Sporting Events
Chicago is a sports town; that’s all you really need to say. There are the Bears and the Bulls – and the Blackhawks, the Cubs and the White Sox. While you may not be a fan of any Chicago teams, you can still go and see your favorite teams play against them. And by watching the fans go after, then lose, then regain a
home-run ball hit into the stands, you will be ready to talk about wild animals in Property (trust me, it will make sense come spring semester).

Cubs’ games in the summer and fall are good times. Even if the Cubbies are losing, Wrigley Field will still be full. If you’re going for the game, anywhere is a good seat, but if you’re going for atmosphere, try getting bleacher seats. Be warned though – bleacher seats are the most popular and tend to sell out the fastest.

Museums and Other Attractions
Yes, Chicago has a cultural side too. If you’ve got the time, check out the “Museum Campus” on the lakeshore. The Museum of Science and Industry, 773-684-1414, the Field Museum 312-922-9410 (look for the really big dinosaur skeleton), the Shedd Aquarium, 312-939-2426, and the Adler Planetarium, 312-922-7827, are all located next to each other. And if you’re into art, the Art Institute, 111 South Michigan, 312-443-3600, with its famous bronze lions guarding the steps, is a must.

Other areas of interest include the Civic Opera House (home to the Lyric Opera), the Second City comedy club (which has come to campus on occasion), the Steppenwolf Theater Company, the Auditorium Theatre, the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, and Brookfield or Lincoln Park Zoos (the Nation’s oldest free zoo).

In Closing
Chicago offers a wealth of experiences if you’re looking for a weekend of fun, or just a day away from the books. The list above is by no means all-inclusive . . . in fact, it only covers part of the city and doesn’t even begin to discuss what the suburbs have to offer. Remember that your purpose in getting away is to have fun, so don’t try and do too much in one day. Besides, that just means that you’ll have to make another trip later, which is just another day of not having to worry about work.

Indianapolis
Indianapolis, Indiana’s capital and largest city, is located about two and a half hours south of South Bend. Although Indianapolis does not have as many attractions and sights as Chicago, it’s definitely worth making at least one visit there during your law school career.

Getting There
There’s really only one way to get from South Bend to Indianapolis – by car. Just follow U.S. 31 south for about 130 miles. Once you get to Indianapolis, U.S. 31 becomes Meridian Street, which will take you into downtown. With the exception of the Indianapolis Motor Speedway and the airport, just about anything of interest in the city is either in the downtown area or on the city’s north side.

Shopping & Dining
Indianapolis has six major shopping malls that are located throughout the city. The two most well known malls are Circle Centre Mall (located downtown, see Shopping for more information) and The Fashion Mall at Keystone at the Crossing (located on the north side near the intersection of 86th Street and Keystone Avenue). The north side neighborhood of Broad Ripple (located near the intersection of Westfield Boulevard and College Avenue) is home to some of Indianapolis’ best ethnic restaurants, including several French, Greek, and Indian establishments. Broad Ripple also has several nice shops and nightclubs. The Jazz Kitchen (5377 North College Avenue) is Indianapolis’s premier jazz venue for local, regional, and national talent. For blues, you’ll want to visit The Slippery Noodle Inn (372 S Meridian Street); also Indiana’s oldest bar (est. 1850). Both offer full menus in addition to some great music.
Sporting Events
Indianapolis is best known throughout the world for auto racing. Three of the biggest races in the world take place at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway (located near the corner of 16th Street and Georgetown Road on the city’s west side) – the Indianapolis 500 (IRL race in late May), the Brickyard 400 (NASCAR race in early August), and the U.S. Grand Prix (Formula One race in mid-September). Although each race draws hundreds of thousands of spectators, getting tickets to any of these events should not be too difficult.

Indianapolis also has a number of major professional sports teams including the Indianapolis Colts (NFL), the Indiana Pacers (NBA) and the Indiana Fever (WNBA). The Indianapolis Indians, the Triple-A affiliate of the Pittsburgh Pirates, plays ball at Victory Field in downtown Indianapolis. If you end up working in downtown Indy for the summer, be sure to take advantage of at least one of the Indians’ day games - Victory Field is incredible and has been recognized as the Best Minor League Ballpark in America by Sports Illustrated. Victory Field, Lucas Oil Stadium (home of the Colts) and the Bankers Life Fieldhouse (home of both the Pacers and the Fever) are literally within walking distance of each other. Indianapolis is also known as the amateur sports capital of the world, hosting numerous college and amateur championship events, including the NCAA Men’s Final Four in 1997, 2000 and 2010. It also hosted the 2012 Super Bowl (XLVI).

Museums and Other Attractions
The Indianapolis Children’s Museum (located at the corner of North Meridian and 30th Street) is the largest children’s museum in the world. Besides numerous hands-on and regular exhibits, the museum also has an IMAX theater. There are several attractions in White River State Park (on West Washington Street, just west of the Statehouse), including the NCAA Hall of Champions, the Eiteljorg Museum (collection of Native American paintings and artifacts), and the Indianapolis Zoo. Our Hoosier editor also notes the Soldiers and Sailors Monument in the Circle was the first in the country to honor the common soldier, and that the Statehouse is magnificent.

Michigan City
Michigan City, Indiana, is home to both Indiana’s maximum-security correctional facility and the Lighthouse Place Premium Outlet Center. We recommend visiting the latter. Lighthouse has a terrific variety of outlets spread out in a pedestrian mall. 601 Wabash Street, Michigan City, IN (219) 879-6506.

Getting There
There are several variations on this route to the outlet stores, but this is the easiest way to get there. Take I-80/90 west to Michigan City (exit 39). Drive north on US 421/ Franklin Street for nine miles to Sixth Street, which will take you through downtown Michigan City. Turn left on Sixth Street and go about two blocks to the Outlet Center. It takes about an hour to drive to Michigan City from South Bend. You can also take the South Shore Line from the South Bend Airport. The train stops at 11th Street, which is six blocks south of the Outlets. A shuttle meets selected trains.

Shopping
There are more than 120 outlets at Lighthouse (see Shopping). Law students have been known to get incredible deals on suits for interviews from Brooks Brothers and Hart Schaffner & Marx. There are also numerous house wares outlets with much better prices than you can find in South Bend. If you have a long list of basic things you need to furnish your apartment in South Bend, a trip to Michigan City may be worthwhile. A good time to make this trip would be right before Orientation, especially for those who do not have suits. (You will need one during the first few weeks!)
Middlebury is the perfect chance to get away from everything – literally. Placed in the center of Amish Country, traveling to Middlebury, Nappanee, and other nearby towns carries a character all its own. Why include Middlebury in a road trip list for the busy law student? Because sometimes you just want to get away from everything. Be forewarned, though – if you are from a big city, you might over load on open green scenery, “intriguing” country smells, and persistent curiosity on how people live with no electricity and travel by horse and buggy.

Getting There
Middlebury is easy to get to from South Bend. Take the I-89/90 Toll Road east to the US 131 exit and go south or take the US 31/US 20 bypass south and then east. Travel takes around 45 minutes, depending on traffic on the country roads near the end of either route.

Shopping and Dining
The Amish Country of Indiana is well known for two things – shopping and food! For the former, check out Amish Acres in Nappanee, and any of the numerous furniture shoppes (yes, I mean with an “e” – that’s the Amish Country way), the Shipshewana Flea Market, or any of the small shops throughout the towns. Popular items include home décor, crafts, and Amish-crafted furniture, which is widely known for its beauty and durability. In fact, people from around the world visit Amish Country to purchase furniture items that they want to last for several generations at a reasonable price. Who knows, you might return one day just to buy some for your new home!

As for the food aspect, most of the restaurants are good and Amish Acres has quite a spread. For the best though, try the family style (read “all you can eat”) dinners at Das Essenhaus. The food is exquisite, the bakery sells all varieties of treats, and there are a number of shops to walk around when you have stuffed yourself to the point of making sitting uncomfortable. Check it out at www.essenhaus.com. Another “must try” is the Rise and Roll Bakery. One bite of a cinnamon caramel doughnut will leave you wondering how you ever lived without them – and how long you will have to run to get rid of them. Their other goods are equally delicious, which is one reason to be glad that Middlebury is far enough away to make every day travel convenient. For information on their food and location, visit www.risenroll.com.
SUMMER IN SOUTH BEND

Enjoy the Sun!

Between local law firms and research positions, quite a few law students will find themselves staying in South Bend for the summer. For those transplants to South Bend, there is actually quite a bit going on in the area during the summer. Below are some of my favorites. The Student Bar Association usually organizes a list of students who will be residing in any given city, including South Bend, so you can meet up with your peers and go explore.

South Bend Cubs Minor League Baseball Team
southbendcubs.com

South Bend is home to one of the Chicago Cubs minor league teams. Home games run from April through August. Four Winds Field hosts a splash pad and fun zone for the kids as well as several beer gardens for the adults. They also run promotional events throughout the home schedule.

Sunburst Marathon
sunburstraces.org

The Sunburst offers something for both the serious runner and the casual fitness enthusiast. Opportunities include not only a marathon but also a half-marathon, 10K, 5K, and fun walk. Sunburst also sponsors the traditional pre-race dinner and race day festivities. Races begin in downtown South Bend and historically finish on the 50-yard line of the Notre Dame Stadium. The event takes place the first week of June. $80 for the Full Marathon, $70 for the ½ Marathon, $30 for 10K, $25 for 5K, $20 to walk and $15 for families to walk.

East Race Waterway
sbpark.org/parks/erace.htm

The East Race Waterway is a 1500+ foot long artificial whitewater course operated by the South Bend Parks and Recreation Department. The Waterway routinely hosts national and world-class whitewater slalom races but is also open to the public on summer weekends. Rental inflatable kayaks and rafts are available beginning at the price of merely $2/person/ride. If you rent your vessel from the park district, they will also supply personal flotation devices, helmets and paddles. A rescue team is on duty along the course during public operation hours.

Public Swimming Pools
http://sbpark.org/parks/

South Bend can get quite sticky in the summer, but fortunately many area parks have public swimming pools. The most impressive is the Olympic-size wave pool in Mishawaka’s Merrifield Park.

Local Wine Tasting
michiganwines.com

Michigan is home to a large number of vineyards, many within 20 to 30 minutes of South Bend. See the website above for a list of wineries. You can also access summer hours, tasting room information and a tour map. Some of the wineries even host special events - the Round Barn Winery, for example, has classes on the art of winemaking and summer jazz concerts.
South Bend Farmer’s Market
southernbendfarmersmarket.com
574-282-1259
South Bend hosts a farmer’s market that is open year round but is clearly best in the summer months. You will find vendors selling fresh produce, meats, flowers, antiques and other handicraft items. In the center of the market, there is also a great restaurant that features menu items made from the fresh ingredients – found right there at the market. During the summer, the farmer’s market is open on Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday of each week. Get there early to get the best selection.

U-Pick Fruit Markets
swmichigan.org
Southwestern Michigan grows a wide array of farm-fresh fruits and vegetables every year. Michigan is well known for its cherries and blueberries but is also among the state leaders for apples, plums, sweet cherries, asparagus, grapes, snap green beans, pears, strawberries, sweet corn, cauliflower, peaches and cucumbers. The area boasts over 60 roadside markets and pick-your-own farms. You can research farms and what is in season in advance, or simply drive up I-94 and look for signs. If you’d rather have Indiana produce (or if for some reason you can’t leave the state), visit www.in.gov/oca/other/markets.html for a comparable list of Indiana u-picks and agri-tourism.

Fridays By The Fountain
morriscenter.org
574-235-9190
Every other Friday, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. throughout the summer, the Morris Performing Arts Center located in downtown South Bend sponsors an outdoor fair on their front lawn. Community members who work downtown come out during their lunch hour to enjoy live music, contests and tastes from local eateries.

You should also check out the Morris’s website for its calendar of summer events. Tickets can be a little pricey on a student budget but the Center does attract well-known performers like Lynyrd Skynyrd and Jewel. The Morris is also the home of the Broadway Theatre League, the South Bend Symphony Orchestra and the Southold Dance Theater.

“Meet Me On The Island”
Meet Me On The Island” is a summer concert series sponsored by WVPE (local NPR station: wvpe.org) at the Century Center Convention Complex downtown. Listen for the many radio spots in advance of events.

St. Joseph County Parks
sjcparks.org
St. Joseph County is home to over 100 great parks. My personal favorite is the Shiojiri Niwa Friendship Japanese garden in Mishawaka’s Merrifield Park Complex. Throughout the summer the parks department sponsors classes and programs at the parks like the Leeper Park Art Fair. Information is available on the website above. The parks department also publishes spring and summer activity guides.
Summer Festivals

Most of the towns in the area host a summer festival each year. South Bend and Mishawaka usually hold their events in June. Mishawaka’s Summerfest is a more elaborate festival encompassing three days of special events including a fireworks display, a movie in the park, live concerts and more. Everything but the carnival games are free. Be sure to check out the whole schedule and come and go throughout the weekend. And, don’t forget the numerous smaller towns in the region which also like to celebrate summer in style.

Sources of Information on Local Events

Local Events in the Bend
entertainment/inthebend
A web site that lists hundreds of local theatre, dance, music, and visual art events.

Michiana Area Yellow Pages
For more events, see the Schedule of Events in the very front (page 10 or so) of the Michiana Area Yellow Pages that comes out in May each year.

South Bend Chamber of Commerce
exploresouthbend.org

South Bend Tribune
southbendtribune.com
The South Bend Tribune is the local newspaper. You can find lots of information on the arts and entertainment in the area, especially in the Sunday paper.

WNDU
wndu.com/community
WNDU, the local television station, hosts a calendar of local events accessible through their website that is really quite thorough. Check it out throughout the summer for the latest on what is going on around town.
AIRPORTS

South Bend International Airport – flysbn.com

South Bend International Airport (SBN) is located a short 15-minute drive from campus. While your trip may require a connecting flight, SBN can accommodate your travel needs. Fares from this smaller airport are usually not prohibitively expensive, and many students find the added convenience well worth the extra cost. Don’t worry – flying around the country for interviews during your second year is no problem because law firms will fly you right out of South Bend.

There is plenty of airport parking available at a reasonable price ($6 per day). Taxi fare between campus and the airport is about $12-14, depending on the cab company. Another affordable alternative is the TRANSPO #4 bus, which circles through downtown South Bend and out to the airport every day except Sunday.

O’Hare and Midway – flychicago.com

Chicago’s O’Hare International Airport is just over a two-hour drive from Notre Dame. O’Hare offers non-stop flights to destinations throughout the world as well as airfares that are usually cheaper than South Bend Regional. Midway Airport, located on Chicago’s southwest side, is also about two-hours from South Bend. Most of the major airlines also have service out of Midway. Information on parking at either Midway or O’Hare airports can be found at parkridefly.com. This site offers discounts for online reservations and parking at reasonable prices.

Many students who fly out of O’Hare or Midway use the United Limo/Coach USA bus service (coachusa.com) to travel from campus to the airports. Coach USA picks up near the Eck Center on campus as well as at the South Bend Regional Airport. The bus fare is $41 one way or $73 round trip. The bus ride takes about three hours. If you want to travel even cheaper, you can ride the South Shore Line (see the buses and trains section).

Indianapolis International – indianapolisairport.com

Indianapolis International Airport, located on the southwest side of Indianapolis, is about a three-hour drive from the Notre Dame campus. Although there are flights to fewer destinations than O’Hare, you can access just about any major city in the East, South, and Midwest. Because the Indianapolis market is not dominated by a single airline, airfares out of Indianapolis are some of the cheapest in the Midwest. The best alternatives for getting to the airport are by car or Greyhound bus. There is plenty of parking at the airport available at a reasonable price. A few South Bend taxicab companies will take passengers from South Bend to the Indianapolis airport, but be careful as fares can be expensive.

Gerald R. Ford International Airport - grr.org

Grand Rapids, Michigan, this airport is about a two hour drive from campus. It is a reasonable regional airport that is bigger than SBN, yet smaller than the Chicago airports.
**Buses & Trains**

**Amtrak – [amtrak.com](http://amtrak.com)**

The South Bend Amtrak station is located west of Downtown at 2702 West Washington Avenue. While the station is somewhat difficult to find, law students who use the trains have been happy with the convenience and price. If you find someone to drive you, the Amtrak station in Niles was in the movie *Planes, Trains and Automobiles!* The trains coming in and out of South Bend are often delayed due to freight trains on the same route, so call 1-800-USA-RAIL to check the train status before you head to the station. If you don’t want to deal with the delays and extra cost of the Lakeshore Limited and the Capitol Limited (the routes that come through South Bend), you can go directly to Chicago on the South Shore Line and then either walk or take the bus to Union Station for about the same time (except for the fact that it’s on time) and about half price. Check the Amtrak website for current routes and prices.

**South Shore Railroad – [nictd.com](http://nictd.com)**

The South Shore Railroad is a commuter rail line that connects South Bend with downtown Chicago. The South Shore departs from the South Bend International Airport and makes numerous stops throughout Northwestern Indiana en route to Chicago. Schedule and fare information is available on their website. Depending on where you want to go in Chicago, the one-way fare is $8.75 on weekends and weekdays and the trip will take about two and a half hours. Weekend and holiday trains are less frequent than weekdays.

If you are planning to take the train to catch a flight from one of the Chicago airports, and also plan to return to South Bend the same way, make sure you check [nictd.com](http://nictd.com) for times before you book your flight. Trains do not normally run early enough to catch flights before noon or one in the afternoon, especially on weekends, and don’t count on getting a train back to South Bend after ten at night. Also, make sure to allow yourself at least one hour for connections once you get into Chicago. The South Shore stops at Millennium Park and from there you have to take a CTA bus or the L-train to either airport.

**Greyhound Bus – [greyhound.com](http://greyhound.com)**

Greyhound has several buses each day from South Bend to various destinations, including: Chicago, Toledo, Kalamazoo, Fort Wayne, Indianapolis, Milwaukee, and Madison. Although it is usually the cheapest option, we’d recommend not taking it for long trips. Greyhound buses depart from South Bend International Airport.

**Royal Excursion Express Line – [https://goreel.com/](https://goreel.com/)**

The REEL offers affordable bus service to and from Notre Dame and Chicago. Convenient times are offered for commuters. Wi-Fi is available on this bus!
Coach USA – coachusa.com

The Coach USA service provides convenient bus transportation from Notre Dame Campus to Chicago O’Hare and Chicago Midway airports.

Chicago Buses and Trains – tripsweb.rtachicago.com

The above website is a must if you plan on going to Chicago without a car. It has convenient pull-down menus to help plan your trip within the city, which is especially helpful when trying to get to one of the airports from the South Shore Line. In the pull-down “select a landmark” menu Millennium Park is where the South Shore Line stops.

Directions to/from the airports and Millennium Park:

Millennium Park to Midway (MDW)
  From the Madison/Wabash CTA (.2 mi W of Michigan Ave.), take the Orange line train West to Midway

Midway to Millennium Park
  Take the Orange line East to the Madison/Wabash CTA. Walk .2 miles East to Millennium Park

Millennium Park to O’Hare (ORD)
  From the Madison/Wabash CTA (.2 mi W of Michigan Ave.), take the Brown line North to the Clark/Lake CTA, transfer to the Blue line to O’Hare

O’Hare to Millennium Park
  Take the Southbound Blue line to the Washington/Dearborn CTA, from there take the #20 bus Eastbound to Washington and Michigan. The Millennium Park station is .1 mi South.
Legend:
A Madison Oyster Bar
B Fiddler’s Hearth
C Main Street Coffee House
D Le Peep Restaurant
E South Bend Chocolate Cafe
   Jimmy John’s
   Quizno’s
G Chicory Cafe
H Club Fever
   Backstage Grill
I St. Joseph County Library
Mishawaka Area Map

Legend:
A  University Park Mall
   Barnes & Noble
B  Toscana Park
   Uptown Kitchen
   All Star Sports
   Martin's
C  Super Target
   Petco
   Pier 1 Imports
   Marshalls
D  TJ Maxx
   Hacienda
   HH Gregg
   Bed, Bath & Beyond
E  Kohl's
   Dick's Sporting Goods
   Old Navy
F  St. Joseph Urgent Care
G  Cinemark 14