
Introduction

This handbook is a guide to the academic policies, procedures and services of the Seattle University School of Law. It is provided as a resource to answer questions that relate to the many regulations that govern the academic life of students. This handbook also contains a description of the services provided by the Law School and the University as well as a summary of relevant policy statements. We hope you find this handbook useful. It is an attempt to incorporate in one document those policies and procedures that may affect your day-to-day life.

As a law student, you are expected to: 1) be a responsible member of this community, 2) respect the individual rights of all members of this community, and 3) do nothing that will disrupt the provision of educational services by this institution. You may expect the same from the faculty, administration and staff.

The development of the rules, regulations and policies of the Law School has its origins in one or more of the following: accreditation requirements, state and federal laws, university

policy, law school faculty policy and administrative policy. While exceptions may be granted to some rules, please keep in mind that often the origin of the rule or policy may impact the ability to make an exception or to waive the applicability of a rule. In all cases, the motivation is to treat each student equally and fairly.

Where applicable, specific reference is made to the relevant provisions of the Academic Standards Code (ASC). For any particular topic or individual situation, the provisions of the ASC will control over the text of this document. Copies of the ASC are available in the Registrar's Office, the Deans' Office and on reserve in the Library.

All questions regarding this document should be addressed to the Associate Dean for Student Affairs. Feedback on the usefulness of this handbook and suggestions for improvement are also greatly appreciated.