

In Partnership With Canisius College and The University at Buffalo

## Program Summary

- The Legal Academy program offers an exciting opportunity for selected students to experience a unique alternative to the traditional classroom setting.
- Develop a network of professional connections through extensive field experiences across WNY.
- Create resumes superior to those of many college students.
- Shadow college level legal courses.
- Participate in the Erie County Bar Association's Mock Trial Competition.
- Mock trial at UB School of Law and Class Shadowing
- Internship Intensive Program
- Sites include political offices, courts (county, city and federal), law offices and transportation security administration

## Annual Credits

- 1 Credit ELA 12
- 1 Credit PIG/Economics
- 1 Credit Criminal Justice
- 1 Credit Internship

## College Credit Connections

- Bryant and Stratton
- Canisius College
- Hilbert College
- Medaille College
- SUNY Erie

## Additional Information

- New Visions programs require an application and interview for admission.
- Students are responsible for their own transportation to Canisius College and internship sites.

## Career Pathways

### Professional Careers

Attorney  
Forensic Agent: FBI, ICE, DEA  
Intelligence Agent  
Investigator  
Judge  
Probation / Parole Officer  
Social Worker

### Technical Careers

Corrections Officer  
Crime Scene Investigator  
Detective  
Law Enforcement Officer  
Legislative Analyst  
Paralegal

### Entry Level Careers

Bailiff  
Dispatcher  
Legal Secretary  
Legislative Assistant  
Lobbyist  
Politician  
Report Writer



## Criminal Law

- The Criminal Trial
- NY State Penal Law
- Violent Crimes
- Property Crimes
- The Court System
- Sentencing and Corrections

## Family Law

- Law and the American Family
- Marriage
- Parents and Children
- Foster Care and Adoption
- Separation, Divorce and Custody
- Juvenile Delinquency

## Mock Trial

- Steps in a Trial
- Jury Selection
- Opening Statements
- Closing Arguments
- Rules of Evidence and Procedure
- Witness Examinations

## Lawmaking

- Advocacy
- Settling Disputes
- Lawyers

## Torts

- Civil Law
- Civil vs. Criminal Action
- Negligence
- Strict Liability
- Torts and Public Policy

## Consumer Law

- Contracts
- Warranties
- Credit and Other Financial Services
- Deceptive Sales Practices
- Major Purchases

## Individual Rights

- Freedom from Unreasonable Search and Seizure
- Freedom of Speech
- Double Jeopardy
- The Right to an Attorney / Jury Trial
- 8th Amendment and Capital Punishment

## Policing

- Article 35: Use of Force
- NY State Safe Act
- The Crime Scene
- Forensic Techniques

## Contemporary Issues in Law

- Immigration Law
- Intellectual Property
- Law and Terrorism

## Internship Rotations

- Internship Intensive Program
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