

DISCOVER THE LAW

A legal education program offered by Student Legal Services and sponsored by the ASUCSD Office of the Associate Vice President of Student Advocacy

Program Information and Requirements

Purpose

The purpose of the Discover the Law program is to provide an opportunity for all UC San Diego students to increase their knowledge and raise their awareness of law-related matters. Discover the Law features workshops that aim to empower students to avoid legal problems and to make informed decisions while gaining familiarity with a variety of interesting areas of law and related issues.

Overview

Discover the Law is a legal education program comprised of a series of workshops on law-related topics. The workshops are offered to all currently-registered UC San Diego students regardless of academic or professional interests, including graduate and professional students. Students who complete four workshops will receive a Certificate of Achievement and an invitation to a recognition reception in Spring Quarter 2019 during which certificates will be awarded. Students who complete eight or more workshops will receive a Certificate of Special Recognition and an invitation to the recognition reception. *Discover the Law is not offered for academic credit. Students need not be considering a career in law to participate in Discover the Law.*

Benefits of Participating

There are many benefits to taking part in the Discover the Law program. You may wish to participate:

- ⇒ To earn a certificate that demonstrates a commitment to learning more about the law and law-related issues.
- ⇒ To gain practical knowledge that will help you avoid legal problems.
- ⇒ To acquire skills and information that will help you make informed decisions.
- ⇒ To build your resume.
- ⇒ To connect with professionals and other students.

Even if you are *not* considering a career in law, you will benefit from participating because:

- ⇒ You will learn information that will help you make better informed choices during your college years and beyond.
- ⇒ You will gain insight into how best to protect your legal rights, your safety, and your privacy.
- ⇒ You will earn a certificate that will demonstrate your intellectual curiosity about subjects beyond your major.

If you are considering a career in law, you will benefit from participating because:

- ⇒ You will be exposed to multiple areas of substantive law.
- ⇒ You will have opportunities for career exploration, including networking with professionals in the legal field.
- ⇒ You will earn a certificate that will help demonstrate your interest in law.

Learning outcomes

After completing the requirements for the Discover the Law program, it is anticipated that you will:

- ⇒ Better understand what steps to take in order to make an informed legal decision.
- ⇒ Be able to summarize your rights and responsibilities related to the topics covered in the workshops you attend.
- ⇒ Be able to critically consider both legal and non-legal options for resolving a problem.
- ⇒ Be able to give examples of circumstances for which you might seek help from a legal professional.
- ⇒ Raise your awareness of on-campus and community resources to assist you if you need to address a legal matter.
- ⇒ Build relationships with other students who are interested in acquiring legal life skills or pursuing a career in law.

Cram Saturdays

Student Legal Services is committed to providing all interested students with the opportunity to complete the Discover the Law program. This year we are happy to announce we will be offering two separate Cram Saturdays to our program! On a Cram Saturday we offer four workshops between 10:00 am and 3:00 pm. The dates for the two Cram Saturdays are **Saturday, January 27, 2018 and Saturday, March 3, 2018**. These events are ideal for students who have busy schedules during the week or who want to complete the requirements for a Certificate of Achievement in just one day. Students may attend one, some, or all of the Cram Saturday workshops. Students who wish to participate in Cram Saturday must RSVP for the workshops by Friday prior to the workshops through the “Cram Saturday Sign Up” links on Student Legal Services’ website.

Requirements for earning a Certificate of Achievement

1. **You must sign up for the Discover the Law program through Student Legal Services’ website.** Alternatively you may pick up and submit your sign up packet at the Student Legal Services office. You may sign up for the program at any point during Winter Quarter until **Friday, March 2, 2018**, although the earlier you sign up, the more opportunities you will have to complete the program requirements. *You must sign up in order to participate in the program and receive a certificate- simply attending the workshops is not sufficient.*
2. **You must attend four one-hour legal education workshops.** You will receive a Program Guide with the dates of the workshops offered in various categories at the first workshop you attend. If you lose your Program Guide, additional Program Guides will be available at all future workshops. You will need to sign in at each workshop you attend and you must have the presenter initial your Program Guide at the end of each workshop in order to verify your attendance.
3. **You must submit your initialed Program Guide and complete an online Post-Program Questionnaire to Student Legal Services no later than noon on Friday, March 16, 2018 (10th week).** Student Legal Services staff will verify your successful completion of the program requirements. If you have completed all of the program requirements, you will be invited to a recognition reception in the Spring Quarter 2018, during which certificates will be awarded.

Requirements for a Certificate of Special Recognition

1. **You must complete all of the requirements for the Discover the Law Certificate of Achievement** listed above.
2. **You must also attend four additional workshops from any category.** To receive a Certificate of Special Recognition, you must attend four additional workshops for a total of eight workshops.

Important Dates and Deadlines

<i>Mon., January 7, 2019:</i>	Sign Up link and information packets available on Student Legal Services’ website
<i>Fri., January 25, 2019:</i>	Last day to sign up for Cram Saturday #1 through Student Legal Services’ website
<i>Sat., January 26, 2019:</i>	Cram Saturday #1
<i>Fri., March 8, 2019:</i>	Last day to sign up for Discover the Law
<i>Fri., March 8, 2019:</i>	Last day to sign up for Cram Saturday #2 through Student Legal Services’ website
<i>Sat., March 9, 2019:</i>	Cram Saturday #2
<i>Fri., March 15, 2019:</i>	Last day to submit initialed Program Guide and completed Post-Program Questionnaire to Student Legal Services
<i>TBA in Spring Quarter 2019:</i>	Discover the Law recognition reception

Contact Information

If you have questions about the program or suggestions on how to improve it, please contact:

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Office business hours: Monday - Friday 8:00 am – 12:00 pm and 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm

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Workshop Locations

Discover the Law program workshops will be held at the following locations:

Geisel Library Classroom #1

This room is located on the main floor of the Geisel Library entrance from Library Walk.

Huerta-Vera Cruz Room

This room is located between Porter's Pub and Mandeville Auditorium. It is on the first floor of the building, directly below the LGBT Resource Center.

Center Hall

This building is right off the east side of Library Walk along Gilman Drive.

Price Center ("PC") West

This is the "old" section of the Price Center. (The Bear Room, Red Shoe Room, Green Table Room, Marshall Room and ERC Room are all on the second floor of PC West. The Warren College Room is on the third floor of PC West.)

Price Center ("PC") East

This is the "new" section of Price Center, containing Tapioca Express, Burger King, etc. The Governance Chambers are on the fourth floor of Price Center East, next to the Forum.

Student Services Center

This L-shaped building is located along Rupertus Lane just south of Price Center East. This is the same building that contains the frozen yogurt shop, Croutons eatery, and the Financial Aid office. Conference Room 554 is located on the fifth floor, turn right when you exit the elevators.