



Pre-Law Scholars Program

PRE-PROFESSIONAL ADVISING

When applying to Ripon College, qualified applicants interested in pursuing a bachelor's degree and juris doctor degree can take advantage of Ripon's Pre-Law Scholars Program with one of our four partner schools: American University Washington College of Law in Washington, D.C.; Marquette University Law School in Milwaukee, Wisconsin; Mitchell Hamline School of Law in St. Paul, Minnesota; and University of St. Thomas School of Law in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

This unique 3-plus-3 program places qualified students on a fast-track program to earn their law degree one year sooner.

Ripon Pre-Law Scholars who have met all requirements will be able to apply to one of our partner schools during their junior year or after completing 95 credits at Ripon. Those who are admitted will move directly into one of these law programs. After Scholars have successfully completed all requirements during their first year of law school at American, Marquette, Mitchell Hamline or St. Thomas, they will be able to transfer any outstanding undergraduate credits needed back to Ripon to achieve a baccalaureate degree at Ripon College.

Scholars then will have two additional years of law school at one of our four partner schools before receiving their juris doctor degree. By receiving the J.D. in six years, most students will save a full year of college tuition.

In addition to saving time, Scholars can take immediate advantage of special networking events and planning opportunities with the respective law school during their first year at Ripon.

FACULTY

- **COLLEEN BYRON**, professor of chemistry, chair of the Department of Chemistry, L. Leone Oyster '19 Chair in Chemistry
- **LAMONT COLUCCI**, associate professor of politics and government
- **JEREMY EATON**, assistant professor of military science, Sergeant First Class
- **SARAH FROHARDT-LANE**, assistant professor of history
- **SOREN HAUGE**, John Barlow Murray 1937 and Nellie Weiss Murray 1937 Professor in Economics, chair of the Department of Economics
- **PAUL JEFFRIES**, associate professor of philosophy
- **HENRIK SCHATZINGER**, associate professor of politics and government, chair of the Department of Politics and Government, co-director of the Center for Politics and the People
- **JACQUELINE CLARK**, associate professor of sociology, chair of the Department of Sociology and Anthropology
- **BRIAN SMITH**, professor of religion, Charles and Joan Van Zoeren Chair in Religion, Ethics and Values, chair of the Department of Philosophy and Religion, co-director of the Center for Politics and the People
- **STEVEN SORENSON**, adjunct professor of politics and government, pre-law advisor
- **ED WINGENBACH**, vice president and dean of faculty

STUDENT HIGHLIGHT



Nicole Zeman '17 majored in business management and politics & government, with a minor in law and society at Ripon College. She is attending the University of St. Thomas School of Law in Minneapolis, Minnesota, on a 90-percent Dean's Scholarship.

HOW TO APPLY

Applications to the Ripon Pre-Law Scholars Program will be accepted on a rolling basis. Apply now.

QUESTIONS?

For more information about the Ripon Pre-Law Scholars Program, contact Ed Wingenbach, dean of faculty and professor of politics and government, at wingenbache@ripon.edu or 920-748-8109.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

- Admission to the Pre-Law Scholars Program is limited to incoming first-year students with a minimum score of 26 on the ACT test and a cumulative GPA of 3.65 or higher. Students may, however, apply to the program at anytime if they have a cumulative GPA of 3.50 or higher at the end of their first or second year at Ripon College. Students with a GPA lower than 3.50 will be considered if other aspects of their Ripon College academic record show a demonstrated level of success.