



CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE

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Yale Law Tomorrow A \$200 Million Initiative

Support for Students »

The campaign seeks \$50 million for increased financial aid, loan repayment assistance, and research and travel funds for students.

Support for Faculty

The campaign seeks \$50 million to bolster existing faculty chairs and create new ones in order to retain and recruit a law faculty of the highest order.

Support for Academic Programs

The campaign seeks \$25 million to support clinical offerings and emerging programs in international and corporate law.

Commitment to Community

The campaign seeks \$25 million to renovate the University's Swing Space residential facility to restore the School's time-honored residential experience.

The Yale Law School Fund

The campaign seeks \$50 million for the Yale Law School Fund, which provides unrestricted gifts that allow the School to respond to immediate and emerging needs.

Campaign Update

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Campaign Goal

\$200 million

Funds raised as
of May 25, 2007

\$121 million

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» Support for Students

To attract the best students no matter where they are, we must provide them with the support they need to attend Yale Law School and reach their full potential. Outstanding students inspire faculty and classmates alike, and the ability to attract the very best candidates ensures the ongoing vitality of intellectual life at Yale Law School. However, with federal student loan programs covering a smaller proportion of student need, and the number of financial-aid-eligible students increasing, this is a time of crisis for many students. Already, approximately seventy-five percent of Yale Law students receive financial aid. Bolstering our aid packages will help us remain competitive, attract the finest candidates, and ensure that the next great legal visionary does not walk away from Yale for lack of financial support.

We seek to be able to encourage even more Yale Law graduates to choose careers based on personal preference rather than income potential. By strengthening our Career Options Assistance Program (COAP) – a loan repayment assistance program – we will provide the support to enable more graduates to follow their hearts, even if that means taking risks. Since the establishment of COAP in 1988, more than 1,100 Yale Law graduates have received more than \$22 million in benefits, and many cite the program as a deciding factor in their choice to attend Yale Law School.

“Everything that I have done since graduating from law school was made possible by COAP,” says Amanda Moore ’00. “Because of COAP, I was able to return to my home state of Kentucky and clerk for the Chief Judge of the Sixth Circuit. After that, I was able to accept a fellowship for my dream job – helping to create the Appalachian Citizens Law Center, an organization providing free legal services on health, safety, and environmental issues pertaining to coal mining. Our entire organization’s starting budget was about the same as my law school debt. Without COAP, I simply could not have done this work.”

In a similar vein, support for our Summer Public Interest Fellowship Program (SPIF) will make it possible for more students to spend their summers in service at public interest, government, or nonprofit organizations. Through SPIF, students with financial need are able to accept summer positions in these sectors across the country – and around the world.

“I came to the Law School hoping to use my law degree for some sort of government work, perhaps as a prosecutor,” says Karen Dunn ’06. “My first summer job was at the U.S. Attorney’s Office in the Southern District of New York. With SPIF funding I was able to live in New York City and work closely with an Assistant U.S. Attorney in the counterter-



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rorism unit there. Many of my friends from the Law School worked in New York and in other cities, using their SPIF funds to help the homeless, assist public defenders, and litigate for nonprofits.”

Today’s Law School graduate typically departs with an average of \$85,000 in debt – a staggering figure regardless of one’s starting salary, and a devastating obligation for our many students who pursue careers in the nonprofit or social service sectors. We must reduce their debt load and increase their options, encouraging even greater commitment among Yale Law graduates to working toward the greater good.

\$10 Million from Hewlett Foundation Supports The China Law Center

The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation donated \$10 million to support The China Law Center for the next five years.

“We are delighted the Hewlett Foundation has agreed to make this extraordinary commitment to strengthen and expand The China Law Center’s efforts to help advance the rule of law and related policy reforms in China,” said Dean Harold Hongju Koh. “This level of support is unprecedented in the field of Chinese legal studies and legal reform and affirms the Center’s key role in the life of an increasingly global Yale Law School. This grant guarantees that Yale Law School will continue as the leading center of thinking and understanding regarding a country of surpassing importance, which enjoys deep historical ties with our university.”

From its inception in 1999, The China Law Center has focused on designing and carrying out in-depth cooperative projects between U.S. and Chinese experts on key issues of Chinese law and policy reform. In interaction with its teaching and research missions, the Center also works to strengthen the capacity of reformers in China, partnering with a range of Chinese institutions.

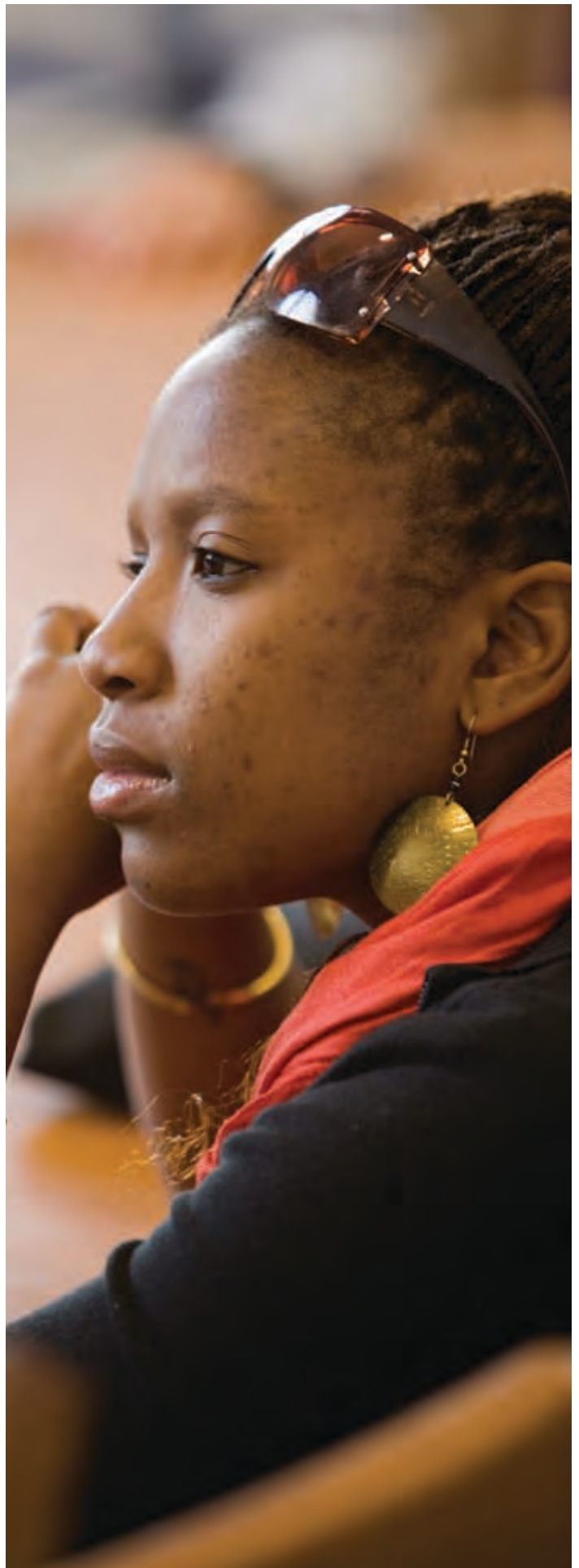
The grant, which will provide general support to the Center’s programs over five years, is among the largest foundation grants ever made to a Yale Law School program.

“This is a tremendous opportunity for us to build on what we have accomplished in the past few years,” said Paul Gewirtz ’70, the Center’s founder and director and also the Potter Stewart Professor of Constitutional Law. “We hope to continue to find ways to contribute to China’s reform process and to a better understanding of China in the United States.”

“The China Law Center is a key part of the University’s effort to promote work related to China at Yale and to be a leader in cooperative research and exchanges that can make a positive contribution to China’s development,” added Yale President Richard Levin.

Hewlett Foundation President Paul Brest said supporting the evolution of China’s legal system is invaluable to the country’s emergence on the world stage. “Helping China improve its legal system furthers an array of goals, from supporting civil rights and civil liberties to increasing China’s effectiveness in business,” Brest said. “It’s of global importance for China to have the best possible legal system. The foundation is proud to help with this effort.”

The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation, one of the nation’s largest, with assets of more than \$8 billion, makes grants to address the most serious social and environmental problems facing society. For more information on the work of The China Law Center, visit www.law.yale.edu/chinalaw.





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Law School Wins Knight Foundation Grant to Create Law and Media Program

Yale Law School won a \$2.5 million challenge grant from the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation to train the next generation's leading legal journalists and media lawyers by creating the Knight Law and Media Scholars Program. The challenge will leverage matches to create a total \$5 million endowment to keep the program going in perpetuity.

The program includes law and media courses, the scholars, research fellowships, summer internships, career counseling, and an annual training program for mid-career journalists. It also will feature a speaker series and a student organization focused on law and media.

"We think Yale is positioned to become the center of media law thinking in the nation," said Eric Newton, vice president of Knight's journalism program. "We congratulate the work of its amazing alumni, notably Steve Brill, as well as Yale Law's dean, Harold Hongju Koh."

The Knight Media Scholars will be chosen from all Yale JD and graduate law students. The program is designed to increase the number of Yale Law School graduates prepared to be leaders in media law and the media industry.

The program will also bring a wide range of working journalists and interested scholars to the Law School for an annual training session. These workshops will address cutting-edge issues in law and media and create opportunities for journalists, scholars, and lawyers to work together.

"Yale Law School has long been a place where the study of law has been embraced in an interdisciplinary fashion," said Dean Koh. "This new program will build upon our remarkable history of producing leading legal journalists, First Amendment lawyers, and media entrepreneurs uniquely able to explore the common intellectual space where the law and media intersect."

Knight Foundation for years supported a master's degree program for midcareer journalists at Yale. Graduates of that program include Lucy Dalglish '88 MSL, executive director of the Reporters Committee for Freedom of the Press, Linda Greenhouse '78 MSL, Supreme Court reporter for *The New York Times*, and Charles Savage '03 MSL, Washington, D.C., reporter for the *Boston Globe* who recently won a Pulitzer Prize in the national reporting category. The foundation also established the Knight Chair in Constitutional Law and the First Amendment at the Law School, a chair that has been held by Professor Jack M. Balkin.

Joining the Knight Foundation as co-investor is Steven Brill '75, founder of *Court TV* and *The American Lawyer* magazine. He has pledged to support the Law School's program, in addition to a recent \$1 million donation to Yale College to infuse journalism into undergraduate classes.

"Tomorrow's news stories will benefit from the incisive research and writing of journalists trained in legal thought at Yale," added Dean Koh. "Law plays a pervasive role in the emerging global society, and legal training for journalists and media entrepreneurs at all levels will ensure the thoughtful, creative, and accurate development of tomorrow's news."

Fund Established in Memory of Elizabeth Warke Brem '96



The Elizabeth Warke Brem Memorial Fund has been established in memory of Elizabeth, who died in a tragic accident in December 2006 (*see page 112*).

The fund was established by a \$100,000 gift from the law firm of Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher in Los Angeles, where Elizabeth was a partner and member of the firm's litigation department. On an annual

basis, income from the permanently endowed fund will be awarded to a Yale Law School student or students demonstrating financial need. The fund will have a preference for Hispanic women law students.

"Liz's life was tragically cut short in a terrible accident," said Kenneth M. Doran, managing partner at Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP. "She was a wonderful partner, an inspirational mentor to younger lawyers, an accomplished securities litigator, an active member of the community, and a loving wife and mother of two boys. Liz had a true passion for life, and approached everything she did with enthusiasm, energy, and optimism. She accomplished a great deal in her all-too-short life, leaving a lasting impression on all she touched. We miss her immensely."

"Liz was passionate about the law and never forgot her Hispanic roots," added Doran. "She continuously sought to improve diversity within the legal profession. Therefore, we thought a permanent scholarship in Liz's name in support of Hispanic women law students at Yale would be an appropriate tribute to her memory."

Elizabeth was fluent in Spanish, a member of the Hispanic Bar Association of Orange County, and a member of Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher's Diversity Committee. Beyond her firm work, Elizabeth was a member of the California Coastal Conservancy, a state agency that protects coastal resources, and volunteered with Adelante Mujer, an organization that mentors young Latinas.

Updates on the progress of the Law Tomorrow campaign are available at www.law.yale.edu/lawtomorrow.

