



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

Law Tomorrow
Campaign Goal

\$200 million

Funds raised as of
November 12, 2007

\$137 million

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The caliber of an educational enterprise rests on the quality of its faculty. Attracting and retaining a world-class faculty at Yale Law School has become a competitive and costly reality. Though the Law School has attracted numerous endowed chairs, a significant number of them were established many years ago with gifts that, despite excellent investment returns, do not provide full funding for the chair holders. In addition, roughly one-third of our faculty may retire over the upcoming decade, primarily senior members who possess some of the sharpest minds in the country. Replacing these extraordinary teachers would be a challenge under any circumstances. It will be even more difficult with so many top law schools facing the same challenge and competing for the same bright minds.

At the same time, the nature of pedagogy and research in law schools is changing, and our faculty members frequently supplement their teaching with extensive empirical research or refine their courses to look more broadly at foreign legal systems. These approaches enhance the perspective and imagination of students—but require additional funding.

For example, the Law School's China Law Center has established a significant new channel between the United States and China. Its cooperative projects with leading Chinese experts and institutions help advance the rule of law in China by tackling such issues as judicial reform, administrative law, criminal law and procedure, constitutional law, and legal and clinical education. The Center helps students arrange summer work projects in China, where they enjoy unusually good access to materials and experts as a result of the relationships established by the Center. This next generation of U.S. legal experts will be well prepared to take on the challenges of globalization.

As Yale Law School's peers vigorously pursue top faculty members, support for endowed chairs, visiting and clinical professorships, and faculty research will help us maintain our current excellence and augment our competitive edge for the future.



“Even though Yale has a reputation for good student-faculty interaction, I’ve been surprised at how accessible the professors are. Any student who wants to will find any number of opportunities to work with the faculty, and serving as a research assistant or having a faculty member supervise your paper will often turn into a valuable mentorship. It’s wonderful that so many of the professors are willing to spend time helping individual students be successful.”

Quinn Curtis, Joint Degree Student

Swing Space Initiative Gets Big Boost

The School's efforts to secure the funding necessary to renovate the existing Swing Dorm Facility have received a tremendous boost from three wonderfully generous Law School alumni—Robert C. Baker '59, Jonathan P. Rosen '70, and James A. Star '86. Led by Mr. Baker, this special group has established a significant nucleus fund that gets us well on our way to the goal required to renovate the building when the Law School takes possession. We hope their leadership and enthusiasm for this project will inspire a handful of others to stand with them in this critical endeavor.

Since its affiliation with Yale in the early 1900s, the Law School has been housed in the Sterling Law Buildings. However, while generations of graduates have lived and learned in this inspiring environment, our expanding student and faculty bodies, robust clinical programs and centers, and exponentially growing number of student organizations require us to seek new space.

To address this concern, Yale University will allocate the Swing Space residential facility, which currently serves

Yale College, to the Law School. This is a once in an institutional lifetime opportunity for the School, and as Mr. Baker aptly put it: "This is not a question of *should* we acquire the building, or *how* we should acquire the building—we *must* acquire the building!"

As part of the LAW»tomorrow Campaign, the Law School has launched a special initiative to secure leadership contributions for renovations to the Swing Space from a very few alumni and friends. This special group will be prominently recognized in the newly renovated facility, and their key support will help renew our distinctive community and restore our time-honored residential experience.

