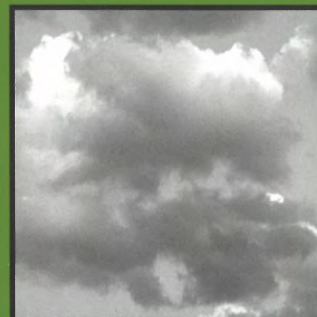


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ENVIRONMENTAL LAW PROGRAM
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The Environmental Law Program at Boalt Hall offers students unparalleled opportunities in the field of environmental law and policy. With a substantial number of nationally recognized environmental law faculty members, the program includes a rich and diverse curriculum and gives students the opportunity to work directly with professors on research projects. In addition the school encourages students to further develop their knowledge base by enrolling in joint degree programs with other UC Berkeley departments and interning at government agencies and non-profit environmental organizations.

At Boalt Hall, student environmental law publications and organizations, such as the *Ecology Law Quarterly* and the Environmental Law Society, provide unique opportunities for students to work together on academic or extracurricular projects. The Environmental Law Program is an active community of students, faculty and alumni drawn together by their interest in environmental law.

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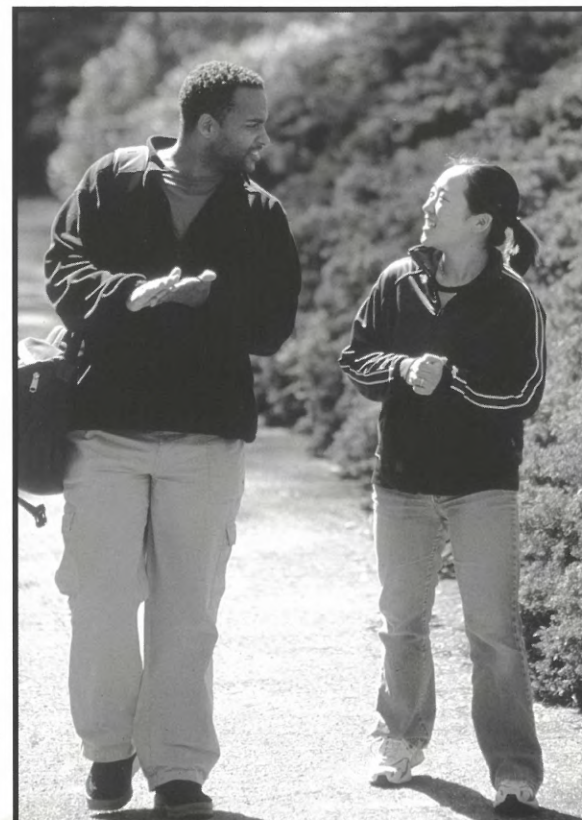
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Boalt's Environmental Law Program

boasts a strong faculty; a premier-quality, student-run environmental law journal; and a prime location in the middle of the San Francisco Bay Area's sea of environmental advocates. The program has given me the education and experience I need to pursue a career that will advance environmental protection and keep me engaged on multiple levels.

—Jocelyn Garovoy '04



THE CURRICULUM

For environmental lawyers, it is not sufficient to simply master substantive environmental law and administrative procedure. They must also understand public policy analysis; the interaction of law, economics and science; the foundations of environmental protection; and the political and bureaucratic dimensions of environmental law and policy. Environmental lawyers must be sensitive to the broad social, economic and political realities that underlie this area of the law.

Boalt Hall's Environmental Law Program provides students with the analytical skills, substantive knowledge and practical judgment needed to be effective lawyers in this evolving area. The curriculum is concerned not only with the basic legal elements—statutes, regulations and cases—but also with the broader structure of environmental law and policy. The program prepares students to navigate the existing regulatory system and contribute to the ongoing process of reform.

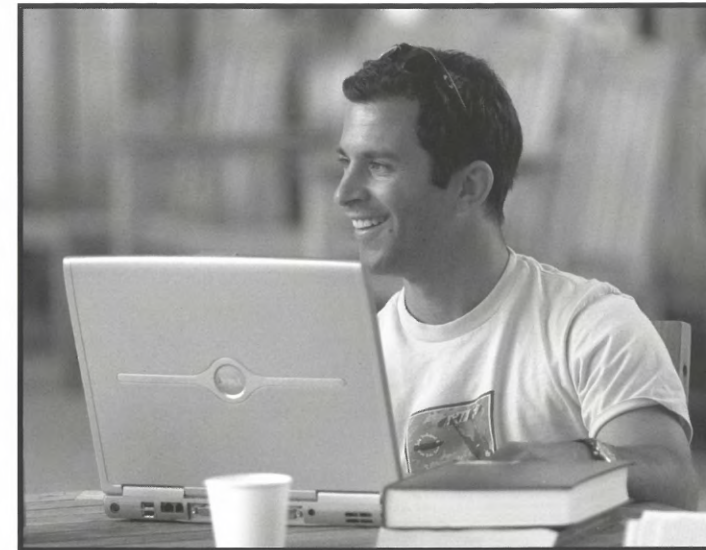
The Environmental Law Program offers a broad selection of environmental law courses, from the basic Environmental Law and Policy class to a range of advanced courses and seminars. Students study both the theoretical (in classes like Environmental Ethics) and the practical (in classes like Environmental Litigation). The curriculum covers important substantive areas, with courses such as Comparative Environmental Politics and Policy, Environment and Culture, Lawyering for Environmental Justice, International Environmental Law, Land-Use Planning, Public Land Law, and Water Law. The program also regularly includes specialized seminars addressing current issues. A sampling of regularly offered courses and topical seminars is below.

Foundational Courses

- ◆ Environmental Law and Policy
- ◆ Land-Use Planning
- ◆ Public Land Law

Advanced Courses and Seminars

- ◆ Comparative Environmental Politics and Policy
- ◆ Environment and Culture
- ◆ Environmental Enforcement
- ◆ Environmental Ethics
- ◆ Environmental Law Writing Seminar
- ◆ Environmental Litigation
- ◆ Environmental Remedies
- ◆ International Environmental Law
- ◆ Lawyering for Environmental Justice
- ◆ Local Government Law
- ◆ Ocean Resources and the Law of the Sea
- ◆ Public Trust Seminar
- ◆ Takings Clause Seminar
- ◆ Water Law



CERTIFICATE OF SPECIALIZATION IN ENVIRONMENTAL LAW

Students may undertake a specialization in environmental law. The specialized curricular program ensures that students develop a broad background in fundamental areas of law while receiving advanced training in environmental law. Students who meet the requirements are awarded a Certificate of Specialization in Environmental Law at graduation.

Students who wish to earn the certificate must take the course Administrative Law and the basic course Environmental Law and Policy; complete three other environmental law courses or seminars and one other public law course (e.g., Constitutional Law: Individual Rights, Federal Courts, International Law, Legislation, or State and Local Government Law); and write a research paper on an environmental topic.

CONCURRENT AND COMBINED DEGREE PROGRAMS

Students may enroll in a concurrent degree program with another department or school on campus, such as the Department of Asian Studies; the Haas School of Business; the Department of City and Regional Planning; the Goldman School of Public Policy; the Energy and Resources Group; or the Department of Environmental Science, Policy and Management. A combined degree program with the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University or the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts University is also available. Students must apply separately to each program. Normally the time to complete both a J.D. and a master's degree is four years.



Boalt is unique among major American law schools in that it offers an interdisciplinary Ph.D. degree through the Jurisprudence and Social Policy (JSP) Program. Students with a strong interest in both environmental law and policy and a teaching career may consider applying to the JSP Program. In recent years, students have graduated with specializations in environmental history, natural resources law and law of the sea.

INTERNSHIPS

Internships during the academic year allow students to apply the knowledge and ideas learned in the classroom, gain practical experience, and work with practicing environmental lawyers. The law school grants academic credit to students who participate in approved internships, most of which are with nonprofit environmental organizations and government agencies. A typical internship requires a commitment of two to three days each week for four to six units of credit.

Some of the more popular nonprofit organizations offering internships include:

- ◆ Earthjustice Legal Defense Fund
- ◆ Environmental Defense
- ◆ Natural Resources Defense Council
- ◆ The Nature Conservancy

Government agencies offering internships include:

- ◆ Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
- ◆ California Attorney General's Office (Environmental Section)
- ◆ U.S. Department of Justice (Environment and Natural Resources Division)

Students also have held internships in organizations dealing with international environmental issues, such as the EPA's Office of General Counsel (International Activities Division).

Participating in the *Environmental Law*

Quarterly (ELQ), as a member and editor-in-chief, has been one of the most enriching parts of my law school experience. Through *ELQ* I have developed strong ties with the faculty and met like-minded students. I have also been exposed to the most cutting-edge environmental law research and gained the opportunity to work with some of the nation's top scholars.

—Jessica Owley '04

LAW OF THE SEA INSTITUTE

Headed by Professors Harry Scheiber and David Caron '83, the Law of the Sea Institute is an international organization of scholars and policy officials. Founded in 1965 to promote the concept of a global treaty for ocean governance, the Law of the Sea Institute moved to Boalt Hall in 2002 from its former location at the University of Miami. The institute has sponsored more than 20 international conferences and a large number of workshops. It is a major source of scholarship and policy debate about ocean law. The institute is administered by UC Berkeley's Earl Warren Legal Institute.

SPEAKERS, CONFERENCES AND EVENTS

Environmental Speaker Series

Each semester the *Ecology Law Quarterly* (ELQ) and the Environmental Law Society sponsor a number of informal talks on current environmental law topics. Recent topics have included:

- ◆ "California's Landmark Efforts to Reduce Vehicle Emissions," Ann Notthoff, California advocacy director, Natural Resources Defense Council
- ◆ "Wildland Fire, Forest Management and the Bush Administration," Jay Watson, California/Nevada regional director, The Wilderness Society
- ◆ "Can Organized Labor Save California's Smart-Growth Movement?" Mark Wolfe, president, M. R. Wolfe & Associates, Attorneys & Planners; lecturer, Department of City and Regional Planning, UC Berkeley
- ◆ "The Environment, Human Rights and the U.S. Drug War Against Colombia," Martin Wagner, director/managing attorney for International Programs, Earthjustice
- ◆ "Law, Science and Politics in Ocean Conservation," Mike Sutton, program officer, Packard Foundation



Conferences

In addition to the speaker series, Boalt also periodically hosts major conferences exploring topics related to environmental law. In 2002, at the Multilateralism and International Ocean-Resources Law conference, ocean law experts for the United States, Canada and Japan examined the politics surrounding fisheries worldwide and the challenges of marine-ecosystem management. In 2001 Boalt also hosted Bringing New Law to Ocean Waters, a conference addressing international law and new regulations intended to promote sustainable development and support ecological preservation and balance in ocean waters.

Environmental Careers Luncheons and Careers Directory

ELQ hosts luncheons in the fall and a luncheon in the early spring. At these informal gatherings, lawyers from private, nonprofit and government organizations describe their practices and meet with students. Each fall ELQ publishes the *Environmental Careers Directory*, a comprehensive guide containing employment information about a variety of private law firms, government agencies and nonprofit environmental law organizations.

Ecology Law Quarterly Banquet

ELQ holds its annual banquet in late spring. The banquet is an opportunity for all members of Boalt's environmental community to get together with practicing environmental lawyers. During the banquet, the Environmental Law Program's Environmental Leadership Award is given to a member of the practicing community. The Harmon Environmental Law Writing Award, the Landis Prizes in Water Law and Local Government Law, and the Environmental Law Summer Fellowships are also presented to students.

After working as an urban and environmental planner, I knew that I wanted to pursue a career in land-use and environmental law. Boalt's Environmental Law Program provides a great range of classes in the specialty areas I am interested in.

The courses weave together a nice mix of real-world practice, legal theory and public policy. Faculty members want to see students succeed and they encourage new ideas and critical thinking about current approaches to environmental issues.

—Tedra Fox '02



Race Judicata

In the late fall, *ELQ* sponsors a 10K race followed by a picnic. The event helps raise funds for the Environmental Law Summer Fellowships. The entire Boalt community is invited to participate.

Yosemite Trip

ELQ and the Environmental Law Society host an annual fall trip to Yosemite National Park. All Boalt students are welcome to participate in this camping trip.

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Environmental Law Summer Fellowships

ELQ awards two summer fellowship grants to first- and second-year students. Each \$3,000 grant allows the fellow to work on a public interest project. Fellowship applications are due in early spring and recipients are announced at the *ELQ* annual banquet.

Ellis J. Harmon Environmental Law Writing Award

Every year a committee of Boalt's environmental faculty selects the best article written by a student on an environmental topic. The winner is presented with a plaque and a check for \$2,000 at the annual spring banquet and is recognized at graduation.

Alvin and Sadie Landis Prizes in Water Law and Local Government Law

The Landis Prizes in Water Law and Local Government Law are awarded every year for the best research paper written by a Boalt student in each area. A team of Boalt's environmental faculty members judges the submissions, and the awards are presented at the annual *ELQ* banquet. The author of each award-winning paper receives a \$500 prize and is recognized at graduation.



STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

Ecology Law Quarterly

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The *Ecology Law Quarterly* (ELQ) is an integral part of Boalt's Environmental Law Program. As the nation's premier environmental law journal, *ELQ* publishes articles by prominent academics, practicing lawyers and Boalt students. The journal is entirely student-run, and first-year students may participate in all stages of the publication process, including substantive editing, cite checking and proofreading.

Students can become members by committing 12 hours over the course of a semester and completing two cite-checking packets. Senior members undertake an additional 10 hours of substantive editing. Second- and third-year students may earn one academic credit (up to a maximum of two units of credit) for contributing 50 hours to *ELQ* during the course of a semester.

Environmental Law Society

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The Environmental Law Society (ELS) is the activist component of Boalt's Environmental Law Program. In addition to cosponsoring the Environmental Speaker Series, ELS provides the resources necessary for students to take effective action on a variety of environmental matters, including issues affecting San Francisco Bay, endangered species, old-growth forests, recycling, organic food standards and regional development/mass transit. ELS offers students the ability to influence policy and take practical steps to improve the environment of the Bay Area.

Through the Environmental Law Society

Speaker Series, I have had the opportunity to hear from lawyers, policy makers, activists and judges who are out making a difference in environmental law.

I also interned at the Environment, Land and Natural Resources Division of the California Attorney General's Office and at Communities for a Better Environment.

These experiences served as an excellent introduction to the actual workings of the environmental legal community and were a perfect complement to my academic studies.

—Douglas Chermak '04

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The program's faculty members are committed to exploring the law as it relates to resources and environmental protection, as well as broader legal questions about the role of science in society, the power and limits of government, and the property and business mechanisms affecting environmental policy. The focus on these big-picture issues makes this a useful and fascinating program.

—Liwen Mah '05

THE FACULTY



David D. Caron '83

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During his five years of duty with the U.S. Coast Guard, Professor Caron served as assistant chief of the Marine Environmental Protection Program for Northern California. Following law school, he was a legal assistant to Judges Richard Mosk and Charles Brower at the Iran-United States Claims Tribunal in The Hague. He practiced with the San Francisco firm Pillsbury Madison & Sutro (now Pillsbury Winthrop) before becoming a member of the Boalt faculty in 1987.

Professor Caron was a commissioner with the United Nations Compensation Commission from 1996 to 2003 for damages arising out of the Gulf War. He is also a member of the Department of State Advisory Committee on Public International Law and served as counsel to the Marshall Islands Nuclear Claims Tribunal. Professor Caron has written on several environmental topics, including the law of the sea, transnational pollution, global climate change and international courts.



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After graduating from law school, Professor Farber clerked for Judge Philip W. Tone of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 7th Circuit and for Justice John Paul Stevens of the U.S. Supreme Court. He then practiced law with Sidley & Austin before joining the faculty of the University of Illinois College of Law. In 1981 he became a member of the University of Minnesota Law School faculty. During his years there, he became the first Henry J. Fletcher Professor of Law in 1987; served as a visiting professor at Stanford Law School, Harvard Law School and the University of Chicago Law School; and was named McKnight Presidential Professor of Public Law in 2000.

Professor Farber's books include *Desperately Seeking Certainty*, *Eco-Pragmatism: Making Sensible Environmental Decisions in an Uncertain World*, *The First Amendment* and *Environment Law in a Nutshell*. He has also written many articles on environmental and constitutional law as well as about contracts, jurisprudence and legislation.



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