

Shaping the Future of Law

YOUR GENEROSITY BY THE NUMBERS



Fiscal Year 2025 At A Glance

\$3.6M

Total Cash Received

2,580

Total Number of Donors

17%

Alumni Participation

Dean A. Benjamin Spencer's Funding Priorities



Student Scholarships

Scholarship funding is crucial for attracting top-tier students and maintaining competitiveness. Each year, the Law School competes with other schools for exceptional candidates seeking generous financial aid packages. Your support—through expendable or endowed scholarships—helps close that gap, ensuring we can attract and retain the brightest legal minds.



Annual Fund

The Annual Fund fuels every corner of the Law School. From scholarships and faculty support to clinics, journals, student organizations, and the Wolf Law Library, these flexible gifts sustain excellence and strengthen our national reputation.



Clinical Programs

Clinical education is at the heart of our citizen lawyer philosophy. Through hands-on work, students serve real clients across Hampton Roads while gaining practical legal experience. Expanding these programs means deeper student engagement, stronger advocacy, and broader community impact.

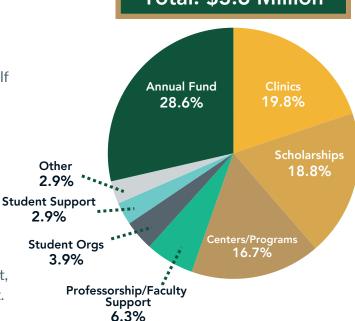


Faculty Resources

Exceptional faculty elevate the Law School experience. Ranked #17 nationally for scholarly impact, our professors are renowned legal scholars and seasoned faculty. Support for professorships and research helps us recruit and retain top talent who bring real-world expertise into the classroom.

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Now More Than Ever: Your Gift Matters

In a time of growing financial uncertainty, your support is more than generosity—it's essential. An astounding 94% of our 2023–24 student body received grants or scholarships, a testament to how deeply our community relies on donor-funded aid. These gifts open doors, fuel ambition, and ensure that every student—regardless of financial means—can thrive.

Your contribution helps shape not just graduates, but Citizen Lawyers—individuals who use their legal education to serve, lead, and advocate for justice in their communities. As traditional funding sources become less predictable, alumni giving becomes a cornerstone of our resilience and mission. Stand with us. Invest in the future. Make your impact today.

Real Stories, Lasting Impact: Meet the 2025 Anderson Scholar



This year, Morgan Hovan J.D. '27 was named an Alvin P. Anderson Scholar in recognition of her integrity, leadership, and service. Inspired by her father's career in public service, Morgan has pursued her passion for advocacy through an internship with the Norfolk Commonwealth's Attorney's Office and as a standout member of the National Trial Team.

Her journey reflects the transformative power of scholarship support—made possible by generous donors like the TowneBank Foundation, whose commitment helps shape the next generation of Citizen Lawyers.

The Anderson Scholarship, named for a distinguished alumnus and Citizen Lawyer, continues to empower students like Morgan who are committed to making a meaningful impact in their communities.

Scholarships don't just support students—they shape lives, careers, and communities.

Reunion Committees: Contributing Through Volunteering

Reunion committee members serve as invaluable ambassadors of the Law School and the Dean's vision. Committee members work with Advancement staff to engage classmates and bolster support for the Law School through reunion class giving goals.

Headed into a reunion year? Contact Emily McCarty at emmcarty@wm.edu to get involved and engage with your Reunion Committee.



2025 FirmMate Challenge

The annual FirmMate Challenge encourages law alumni who work at the same firm or agency to achieve 100% participation in alumni giving. The following firms reached this milestone during the 2024–2025 Challenge. Thank you for outstanding commitment to supporting our mission!

Akin, Gump, Strauss, Hauer & Feld, LLP

Arnold & Porter Kaye Scholer LLP

Gentry Locke

Greenberg Traurig LLP

Holland & Knight LLP

Ice Miller

Waldo & Lyle

Would you like to see your firm on next year's list? Reach out to Jamie Agnew at jgagnew@wm.edu to learn how you and your colleagues can join the FirmMate Challenge and make a collective impact.

