



ASU Law celebrates the Class of 2022

On May 11, ASU Law [celebrated more than 450 ASU Law degree candidates](#) at the college's spring 2022 convocation ceremony.

The graduates were joined by two distinguished speakers and ASU Law alums, MLS convocation speaker Judge Roslyn O. Silver and JD convocation speaker Ambassador Harriet "Hattie" C. Babbitt.

Read about a few of the notable spring graduates, watch the graduation recap video and the convocation livestream recording, view graduation photos and download the ASU Law Convocation digital program by visiting the [ASU law convocation page](#).

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Student Highlights



Spring 2022 graduates share their ASU Law journey

This year's spring graduates shared their path to law school, their experience at ASU Law and how their law degree will help to shape their future.

- [Law student finds opportunity to further her career through ASU Online](#)

- [From Prague to Phoenix: Graduate finds community at ASU Law](#)
- [From a law degree to the \(basketball\) court](#)
- [Sun Devil role model paves the path for future law graduate](#)
- [ASU program paves a path to law school for first-generation Sun Devil](#)
- [Practicing law by leading with compassion](#)
- [Coach learns the importance of being a global citizen in sports](#)



Law Day 2022: Advance Program scholar talks future of law

Law Day is an annual commemoration and the opportunity to participate in discussions about the role of law and society. The State Bar of Arizona spoke to 1L student **Brian Ridley**, among the inaugural cohort of [ASU Law's Advance Program](#), about what inspired him to become a lawyer.

[Watch here](#)



ASU Law student becomes member of the Arizona Marine Officer Program

ASU Law student **Donald Bryson Griffith Jr.** was contracted into the Arizona Marine Officer program on March 23, 2022.

"I am passionate about defending the Constitution of the United States and seems fitting that a lawyer will have the ability to do that in multiple ways while serving as a Marine,"



ASU Law student awarded first place in tax writing competition

ASU Law student **Michael Shaw** is the first-place recipient of the 2022 Donald C. Alexander Tax Law Writing Competition, hosted by the Federal Bar Association Section on Taxation. He was presented with a commemorative plaque and a \$2,000 cash prize for his paper "Local Governments in a TIF(f): Theories on Municipal Renegotiation of Tax-Increment Financing Agreements in a Post-Retail Pandemic."

said Griffith, a native of Indian Wells, California.

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Faculty in the News



**Laura Napoli
Coordes**

**Aaron
Hernandez**

**James
Hodge**

**Stacy
Leeds**

Uniform Law Commission Study Committee appoints ASU Law Professor

ASU Law Associate Dean of Faculty [Laura Napoli Coordes](#) is serving as the Reporter for the Uniform Law Commission's (ULC) [Study Committee on Assignments for the Benefit of Creditors](#) (ABCs).

[Learn more](#)

Rethinking Sports Governance at the Highest Level Without the NCAA

ASU Law Sports Law and Business Program Director [Aaron Hernandez](#) spoke to Global Sport Matters about what a future, optimal NCAA could look like and how we can get there.

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CDC Strikes Down Mask Mandate

Professor [James Hodge](#) spoke to The New York Times, discussing the decision issued by Judge Kathryn Kimball Mizelle to void the transportation mandate.

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Professor Stacy Leeds, CNN

Professor [Stacy Leeds](#) spoke to CNN about the McGirt v. Oklahoma case and the crucial details that Oklahoma Gov. Kevin Stitt overlooked in his comment about the landmark case.

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March 2022

- **Health Worker Vaccine Mandate Stays Intact as Pandemic Recedes**
 - Featuring: James Hodge
- **11 Arizonans are richer than millions of us, combined. Make them pay their fair share**
 - Featuring: Erin Scharff

April 2022

- **Federal and tribal courts in Oklahoma grapple with the aftermath of McGirt**
 - Featuring: Robert Miller
- **Could Arizona outlaw abortion? Supreme Court decisions could mean major changes**
 - Featuring: Kaipo Matsumura
- **War Crimes Watch: Hard path to justice in Bucha atrocities**
 - Featuring: Clint Williamson
- **The federal transportation mask mandate has been extended**
 - Featuring: James Hodge

- **As Ukraine investigates Russian war crimes, the U.S. and EU allies offer assistance**
 - Featuring: Clint Williamson
- **Court allows Jan. 6 suit against Georgia lawmaker; could affect 3 in Arizona**
 - Featuring: Ilan Wurman
- **It's time for Congress to stop blocking mitochondrial replacement therapy**
 - Featuring: Diana Bowman
- **U.S. looks to assist war crimes prosecutions targeting Russian leaders**
 - Featuring: Clint Williamson
- **'You're not going to get away with it': Ukraine unveils first war crimes charges amid 8,000 investigations**
 - Featuring: Clint Williamson

May 2022

- **'A massive public health crisis': How overturning Roe v. Wade could harm Arizonans**
 - Featuring: Jennifer Piatt
- **Coordination struggles could hamper Ukraine war crimes investigations**
 - Featuring: Clint Williamson
- **'It's a tsunami': Legal challenges threatening public health policy**
 - Featuring: James Hodge

Alumni News

AJ Pearlman



ASU Law alum selected as Director of Public Health Americorps

AmeriCorps announced that **AJ Pearlman** [ASU Law JD alum] has been selected as director of Public Health AmeriCorps, a partnership with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and will lead the grantmaking and program efforts to prioritize evidence-based interventions across the nation through 2025.

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Carolina Lopez



Alumna learned valuable lessons at ASU, guiding her work as an attorney

Carolina Lopez, a triple-alumna of ASU, said she learned valuable lessons as a student that inform her work as an attorney. “While I was at ASU and Barrett, I was building great soft skills, and these ultimately helped me succeed in law school [at ASU Law]. These skills still serve me today as an attorney,” Lopez said.

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In Memoriam



Allister Adel

ASU Law was saddened to learn about the death of ASU Law alum Allister Adel. The former Maricopa County Attorney and the first woman elected to that office passed away on April 20, 2022.

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Hannah Rose Arterian

ASU Law mourns the loss of Hannah Rose Arterian, a longtime faculty member and former associate dean who passed away April 8, 2022. Arterian was a part of ASU Law for more than 25 years.

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Events



ASU Law Alumni Reception: June 27

During the State Bar of Arizona Annual Convention

ASU Law Alumni Reception – State Bar of Arizona Convention

Monday, June 27 | Sheraton Grand Wild Horse Pass

Join your fellow ASU Law alums at a special reception this June during the [State Bar of Arizona Annual Convention](#). In the spirit of the convention's theme to “Reconnect, Recharge, Reimagine,” we hope you'll take this opportunity to see and catch up with your ASU Law friends and former classmates in person. The reception will be held on Monday, June 27 starting at 5 p.m. in the Ant Room of the Sheraton Grand at Wild Horse Pass.

No registration required.



CLE by the Sea

July 7-10, 2022 | Hotel del Coronado

Ray English, assistant dean, ASU Law Office of Career and Employment Services, will host a CLE program – “I Don't See Color: Understanding the Role of Anti-Racism in Society” – during the 2022 [CLE by the Sea](#) hosted by the Arizona Bar Association. CLE by the Sea is set for Thursday, July 7 through Sunday, July 10 at the Hotel del Coronado in San Diego, California. Attendees will have two opportunities – July 6 and July 8 – to join ASU Law's program.

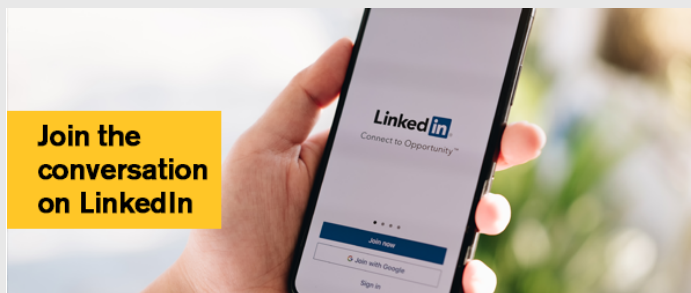
The discussion seeks to define anti-racism and give participants a sense of what it looks like, while offering a better understanding of racism and the importance of anti-racist behaviors in the workplace and society.

Register for the July 6 course.

Register for the July 8 course.

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