



SANTA CLARA UNIVERSITY
SCHOOL OF LAW



**LAUNCH YOUR LEGAL
CAREER IN SILICON VALLEY**

WELCOME TO SANTA CLARA LAW!

Santa Clara Law has a prime location in the heart of Silicon Valley, connecting you with one of the most vibrant economies in the world as well as our highly regarded alumni network. Our dynamic Jesuit university is also the “heart” of Silicon Valley, with our emphasis on ethics, social justice, educating the whole person, and serving others.



Our teaching scholars are brilliant, caring, and supportive; our students are diverse, creative, and collaborative. We are a national leader in high tech law, with top-ranked programs in intellectual property and privacy, and we were the first law school in the nation to offer a Privacy Law Certificate. Our global law program includes unique international externships and one of the largest study abroad programs of all U.S. law school. Our students explore their passions for social justice through outstanding clinical opportunities such as the Northern California Innocence Project and the Katharine & George Alexander Community Law Center. All of these programs have one thing in common: they enable you to study and learn the law while also developing critical practical skills, meaning you will be ready to practice when you graduate. Your hands-on experience in our courses and clinics will enhance your leadership skills, provide a sense of personal fulfillment, and prepare you for professional success.

We are proud of our home, the Howard S. and Alida S. Charney Hall of Law, a state-of-the-art building at the gateway to our historic California Mission campus.

We look forward to welcoming you to our community!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael J. Kaufman". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Michael J. Kaufman
Dean, Santa Clara Law





4th

Santa Clara Law's intellectual property program ranking among U.S. law schools, according to the 2022 *U.S. News*.

When you choose Santa Clara Law, one of the nation's most diverse law schools, you will learn to be a confident and compassionate leader who can make an impact at the intersection of law, technology, business, justice, and ethics.



OUR ACADEMICALLY RIGOROUS PROGRAMS INCLUDE:

- Certificates in high tech law, international law, privacy law, and public interest and social justice law
- Innovative Flex J.D. program for working professionals, Tech Edge J.D. that jump-starts law tech careers, and our Public Interest J.D. for those dedicated to social justice
- One of the largest study abroad programs of all U.S. law schools
- J.D./MBA with the respected Leavey School of Business, and LL.M. degrees in intellectual property, international and comparative law, and U.S. law for international attorneys

TOP LOCATION

Our historic campus is located in Silicon Valley, one of the most innovative and robust economies in the world. An exciting place to learn, work, and play, Silicon Valley is home to many of the country's leading law firms and innovative technology companies (see page 16).

SANTA CLARA LAW
BY THE NUMBERS

<p>90%</p> <p>California State Bar passage rate for Santa Clara Law graduates more than two years out.</p>	<p>INCOMING CLASS OF 2022*</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td data-bbox="472 373 812 604"> <p>57%</p> <p>Identify as a member of a minority community</p> </td> <td data-bbox="812 373 1190 604"> <p>22%</p> <p>Identify as first generation</p> </td> <td data-bbox="1190 373 1502 604"> <p>53%</p> <p>Women</p> </td> </tr> </table> <p><i>*Numbers as of 8/10/22</i></p>			<p>57%</p> <p>Identify as a member of a minority community</p>	<p>22%</p> <p>Identify as first generation</p>	<p>53%</p> <p>Women</p>
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<p>1st</p> <p>Santa Clara Law was the first law school in the nation to take the ABA Well-Being Pledge, continuing a long tradition of prioritizing wellness for our law community.</p>						
<p>100%</p> <p>Employment for inaugural 2021 Tech Edge J.D. graduates.</p>	<p>TOP 5%</p> <p>In 2019, the International Association of Privacy Professionals (IAPP) ranked Santa Clara Law's privacy law program in the top 5% nationally.</p>					
<p>424,000+</p>		<p>Number of student hours contributed to our Katharine & George Alexander Community Law Center since its founding in 1994.</p>				



“Santa Clara Law teaches practical solutions to legal problems rather than just legal theory. **Santa Clara Law sits smack in the middle of the most explosive growth economy on the planet, Silicon Valley.** For anyone who wants to actually practice law, I couldn't suggest a better learning environment.”

—AKSHAY VERMA J.D. '06
 DIRECTOR, HEAD OF LEGAL OPERATIONS, COINBASE; FORMER HEAD OF LEGAL OPERATIONS, FACEBOOK, AND ADJUNCT PROFESSOR, SANTA CLARA LAW



“I went to law school with the sole goal of pursuing a career in social justice—hoping to someday be a civil rights attorney.

I chose Santa Clara specifically because it was rated a top school for diversity and it had robust social justice and human rights course offerings.

I had so many fantastic professors and took a ton of incredible courses, and I felt so supported by the faculty and staff. I learned a new language, new tools, and a new way of approaching and understanding many of the issues that I am passionate about—and this empowers me to do the rewarding and fulfilling work of fighting for civil rights in my career now.”

—AKILAH LANE J.D. '09
STAFF ATTORNEY FOR THE AMERICAN CIVIL
LIBERTIES UNION IN HELENA, MONTANA

While at Santa Clara Law, Akilah was an intern at the San Jose Public Defender’s Office and served on the boards of the Black Law Student Association and the student chapter of the ACLU. She also received a Public Interest and Social Justice Grant to intern at the Mental Health Advocacy Project of the Silicon Valley Law Foundation. She received the Outstanding Graduate Award in 2009.

TOP 10

REASONS TO CHOOSE SANTA CLARA LAW

1



A Beautiful Campus Within a World-Class University in a Top Location

We are located in the heart of Silicon Valley, home to some of the world's leading companies such as Apple, Google, Meta, eBay, Genentech, Netflix, Cisco, Intel, and HP. Our students secure internships, externships, and jobs at many leading national and international companies and firms. We are also part of California's oldest higher-education institution and a world-class university located in one of the most visited regions in the U.S.

2

Top-ranked Intellectual Property Law Program

Year after year, Santa Clara Law is ranked among the nation's best law schools for our intellectual property curriculum and program.

3

Diverse, Student-Centered Community

We are proud to be regularly ranked among the most racially and ethnically diverse law schools in the country. We value diversity and inclusion, and our students and faculty thrive in this learning environment.

4

Social Justice Mission

We have a true commitment to social justice and ethics, and our students serve others while learning the law through our Center for Social Justice and Public Service and related clinics.

5

Network of Alumni Employers and Community Partners

We have a vibrant and engaged network of over 13,000 living alumni in Silicon Valley and around the world, as well as numerous corporate and community partners, who are ready to help you make connections and support your career.

6



Robust Program with Small Classes

We offer more than 100 different courses each year, including more than 30 in the popular areas of IP, high tech law, and privacy law. Classes are small and our community is collegial and supportive. We also offer comprehensive support through our academic, career counseling, and wellness programs.

7

Creative Options and Flexible Schedules for Working Professionals

We offer many unique programs such as our **Tech Edge J.D.** (for those dedicated in tech law), our **Public Interest J.D.** (for those who want to work for social justice), and our **Flex J.D.** (which offers a flexible schedule designed so working professionals can pursue their dream of a law degree).

8



Dedicated Faculty

As leading scholars and dynamic mentors, our outstanding faculty will help you acquire the skills and experience you need to succeed.

9

Experiential Learning in Cutting-edge Clinics

Get hands-on legal practice while in law school through our clinics, including the Northern California Innocence Project, the Entrepreneurs' Law Clinic, and others (see page 13).

10

Global Law and Summer Abroad

Our comprehensive global law program includes one of the largest study abroad programs of all U.S. law schools.



LAW SCHOOL ON YOUR SCHEDULE

The Flex J.D. is Santa Clara's new hybrid, part-time program designed for those who need a more flexible law school schedule due to their career and family commitments.

Students attend classes in-person for one week at the beginning of the semester combined with three long weekends (Friday through Sunday) once per month. Between on-campus sessions, you will complete asynchronous online classes at the times and locations that work best for your schedule. Most students will complete the program within a four-year period.

Professional networking opportunities are built into your schedule, allowing you to connect in-person with your instructors, peers, and the broader legal community, including our extensive alumni network.

All students, including those who live outside the Bay Area, will benefit from our Silicon Valley location, and have access to our top-ranked intellectual property and high tech curriculum, as well as our strong course offerings and clinical programs in public interest and international law.

law.scu.edu/flexjd

THE FLEX JD ADVANTAGE

- Balance your work and family life with the study of law
- Learn from our renowned faculty and industry experts
- Network with the Silicon Valley legal community
- Take advantage of the resources at Santa Clara University
- Access our top-ranked intellectual property law program

100%

Employment rate of 2021
Tech Edge J.D. graduates.

“The Tech Edge J.D. Program shaped my Silicon Valley legal career by exposing me to issues and cross-functional projects that broadened my legal thinking and prepared me for real-world work. Having two mentors from top Bay Area tech companies provided me with a unique perspective that other students may not have had access to, and it helped me attain an in-house legal counsel role straight out of law school.”

—DEVIKA SAGAR J.D. '21
LEGAL COUNSEL, BIGFOOT BIOMEDICAL,
MILPITAS, CA



GET YOUR TECH EDGE

The **Tech Edge J.D.** is a significant innovation in law school education that is **unavailable at any other U.S. law school.** Spanning your entire law school experience, this program leverages our Silicon Valley location and our renowned tech law and intellectual property curriculum to **accelerate your professional development** and prepare you with the critical skills desired by employers in technology industries. Through a combination of coursework, individual mentorship, practical skills development, and work experience, you will create a personalized plan, establish your network, and graduate ready to practice.

NOTE: Interested applicants must apply for the Tech Edge J.D. when applying for admission, and additional statements and a video interview are required.

law.scu.edu/techedge

TECH EDGE JD HIGHLIGHTS

- **Advisors and Mentors**
You will be guided through the program by law faculty/staff advisors and attorney mentors
- **Career Plan**
Using specialized workshops, you will explore career paths and create a customized career plan
- **Real-Life Experience**
You will complete at least 450 hours of practical experience during your law school career
- **Career Portfolio**
You will create and maintain a career portfolio of professional milestones

SERVE THE PUBLIC INTEREST

Do you hope to be an effective advocate for legislative and policy reforms to create a more just and humane world? Our **Public Interest J.D.** program will empower you to harness your law degree to work for legislative and policy reforms and to serve marginalized and underrepresented clients and causes. In our innovative program, you will receive extensive mentoring from both your faculty advisors and attorney mentors throughout your time at the law school. You will create and maintain an individualized career plan throughout the program. **Through practical, specialized, real-world training in clinics and externships, you will strengthen your social justice commitment, expand your experience, and become a top candidate for legal jobs in the government and nonprofit sectors.**

law.scu.edu/pijd



Santa Clara Law Professor David Sloss (wearing sunglasses) stands in the United Nations plaza in Geneva, Switzerland, with students from the 2022 Geneva summer abroad program.

Our Public Interest J.D. program is ideal for students focused on:

- Criminal law
- Environmental law
- Human rights law
- Racial justice
- Immigration law
- Anti-discrimination law
- Other legal careers related to public interest and social justice

GET GLOBAL

Established more than 40 years ago, **our respected and comprehensive global law program includes one of the largest study abroad opportunities of all law schools in the nation.** Program offerings and externships include business, human rights, environmental, or intellectual property law in more than 30 different countries.

law.scu.edu/international

Santa Clara Law
“dominates the externship study-abroad landscape.”

—*NATIONAL JURIST*, 2018 LIST OF THE BEST LAW STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMS



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ABA-ACCREDITED SUMMER CLASS PROGRAMS

Open to students from all ABA-accredited and California-accredited law schools.

30+

EXTERNSHIP LOCATIONS ON SIX CONTINENTS

EXTERNSHIP LOCATIONS INCLUDE:

large international law firms, local firms, NGOs, courts, international organizations, and the United Nations.

LEARN FROM THE BEST

Our faculty members are a diverse and renowned group of scholars, including high tech experts, Rhodes Scholars, former Supreme Court clerks, national leaders in social justice, and international scholars in human rights. Meet a few members of our stellar faculty team.

law.scu.edu/faculty



Margalynne J. Armstrong
respected scholar in constitutional law, property, and race and racism in the law



W. David Ball
leading scholar in criminal justice law, sentencing and corrections, and cannabis law



Colleen Chien
nationally recognized IP scholar; member, Office of General Counsel of the U.S. Department of Commerce



Eric Goldman
international expert on Internet, IP, and advertising law; supervisor of the privacy law certificate



Sue Guan
scholar on financial markets, securities regulation, corporate law, and contracts



Pratheepan Gulasekaram
nationally renowned expert and scholar in immigration law and constitutional law



Bradley W. Joondeph
leading scholar on federalism, judicial behavior, and American constitutional development



Francisco Rivera Juaristi
specialist in international human rights law; founding director of the International Human Rights Clinic



Brian Love
nationally recognized expert in patent and IP law; widely quoted and cited scholar, and co-director of the High Tech Law Institute



Laura Norris
nationally renowned expert in tech law, director of the Entrepreneurs' Law Clinic and the Tech Edge JD program



Michelle Oberman
internationally recognized scholar on legal/ethical issues of pregnancy and motherhood



Catherine J.K. Sandoval
respected researcher in telecommunications, antitrust, energy, and contract issues



Nicholas Serafin
scholar at the intersection of moral and political philosophy and anti-discrimination law



David Sloss
internationally renowned scholar on the relationship between domestic law and international affairs



Tseming Yang
specialist in environmental law and its intersection with civil rights and social justice considerations

EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

Our extensive experiential learning programs, clinics, and externships enable our students to **gain valuable legal practice experience and serve others** while in law school.

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ACADEMIC CENTERS

Santa Clara Law's three centers promote engagement and scholarship for students through conferences, panel discussions, events, and publications.

Laura Norris J.D. '97 (above right) joined the Santa Clara Law faculty in 2013 to found and direct Silicon Valley's first Entrepreneurs' Law Clinic at SCU. She also serves as associate dean for Academic Affairs; associate clinical professor; co-director, High Tech Law Institute; director, Entrepreneurs' Law Clinic; director, Tech Edge J.D. program; faculty advisor, ChIPs Women in Tech Law at SCU, which is a nonprofit that advances women in tech law.

The Center for Social Justice and Public Service supports the wide-ranging public service and social justice work of our faculty, staff, and students. The Center houses clinical programs, such as the Katharine & George Alexander Law Center and the Northern California Innocence Project, and it also hosts and sponsors a variety of events and programs.

The Center for Global Law & Policy promotes scholarship in the field of international and comparative law. It provides a variety of educational opportunities for law students, including one of the largest study abroad programs of all U.S. law schools.

The High Tech Law Institute helps coordinate Santa Clara Law's many high tech and intellectual property law programs, initiatives, and events, helping to foster strong ties among our faculty, students, alumni, and the thriving high tech community in our Silicon Valley home.

LAW CLINICS

Under the mentoring of faculty and professional attorneys, our students develop lawyering skills and serve others while in law school.

Entrepreneurs' Law Clinic

Our Entrepreneurs' Law Clinic focuses on the needs of early stage Silicon Valley companies and provides students with real-life exposure to legal issues that confront startups.

Immigration Appellate Practice Clinic

In this clinic, students represent individuals seeking review of deportation orders before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. The students communicate with clients, research the law, develop arguments, write briefs, and present oral arguments before the Court.

International Human Rights Clinic

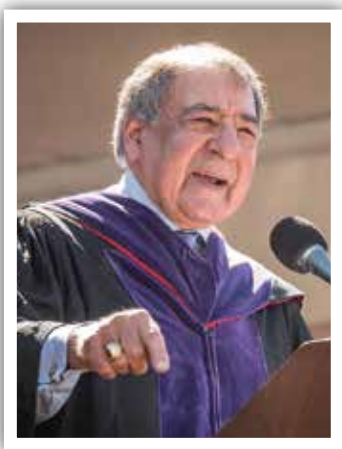
Our International Human Rights Clinic gives students unique, practical, and supervised experience in international human rights litigation and advocacy.

Katharine & George Alexander Community Law Center

The Katharine & George Alexander Community Law Center enables students to work with attorney mentors to help real clients with legal issues including workers' rights, consumer rights, and immigration rights. Each semester, the Law Center offers five experiential learning courses for law students.

Northern California Innocence Project

The Northern California Innocence Project (NCIP) empowers students to work alongside experienced attorneys and forensic experts, challenging wrongful convictions and reforming the criminal justice system. Since its founding in 2001, NCIP has helped free 35 innocent people who together spent 525 years in prison.



The Panetta Fellows Program

The Panetta Fellows program aims to teach policy research with the objective of inspiring law students to pursue careers in public service. Law students work with attorneys at the Leon and Sylvia Panetta Institute, founded in 1997 by Sylvia Panetta and **Leon E. Panetta B.A. '60, J.D. '63.**

Leon Panetta served as U.S. Secretary of Defense (2011-13), director of the CIA (2009-11), member of the U.S. House of Representatives (1977-93), and as President Clinton's Chief of Staff (1994-97). His son, **Honorable Jimmy Panetta J.D. '96**, also attended Santa Clara Law and is now a member of the U.S. House of Representatives.

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KATHARINE
& GEORGE
ALEXANDER
COMMUNITY
LAW CENTER

Number of clients served by the law students and attorney mentors working for the Katharine & George Alexander Community Law Center during the 2019-2020 academic period. Clients received brief service, advice, and representation on consumer law, immigration, and workers' rights matters. During that same period, the Law Center also provided education workshops and outreach to more than 600 other community members.

35



Number of wrongfully convicted people (who collectively spent more than 525 years in prison) that have been exonerated thanks to the work of attorneys and law students in the Northern California Innocence Project at Santa Clara Law since its founding in 2001.

38

Number of Santa Clara Law student organizations, including the recently formed First-Generation Law Student Organization, dedicated to supporting first-gen students; and SC Law Eats, which helps law students facing food insecurity with a food bank and free healthy food for students on a daily basis.

law.scu.edu/life/student-organizations

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Number of Santa Clara Law student publications, including the *High Technology Law Journal*, the *Santa Clara Journal of International Law*, and our law student newspaper, *The Advocate*, which won the ABA's law school newspaper national award of excellence for 2020 and 2021.



EXTERNSHIPS IN SILICON VALLEY

Take advantage of **externship opportunities at some of the world's leading companies and firms**, enabling you to earn academic credit while gaining work experience that will help you seamlessly transition into your career.

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EXTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

- ACLU San Francisco
- Adobe
- Airbnb
- Ancestry
- Bay Area Legal Aid
- California Lawyers for the Arts
- California Supreme Court
- Cooley LLP
- eBay
- GoPro, Inc.
- Intuitive Surgical
- LinkedIn
- Oracle
- Polsinelli
- Pure Storage, Inc.
- Santa Clara County District Attorney's Office
- Santa Clara County Public Defender's Office
- Twitter

For additional companies in our Silicon Valley neighborhood, see the map on page 16.

SPECIALIZE YOUR STUDIES

At Santa Clara Law, you can earn certificates that showcase your specialties to future employers.

- High Tech/Intellectual Property Law Certificate
- International Law Certificate
- Privacy Law Certificate
- Public Interest and Social Justice Law Certificate
- Public Interest J.D.
- Tech Edge J.D.

ADDITIONAL DEGREE PROGRAMS

- J.D./MBA (Master of Business Administration)
- J.D./MSIS (Master of Science in Information Systems)
- LL.M. in Intellectual Property
- LL.M. in International & Comparative Law
- LL.M. in United States Law



“Santa Clara Law sits at the apex of the legal and tech sectors—it is a perfect place to grow, explore, and innovate. Moving from NYC to Santa Clara for law school allowed me the opportunity to pursue my passion of working in-house at technology companies such as Apple and Adobe.”

—KAUSHIK NAGARAJ J.D. '19 (right),
CHIEF STRATEGY OFFICER,
MYSWIPECARD

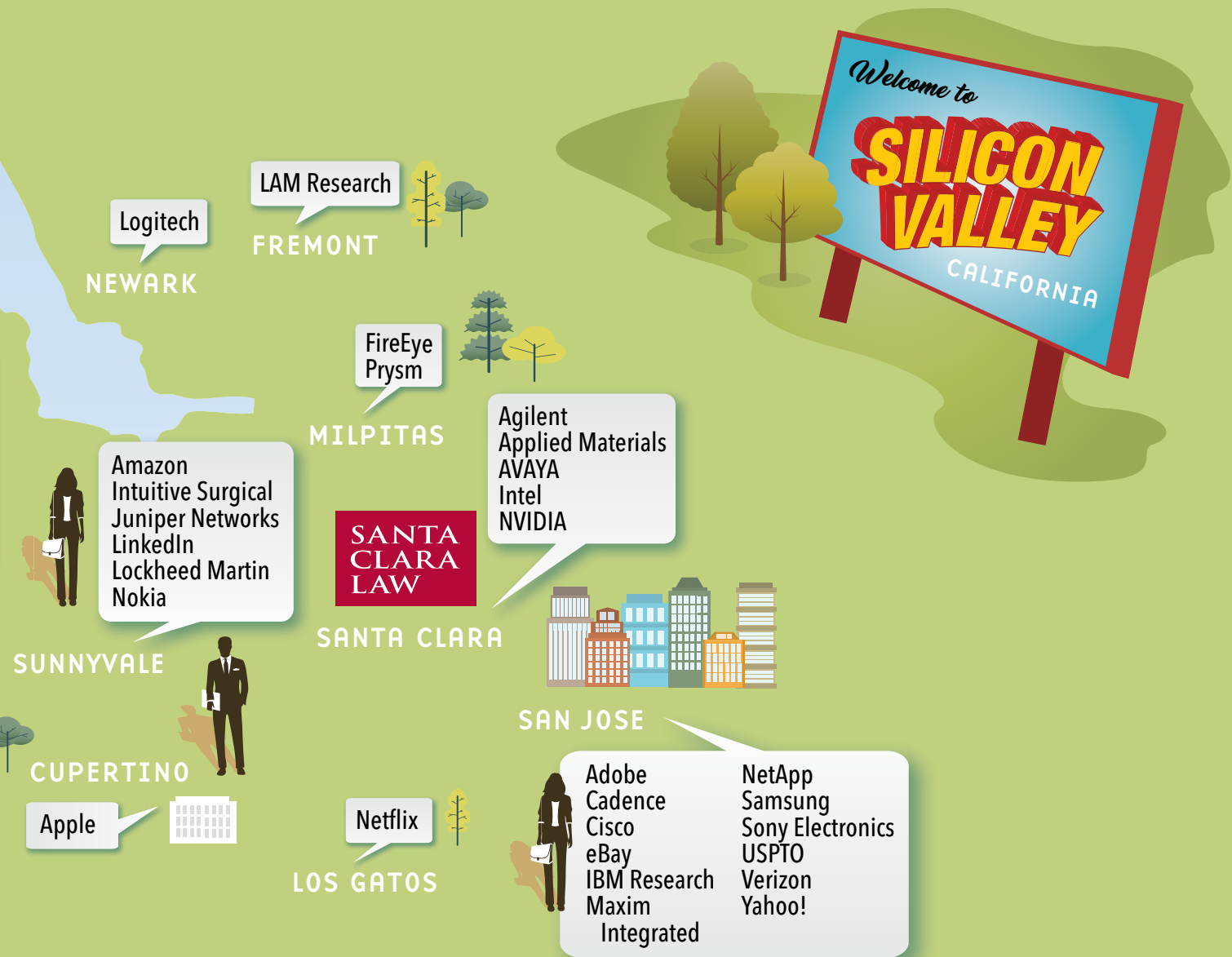
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Average number of sunny days on our lush and historic campus, a peaceful oasis of learning with a Mediterranean climate.



LAUNCH YOUR CAREER IN SILICON VALLEY

Choose **Santa Clara Law**, and our outstanding programs, location, and network will empower you to connect with and work for some of the world's best-known companies and firms, all located right here.



CONNECT TO THE NETWORK

Santa Clara Law has a **vibrant network of over 13,000 living alumni in Silicon Valley and around the world** who are ready to help you make connections and support your career. Visit us online to learn more about our graduates and their work in the world.

law.scu.edu/alumni-news

“Santa Clara Law provided me with a vital connection to the world of Silicon Valley and high tech law, and my education helped me firmly establish the ethical parameters and high standards that have defined my career as a leader and lawyer for more than three decades.”

—DORIAN DALEY J.D. '86
EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT AND
GENERAL COUNSEL OF ORACLE

Daley began her career at Oracle in 1992 and previously served as Oracle vice president and associate general counsel, spent 10 years as corporate secretary, and two years as chief compliance and ethics officer.





“Santa Clara Law’s excellent reputation in Silicon Valley’s legal community has been developed over many years by the hard work, skill, and intelligence of its alumni. This is a priceless advantage for the students.”

—AZADEH MORRISON J.D. '16
SENIOR LITIGATION COUNSEL,
NVIDIA, SAN JOSE

Morrison earned an M.S. and B.S. in engineering before coming to law school, and while in law school, she received the Jan Jancin Award, given to the top IP law student in the nation. She is a former associate at Cooley in Palo Alto.

ALUMNI LEADERS

Santa Clara Law has a vibrant network of over 13,000 living alumni in Silicon Valley and around the world.

Stephanie Burns J.D. '95, senior vice president and general counsel, Sony Interactive Entertainment

Howard S. Charney MBA '73, J.D. '77, retired senior vice president, Cisco; co-founder 3Com and Grand Junction Networks

John Cruden J.D. '74, principal, Beveridge and Diamond; former assistant attorney general, Environment and Natural Resources Division, U.S. Department of Justice

Ricardo Echeverria J.D. '93, trial attorney, partner, Shernoff Bidart Echeverria LLP

Landon Edmond J.D. '98, chief legal officer and secretary, Klaviyo

Jessica Jackson J.D. '11, chief advocacy officer, The Reform Alliance; former national director and co-founder, #Cut50

Honorable Zoe Lofgren J.D. '75, member of the U.S. House of Representatives

Honorable Heather Mardel Jones J.D. '02, Fresno County Superior Court

Julie Mar-Spinola J.D. '87, chief IP officer and vice president of Legal Operations, Finjan Holdings

Justice Edward A. Panelli B.A. '53, J.D. '55, former associate justice of the Supreme Court of California

Honorable Jimmy Panetta J.D. '96, member of the U.S. House of Representatives since 2016; former deputy district attorney for Monterey County

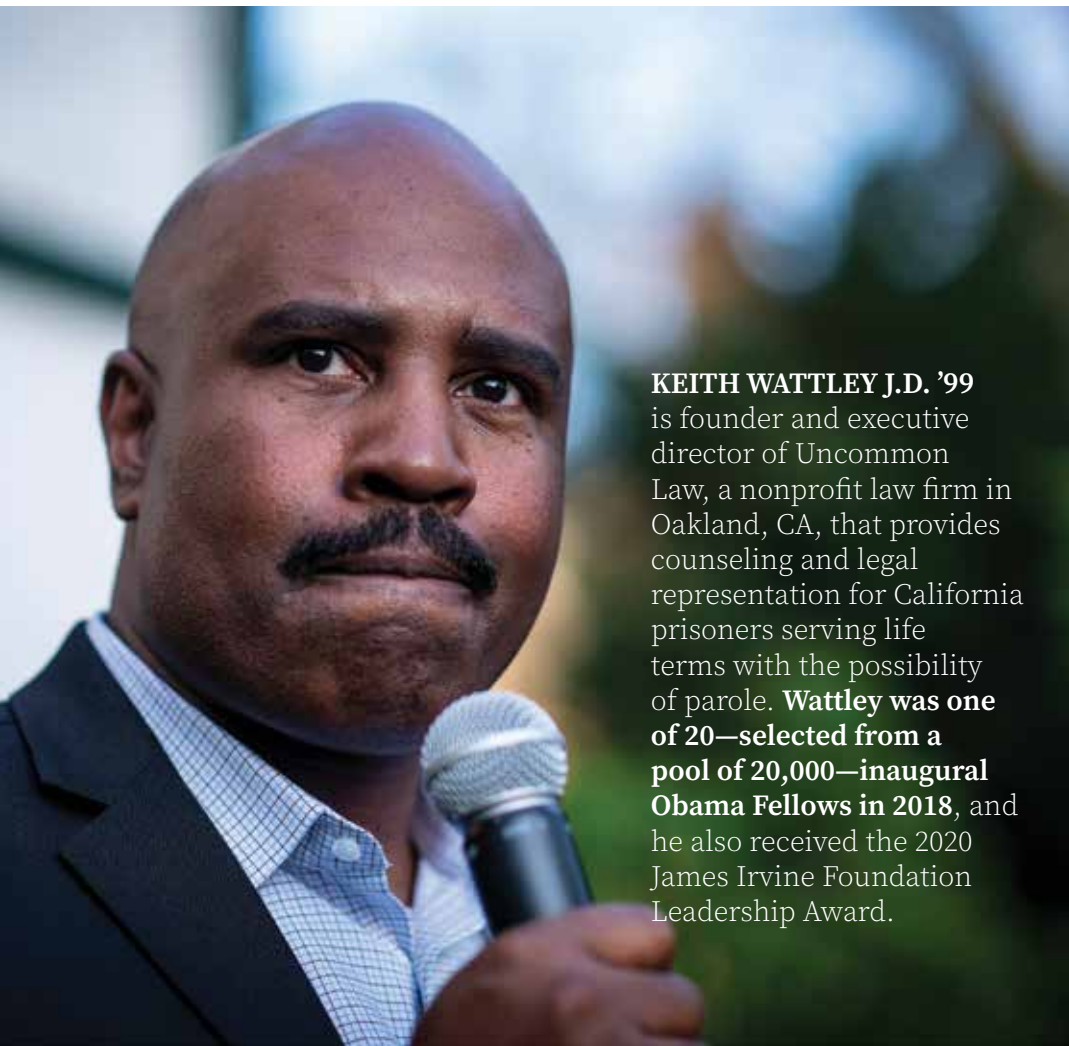
Honorable Leon Panetta B.A. '60, J.D. '63, former U.S. Secretary of Defense; CIA director; chief of staff for President Clinton; member of U.S. House of Representatives

Honorable Risé Jones Pichon B.S. '73, J.D. '76, JAMS mediator, arbitrator, and referee/special master; former presiding superior court judge, Santa Clara County

Karyn Smith J.D. '91, chief legal officer, Snyk, Washington D.C.

Andrew Vu J.D. '93, vice president and general counsel, Mercedes Benz Research & Development North America

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KEITH WATTLEY J.D. '99 is founder and executive director of Uncommon Law, a nonprofit law firm in Oakland, CA, that provides counseling and legal representation for California prisoners serving life terms with the possibility of parole. **Wattley was one of 20—selected from a pool of 20,000—inaugural Obama Fellows in 2018**, and he also received the 2020 James Irvine Foundation Leadership Award.



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APPLY NOW!

NOVEMBER 1

Early Action Deadline
Non-binding: Application must be complete by November 30.

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FEBRUARY 15

Fall Application Deadline
February 15 is the deadline for maximum scholarship consideration.

Visit us online for more details, a checklist, information on financial aid, and to complete our online application. Our law admissions staff is here to help—contact us at lawadmissions@scu.edu or call 408-554-5048.



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