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<i>In your experience at your law school during the current school year, about how often have you done each of the following? 1=Never, 2=Sometimes, 3=Often, 4=Very often</i>															
Academic and Intellectual Experiences															
1a. Asked questions in class or contributed to class discussions	CLQUEST	1L	2.98	2.79			2.75	*	.27	2.87			2.81		
		2L	3.02	2.88			2.85			2.92			2.88		
		3L	3.19	2.81	*	.45	2.83	*	.41	2.93			2.88	*	.36
		4L*	2.89	2.97			2.97			3.01			3.00		
1b. Prepared two or more drafts of a paper or assignment before turning it in	REWROPAP	1L	2.30	3.12	***	-.91	3.01	***	-.76	3.11	***	-.89	3.05	***	-.81
		2L	2.26	2.65	**	-.40	2.74	***	-.49	2.77	***	-.52	2.73	***	-.48
		3L	3.03	2.54	**	.52	2.69	*	.35	2.79			2.71		
		4L*	2.72	2.74			2.74			2.78			2.74		
1c. Worked on a paper or project that required integrating ideas or information from various sources	INTEGRAT	1L	2.62	3.24	***	-.73	3.23	***	-.79	3.32	***	-.91	3.27	***	-.85
		2L	2.71	2.95			3.09	**	-.46	3.05	*	-.40	3.06	*	-.41
		3L	3.35	3.03	*	.40	3.10			3.13			3.12		
		4L*	3.33	3.13			3.13			3.06			3.08		
1d. Included diverse perspectives (different races, religions, sexual orientations, genders, political beliefs, etc.) in class discussions or writing assignments	DIVCLASS	1L	1.89	2.68	***	-.85	2.62	***	-.79	2.61	***	-.75	2.63	***	-.79
		2L	2.31	2.63			2.63			2.68	*	-.39	2.67	*	-.38
		3L	2.39	2.62			2.65			2.66			2.67		
		4L*	2.47	2.62			2.62			2.61			2.61		
1e. Come to class without completing readings or assignments <i>(Note: Item has been reverse coded so that 4=Never, 3=Sometimes, 2=Often, 1=Very Often)</i>	RCLUNPRE	1L	3.46	3.33			3.28	*	.24	3.41			3.31	*	.22
		2L	3.28	3.05	*	.32	2.98	**	.37	3.14			3.04	*	.31
		3L	3.26	2.84	**	.55	2.82	***	.52	3.01			2.89	*	.45
		4L*	3.28	2.97			2.97	*	.39	2.93	**	.46	2.95	*	.42
1f. Worked with other students on projects during class	CLASSGRP	1L	1.25	2.07	***	-1.28	2.04	***	-1.08	2.10	***	-1.13	2.07	***	-1.12
		2L	1.37	2.13	***	-1.02	2.05	***	-.92	2.09	***	-.94	2.07	***	-.93
		3L	1.37	2.11	***	-1.09	2.08	***	-.98	2.18	***	-1.09	2.12	***	-1.04
		4L*	1.54	2.06			2.06	***	-.69	2.14	***	-.76	2.10	***	-.73
1g. Worked with classmates outside of class to prepare class assignments	OCCGRP	1L	1.32	2.41	***	-1.46	2.35	***	-1.25	2.32	***	-1.18	2.34	***	-1.23
		2L	1.51	2.28	***	-.98	2.27	***	-.95	2.25	***	-.90	2.27	***	-.94
		3L	1.53	2.27	***	-1.00	2.26	***	-.93	2.25	***	-.89	2.26	***	-.92
		4L*	1.89	2.18			2.18			2.23			2.19		
1h. Put together ideas or concepts from different courses when completing assignments or during class discussions	INTIDEAS	1L	2.31	2.47			2.58	**	-.34	2.58	**	-.33	2.58	**	-.34
		2L	2.48	2.65			2.65			2.68			2.67		
		3L	2.67	2.63			2.69			2.73			2.70		
		4L*	2.92	2.72			2.72			2.67			2.67		

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Academic and Intellectual Experiences (continued)															
1i. Participated in a clinical or pro bono project as part of a course or for academic credit	CLINPROJ	1L	1.09	1.42	***	-.45	1.26	***	-.26	1.27	***	-.27	1.31	***	-.30
		2L	1.16	1.89	***	-.67	1.84	***	-.61	1.79	***	-.59	1.83	***	-.61
		3L	1.03	2.33	***	-1.10	2.23	***	-.99	2.26	***	-1.00	2.27	***	-1.02
		4L*	1.61				2.06	*	-.38	1.91			1.95		
1j. Used an electronic medium (listserv, chat group, Internet, instant messaging, etc.) to discuss or complete an assignment	ITACADEM	1L	2.46	2.40			2.43			2.35			2.40		
		2L	2.45	2.63			2.56			2.48			2.51		
		3L	2.33	2.61			2.57			2.55			2.57		
		4L*	2.86				2.42			2.47			2.43		
1k. Used e-mail to communicate with a faculty member	EMAIL	1L	2.81	3.16	***	-.43	3.08	**	-.33	3.22	***	-.52	3.13	**	-.39
		2L	2.94	3.32	***	-.49	3.20	*	-.33	3.28	**	-.44	3.23	**	-.37
		3L	3.55	3.28			3.23	*	.42	3.32			3.26	*	.38
		4L*	3.44				3.13	*	.40	3.18			3.14	*	.39
1l. Discussed assignments with a faculty member	FACGRADE	1L	2.07	2.74	***	-.81	2.67	***	-.70	2.82	***	-.89	2.73	***	-.77
		2L	2.08	2.69	***	-.73	2.67	***	-.68	2.74	***	-.75	2.69	***	-.71
		3L	2.31	2.69	*	-.46	2.65	*	-.40	2.77	**	-.53	2.70	*	-.46
		4L*	2.39				2.57			2.67			2.60		
1m. Talked about career plans or job search activities with a faculty member or advisor	FACPLANS	1L	1.48	2.52	***	-1.23	2.32	***	-.94	2.38	***	-.98	2.36	***	-.97
		2L	1.31	2.49	***	-1.35	2.33	***	-1.12	2.39	***	-1.15	2.37	***	-1.14
		3L	1.52	2.37	***	-.98	2.31	***	-.89	2.42	***	-.98	2.36	***	-.93
		4L*	1.62				2.08	**	-.51	2.18	***	-.63	2.12	**	-.56
1n. Discussed ideas from your readings or classes with faculty members outside of class	FACIDEAS	1L	1.63	2.12	***	-.61	2.11	***	-.57	2.19	***	-.63	2.14	***	-.60
		2L	1.82	2.06			2.06			2.11	*	-.33	2.09	*	-.32
		3L	1.80	1.99			2.00			2.08			2.04		
		4L*	1.81				1.97			2.02			1.98		
1o. Received prompt feedback (written or oral) from faculty on your academic performance	FACFEED	1L	2.94	2.53	***	.49	2.56	***	.44	2.65	***	.34	2.60	***	.40
		2L	3.12	2.47	***	.77	2.45	***	.76	2.55	***	.65	2.48	***	.73
		3L	3.33	2.44	***	1.09	2.44	***	1.04	2.57	***	.89	2.49	***	.98
		4L*	3.14				2.36	***	.90	2.42	***	.83	2.40	***	.85
1p. Worked harder than you thought you could to meet faculty members' standards or expectations	WORKHARD	1L	2.99	2.84			2.88			2.99			2.92		
		2L	3.24	2.71	***	.60	2.70	***	.59	2.77	***	.53	2.71	***	.59
		3L	3.07	2.48	***	.64	2.54	**	.58	2.68	*	.43	2.60	**	.52
		4L*	3.14				2.53	***	.65	2.56	***	.61	2.54	***	.64

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Academic and Intellectual Experiences (continued)															
1q. Worked with faculty members on activities other than coursework (committees, orientation, student life activities, etc.)	FACOTHER	1L	1.18	1.68	***	-.65	1.63	***	-.55	1.67	***	-.57	1.64	***	-.55
		2L	1.24	1.95	***	-.76	1.95	***	-.74	1.98	***	-.75	1.96	***	-.74
		3L	1.52	1.88	*	-.40	1.97	*	-.47	2.01	**	-.50	1.97	*	-.47
		4L*	1.57				1.69			1.76			1.70		
1r. Discussed ideas from your readings or classes with others outside of class (students, family members, coworkers, etc.)	OOCIDEAS	1L	2.54	2.95	***	-.46	3.06	***	-.63	3.04	***	-.60	3.05	***	-.61
		2L	2.69	2.96			2.91			2.95			2.94		
		3L	2.70	2.75			2.78			2.82			2.81		
		4L*	3.19				2.73	**	.56	2.73	**	.54	2.73	**	.54
1s. Had serious conversations with students of a different race or ethnicity than your own	DIVRSTUD	1L	1.85	3.01	***	-1.20	2.96	***	-1.16	2.98	***	-1.16	2.96	***	-1.15
		2L	2.35	3.01	***	-.69	2.93	***	-.60	2.98	***	-.65	2.93	***	-.60
		3L	2.23	2.88	***	-.70	2.88	***	-.69	2.93	***	-.72	2.88	***	-.68
		4L*	2.67				2.84			2.80			2.78		
1t. Had serious conversations with students who are very different from you in terms of their religious beliefs, political opinions, or personal values	DIFFSTUD	1L	1.81	2.86	***	-1.11	2.94	***	-1.19	2.95	***	-1.20	2.93	***	-1.18
		2L	2.40	2.90	**	-.53	2.91	**	-.54	2.94	**	-.57	2.92	**	-.55
		3L	2.30	2.74	*	-.47	2.86	**	-.60	2.90	***	-.63	2.87	***	-.60
		4L*	2.72				2.77			2.81			2.73		
Examinations															
<i>1=Very little; 7=Very much</i>															
2. Select the circle that best represents the extent to which your examinations during the current school year have challenged you to do your best work.	EXAMS	1L	6.36	6.00	*	.30	6.11			6.21			6.15		
		2L	6.46	5.94	**	.45	5.80	***	.54	5.97	**	.43	5.86	***	.49
		3L	6.45	5.56	***	.66	5.46	***	.72	5.68	***	.62	5.54	***	.68
		4L*	6.04				5.55			5.71			5.65		

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<i>During the current school year, how much has your coursework emphasized the following mental activities? 1=Very little, 2=Some, 3=Quite a bit, 4=Very much</i>															
Mental Activities															
3a. Memorizing facts, ideas, or methods from your courses and readings so you can repeat them pretty much in the same form	MEMORIZE	1L	3.44	2.81	***	.73	2.83	***	.66	3.04	***	.45	2.90	***	.59
		2L	3.27	2.79	***	.51	2.81	***	.48	2.97	*	.32	2.85	**	.44
		3L	3.45	2.66	***	.91	2.73	***	.77	2.91	**	.58	2.79	***	.71
		4L*	3.25				2.81	*	.45	2.91	*	.35	2.81	**	.45
3b. Analyzing the basic elements of an idea, experience, or theory, such as examining a particular case or situation in depth, and considering its components	ANALYZE	1L	3.74	3.60	*	.23	3.61	*	.21	3.64			3.62	*	.20
		2L	3.76	3.51	**	.39	3.45	***	.46	3.53	**	.35	3.46	***	.44
		3L	3.79	3.37	***	.62	3.34	***	.64	3.41	***	.56	3.37	***	.61
		4L*	3.75				3.36	**	.54	3.40	**	.49	3.40	**	.50
3c. Synthesizing and organizing ideas, information, or experiences into new, more complex interpretations and relationships	SYNTHESZ	1L	3.58	3.45			3.44	*	.19	3.47			3.45		
		2L	3.51	3.34			3.26	*	.32	3.34			3.27	*	.30
		3L	3.59	3.21	**	.50	3.18	**	.51	3.23	*	.45	3.19	**	.49
		4L*	3.58				3.25	*	.42	3.24	*	.43	3.23	**	.45
3d. Making judgments about the value of information, arguments, or methods, such as examining how others gathered and interpreted data and assessing the soundness of their conclusions	EVALUATE	1L	3.28	3.21			3.21			3.27			3.22		
		2L	3.27	3.20			3.11			3.18			3.11		
		3L	3.17	3.03			3.02			3.09			3.06		
		4L*	3.31				3.06			3.07			3.07		
3e. Applying theories or concepts to practical problems or in new situations	APPLYING	1L	3.53	3.51			3.49			3.54			3.50		
		2L	3.54	3.40			3.33			3.43			3.35		
		3L	3.74	3.29	***	.59	3.26	***	.61	3.32	***	.55	3.28	***	.59
		4L*	3.56				3.26	*	.36	3.30			3.26	*	.36

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Writing																
<i>During the current school year, about how much writing will you do? 1=0, 2=1-3, 3=4-6, 4=7-9, 5=10 or more</i>																
4a. Number of written papers of 20 pages or more	WRITEMOR	1L	2.00	1.40	***	.72	1.64	*	.46	1.69		1.63	*	.48		
		2L	1.88	1.91			1.94			1.83		1.89				
		3L	1.59	1.94	*		- .51	1.95	*	- .53	1.92	*	- .45	1.95	*	- .53
		4L*	1.83				1.89			1.83		1.86				
4b. Number of written papers between 5 and 19 pages	WRITEMID	1L	2.89	2.65			2.57	*	.38	2.60		2.58	*	.37		
		2L	3.00	2.39	**		.60	2.34	**	.73	2.33	**	.71	2.31	**	.74
		3L	3.55	2.47	***		1.03	2.38	***	1.20	2.46	***	1.07	2.42	***	1.15
		4L*	3.64				2.28	***	1.32	2.30	***	1.27	2.27	***	1.31	
4c. Number of written papers of fewer than 5 pages	WRITESML	1L	4.09	2.45	***		1.48	2.47	***	1.49	2.54	***	1.28	2.50	***	1.40
		2L	4.07	2.67	***		1.12	2.51	***	1.24	2.59	***	1.16	2.55	***	1.21
		3L	3.86	2.82	***		.81	2.67	***	.92	2.83	***	.76	2.74	***	.86
		4L*	3.69				2.62	***	.80	2.58	***	.82	2.59	***	.83	

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<i>Which of the following have you done or plan to do before you graduate? (Recoded 0=Undecided or do not plan to do, 1=Done or plan to do, so that the mean is the proportion of students indicating they have done or plan to do the activity)</i>															
Enriching Educational Experiences															
5a. Clinical internship or field experience	RINTERN	1L	.54	.90	***	-1.09	.88	***	-1.05	.91	***	-1.24	.90	***	-1.17
		2L	.65	.86	**	-.56	.83	*	-.46	.88	**	-.72	.85	**	-.56
		3L	.54	.80	*	-.66	.79	*	-.63	.85	**	-.87	.82	**	-.73
		4L*	.47				.67	*	-.41	.67	*	-.41	.64	*	-.35
5b. Volunteer or pro bono work	RVOLUNTR	1L	.65	.92	***	-.86	.87	***	-.68	.86	***	-.62	.87	***	-.67
		2L	.71	.88	*	-.48	.83			.84			.83		
		3L	.57	.81	*	-.59	.79	*	-.55	.78	*	-.51	.78	*	-.51
		4L*	.42				.67	**	-.55	.62	*	-.41	.63	**	-.45
5c. Student-faculty committee	RSTFACCM	1L	.28	.29			.31			.35			.33		
		2L	.27	.23			.25			.27			.26		
		3L	.32	.18			.20			.23			.21		
		4L*	.17				.17			.18			.17		
5d. Work on a legal research project with a faculty member outside of course or program requirements	RRESEARC	1L	.33	.48	**	-.30	.47	**	-.28	.46	**	-.25	.46	**	-.25
		2L	.31	.43			.44			.42			.43		
		3L	.15	.44	***	-.60	.38	**	-.48	.35	**	-.43	.37	**	-.46
		4L*	.11				.35	***	-.52	.28	**	-.38	.31	***	-.44
5e. Study abroad	RSTUDYAB	1L	.14	.18			.26	**	-.27	.26	**	-.27	.24	**	-.23
		2L	.08	.14			.20	**	-.30	.19	**	-.29	.18	*	-.26
		3L	.07	.13			.17			.15			.15		
		4L*	.03				.16	***	-.38	.17	***	-.39	.16	***	-.36
5f. Law journal member	RJOURNAL	1L	.32	.72	***	-.90	.60	***	-.56	.56	***	-.48	.56	***	-.49
		2L	.21	.59	***	-.78	.47	***	-.52	.41	**	-.41	.44	***	-.47
		3L	.04	.55	***	-1.05	.42	***	-.79	.34	***	-.64	.39	***	-.72
		4L*	.03				.26	***	-.55	.29	***	-.60	.29	***	-.60
5g. Moot court team	RMOOTCRT	1L	.31	.46	**	-.30	.41	*	-.22	.41	*	-.22	.42	*	-.23
		2L	.43	.25	*	.41	.31			.29			.30		
		3L	.18	.22			.25			.23			.24		
		4L*	.19				.13			.15			.13		
5h. Law student organization member	RORGMEMB	1L	.46	.79	***	-.79	.77	***	-.73	.73	***	-.60	.75	***	-.68
		2L	.53	.78	**	-.58	.79	***	-.64	.75	**	-.51	.77	**	-.58
		3L	.54	.72			.77	*	-.54	.71			.74	*	-.48
		4L*	.39				.56	*	-.35	.49			.51		

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Enriching Educational Experiences															
<i>Which of the following have you done or plan to do before you graduate? (Recoded 0=Undecided or do not plan to do, 1=Done or plan to do, so that the mean is the proportion of students indicating they have done or plan to do the activity)</i>															
5i. Law student organization leader	RORGLEAD	1L	.25	.52	***	-.55	.50	***	-.50	.49	***	-.47	.49	***	-.47
		2L	.27	.51	***	-.50	.53	***	-.54	.52	***	-.51	.52	***	-.52
		3L	.21	.50	**	-.57	.50	**	-.57	.48	**	-.53	.49	**	-.56
		4L*	.22				.35			.31			.33		
Student Satisfaction															
<i>In your experience at your law school, how satisfied are you with each of these areas? 1=Very unsatisfied, 2=Unsatisfied, 3=Satisfied, 4=Very satisfied</i>															
6a. Academic advising and planning	RADVISE	1L	3.35	3.03	***	.43	2.88	***	.57	2.92	***	.51	2.93	***	.51
		2L	3.28	2.87	**	.49	2.70	***	.64	2.73	***	.58	2.74	***	.60
		3L	3.33	2.72	***	.75	2.65	***	.77	2.69	***	.70	2.68	***	.73
		4L*	2.92				2.65			2.65			2.66		
6b. Career counseling	RCAREER	1L	3.05	2.99			2.99			2.99			2.99		
		2L	2.95	2.77			2.75			2.75			2.73		
		3L	2.94	2.53			2.51			2.51			2.48	*	.48
		4L*	2.89				2.50	*	.41	2.57			2.51	*	.39
6c. Personal counseling	RPERSONL	1L	3.25	2.97	*	.35	2.90	**	.41	2.93	**	.36	2.93	**	.37
		2L	3.09	2.79			2.67	*	.44	2.75			2.72		
		3L	3.28	2.71	**	.66	2.60	***	.73	2.69	**	.62	2.64	***	.67
		4L*	3.00				2.54	*	.46	2.63			2.61		
6d. Job search help	RJOBHELP	1L	3.11	2.90			2.92			2.89			2.91		
		2L	2.69	2.73			2.69			2.66			2.67		
		3L	3.00	2.47			2.43			2.42			2.41		
		4L*	2.65				2.40			2.45			2.42		
6e. Financial aid advising	RFINADVS	1L	3.15	2.80	***	.45	2.91	*	.28	2.95	*	.23	2.92	*	.28
		2L	2.89	2.70			2.76			2.82			2.77		
		3L	3.16	2.65	**	.58	2.66	**	.53	2.75	**	.45	2.70	**	.49
		4L*	2.93				2.67			2.73			2.74		
6f. Library assistance	RLIBRARY	1L	3.31	3.29			3.34			3.34			3.34		
		2L	3.27	3.36			3.38			3.40			3.39		
		3L	3.40	3.39			3.37			3.39			3.38		
		4L*	3.39				3.41			3.46			3.43		
6g. Computing technology	RTECHNOL	1L	3.38	3.06	***	.48	3.07	***	.42	3.10	***	.38	3.08	***	.40
		2L	3.30	3.01	*	.40	2.99	**	.40	3.07	*	.31	3.03	*	.35
		3L	3.58	3.02	***	.82	2.99	***	.79	3.03	***	.73	3.00	***	.77
		4L*	3.50				2.97	***	.66	2.99	***	.63	2.99	**	.66

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<i>During the current school year, about how many hours do you spend in a <u>typical</u> 7-day week doing each of the following? # = estimated hrs/wk</i>															
Time Usage															
7a. Reading assigned textbooks, online class reading, and other course materials	RREADASG	1L	23.92	19.66	***	.49	20.15	***	.40	20.70	***	.34	20.39	***	.38
		2L	23.31	15.93	***	.85	16.15	***	.80	16.73	***	.71	16.45	***	.76
		3L	20.59	12.10	***	1.08	12.51	***	.97	13.29	***	.86	13.10	***	.88
		4L*	18.94				11.64	***	.91	11.27	***	.94	11.29	***	.97
7b. Preparing for class and clinical courses other than reading (studying, writing, doing homework, trial preparation, and other academic activities)	RACADPRP	1L	12.09	9.31	**	.35	10.08	*	.24	11.13			10.28	*	.22
		2L	12.58	9.50	**	.39	9.34	**	.42	9.98	*	.31	9.50	**	.39
		3L	11.52	8.50	*	.41	8.58	*	.40	9.84			9.13		
		4L*	10.50				7.32			7.72			7.26	*	.46
Reading and preparing for class. (Combines RREADASG and RACADPRP variables.)	STUDY	1L	36.18	28.91	***	.53	30.21	***	.41	31.80	**	.29	30.66	***	.38
		2L	35.90	25.43	***	.75	25.49	***	.75	26.71	***	.62	25.94	***	.70
		3L	32.11	20.60	***	.89	21.06	***	.83	23.09	**	.63	22.21	***	.72
		4L*	29.44				18.90	***	.84	18.97	***	.80	18.52	***	.85
7c. Reading on your own (not assigned) for personal or academic enrichment	RREADOWN	1L	4.99	2.89	**	.46	3.27	**	.36	3.47	*	.29	3.29	**	.35
		2L	7.06	3.53	**	.73	3.40	**	.79	3.52	**	.71	3.47	**	.76
		3L	3.74	4.46			3.80			4.01			4.00		
		4L*	4.91				4.02			4.03			4.04		
7d. Legal pro bono work not required for a class or clinical course	RPROPON	1L	1.38	1.37			1.32			1.08			1.21		
		2L	.48	1.82	***	-.34	2.07	***	-.36	1.96	***	-.32	1.92	***	-.34
		3L	.89	1.70			2.17			2.70	*	-.32	2.26		
		4L*	1.79				2.52			2.48			2.19		
7e. Working for pay in a law-related job	RWORKLEG	1L	7.71	2.13	***	.63	1.89	***	.81	2.68	**	.57	2.00	***	.77
		2L	6.77	4.85			4.34			4.96			4.61		
		3L	11.42	5.67			5.95			6.04			6.07		
		4L*	7.71				11.57			14.85	*	-.45	13.44	*	-.36
7f. Working for pay in a nonlegal job	RWORKNLG	1L	23.61	1.81	***	2.52	2.89	***	2.52	3.81	***	1.99	3.11	***	2.37
		2L	18.98	2.61	***	1.86	2.87	***	2.04	4.48	***	1.43	3.54	***	1.76
		3L	19.07	2.06	***	2.34	2.96	***	2.01	4.06	***	1.61	3.30	***	1.90
		4L*	24.76				11.14	***	.88	10.82	***	.90	12.64	***	.74
Working for pay. (Combines RWORKLEG and RWORKNLG variables.)	WORK	1L	31.24	3.94	***	2.61	4.76	***	2.46	6.46	***	1.92	5.08	***	2.31
		2L	24.65	7.42	***	1.42	7.15	***	1.61	9.38	***	1.16	8.10	***	1.42
		3L	29.77	7.65	***	1.96	8.80	***	1.86	10.01	***	1.58	9.29	***	1.75
		4L*	32.47				22.34	***	.67	25.43	**	.46	25.83	**	.44

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Time Usage																	
7g. Participating in law school-sponsored activities (organizations, journal, moot court, student bar association, etc.)	RCOCURR	1L	1.15			2.81	***	-.55	2.72	***	-.46	2.53	***	-.40	2.61	***	-.42
		2L	.64			5.74	***	-.80	5.23	***	-.74	4.78	***	-.67	4.91	***	-.71
		3L	.85			5.23	***	-.65	5.03	***	-.63	4.80	***	-.61	4.89	***	-.61
		4L*	2.24						2.73			3.10			2.82		
7h. Exercising or participating in fitness activities	REXERCIS	1L	4.80			4.28			4.50			4.64			4.60		
		2L	5.93			4.96			4.83			4.78			4.79		
		3L	6.00			5.08			4.96			5.14			5.05		
		4L*	4.97						4.50			4.65			4.42		
7i. Relaxing and socializing (watching TV, partying, etc.)	RSOCIAL	1L	4.39		***	7.26	***	-.57	7.37	***	-.53	6.60	***	-.41	7.09	***	-.49
		2L	6.47			8.23			8.16			7.25			7.79		
		3L	4.37		***	9.70	***	-.83	8.98	***	-.67	8.19	***	-.60	8.68	***	-.65
		4L*	5.62						7.41			7.36			6.94		
7j. Providing care for dependents living with you (parents, children, spouse, etc.)	RCAREDEP	1L	14.32		***	1.95	***	1.64	3.44	***	1.30	4.08	***	1.13	3.92	***	1.18
		2L	15.71		***	2.22	***	1.93	3.53	***	1.46	4.27	***	1.22	4.12	***	1.28
		3L	17.04		***	2.95	***	1.80	3.85	***	1.50	4.49	***	1.32	4.36	***	1.37
		4L*	15.82						7.09	**	.74	7.75	**	.67	8.29	**	.60
7k. Commuting to class (driving, walking, etc.)	RCOMMUTE	1L	2.14		***	5.31	***	-.76	4.86	***	-.65	5.56	***	-.72	5.15	***	-.68
		2L	3.49						4.87			5.36			5.05		
		3L	2.37		***	5.75	***	-.70	4.80	**	-.61	5.35	***	-.67	5.04	***	-.64
		4L*	.79						5.81	***	-1.18	6.41	***	-1.08	6.21	***	-1.14
7l. Participating in community organizations (politics, religious groups, etc.)	RCOMMUNY	1L	3.62		***	1.20	***	.82	1.57	***	.66	1.59	***	.63	1.68	***	.62
		2L	2.83		*	1.51	*	.50	1.64	**	.39	1.70	**	.39	1.78	*	.35
		3L	2.78			1.38			1.61	*	.39	1.78			1.79		
		4L*	3.56						1.94	*	.36	1.56	**	.54	1.76	*	.44

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<i>To what extent does your law school emphasize each of the following? 1=Very little, 2=Some, 3=Quite a bit, 4=Very much</i>															
Law School Environment															
8a. Spending significant amounts of time studying and on academic work	ENVSCHOL	1L	3.79	3.49	***	.49	3.52	***	.42	3.58	***	.34	3.53	***	.41
		2L	3.76	3.32	***	.62	3.36	***	.56	3.41	***	.50	3.36	***	.56
		3L	3.74	3.26	***	.65	3.27	***	.64	3.33	***	.58	3.28	***	.62
		4L*	3.52				3.28			3.26	*	.36	3.26	*	.35
8b. Encouraging the ethical practice of the law	ENVETHIC	1L	3.14	3.20			3.24			3.29			3.28		
		2L	3.39	3.11	*	.33	3.15			3.23			3.20		
		3L	3.56	3.09	**	.53	3.10	**	.54	3.25	*	.38	3.16	*	.46
		4L*	3.52				3.23			3.15	*	.42	3.18	*	.39
8c. Providing the support you need to help you succeed academically	ENVSUPRT	1L	3.30	3.09	*	.25	3.03	**	.31	3.11	*	.22	3.07	**	.26
		2L	3.27	2.88	**	.42	2.79	***	.53	2.91	**	.39	2.84	**	.47
		3L	3.30	2.75	**	.62	2.71	***	.66	2.84	*	.50	2.77	**	.58
		4L*	3.18				2.74	*	.47	2.75	*	.46	2.74	**	.47
8d. Encouraging contact among students from different economic, social, sexual orientation, and racial or ethnic backgrounds	ENVDIVRS	1L	2.42	2.66	*	-.23	2.64	*	-.21	2.70	*	-.27	2.65	*	-.22
		2L	2.33	2.58			2.53			2.60			2.55		
		3L	2.41	2.59			2.51			2.60			2.54		
		4L*	2.61				2.43			2.46			2.46		
8e. Providing the support you need to succeed in your employment search	ENVEMPLY	1L	2.10	2.85	***	-.84	2.84	***	-.81	2.84	***	-.79	2.84	***	-.80
		2L	2.18	2.59	**	-.44	2.57	**	-.42	2.58	**	-.41	2.57	**	-.41
		3L	2.12	2.36			2.31			2.35			2.32		
		4L*	2.09				2.22			2.22			2.24		
8f. Helping you cope with your non-academic responsibilities (work, family, etc.)	ENVNACAD	1L	2.01	2.10			2.12			2.17			2.14		
		2L	2.00	1.96			1.94			2.02			1.98		
		3L	1.89	1.86			1.87			1.97			1.93		
		4L*	1.64				1.74			1.82			1.81		
8g. Providing the support you need to thrive socially	ENVSOCAL	1L	1.79	2.31	***	-.57	2.38	***	-.62	2.39	***	-.62	2.38	***	-.62
		2L	1.89	2.18	*	-.31	2.24	*	-.37	2.24	*	-.36	2.23	*	-.36
		3L	1.48	2.13	***	-.73	2.17	***	-.73	2.18	***	-.73	2.16	***	-.73
		4L*	1.53				1.91	*	-.44	1.99	**	-.52	1.95	**	-.48
8h. Attending campus events and activities (special speakers, cultural events, symposia, etc.)	ENVEVENT	1L	1.65	3.11	***	-1.78	3.07	***	-1.73	3.03	***	-1.61	3.06	***	-1.69
		2L	1.89	3.09	***	-1.43	2.95	***	-1.28	2.94	***	-1.20	2.95	***	-1.24
		3L	2.04	2.95	***	-1.13	2.87	***	-.99	2.87	***	-.97	2.87	***	-.99
		4L*	1.61				2.69	***	-1.22	2.72	***	-1.25	2.68	***	-1.20

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8i. Providing the financial counseling you need to afford your education	ENVFINAN	1L	2.27	2.25		2.36			2.46			2.39			
		2L	2.53	2.20		2.23			2.32			2.24			
		3L	2.38	2.19		2.15			2.28			2.20			
		4L*	2.24			2.09			2.21			2.15			
8j. Using computers in academic work	ENVCOMPT	1L	3.47	2.96	***	.55	2.99	***	.53	3.06	***	.46	3.00	***	.52
		2L	3.65	2.96	***	.76	2.96	***	.75	3.02	***	.70	2.95	***	.76
		3L	3.67	2.94	***	.79	2.95	***	.77	3.04	***	.69	2.95	***	.77
		4L*	3.72			2.92	***	.86	2.97	***	.79	2.92	***	.87	

Select the circle that best represents the quality of your relationships with people at your law school.

1=Unfriendly, unsupportive, sense of alienation; 7=Friendly, supportive, sense of belonging

Quality of Relationships

9a. Other students	ENVSTU	1L	4.92	5.68	***	-.53	5.65	***	-.53	5.59	***	-.47	5.65	***	-.52
		2L	5.34	5.56			5.55			5.53			5.54		
		3L	5.56	5.49			5.48			5.53			5.54		
		4L*	5.48				5.52			5.44			5.46		
9b. Faculty members	ENVFAC	1L	5.69	5.62			5.51			5.55			5.55		
		2L	5.45	5.48			5.41			5.47			5.44		
		3L	6.00	5.49	*	.38	5.34	**	.49	5.49	*	.39	5.43	*	.43
		4L*	5.64				5.32			5.30			5.31		
9c. Administrative staff and offices	ENVADM	1L	5.34	5.46			5.28			5.26			5.31		
		2L	5.19	5.23			5.05			5.01			5.08		
		3L	5.63	5.17			4.93	*	.41	4.90	*	.42	5.02		
		4L*	5.12				4.85			4.76			4.91		

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<i>To what extent has your experience at your law school contributed to you knowledge, skills, and personal development in the following areas? 1=Very little, 2=Some, 3=Quite a bit, 4=Very much</i>															
Educational and Personal Growth															
10a. Acquiring a broad legal education	GNLEGED	1L	3.63	3.46	**	.26	3.41	***	.32	3.41	***	.30	3.42	***	.30
		2L	3.66	3.42	**	.33	3.36	***	.41	3.39	***	.38	3.37	***	.39
		3L	3.74	3.41	*	.45	3.34	**	.55	3.39	**	.49	3.36	**	.52
		4L*	3.56				3.44			3.41			3.40		
10b. Acquiring job or work-related knowledge and skills	GNWORK	1L	2.85	2.94			2.89			2.96			2.92		
		2L	2.81	2.90			2.87			2.95			2.87		
		3L	3.19	2.88			2.79	*	.41	2.94			2.84		
		4L*	3.10				2.78			2.77			2.79		
10c. Writing clearly and effectively	GNWRITE	1L	3.28	3.37			3.25			3.31			3.26		
		2L	3.34	3.16			3.15			3.18			3.14		
		3L	3.74	3.16	***	.70	3.13	***	.73	3.18	***	.68	3.15	***	.72
		4L*	3.47				3.17			3.14	*	.39	3.13	*	.40
10d. Speaking clearly and effectively	GNSPEAK	1L	2.86	2.96			2.94			3.05			2.96		
		2L	3.02	2.94			2.96			3.02			2.95		
		3L	3.04	2.93			2.96			3.02			2.97		
		4L*	3.25				2.97			3.01			2.92		
10e. Thinking critically and analytically	GNANALY	1L	3.55	3.50			3.45			3.48			3.46		
		2L	3.67	3.44	**	.35	3.38	***	.41	3.41	***	.38	3.38	***	.41
		3L	3.81	3.38	***	.60	3.35	***	.63	3.38	***	.61	3.36	***	.62
		4L*	3.59				3.35			3.39			3.34		
10f. Using computing and information technology	GNCOMP	1L	3.09	2.54	***	.56	2.57	***	.53	2.72	***	.38	2.62	***	.48
		2L	3.37	2.43	***	.99	2.48	***	.91	2.61	***	.79	2.51	***	.90
		3L	3.44	2.43	***	1.04	2.47	***	1.02	2.61	***	.87	2.51	***	.98
		4L*	3.41				2.51	***	.88	2.54	***	.89	2.46	***	.95
10g. Developing legal research skills	GNRESRCH	1L	2.88	3.38	***	-.62	3.32	***	-.57	3.37	***	-.64	3.33	***	-.58
		2L	3.17	3.07			3.16			3.15			3.15		
		3L	3.74	3.10	***	.73	3.17	***	.71	3.19	***	.68	3.17	***	.70
		4L*	3.72				3.17	***	.65	3.12	***	.73	3.11	***	.73
10h. Working effectively with others	GNOTHERS	1L	2.48	2.63			2.60			2.69			2.62		
		2L	2.47	2.63			2.56			2.67			2.59		
		3L	2.48	2.61			2.57			2.71			2.61		
		4L*	2.84				2.57			2.58			2.54		

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<i>To what extent has your experience at your law school contributed to your knowledge, skills, and personal development in the following areas? 1=Very little, 2=Some, 3=Quite a bit, 4=Very much</i>															
Educational and Personal Growth (continued)															
10i. Learning effectively on your own	GNOWN	1L	3.49	3.27	*	.27	3.26	**	.28	3.31	*	.23	3.26	**	.28
		2L	3.77	3.23	***	.64	3.26	***	.61	3.28	***	.59	3.24	***	.63
		3L	3.74	3.24	***	.59	3.24	***	.61	3.29	***	.55	3.25	***	.59
		4L*	3.58				3.26			3.28			3.25	*	.37
10j. Understanding yourself	GNSELF	1L	3.13	2.78	**	.34	2.84	**	.29	2.90	*	.22	2.84	**	.29
		2L	3.23	2.79	**	.43	2.81	**	.42	2.89	*	.35	2.82	**	.41
		3L	3.11	2.81			2.81			2.89			2.84		
		4L*	3.30				2.81	**	.48	2.82	*	.45	2.80	**	.49
10k. Understanding people of other racial and ethnic backgrounds	GNDIVERS	1L	2.25	2.33			2.38			2.45			2.40		
		2L	2.32	2.44			2.37			2.44			2.40		
		3L	2.19	2.43			2.38			2.46			2.41		
		4L*	2.39				2.29			2.25			2.27		
10l. Solving complex real-world problems	GNPROBSV	1L	2.86	2.71			2.74			2.81			2.76		
		2L	2.93	2.78			2.73			2.81			2.75		
		3L	3.19	2.74	*	.48	2.71	**	.52	2.83	*	.39	2.75	*	.47
		4L*	3.16				2.70	*	.46	2.76	*	.42	2.70	**	.48
10m. Developing clearer career goals	GNCAREER	1L	2.47	2.81	**	-.36	2.73	*	-.28	2.77	*	-.31	2.73	*	-.27
		2L	2.43	2.76	*	-.34	2.68			2.74	*	-.31	2.69		
		3L	2.52	2.70			2.59			2.70			2.61		
		4L*	2.61				2.45			2.53			2.46		
10n. Developing a personal code of values and ethics	GNETHICS	1L	2.71	2.64			2.65			2.73			2.69		
		2L	2.74	2.62			2.60			2.69			2.64		
		3L	3.15	2.58	**	.56	2.58	**	.57	2.72	*	.43	2.63	**	.51
		4L*	3.06				2.57	*	.48	2.55	**	.49	2.53	**	.51
10o. Contributing to the welfare of your community	GNCOMMUN	1L	2.24	2.55	*	-.30	2.56	**	-.32	2.55	**	-.30	2.58	**	-.34
		2L	2.30	2.57			2.51			2.53			2.55		
		3L	2.44	2.53			2.52			2.56			2.54		
		4L*	2.79				2.40	*	.38	2.39	*	.38	2.41	*	.37
10p. Developing a deepened sense of spirituality	GNSPIRIT	1L	1.84	1.59	*	.26	1.72			1.81			1.78		
		2L	1.91	1.62			1.64			1.73			1.69		
		3L	1.59	1.64			1.62			1.72			1.68		
		4L*	1.66				1.55			1.56			1.57		

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Overall Satisfaction															
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11. How would you evaluate your entire educational experience at your law school?	1L	3.34	3.33			3.29			3.26			3.28			
	2L	3.43	3.26			3.18	*	.34	3.14	*	.38	3.17	*	.35	
	3L	3.56	3.19	*	.47	3.12	**	.55	3.12	**	.56	3.13	**	.54	
	4L*	3.30				3.08			3.06			3.08			
<i>1=Definitely no, 2=Probably no, 3=Probably yes, 4=Definitely yes</i>															
12. If you could start over again, would you go to the same law school you are now attending?	1L	3.45	3.39			3.34			3.23	**	.28	3.32			
	2L	3.53	3.29	*	.31	3.19	**	.42	3.04	***	.57	3.16	**	.44	
	3L	3.56	3.18	*	.47	3.09	**	.54	2.97	***	.66	3.07	**	.55	
	4L*	3.24				3.09			2.95			3.07			
<i>1=\$0, 2=\$1-20,000, 3=\$20,001-\$40,000, 4=\$40,001-\$60,000, 5=\$60,001-\$80,000, 6=\$80,001-\$100,000, 7=\$100,001-\$120,000, 8=More than \$120,000</i>															
26. How much educational debt from attending law school do you expect to have upon your graduation?	1L	3.56	5.18	***	-.63	4.99	***	-.57	5.51	***	-.79	5.06	***	-.61	
	2L	4.06	5.74	***	-.66	5.41	***	-.54	5.73	***	-.67	5.35	***	-.52	
	3L	3.41	5.84	***	-.94	5.67	***	-.90	6.05	***	-1.06	5.67	***	-.90	
	4L*	4.03				5.94	***	-.79	6.12	***	-.88	5.85	***	-.75	

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