



CENTER FOR ANIMAL LAW STUDIES Lewis & Clark Law School

The mission of the **Center for Animal Law Studies** is to educate the next generation of animal law advocates and advance animal protection through the law.

A History of Firsts

The Center for Animal Law Studies (CALS) was founded in 2008 with a mission to educate the next generation of animal law advocates and advance animal protection through the law. With vision and bold risk-taking, CALS has since developed into a world-renowned animal law epicenter, with the most comprehensive animal law curriculum offered anywhere. CALS launched the world's first advanced legal degree in animal law in 2012; the first animal law MSL degree in the U.S. in 2022; and the world's first animal law doctoral program in 2023. CALS alumniin-action from over 25 countries are advancing legal protections and improving the lives of animals around the globe.

Educating the next generation of animal law advocates.



CALS is a self-funded nonprofit organization operating under the Lewis & Clark College 501(c)(3) tax exemption, and is able to provide these educational opportunities through donations and grants. To make a gift to support CALS, or planned giving opportunities, please visit our Website.

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Clinical and Experiential Opportunities

Lewis & Clark Law School is pleased to offer multiple clinics and experiential opportunities in animal law, including our Farmed Animal Protection Project and our International Wildlife Law Clinic. Our students learn by doing and receive comprehensive training in a range of policy and related work to benefit animals. Through support and guidance from our faculty, the next generation advocates for animals in a variety of settings and develops creative ways to establish and expand the legal protections and rights of animals.



Summer Program

Both in-person and online Animal Law Summer Program classes are offered for academic credit to Lewis & Clark law students and advanced degree students, visiting law students, and international students. Our Animal Law Summer Program courses are also available for auditing by attorneys and non-law students interested in expanding their knowledge

International Animal Law Program

With a strong focus on international law, CALS aims to elevate the global field of animal law by **supporting the development of animal law abroad**. We foster relationships with professors, students, lawyers, judges, and other legal practitioners to collaborate and assist with projects that will enhance animal law advocacy and education. We advance the field through our Global Ambassador Program, workshops, conferences, micro-grants, and by supporting our alumni and other practitioners working in-country.

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Advanced Degree Program

Lewis & Clark Law School is proud to offer the world's first advanced legal degree in animal law (LLM), the world's only animal law doctoral program (SJD), and the nation's first Master of Studies in animal law for nonlawyers (MSL). These degrees are designed for US and international advocates who wish to focus on animal law in practice, teaching, research, or public policy. We are educating students who will become leaders in the field. Our LLM and MSL programs are offered online or in-person in Portland, OR. The SJD is offered in-person only.



Animal Law Conference

Lewis & Clark Law School and the Animal Legal Defense Fund have a rich history hosting and supporting animal law conferences for students, practitioners, scholars, and activists. In 2013, the Animal Law Conference at Lewis & Clark and the Animal Legal Defense Fund's Future of Animal Law Conference joined forces to create The Animal Law Conference. This conference has become the preeminent event in the field of animal law today. The conference alternates between Portland, Oregon, and other US cities every other year.

Scholarships

CALS is pleased to offer scholarships for domestic and international advocates wishing to earn an advanced degree in Animal Law. Full and partial scholarships are available thanks to the support we receive from generous donors interested in supporting the next generation of animal law advocates as they spark change for animals.

