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## Public Policy and Regulation

The legislation passed the General Assembly unanimously and was recently signed into law by Gov. Glenn Youngkin. As part of the State and Local Government Policy Clinic, Kara Hafemann ‘23, was among students who helped state lawmakers develop the Virginia Literacy Act—bipartisan legislation to ground literacy instruction in science-based reading research.

### COURSES AND SEMINARS

- Administrative Law
- Advanced Campaign Finance
- Advanced Topics in Law and Public Service
- Advanced Topics in State and Local Law
- Airline Industry and Antitrust
- Airline Industry and Aviation Law
- American Food Safety
- Animal Law
- Arbitration
- Arbitration and Negotiation in a Global Environment
- Balancing Public Safety and Civil Liberties
- Law Enforcement Polytechnics
- Banking and Financial Institutions
- Beneficiaries and Law Enforcement
- International Seminar: Wealth Policy and Money
- Beneficiaries and Law Enforcement
- The Law and Politics
- Children and the Law
- Civil Rights Litigation
- Climate Change
- Law and Policy
- Corporate Social Responsibility
- Cryptocurrency Law and Policy
- Cryptocurrency Regulation
- Death Penalty Law
- Designing Democracy: Participation
- Education Law Survey
- Employment Law: Wage and Hour Regulation
- Energy and Environmental Products Trading and Commodities Regulation
- Energy Regulation and Policy
- Environmental Law
- Federal Government Oversight
- The First Amendment and Freedom of Information Act
- Federal Income Tax
- Federal Regulation of Investment Companies
- Forensics and the Free Market
- Food and Drug Law
- Gender-Based Violence: U.S. Law and Policy
- Genetic and the Law
- Government Contractors
- Government Ethics: Conflicts of Interest, Lobbying and Campaign Finance
- Government Secrecy
- Health Care
- Marketing: Competition
- Regulation and Reform
- Housing Law and Poverty
- Identity, Law and Politics Seminar
- Immigration Law
- Innovating for Defense
- International Law
- Internet Law
- Land Use Law
- Law and Artificial Intelligence
- Law and Economics
- Law and Economics
- Colloquium
- Law and Public Service
- Law and Rights
- Law of Contraction
- Law of Place and Place of Law
- Law of the Public
- Law of Inequality and Education Reform
- Law, Social Work, and Social Justice in Practice and Theory
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- Legislation
- Legislation and Regulation
- Legislative Drafting and Public Policy
- Litigation Skills and Professional Liability Law
- Management of Change in Fortune 500 Companies and Profits
- Medication and the Law
- Medicare Practice
- Mock Trial
- Native American Law
- Natural Resources Law and Policy
- New Frontiers in Health Law and Clinical Ethics
- Parental Choice in K-12 Education
- Poverty in Law
- Law, Economics, and Public Policy
- Presidential Powers
- Privacy
- Privacy Law and Theory Seminar
- Public Interest Law and Advocacy Skills
- Public Utility Regulation Seminar
- Quantitative Methods
- Race, Education, and Opportunity
- Regulation of the Political Process
- Regulatory Law and Policy
- Reproductive Rights and Law
- Roles
- Securities and Derivatives
- Securities Regulation
- Securities Regulation
- Law and Economics
- Taboos
- The Business of Banking and Prudential Regulation
- The Business of Banking and Prudential Regulation
- Theory
- Practice of Biodiversity Conservation
- Title IX: The Law and Policy of Sex Discrimination in Education
- Transnational Approach to Mergers and Acquisitions
- Underwriting
- Police Use of Force: Investigation and Litigation Concepts
- Urban Law and Policy

### CLINICS

- Community Solutions Clinic: Economic and Consumer Justice Clinic
- Environmental Law and Community Engagement Clinic
- Immigration Law Clinic: Housing Litigation Clinic
- Nonprofit Clinic: State and Local Government Policy Clinic
- Poverty Law
- Law, Inequality and Education Reform
- Law, Social Work, and Social Justice in Practice and Theory
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Virginia’s proximity to Washington, D.C. provides rich opportunities for a close-up view of how regulations, policies and the government interact. The location also allows top government lawyers and Washington-based practitioners to teach part-time at Virginia, which exposes students to the concrete issues they may one day face as government officials, practicing...
As part of Block’s State and Local Government Policy Clinic last year, Nicholas worked with clinic client Del. Carrie Coynar to increase funding for a health department in the westernmost regions of the state. “That experience opened my eyes to some of the challenges rural counties face,” Nicholas said. “Living in a rural area makes everything harder on almost every level—less access to broadband, geographic isolation, rural residents are on average lower-income, they have less education, and their economy has been decimated for several reasons. So I was thinking about those questions last year, and Andy asked me if I’d be interested in being his research assistant this year working on those issues for a paper he was asked to write.”

The two presented their paper, “Those Who Need the Most, Get the Least,” at the University of Richmond Law Review symposium “Overlooked America: Addressing Legal Issues Facing Rural United States.”