

► Professor Kimberly Jenkins Robinson, editor of the book "A Federal Right to Education," leads the Center for the Study of Race and Law. She is an expert on how federal and state law and policy can close educational opportunity gaps.



Race and Law

VIRGINIA offers courses in civil rights and anti-discrimination law, along with a wide array of courses in constitutional law and history. These offerings reflect the ways in which the struggle for civil rights shaped—and continues to shape—our country and institutions.

THE CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF RACE AND LAW

each year brings a visiting professor to teach a short course.

Past visitors include:

Ralph Richard Banks,
Stanford Law School

Khiara M. Bridges,
University of California,
Berkeley School of Law

Mohammad Fadel,
University of Toronto
Faculty of Law

Michael J. Klarman,
Harvard Law School

Mari Matsuda,
University of Hawai'i at Mānoa
William S. Richardson
School of Law

Juan F. Perea,
Loyola University Chicago
School of Law

Camille Gear Rich,
USC Gould School of Law

COURSES AND SEMINARS

- American Legal History Seminar
- Asian Americans and the Law
- Civil Rights and Anti-discrimination Law
- Civil Rights Litigation
- The Civil War and the Constitution
- Criminal Adjudication
- Criminal Investigation
- Criminal Procedure Survey
- Critical Race Theory
- Designing Democracy: Participation
- Education Law Survey
- Employment Discrimination
- Family Law
- Identity, Law and Politics Seminar
- Immigration Law and Policy
- International Human Rights Law
- Land Use Law
- Latinos and the Law
- Law and Inequality Colloquium
- Law of Place and Place of Law
- Law, Inequality and Education Reform
- Native American Law
- Poverty in Law, Literature and Culture
- Poverty Law, Advocacy and Policy
- Race and Criminal Justice
- Race and Slavery on UVA's North Grounds
- Race, Education and Opportunity
- Race, Law and Democracy
- Racial Ambiguity Blues
- Racial Justice and Law
- Regulation of the Political Process
- Reparations: Identity, Law and Politics
- Reproductive Rights and Justice
- Social Science in Law
- Urban Law and Policy
- CLINICS**
- International Human Rights Law Clinic
- Project for Informed Reform Clinic

These courses represent the 2020-23 school years. Not all courses are offered every year.

Lawyers cannot fully understand the American legal landscape without studying **the impact of race.**

The Law School founded the **CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF RACE AND LAW** in 2003 to provide opportunities for students, scholars, practitioners and community members to examine and exchange ideas related to race and law through lectures, symposia and scholarship.

The center also coordinates with the Law School to offer a concentration of courses on race and law, and serves as a resource for faculty whose teaching or scholarship addresses subjects related to race.



► Elaine Jones '70, the first Black woman to graduate from UVA Law and the first woman to lead the NAACP Legal Defense Fund, recently joined Dean Risa Goluboff in speaking about her career during a ceremony marking the hanging of her portrait at UVA Law.

New Fellowship Supports Scholarship On Race

Terry Allen, whose research focuses on the role of police in schoolchildren's lives, is the first **Race, Place and Equity Postdoctoral Fellow** at the Law School.



Allen's UCLA dissertation, **"A Web of Punishment: Race, Place, and School Policing,"** examines the role and authority of school police officers, and why Black students are most vulnerable to negative interactions in low-income Black neighborhoods and schools.

"Boys of color made up 76% of all student involvement with the local school police department, and middle school- and elementary school-age children accounted for one in four of the total arrests," he said. "Students as young as 8 were being arrested for very minor instances of misbehavior, such as just speaking too loudly."

Allen said his research centers on two questions: What can the public learn about the structure of American public education and criminal justice systems? And how can we better understand how law and policy shape these larger safety goals within schools?

"It is important to understand the perspective of all stakeholders," he said. "This includes students, parents, teachers, school police officers and local policymakers."

FACULTY UNCOVER NEW INSIGHTS



► Kim Forde-Mazrui's scholarship focuses on equal protection, especially involving race and sexual orientation.



► Craig Konnoth explores issues of health and civil rights, and health data, in his scholarship. His work looks broadly at minority and marginalized communities, including the LGBTQ+ community.



► Joy Milligan studies the intersection of law and inequality, with a particular focus on race-based economic inequality, and federal officials' long-term role in extending racial segregation.



► Bertrall Ross focuses on constitutional law and theory, election law, and legislation and statutory interpretation, and is concerned with the inclusion of marginalized communities in administrative and political processes.

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