



► Professor Ruth Mason, who serves as director for the Virginia Center for Tax Law, is an expert in federalism, tax discrimination and cross-border taxation. Her work on comparative fiscal federalism has been cited by the U.S. Supreme Court and in the opinion of an advocate general of the Court of Justice of the European Union.

Tax Law

Consistently ranked one of the top law schools for tax, UVA Law prepares students for tax careers in government, private practice, business and the nonprofit sector.

Among the nation's top scholars, the school's tax faculty are known for converting students who are fearful of studying tax into fans of the field.

They bring experience from Congress, the Treasury Department and private practice. In addition to their scholarly endeavors, the faculty remain engaged with practice organizations such as the American Bar Association Tax Section, the American Law Institute, Congress, the Treasury Department and the IRS. Virginia's alumni practice tax in a variety of settings. They hold leadership positions in top law and accounting firms, smaller firms specializing in tax, all branches of government and the nonprofit sector. Alumni have joined academia, launched firms focused on tax law, managed the taxes of corporations like Exxon Mobil and Amazon, served in the U.S. Office of the Legislative Counsel, and held leadership positions at the IRS, including as commissioner.



► Andrew Hayashi is an expert in tax law, tax policy and behavioral law and economics whose recent work has looked at how certain property tax schemes disproportionately benefit white homebuyers in rapidly gentrifying neighborhoods.



► Michael Doran, a former partner at Caplin & Drysdale in Washington, D.C., who practiced federal tax and federal pension law, served twice in the Office of Tax Policy at the U.S. Treasury Department. His recent research has revealed how reforms to retirement plans have largely benefited the wealthy.

COURSES AND SEMINARS

- Accounting: Understanding and Analyzing Financial Statements
- Corporate Tax
- Estate Planning: Principles and Practice
- Federal Income Tax
- International Tax Practicum
- International Taxation
- Nonprofit Organizations
- Nonprofit Organizations: Principles and Practice
- Partnership Tax
- Practical Trust and Estate Administration
- Quantitative Methods
- Tax Discrimination
- Tax Practice and Procedure Seminar
- Tax Treaties and Other International Tax Topics
- Transfer Pricing

CLINIC

Nonprofit Clinic

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

VIRGINIA TAX REVIEW

Founded in 1980, the Virginia Tax Review is the nation's leading student-edited tax journal. The publication focuses primarily on federal and international taxation, as well as pure business legal issues.

EVENTS

Faculty, students and alumni learn about cutting-edge issues in tax from the Virginia Tax Study Group meeting at the Law School, an annual tradition that brings together alumni from practice, government and academia. In the fall, the annual UVA Invitational Tax Conference brings leading tax academics to Grounds to discuss scholarly works in progress. Through the online Oxford-Virginia Legal Dialogs series, scholars build bridges across academic disciplines through a workshop in which both tax and non-tax scholars explore recent research. Students are invited to attend all three event series. During the summer, the Law School hosts the Virginia Conference on Federal Taxation, an annual conference that marked its 75th anniversary in 2023.

► UVA
Law students
competed in
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second.

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In 2018, UVA became the first U.S. team ever to win the International and European Tax Moot Court competition, and has won three times in the past six years.



Each year, up to four students participate in the International Tax Practicum, a yearlong skills course that uses a mock tax treaty litigation as a lens for studying issues in international tax law.

As part of this course, students compete in the International and European Moot Court Competition against teams from

all over the world. If the UVA team's briefs are strong enough, the team travels to Belgium to compete in the oral phase of the

competition against teams from other schools. The weeklong competition features lectures by prominent tax professors and

judges as well as a trip to the European Union's Commission in Brussels.