A DIVERSITY OF PERSPECTIVES enhances the classroom conversation and fosters shared values of tolerance, respect and mutual support.

Ask any student: What sets Virginia Law apart from other top law schools is the extraordinary sense of community found here.

At Virginia, a rigorous and academically challenging professional education is paired with a collegial environment in which all voices are heard and all views considered.

It is a better way to learn — but equally important, it’s better preparation for the legal profession.

Teamwork, cooperation, respect for different points of view, skilled communication and an understanding of varied perspectives are all an integral part of a profession that serves an increasingly diverse society.

Each year the STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION sponsors a DIVERSITY PLEDGE, a statement of respect and tolerance signed by hundreds of students, faculty and staff during Diversity Week. SBA Diversity Chairs WILL HINTON ’21 and CHRISTINA LUK ’21 hold the 2020 pledge.

VIRGINIA HAS MORE THAN 60 STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS, many of which are focused on bringing together students of different racial, ethnic, socioeconomic and religious backgrounds, as well as people of different sexual orientations and political affiliations.

KEY GROUPS INCLUDE:
- American Constitution Society for Law and Policy
- Asian Pacific American Law Students Association
- Black Law Students Association
- The Federalist Society
- Feminist Legal Forum
- Jewish Law Students Association
- Lambda Law Alliance
- Latin American Law Organization
- Law Christian Fellowship
- Law Republicans at UVA
- Middle Eastern and North African
- Law Student Association
- Minority Rights Coalition
- Muslim Law Students Association
- Rex E. Lee Law Society
- St. Thomas More Society
- South Asian Law Student Association
- Virginia Law Families
- Virginia Law First-Generation Professionals
- Virginia Law Democrats
- Virginia Law Veterans
- Virginia Law Women
- Women of Color
EVENTS

Students and faculty participate in COMMON LAW GROUNDS, an organization in which participants seek to understand diverging points of view as a first step toward finding common ground.

Students and faculty are the drivers behind a variety of events designed to support their members, including career networking receptions, social and mentoring events with faculty, and talks by female, minority or LGBT lawyers about their experiences practicing law.