

To the Class of 2021:

Welcome to the University of Virginia School of Law. As rising 3Ls, we are approaching the end of the exciting chapter that you are just beginning. We wanted to be among the first to welcome you to the Law School community. The next three years will be among the most exciting years of your life. You will make countless new friends, exchange ideas with some of the best legal minds in the world, play softball, launch your legal career, and come to learn why UVA Law is such a wonderful place to go to law school. We hope that over the next three years you will be able to experience the compassion, support, and love that the UVA Law community has to offer.

As the Co-Directors of the Peer Advisor (PA) Program, we are anxious to get back to school to welcome you to Grounds. The goal of the PA Program is to ease your transition to the Law School. Your Peer Advisors (PAs) will offer you advice and friendship during your first year and beyond. They are an amazing group of people and we know you'll come to admire, as we have, their dedication and passion.

In August, you'll be assigned to a section along with thirty of your peers. Each section is advised by six Peer Advisors who are 2L and 3L students. Each peer advisor brings a unique set of extracurricular involvements, career choices, and life experiences to their mentorship. They will, for the entirety of your first year, be able to offer you advice on every aspect of 1L. The Peer Advisors are your very own law school guide. They can help you with everything from the best restaurants to how to study for final exams. Your Peer Advisors will help your section get to know one another and introduce you to the countless events and activities at the law school and in Charlottesville. Most importantly, your Peer Advisors will become your friends. The PA program is unique to UVA Law and plays a crucial role in fostering UVA's supportive and caring community.

Your peer advisors are an amazing group of individuals who have each demonstrated a commitment to the values that UVA Law holds dear: honor, respect, service. Their experiences will be invaluable guides to you, and you should take full advantage of their perspective. Later this summer, we will provide you with a complete list of the Peer Advisors for the 2017-2018 academic year. We will ensure that you have each of their email addresses and a few facts about them. However, you won't find out who the Peer Advisors for your specific section are until you arrive on Grounds for orientation in August.

If you have any questions, be they about Charlottesville, the Law School or the PA Program, please don't hesitate to call, email, or text us. If not, we'll see you on Grounds in August, to start your next chapter!

Best wishes,

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