

Legal Writing Professor - St. John's University School of Law

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

[ST. JOHN'S UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW](#) invites applications for a full-time faculty appointment to teach Legal Writing in its J.D. program, beginning in the fall of 2017. The professor will teach one section (approximately 45 students) of Legal Writing, a 2-credit course taught in each of the fall and spring semesters. The professor may, depending on curricular needs and his or her interest, teach other courses in advanced writing, drafting, or doctrinal subjects. St. John's has a robust program in writing and skills development that includes a Writing Center staffed by accomplished upper level students, a full-time Assistant Dean for Academic Achievement, and a curriculum rich in advanced writing and legal practice courses.

Legal Writing faculty are fully engaged members of the Law School community. They are encouraged to undertake scholarship and are supported in doing so. All faculty, including Legal Writing professors, are able to hire research and teaching assistants, participate in faculty colloquia, receive support for academic travel, and are eligible for summer research grants and publication awards. They participate in committees, hold administrative positions, and engage in other aspects of shared governance.

The School of Law is part of St. John's University, a Catholic and Vincentian institution of higher education committed to academic excellence and service to those lacking economic, physical, or social advantages. As an Equal Opportunity Employer, St. John's encourages applications from women and minorities. The University is located in New York City in the borough of Queens, on record as the most diverse urban county in the United States. Diversity of all kinds is welcomed and encouraged at the Law School, which benefits from student organizations like the Black Law Students Association, Latino American Law Students Association, the Gay and Lesbian Law Association, and others.

A candidate hired as an Assistant Professor of Legal Writing will be given a one-year renewable contract that can lead, after three years, to renewable longer-term contracts with security of position. Candidates should have strong academic records (including a J.D. or its equivalent) and experience in law practice. They should be able to show a strong interest and competency in teaching legal research and writing. Teaching experience is a plus.

TO APPLY: Applicants should submit a (1) cover letter, (2) curriculum vitae, (3) the names of three references, (4) a writing sample, and (5) teaching evaluations (if available) to Larry Cunningham, Vice Dean and Professor of Legal Writing, at lawfac@stjohns.edu. Please submit the documents as a single PDF file in the order indicated. Review of applications will commence immediately.