



University of North Carolina School of Law

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1. What do you enjoy most about your job?

My highest rewards as Director of Admissions at UNC School of Law are the ongoing relationships and correspondence I build with applicants as I encourage them through their hopes and fears of the admissions process and witness their development as students.

2. What do you like most about your law school?

There is something to be said about working at and representing our nation's very first public state university at law fairs and forums throughout the country. As a public law school, we take seriously our call to serve the citizens of the state and country, and I really appreciate those applicants interested in a legal education to serve others by doing good. Being a part of this "do-gooder" stewardship is pretty amazing.

3. Is there any advice you would give pre-law advisors as they are working with students on the application process for your law school?

Hard work beats talent, and talent doesn't work hard. It's hard work applying to law school. However, if you believe in your advisees and have the dedication and pride in what you do by counseling them, you'll succeed. Remember, we're on the same team regardless of what law school we work for. Our responsibility and our job is to educate these applicants to find the right law school for them.

4. What are some of the unique opportunities students will find at your law school?

I already touched on our opportunities for public service, but we offer students so much more than that. UNC School of Law offers a rigorous and broad legal education, coupled with a ton of opportunities for practical skills training – over 50 available externships, five clinical programs, five journals, 50 student organizations and a number of mock trial programs. And I would be remiss if I didn't mention that our law students accrue the lowest debt among graduates of any top-ranked law school, private or public, which means that our graduates leave here prepared to practice anywhere, from Main Street to Wall Street.

5. Is there anything you would like to leave pre-law advisors with as a final comment?

When Michelangelo was commissioned to sculpt a figure of *David*, he was given a nineteen-foot block of marble. He locked himself in a room and worked for years to finish it to his satisfaction. When I think of our applicants, from the stand-point of Pre-Law Advisors or Law School Admission Professionals, I think of them as giant blocks of marble that can be crafted and chiseled into works of art. We play a pivotal role in the fine tuning of these future works of art.