HOW DO I APPLY?
To apply to TIP, prospective students who have or will have obtained a baccalaureate degree prior to the program’s commencement must submit the University of Memphis School of Law Application for Admission; the TIP portion of the Application for Admission; and the required TIP Supplemental Statement by our priority deadline of March 15.

The TIP portion of the application requests information on whether the student is:
• 1st-generation college graduate;
• Foreign-born, or a first-generation U.S. citizen;
• A graduate of a historically minority undergraduate institution;
• Disabled;
• Economically disadvantaged; or
• Racially or ethnically underrepresented minority.

LAW STUDENT DIVERSITY COMMITTEE
The Law Student Diversity Committee is a dedicated group of law students with a passion for diversity and inclusion. Students participate in diversity training, engage in discussions on topics related to diversity and inclusion, coordinate law school programming and events, and provide information to the local community on how the law impacts diverse communities. Participation also qualifies the student for pro bono service hours, which are required for graduation.

FINANCIAL AID & SCHOLARSHIPS
Scholarships available to entering students include academic merit awards, diversity awards, and awards for students with demonstrated financial need. Diverse students who meet academic and residency requirements may also be eligible for the Memphis Access & Diversity Law Scholarship. Through state appropriations and the generous donations of law school alumni and friends, over $700,000 in scholarship assistance has been awarded to eligible students in previous academic years. Awards typically range from $1,000 to full in-state tuition.

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS TO CONSIDER
Association of Women Attorneys (AWA)
Black Law Students Association (BLSA)
Hispanic Law Students Association (HLSA)
Public Action Law Society (PALS)
OutLaw
Student Bar Association (SBA)
and many more!

MORE INFO ON DIVERSITY & ADMISSIONS, CONTACT
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Message from The Dean
The University of Memphis Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law is a special place to study law. We understand the importance of access and the value of diversity and we are committed to building an inclusive community that recognizes and celebrates robust intellectual discourse and diverse ideas and perspectives.

We are pleased that you are considering the Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law as you plan for a legal career. I encourage you to get to know us better by scheduling a visit to experience for yourself all we have to offer. We believe you will discover that the Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law is the right school for you.

Warmest Regards,

Peter V. Letsou, Dean

TENNESSEE INSTITUTE FOR PRE-LAW
The Tennessee Institute for Pre-Law (TIP) program is a five-week program of classroom instruction and evaluation that simulates the first-year law school curriculum. It is the State of Tennessee’s only law school “admission by performance” diversity program. Participants are Tennessee or Border County residents (which include Crittenden County, Arkansas and Desoto, Marshall, Tate, and Tunica Counties in Mississippi) who are not admitted through the regular admissions process, but show potential for the study of law and bring diversity to the class.

“TIP provided me with a wonderful opportunity to attend a great school! The program gave me the confidence to begin my 1L year knowing that I had a good base foundation to begin my law school journey.”

James Cobb (JD ’14)
WHY MEMPHIS LAW?

FIVE-YEAR BAR PASSAGE RATE FOR TENNESSEE

83.41% UofM
78.25% STATE average

BAR PASSAGE INFORMATION IS FROM FIRST-TIME TEST TAKERS ON THE JULY EXAM.
AVERAGE FIGURES FROM 2011-2015

19% ETHNIC/RACIAL DIVERSITY IN THE ENTERING CLASS OF 2016

RANKED AS “BEST BARGAIN LAW SCHOOL FOR BLACK STUDENTS” BY LAWYERS OF COLOR MAGAZINE.

THE ENTERING CLASS OF 2016 IS COMPOSED OF 43% FEMALE & 57% MALE STUDENTS.

WINNER OF 2015 HIGHER EDUCATION EXCELLENCE IN DIVERSITY AWARD FROM INSIGHT INTO DIVERSITY MAGAZINE

“TIP gave me the tools needed to succeed in law school, while helping me to discover the sense of community and inclusivity at Memphis Law.”
Noor Obaji

“What I love most about Memphis Law is the way we look out for one another. There’s a family-friendly atmosphere that you don’t expect in environments as competitive as law school.”
Dawn Campbell

“It was the TIP program that created the work-ethic that I needed to be successful in law school.”
Anthony A. Adewumi (JD ’14)