



**BUSINESS FELLOWS
INFORMATION & APPLICATION
FALL 2021 ENTERING CLASS – SECOND ROUND**

SUMMARY OF THE BUSINESS FELLOWS PROGRAM

The Business Fellows program is designed to provide students with the essential knowledge and practical, hands-on experience needed to become exceptional business attorneys.

Integrated across 2.5 years, the Business Fellows program equips future attorneys with the knowledge and skills necessary to become lawyers who will understand their clients' businesses, ranging from entrepreneurial start-ups to large, publicly-traded companies, and provide these clients useful counsel on both the legal and business challenges confronting them. The breadth of experience Elon Law provides, and the emphasis on "doing" rather than solely "studying," helps Elon Law Business Fellows to appreciate that modern business clients require their lawyers to not only answer discrete legal questions, but to also understand the interconnectedness between legal and business issues.

In addition to taking a core curriculum of business courses, Business Fellows will have learning experiences outside the classroom, such as:

- ❖ A summer externship in a corporate or business setting, such as an in-house legal department;
- ❖ Opportunities to meet and interact with business faculty and business and business law leaders;
- ❖ Opportunities to counsel businesses through the Law School's Small Business and Entrepreneurship residency program; and
- ❖ Leadership opportunities in the Law School's Business Law Association.

Benefits of the Business Fellows Program include:

- ❖ A stipend toward the tuition cost and living expenses for a summer corporate or business externship; and
- ❖ A Business Fellows Scholarship toward tuition during the academic year, renewable for 2.5 years assuming continued participation in the Business Fellows Program.

HOW TO APPLY

Step 1 – Apply for Admission to the School of Law. The application for admission is available on the law school web site, law.elon.edu, and the application fee is waived. To be considered for the Fellows program, the application for admission to Elon Law must be submitted and completed no later than **Monday, June 7, 2021**.

Step 2 – Submit Business Fellows Program Application Materials. Prospective students who are interested in the Business Fellows Program should submit an application by **Monday, June 7, 2021**. Please email the materials in PDF format (updated resume and essay response) to the Admissions Office at lawadmissions@elon.edu (subject line: Business Fellows Program Application). If you have any questions regarding the application process, please contact the Admissions Office at (336) 279-9229 or lawadmissions@elon.edu.

APPLICATION MATERIALS

Applicants must submit in PDF format: (1) an up-to-date resume; and (2) an essay responsive to the prompt below. These materials, along with your law school application, will form the basis of a decision on your Fellows application.

ESSAY

Applicants must submit an essay responsive to the prompt below. Your essay should be no more than two pages, double-spaced. Respond thoughtfully to the essay prompt.

Essay Prompt:

Explain your interest in business and particularly your interest in assisting your future clients with their legal and business issues. In doing so, please describe your previous business experience and/or studies related to business. Describe also how you envision the legal and business training you will receive at Elon Law assisting you in the practice of law and benefiting your eventual clients.

WHAT HAPPENS AFTER I APPLY?

Applications are reviewed by a faculty committee. Finalists for the Business Fellows Program will be invited to interview with the committee either in person, online or by phone. These interviews will likely occur in early to mid-June 2021.