



PROGRAM OUTLINE

Legal Pathways

Seven weeks inside the legal profession. Five areas of law, a mock trial and a firm visit, with direct access to the professionals who practise it.

LOCATION

920 Yonge Street

PROGRAM

7 Weeks

SECTION 01

Not a law class. A pathway into the profession.

Legal Pathways connects high school students directly with the lawyers, professors and advocates who have devoted their careers to the law.

Legal Pathways is not a course on one specialty such as "corporate law" or "international law". Over seven weeks, students meet professionals from a broad range of legal sectors, including corporate, litigation, intellectual property, personal injury, academia and legal technology. They learn how each area works, hear first-hand how these professionals built their careers, and connect with them in person.

We see ourselves as the pipeline. In law, as in the wider professional world, careers are built on connections. Students rarely get to sit in a room with a Bay Street partner, a leading law professor or an experienced trial lawyer, ask them questions, and stay in touch afterward. Legal Pathways makes that access possible.

Each week, your hosts open the session with a planned, detailed activity that prepares students for the guest. That way, every student arrives with enough background to understand the field, ask thoughtful questions and make a lasting impression.

AT A GLANCE

WHEN

**Every Saturday, starting
January 16**

LENGTH

7 weeks

EACH SESSION

3 hours

GUESTS

**Legal Professionals and
Judges**

WEEK 6

Mock Trial

WEEK 7

Law Firm Visit

LOCATION

920 Yonge Street, Toronto

01

PATHWAYS PRIMER

A one-hour activity led by your hosts that introduces the week's area of law.

02

GUEST SESSION

A presentation, activity and open Q&A with a professional from that sector.

03

NETWORKING

Time to speak one-on-one with the guest and build a genuine professional connection.

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SECTION 02

What Students Gain

Most people wait years into their careers for the access Legal Pathways gives students in seven weeks. Here is what every student takes away.

5 LEGAL PROFESSIONALS	5 AREAS OF LAW	1 MOCK TRIAL	1 LAW FIRM VISIT	7 WEEKS OF ACCESS
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| <p>01 LEADING GUESTS
Learn directly from a Bay Street partner, top-ranked lawyers, a U of T law professor and an elite debate judge.</p> | <p>02 REAL CONNECTIONS
Every session ends with networking, so students build genuine relationships with the people they meet.</p> |
| <p>03 TORONTO'S LEGAL NETWORK
Students get plugged into the city's legal community, with contacts at Bennett Jones, Stikeman Elliott, Lerner and U of T Law.</p> | <p>04 INSIGHT FROM PROFESSIONALS
Honest answers about career paths, law school, and what life as a lawyer is really like.</p> |
| <p>05 KNOWLEDGE OF THE LAW
A working understanding of five areas of law, from corporate deals to AI and the future of the profession.</p> | <p>06 MOCK TRIAL EXPERIENCE
Students argue a full case as counsel and witnesses, and receive expert feedback from the judges.</p> |
| <p>07 LAW FIRM EXPERIENCE
A guided visit inside Lerner LLP, one of Toronto's leading firms, with transportation covered.</p> | <p>08 EXPERIENCE THAT STANDS OUT
Hands-on legal experience and professional contacts that set students apart for university and beyond.</p> |

“The opportunities in this program usually come years into a career. Legal Pathways brings them to students now.”

SECTION 03

Program Schedule

Legal Pathways runs every Saturday from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM for seven weeks, starting January 16. Each session opens with a one-hour Pathways Primer led by your hosts, followed by a two-hour guest session with a practising professional, including Q&A and networking.

	WEEK 1 Corporations	WEEK 2 Litigation	WEEK 3 Intellectual Property	WEEK 4 Personal Injury	WEEK 5 AI & the Law	WEEK 6 Mock Trial	WEEK 7 Firm Visit
11:00 AM	Program Welcome Teams & case file						Group Departure Transportation provided
11:15 AM							
11:30 AM	Pathways Primer Corporations activity	Pathways Primer Litigation activity	Pathways Primer IP activity	Pathways Primer Personal injury activity	Pathways Primer AI & law activity	Team Preparation Final case prep with your team	
11:45 AM							Firm Tour Lerners LLP
12:00 PM							
12:15 PM							
12:30 PM							
12:45 PM	Guest Session Gary Solway · presentation & activity	Guest Session Zahra Vaid · presentation & activity	Guest Session Jeiliah Chan · presentation & activity	Guest Session Egidio Stagnitta · presentation & activity	Guest Session Prof. Albert Yoon · presentation & activity	Mock Trial Presided over by guest judge Aryan Sethi	Lawyer Session Talks & Q&A with practising lawyers
1:00 PM							
1:15 PM							
1:30 PM							
1:45 PM	Q&A	Q&A	Q&A	Q&A	Q&A	Judges' Feedback	Networking Reception
2:00 PM	Networking	Networking	Networking	Networking	Networking	Verdict & Awards	Program Closing

Program & Arrival
Pathways Primer
Guest Session (2 hours) & Q&A
Networking
Mock Trial / Firm Visit

Times are approximate. Session dates are confirmed at registration, and Week 7 timing will be finalized with Lerners LLP.

SECTION 04

Guest Biographies

Each week of Legal Pathways is built around a professional who has devoted their career to one area of the law. Get to know the people students will meet, learn from and connect with.



Gary S.A. Solway

WEEK 1 · CORPORATE LAW



Zahra Vaid

WEEK 2 · LITIGATION



Jeilah Chan

WEEK 3 · INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY



Egidio Stagnitta

WEEK 4 · PERSONAL INJURY



Professor Albert Yoon

WEEK 5 · AI & THE LAW



Aryan Sethi

WEEK 6 · MOCK TRIAL



Lerner's LLP

WEEK 7 · FIRM VISIT



WEEK 1

Corporate Law

CALLED TO THE BAR

Ontario, 1985

AFFILIATION

Bennett Jones LLP

FOCUS

Mergers & Acquisitions, Corporate Governance

WHY STUDENTS WILL WANT TO MEET GARY

Few lawyers have seen more of Canada's technology and business deals up close. Gary has spent more than forty years advising the founders, boards and investors behind major Canadian transactions. Students get a direct view of how Bay Street corporate practice works, and what it takes to become the advisor leading companies trust.

GUEST 01

Gary S.A. Solway

Partner & Managing Partner, Technology, Media & Entertainment Group

Bennett Jones LLP, Toronto

CAREER

Gary Solway is a partner at Bennett Jones LLP in Toronto, where he leads the firm's Technology, Media & Entertainment Group. Over a career of more than forty years, he has advised companies ranging from early-stage technology start-ups to large TSX-listed public corporations, as well as Canadian and U.S. private equity and venture capital investors and foreign buyers acquiring Canadian businesses. He regularly acts for independent and special committees of boards of directors on major transactions.

AREA OF LAW

His practice covers mergers and acquisitions, private and public financings, corporate governance, securities, shareholder arrangements, and director protection. He also advises boards on identifying and responding to risk, with a particular focus on cybersecurity.

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Represented ecobee in its US\$770-million acquisition by Generac
- Advised Clearpath Robotics on its sale to Rockwell Automation
- Advised the board and special committee of Alliance Atlantis Communications on its \$2.3-billion sale
- Canadian counsel to Bessemer Venture Partners on its venture investment in Shopify

EDUCATION

- B.Comm., Queen's University (1981)
- LL.B., University of Toronto (1983)

RECOGNITION & LEADERSHIP

- Recognized by Lexpert as one of Canada's leading M&A and technology lawyers
- Recognized in Best Lawyers in Canada for Corporate Law and Technology Law
- Co-lead author of *Directors' Duties in Canada*, 7th ed. (LexisNexis, 2021)
- Director or officer of the Canadian Venture Capital Association, 2001 to 2025



WEEK 2

Litigation

CALLED TO THE BAR

Ontario, 2021

AFFILIATION

Lerners LLP

FOCUS

Civil Litigation & Appeals

WHY STUDENTS WILL WANT TO MEET ZAHRA

Zahra is early enough in her career to remember exactly what the path from university to law school to practice looks like, and she will speak candidly about it. Her courtroom insight carries straight into the Week 6 mock trial, and she is a connection at Lerners LLP, the firm students visit in Week 7.

GUEST 02

Zahra Vaid

Associate, Litigation

Lerners LLP, Toronto

CAREER

Zahra Vaid is a litigator in the Toronto office of Lerners LLP, one of Toronto's largest litigation practices. She is a member of the firm's Insurance, Health Law, Personal Injury and Appeals groups, and her civil litigation practice places a particular emphasis on representing survivors of sexual assault and abuse.

AREA OF LAW

Her work spans civil litigation and dispute resolution, personal injury, insurance defence and coverage, health law and professional regulation, and appeals. She brings the perspective of a lawyer who argues on both sides of a dispute and carries cases from the first claim through to the appellate courts.

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Author of *Ontario Accident Benefits Case Summaries* (LexisNexis, 2022)
- Co-author of the Ontario Justice Education Network's Top Five Case Briefs project for students
- Former Vice President of the Osgoode Peer Support Centre
- Volunteer with the Canadian Council of Muslim Women's Legal Services Coordination Pilot Program

EDUCATION

- J.D., Osgoode Hall Law School (2020)
- Anti-Discrimination Intensive Program, Osgoode Hall Law School
- B.A. (Hons), Equity Studies and Women & Gender Studies, University of Toronto (2016)

RECOGNITION & LEADERSHIP

- Best Lawyers in Canada, Ones to Watch, Insurance Law
- Member, Mentorship Committee, Women's Law Association of Ontario
- Member of The Advocates' Society and the Ontario Bar Association

GUEST 03



Jeilah Chan

Partner, Corporate Group
Stikeman Elliott LLP, Toronto

CAREER

Jeilah Chan is a partner at Stikeman Elliott LLP, one of Canada's leading business law firms. With more than twenty years of experience, she advises multinational brands on how to protect, enforce and commercialize their intellectual property, and represents clients in IP litigation.

AREA OF LAW

Her practice covers patents, trademarks, copyright, trade secrets, and contract and licensing disputes, along with IP issues in mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures, advertising and labelling, and brand-building strategy.

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Represented Vince Holding Corp. in its acquisition of the merchandising business of October's Very Own (OVO) from Drake
- Represented Francisco Partners in its take-private acquisition of Blackline Safety, valued at up to C\$850 million
- Editor-in-Chief of the *Canadian Intellectual Property Review*
- Guest lecturer in Osgoode Hall Law School's IP LL.M. program

EDUCATION

- B.Sc., University of Toronto (1999)
- LL.B., Osgoode Hall Law School (2002)

RECOGNITION & LEADERSHIP

- Chambers Canada Leading Lawyer in Intellectual Property every year from 2022 to 2027
- Named a Top IP Lawyer in North America for 2024 by MergerLinks, the only Canadian honoured
- Board member, The Samara Centre for Democracy; steering committee, the MINA Project for underserved youth

WEEK 3

Intellectual Property

CALLED TO THE BAR
Ontario, 2003

AFFILIATION
Stikeman Elliott LLP

FOCUS
IP Litigation & Brand Protection

WHY STUDENTS WILL WANT TO MEET JEILAH

Jeilah works where law meets culture: fashion, music and technology, including deals involving Drake's OVO brand. Students will see how the brands they know are protected, and gain a contact at one of Canada's most prestigious business law firms.



GUEST 04

Egidio Stagnitta

Personal Injury & Insurance Lawyer

Cariati Law

WEEK 4

Personal Injury

CALLED TO THE BAR

Ontario, 2003

AFFILIATION

Cariati Law

FOCUS

Personal Injury Litigation

WHY STUDENTS WILL WANT TO MEET EGIDIO

Having worked for insurers and then for injured clients, Egidio can show students both sides of a dispute. With more than twenty years in practice, he shows what client-focused advocacy looks like, and how the law directly changes people's lives.

CAREER

Egidio Stagnitta is a personal injury lawyer at Cariati Law, where his practice is dedicated to all types of personal injury litigation. Before joining Cariati Law, he spent years representing insurance companies defending injury claims, which gives him an inside understanding of how insurers think, negotiate and litigate.

AREA OF LAW

He represents people injured in motor vehicle accidents and slip-and-fall incidents, and those whose long-term disability claims have been denied. Having worked on both sides of personal injury disputes, he brings a rare dual perspective to every case.

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Former insurance defence counsel who now advocates for injured clients
- Handles motor vehicle, long-term disability and slip-and-fall claims
- Practises in three languages: English, French and Italian

EDUCATION

- J.D., Osgoode Hall Law School (2002)
- Honours B.A., Concordia University, Montréal (1998), Dean's List

RECOGNITION & LEADERSHIP

- Koskie Minsky Prize in Insurance Law
- Member of the Ontario Bar Association
- Member of The Advocates' Society



GUEST 05

Professor Albert Yoon

Professor & Michael J. Trebilcock Chair in Law and Economics
University of Toronto Faculty of Law

CAREER

Albert Yoon is a professor at the University of Toronto Faculty of Law and holds the Michael J. Trebilcock Chair in Law and Economics. He is also the co-founder of Blue J, an AI-powered tax research and decision-support company, where he serves as Senior Academic Advisor. Before joining U of T he was a professor of law at Northwestern University, and he served as U of T Law's Associate Dean of Research and Curriculum from 2018 to 2020.

AREA OF LAW

His research examines labour markets inside and outside the legal profession, legal ethics, and the use of machine learning and natural language processing in law. At U of T he teaches courses including Business Organizations and The Legal Profession.

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Supports the adoption of Blue J by tax faculty across North America and the United Kingdom
- Clerked for the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit
- George Francis Brownell Visiting Professor of Law, Harvard Law School (2023)
- Published in the Chicago, Stanford and Virginia law reviews

EDUCATION

- Undergraduate degree, Yale University
- J.D., Stanford Law School
- Ph.D. in Political Science, Stanford University

RECOGNITION & LEADERSHIP

- Pierre Elliott Trudeau Foundation Fellow (2022)
- Ronald H. Coase Prize for the best article in Law and Economics
- Member of the American Law Institute

WEEK 5

AI & the Law

CALLED TO THE BAR
California, 1999

AFFILIATION
U of T Faculty of Law
Co-Founder, Blue J

FOCUS
Law & Economics, AI in Law

WHY STUDENTS WILL WANT TO MEET PROFESSOR YOON

Professor Yoon offers a rare combination: a view of law school from the front of the classroom, and the story of building an AI company that is reshaping legal research. Students will hear what law schools look for and which skills will matter most for the next generation of lawyers.



GUEST 06

Aryan Sethi

Guest Judge, Mock Trial Day

Speech & Debate Coach, Civic Debate Academy

CAREER

Aryan Sethi is a nationally ranked debater and coach, an Assistant Travel Team Coach at Civic Debate Academy, and a student at the University of Toronto. In Public Forum, he peaked at 5th in the country and qualified to the Tournament of Champions three times, reaching elimination rounds. He has earned bids at elite tournaments including Harvard, Blake and the Digital TOC, and reached quarterfinals at the Princeton Classic while winning 2nd and 5th Speaker awards.

AREA OF LAW

As a coach, Aryan has worked with Public Forum and Lincoln-Douglas debaters since his sophomore year, and over the past season alone his students earned 27 bids. He specializes in answering Kritiks, technical strategy, judge and panel adaptation, and lay persuasion. On Mock Trial Day he leads the judging panel, ruling on each case and giving every student direct feedback.

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Quarterfinalist and 2nd and 5th Speaker at the Princeton Classic
- Bids earned at Harvard, Blake and the Digital TOC
- Three-time Tournament of Champions qualifier, reaching elimination rounds
- 5th and 10th at the NCFL Grand National Tournament (two-time qualifier)
- Semifinalist at Bronx; quarterfinalist at the National Speech and Debate Season Opener

EDUCATION

- University of Toronto (Class of 2030)

RECOGNITION & LEADERSHIP

- Massachusetts Public Forum State Champion
- NSDA National Qualifier and three-time NDCA Qualifier
- Finalist at the Pennsbury Falcon Invitational

WEEK 6

Mock Trial

GRADUATION YEAR

University of Toronto, 2030

AFFILIATION

University of Toronto

FOCUS

Public Forum & Lincoln-Douglas Debate

WHY STUDENTS WILL WANT TO MEET ARYAN

Aryan has competed at the highest levels of North American debate, from Harvard and Princeton to the Tournament of Champions. As head judge on Mock Trial Day, he will give students honest, expert feedback on how they argue, persuade and perform under pressure.

SECTION 05 · WEEK 7

Firm Visit: Lerner's LLP

The program ends inside a working law firm. Students will tour the offices of Lerner's LLP, hear from practising lawyers, and see how a leading Toronto firm operates. **Transportation is covered for every student.**



LERNER'S LLP, TORONTO



INSIDE LERNER'S LLP

ABOUT THE FIRM

Lerner's LLP

225 King Street West, Suite 1600, Toronto

A full-service Ontario firm founded in 1929, with more than 140 lawyers. Its Toronto office is one of the city's largest litigation practices, known for its strength at trial and on appeal. It is home to Week 2 guest Zahra Vaid.

- Named Regional Law Firm of the Year, Ontario, at the 2026 Canadian Law Awards
- Lawyers have appeared as lead counsel before the Ontario Court of Appeal and the Supreme Court of Canada
- Many lawyers recognized by Chambers, Lexpert and Best Lawyers in Canada
- Offices in Toronto, London, Waterloo Region and Strathroy

WHAT STUDENTS GAIN

A first-hand look at the professional environment of a top firm, the chance to speak directly with lawyers about careers and recruitment, and one last opportunity to grow the network they have built over seven weeks.

SECTION 06

Meet Your Hosts

Legal Pathways is hosted by Zaid Rashid and Alex Stagnitta, two Political Science students at the University of Toronto.

Zaid and Alex attended University of Toronto Schools (UTS) together for middle and high school, where they were involved in the law society, mock trial and Model UN. Both are accomplished students with a genuine passion for law. They host Legal Pathways to give students the access they wish they had had earlier: real conversations with the professionals who shape the legal world, and the connections that help students reach their full potential.



HOST

Zaid Rashid

Political Science · Trinity College, University of Toronto

Zaid brings years of Model UN crisis work and courtroom-style competition to Legal Pathways, along with a strong interest in where law and politics meet.

- Political Science student at Trinity College, U of T St. George
- Member of the Pre-Law Society at U of T
- Executive of the Political Science Club
- Crisis Senior at SOMA, the world's oldest high-school-run Model UN conference and Canada's largest, welcoming 650+ delegates
- Three years of Mock Trial
- Three years of DECA, competing in Marketing Orals



HOST

Alex Stagnitta

Political Science · University College, University of Toronto

Alex pairs a deep interest in public policy and democratic institutions with a background in finance and competitive business events.

- Political Science student at University College, U of T St. George
- Member of the Pre-Law Society at U of T
- Executive of the Political Science Club
- Head Volunteer at the Samara Centre for Democracy
- Three years of DECA, competing in Finance Written events
- Law society, mock trial and Model UN at UTS



SECTION 07

Location

Sessions take place in a modern, professional boardroom at 920 Yonge Street, in the heart of downtown Toronto, right by Yonge and Bloor.

SETTING

Modern boardroom

A bright, professional training space with presentation set-up and room for sessions and networking.

AREA

Yonge & Bloor

Downtown Toronto, in a prime and easy-to-reach location in the heart of the city.

ADDRESS

920 Yonge Street

Toronto, Ontario. Arrival details will be shared with registered families before the first session.

WEEK 7

Off-site firm visit

The final session takes place at Lerner LLP, with transportation covered.

A PROFESSIONAL SETTING BY DESIGN

We chose a dedicated professional space on purpose. Students meet our guests in a focused, polished setting that sets the tone for each session and helps them practise presenting themselves professionally.

SECTION 08

Weekly Breakdown

Seven weeks, each focused on a different part of the legal world and the professional who represents it.

This outline gives an overview of what students will experience each week. A detailed student workbook, with session notes, key terms and the full activity materials, will be provided separately at the start of the program.

HOW EVERY SESSION WORKS

01

PATHWAYS PRIMER

Your hosts run a planned, detailed activity on the week's area of law as a preface to the guest, so students arrive knowledgeable and ready to engage.

02

GUEST SESSION

→ The guest introduces their field and their career path, leads an activity, and answers students' questions.

03

NETWORKING

→ Students connect directly with the guest and begin building their professional network.

RUNNING THROUGH THE PROGRAM

The Mock Trial Case

In the opening week, every student receives the details of a case and is placed into an organized team. Over the following weeks, teams prepare their arguments, drawing on what they learn from each guest. In Week 6 they argue the case in a full mock trial, where ranked, experienced speech and debate judges rule on the outcome and give every student feedback.

WEEK 1

Case details released, teams organized

WEEKS 2-5

Teams prepare alongside the program

WEEK 6

Mock trial and judges' ruling

WEEK

01

Corporations

Gary Solway · Partner, Bennett Jones LLP



IN THIS SESSION

We open the program with the business of law: how companies are built, financed, bought and sold. Students explore what a corporation is, who controls it, and how corporate lawyers bring major deals together.

PATHWAYS PRIMER · ACTIVITY PREVIEW

A start-up deal simulation: teams act as founders and investors negotiating who owns and controls a new company, learning how shares, boards and shareholder agreements work. Opening day also launches the program. Students are placed into their teams and receive the case details for the Week 6 mock trial.

WHAT YOU'LL GAIN

- Hear from a lawyer with four decades of experience on landmark Canadian technology and media deals
- See what corporate practice on Bay Street really looks like
- Meet your team and begin preparing your mock trial case

WEEK

02

Litigation

Zahra Vaid · Litigator, Leners LLP



IN THIS SESSION

Students step into the courtroom side of law: how disputes begin, how lawyers build an argument, and how a case moves from a claim to a trial and, sometimes, an appeal.

PATHWAYS PRIMER · ACTIVITY PREVIEW

Students trace the life of a lawsuit, from the first claim to the final judgment, then practise building an argument from a set of facts. The litigation primer gives students skills they will use directly in the Week 6 mock trial.

WHAT YOU'LL GAIN

- Learn how litigators prepare and argue cases from a lawyer who works on both sides of a dispute
- Gain courtroom insight to bring to your own mock trial team
- Connect with a young lawyer who can speak to the path from university to practice

WEEK

03

Intellectual Property

Jeiliah Chan · Partner, Stikeman Elliott LLP



IN THIS SESSION

Ideas, brands and creative work are some of the most valuable assets in the world. Students explore how copyright, trademarks, patents and trade secrets protect them, and what happens when they are copied.

PATHWAYS PRIMER · ACTIVITY PREVIEW

Students rule on real-world copycat disputes from fashion, music and technology, deciding when a design, logo or song crosses the line. The IP primer looks at real-world examples from fashion, music and technology.

WHAT YOU'LL GAIN

- Learn from one of Canada's top-ranked IP lawyers, who has worked on deals involving the OVO brand
- See how brands are protected and enforced around the world
- Build a connection inside one of Canada's leading business law firms

WEEK

04

Personal Injury

Egidio Stagnitta · Personal Injury & Insurance Lawyer, Cariati Law



IN THIS SESSION

When someone is hurt through another person's carelessness, who is responsible, and what is fair compensation? Students explore negligence, accountability, and how injured people seek justice.

PATHWAYS PRIMER · ACTIVITY PREVIEW

Students examine an accident scenario from three perspectives (the injured person, the defendant and the insurer) and decide who is responsible and what is fair. The personal injury primer prepares students to look at a real case through the eyes of the injured person, the defendant and the insurer.

WHAT YOU'LL GAIN

- Hear from a lawyer who has represented both insurance companies and injured clients
- Understand how claims are valued, negotiated and taken to court
- See a client-focused side of law that changes people's lives directly

WEEK
05

U of T Law Professor & AI Law

Prof. Albert Yoon · U of T Faculty of Law; Co-Founder, Blue J



IN THIS SESSION

Artificial intelligence is changing how legal research is done, how outcomes are predicted, and what lawyers will do in the future. Students explore the opportunities and risks of AI in law, and get a rare look inside law school itself.

PATHWAYS PRIMER · ACTIVITY PREVIEW

Students compare an AI-generated legal answer with a lawyer's reasoning and debate whether AI should help decide real legal cases. The AI law primer asks who should be responsible when technology gets the law wrong.

WHAT YOU'LL GAIN

- Learn from a U of T law professor who co-founded Blue J, an AI-powered tax research company
- Get first-hand insight into law school, admissions and legal academia
- Understand the skills the next generation of lawyers will need

WEEK
06

Mock Trial

Guest Judge Aryan Sethi · with a panel of mock trial judges



IN THIS SESSION

This is the culminating week of the program. Students argue the case they received in Week 1 in a full mock trial, taking on roles as counsel and witnesses within their pre-assigned teams.

PATHWAYS PRIMER · ACTIVITY PREVIEW

Final coaching on opening statements, questioning witnesses and closing arguments, followed by team preparation before the trial begins. Teams and roles are organized in advance, and all details are shared in the opening week. Before the trial begins, teams have time for final preparation.

WHAT YOU'LL GAIN

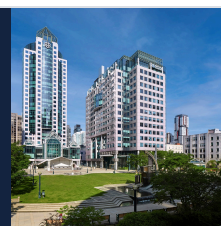
- Argue a real courtroom-style case in front of ranked, experienced speech and debate judges
- Receive expert, individual feedback on argument, delivery and strategy
- Put every skill from the program into practice

WEEK

07

Firm Visit

Lerners LLP · 225 King Street West, Toronto



IN THIS SESSION

The program closes inside Lerners LLP, one of Toronto's largest litigation practices. Students tour the offices, hear from practising lawyers, and see first-hand how a leading firm operates day to day.

PATHWAYS PRIMER · ACTIVITY PREVIEW

A briefing on how law firms are structured, what to expect inside, and how to network professionally, so students make the most of the visit. Transportation to and from the firm is covered for every student.

WHAT YOU'LL GAIN

- Experience the professional environment of Lerners LLP, a leading Toronto firm
- Ask lawyers directly about careers, recruitment and the path into the profession
- Leave the program with a network of contacts across the legal industry

PROGRAM COMPLETE

Seven weeks, by the numbers

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LEGAL
PROFESSIONALS

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AREAS OF LAW

1

MOCK TRIAL

1

LAW FIRM VISIT

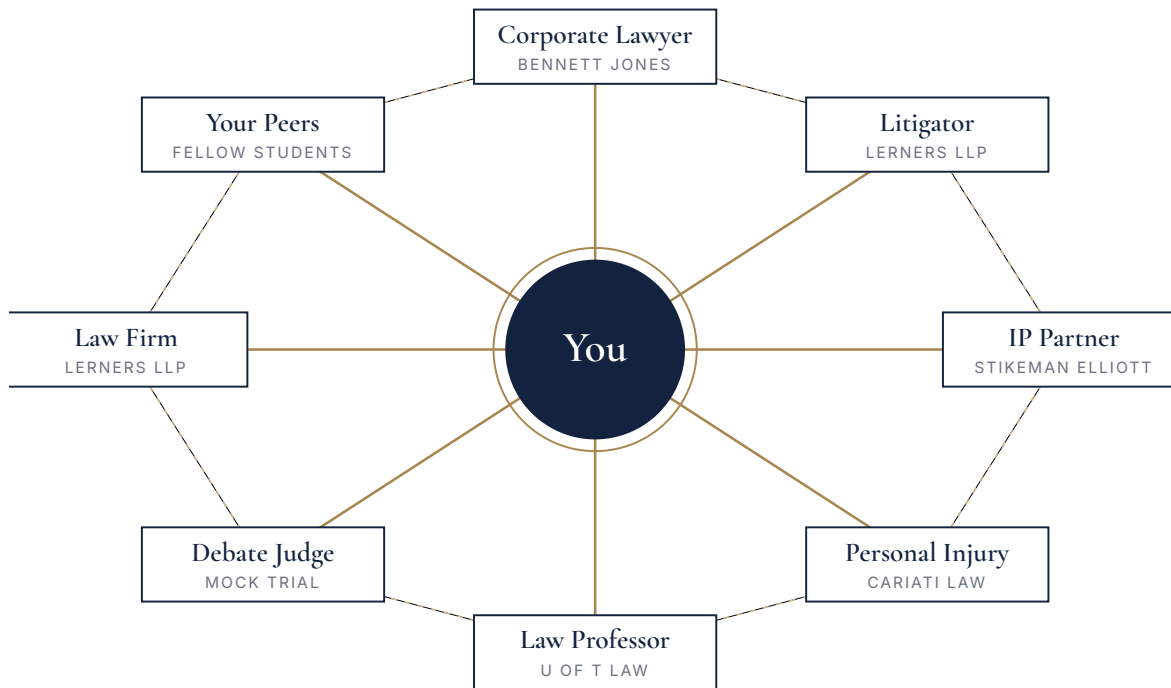
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HOURS OF
PROGRAMMING

SECTION 09

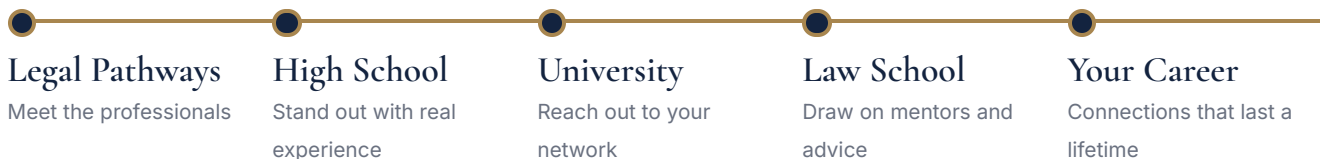
Your Pathway Continues

Connections are what run the professional world. The program ends after seven weeks, but the network students build does not.



The access students gain through Legal Pathways is something most people never get in today's corporate world. Partners, professors and practising lawyers rarely open their doors to students, and without an introduction, these relationships are almost impossible to build. Legal Pathways is the bridge: it closes the gap between students who would never otherwise get this opportunity and the professionals who can shape their futures, while teaching them about the law along the way.

Every guest, every conversation and every handshake becomes part of a network students carry with them. These are connections built to last a lifetime, and the experience will stay with students long after the final session, giving them a real head start in their future careers.



SECTION 10

Pricing

Legal Pathways is offered in two packages. Both include the full seven-week program; Premium adds exclusive access to law students, lawyers and private events.

ESSENTIAL PACKAGE

\$780

INCLUDES

- All seven weeks of programming
- Sessions with every guest professional
- Weekly networking and connections
- A community of motivated students
- Mock trial before expert judges
- Law firm visit with transportation provided
- Snacks at every session

PREMIUM PACKAGE

MOST COMPLETE

\$1,199

EVERYTHING IN ESSENTIAL, PLUS

- **Call with a Harvard Law student:** their path to law, preparing for the LSAT, getting into Harvard Law, and advice and connections
- **Call with a U of T Law student:** the same insight into the path to one of Canada's top law schools
- **Private networking night** with refreshments, connecting one-on-one with lawyers
- **Private networking events** with lawyers
- **Exclusive community events** and access to the Premium community
- Plugged into Toronto's legal network, with real-world legal skills from practising professionals

More details will be provided upon registration.



Legal Pathways

Connecting the next generation with the people
who practise law.

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