

Northeastern University School of Law is a national leader, and an intellectual center, in public interest law and social justice.

Putting Public Service Into Practice

“ At Northeastern, we challenge every student to think about law in its social context: to comprehend the normative role of law in building a just society and to grasp the ethical and public service obligations of lawyers.”

– Dean Emily A. Spieler

- 85% of our students complete an 11-week, full-time public interest co-op (externship). Members of the class of 2006 contributed more than 115,000 hours to public service through their co-ops.
- Half of Northeastern’s students participate in one of our clinics, annually donating more than 20,000 hours to their clients and the community.
- Every first-year student undertakes a team social justice project on behalf of a community-based, state agency or advocacy organization through our Legal Skills in Social Context course.
- Our graduates enter public interest legal positions at a rate that is three to five times the national average.
- The law school’s Public Interest Law Scholarship Program provides selected students with renewable 75% tuition awards.
- More than \$520,000 is distributed annually to students undertaking public interest or government co-ops.
- Since 1990, we have awarded more than \$2.4 million to 348 graduates through our public interest Loan Deferral and Forgiveness Program.
- Our faculty contribute through scholarship and service:
 - Social Science Research Network: www.ssrn.com
 - Public Law and Legal Theory Journal
 - Human Rights and the Global Economy Journal
- 68% of the faculty are engaged in pro bono work
- Our pathbreaking institutes and programs include:
 - Domestic Violence Institute
 - Program on Human Rights and the Global Economy
 - Public Health Advocacy Institute

We welcome social justice leaders to our community:

Join us for the next Daynard Public Interest Visiting Fellows Program with Judith Scott '74, general counsel to the Service Employees International Union. March 15, 2007, at noon.



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