

Democratizing Law Project: New Legal Degrees in the United States

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Premise

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Where we started...

We need a website.

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The study

Cognizant of anti-trust concerns...

- What populations are being driven to non-JD programs?
- What alternative paths are non-JD admitted students eschewing for these programs?
- What drivers (positive and negative) are influencing enrollment decisions?
- What are the prominent (positive and negative) indicators of persistence?
- What are post-graduation outcomes: professional position, income, ROI?

Methods

Quantitative

- Data collection from law schools
- Anonymized graduate tracking
- National employment databases

Qualitative

- Incoming student interviews
- Graduate interviews

The Study: Next steps

2019-2020

- Determine appropriate IRB and submit study for approval
- Study design and testing
- IRB submission and approval
- Pilot data collection
- Participant school invitations

2020-2021

Data collection and analysis

The Professional Association

- Develop a name/title and professional identity
Under consideration: “Allied Legal Professionals”
- Launch nonprofit association
- Develop governing board/introductory cohort
- Develop 3-year strategic plan
- Launch initial marketing/participant recruitment
- Hold inaugural conference and elections

Value proposition?

1. Continuing education
2. Credentialing
3. Professional identity
4. Information dissemination



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Our vision is to:

1. Be the primary source of unbiased information on environmental practices
2. Support the advancement of the environmental professions as a whole and our individual members in their careers
3. Encourage better decision-making that thoughtfully considers the full implications of those decisions

The Professional Association: Next steps

2019-2020

Determine name

Find founding members

Set up 501(c)(3)

Develop website

2020-2021

Recruitment push

Inaugural conference

Strategic Plan

Discussion

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