

SOUTHWESTERN

LAW SCHOOL Los Angeles, CA

Addendum to Catalog

Dated September 30, 2026

- Universal edits were made throughout this catalog to reflect Southwestern Law School's change in status with the California Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education (BPPE).

Southwestern Law School is exempt from approval by the California Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education (BPPE) under California Education Code section 94874(i), based on its accreditation by the WASC Senior College and University Commission (WSCUC). BPPE verified Southwestern's exemption on September 16, 2026.

Southwestern maintains a state authorization agreement with BPPE under California Education Code section 94874.9 for BPPE to review and act on complaints concerning the institution, as provided in that agreement.

An individual may contact the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education for review of a complaint. The Bureau may be contacted at 1747 North Market Blvd., Suite 225, Sacramento, CA 95834, <https://www.bppe.ca.gov>, Telephone: (916) 574-8900, Fax: (916) 263-1897.

Complaint instructions and the online filing option are available at <https://www.bppe.ca.gov/enforcement/complaint.shtml>. Written complaints may be mailed as directed by BPPE to P.O. Box 980818, West Sacramento, CA 95798-0818. BPPE's toll-free number is (888) 370-7589.

- Certain institutional policies reproduced in this catalog have been revised since publication of this catalog. The revised policies are identified below, together with a brief summary of the revisions.

Current versions of these policies are maintained on Southwestern Law School's Institutional Policies webpage at www.swlaw.edu/SWPolicies. Readers should consult the webpage for the current version of each revised policy.

- **Concentrations Policy**
 - Edits made in August 2026 to reflect the addition of a fifth Online J.D. Program concentration, effective January 2026.
- **Sexual Misconduct Policy**
 - Technical edits made in August 2026.
- **Determination of Credit Hours for Coursework**
 - Technical edits made in September 2026.
- **Bar Admission Information**
 - Revised in September 2026 to substantially expand and update the prior policy, adding guidance on changing bar examinations, testing accommodations, character-and-fitness and certification procedures, and a new step-by-step bar admissions planning guide.
- **Examination Administration Policy**
 - Revised September 2026 to add a sanction provision for students who possess an unauthorized electronic device.
- **Academic Disqualification, Academic Probation, and Academic Improvement Program Policies**
 - Edits made September 2026 to revise restrictions for students who are on academic probation.
- **SCALE Program Policies**
 - Edits made September 2026 to revise restrictions for students who are on academic probation.
- **Policy to Prevent Discrimination, Harassment, and Retaliation**
 - Revised in September 2026.
- **Honors Programs Policies**
 - Edits made September 2026 to revise academic probation restrictions for certain honors programs.