How does your school recruit minority and/or women students?

Chicago-Kent College of Law is committed to maintaining the diverse community that has been one of its strengths since 1894 when Ida Platt, the first African-American woman admitted to the bar in Illinois and the second black woman admitted to practice in the United States, earned her J.D. from the law school. Today, students of color make up 21 percent of the student body, and 47 percent of the students are women. The law school attracts students with diverse backgrounds and interests, which is reflected in the approximately 40 student organizations that are active on campus each year.

Students of Color and Cultural Diversity Open House

To learn more about the diversity of the Chicago-Kent community, we invite prospective students to our annual Students of Color and Cultural Diversity Open House. Prospective students meet with faculty, staff and students during a reception and program which includes a panel discussion led by the Assistant Dean for Student Professional Development. Panelists include student representatives from all minority student organizations discussing their transition to law school and their experiences at Chicago-Kent.

PreLaw Undergraduate Scholars Program

The Chicago-Kent PreLaw Undergraduate Scholars program (“PLUS”) offers a unique and unforgettable experience for college students who are interested in the legal profession. This rigorous four-week program is designed to provide students with a “taste” of the law school experience. The program is primarily directed at undergraduate college students from disadvantaged groups that are underrepresented in the legal profession.

Diversity in the Law Program

Each year, Chicago-Kent, in participation with other local law schools, co-hosts a Diversity in the Law Program. The program, designed for prospective minority students, allows participants to learn more about opportunities in the field of law and law school admissions. The program includes presentations by local judges, a visit to a local law firm, and a law school fair.

Law and Public Safety Academy, Chicago Public Schools

The law school has also developed a relationship with the Chicago Public School’s Law and Public Safety Academy, and annually sponsors programming for participating students on legal careers and law school admissions.

LSAC Atlanta Law Forum

This LSAC-sponsored law forum is held annually and invites prospective students from the greater Atlanta region, including the Atlanta University System, and Historically Black Colleges and Universities of the Southeast region. In addition to participating in the law forum, Chicago-Kent participates in the individual campus days and college fairs held in conjunction with the forum.

Puerto Rican Legal Defense and Education Fund

Chicago-Kent participates annually in the Puerto Rican Legal Defense and Education Fund Law Day held at Pace University. The focus of the law day is prospective law school applicants of color, as well as area NY area high school seniors, college freshmen and others who may be considering law school, but are not ready to start the application process.

National Black Pre-Law Admissions and Preparation Conference

Chicago-Kent participates in this annual conference and recruitment fair in an effort to continue its outreach to prospective African-American students. This national conference invites pre-law minority students from across the country to meet with admissions representatives from various law schools to gather insight and understanding of the law school admissions process.

Hispanic Lawyers Association of Illinois JD Mentor Program

Chicago-Kent participates annually in the HLAI JD Mentors Program Law School Crawl. During the event, prospective Hispanic law students are able to visit six Chicago-area law schools. Each school gives a unique presentation during the event that provides potential students with an opportunity to experience what it’s like to be a law student at the schools they may attend one day.
Please describe any scholarship and fellowship programs for minority and/or women students organized through your school.

**Name:** Pre-law Undergraduate Scholars Program (“PLUS”)

**Application Deadline:** March 31, 2007

**Scholarship Amount:** Program offers free housing, a stipend and partial payment for meals and transportation

**Web site/contact:** www.kentlaw.edu/adm/plus or GSmith@kentlaw.edu

The PLUS program is a four-week summer program designed to give undergraduate students a taste of the law school experience. Students take several core law courses, visit law offices and court houses, meet with judges and practitioners and participate in oral arguments and seminars. Applicants must complete an application, have a minimum G.P.A. of 2.5, supply a personal statement, an official transcript and two letters of recommendation. This program is funded by grants from the Law School Admissions Council and Illinois State Board of Higher Education. Chicago-Kent also provides funding for the program.

**Name:** Chicago-Kent Achievement Scholarships

**Application Deadline:** No deadline to apply

**Scholarship Amount:** varies from $2,000 to full tuition

These scholarships are awarded to entering students based on factors which include diversity, financial need, or a history of overcoming significant personal, economic or societal obstacles, and whose background and other accomplishments demonstrate potential to excel in law school. These awards are renewable after the first year provided the student remains in good academic standing.

**Name:** N'Digo Foundation Thurgood Marshall Scholarship

**Application Deadline:** No deadline to apply

**Scholarship Amount:** Full tuition

This scholarship is awarded by Chicago-Kent and the N'Digo Foundation to a student demonstrating outstanding academic achievement and a dedication to the legal field. This award is renewable after the first year provided the student remains in good academic standing.

**Name:** Hispanic Lawyers Association of Illinois Sponsorship Program

As a school sponsor, Chicago-Kent supports the continued programming of the HLAI JD Mentors Program and provides necessary financial assistance to Hispanic students in need.

Prominent Alumni/Faculty

**Please provide information about prominent minority faculty members at your school.**

**Bartram S. Brown**, Professor of Law and Co-Director, Program in International and Comparative Law  Professor Brown received his B.A. from Harvard University, his J.D. from Columbia University, and his Ph.D. from the Graduate Institute of International Studies in Geneva, Switzerland. At Columbia, he was managing editor of the COLUMBIA HUMAN RIGHTS LAW REVIEW. He has published a book on the law and politics of the World Bank, as well as articles on international human rights law, international humanitarian law, international criminal tribunals, and international trade law.

Professor Brown is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and serves on the Board of Directors of Amnesty International, USA. He is also a member of the Advisory Board of the American Bar Association’s Central and Eastern European Law Initiative (CEELI). He served as a law clerk at the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia, and participated in the 1998 Rome Diplomatic Conference on the Establishment of an International Criminal Court as Legal Advisor to the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago. In 1999 and 2000, he was a public member of the United States Delegation to the United Nations Commission on Human Rights in Geneva, Switzerland. He has recently led or participated in human rights fact-finding missions to several countries including Haiti, Bahrain and Malawi.

**Sungjoon Cho**, Assistant Professor of Law  Professor Cho joined the Chicago-Kent faculty in August 2003. He earned his LL.B. and M.P.A. degrees from Seoul National University before studying in the United States for his LL.M. in international economic law at the University of Michigan Law School. He then completed his S.J.D. degree at Harvard Law School in 2002.
Professor Cho’s research interests include international trade law, public international law and comparative law. Before coming to the United States, he represented the government of South Korea in negotiations with the World Trade Organization and the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development.


Professor Atuahene has varied experiences in the field of law and international development. She has worked as a legal consultant for the World Bank and as a human rights investigator for the Center for Economic and Social Rights, where she received Amnesty International’s Patrick Stewart Human Rights Award for her work with human rights organizations throughout South America.

Professor Atuahene was in South Africa as a Fulbright Scholar. She served as a judicial clerk at the Constitutional Court of South Africa, working for Justices Madala and Ngcobo. She then practiced as an associate at Cleary, Gottlieb, Steen & Hamilton in New York, where she focused on sovereign debt and real estate transactions.

Professor Atuahene joined the Chicago-Kent faculty in 2005. Broadly, her research deals with the confiscation and restitution of property. She teaches Law, Policy and International Development; Property; and International Business Transactions.

**Joan E. Steinman**, Distinguished Professor of Law

Professor Steinman received her bachelor’s degree in philosophy from the University of Rochester and her law degree from Harvard Law School, where she served on the HARVARD CIVIL RIGHTS-CIVIL LIBERTIES LAW REVIEW. She was admitted to the Illinois Bar in 1973 and practiced with the Chicago law firm of Schiff Hardin & Waite from 1973 to 1977, specializing in civil litigation.

Professor Steinman joined the faculty of Chicago-Kent in 1977 and served as interim dean in 1990-91. She has authored articles on the associational privacy privilege in civil litigation, class actions, suits for money damages to vindicate First Amendment rights, pseudonymous litigation, law of the case doctrine, removal, supplemental jurisdiction, the effects of case consolidation on litigants’ procedural rights, appellate jurisdiction and other procedural issues. She is responsible for two volumes of the Wright, et al., FEDERAL PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE TREATISE.

Professor Steinman was the 1992 chair of the Association of American Law Schools Complex Litigation Committee of the Civil Procedure Section. She was a member of the American Law Institute Complex Litigation Project Consultative Group, has served on the executive committee of the AALS Civil Procedure Section, and has been a master in the Chicago Lincoln American Inn of Court. Most recently, she has been an adviser on the A.L.I. Federal Judicial Code Revision project. She teaches courses in civil procedure, complex litigation, appellate courts and federal courts. In 1989, Professor Steinman was named a Norman and Edna Freehling Scholar.

**Please provide information about prominent minority alumni from your school.**

**Dorothy Brown** ’96 - Dorothy Brown made history when she was elected as the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Cook County in 2000. As the official keeper of records for all judicial matters brought into one of the largest unified court systems in the world, Clerk Brown is responsible for managing an annual operating budget of more than $100 million and has a workforce of over 2,300 employees. Clerk Brown graduated Magna Cum Laude from Southern University in Louisiana; received a Master’s in Business Administration, with honors, from DePaul University; a Juris Doctor of Law, with honors, from Chicago-Kent College of Law; and she is also a Certified Public Accountant.

Clerk Brown was awarded the 2002 Hillary Rodham Clinton Leadership Award from the Illinois Democratic Women, the 2003 Marks of Excellence Award from the National Forum for Black Public Administrators, the 2003 Women of Achievement Award from the Anti-Defamation League, the 2004 NAACP Medal of Freedom from the Proviso/Leyden Township in Illinois, the 2005 National Association of Black Accountants’ National Achievement in Government Award and the 2005 “Voice of Freedom Award” from the Harriet Beecher Stowe Fine & Performing Arts Academy.

**Cynthia Y. Cobbs** ’88 - Cynthia Y. Cobbs was appointed Director of the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts on March 1, 2002, becoming the first woman and the first African American to head the office. Prior to her appointment as administrative director, Ms. Cobbs served as the Office’s Chief Legal Counsel, having previously worked as an attorney in its Executive Division. Before joining the staff at the Administrative Office, Ms. Cobbs served as senior judicial law clerk to Supreme Court Justice Charles E. Freeman and had also worked as a research attorney in the First District Appellate Court.

Ms. Cobbs received her B.A. degree from Morgan State University, Baltimore, Maryland and she holds a Master’s Degree in clinical social work from the University of Maryland. Ms. Cobbs, a graduate of IIT-Chicago-Kent College of Law, was admitted to...
practice law in Illinois in 1988. Ms. Cobbs was honored with the 2006 Professional Achievement Award by the C-K Alumni Board of Directors.

Lester McKeever ’71- Lester McKeever was born and raised in Chicago and graduated from Wendell Phillips High School. He was educated at University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and studied law at the IIT-Chicago Kent College of Law.

After law school, McKeever joined the accounting firm of Washington & Pittman, thus beginning a long career. In 1976, McKeever was elected to Washington & Pittman’s Board of Directors as a managing partner and eventually the firm was renamed Washington, Pittman & McKeever. A passionate civic leader, McKeever has served on the Finance Committee under Chicago mayors Harold Washington and Richard M. Daley. In 1993, McKeever was elected to the Illinois Institute of Technology’s Board of Directors. In 1997, he made history when he was appointed chairman of the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago. He is also Director and part-owner of Maywood Park racetrack.

McKeever has served as board chairman for the Chicago Urban League and is an active member of the Metropolitan Planning Council and the Neighborhood Institute Development Corporation. His wife, Nancy, is a former Chicago public school teacher. They have two children, Steven and Susan both of whom are lawyers.

Judy D. Martinez ’98 - Judy earned her JD from Chicago-Kent College of Law. Ms. Martinez is currently with the City of Chicago Mayor’s Office of Intergovernmental Affairs, Assistant to Mayor Daley, and previously worked for the Chicago Park District as general council. During her days at Chicago-Kent, Judy was active in the school’s trial advocacy team, leading her to earning several accolades in national competitions. Her passion for the team keeps her connected to the law school, as she remains actively involved as a coach from time to time, as well as aligned with students and fellow alumni at many of the law school’s trial advocacy and other social events.

Kwame Raoul ’93 - Senator Raoul was born in Chicago, Illinois on September 30, 1964, to Haitian-born immigrants Janin Raoul, M.D. and Marie Therese Raoul. He is a graduate of the University of Chicago Laboratory High School, DePaul University (B.A., Political Science) and the Chicago-Kent College of Law. State Senator Kwame Raoul was appointed to fill the vacancy of U.S. Senator Barack Obama on November 6, 2004. As a lifelong resident of the Hyde Park/Kenwood area, Senator Raoul is most concerned about education, public safety, health care and economic development, issues of great importance to the 13th legislature district. Raoul is a former Cook county prosecutor and still works as Senior Attorney for the City Colleges of Chicago. He has also directed volunteer legal clinics in the communities of his district. He has participated in voter registration campaigns with Rainbow/PUSH.

Currently, Senator Raoul serves as the Vice-Chairperson on the Pensions and Investments Committee, and sits on the Commerce & Economic Development, Health & Human Services, Higher Education and Judiciary committees. He also sits on the Governor’s State Re-entry and Public Safety Committee, which works closely with community groups to promote the smooth and safe re-integration of ex-offenders.

Joseph R. Lopez ’83 - Joseph Lopez earned his J.D. from Chicago-Kent College of Law in 1983. He has established himself as a criminal defense lawyer specializing in narcotics cases at the Federal level. His practice has since grown to cover all areas of the law, including the defense of organized crime figures; white collar criminals; and murderers. He defended one of the men in the 1998 Bridgeport beating of Lenard Clark; another in the E2 stampede that killed 8 people; and numerous police officers accused of misconduct. Mr. Lopez’s high-profile cases can often be seen in many of the local and national media.

Montel M. Gayles ’92 - Mr. Gayles earned his JD in 1992 from Chicago-Kent and is currently Chief of Staff for the Chicago Housing Authority. Montel is influential in facilitating many of the media’s requests regarding the city’s development matters, focusing on the many residents who rely on the City of Chicago’s housing system. Gayles and his colleagues are working toward a benchmark concept, Plan for Transformation after 2009, to complete 25,000 units envisioned for the people of Chicago.

Student Organizations

Please provide information on your school diversity student and alumni organizations. For example, student-run associations and journals/publications.

Asian Pacific American Law Students Association (APALSA)
http://www.kentlaw.edu/students/organizations.html

The Chicago-Kent chapter of the Asian Pacific American Law Students Association was founded in 1989 to increase social and professional opportunities for Asian American law students. Many APALSA members are Americans of Asian Indian, Chinese,
Filipino, Japanese, Korean and Vietnamese ancestry, but participation is not limited to individuals of Asian ethnic descent. Students interested in fostering the exchange of ideas and information involving Asian Americans and Pacific Rim affairs are encouraged to join. APALSA provides a forum for the discussion of national and local issues concerning Asian Americans through its affiliation with the National Asian Pacific American Law Students Association (NAPALSA), which represents over 40 law schools in the United States, and the Asian American Bar Association of Greater Chicago (AABA). By participating in a variety of community outreach programs, APALSA seeks to increase the visibility of Asian American interests at Chicago-Kent and in the legal community.

**Black Law Students Association (BLSA)**
http://www.kentlaw.edu/students/organizations.html
The Black Law Students Association was founded in 1967 by students attending New York University and Columbia University law schools. Since then, BLSA chapters have been established at more than 90 law schools throughout the country. The Chicago-Kent chapter was founded in 1974. In accordance with national guidelines and goals, Chicago-Kent’s BLSA chapter seeks to supplement the legal and cultural education that members receive in the classroom, to increase opportunities for black students to attend law school, to assure their success as students, and to facilitate their placement in positions that are personally satisfying and that relate to the needs of the community.

**Hispanic-Latino Law Students Association (HLLSA)**
http://www.kentlaw.edu/students/organizations.html
The Chicago-Kent Hispanic-Latino Law Students Association was founded in 1982. HLLSA actively seeks to increase opportunities for Hispanic students to attend law school, provide necessary support for their academic success, and assist students in becoming acclimated to the law school environment.

**South Asian Law Student Association (SALSA)**
http://www.kentlaw.edu/students/organizations.html
The Chicago-Kent chapter of the South Asian Law Students Association (SALSA) was founded to provide academic support and professional development opportunities for South Asian students. The organization’s current focus is on expansion and investment in its members by creating opportunities to network with other law school students and professionals of South Asian descent within the legal community. The organization is committed to community service work, involvement with the Indian American Bar Association, and continued assistance of the South Asian community in need of legal aid.

**Please also provide information on any classes and concentrations that focus on issues related to women or minorities, such as Civil Rights Law.**

**Gender and the Law**
This three-credit course asks: how does gender (that is, concepts regarding what it means to be a man or woman) construct law, and how does law construct gender? Over the past thirty years a rich and exciting body of scholarship regarding gender and the law has developed. It poses a significant challenge to traditional ways of thinking about law, questioning some of the basic premises of what constitutes justice and equality in a democracy. This course examines the main tenets, methodologies, and controversies in this body of literature including the meaning of equality, the intersection of race and law, the public/private divide, concepts of objectivity and neutrality, and how law reproduces hierarchies while also having the ability to participate in significant social change. We will also analyze debates regarding sex work, domestic violence, reproductive rights, the nature of the workplace, and concepts of the family. The goal of the course is to think broadly and critically regarding the interaction of law, society, and gender while exploring the potential and limitations of our legal system.

**Law, Literature and Feminism**
This two-credit course will examine the development of feminist legal theory by focusing on several cases, writings of theorists, and novels that provide further illustration of the theories. The early advocates of women’s rights argued in court cases for equality; this theme is also developed in Zora Neale Hurston’s novel, Their Eyes Were Watching God. The Supreme Court case focusing on maternity leave raised the question whether women should be arguing for equality or difference; Toni Morrison’s novel The Bluest Eye asks a similar question. Catharine MacKinnon and Carol Gilligan gave the debate a slightly different turn, with MacKinnon focusing on the need to rectify an existing power imbalance and Gilligan emphasizing an appreciation of difference. Both these approaches intersect in Gloria Naylor’s The Women of Brewster Place and Cristina Garcia’s Dreaming in Cuban. The course will require attendance, participation, four ungraded writing assignments (1-2 pages), and a take-home final exam.

**Sexual Orientation and the Law**
Despite recent efforts by a few states and localities to protect gay men and lesbians from discrimination or to recognize domestic partner relationships, society’s attitude toward homosexuality continues to be ambivalent. This is particularly true in the areas of marriage and childrearing, but it is also true in a number of states where adult consensual same-sex relations are still illegal, where
no protection is provided against public or private employment discrimination, or where openly gay teachers are restricted from teaching in the classroom. This course will establish a theoretical framework for approaching lesbian and gay issues by critically looking at various conceptions of homosexuality and society's justification for affecting behavior. It will then apply this understanding to the interaction between gays and the criminal justice system; discrimination in public and private employment; First Amendment issues posed by gay students and teachers in public schools and universities; legal problems faced in same-sex relationships; and child custody and visitation rights, as well as the ability to become foster and adoptive parents. While not limiting itself solely to questions of privacy, the course will also challenge the 1986 Supreme Court decision in Bowers v. Hardwick and argue that the decision should now be overruled.

Public Interest Law and Policy
This three-credit course offers an overview of the issues faced by lawyers representing low income clients and lawyers who serve under-represented and disenfranchised groups. The course will begin with an investigation of the meaning of public interest law. The bulk of the course will cover the key cases decided and legislation passed since the 1960s when the Johnson Administration launched its war on poverty in the United States. These cases may include court decisions and legislation affecting income support for low income people including federal welfare programs, social security and state general assistance programs. Low income housing, medical care, nutrition and access to courts may also be explored. In addition, the course will explore ethical issues that arise when lawyers represent low income clients and professionalism questions that are raised by the special role lawyers play in providing access to justice.

Certificate in Public Interest Law
Chicago-Kent College of Law has a strong public interest tradition and a rich array of activities, courses and resources that encourage students to consider public interest law and prepare our students to be effective public interest lawyers. Building on this rich tradition, Chicago-Kent offers a Certificate in Public Interest Law.

Finding public interest employment positions has become increasingly competitive. The Certificate in Public Interest Law allows students to earn a credential that further illustrates their dedication to public interest law, while also providing students with a personalized curriculum to satisfy their individual career goals.

Career Opportunities

Please describe any diversity recruiting events for employers recruiting minority and/or women students at or near your school.

Chicago-Kent College of Law participates in numerous diversity recruiting events for employers recruiting minority and/or women students throughout the academic year. These events include the Cook County Bar Association Minority Job Fair, held in Chicago every August; the Vault Legal Diversity Job Fair, held in Chicago in September; the Circuit Court of Cook County, Circuit Court Forum for Minority Law Students, held in Chicago in April; the Minnesota Minority Recruitment Conference, held in Minneapolis in September; the National Black Prosecutor Job Fair, held at various locations in July; the Bay Area Diversity Career Fair, held in San Francisco in August; the Delaware Minority Job Fair, held in August; the National Black Law Student Association Minority Job Fair, held in multiple regions throughout the United States during the months of August and September, including the Midwest; the Heartland Diversity Legal Job Fair, held in Kansas City in September; the Northwest Minority Job Fair, held in Seattle in September; the Rocky Mountain Diversity Legal Career Fair in September; the IMPACT Career Fair for law students and lawyers with disabilities, held in Washington DC in September; and the Lavender Law Conference & Career Fair (for GLBT law students), held in a different location each year in September. In addition, international LL.M. students who attend Chicago-Kent are able to participate in New York University's International Student Interview Program in January.

In order to prepare students for recruiting events, the Black Law Students Association, Hispanic Latino Law Student Association, South Asian Law Students Association and Asian Law Students Association hold an annual program in the spring to discuss opportunities that are available through job fairs, and provide interview techniques, resume tips, and networking suggestions. In addition, the Career Services Office sets up mock interviews with Chicago-Kent alumni to prepare students for the Cook County Bar Association Minority Job Fair, held annually in Chicago. Women in Law hosts a spring program on career challenges for women lawyers and the Chicago-Kent Lambdas host a program on career opportunities for GLBT lawyers. In addition, all of the career counselors in the career services office have participated in a Safe Space workshop and are prepared to help GLBT students with any career concerns they may have.

Networking opportunities for students take place throughout the year and all of the diverse student groups have cultivated relationships with local bar associations. These include relationships with the Chicago Committee on Minorities in Large Law Firms,
the Hispanic Bar Association of Illinois, the Cook County Bar Association, the Black Women’s Lawyers Association, the Indian American Bar Association, the Asian American Bar Association, Women’s Bar Association, and the Lesbian and Gay Bar Association of Chicago. In addition, networking events include receptions at large firms in the Chicago area; an annual reception hosting by Twin Cities Diversity in Practice, held for Chicago-Kent students by a law firm consortium from Minneapolis; the Cook County State’s Attorney Office Minority Law Student Reception, a Judge’s night sponsored by Chicago-Kent’s Hispanic Latino Law Student Association, among other events.

Summer opportunities to clerk for Judges, work for firms, government, legal aid, corporations and labor unions are also cultivated. Chicago-Kent students participate in the American Bar Association, Judicial Internship Opportunity Program, which provides diverse and economically disadvantaged students with the opportunity to clerk for Judges during the summer months. The Circuit Court of Cook County holds an annual minority law student forum in April that includes interviewing for positions with Circuit Court Judges. Other opportunities such as the Puerto Rican Legal Defense and Education Fund summer corporate internship program, the BP summer internship program, the AFL-CIO’s Lawyer’s Coordinating Committee Minority Outreach Program, and similar opportunities, are promoted to students. In addition, information about applying for school-year scholarship opportunities, as well as summer associate positions, through large firms such as Vedder Price and Schiff Hardin, is available to students.

Strategic Plan and Diversity Leadership

Please provide your school’s diversity mission statement if applicable.

Illinois Institute of Technology is a multicultural community that values and respects its members. We take pride in the fact that our faculty, staff and students come from various backgrounds and all parts of the world, and we welcome their diverse perspectives and contributions. It is our policy to provide a working and learning environment in which faculty, staff and students are able to realize their full potential as productive members of the IIT community.

To this end, IIT affirms its commitment to equal opportunity and nondiscrimination in employment and education for all qualified individuals regardless of race, religion, color, national origin, gender, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, applicable veteran status or any other characteristic protected by applicable federal, state or local law. Further, IIT is committed to taking affirmative action to increase opportunities at all levels of employment and to increase opportunities for participation in programs and activities by all faculty, staff and students.

Every member of the IIT community: faculty, staff and student, is expected to cooperate fully in meeting these goals.

How does your school’s leadership communicate the importance of diversity to your student body, faculty and administration?

Chicago Kent belongs to the broader Illinois Institute of Technology family.

As such, much of the overall diversity policy is communicated through and by IIT. However, Chicago Kent communicates and publicizes its diversity policy as well as its initiatives on its web site, through faculty and student publications, through workshops, meetings and conferences held at the school. The College also has an Assistant Dean for Student Professional Development whose major responsibilities include working with students of color in the law school to assist them in their transition into the profession. This includes mentoring, developing networks, counseling, working with the student organizations and partnering with external organizations to enhance career opportunities for our students.