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U.S. News & World Report's ranking of legal writing programs lists the University of Dayton School of Law 21st in the nation.

"Great lawyers know how to put their ideas into words, both written and spoken," Dean Paul McGreal said. "The School of Law is fortunate to have a legal profession program staffed with outstanding faculty who start teaching these skills to our students on day one of law school."

The School of Law's legal profession program, which includes courses in legal writing, is devoted to building legal research, analysis and writing skills in the context of the evolving technology used in today's law practice. The program also stresses the practical application of skills necessary to produce clear, effective legal documents.

Connecting to the Internet for legal research and writing is easy for University of Dayton law students. Yahoo!, Intel Corp. and the Princeton Review have ranked the University of Dayton among the nation's most wired or connected, and even unwired, campuses for its use of wireless technology.

During the School of Law's legal profession sequence, a comprehensive two-semester, six-credit-hour sequence taken in the first year, students learn skills such as accessing and understanding legal authority and effectively communicating legal analysis.

U.S. News rankings are compiled from surveys completed by legal research and writing professors nationwide. Legal writing programs teach students how to research and analyze the law and communicate it to their constituencies.

U.S. News also ranked the legal writing program in the top 20 in 2004.

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