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04.22.2014 | Students, Law  Last year's University of Dayton School of Law graduates are finding jobs in their field at rates higher than state or local averages, according to data recently released by the American Bar Association.

Three of every four — 75.3 percent — 2013 University of Dayton law graduates hold a full-time, long-term job that requires bar passage or prefers a law degree, and nearly two of every three — 63.7 percent — hold a full-time, long-term job that requires bar passage. Both rates are second among the nine Ohio law schools and comparable regional law schools Northern Kentucky University, Valparaiso University and Chicago's John Marshall Law School. The national rates are 67.1 and 57 percent, respectively.

"I am proud of our 2013 graduates. They earned this by working hard in the classroom and preparing diligently for the bar exam. These results bear the fruits of their labor, and are a living example of the law school's mission to practice excellence in all we do," University of Dayton School of Law Dean Paul McGreal said.

To help prepare graduates for careers, each University of Dayton law student receives at least 168 hours of real-world work experience before graduation under the supervision of a licensed attorney at a government agency, law firm or corporation, or in a court or legal aid agency. In addition to the School of Law's externship program, students can acquire a limited-practice license to work in the school's law clinic on cases for clients in Dayton municipal court.

In addition to on-the-job training, the School of Law's nationally acclaimed legal writing program helps students develop legal research, analysis and writing skills used in today's law practice.

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