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The GLC Fellowship provides exceptional students interested in GLC initiatives with exclusive opportunities to engage in policy projects; legislative advocacy; and networking opportunities with lawyers for New York State agencies and the Attorney General’s Office, judges, lobbyists, nonprofit leaders and union lawyers.

Mission: The Government Law Center at Albany Law School conducts research and analysis regarding government and the public interest

The GLC educates students and engages faculty in promoting public policy analysis, good government reform efforts and public service. With a historic focus on state and local issues, the GLC assists government at all levels—local, state, national and international—to address pressing social, legislative and administrative challenges in ways that are innovative, scalable, efficient and effective, while also exposing students, faculty and alumni to opportunities that promote public service. The GLC collaborates in a non-partisan fashion with key partners in government and the private, non-profit and philanthropic sectors to further its mission.

The GLC has a wide array of initiatives:

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- Environmental Law and Sustainable Development
- Equine, Racing, and Gaming Law
- Inequality and Human Rights
- Job Creation and Business Development
- The Law of Entrepreneurship in Emerging Technologies
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- Access to Justice
- Aging Law and Policy
- Health Law
- Social Entrepreneurship
- Urban Development and Smart Cities

Fifteen students from the classes of 2018 and ’19 were selected as inaugural Government Law Center Fellows. The GLC Fellowship program has granted the 1Ls — who were eligible to apply after being accepted to Albany Law — exclusive access to movers and shakers in government and other highly regarded legal professionals.

GLC Fellows have been paired with government attorneys or Advisory Board members who include senior partners in high-profile law firms, judges, lobbyists, nonprofit leaders, and lawyers for New York state agencies, Attorney General’s offices, and unions. The students have been invited as special guests to Board meetings and subcommittees, and can “shadow” board members and staff, who serve as informal mentors, at their offices and in high-level meetings.

“...My mentor has a lot of resources that he’s willing to help me use...” said University at Albany grad Racquel Saddler, whose experience as a GLC Fellow has reinforced her goal of pursuing a career in legislative advocacy. “...He said that I can sit in with him on lobbying meetings, and meetings with elected officials and staffers, just to get that experience.”

First-Year Students Experience Power of Place as Government Law Center Fellows

Florida State University graduate Benjamin Gold applied to become a Fellow after corresponding with GLC Director Ray Brescia, who touted the program’s many hands-on opportunities.

“It was a no-brainer, given that the Government Law Center is what drew Gold to Albany Law in the first place. Working with the GLC’s staff and Advisory Board — which is comprised of sophisticated attorneys with both academic and practical experience on a variety of issues — has allowed me to look forward to becoming involved in state government field placements and internships next year,” Gold said. “It’s a privilege to work alongside seasoned professionals in the field of law that I plan on working in, in the future.”

Gold said the Fellowship has helped narrow his focus as he nears the end of his 1L year.