



BEYOND THE STAND-ALONE EVENT: INTEGRATING FINANCIAL WELLNESS INTO THE CLASSROOM



AccessLex Spring Sync **Workshop**

[#AccessLexSpringSync2025](#)

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What's the **PLAN**?

- Meet our MAXnificent panelists!
- Introduction to MAX by AccessLex® and JDEdge by AccessLex®
- Northern Illinois University College of Law
- Nova Southeastern University Shepard Broad College of Law
- University of Hawai'i at Manoa William S. Richardson School of Law
- Questions/Sharing/Thoughts



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Meet Our **Panelists**



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INTRODUCTION TO MAX AND JDEDGE

MAX by AccessLex®

The personal finance program for law students

- **2016**: Financial education pilot program
- **2017**: MAX launch
- **2017 – 2021**: MAX Online
- **2021**: Ask EDNA!® launch, including new MAX curriculum
- **2022**: MAX wins AFCPE Outstanding Educational Program of the Year!



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MAX Scholarships

November 1	6 x \$5,000 scholarships
February 1	6 x \$5,000 scholarships
April 1	6 x \$25,000 scholarships 3 x \$40,000 scholarships
May 1: Hannah R. Arterian Memorial Scholarship	1 x \$50,000 scholarship



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MAX Madness



MAX MADNESS February 1 through March 31

MAX by AccessLex® is the personal finance program for law students. Earn entries into the MAX Grand Prize Scholarship Drawings on April 1 and help your school get to the Final Four!

Complete Lessons, Attend Webinars, Attend On-Campus Workshops

Get Started at [AskEDNA.org](https://www.AskEDNA.org)



MAX MADNESS
2025 Winners!

UND
UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA
SCHOOL OF LAW


University of Dayton
School of Law

MAINE LAW
UNIVERSITY OF MAINE SCHOOL OF LAW

ND
THE LAW SCHOOL

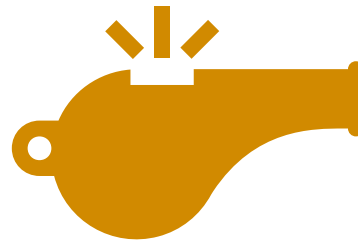


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Continuous **Feedback**



MAX Workshop
Surveys



MAX Coaching
Surveys



Annual Feedback
Sessions



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Almost **10,000 students**
have benefitted.



Utilized by nearly
100 law schools.



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NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF LAW



NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

College of Law

- **2021:** MAX Adoption
- **2022:** MAX \$25K Scholarship Winner
- **2023:** JDEdge Adoption
- **2024, 2025:** MAX Madness School
- MAX Feedback School
- Regional Director – Natalie Daniels, AFC®



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Scholarship and Support **History**



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AccessLex Touchpoints

- **Admissions**
- **Scholarship Programs**
 - LexScholars
 - LexPostBacc Program
- **JDEdge**
 - Skills Development
- **Orientation**
 - *Building Your Law School Budget*
- **Professional Identity Formation**
- **Law 515/516 - Introduction Legal Professionalism**
 - *Credit and Debt Management for Bar Admission*
- **2nd and 3rd Year – Focus Groups**



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“Credit and Debt Management **for Bar Admission**”

1. Register for an Ask EDNA! account at [AskEDNA.org](https://www.AskEDNA.org).
2. Enter MAX by AccessLex® and the MAX 1L Course: *Financial Foundations*.
3. Complete the eight components of the MAX 1L Course by late September.
4. Download your free credit report from [AnnualCreditReport.com](https://www.AnnualCreditReport.com).
5. Submit 1 credit-related question to MAX@accesslex.org to be answered in a campus MAX workshop.

Download assignment document from ON24 Resources!



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NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY SHEPARD BROAD COLLEGE OF LAW

NSU

Florida

Shepard Broad
College of Law
**NOVA SOUTHEASTERN
UNIVERSITY**

- **2017:** MAX Adoption
- **2023:** JDEdge Adoption
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Academic Success and **Professionalism** (ASP Department)

- NSU Law provides academic success and professionalism classes for students in each year of study:
 - 1L = Legal Skills and Professionalism I and II (1 credit – required course)
 - 2L = Elements of Legal Analysis I and II (1 credit – required for below 2.75 GPA)
 - 3L = FBE Lab (2 credits), MBE Lab (3 credits)



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NSU Law: **In the Beginning**

- **Pre-2018:** Only 1-2 workshops over 10 years
- **2017-2018:** MAX Program Agreement signed
- **2019-2020:** MAX Financial Planning for Law students introduced in 1L ASP course (Legal Skills and Professionalism)



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NSU Law: 2020 - 2025

- **2020-2021:** Virtual sessions due to Covid
- **2022-2023:** Class integration paused – new leadership
- **2023-present:** 1L sessions resumed
 - LeAndra Ross – Financial Planning for Law Students
 - Fidel Calero – Managing Client Funds [2023-24], Exam Memorization and Studying Tips [2024-25]
- What's next?



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UNIVERSITY OF HAWAI'I AT MANOA WILLIAM S. RICHARDSON SCHOOL OF LAW



UNIVERSITY *of* HAWAI'I *at* MĀNOA

WILLIAM S. RICHARDSON
SCHOOL OF LAW

- **2017:** MAX Adoption
- **2018-2019:** MAX \$5K Scholarship Winner
- **2022-2023:** MAX \$5K Scholarship Winner
- **2025:** MAX Madness School
- MAX Feedback School
- Regional Director – Justin Zieman, AFC®



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Hawaii's **Law School**



- Less than 400 enrollment
- J.D., A.J.D., LL.M.
- Phasing out in-person Evening Part-Time Program
- Fall 2023 launched Online Part-Time Program



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Richardson Current: Admin to Students

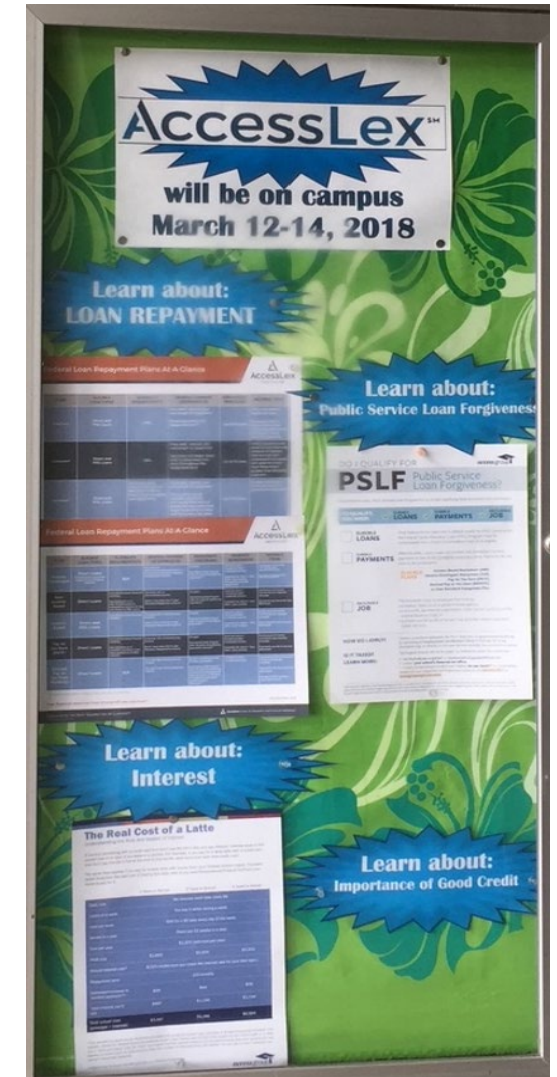


Financial Aid

- [FAFSA 2024-2025](#): There's still time to submit the FAFSA for the **current** academic year.
- Reconnect with [AccessLex AskEDNA](#) -- Continuing their scholarship commitment of \$330,000+ scholarships to MAX participants.
Save the date campus visit: October 7-9
- **Borrowed too much?** Borrowers have 30 days from the date of disbursement to return financial aid loan funds directly to the University. Email smithhea@hawaii.edu for more information.

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Bulletin Boards



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SBA Connection: Students to Students



Student Bar Association <lawsba@hawaii.edu>

to owner-sbalawstu-l, Law ▾

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Aloha WSRSL students,

Here is a list of some events that you can look forward to and updates for this week. These events are open to all students.

Barrister's Ball - Call for Volunteers

Please complete the [form](#) if you want to volunteer at **SBA's Barristers Ball on March 13, 2025 at Cafe Julia**. We need as many hands as possible to make this a great evening!

ELP's Online Tea Time Event

(3/3) The Environmental Law Program is excited to announce ELP's Online Tea Time Event on Monday, March 3rd, at 5 pm via Zoom. (Zoom [link](#) / Meeting ID: 852 6958 0417 / Passcode: ELPTEA) Join us to learn about the Environmental Law Program, its faculty, summer experiences, and more! This is a great opportunity for online students to get involved in ELP, and for in-person students to meet the online cohort! Please RSVP [here](#)!

AccessLex Spring Campus Visit

Get your financial update from Justin from **AccessLex**. Join us for workshops on building Credit, Loan Repayment Strategies and don't forget to sign up for a 1-on-1 meeting to get your questions answered.



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Campus Visit!

- Professionalism in Practice - PIP (1LS)
- Part-Time Programming
- Informal Workshop



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QUESTIONS?



**WHAT ARE YOU DOING BEYOND THE STAND-
ALONE FINANCIAL WELLNESS EVENT?**

THANK YOU!