



Sourcing Practice Problems & Study Aids

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Included as part of your tuition and fees

Law Library Electronic Resources

Past TTU Law Exam Question Database

<https://sharepoint13.itts.ttu.edu/law/library/Exams%20Database/Forms/AllItems.aspx>

Electronic Databases listed by vendor

<https://apps.law.ttu.edu/electronicresources/vendorList.php>

Law Student Study Aid Databases

West Academic Study Aids

<https://subscription-westacademic-com.law-ezp.law.ttu.edu/Guides/Series>

- ▶ Exam Pro series for self-testing with Multiple Choice Questions
- ▶ Hornbooks to use as encyclopedias to explain concepts before you read cases
- ▶ Essential Minimums (not good enough to get you to an “A” but adequate demonstration of the ballpark of “competency”)
 - Acing series
 - Short & Happy Guides
- ▶ Audio Content

Wolters Kluwer Study Aids

<https://ebooks-aspenlaw-com.law-ezp.law.ttu.edu/bookshelf>

- ▶ Examples and Explanations for self-testing with single-issue essay prompts & sample answers
- ▶ Glannon Guides for self-testing with Multiple Choice Questions
- ▶ Friedman’s for multi-issue practice essays with sample answers
- ▶ Siegel’s for multi-issue practice essays with sample answers (not electronic)

Introduction to Study of Law

Perfect Practice Exam

The required book has 8 practice questions for each 1L subject plus a sample answer to help with self-grading on IRAC and content mastery.

Office of Academic Support Programs/Other

Consultations

Professor Baldwin will meet with students to help calibrate self-assessment of practice problems and to discuss other topics essential to law school success.



Tutoring

Tutors provide practice problems and some feedback.

Past Bar Question Database

Professor Baldwin has a personally developed digital database of past bar questions from several jurisdictions that can be used to help fill out practice question needs if the above resources are insufficient. Email her to ask for questions based on subject.

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Quimbee

Many law students swear by Quimbee. It started as a commercial academic success product that requires a subscription, although it has now expanded into bar exam preparation and continuing legal education. The website's organization makes it more user friendly than sifting through other more traditional information resources. Some of the content is good, but *some of the content is flawed or insufficiently tailored to 1L needs, so approach with caution.*

BarBri

BarBri is first and foremost a bar exam preparation course company and they are very good at helping people who have completed law school prepare for the bar exam. There are congruencies in content that lets them inexpensively provide materials to 1Ls. Same cautions apply to BarBri as apply to Quimbee.

Themis

Themis is a relatively new company in bar exam preparation, and like BarBri, there are some congruencies that allow them to produce law student materials inexpensively. Same cautions apply.

Kaplan

Kaplan is first and foremost a test prep company for both the LSAT and the bar exam. Same cautions apply to their law student study aids as to the above vendors.

Other

There are lots of people in the world who seek to capitalize on law student insecurity. Some of them are really good and worth their respective price points, and others aren't. Use critical thinking skills and do some research before dumping additional money and time into services playing to your insecurities.