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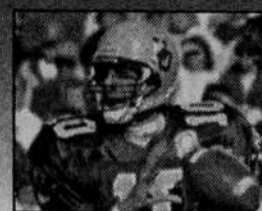


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*New law school facility*

## Law school prepares to enter the year 2000

### A PROPOSAL FOR THE NEW LAW SCHOOL

■ **WHERE:** East 15 Avenue and Agate Street

■ **WHEN:**

Construction is expected to begin next summer with a target completion date of January 1999.

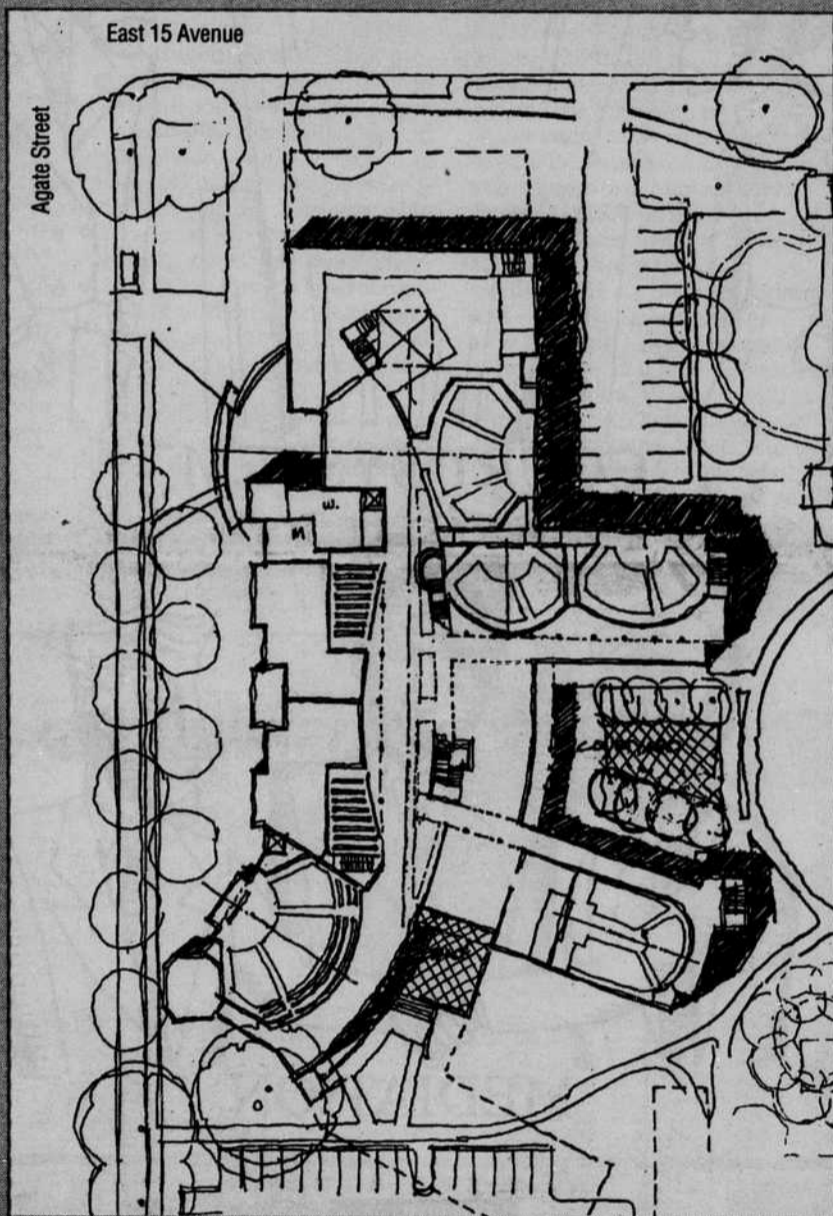
■ **THE FACILITY:** The new building will have more classrooms and flexible study and meeting space. It will double the law library space, making it possible to store the library's entire collection, one-third of which is now stored elsewhere on campus.

■ **THE SIZE:** The new facility is slated to have approximately 120,000 square feet compared to the current building's 78,000 square feet.

■ **THE COST:** Most of the \$25 million center is being paid for with private funds, including a recent \$10 million gift from Phil Knight.

Source: UO School of Law

The blueprint on the right represents a tentative design proposal. Faculty and students are urged to provide feedback and suggestions on the expansion.



By Carl Yeh  
Freelance Reporter

After living in a cramped apartment for a long time, one appreciates the spaciousness of a new house.

That is probably what it will feel like when students, faculty and staff of the current law school move into the proposed new law school building to be constructed on Agate Street across from Hayward Field.

The new building is slated to have approximately 120,000 square feet as opposed to the old building's 78,000 square feet.

The projected completion date is January, 1999, in time for spring term of 1999.

There were many reasons to build a new facility.

"We needed new classrooms, a library expansion, and additional faculty and administrative space," the School of Law's Associate Dean of Students Jane Gordon said. Gordon was assigned to oversee the new building project.

"However, one main focus is to make a building with a community feel, reaching out to the University and people who use us as a resource," Gordon said.

The project is currently in planning stages.

"The stage that we're in now is to design the footprint of the building which is how the building will fit on the block as well as where the various parts of the school's program will fit within the building," Gordon said. In addition, those designing the building are gathering suggestions from current students and faculty for the new building's design.

One problem that was noted was the lack of conference rooms in the current building.

"While there is room for faculty and students to gather in their own rooms, there aren't any rooms where they can both get together," Gordon said.

Sid Moore, a second-year law school student, agreed that students and faculty had no place to congregate at the current law school.

Moore also noted that in the current building, "the windows are too small, and

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■ **PROPOSAL:**

The new facility will include more classrooms, a larger library, community meeting spaces and is scheduled to be completed in January of 1999

"I'm glad they're proceeding with the project ... It's important to look toward the future. We're doing that by constructing this new building."

— Sid Moore  
second-year  
law school student

## UO only law school with admissions up

By Tiffany Smith  
Oregon Daily Emerald

The University's School of Law is the only law school in the country to have an increase in the number of people applying for admission, according to University News Bureau reports.

The number of students applying for admission to law schools nationwide has declined 22 percent over the last two years, at 11 percent each year. Universities in the Northwest have seen a 14.7 percent decline. That percentage would be higher if it were not for the University's three percent increase in applicants, which gave a slight boost to the region, Director of Admissions

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### THE NUMBERS

Preliminary figures on the the entering class of 1996

■ **STUDENTS:** about 160

■ **WOMEN:** approximately 55 percent of the class

■ **MINORITIES:** about 15 percent of the class

■ **APPLICANTS:** There was a three percent increase at the UO

Source: UO School of Law

## New assistant dean of student affairs named

■ **LAW SCHOOL:** Jocelyn Dyer will assist students with program planning and financial aid when she begins work this fall

By Steven Asbury  
Editor-in-Chief

Jocelyn Dyer has been named the new assistant dean of student affairs for the University's School of Law.

Dyer begins work this fall and will take on some of the responsibilities of current Associate Dean Jane Gordon, who will spend her time overseeing the design and construction of the new law school.

Dyer will assist law students with program planning and financial aid. Some of her other duties include helping with international exchange programs, working

with student organizations and acting as the director of the academic support program.

"There are outstanding students here," Dyer said. "They're creative with a lot of energy."

Dyer graduated with high honors from George Washington University in 1993 and has practiced law at Gibson, Dunn and Crutcher in Washington D.C.

Working pro-bono, Dyer recently coordinated a donation to Howard University Law School for their clinical law program to provide free legal assistance to people in the District of Columbia.

"I'm very excited about this opportunity and working with the students. ... [The law school] is very conducive to a good legal education," she said. "There's a great interplay between students and the faculty."



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