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Welcome to the new ExpressO Submissions Guide for 2014-15! Learn about new trends in legal scholarship, see our updated ExpressO law review rankings (Top 100 and the Top Disciplines), and check out our easy-to-follow instructions on how to make and manage your ExpressO submission. Start with ExpressO by visiting our website for additional information and helpful resources:

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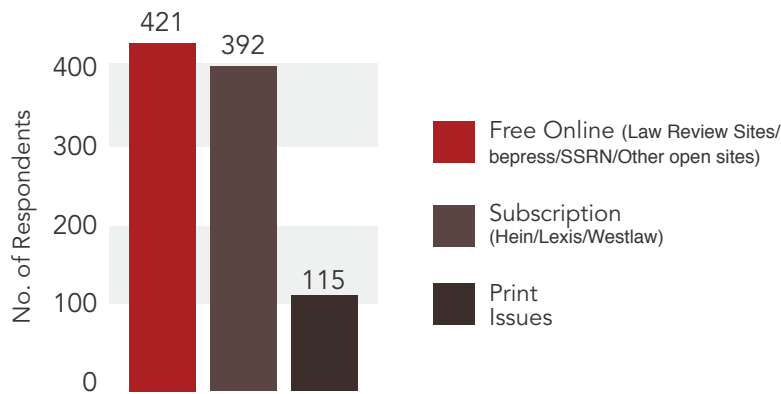


The Online Shift

Trends in Law Scholarship



How do you find the law articles you read?



1 More readers are finding law articles for free than through commercial subscription services.

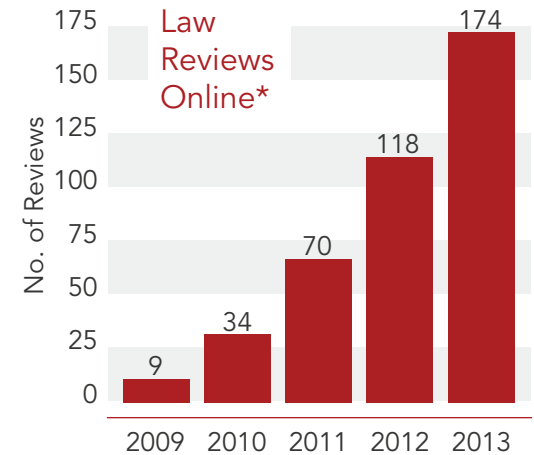
Increasingly, legal scholarship is being discovered through free online sources like law review websites, bepress, or SSRN over web subscription services like Hein, Lexis, and Westlaw.

2 Print readership drops to a distant third place.

Also, despite print's continued appeal to some authors, in reality few readers find and use the print version of a journal.

3 Law reviews are following readers online.

In response to this shift, more law reviews are taking their issues online where the readers are. The result is online adoption, which continues to grow each year.

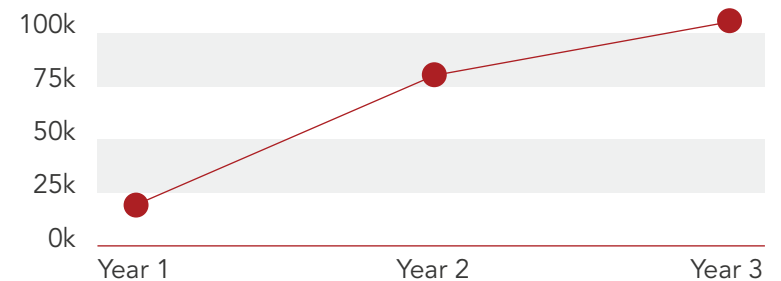


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4 Downloads and citations increase for authors.

How do authors benefit from this online trend? With greater visibility and discoverability, your citation rate grows and downloads actually increase dramatically over time, as new readers outside of institutionally provided subscription services find and read your work. In fact, citation growth rates of freely available online law journals are 3.8 times higher than non-open access journals.

Average Downloads Over Time for Online Journals



As law columnist and Associate Librarian and Head of Technical Services at the Osgoode Hall Law School Library, F. Tim Knight, recently noted, *"To some extent the ease in which scholarship is currently accessed on the internet is starting to influence how the impact of one's research is measured."*

Top 100 Law Review Rankings

The following list of reviews represents the most popular law reviews chosen by authors using ExpressO, according to 2013 delivery data. These rankings are intended to complement, not replace, other ranking mechanisms such as the number of citations and law school ranking.



1. The Georgetown Law Journal
2. Northwestern University Law Review*
3. Emory Law Journal
4. University of Pennsylvania Law Review*
5. UCLA Law Review
6. Washington and Lee Law Review*
7. Hastings Law Journal
8. Cornell Law Review*
9. Ohio State Law Journal
10. Wake Forest Law Review
11. American University Law Review *
12. Vanderbilt Law Review
13. Florida Law Review*
14. Florida State University Law Review*
15. George Mason Law Review
16. Maryland Law Review*
17. Brooklyn Law Review
18. George Washington Law Review
19. William and Mary Law Review*
20. Oregon Law Review
21. Depaul Law Review*
22. Washington Law Review
23. Rutgers Law Review
24. Temple Law Review
25. Hofstra Law Review*
26. Penn State Law Review*
27. Buffalo Law Review
28. University of Pittsburgh Law Review
29. Loyola of Los Angeles Law Review*
30. University of Richmond Law Review
31. Tulane Law Review
32. University of Miami Law Review
33. Boston University Law Review
34. Denver University Law Review
35. San Diego Law Review
36. Tennessee Law Review
37. Michigan State Law Review*
38. Southern Methodist University Law Journal
39. Loyola University Chicago Law Review*
40. Santa Clara Law Review*
41. Seton Hall Law Review*
42. University of Colorado Law Review
43. Nebraska Law Review*
44. Kentucky Law Journal
45. Baylor Law Review
46. Alabama Law Review
47. Georgia State University Law Review*
48. Syracuse Law Journal
49. Washington University Law Review*
50. Georgia Law Review
51. University of Illinois Law Review
52. New Mexico Law Journal
53. Louisiana Law Review*
54. Seattle University Law Review*
55. University of Kansas Law Review
56. Missouri Law Review*
57. Catholic University Law Review*
58. St. John's Law Review*
59. University of Louisville Law Review
60. Nevada Law Journal*
61. Oklahoma Law Review
62. South Carolina Law Review
63. Akron Law Review
64. Indiana Law Journal (IUB)*
65. Utah Law Review
66. Arizona Law Review
67. Albany Law Review
68. University of San Francisco Law Review
69. Mississippi Law Journal
70. Arkansas Law Review
71. Houston Law Review
72. Villanova Law Review*
73. Indiana Law Review (IUI)
74. Marquette Law Review*
75. University of Hawaii Law Review
76. Brigham Young University Law Review*
77. University of Cincinnati Law Review*
78. Vermont Law Journal
79. William Mitchell Law Review*
80. Creighton Law Review
81. Lewis & Clark Law Review
82. Saint Louis University Law Journal
83. Drake Law Review
84. Idaho Law Review
85. Mercer Law Review
86. Chapman Law Review
87. Loyola Law Review (LUNO)
88. Case Western Reserve Law Review
89. Stetson Law Review
90. Wyoming Law Review
91. Pace Law Review*
92. Montana Law Review*
93. UMKC Law Review
94. University of Baltimore Law Review
95. Valparaiso Law Journal*
96. New England Law Review*
97. Cleveland State Law Review*
98. Washburn Law Journal
99. Texas Tech Law Review
100. Quinnipiac Law Review

*These journals are publishing online using the Digital Commons platform.

Top Law Reviews in Key Disciplines



Civil Rights

1. Boston University Public Interest Law Journal
2. Northwestern Journal of Law and Social Policy*
3. CUNY Law Review
4. Washington and Lee Journal of Civil Rights and Social Justice*
5. Buffalo Public Interest Law Journal
6. Law Journal for Social Justice (Arizona State University)
7. Temple Political & Civil Rights Law Review
8. Columbia Journal of Race and Law
9. The Journal of Gender, Race & Justice
10. DePaul Journal for Social Justice

Commercial Law

1. University of Pennsylvania Journal of Business Law*
2. Columbia Business Law Review
3. Berkeley Business Law Journal*
4. Harvard Business Law Review
5. UC Davis Business Law Journal
6. William & Mary Business Law Review*
7. American University Business Law Review*
8. Stanford Journal of Law, Business & Finance
9. Virginia Law & Business Review
10. Business Law Review (Florida State University)

Constitutional Law

1. Duke Journal of Constitutional Law and Public Policy*
2. University of Pennsylvania Journal of Constitutional Law*
3. Texas Review of Law & Politics
4. Cardoza Public Law, Policy & Ethics Journal
5. Northwestern Interdisciplinary Law Review
6. Dartmouth Law Journal
7. Hastings Constitutional Law Quarterly
8. William & Mary Bill of Rights Journal*
9. Brigham Young University Journal of Public Law*
10. American University National Security Law Brief*

Environmental Law

1. Harvard Environmental Law Review
2. Stanford Environmental Law Journal
3. Columbia Journal of Environmental Law
4. Duke Environmental Law & Policy Forum*
5. New York University Environmental Law Journal
6. UCLA Journal of Environmental Law & Policy
7. Virginia Environmental Law Journal
8. Boston College Environmental Affairs Law Review*
9. Ecology Law Quarterly (University of California Berkeley)
10. Colorado Natural Resources, Energy and Environmental Law Review

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● *International Law*

1. Harvard International Law Journal
2. Virginia Journal of International Law
3. Yale Journal of International Law
4. University of Pennsylvania Journal of International Law*
5. Columbia Journal of Transnational Law
6. Berkeley Journal of International Law*
7. Georgetown Journal of International Law
8. Stanford Journal of International Law
9. Michigan Journal of International Law*
10. Boston University International Law Journal

● *Law & Society*

1. Stanford Law & Policy Review
2. Cornell Journal of Law and Public Policy
3. Yale Law & Policy Review
4. Virginia Journal of Social Policy & the Law
5. Washington University Journal of Law and Policy*
6. Boston College Journal of Law & Social Justice*
7. Wake Forest Journal of Law and Policy
8. Kansas Journal of Law & Public Policy
9. Law and Inequality: A Journal of Theory and Practice (University of Minnesota)
10. Southern California Interdisciplinary Law Journal

● *Science & Technology*

1. Berkeley Technology Law Journal*
2. Yale Journal of Law and Technology*
3. Stanford Technology Law Review
4. Michigan Telecommunications & Technology Law Review*
5. Virginia Journal of Law and Technology
6. UCLA Journal of Law and Technology
7. Northwestern Journal of Technology and Intellectual Property*
8. Minnesota Journal of Law, Science & Technology
9. Wake Forest Journal of Business & Intellectual Property Law
10. New York University Journal of Intellectual Property and Entertainment Law

● *Sexuality & the Law*

1. Harvard Journal of Law & Gender
2. Columbia Journal of Gender and Law
3. The Journal of Gender, Race & Justice
4. Duke Journal of Gender Law & Policy*
5. Georgetown Journal of Gender and the Law
6. UCLA Women's Law Journal
7. Hastings Women's Law Journal
8. Yale Journal of Law and Feminism
9. American University Journal of Gender, Social Policy, and the Law*
10. Tennessee Journal of Race, Gender, & Social Justice*

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● Tips

Though most law reviews accept submissions all year long, submissions tend to peak twice a year in February-March, then again in August-September.

Be sure to choose law reviews whose focus best matches the subjects covered in your article. The average submission is sent to 50-60 law reviews.

Student Authors

As the ExpressO Institutional Student Account (prepaid option only) is limited to Single Subject Area, select one law category per submission. Note that you can start a new submission to select another category.

● Tips

Select only the subject areas relevant to the topic of your paper—generally no more than three or four.

Author(s), Article Title, and Subject Areas are **mandatory** fields, though we strongly recommend including your cover letter and CV as well.

2 Article Information

Enter your submission metadata, upload your article, and click **Continue**.

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● Tip

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3 Review & Payment

Review your submission information, including metadata and selected law review(s).

Complete the submission process by agreeing to the terms of service and clicking **Finish**.

Confirmation:

Congratulations! You've successfully submitted your article! You will receive a submission receipt via email.

4 Manage Your Submission

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Tip

If you make a submission and want to send it to more reviews without having to go through the submission process again, just click on the **Make More Deliveries** button via the article's **Submission Details** page to select additional reviews.

Tip

If you need to change any of your uploaded submission documents, update the article title, or add/remove reviews, click on either the **Revise My Submission** or **Revise My Law Review Selection** buttons before completing. Submissions cannot be edited once delivered.

Tip

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