

StudentPROFILE

Carrie Foster

Carrie Foster served 10 years in the public education system as a teacher, teacher trainer, and assistant principal prior to attending Baylor Law. "Through these positions, I faced legal issues on a daily basis," said Foster. "I realized I enjoyed this aspect of my job, so I decided to apply to law school."

Foster, recipient of the Ralph and Josephine Norvell Endowed Scholarship Fund in Law, said the scholarship allowed her to achieve her lifelong goal of attending law school. "Leaving a full-time career to go back to school is daunting, especially considering the financial implications," she said. "I might not have decided to attend law school if I had not received the scholarship."

Foster commutes to Waco from Austin multiple times a week, and as a result, has to find ways to divide her time between personal life and education. "Balancing law school and life in general is a challenge, but I use the hour and a half drive to recharge," she said. "During the commute, I listen to my outlines, legal podcasts, music, or make phone calls to my fiancé, family, and friends."

Foster has been pleasantly surprised by the number of non-traditional students at Baylor Law. "I have met some amazing and inspirational people in my time here," she said. "Baylor Law creates a varied student body through which students learn from their peers."

After graduation, Foster hopes to open her own practice. She plans to pursue either transactional or litigation practice. "Throughout my time at Baylor Law, I have had several opportunities to try each of these areas," she said. "I participated in Professor Elizabeth Miller's Business Law Boot Camp, an experience I strongly recommend, and I explored litigation through an internship in Austin with several Baylor Lawyers at Wiesbart Springer Hayes, LLP."

"Attending Baylor Law has been one of the greatest blessings in my life, and I will always be thankful to my donors for the opportunity to pursue the degree of my dreams," Foster said. "I feel like I will be able to 'hit the ground running' when I graduate and give back to the Baylor Law family."