

Law School Revamps Final Year Curriculum. Will Med Schools Ever Do The Same?

The [New York Times](#) [1] reports that NYU Law School is planning to change its third-year curriculum to better prepare its graduates for the realities of legal practice today. In case you don't know, law school graduates are having a tough time finding work and many require on-the-job training to make up for what they didn't learn in school.

From the article: "There is a growing disconnect between what law schools are offering and what the marketplace is demanding in the 21st century," said ... the chairman of the panel of alumni recommending the changes.

A revelation from the article is that the third year of law school has been considered a waste of time by many observers.

"One of the well-known facts about law school is it never took three years to do what we are doing; it took maybe two years at most, maybe a year-and-a-half," Larry Kramer, the former dean of Stanford Law School, said in a 2010 speech.

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