Two Virginia law professors have been elected to the NATIONAL ACADEMY OF MEDICINE. PROFESSOR RICHARD BONNIE has chaired 10 studies for the National Academies, ranging from tobacco policy to elder mistreatment. Bonnie, the director of the INSTITUTE OF LAW, PSYCHIATRY AND PUBLIC POLICY, also leads a statewide commission charged with overhauling Virginia’s mental health laws.

PROFESSOR JOHN MONAHAN has directed two research networks on mental health law for the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation.

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RICHARD J. BONNIE mental health law, aging and the law, bioethics, public health law
DEBORAH HELLMAN bioethics
DOUGLAS LESLIE health law and policy
JULIA MAHONEY reproductive technologies
GREGORY MITCHELL law and psychology
JOHN MONAHAN mental health law
MARGARET FOSTER RILEY bioethics, bio-technology, food and drug law, health law
GIL SIEGEL health law, bioethics

THOMAS R. WHITE III aging and the law

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RUTH GAARE BERNHEIM public health, bioethics
DONNA CHEN psychiatry and bioethics
JAMES CHILDRESS bioethics
BRUCE COHEN psychiatry
DEWEY CORNELL psychology
REBECCA DILLINGHAM global health
CAROLYN ENGELHARD health policy
RICHARD L. GUERRANT infectious diseases
THOMAS MASSARO pediatrics, health law and policy

ROBERT J. MEYER food and drug law, regulatory science
DANIEL MURRIE psychiatry
M. NORMAN OLIVER family medicine
EILEEN RYAN psychiatry
LOIS SHEPHERD disability law, health law and bioethics
LAWRENCE SILVERMAN genetics
JANET WARREN psychiatry
ANDREW C. WICKS business ethics

BATTEN SCHOOL AND UVA
RANDALL LUTTER economics, regulation
CHRISTOPHER RUHM economics, health policy

FELLOWSHIPS AND EXTERNSHIPS
Students may apply for funding from the Law School's health law fellowship program to work in a variety of settings. Students have worked for employers such as the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s Public Health Law Program and the Food and Drug Administration.

COURSES AND SEMINARS
Aging and the Law Bioethics and the Law
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Changing Practice of Medicine Drug Product Liability Litigation: Principles and Practice
Food and Drug Law Genetics and the Law
Global Health Law and Policy Health Care Marketplace: Reform
Health Law Survey Israeli Health Law and Bioethics
Law and Business Management in the Health Care Sector Law and Ethics of Human Reproductive Ethics and Law
Tobacco and Firearms: Preventing Deaths and Protecting Rights

CLINICS
Health Law Clinic
These courses represent the 2013-16 school year. Not all courses are offered every year.

The UVA Health System is nationally ranked by U.S. News & World Report in five specialties.

FACULTY

At the request of Virginia lawmakers, UVA Law students and PROFESSOR RICHARD BONNIE are helping mental health experts propose far-reaching, comprehensive improvements to the state’s system of care.

Professor James Childress, a noted bioethicist, is co-director of the Institute for Practice Ethics and Public Life. Lois Shepherd, the author of “If That Ever Happens to Me: Making Life and Death Decisions after Terri Schiavo,” teaches bioethics and reproductive ethics at the Law School. Childress and Professors Richard Bonnie and Ruth Gaare Bernheim have co-authored casebooks on public health law and ethics. A wide range of professors and doctors teach courses in the program or on related subjects.

Professor Margaret Foster Riley, who teaches courses in health law and animal law, has written articles on topics such as the ethics of cloning and personalized medicine.