



Career & Professional Development

Joseph F. Rice School of Law

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA JOSEPH F. RICE SCHOOL OF LAW OFFICE OF CAREER & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT RECIPROCITY POLICY

The University of South Carolina Joseph F. Rice School of Law Office of Career & Professional Development welcomes the opportunity to assist students and graduates of ABA-accredited law schools through its reciprocal services.

1. Services are available to third-year students and graduates of ABA-accredited law schools that provide reciprocity to University of South Carolina Joseph F. Rice students and graduates.
2. Reciprocity is not available to students and graduates of other South Carolina law schools. It is not available if the student or graduate has requested or is receiving reciprocity from another South Carolina law school.
3. To request reciprocity, a career services official of the student's or graduate's home institution must submit a letter of request and a copy of the home institution's reciprocity policy to the Career & Professional Development Office at lawcar@law.sc.edu.
4. Reciprocal services are available to a particular student or graduate for a period of **three (3) months** from the date the request is granted, with the caveat that reciprocity will end on August 1 and January 1, regardless of when reciprocity was granted. Each renewal will be considered as a new request.
5. If the student's or graduate's home institution agrees to provide in-kind services to University of South Carolina students and graduates, the applicant will be granted access to the University of South Carolina Joseph F. Rice School of Law's online job board through Carolina Law Connect.
6. Reciprocal services are not available during these time periods:
 - August 1 – October 1
 - January 1 – March 1
7. Students and graduates receiving reciprocal services will not have access to counseling, resume forwards, on-campus interview programs, or off-campus interview programs.
8. Students and graduates receiving reciprocal services must note in their application materials that they learned about the position to which they are applying through the reciprocal agreement.
9. The Career & Professional Development Office may deny reciprocal services to students and graduates of any law school that surpasses a reasonable number of requests within a calendar year or to students or graduates who misuse the facilities or services. The Career & Professional Development Office also reserves the right to modify this reciprocity policy as necessary, including in instances where an applicant's home institution maintains a more restrictive policy. This policy is also subject to periodic review to ensure alignment with the evolving needs of the legal employment market.