

## Washington Review Course

The Washington Bar exam is all essays - no MBE or Performance components. There are 18 substantive questions at 9 per day in sets of 3 essays each. 135 minutes are allowed per set or 45 minutes each on average. There are between 12 and 16 issues raised in every 45 minute question. The final day is one set of 6 Professional Responsibility essays in 135 minutes or 22½ minutes per question. Our material, writing program, and online grading/mentoring are focused on the Washington exam.

## Oregon Review Course

On the Oregon Bar Exam, the MBE and essays count 50% each. The Oregon exam uses the 6 hour MBE which contains 200 rather difficult multiple choice questions. Within the essay 50% is one 90 minute performance question worth 12.5% of the exam. The rest of the essay portion worth 37.5% of the exam is 9 NCBE and Oregon essay questions that are to be completed in 5.25 hours or 35 minutes on average.

Our course is held on Saturdays at Lewis & Clark Law School in Portland. We lead off with the MBE topics for the first 6 weeks of class. The program then turns to the essay and performance questions featuring online grading/mentoring to improve your essay substantive knowledge and presentation skills.

## California Review Course

The California exam is very similar to Oregon except the essays are 60 minutes and the performance question is 180 minutes. Contact our office for details of the class starting in November.

# Rigos

## bar review

### Washington and Oregon 2010 Live and iPod Classes

#### Early Bird Program

- Start November 1, 2009 or March 1, 2010.
- Gain an advantage over students in other courses.
- Books and Magic Memory Outlines® software issued early.
- Build an early bar review foundation so during the class you can concentrate on improving your essay skills.

#### Washington Exam Winter 2010 Live Classes

##### December start - Seattle UW Evening Section

- Orientation, Monday, December 21
- Class begins Tuesday, December 22
- Meets 3 times per week, 5:30 to 9:00 pm

#### Washington Exam Summer 2010 Live Classes

##### May start - Seattle UW Evening Section

- Orientation, Monday, May 10
- Class begins Tuesday, May 11
- Meets 2-3 times per week, 5:30 pm - 9:00 pm

##### May start - Seattle SU Morning Section

- Orientation, Monday, May 17 or Tuesday, May 25 at 9 am
- Class begins Wednesday, May 26
- Meets 3-4 times per week, 9 am - 12:30 pm

#### Oregon Exam Summer 2010 Live Classes

##### January 2, 2010 - Orientation for Winter Bar - Portland LC April start for Summer Bar - Portland LC Saturday Section

- Orientation, Saturday, April 3 at 9:00 am
- Class begins Saturday, April 10 at 9:00 am
- Meets 2 classes per week on Saturdays  
9:00 am - 12:15 pm and 1:00 pm - 4:15 pm

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## Expect More from Rigos

- Review materials developed exclusively for the bar exam, not just another lengthy hornbook.
- All live lectures - no tapes or “live feed!” All lectures are recorded and may be downloaded to your iPod.
- Superior writing and performance programs are integrated into daily classes to improve your essay writing skills.
- Magic Memory Outline® and Make Your Own Exam® software at no extra charge.
- 4 practice exam sets and 25 graded practice essays.
- High pass rate for graduates - 95.2% for Summer 2008 compared to the overall state average of 71.5% - our pass rate is 15% higher than the other review program.

## Editors and Instructors

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## Program Enrollment Options

All Rigos bar review programs include:

- Essays and performance answers critiqued in detail and returned electronically with useful feedback and improvement tips from experienced grader/mentors.
- Magic Memory Outlines® software for summarization.
- All substantive study materials covering only bar exam law.
- Early Bird materials are available with \$500 down payment.

### Live Course

\$2,400

Our live course is our most popular and effective preparation program. In addition to the above features, we offer:

- All live lectures - no “live feed” one-time viewing
- In person or email mentoring, email grading and answers to questions
- Audio lectures for reinforcement or makeup available over the web
- 4 Practice sets of 3 different questions each in 135 minutes

### Self-Study Course With Lectures

\$2,000

For students who cannot attend our live course, we offer on-line access to the lectures recorded in our live class. Features include:

- Mentoring over the phone or email
- Email grading and answers to questions
- Audio lectures available for download over the web. Lectures are archived so they may be listened to as often as helpful.
- Start any time, the lectures stay on the website until they are replaced during the next class.

### Traditional Self-Study Course

\$1,700

For those who prefer an inexpensive do-it-yourself approach, the Rigos course is offered in a self-study format, which features:

- Email mentoring, grading, and answers to questions
- Flexible start date

### Review of Unsuccessful Exams

\$395

Individual one-on-one review of bar exam essays and recommended next time study strategies - no charge for Rigos students.

# Continuing Assistance Guarantee

## Program Rewards

- Chances are very good that you won't need our free Continuing Assistance Guarantee. 79% of our students completed the "seamless process" and 95% of them passed the July 2008 exams. This is at least a 15% advantage over the competition.
- A free repeat guarantee is available to first-time takers completing our "seamless process" who meet all our Program Continuing Assistance Requirements described below.

## Continuing Assistance Guarantee Requirements

- Attend the Orientation lecture, Writing, and Performance workshops.
- Before class, preview those subjects that you didn't have in law school or otherwise want more foundation in before the detailed class study.
- Attend and listen carefully to all of the live instruction substantive lectures. We answer on-point questions in class.
- Summarize the text and complete your Magic Memory Outlines® after class, either on paper or (preferably) by using the Rigos Word software template on CD-ROM. Doing these well is extremely important to your success on the bar exam.
- Write all our individually critiqued and graded essay and performance questions. Electronically submit answers for evaluation within a week of assignment. The essays cover substantive topics (35 or 45 minutes each), a performance task (90 minutes), and two essays focused on professional responsibility subjects.
- Sit for and take four class practice exam sets.
- Complete the Professor Teaching Critique and the Course Quality Control Evaluation form. Help us continue to improve.
- Complete the ten-day final review at the end of the course and make your best effort on the actual bar exam.

# Recent Student Comments

What a terrific program! While my friends amused me with their tales of Barbri woe, I was able to relax and focus on bar prep. Rigos was a lot of work, but the learning environment was healthy and positive.

**Jerry Chiang**  
**University of Washington, '08**

Fantastic Course! On top of the thorough and effective methodology and personal support, Rigos offered me the confidence necessary to do it right the first time.

**Andrew Shawber**  
**UCLA, '08**

Concise and very user friendly.

**Erica Buckley**  
**University of San Diego, '08**

Study smarter and quieter (Rigos), not harder and louder (Barbri).

**Matthew Otten**  
**Seattle University, '08**

I felt that you gave us what we needed to know and not much more! Pros include the outlines, acronyms, and detailed feedback on our essays.

**Jennifer Robbins**  
**University of Washington, '08**

I really thought the class was well-organized and as low-stress as such a high-stress situation of preparing for the bar could be. I also thought that the materials were excellent and emphasized what we needed to know.

**Ashley Fluhrer Greenberg**  
**Ohio State University, '08**

I passed two bar exams; one with Barbri and one with Rigos. Rigos is far superior. The material is more focused and the Magic Memory Outlines excellent. The mentors and the online essay grading system are outstanding.

**Kurt Rowland**  
**Gonzaga University, '06**

I've taken three different state bar exams, so I've tried both Rigos and your national competitor. I feel strongly that Rigos has by far the superior method. Thank you!

**Paige Pratter**  
**University of Pennsylvania, '03**

Rigos enjoys a great reputation at my law school. I'm sure glad I followed the advice of others and enrolled in Rigos. The program was absolutely top drawer.

**Brady Horenstein**  
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# 10 Big Rigos Bar Review Series Advantages

## **Live Class, Audio Lecture, or Traditional Self-Study**

Attendance at our live class locations is recommended, but we also offer an audio course over the internet as well as a less expensive self-study program. All our self-study courses use the same materials and graded essays as the live class.

## **Materials**

Convenient, efficient coded materials with tabs in binders, not big bound books. Student can pull out sections, and spread out text, outlines, practice questions, issue frequency charts, and sample answers side-by-side for ease of study.

## **Text Coverage and Focus**

All our learning materials are focused only on law that has been tested on the state specific bar exams. Our class instructors cover only the Rigos standard textbook outlines adding tips, techniques, and practice questions. Rigos features easy-to-use chapters containing:

- Concise and comprehensive substantive law focusing on the most frequently tested issues.
- Over 1,700 multiple-choice and 300 actual past bar exam essay questions and answers categorized by subject.

## **Writing Program**

Essay and performance writing workshops focus on HOW to write (clear, concise, powerful, and direct) rather than WHAT to write (substance). We walk you through the best style, approach, and structure to use in writing answers.

- Essay and performance answers submitted and graded on-line to ensure timely, effective, and helpful feedback containing suggested improvement methods.
- Four timed exam sets of three hours each. These are taken under actual exam conditions and returned to you critiqued and graded.
- One-on-one student-grader conferences available after sufficient essays are submitted so the mentoring can focus on improving substance and presentation skills.

## **Analysis of Past Exams**

Analysis of Oregon and Washington essays and answers from 2000 to present details the frequency of subjects, thus increasing your studying focus and learning efficiency.

## **Magic Memory Outlines® and Exam Software**

Our outline templates and “Make Your Own Exam” drills are efficient and effective. These tools help students retain the vast quantity of information required for success.

## **Individual Attention and Mentoring**

We offer individual attention both in person and by email at our email help desk. We contact you during the course to monitor your attendance and progress, provide one-on-one mentoring, and review exam essay answers for our few non-passers.

## **Early Bird Program**

Students may start early in learning the most important black letter law. This allows more of the critical class time period to be spent on improving writing skills and question techniques.

## **Convenient Schedule and Location**

Pick your own class location and time of day. Students may attend classes at more than one location for make-up and/or reinforcement. We also offer online lectures to accommodate students who prefer not to attend our live courses.

## **Who We Are**

We are locally owned and managed with 30 years of national experience training students to pass their professional entrance exams. We are affiliated nationally with Aspen Publishers and Emanuel Bar and have over 100,000 alumni of whom over 15,000 are in Washington and Oregon. **Our foremost goal is to help you pass the bar exam.**

