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## Cooley and OU to dedicate law library

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**Cooley Law School** and Oakland University will dedicate a new law school library on OU's campus Monday, Nov. 3, at 3 p.m. The library, named the Thomas M. Cooley Law Library at the Rochester/Oakland University Campus, is located at 216 O'Dowd Hall.

"The library has the core collection of any accredited academic law school in the country," said Helen Levenson, head of public services for the new library. "We started to put the library together in June and had it up and running in about eight weeks. Since then, we've added a substantial number of titles and also have a computer lab."

Among the library's holdings are all U.S. Supreme Court cases going back to the 1880s, Federal Court cases back to the 1960s, State cases back to the 1920s, all volumes of official reports of the Michigan Supreme Court since 1940, and standard secondary sources for legal research. Students also have online access to law review journals and the LEXIS and Westlaw research tools.

"We can also provide OU students mediated access to our electronic and print services through our reference librarian," Levenson said.

Cooley began its partnership with OU in September 2002 when it started offering first-term courses to newly admitted Cooley students. In April 2003, Cooley added a satellite site to the OU campus. Cooley already has implemented the first 45 credits of its standard program at OU and will progressively implement the remaining 14-15 credits over the next two semesters until a total of 59-60 credits are being offered at OU by summer 2004.

Regular Cooley full-time faculty teach classes in Criminal Law, Torts I, Property I, Contracts I and Constitutional Law. Introduction to Law, a noncredit course, also is offered at OU. Cooley students attending OU are eligible for the same scholarships and services as their fellow students in Lansing.

Since this initial success, Oakland and Cooley have explored other ways to make law school accessible to students in the Oakland-Macomb county area, where students can participate in university life and in related professional activities in proximity to OU's campus.

"OU has welcomed us with open arms and it's a great partnership," said John Nussbaumer, associate dean for Cooley's Rochester/OU campus. "We've been very gratified by the reception we've received from the OU community, and we look forward to bigger and better things."

For more information on **Cooley Law School** classes at OU, call (248) 370-3628.

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