Fast Company magazine, October 2003 says:

The Hippest City in the USA (Des Moines)

“...unemployment here is so low, and work-life balance so important, that Iowa’s capital city seems pretty cool to us.”

Iowa is the Fourth Most Livable State in the U.S., According to Morgan Quitno Press.

Des Moines isn’t just a great place to study law. It’s a great place to live. The metro area’s nearly half-million residents comprise 18 communities creating rich and diverse neighborhoods. Minorities make up 20.4 percent of Des Moines’ population. More than 650 centers of worship in nearly 100 faiths and denominations can be found. It’s also one of the most affordable metro areas with a cost per diem about 30 percent below the national average.

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• 2 theme parks (Adventureland and White Water University).
• 3 Des Moines sports teams (Iowa Cubs, baseball; Des Moines Buccaneers, ice hockey; and Des Moines Menace, soccer).
• 13 daily or weekly newspapers.
• 15 radio stations.
• 30+ downtown city blocks connected by 2.6 miles of skywalks.
• 31.6 average inches of snow per year.
• 67 insurance companies headquartered in Des Moines.
• 75 public parks in the Des Moines area.
• 107.7 miles of bike trails in central Iowa.
• 3,500+ works by more than 1,600 artists, including Picasso and Edward Hopper, in the Des Moines Art Center’s permanent collection.
• 6,000 acres of water for fishing, boating, water-skiing and sailing on Saylorville Lake, an easy drive north of Drake’s campus.

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“Cost of living is lower here and I’ve found tons of cultural, nightlife and entertainment options. It’s a very exciting time in Des Moines. There’s everything here I could desire.”

Stephan K. Bayans, 1999 graduate Iowa Assistant Attorney General and Colorado transplant

“I really like the Des Moines community. There are plenty of restaurants and clubs, and the Farmer’s Market is located very close to the Drake campus. And there’s lots of friendly people!”

Kristine Dreckman
Second-year law student Davenport, IA

“Drake Law School offered me the opportunity to become active immediately in the legal profession. Its close proximity to the commercial center of Iowa allows for many internship opportunities.”

Christopher James
Second-year law student Greensboro, NC

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