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## OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR

E-mail: [registrar@wcl.american.edu](mailto:registrar@wcl.american.edu)

**WCL's Winter Celebration is scheduled for Sunday, January 25, 2004. Students planning to attend as graduates should have filed their "Intent to Graduate" with the Office of the Registrar (Suite 304); you may still do so but are asked to file this form as soon as possible. Further information about the ceremony (specific times, location, etc.) will be provided to all graduates prior to the ceremony.**

### REGISTRAR'S OFFICE HOURS:

Monday	9:00am-6:30pm
Tuesday	9:00am-6:00pm
Wednesday	9:00am-6:00pm
Thursday	9:00am-6:00pm
Friday	9:00am-5:00pm

To make other arrangements or schedule appointments outside regular office hours, please call 202-274-4080. Thank you.

### REGISTRATION FOR INDEPENDENT STUDIES AND EXTERNSHIPS:

Students must register for externships or independent studies in the Law School Registrar's Office, Room 304. Signed contracts are required to do so. The deadline for registering for independent studies and externships is January 23, 2004. If you have not done so, please do it as soon as possible.

### PROSPECTIVE MAY 2004 GRADUATES:

Students who plan to graduate in May 2004 **MUST** complete an Application to Graduate as soon as possible. These applications are used to order diplomas, so are required for graduation. Applications are available in the Registrar's office, Suite 304, and on the WCL web site: [www.wcl.american.edu](http://www.wcl.american.edu).

## INCLEMENT WEATHER AND EMERGENCY CLOSING OF THE UNIVERSITY:

The decision to close the university or have a delayed opening is made by the Provost in consultation with the Assistant Vice President for Facilities Management. In case of overnight snow and ice, the decision is made by 6:00 am. In cases of snow during the day, the decision to close fir evening classes will be made by 3:00 pm. Decisions to change a delayed opening to a closing will be made by 8:30 am. Decisions are made as early as possible, but often are affected by rapidly changing conditions. Circumstances considered in taking such decisions are: (1) conditions of campus, (2) conditions of roads and public transportation, and (3) predicted weather. All major TV and Radio stations will be notified as soon as decisions are made. The University Hotline number for information on closing is 202-885-1100. For individual cancellations of law classes students please call 202-274-4400.

## OFFICE OF STUDENT AFFAIRS

### **First-Year Students**

Don't forget to complete your form for Opportunities Day, the not-to-be-missed series of sessions on what you have to look forward to at WCL beyond the first year.

**Writing Competitions:** In addition to those posted outside Room 300:

**2004 Judge John M. Manos Writing Competition on Evidence. Award: \$1,000 Deadline:** April 1, 2004.

**The Nathan Burkan Memorial Competition.** Award: \$250-\$600.  
<http://www.ascap.com/burkan/>

## OFFICE OF DIVERSITY SERVICES

Sherry Weaver, Director – (202) 274-4032 – Suite 300 – [sweaver@wcl.american.edu](mailto:sweaver@wcl.american.edu)

### **LASG Activities**

**Office Hours:** Beginning January 20, Rhonda VanLowe will hold office hours every Wednesday until further notice in the Office of Diversity Services (rm 300) from 6:00-7:00 PM.

### **1L Small Group Sessions**

After office hours on Wednesdays, Ms. VanLowe will conduct a series of four small-group sessions for 1Ls who wish to work on further developing their legal analysis skills. Rhonda says, “We will meet at least two times per week or more as determined by the group. Space is limited to 15, so sign-up will be required. Meeting times will be determined at the first meeting of the group. Students who cannot attend because of class on Wednesday but would like to participate should sign-up anyway and indicate that they need an alternate time. I will contact them to arrange a mutually convenient time.” Sign up in the Office of Diversity Services, where sessions will start next Wednesday evening at 7:00.

**Watch this space for more information about:**

- Seventh Hispanic Law Conference and Career Forum
- Eighth Sylvania Woods Conference on African Americans and the Law
- Washington Metropolitan Area Corporate Council Association Diversity Pipeline Program

### **Stuff on the Table**

- ABA Section of Litigation's Judicial Intern Opportunity Program "for minority and disadvantaged law students"
- UNCF/Pfizer Fellowship
- Davis Wright Tremaine 1L Diversity Scholarship, Seattle, WA -- Application deadline: 01/20/04
- First Annual Law Student Personal Investment Conference sponsored by Career Capital Investments, Inc. -- February 6

Information on how to apply to the NY County DA's Office

## **OFFICE OF FINANCIAL AID**

**Financial Aid Award** information is online. Check the *Financial Aid Award Acceptance* segment of **my.american.edu** periodically for updates to your record.

### **Spring Disbursements**

Check your "snapshot" at **my.american.edu** for confirmation of payment to your student account. If your funds are not posted, contact us right away. *Note: Aid is subject to adjustment if your enrollment status changes.*

### *Private loan proceeds*

Pick up your check at the Financial Aid counter if you have not already done so.

### *Refunds*

Submit a Refund Request Form to the Student Accounts Office if you have funds in excess of charges on your account. Forms are available at the front counter.

**Special notice:** Certain spring semester federal loans (awards up to the cost of attendance or the maximum allotment of \$18,500 ) must be disbursed in two installments. Upon request, Student Accounts will advance any refund due as your aid is disbursed rather than awaiting full payment of your bill. Check with the office for details.

### **2004-2005 Financial Aid Priority Deadline - March 1, 2004**

FAFSA applications can now be filed at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov). The Need Access application for WCL grants is available at <http://www.accessgroup.orgwww.needaccess.org>. Please note that the FAFSA must be on file for summer financial aid. Don't delay.

### **Outside Scholarships**

#### **• Supreme Court of Oklahoma Sovereignty Symposium Scholarships**

Ed Edmondson Scholarship - **Deadline:** May 10, 2004

Chief Justice Doolin Writing Competition - **Deadline:** March 15, 2004

Susan J. Ferrell Scholarship - **Deadline:** April 1, 2004

- **Roscoe Hogan Environmental Law Essay Contest - *Intent to Enter Deadline:***  
February 9, 2004
  - **Elaine Osborne Jacobson Award for Women in Health Care Law - *Deadline for nominations:*** January 26, 2004
  - **Women Lawyers' Caucus of Mercer County, NJ- for women with ties to Mercer County - *Deadline:*** March 26, 2004
  - **Puerto Rican Legal Defense and Education Fund - obtain application at [www.prldef.org](http://www.prldef.org)**  
PRBA Scholarship - **Deadline:** January 31, 2004  
PRLDEF Scholarship - **Deadline:** February 28, 2004
  - **Howard Fox Memorial Law Scholarship /Berks County(PA) Community Foundation - *Deadline:*** April 1, 2004. Applications available at : [www.bccf.org](http://www.bccf.org)
- Feel free to check the Outside Scholarship Binder for other scholarship opportunities  
<http://www.wiredscholar.com>

### OFFICE OF PUBLIC INTEREST

Suite 515 - Phone: 202-274-4099 - Email: [publicinterest@wcl.american.edu](mailto:publicinterest@wcl.american.edu)

**NEW! PUBLIC INTEREST NEWSLETTER:** Are you interested in creating a public interest newsletter for WCL students, faculty, and alumni? Writers, photographers and design/layout experts are needed to assist with the March edition. Please contact: Pooja Mehta, [poojamn@hotmail.com](mailto:poojamn@hotmail.com) if you are interested in getting involved.

**PUBLIC INTEREST ROUNDTABLES:** Called by some, “The most fascinating hour I have had at WCL,” the Public Interest Roundtables for the spring semester include constitutional law, criminal law and property. Watch this space for additional details.

**OPPORTUNITIES DAY:** Want to learn more about the Office of Public Interest? Stop by for a little “table talk” on Opportunities Day, Thursday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> from 4:00-6:00 p.m. on the 6<sup>th</sup> Floor.

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**PRO BONO HONORS PLEDGE PROGRAM:** New Pledge packets and a list of pre-approved placement organizations are available in Suite 515. Stop by today to pick one up or print them from the WCL web site at <http://www.wcl.american.edu/publicinterest/probono.cfm>.

**REMINDER TO GRADUATING STUDENTS:** Pledge participants graduating in spring 2004 should complete (and report completed hours) no later than **Friday, February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2004**. Graduating students who have completed the Pledge will be honored at a public service awards ceremony on March 2<sup>nd</sup>. The early reporting deadline is necessary to ensure your being included in this ceremony. Please call or email Charlene Gomes at [cegomes@wcl.american.edu](mailto:cegomes@wcl.american.edu) or 202-274-4099 if you have questions.

**IT IS NEVER TOO LATE TO SIGN UP FOR THE PRO BONO PLEDGE!** Through the program, students pledge to complete a minimum of 75 hours of pro bono and community service projects at organizations working on behalf of low-income and underrepresented populations. At least 50 hours of the pro bono work completed must be with an organization

engaged primarily in law-related or legal work. However, students may complete up to 25 of their 75 hours in non-legal community service work. Students who decide to pledge and participate in the program after their first year must complete all their 75 hours by doing law-related work. Third and fourth year students registering in the 2003-2004 academic year need to complete a minimum of 50 hours of law-related work.

### **What Counts Toward the Pledge?**

- ✓ For community service placements (up to 25 hours), volunteer work with a nonprofit on behalf of a low-income or underrepresented population (First year students only).
- ✓ For pro bono placements, (50 or more hours), work with a nonprofit organization, government agency or WCL program engaged primarily in law-related work on behalf of low-income or underrepresented populations that is not for pay or academic credit.

### **The Pro Bono Question of the Week Feature Returns January 22<sup>nd</sup>!**

**Pro Bono Opportunities: Looking to fulfill Pledge hours? The following organization is looking for volunteers!**

**The American Humanist Association:** We're looking for some legal help in our effort to submit an amicus brief before the Supreme Court in *Elk Grove vs. Newdow*, the "Pledge of Allegiance Case".

In their words: "This is a good opportunity for an aspiring lawyer who would like to have written a brief to the Supreme Court, or for a more established individual who feels strongly about this issue. We have lots of material in support of the argument that the existing pledge violates the First Amendment principle of church-state separation, so any research needs would be minimal. While we don't know the legal ins and outs of formulating the brief and getting it properly submitted, we can devote time toward any other help needed."

Interested individuals should contact: Roy Speckhardt, Director of Programs, American Humanist Association, 1777 T Street, NW, Washington, DC 20009, 202-238-9088, [roy@americanhumanist.org](mailto:roy@americanhumanist.org)  
<http://www.americanhumanist.org>

## **OFFICE OF SPECIAL EVENTS & CLE**

### 2004 Founders Celebration

American University Washington College of Law invites you to explore some of the most important legal issues facing the nation and the world today. The Founders' Celebration was initiated eight years ago, with a series of conferences and lectures designed to address key issues of our time from a legal perspective. Showing both dynamism of our community as well as the need for a high quality place to exchange ideas, our Founders' Celebration has grown to over 40 conferences, attracting more than 7,000 attendees. Some of this years' issues will include topics dealing with religion and the law, human rights, diversity, health law, international law, disabilities and the law, U.S. constitutional law & politics, women and the law and a host of other topics. Our center piece event, which will be held on May 10 and 11, is the Hemisphere

Summit of National Congresses on Freedom of the Press in the Americas, featuring a reception at the Library of Congress. For more information about the 2004 Founders Celebration please call 202-274-4075. We enthusiastically invite you to join us for Founders' Celebration 2004 and participate in the exciting endeavor of analyzing and shaping key issues of our time.

## CENTER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS AND HUMANITARIAN LAW

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### **Munch in the New Year with Munching on Human Rights!**

Interested in human rights but stuck studying property and torts? Join us for *Munching on Human Rights*, an introductory program designed to educate and engage students, especially 1Ls, about basic issues in international human rights and humanitarian law. *Munching* is a great opportunity to informally interact with WCL's internationally-known faculty and get a "taste" of international law. The first Munching of the semester is "*The Law of War and Rules of Occupation*" with **Professor Robert Goldman, January 21<sup>st</sup>, 12pm, Room 602**. Pizza will be served.

#### **Take Action!! Drink Coffee!!**

Come join other students, faculty and staff interested in human rights to share fair trade coffee and tea, bagels and donuts, ideas and inspiration. The bi-monthly Coffee Hours provide a forum for announcements (at 8:50 am & 9:30 am), recruitment, campaign information – and a great place to get to know others interested in human rights. The first Coffee Hour of the semester is **Thursday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 8:30-10:00am, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor Student Lounge (behind the dining room)**.

### GREAT WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

#### **Give a Little, Get a Lot!! Join the Center's Student Advisory Board!!**

The SAB is a group of highly qualified and committed students interested in human rights and humanitarian law who work closely with the Center over the course of a year, developing programming, attending special events and trainings and promoting Center activities. SAB Members serve as liaisons between the WCL student body, the Center and the greater D.C. community. Members meet with the executive director weekly and attend monthly skills development workshops on subjects such as grant proposal writing, media relations, public speaking, fundraising, etc. They commit to at least 15 hours of work with the Center per month and are responsible for planning at least one SAB-initiated project for the WCL community. SAB members have unique access to hearings, briefings and receptions in the larger Washington, DC human rights community.

The SAB serves from February to February. 1Ls and 2Ls are especially encouraged to apply. The 2004-2005 SAB will be selected in late January and will be active during the Spring, Summer and Fall semesters. Applications are available online at [www.wcl.american.edu/humright/center/sab.cfm](http://www.wcl.american.edu/humright/center/sab.cfm) or at the Center, and are **due at the Center by 5pm on Friday, January 23, 2004**. All applicants will be interviewed and selections will be made by early February.

## **Join the WCL Team to Compete in the 9<sup>th</sup> Inter-American Human Rights Moot Court Competition!**

All second, third and fourth year JD students are eligible for the two-person WCL team. Students should submit a cover letter, résumé, and a short (maximum 10 pages) writing sample by **January 20th** to the Center for consideration. If you would like to apply as a team, please send both applications together. Send all applications to the Center at [humlaw@wcl.american.edu](mailto:humlaw@wcl.american.edu) or drop it off at our office. Good luck! For more information, see the Moot Court website at [www.wcl.american.edu/humright/mcourt](http://www.wcl.american.edu/humright/mcourt)

The **Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Law** and the **Women and International Law Program** seek **Dean's Fellows** for Spring Semester. Please see under "In Search Of..." for details.

### **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES WITH THE CENTER**

#### **Coordinate the Rwanda GENOCIDE Commemoration Day Project**

On April 7, 2004 the world will commemorate the 10-year anniversary of the genocide in Rwanda. The Center is launching an initiative to inspire law schools, universities, human rights centers and NGOs to plan events to commemorate the Rwanda genocide. The Center seeks a volunteer to help coordinate this effort. Responsibilities include communicating with schools and organizations around the world, coordinating activities and communication, and promoting commemoration events at WCL and beyond. The Center seeks a commitment of 5 hours per week until April 7, 2004. Please send a cover letter and résumé to the Center at [humlaw@wcl.american.edu](mailto:humlaw@wcl.american.edu) with "Rwanda" in the subject line by January 20, 2004.

#### **Help Plan the Indigenous Rights Training Institute!**

Designed for Indigenous lawyers and experts on the rights of Indigenous Peoples, this intensive, three-day, bilingual course will provide an overview of relevant issues as they relate to Indigenous Rights nationally and internationally. The Institute brings lawyers and experts from around the world to WCL for three intensive days of training and provides them a unique opportunity to analyze the complex issues surrounding Indigenous Rights and International Law with members of the WCL community.

The Center is seeking a volunteer to help coordinate this exciting project. Responsibilities will include communicating with registered participants, preparing training materials, and attending sessions as a note-taker. The volunteer must be willing to commit 10 hours per week until the end of the Institute (March 3, 2004) and must have strong Spanish skills and/or interest in Indigenous Rights. Please send a cover letter and résumé to the Center at [humlaw@wcl.american.edu](mailto:humlaw@wcl.american.edu) with "Indigenous Rights" in the subject line by January 20, 2004.

#### **The Center Needs Your Artistic Skills!**

The Center creates many flyers, posters, and brochures throughout the semester, and we could use help in making them look a bit better! The Center seeks a volunteer with graphic design prowess to assist us in developing good-lookin' flyers, brochures and other materials for our many events and programs. If you would like to volunteer your skills during the semester, please email the Center at [humlaw@wcl.american.edu](mailto:humlaw@wcl.american.edu) with "Graphic Design Volunteer" in the subject line.

#### **The 9th Annual Inter-American Human Rights Moot Court Competition is coming– and it's Your Chance to Volunteer for the Fiesta!**

The trilingual (English, Spanish & Portuguese) IAHRMCC brings together nearly 200 students from all around the world for a week of tough competition (and great fun) at WCL in May. The Competition is dedicated to advancing the Inter-American human rights legal system and involves prominent attorneys and volunteer judges, experts from the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights and more.

Participants attend receptions, events, participate in training opportunities, and visit international organizations such as the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights. They also have an awesome Salsa-dancing party!!!!

Volunteers are needed to communicate with participants, recruit judges, research the Bench Memorandum, and plan the various events of the Competition. The Center particularly seeks Spanish and Portuguese speaking volunteers (but not exclusively!). If you are interested in volunteering, please send an email to Shazia Anwar, Competition Coordinator, at [sanwar@wcl.american.edu](mailto:sanwar@wcl.american.edu). For more on the competition, visit the Moot Court website at [www.wcl.american.edu/humright/mcourt](http://www.wcl.american.edu/humright/mcourt).

**Interested in European Union/European Community Law? Speak French? The Rene Cassin French Moot Court Team Needs Your Help!!!!!!!**

Did you know that WCL is the only law school in the United States to send a team to the annual René Cassin French Moot Court Competition in Strasbourg, France? The Competition is a simulation of an appearance before the European Court of Human Rights and is conducted entirely in French. This year's team is now conducting research, writing its brief and preparing oral arguments. The hypothetical case surrounds the legality of reality TV shows. *If you speak, read or write fluent French and have some experience with international law, the team needs your help!* Upper level students or those with a background in EU law are preferred. This position is not for credit and does not include travel (sorry!). However, volunteers who help the team will learn in depth about the jurisprudence of the European Court of Human Rights and may be in a strong position to compete next year. Hours are flexible. If you are interested in helping, please contact Laura Lattman at [lauralattman@hotmail.com](mailto:lauralattman@hotmail.com).

**OTHER OPPORTUNITIES**

**Are You Experienced? Join Action for Human Rights' New Experiential Learning Projects**

Action for Human Rights' Experiential Learning Project (ELP) takes students from the classroom into the field to interact with the real people that live the issues we often discuss in the law school classroom. AHR is developing two experiential learning projects for the Spring '04 semester and is looking for approximately 10-14 participants for each project, including:

- ***Beyond Detention: Time Served. Surviving on the Outside.***  
Building on last semester's ELP on the status of prisons, *Beyond Detention* will explore the policies and programs that support or impair released inmates' reentry into the broader community.
- ***Not So Public Schools: School Vouchers, Fairness, and the American Way,*** focused on the state of education in DC.

Participants must commit to attend all events in the project (usually four throughout the semester). For more information, please contact Michael Waller at [rwaller@usa.net](mailto:rwaller@usa.net) or Debra Spinelli Hays at [debraspinellihays@hotmail.com](mailto:debraspinellihays@hotmail.com).

**Get Updates on What's Going on at the Center and Around Town—Join the Center's Email List!**

Keep up-to-date on human rights events, activities, and resources at WCL and in the community by joining the Center's group email list! You will receive occasional updates (maximum one per week) from the Center about human rights goings-on right in your inbox. To subscribe, send an email to [chrhlupdate-request@wcl.american.edu](mailto:chrhlupdate-request@wcl.american.edu). Leave the subject line BLANK and in the body of the message write SUBSCRIBE.

**EXTERNSHIP PROGRAM**

Room 413 (202) 274-4200 [www.wcl.american.edu/externship](http://www.wcl.american.edu/externship)  
Monday-Thursday 9:00am-5:30pm  
Friday 9:00am-3:00pm

[externship@wcl.american.edu](mailto:externship@wcl.american.edu)

### **2004 EXTERNSHIP FAIR**

**Wednesday, January 21, 2004 3:00-5:30pm 6<sup>th</sup> Floor Dining & Lobby Area**  
**All students are invited; formal dress not required**

The Externship Program's **annual Externship Fair** is an opportunity for students to meet with employers from government agencies, not-for-profit organizations, courts, and law firms engaged in *pro bono* work. Last year, over 400 students and over 100 area employers participated in the Externship Fair. **No registration is necessary. Do not miss this exceptional opportunity** to learn more about the world of possibilities for Summer and Fall of 2004!

**103 EMPLOYERS HAVE ALREADY REGISTERED:** check the Externship Program bulletin board outside of Room 413 for the current list of expected attendees. Most employers will accept **resumes** at the Fair. Counselors are available in the Office of Career Services to assist you with updating your resume.

**Volunteers** are needed (perhaps some past externs?) to assist with Fair production. Volunteers will be invited to attend the Employer Reception immediately following the Fair. Please contact the Office if you are interested.

### **SPRING EXTERNSHIP REGISTRATION**

**If you are precluded from participating in an externship due to seminar scheduling, please contact the Externship Office as soon as possible.**

**There are two parts to registering for an externship:** 1) Register for an externship seminar as you would any other class; and 2) Go to our website to submit your **Field Placement Request for Approval** [www.wcl.american.edu/externship](http://www.wcl.american.edu/externship). This submission will generate the forms you will need to have signed to proceed and register for field credits. The last signature will be that of the Externship Office. **YOU** need to submit your signed form to the Office of Registrar by the end of the add/drop period in order to register for your field credits.

### **EXTERNSHIP SEMINAR ATTENDANCE**

Seminar attendance is usually mandatory. Please speak with your seminar professor for specific information.

### **EMPLOYER DATABASE**

The Employer Database is available on our website [www.wcl.american.edu/externship](http://www.wcl.american.edu/externship). The database (over 500 employers) has been password protected so that only WCL students and guests may access the information. The student username is **extern** and password is **eagle**. Also, check out our evaluation binders, available in the Externship Program Office, to see what previous externs have said about field placements. New **summer listings** are posted on the bulletin board as they arrive.

### **INDIVIDUAL EXTERNSHIP COUNSELING**

Avis Sanders, Director of the Externship Program, is available for one-on-one counseling. Sign up sheets for appointments are posted outside of Professor Sanders' office, Room 411.

For more information, contact Lisa Randazzo, Program Assistant, at (202) 274-4200 or [externship@wcl.american.edu](mailto:externship@wcl.american.edu).

## **LEGAL RHETORIC**

### **Spring Semester Legal Rhetoric Attendance Policy**

Attendance at classes in this course is mandatory, and an unsatisfactory attendance record will result in failure in the course. **You are responsible for signing the attendance sheet for each class you attend.** If you have not signed the attendance sheet, you will be treated as absent for that class; you will not be able to sign the attendance sheet after class.

However, because we expect that some students will experience genuine illness or other emergency, you are permitted a small number of absences. In this course, **the maximum number of permissible unexcused absences is three (3) classes**. However, you should not regard this as an allowance of absences to be spent: class participation is a significant component of the grade, and any absences will inevitably affect your class participation.

If serious or prolonged illness or unavoidable emergency makes class attendance impossible, consult Associate Dean Jaffe to have your absences excused.

## PROGRAM ON LAW AND GOVERNMENT

MARSHALL-BRENNAN FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2004-05 The Marshall-Brennan Constitutional Literacy Project is beginning the process of selecting Fellows for academic year 2004-2005, which will be the sixth year of operation for the program. The program has seen tremendous success this year with about 55 WCL students teaching the “We the Students” constitutional law course in area public high schools. For the fall of 2004 and spring of 2005, we are looking for new upper-level students who are: passionate about constitutional law; dedicated to the education of young people; excited at the idea of teaching; and committed to giving something back to the local communities. These committed WCL students will have the chance to join us in teaching about constitutional rights and responsibilities to area students.

If you want a chance to be part of this exciting and inspiring effort, or if you just want to know more about it, come find out more about the program and the application process at informational sessions on January 27 and January 28. The sessions will be identical, so you only need to attend one. These sessions are in addition to the briefings that will be conducted as part of “Opportunities Day at WCL.”

The first sessions will be Tuesday, January 27 from 12 noon to 1 p.m. in Room 524. The second session will be on Wednesday, January 28, from 12 noon to 1 p.m. in Room 603. There will be pizza available at both sessions.

If you are unable to make either session, watch this space in the Docket for details of the application process, or contact Prof. Steve Wermiel at [swermiel@wcl.american.edu](mailto:swermiel@wcl.american.edu) or 274-4263 or Room 348, or Michelle Carhart at [mcarhart@wcl.american.edu](mailto:mcarhart@wcl.american.edu) or 274-4378 in the 4910 Massachusetts Ave. Annex.

## WAR CRIMES RESEARCH OFFICE

The WCRO serves as a source of expertise in humanitarian and international criminal law for relevant international organizations. In the past year, for example, the office undertook international law research projects for the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda (ICTR), the Special Court for Sierra Leone, and the Special Panels for Serious Crimes in East Timor. This year we are beginning work for the International Criminal Court as well. We also speak at conferences on relevant legal issues, and publish regularly on the development of international criminal law through international jurisprudence.

### Getting Involved:

**Dean’s Fellows Positions:** See the “In Search of…” section of this *Docket* for information on how to apply to be a WCRO Dean’s Fellow.

**Volunteers:** All students with an interest in public international law are encouraged to volunteer at the WCRO. We have several volunteer opportunities with a wide range of time commitments. Volunteers work on projects including:

- Monitoring of on-going cases before the world’s major international criminal courts and tribunals.
- Writing summaries of judgments from the ICTR for publication.
- Assisting with discrete legal research, editing, or spading projects.

If you would like more information about volunteer opportunities, contact us via email at [warcimes@wcl.american.edu](mailto:warcimes@wcl.american.edu), or call us at (202) 274-4067.

**International Student Resource Panel:**

Those students who have legal experience in countries other than the United States are encouraged to sign up for the WCRO’s International Student Resource Panel. We keep a list of panel members who are willing to serve as resource persons on WCRO research projects that have a comparative law element. The time commitment for Panel members is highly flexible as volunteers are free to donate as much or as little time as they would like. If interested, please send your contact information and country (or countries) of expertise to [warcimes@wcl.american.edu](mailto:warcimes@wcl.american.edu).

**WCL CLINIC**

The Women and the Law and Domestic Violence clinics will be conducting the Barnes simulation, which involves issues of child neglect and domestic violence. We are looking for volunteers for the following dates and times for a simulation.

Wednesday, February 4th, from 1:20pm -3:20 pm  
Wednesday, February 18th, from 1:20pm -3:20 pm

Again, we request that you do at least two of these sessions; however, if you are only available for one, you are still welcome to participate!  
Please contact Cecelia Friedman at [cfriedman@wcl.american.edu](mailto:cfriedman@wcl.american.edu), or stop by Room 417 if you are interested.

**WCL LIBRARY**

WELCOME BACK!!

SPRING SEMESTER HOURS

Monday – Thursday           8am – 11:45pm  
Friday                           8am - 9:45pm

Saturday 9am - 9:45pm  
Sunday 10am - 11:45pm

Extended Library Access \*

Monday – Thursday until 2:00am  
Friday until Midnight  
Saturday until Midnight  
Sunday until 2:00am

\* Extended hours are available for enrolled WCL students with law school ID. Only security personnel are available during extended hours.

The Law Library will be opened on January 19, 2004 (Martin Luther King, Jr. Day)

### COMPUTER ASSISTED LEGAL INSTRUCTION(CALI)

CALI has a new website. CALI hosts over 300 lessons in 29 legal topic areas. Students will find that the lessons haven't changed, but the new site will provide improved stability and support new features and services for users.

The CALI lessons are valuable resources that you may use to review or reinforce material covered in class. The lessons can also challenge your understanding of topics ranging from professional responsibility to torts or environmental law, provide practice in drafting contracts, and allow you to explore the intricacies of administrative law.

To use the new site you need to register on the CALI site and enter the school's authorization code. During the registration process you will also create your own password. In subsequent visits to use lessons, you only need to enter your email address and your password.

To register go to CALI's new homepage ([www.cali.org](http://www.cali.org)) and click on the "Not a registered user yet?" link.

These lessons are also available on a cd-rom. If you need a CALI cd-rom, you may pick one up at the circulation desk of the law library while supplies last.

If you have any problems with the registration process, ask for assistance at the reference desk.

### STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION

#### **SBA**

Looking for that date for Valentine's Day? The Student Bar Association's first **Charity Date Auction**, Benefiting the Equal Justice Foundation and the WCL Community, will be held at **18th Street Lounge at 8:00 PM, Thursday January 22nd**. WCL's twenty most eligible bachelors and bachelorettes will be paired with various date packages throughout the DC area. All students are welcome to attend, please say "date auction" at the door to waive cover. The 18th Street Lounge is located at 1212 18th Street, three blocks south of Dupont Metro Station, South Exit. Come after class, the party will continue until well into the evening if that is a concern! Auction begins promptly at 9:00 PM. Please contact Dipal Shah at [dipalshah99@hotmail.com](mailto:dipalshah99@hotmail.com) with questions.

### **SBA Senate Meeting**

The next meeting of the SBA Senate will be Tuesday, January 20th at 10:10pm in Room 101. Any individual or student group who has business before the Senate or wants to raise a concern is invited to attend. If you wish to be placed on the agenda, please contact Colin Bell at [colin.bell@american.edu](mailto:colin.bell@american.edu) by Monday, January 19th.

### **Parking Ticket Appeals Forms Available**

Appeals forms for parking tickets issued by AU and WCL are available in the SBA Lounge on the 5<sup>th</sup> Floor. **All students are urged to appeal every ticket** before they pay it, as there is a chance of getting the fine reduced/dismissed. Additionally, tickets are not charged to your Student Account during the pendency of an appeal. Students should fill out the forms and drop them off at Facilities Management on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor. There is also a version of the form available online at <http://domino.american.edu/au/vpfin/dps/ps-appeals.nsf/Appeal?OpenForm>. The SBA is documenting the number of tickets given to students, so please drop a copy of your appeal off in the envelope on the bulletin board in the SBA Lounge.

### **American Jurist**

The American Jurist is holding a general interest meeting on **Tuesday, January 20 from 12-1pm in room 524**. The topic of our next issue is Race and the Law. Submission deadline is Friday, January 23. Drop in Tuesday to learn about contributing to the Jurist, our open editor positions and to enjoy free pizza and soda!

### **Consumer Protection Student Organization**

Hey WCL---Are you curious (or just plain angry) about consumer issues such as: credit scams, payday loans, debt collection abuse, economic injustice, credit discrimination, predatory mortgages, involuntary bankruptcy, pre-emption doctrine and mandatory arbitration clauses? Do you want to learn more about the attorneys who litigate corporate malfeasance?

Well, join the club. I'm seeking former members, officers or those interested in re-starting the CPSA. Please email me as [sdaspit@earthlink.net](mailto:sdaspit@earthlink.net), or call me at 202 352 1650. Shannon Daspit

### **Equal Justice Foundation**

Equal Justice Foundation Auction In case you forgot ... The 2004 Equal Justice Foundation Auction is Thursday, March 25, 2004. We are in need of many items to auction off. The more items we have = more money we raise = more students who get funded over the summer! Please ask everyone you know to donate something to the auction. We can use tickets to sporting and cultural events, travel awards, gift certificates to stores and restaurants, donations of services (massages, tap-dancing lessons, etc.), or any other fun items. Just think ... if every student and faculty member got one extra donation, there would be at least 1000 extra items to auction. If anyone is interested, we can email you a sample email that you can send out to your email address book, as well as a donation form that you can use to secure items and services. Please email us at [EJF@wcl.american.edu](mailto:EJF@wcl.american.edu) for either of these, or if you have any other questions.

Thanks!

Are you anticipating getting an unpaid summer internship, but need funding?

The Equal Justice Foundation offers \$3000 fellowships to 1Ls and 2Ls who will be interning in unpaid summer positions at public interest organizations. For more information and to get an application, come to one of these meetings:

Tuesday, January 20<sup>th</sup> at 5:15 (Room 400) or  
Thursday, February 5<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 (TBD)

### **Evening Law Student Association**

ELSA will be holding its first meeting of the spring semester on **Wednesday, January 21, from 8:00-9:00 pm in Room 526**. We will be holding elections for our Executive Board and will begin planning for our spring events. Come out and get involved.

### **International Law Society**

ILS' first meeting will be held **Wednesday January 21 from 5-5:50pm in room 602**. Professor Paul Williams will speak about networking and jobs in international law. There will be food!!! ILS is also seeking submissions for its newsletter, The Globetrotter, by January 28th. This is a wonderful opportunity to get published. Submissions should address anything having to do with international law including study abroad experiences, any work done with international organizations, etc and may be any length. Copies of the most recent issue of the Globetrotter will be available at the general meeting.

### **IP Society**

Our fall dinner event honoring our new Judicial Advisor Judge Linn from the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit has been rescheduled for January 22 (Thursday) from 6:30-8:00PM in the faculty dining room. Please RSVP to Olivia at [olivia.luk@uspto.gov](mailto:olivia.luk@uspto.gov).

The fifth lunch in our new "Lunch with Practitioners" series will be hosted by Fish & Richardson at their firm on February 5 at noon. Again, RSVP to Olivia. We have room for 20 students and they are accepting resumes. Do not reserve a spot if you do not plan on attending. Students from other law schools are wait listed.

### **Journal of Gender, Social Policy, and the Law**

Welcome back, Staff! Our first journal staff meeting for the Spring 2004 semester will be on Wednesday January 21 at 10:10 p.m. in Room 602. Staff members will sign up for office hours, hear about publication progress, and learn about the Ed board elections. This meeting is mandatory. If you are unable to attend, you must contact the Journal no later than January 20, 2004 by email at [genderlaw@wcl.american.edu](mailto:genderlaw@wcl.american.edu).

### **Lambda Law Society**

The Lambda Law Society elections for the 2004 Executive Board are quickly approaching! Anyone interested in serving as one of the five board positions is welcome to run. Please contact Geoffrey Meyer at [geoffreymeyer@yahoo.com](mailto:geoffreymeyer@yahoo.com) if you are interested. Elections will be held at the General Meeting on **Monday, January 26th at noon in room 526**.

### **Law Revue**

Do you play an instrument? If so, Law Revue is looking for musicians for this year's show. Drums, bass, violin, brass preferred. Contact Jarrett at [jperlow@tmail.com](mailto:jperlow@tmail.com).

## **Moot Court**

**UPPERCLASSMEN** – We are calling for volunteers to judge the Alvina Reckman-Myers First Year Moot Court Competition. It is a great way to get some Moot Court experience! If you are interested, contact Alison Lundergan at [ALCALU@aol.com](mailto:ALCALU@aol.com).

First-Year Competition Info:

Sessions on oral advocacy will be held in conjunction with Legal Rhetoric on

**Tuesday, January 20<sup>th</sup>, 12:00p.m., Room 602**

**Tuesday, January 20<sup>th</sup>, 6:00p.m., Room 100**

**Wednesday, January 21<sup>st</sup>, 8:00p.m., Room 402**

These sessions are to help first years prepare for the competition and for oral arguments for Legal Rhetoric later in the semester.

Reminder to participants in the Alvina Reckman-Myers First-Year Competition that **January 16<sup>th</sup>** is the deadline for dropping from the competition without a penalty.

Spring Tournament

To learn more about the Spring Tournament and trying out for the Moot Court Honor Society Team, come to one of our info sessions on **February 4<sup>th</sup> at 12:00p.m. and 8:00p.m. in Room 603**. You can register for the Spring Tournament on **February 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>**. Briefs are due **February 19<sup>th</sup>** and oral arguments will take place on **February 28<sup>th</sup>**.

High School Competition Invitations

Were you in Debate Club, Mock Trial, Moot Court, Model UN, or Junior State of America in high school? Did your high school have any of those sorts of clubs? If so, we'd love to invite your high school's current team to compete in the National High School Moot Court Competition. High schoolers from around the nation will converge on WCL the weekend of March 20th and 21th to display their oral advocacy skills. If you'd like us to invite your school, please send an email containing the school's name, address, phone number, and (if possible) the name of the relevant faculty member/advisor to [wclhighschoolmootcourt@yahoo.com](mailto:wclhighschoolmootcourt@yahoo.com). Your social studies teacher will be so proud of you!

## **Phi Alpha Delta**

Welcome back!!! We have a wide array of programs that we are planning for this semester and we want to see all of you taking part in them!

First off, we are holding a business clothes drive from January 19th to the 25th. Please bring donations to the box in the lobby. The clothing which we collect will go first to help the WCL Community and any students that would otherwise be unable to come up with a suit for the Legal Rhetoric Appellate Brief Oral Arguments. Any clothing that cannot be used at WCL will be donated to a program to help people that are currently on public assistance in thier job search. This is a great way to help people, and at the same time clean out your closets to make room for all those new clothes you got for Christmas!

Second, we will be holding open elections in late January and early February. The administration has been very supportive of us and the old Board will be around to help the new Board with the

transition. We already have a number of programs under way so this is a great time to jump in. Also, this year we will be holding our National Convention in Los Angeles in August. Two Board members will attend for almost no cost. Please contact me at [EMPiff@aol.com](mailto:EMPiff@aol.com) if you have any questions about our organization and stay tuned for election updates!

### **Public Interest Newsletter**

A new publication dedicated to highlighting public interest law at WCL and beyond will be launched this spring. There is a meeting scheduled for 12 noon on Wednesday, January 21. If you would like to join please contact Pooja Mehta by e-mail: [poojamm@hotmail.com](mailto:poojamm@hotmail.com).

### **Women's Law Association**

First Annual "Women to Watch" Event Join us January **Tuesday, January 27<sup>th</sup> from 7-9 PM at the Elizabeth Robert's Gallery in Dupont Circle** to enjoy drinks and hors d'oeuvres, network with WCL Alums and honor the first recipient of the WLA's *Women to Watch* Award. Our 2004 *Woman to Watch* is Karen Lockwood. Currently a partner at Howrey, Simon, Arnold & White, Karen has 22 years of experience in commercial and complex trial and appellate litigation. Tickets go on sale in the front lobby Tuesday, January 13<sup>th</sup> and are \$10 each.

## IN SEARCH OF...

**Professor Guttman** is seeking a Research Assistant for a total of up to twenty hours per week. If you have an interest in Commercial Law and would like to prepare a casebook on Sales, please submit a copy of your transcript and a writing sample to Carolyn room 325 or place it in Professor Guttman's mail box in room 465. This position may lead to summer employment.

**Prof. Ann Bartow** is seeking two Research Assistants, 10 hours per week each, with interest in Intellectual Property and Cyberspace Law.

**Prof. Teemu Ruskola** is looking for two Dean's Fellow for the Spring to assist him in a research project involving the introduction of Western international law into China. One position (15-20 hrs per week) will involve primarily bibliographic work, identifying and locating relevant sources. Another position (5 hrs per week) will involve Chinese language materials and requires the ability to read and translate Chinese. If you are interested, please submit a letter and a resume to Frankie Winchester, Room 405.

The Juvenile Justice Education Program run by Street Law, Inc. is looking for a part time SOS Office Assistant to work for them this Spring semester. If you could start now, that is preferable but not necessary.

**Prof. Margaret Johnson** is seeking a Dean's Fellow to work 10-20 hours/week to assist in research regarding sexual harassment in employment and feminist legal theory. Any interested candidates should submit a cover letter, resume and writing sample to her at [mejohanson@wcl.american.edu](mailto:mejohanson@wcl.american.edu).

**The War Crimes Research Office** is seeking Dean's Fellows for Spring 2004. JD (2L and 3L) and LL.M students are eligible. Interested students with a background in international law,

particularly international criminal / humanitarian / human rights law, are especially encouraged to apply, as are those with prior volunteer experience at the WCRO. Please submit a resume and a cover letter, along with a short writing sample and a transcript (unofficial is fine) to John Cerone, Executive Director, War Crimes Research Office, either by email at [warcrim@wcl.american.edu](mailto:warcrim@wcl.american.edu), or to our office. The deadline for applications is **Friday, January 16, 2003**. If you want to discuss the various possibilities of working at the WCRO with us first, please feel free to stop by our new office at 4910 Massachusetts Ave, NW, just one block from WCL, call us at 202-274-4067, or e-mail at [warcrim@wcl.american.edu](mailto:warcrim@wcl.american.edu)

**Street Law** is a nonprofit organization dedicated to law, democracy and human rights education. The Save Our Streets (SOS) Program is an education program for youth charged with weapons offenses who have been released to the custody of their parents. The young people attend twelve 90-minute long classes weekly. Through the use of highly interactive strategies and role-plays, community resource people, and law content that is relevant to the lives of youth, the participants will engage in activities that will increase their problem solving, communication, and conflict resolution skills. Duties: 1. Process court referrals and file information for students 2. Prepare lesson materials for the week 3. Maintain lesson materials in the office 4. Create contacts with area associations and scheduling events 5. Respond to inquiries about student attendance from probation officers and attorneys 6. Prepare check requests 7. Provide general support to Senior Program Director 8. Other duties as assigned The position is for approx. 5hrs/wk and pays \$13/hr. Interested parties should contact Deborah Foster, [dfoster@streetlaw.org](mailto:dfoster@streetlaw.org), at 301-589-1130 x223. If that doesn't work, get ahold of Siriss at [SEToth@Attorney.com](mailto:SEToth@Attorney.com)

**The Center For Human Rights and Humanitarian Law:** Work Hard for Human Rights and Have Fun Doing It! Help make the Center's exciting human rights programming happen! We work hard but *always* have fun. The Center seeks several Dean's Fellows for a number of projects and activities. The Center is in particular need of *Portuguese and Spanish speaking* Dean's Fellows for the Inter-American Human Rights Moot Court Competition, who will help translate materials, communicate with students from throughout South America, and assist with Portuguese & Spanish-language writing and editing. But we also need others who will help us with the wide variety of upcoming projects. Positions are 10 hours per week. We work hard and play hard!!! Come and join us! To apply, please send a cover letter, résumé and short English-language writing sample (no more than 10 pages) to the Center at [humlaw@wcl.american.edu](mailto:humlaw@wcl.american.edu) as soon as possible. Please put "Spring 2004 Dean's Fellow Application" in the subject line.

**Women and International Law Program:** The Women and International Law Program needs a Dean's Fellow to help promote WCL's LLM Specialization in Gender and the Law around the world, and to assist in organizing projects and programming. Students with a background in international and/or gender issues are especially encouraged to apply. To apply, please send a cover letter, résumé and short English-language writing sample (no more than 10 pages) to April Fehling at [afehling@wcl.american.edu](mailto:afehling@wcl.american.edu) as soon as possible. Please put "Spring 2004 Dean's Fellow Application" in the subject line.

## ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Professor Guttman** would like to meet with any student who has either taken Securities Regulation or is currently enrolled in the class to discuss the available externship opportunities with Mutual Fund Directors. Please contact Professor Guttman 274-4213.

Table Talk LUNCH Series Where the University community meets to discuss matters of moral, social/ethical concern. 12:00 PM, Kay Center Lounge Please join us  
(Speakers for each event to be announced) **Thursday, January 29** Green Labeling: Does It Have a Future?; **Thursday, February 19** Nation Building: Is the U.S. Any Good At It?; **Wednesday, February 25** The White House and Human Rights: Allies or Adversaries?; **Wednesday, March 3** Sweatshops and Students: Is There a Gap?; **Thursday, March 25** Middle East: Is the Geneva Accord a Breakthrough or Another Breakdown?; **Thursday, April 15** Corporate Responsibility: Oxymoron or Growth Industry? Buffet lunch is provided. A donation of \$5 each is requested from faculty and staff to help offset the cost of the program. Free to students. Reservations required. Please RSVP 24 hours before the scheduled event at 202-885-3320 or email [kslc@american.edu](mailto:kslc@american.edu).

**Monday, January 19** Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service 8:15 a.m. Departs campus from corner of Hughes and McDowell Halls for historic Woodlawn Cemetery and Capital Children's Museum. Sign up via [volunteer@american.edu](mailto:volunteer@american.edu) or at the Community Service Center, MGC 273. Sponsors: Community Service Center and the Eagle Endowment.

**Tuesday, January 20** The Dream to Hip Hop 8:00 p.m. 9:30 p.m. Chapel, Kay Spiritual Life Center Hip Hop will be performed along with a discussion that will highlight the influence and conflict with King's dream. Moderated by Professor William Smith and facilitated by Professors Caleen Jennings, Edward Smith and Charles Sutton and performing Hip Hop artist Priest da Nomad.

**Wednesday, January 21** 8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. KSLC Chapel Meditation Sponsors: University Chaplain's office and the AU's 2004 Planning Committee. 12:15 p.m. 1:15 p.m. KSLC Chapel Musical and Oratorical Tribute to Dr. King Presentation of the 1st Annual MLK Eagle Endowment Grant AU's Gospel Choir and Jazz Ensemble will perform three selections each plus one combined selection. Directed by Professors Sylestea Sledge and William Smith. The program includes an oratorical interlude The Dream Sounds in Me arranged by Professor Caleen Synette Jennings. Sponsors: the Department of Performing Arts and Campus Life. 5:30 p.m. 7:45 p.m. Citizen King film and Q & A with director Wechsler Theater Orlando Bagwell, award-winning film maker will introduce the film and respond to a Question and Answer session following the film. Sponsors: the Center for Social Media, Campus Life and the Student Union Board.

***The Feminist and Legal Theory Project: Celebrating 20 Years of Feminist Pedagogy, Praxis, and***

***Prisms* A Washington College of Law Founders' Day event March 18-19, 2004**

**Call for Student Papers** **Nature and purpose of FLT Project Celebration:** The Women and the Law Program and the Journal of Gender, Law, and Social Policy are sponsoring a day-long workshop to celebrate the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Feminism and Legal Theory Project. The FLT Project, founded in 1983 by Professor Martha Fineman while at the University of Wisconsin Law School, has been housed at Columbia Law School and Cornell Law School and continues to have an important impact on the work of feminist legal scholars. The FLT Project Celebration will bring together many noted feminist scholars, practitioners, and students to reflect on the ways in which the FLT Project has facilitated the

development of a feminist legal theory canon. We will also explore the FLT Project's influence on the understanding, experience, and practice of law and how it has helped to maintain a dynamic feminist community within the legal academy and beyond.

**Call for student papers:** We invite current AU students – at the law school and otherwise -- to submit papers not exceeding 20 pages to be considered for: presentation as part of a “New Directions” Panel at the Celebration; and/or publication in the FLT Project Symposium issue of the *American University Journal of Gender, Law, and Social Policy*. Papers might address a discrete legal issue, a particular case, an entire area of law, legislative endeavors, or issues related to legal education and/or the legal profession. One or more of the following questions might serve as a springboard for your thinking: Does feminism still matter? How? Why? What should be the ongoing role of feminist activism and advocacy in the law? What utility do feminist insights and methods have for teaching, learning, and working with the law? **Deadline for submissions:** Student papers should be submitted to Professor Mary L. Clark (WCL room 318; [mlclark@wcl.american.edu](mailto:mlclark@wcl.american.edu)) no later than 5 p.m. on **Monday, February 2, 2004**. Please provide contact information with your submission. We look forward to hearing from you.

**Vagina Monologues-** This year WCL students, faculty and staff are presenting the 3d Annual Performance of The Vagina Monologues. All are invited to audition **Wednesday, January 21st, 8-10 pm in Rm. 603**. If you are interested in auditioning, please pick up a packet in the SBA Lounge on Friday, January 16th and show up in Rm. 603 between 8 and 10 pm. If you have any questions about the auditions or are interested in helping produce the show, rather than be on stage, please e-mail Melissa Davis at [md6834a@american.edu](mailto:md6834a@american.edu).

### OFFICE OF CAREER SERVICES

**Hours:**

**Monday, Thursday and Friday: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm**

**Tuesday, Wednesday: 9:00 am to 8 pm**

**Saturday: 10:00 am to 1:00 pm**

<http://www.wcl.american.edu/ocs/>

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### **Spring Recruitment Program**

**Attention 1Ls!!** There will be an informative session about Spring Recruitment on **Monday, January 26** in **Room 603** from **12PM** until **1PM**. There is not a deadline to sign up for Spring Recruitment. However, it is beneficial that all first time participants attend this session. If you are unable to make the session, please stop by the Office of Career Services **after** the 26th to pick up your eAttorney.com password and any other information needed to participate in Spring Recruitment. If you have additional questions, please contact Kenya Anthony or the Office of Career Services front desk personnel at x4090.

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#### ***New User Signup:***

Some portions of the Career Services website are protected by password for use by Washington College of Law students and alumni. To register for a login ID and password, go to

<http://wcl.american.edu/ocs/ocsapp/NewUserQ.cfm> and fill out the entire registration form. Please be patient as it will take up to one business day to process your registration.

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**BEYOND THE PRACTICE OF LAW**

A Panel Presentation and Discussion on  
Alternative Careers for Law School Graduates

Tuesday Evening, January 20, 2004  
6:30 pm – 9:00 pm  
Covington & Burling  
1201 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20004

Speakers

Dwight Allen  
Director of Communications and Energy Studies  
Deloitte Research

Sean B. Cunningham  
Majority Counsel  
House Committee on Energy and Commerce

Paul Glenchur  
Vice President  
Schwab Capital Markets

Aryani Ong  
Director of Program Administration  
Organization of Chinese Americans

Hors d'oeuvres and beverages compliments of the law firm of Covington & Burling

An indication of your intent to attend this program is requested.

**Please RSVP by noon of Friday, January 16, 2004 to:  
[aefbeyondlawpractice@hotmail.com](mailto:aefbeyondlawpractice@hotmail.com)**

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**Attention:** Law students from the metropolitan Washington, D.C. area, you are invited to participate in Career Capital Investment's:

**First Annual Law Student Personal Investment Conference!**

**When:** February 6, 2003

**Where:** AARP Headquarters  
601 E Street, NW  
Washington, D.C.

Space for the conference is very limited! **Only 20 first year law students, 40 second year law students and 40 third year law students will be allowed to attend.** Register now at [www.cciconferences.com](http://www.cciconferences.com). The \$35 registration fee includes the cost of breakfast and lunch.

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**Still looking for an internship, summer or post-graduate position?** The Office of Career Services is committed to assisting students with their job search process. With that commitment in mind, we have six full- and one part-time career counselors available to conduct individual counseling sessions. In addition, OCS maintains an on-line job database that is updated daily. Please review this resource on a regular basis for new opportunities by accessing the following link: <http://wcl.american.edu/ocs/search.cfm>. Starting on Friday, November 7, and continuing for the next several months, OCS will also create a weekly e-Bulletin of job listings. Students interested in receiving an electronic e-Bulletin should stop by the Office of Career Services to sign up for one or more OCS listservs. Please use an AU/WCL e-mail address to ensure timely receipt of the information.

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### **Summer Living in New York Program**

The New York University School of Law is making student apartment-style residences available to summer interns and associates working in the New York business and legal communities! For more information and to join their mailing list, visit <http://www.law.nyu.edu/depts/housing/summerliving/>, or email [law.slny@nyu.edu](mailto:law.slny@nyu.edu).

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### **DROP IN HOURS**

A counselor is available every Monday – Thursday from 11:30am to 1:00pm to answer quick questions regarding resumes, cover letters and issues relating to the job search process. To speak to a counselor regarding in-depth resume or cover letter review or regarding individual career or job search strategies, please schedule an appointment by speaking with one of our front desk staff members.

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### **If I am interested in a specific job sector is there any one in OCS who can help me?**

YES. In addition to having a broad understanding of the legal employment market, the office has several specialists you can contact about specific career goals.

Judicial Clerkships  
Shelley Rudge  
[serudge@wcl.american.edu](mailto:serudge@wcl.american.edu)

Public Interest & Government  
Sheila Ketcham  
[sketcham@wcl.american.edu](mailto:sketcham@wcl.american.edu)

International LL.M.s & J.D.s Who Want To Work Abroad  
Sandra Buteau  
sbuteau@wcl.american.edu

Alumni, Domestic LL.M.s and 2nd Career J.D.s  
Matthew Pascoello  
mpasco@wcl.american.edu

Alternative Careers & Government  
Kevin Rogers  
rogers@wcl.american.edu

General Information  
Call 274-4090

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**ATTENTION 1Ls: 2003 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT WORKBOOK SIGN-UPS**

Visit OCS to sign-up for your copy of the Professional Development Workbook. This valuable resource, which was provided to students attending the annual *Career Day for 1Ls* program, will facilitate your immediate and long-term career planning process, provide you with an understanding of the various opportunities available to you as you seek legal employment, and help you develop important job searching skills. Simply provide your name and email address on the sign-up sheet located on the front desk, and you will receive a message by the end of the week informing you that your workbook is available for pick-up.

**JOB/VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK**

**Graduating this May?**

**Judges of the Superior Court of California, County of San Francisco** invite applications from 3L and 4L students interested in a one-year law clerk position with the Court. Compensation for this clerkship is \$57,812 annually. Applications may be downloaded directly from <http://www.sfgov.org/courts> or visit OCS to obtain a copy. The required complete application package must include *one original and one copy of all of the following documents*: Completed Superior Court of California, County of San Francisco, Legal Research Assistant application; a resume, including law school activities and related work experience; law school transcripts; three letters of recommendation; a writing sample of not more than three pages in length. Completed applications must be received **March 16, 2004** and forwarded to 400 McAllister Street / Room 205 / San Francisco, CA 94102-4514.

**Interested in Health Care Law?**

**U.S. Department of Labor, Employee Benefits Security Administration, Office of Health Plan Standards and Compliance Assistance (EBSA)** is accepting applications for summer interns. EBSA is responsible for administering and securing compliance with Title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (ERISA). The Office of Health

Plan Standards, in conjunction with representatives from the Internal Revenue Service and the Departments of the Treasury and Health and Human Services, is developing regulations and interpretive guidance to implement recently enacted health care laws, including the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA), the Mental Health Parity Act of 1996, the Newborns' and Mothers' Health Protection Act of 1996, and the Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998. Interested? To apply, forward a resume and cover letter to Kevin Horahan / U.S. Department of Labor / Employee Benefits Security Administration / Office of Health Plan Standards and Compliance Assistance / 200 Constitution Avenue, NW Washington, D.C. 20210.

**Summer Law Clerk Opportunity:**

**Finkelstein, Thompson & Loughran**, a boutique Georgetown firm specializing in the representation of plaintiffs in securities, consumer fraud and antitrust litigation is currently accepting applications for Summer 2004 law clerk positions. The law clerk position involves assisting in many aspects of complex litigation, including factual investigation, legal research and writing, and document review. The ideal candidate is a second year law student with a superior academic record and clinical, law journal and/or moot court experience. Relevant coursework, internships and work experience will be considered, particularly experience that indicates a strong interest in litigation. Candidates must be strongly self-motivated, detail-oriented, and capable of managing substantial responsibilities in a fast-paced environment. For consideration, please send a current resume, cover letter and law school transcript to the following: Conor R. Crowley, Esq. (crc@ftllaw.com) and Ali Oromchian, Esq. (ao@ftllaw.com) - Fax: 202-337-8090. **Applications for Summer 2004 will be accepted until February 29, 2004 – Apply quickly.**

To obtain further details about these opportunities and learn of other employment opportunities visit the OCS Jobs Database <http://www.wcl.american.edu/ocs/search.cfm> and stay tuned for further information regarding OCS' Spring Recruitment Program.

**OCS RESOURCE OF THE WEEK**

**Law Student Jobs Online (LSJO)** (available at [www.lawschool.westlaw.com](http://www.lawschool.westlaw.com) through the 'Careers/AJO' link). Presented by **Attorney Jobs Online (AJO)**, LSJO is an extensive database of law and law-related positions (e.g., summer) available nationwide and abroad for current law students. In addition, special programs for new graduates such as fellowships, honors programs, and judicial clerkships are listed. The AJO/LSJO sites also contain career, resume, and interviewing advice; access to *The Insider's Guide to Washington, DC Area Law Firms*; resources on alternative legal careers; and U.S. Government salary charts and application forms. LSJO is valuable tool for your summer job search!

Want to take a look at this great job searching resource? Visit the OCS web site at [www.wcl.american.edu/ocs](http://www.wcl.american.edu/ocs) to finds links to helpful job searching internet resources.

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**PUBLIC INTEREST & GOVERNMENT CAREERS**

**1) TWO SESSIONS!**

**How I can use my law degree in Human Rights**

**Tuesday, January 27, 2004**

**Room 601**

**12 noon - 1 p.m.**

**Preparing for the Greater Washington, DC/ Baltimore Public Service Career Fair - Interview Tips, Table Talk Tips, Etc.**

**Wednesday, January 28, 2004**

**Room 602**

**12 noon - 1 p.m.**

If you have not yet registered for the fair which is January 30, 2004 at George Mason), you are no longer able to schedule interviews. However, you may still attend table talk - speaking briefly with some employers in a less structured format. If you want to attend table talk please email Sheila Ketcham at [sketcham@wcl.american.edu](mailto:sketcham@wcl.american.edu) immediately.

**2) FEDERAL GOVERNMENT RESOURCE**

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT HONORS PROGRAMS. Did you know that dozens of federal employers offer some type of summer or post-graduate honors program? You can start applying for these opportunities now! PLEASE NOTE - many of these are rolling applications so please don't wait until the deadline - APPLY NOW. For detailed information, including program descriptions, who they are hiring (1Ls, 2Ls, etc.), paid (many are paid!) or unpaid, and exact deadlines, visit the GOVERNMENT HONORS HANDBOOK, [www.law.arizona.edu/career/honorshandbook.cfm](http://www.law.arizona.edu/career/honorshandbook.cfm). This is an online document. To access this you will need the username and password.

USERNAME - eggplant

PASSWORD - purple2

**3) CAREER EMAIL LISTS.** Make sure you receive all future updates about government or public interest careers. Sign up for these group email lists. These lists are the only way you can receive opportunities and updates by email. Be sure and subscribe as soon as possible so you don't miss any.

**Government Careers Email List**

To subscribe to this list, send an email to [listserv@listserv.american.edu](mailto:listserv@listserv.american.edu) with the following in the body of the message:

Subscribe AUWCL\_Government\_Careers FirstName LastName

**Public Interest Careers Email List**

Subscribe AUWCL\_Public\_Interest FirstName LastName

Should you encounter any problems for either listserv, please email Matt Dumpert at [mdumpert@wcl.american.edu](mailto:mdumpert@wcl.american.edu). If you have already subscribed to the previous Government and Public Interest Career lists, you do not need to re-subscribe to the above lists.

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## JUDICIAL CLERKSHIPS

**SECOND-YEAR STUDENTS: DO YOU WANT TO FINISH YOUR POST-GRADUATE JOB SEARCH THIS SPRING? A minority of state appellate court justices/judges are accepting applications this semester.** Check the judge-specific hiring information categories on the Judicial Clerkship section of the OCS website (look under Maryland, Virginia, and Minnesota for example) and make an appointment with Shelley Rudge, Judicial Clerkship Coordinator, for more information ([serudge@wcl.american.edu](mailto:serudge@wcl.american.edu) or 274-4251).

**INTERESTED IN OBTAINING A JUDICIAL EXTERNSHIP/INTERNSHIP THIS SUMMER? Hear from WCL students who worked for federal judges, state judges, and administrative law judges on January 20 at 12:00 in Room 402.** Get all the information you need to apply.

**Directions for the Judicial Clerkships Email List** – E-mail Shelley Rudge at [serudge@wcl.american.edu](mailto:serudge@wcl.american.edu) and request to sign up (include your name and year).

**Below is a selection of state and federal court opportunities for the 2004 term from the Judicial Clerkship section of the OCS website.** Check the website for much more information (see the judge and court-specific hiring information categories).

Many DC Superior Court judges and Maryland Circuit Court judges are still accepting applications for the 2004 term. Check the Judicial Clerkship section of the OCS website and schedule an appointment with Shelley Rudge for more information.

The United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia (Alexandria Division) is accepting applications for a *pro se* law clerk position **until the position is filled**. Applicants should submit a cover letter, resume, law school transcript, writing sample, and two letters of recommendation to: The Honorable Leonie M. Brinkema, Albert V. Bryan, Sr. U.S. Courthouse, 401 Courthouse Square, Alexandria, VA 22314.

The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit is currently accepting applications for two-year staff law clerk positions. **Apply as soon as possible**. Applicants should submit a cover letter, resume, law school transcript, two unedited writing samples, and two letters of recommendation to: Julie Fenton, Senior Staff Attorney, 219 South Dearborn Street, Chicago, IL 60604.

Virginia Beach Circuit Court (Virginia) is accepting applications **until January 28** for three one-year positions. Applicants should submit a cover letter, resume, undergraduate transcript, law school transcript, writing sample, and employment application (download it from [www.vbgov.com/jobs](http://www.vbgov.com/jobs)) to: Monica Kopin, Human Resources Analyst, Department of Human

Resources, City of Virginia Beach, Municipal Center, Building #18, Room 106, 2424 Courthouse Drive, Virginia Beach, VA 23456-9056.

The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit is accepting applications on an **on-going basis** for two-year staff attorney positions. Applicants should submit a cover letter, resume, official law school transcript, unedited writing sample, and a list of at least three professional references to: Sara Gilbert, Manager for Recruiting, Training, and Professional Development, Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals, Staff Attorneys' Office, 56 Forsyth Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303-2289.

The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit is accepting applications **until February 6** for two-year staff attorney positions. Applicants should submit a cover letter, resume, certified copy of law school transcript, self-edited writing sample, and a list of at least three references (include the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of at least three individuals having first-hand bases for evaluating the applicant's aptitude for work performance by staff attorneys). Direct applications to: Carolyn S. Neal, Personnel Officer, Office of Staff Counsel, 600 E. Main Street, Suite 2200, Richmond, Virginia 23219-2441.

The Superior Court of California, County of San Francisco is accepting applications **until March 16** for one-year legal research assistant positions (judicial clerkships). Most legal research assistants are assigned as law clerks in the Civil Division, Office of the Presiding Judge, Law and Motion Department, or the Appellate Department. A smaller number of legal research assistants are assigned to the Criminal Division. Applicants should submit one original and one copy of all the following documents: (1) complete, signed, and dated Superior Court of California, County of San Francisco, Legal Research Assistant application (available in OCS and on the court website); (2) resume; (3) law school transcript; (4) three letters of recommendation; and (5) writing sample of not more than three pages in length. The court prefers that all materials be submitted in one package to: 400 McAllister Street, Room 205, San Francisco, CA 94102.

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### **DIVERSITY OPPORTUNITIES**

**1) Judicial Intern Opportunity Program – Section of Litigation of the American Bar Association** is a full-time, six-week minimum, summer program open to all 1L or 2L minority and disadvantaged law students who want to do legal research and writing for state and federal judges in various jurisdictions in Texas (e.g., Houston) and Illinois (e.g., Chicago). **Interns will receive a stipend of \$1,500 for the entire summer.** To apply, submit a completed application form, legal writing sample, and statement of interest. Detailed program information, frequently asked questions, and a copy of the application are available online ([www.abanet.org/litigation/jiop](http://www.abanet.org/litigation/jiop)) or through the Section of Litigation office. All applications must be postmarked by **JANUARY 30, 2004** for consideration. Refer to the section website for further information (and the application), or contact the program director, Gail Howard at 312.988.6348, [howardg@staff.abanet.org](mailto:howardg@staff.abanet.org), with questions.

**2) UNCF/Pfizer Corporate Scholars Program** is open to **1L** minority students interested in an opportunity to gain invaluable internship experience in a corporate setting. Selected students

participate in an 8-10 week summer internship at Pfizer corporate facilities and will work with the pharmaceutical company in a range of key business and research areas. Interns receive a minimum of a \$5,000 stipend during the program. To apply, you must 1) complete an online application and attach an unedited writing sample by visiting [www.uncf.org](http://www.uncf.org) and 2) send a resume, two faculty recommendation letters, official law school and undergraduate transcripts by midnight **JANUARY 31, 2004** to Pfizer/UNCF Corporate Scholars Program / P.O. Box 1435 / Alexandria, VA 22313-9998. For additional information visit OCS to pick-up a program brochure, visit [www.uncf.org](http://www.uncf.org), or call toll free 1.866.671.7237.

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR LL.M. STUDENTS**

### ***SERVICES, COUNSELORS, LOCATION, HOURS***

#### **Services**

Career Counseling  
Resume Writing  
Cover Letter Writing  
Mock Interviews  
Networking and Interviewing Strategies  
Job Search Campaigns

#### **Counselors**

**Sandra Buteau**, LL.M. ([sbuteau@wcl.american.edu](mailto:sbuteau@wcl.american.edu))

Assistant Director for International Career Programs

Sandra received her law degree in Panama and an LL.M. from Tulane University Law School. She clerked at the Panamanian Supreme Court and was a lawyer with KPMG Peat Marwick and a private law firm.

[Sandra works with both foreign-trained LL.M. students and J.D.s interested in working abroad.](#)

**Matthew L. Pascoello**, Esq. ([mpasco@wcl.american.edu](mailto:mpasco@wcl.american.edu))

Assistant Director, Alumni Counselor

Practiced in-house as well as with large and mid-sized law firms in the areas of corporate, litigation and international trade law.

[Matthew specializes in counseling the alumni population, as well as domestic LL.M. students with extensive working experience.](#)

**Traci Mundy Jenkins**, Esq. ([tjenkins@wcl.american.edu](mailto:tjenkins@wcl.american.edu))

Director of the Office of Career Services

A former Commercial Litigation Associate at Venable, and a Managing Partner of a regional legal recruiting firm.

[Traci works with both J.D. and domestic LL.M. students interested in different practice areas.](#)

**Location**

American University, Washington College of Law  
Room 515  
4801 Massachusetts Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20016  
Phone: (202) 274-4090 (to make an appointment)  
Fax: (202) 274-4096

**Hours**

Monday, Thursday, Friday 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.  
Tuesday, Wednesday 9:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.  
Saturdays 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

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***RESUME WRITING WORKSHOP***

The Assistant Director for International Career Programs is scheduling resume writing workshops throughout the semester for small groups of students every two weeks. All students enrolled in the LL.M. program should attend one resume workshop during the semester if you are planning to find an internship or a practical training position during the academic year.

*What is a resume and why do you need to draft one?*

In the United States if you are applying for a position as a research assistant, intern or a permanent job, you will be asked to send a resume, a short document where you will present prospective employers a brief introduction to your skills and relevant experience. A resume should be only one page, because your prospective employer or internship recruiter will only spend about 30 seconds reviewing your credentials.

For this reason, you would need to participate in a workshop where you will learn how to draft your resume. You need to sign up in advance to participate in a resume writing workshop by stopping by Room 515 or contacting OCS at (202) 274-4090. The resume workshops will last a little more than an hour and you do not need to bring anything, but your willingness to learn the techniques your counselor will teach during the meeting. Students DO NOT NEED TO BRING A RESUME TO THE WORKSHOP. All the workshops are and they will be in the Office of Career Services (Room 515) and the workshop will be an hour and 15 minutes. Here are the dates and times for the rest of the semester:

- Thursday, January 15, 2004 from 12:00 p.m. until 1:15 p.m.
- Monday, January 26, 2004 from 3:00 p.m. until 4:15 p.m.
- Tuesday, February 10, 2004 from 10:00 a.m. until 11:15 a.m.
- Thursday, February 19, 2004 from 4:00 p.m. until 5:15 p.m.
- Monday, February 23, 2004 from 12:00 p.m. until 1:15 p.m.
- Thursday, February 26, 2004 from 10:00 a.m. until 11:15 a.m.
- Wednesday, March 3, 2004 from 2:00 p.m. until 3:15 p.m.
- Monday, March 15, 2004 from 2:00 p.m. until 3:15 p.m.

Friday, April 2, 2004 from 4:00 p.m. until 5:15 p.m.  
Tuesday, April 13, 2004 from 10:00 a.m. until 11:15 a.m.  
Wednesday, April 21, 2004 from 3:00 p.m. until 4:15 p.m.

Please contact Sandra P. Buteau, the Assistant Director for International Career Programs (sbuteau@wcl.american.edu) to get more information about new dates for resume workshops.

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***RESUME/JOB CORRESPONDENCE DROP-OFF POLICY***

Drop-off a hard copy of your resume or cover letter for review 24 hours before you meet with Sandra P. Buteau, the Assistant Director for International Career Programs. For more information, stop by our office (Room 515) or contact us at (202) 274-4090.

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***INDIVIDUAL APPOINTMENTS WITH THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FOR INTERNATIONAL CAREER PROGRAMS***

After participating in a resume workshop, you will be able to schedule an individual appointment with the Assistant Director for International Career Programs by stopping by the Office of Career Services (Room 515) or calling (202) 274- 4090.

Individual appointments with the Assistant Director for International Career Programs are an hour long, and if you already have a resume or cover letter for review, please drop a hard copy in Room 515 (OCS) or e-mail the draft to sbuteau@wcl.american.edu, 24 hours prior to the meeting.

If you have just a quick job search question, you can either e-mail it to Sandra P. Buteau at sbuteau@wcl.american.edu, or stop by Room 515 (OCS) on Fridays when she has open door policy from 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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***MOCK INTERVIEWS***

Do not let your first interview actually be your first interview in the United States. One of the best ways to prepare for upcoming interviews is to participate in a mock interview. Sandra P. Buteau, the Assistant Director for International Career Programs, will be conducting mock interviews by appointment only in OCS. She requests that students drop off a copy of their resume 24 hours prior to the appointment and indicate what employer-type they would like her to assume in the mock interview and also bring description of the position you are applying for. To schedule a mock interview, please stop by OCS (Room 515) or schedule an appointment with Sandra P. Buteau.

*What is a mock interview?*

A mock interview is an individual session with a career counselor to help you prepare for an interview. The counselor will ask you traditional and behavioral questions and you will be asked to respond them, as in a real interview. After the interview, you will be given constructive feedback regarding your interviewing style and how you responded to the questions.

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***A NOTE ABOUT THE AMERICAN BAR  
(INFORMATION FOR FOREIGN-TRAINED LL.M. STUDENTS)***

The LL.M. in International Legal Studies (ILSP) is a specialist degree and is designed to prepare lawyers to practice law in an international arena. Consequently, LL.M. students may take only those courses from the approved [ILSP curriculum](#), which contains approximately forty-five courses/ seminars each semester. **The LL.M. program is not intended to prepare students for admission to the American legal profession.**

Students interested in sitting for a bar exam should note that the rules for the various state bar exams are subject to change. Students interested in taking a bar exam are advised to consult with the relevant bar organizations or authorities to determine their requirements. For more information about bar passage, please use the following link: [www.abanet.org/legaledu](http://www.abanet.org/legaledu).

Any prospective student whose career objective is to practice law in the U.S. should consider enrolling in [WCL's J.D. program](#), which is designed for this purpose.

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***INFORMATION REGARDING THE NEW YORK INTERNATIONAL INTERVIEW  
PROGRAM (NYU-ISIP)***

**HOW WOULD FIND OUT IF YOU HAVE INTERVIEWS**

The week of January 12, 2004 OCS will inform ALL THE STUDENTS THAT PARTICIPATED if they have interviews to make the necessary arrangements to travel to New York. **Each student that participated** will get a personal letter in their mailbox. **If for some reason you are not in the Washington, D.C. area next week**, please feel free to contact Sandra P. Buteau, the Assistant Director for International Career Programs either by phone (202-274-4097) or e-mail ([sbuteau@wcl.american.edu](mailto:sbuteau@wcl.american.edu)) to get the information you need to make the necessary arrangements to attend the program.

PLEASE REVIEW YOUR E-MAIL AND YOUR MAILBOXES REGULARLY, your career advisor will inform you of any changes, additions.

**FOREIGN-TRAINED LL.M. STUDENT RESUME DIRECTORY**

All foreign-trained LL.M. students (including those who are not interested in going to NYU-ISIP) please send their resume and/or a *curriculum vitae* as an attachment the following address: [sbuteau@wcl.american.edu](mailto:sbuteau@wcl.american.edu). Sandra P. Buteau will then compile a Resume Directory that will be available to attorneys interviewing at NYU-ISIP. Remember that the need for foreign-trained attorneys is ever changing and that this is a second opportunity for employers to review your credentials and possibly contact you directly for an interview. Employers are encouraged to contact students after NYU-ISIP.

**TIPS ON HOW TO INTERVIEW IN NEW YORK**

OCS will invite all foreign-trained LL.M. students interviewing at ISIP to a Mock Interview Exercise in January 2004 to prepare you for your interviews in New York. We will keep you informed. Please read *The Docket* and the *ILSP and Law and Government Newsletters* and check your e-mails for messages regarding the place and time for this workshop.

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***JOIN THE NETWORKING NEWSLETTER EDITORIAL TEAM!***

Sandra P. Buteau is looking for volunteers to join the newsletter's team of editors. The *Networking Newsletter* seeks to provide LL.M. students with information on events relevant to their areas of interest, where they will be able to meet with practitioners from various organizations and law firms, thereby giving them networking opportunities. The tasks of the volunteers will include gathering pertinent information, editing the newsletter and carrying out research on OCS projects. Interested students can send an e-mail to [sbuteau@wcl.american.edu](mailto:sbuteau@wcl.american.edu), and do not forget to include in the subject line: Volunteer for the Networking Newsletter.

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***ON-LINE RESOURCE***

<http://wcl.american.edu/ocs/videolibrary/>

**Interview with René Arce-Lozano**, an International Legal Studies Program alumni working for the International Trade Practice Group of White and Case, LLP. Learn first-hand what a foreign-trained LL.M. did to find a job in the United States as part of his optional practical training.

If you have any questions regarding resume, cover letter, interview or optional practical training, please do not hesitate to contact Sandra P. Buteau, Assistant Director for International Career Programs at [sbuteau@wcl.american.edu](mailto:sbuteau@wcl.american.edu) or by phone at (202) 274-4090.

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EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 19

**Tuesday, January 20**

**12-1pm, room 524**

*American Jurist* meeting

**12pm, room 602**

**Moot Court**, First-Year Competition Sessions on oral advocacy

**5:15pm, room 400**

Equal Justice Foundation meeting for students interested in EJP fellowships

**6pm, room 100**

**Moot Court**, First-Year Competition Sessions on oral advocacy

**10:10pm, room 101**

SBA Senate Meeting

**Wednesday, January 21**

12 noon, [poojamn@hotmail.com](mailto:poojamn@hotmail.com)

*Public Interest Newsletter* meeting

**12pm, room 602**

“*The Law of War and Rules of Occupation*” with Professor Robert Goldman

**3-5:30pm, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor Dining & Lobby Area**

WCL Externship Fair

**5-5:50pm, room 602**

International Law Society meeting

**8-9pm, room 526**

Evening Law Student Association meeting

**8pm, room 402**

**Moot Court**, First-Year Competition Sessions on oral advocacy

**10:10 pm, room 602**

*Journal of Gender, Social Policy, and the Law* staff meeting.

**Thursday January 22**

**8:30-10am , 6<sup>th</sup> Floor Student Lounge (behind the dining room)**  
Center for Human Rights Coffee Hour

**6:30-8pm, the faculty dining room**  
IP Society dinner event

**8 pm, 18th Street Lounge**  
Charity Date Auction