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## 2007 WCL Commencement

Please click on the following link to be directed to the Commencement page:

<http://www.wcl.american.edu/commencement.cfm>

JDs who are concerned that their name might be mispronounced should see Associate Dean Jaffe in the Office of Student Affairs (suite 300); LLMS should contact the International Legal Studies Program in Room 338.

## WCL End-of-Year Ice Cream Social

On behalf of Dean Grossman and the Faculty and Staff of the Washington College of Law, you are invited to an end-of-year ice cream social on Monday, April 23, from 4:00-6:00pm in the 6<sup>th</sup> floor student lounges. The time has been selected to permit both day and evening students to attend.

Please come and celebrate in your accomplishments with your classmates.

## OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR

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

### Fall 2007 PRE-REGISTRATION CONTINUES:

Students may continue to make course changes and add/drop courses throughout the registration period and through the first week of classes. (August 20-26). All second year students must take Criminal Procedure (LAW-508) and may choose any section. Part-time second-year students must also register for section 5 of Civil Procedure.

Sufficient spaces will be held in evening sections for part-time students through June 8 (part-time students WILL get into evening sections of their required courses). If a class closes, it will remain closed to all except students graduating in May. That class will remain reserved for these students through June 8 at 10:00 a.m.

All students who have been admitted to clinics must register on-line for their clinics. Clinics and clinic seminar course numbers are listed on the fall schedule on the web.

Permission is required for clinics, but students who have been admitted will already have permission and be able to register on-line.

**NOTES ON THE WAITLIST PROCESS:**

A Wait List process will again be utilized for the fall 2007 pre-registration period (there is no wait list for the summer semester). It will begin during pre-registration once a class closes and **will be available through June 1, 2007, at which point all classes will be opened up for students to register on a first come basis, throughout the summer and until the end of the first week of classes in August 2007.**

When a class closes and you try to register on <https://my.american.edu>, you will be given the WAITLIST option. If you click on this, you will automatically be placed on the wait list. An email will be sent to your AU email address should your name come up on the wait list once a student has dropped, and you will have 48 hours to register for the course before the spot is made available to the next student on the wait list. Emails will be sent out twice a week, and not on weekends.

You will now be able to check course availability directly on our web site on the course schedule at <http://www.wcl.american.edu/registrar/coursesapp/searchcourse.html> to see how many students are registered for each class. Once a class that has closed and has generated a wait list shows open spaces again, you will see a notice on this site that this is a wait-listed class. If you are not already on the wait list for the course and wish to put yourself on the wait list, you may then attempt to register for the course on <https://my.american.edu> site to put yourself on the wait list.

**Students will be able to wait list for a maximum of 3 courses throughout the wait list process, which closes on June 1st.**

**REGISTRATION FOR SUMMER 2007 SEMESTER** continues and students may continue to add/drop classes throughout the first week of classes (May 29 – June 5) There is no lottery or priority system for summer pre-registration. Schedules for summer course listings and information may be found on-line at: <http://www.wcl.american.edu/registrar/coursesapp/searchcourse.html> and in the Registrar's office (suite 304). Students who have stops of any kind will be unable to register unless they clear these stops.

**WCL students may register for any of the Human Rights Academy, International Arbitration and Environmental Law seminars on-line, as well as the other summer courses (the only exception are the classes taught in Spanish). Instructions for on-line registration for the summer are listed below.**

**Attention Maryland Bar Applicants:** You must submit your Pre-Legal Certificate to your undergraduate institution. **WCL Registrar's Office does not certify the pre-legal education.** Please read all instructions carefully. You are responsible for requesting a final transcript to be sent to the MD Bar.

**Attention Bar Exam Applicants:** Anyone needing certification to submit with your bar exam application, please request as soon as possible. (for most states, applying early means avoiding late fees) Please be sure to carefully read **all** instructions before filing your bar exam applications. Each state has different requirements and procedures.

Go to [www.barexam.org](http://www.barexam.org) to find your state's exam instructions, requirements, deadlines, and fees.

### **REGISTRAR'S OFFICE HOURS FOR SPRING 2007 SEMESTER**

Monday	9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday	9:00 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday	9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Thursday	9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Friday	9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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

### **OFFICE OF STUDENT SERVICES**

#### **May 2007 Commencement Discounts:**

Continental Airlines: 800-468-7022 Agreement Code: A186QL Z Code: ZVES

American Airlines: 800-433-1790 Agreement Code: A5657AR

Savoy Suites Georgetown: 202-337-9700 Mention: WCL Commencement

A reminder that WCL Commencement information is available at

<http://www.wcl.american.edu/commencement.cfm>

#### **WCL Business Cards**

The Office of Student Services is pleased to extend to the student community an opportunity to order business cards with the AU and WCL imprint.

Students may find these cards useful during networking sessions and other opportunities when outside the law school.

The law school receives no income through purchase of the business cards. Please use the link provided to order yours today!

<http://www.wcl.american.edu/studentaffairs/businesscards.pdf>

### **OFFICE OF DIVERSITY SERVICES**

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

Hours: 9:30 am-5:30 pm

#### ***Stuff on the Table***

- Application for AEF Community Service Fellowship & Anheuser-Busch Norman Y. Mineta Fellowship – **DEADLINE EXTENDED TO APRIL 20**
- SABA/DC Public Interest Fellowship Application – **MAY 11**

- Invitation to HBA/DC Foundation's **Pasos 2007 – MAY 18**

Best of luck with exams and papers, and have a great summer, everyone.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CLASS OF 2007!!!!

## OFFICE OF FINANCIAL AID

### **GRADUATING STUDENTS NOTE: EXIT INTERVIEW SESSION**

*Stafford Loan Borrowers* must complete Exit Counseling requirements prior to graduation. If you were unable to attend our April 18 exit session the requirement can be completed on line at <http://www.edfund.org/edtest/choose.cfm>. Submit a copy of the completed Exit Interview Sheet to this office by May 1. *Note: A web cast of the 'Q' and 'A' section of the Exit Counseling session will be on our website within the next few days.* Contact the office if you have questions regarding the process.

### *Bar Study Loans*

Loans up to \$15,000 are available through private lenders. Apply directly to the lender of your choice using the Alternative Loan information sheet on our website or in the office.

### **Summer Financial Aid – Application Deadline – May 1**

Applications are available on line and in the office.

*Note: The Unsubsidized Stafford loan is increased from \$10,000 to \$12,000 effective July 1 bringing the total available for the academic year to \$20,500; \$10,250 per semester. Summer school borrowers will realize an increase of \$1,000 after the effective date.*

Summer aid decisions will be available beginning May 1. To qualify for aid you must be officially registered for a minimum of six credit hours, have a FAFSA on file and meet **Satisfactory Academic Progress** standards. All requirements must be satisfied by **May 1** in order for funds to be available by the start of classes. Summer loan funds will be disbursed on the earliest date permitted by federal regulation and are expected to be released and posted to students' accounts by May 19.

If you plan to borrow supplemental funds you may pick up a **Private Loan "Q and A"** sheet to assist you in figuring out your loan eligibility. Also, if you are participating in another school's program for the summer, be sure to submit the required Consortium forms as soon as possible to ensure timely receipt of your funds.

### **Special Notice ~Summer Research Assistants**

If you are considering work as a summer Research Assistant, be sure to file your FAFSA right away. Federal Work-Study funds will be used to fund as many positions as possible and eligibility to receive federal aid will be a consideration for appointment. Contact the office for additional information.

### **2007-2008 Financial Aid Decisions**

Academic year awards will be made after grades for spring term have been recorded. Federal Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) requirements must be satisfied before aid can be renewed. Decisions are generally available by mid June and will be posted on [my.american.edu](http://my.american.edu). *Note: If you have not filed your FAFSA, do so immediately. Need Access applications filed after the March 1 deadline will only be considered if grant funds remain following review of on-time applications.*

### **2007 – 2008 Grant Applicants - Reminder Notice**

*Verification Worksheet/Supplemental Information Forms* and tax returns are due May 1.

### **Outside Scholarships**

Information regarding the following outside scholarship opportunities has been received.

- Alabama Law Foundation Cabaniss, Johnston Scholarship for Alabama residents. Apply at [www.alfinc.org](http://www.alfinc.org). **Deadline:** June 1, 2007.
- **Key Bank Take 5 Scholarship for \$5000** awarded each month through June 2007. Register online at [www.Key.com/Take5](http://www.Key.com/Take5).
- **Supreme Court of Oklahoma Sovereignty Symposium Scholarships**  
Ed Edmondson Scholarship – **Deadline:** May 5, 2007
- **Attorney – CPA Foundation** Essay Contest. **Deadline:** June 4, 2007. Details and application information is available at [www.attorneycpa.com](http://www.attorneycpa.com).
- **Essex County (NJ) Bar Association Biunno Scholarship for Law Students with Disabilities.** **Deadline:** May 11, 2007.
- **Federal Circuit Bar Association Scholarships** – Howard T. Markey Memorial Scholarship, Giles Sutherland Scholarship and William Bullinger Scholarship. **Deadline:** April 30, 2007.

Feel free to check the Outside Scholarship Binder for other scholarship opportunities.

*Be sure to check with the office prior to your departure to make certain that your file is complete for next year.*

~~ Best wishes for success on your exams and for a pleasant summer ~~

### **OFFICE OF PUBLIC INTEREST**

Suite 122 - Phone: 202-274-4099 - Email: [publicinterest@wcl.american.edu](mailto:publicinterest@wcl.american.edu)

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Pro Bono and Public Service Awards Certificates Available at the Office of Public Interest:** If you were unable to attend the Cicchino Dinner or did not have a chance to pick up your pro bono honors or public service award certificate, please stop by the front desk in the Office of Public Interest in Suite 122 to pick them up.

### **DON'T MISS OUT ON OPPORTUNITIES! JOIN THE PUBLIC INTEREST ANNOUNCEMENTS LISTSERV**

An interactive listserv for all students interested in posting or receiving emails from student groups regarding public interest programming and events. To subscribe to the

listserv, send an email to [listserv@listserv.american.edu](mailto:listserv@listserv.american.edu). Leave the subject line blank, and in the body of the message, type “subscribe pi\_wcl” without the quotes.

### **Pro Bono Honors Pledge Program**

#### **Attention 3Ls – It’s Not Too Late to Turn in Pro Bono Honors Pledge Hours!**

Although the deadline has passed for inclusion in the Peter M. Cicchino Public Service Awards Dinner, you can still turn in pro bono hours in time for the graduation bulletin listing provided you get them in no later than **Friday, April 20th**. Questions? Email [cegomies@wcl.american.edu](mailto:cegomies@wcl.american.edu)

#### **1Ls and 2Ls - Remember to Turn in your Spring Semester Pro Bono Hours!**

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.

#### **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.

To learn about the Pro Bono Honors Pledge Program, stop by the Office of Public Interest in Suite 122 and pick up a copy of the pledge materials.

**Did you know?** The Office of Public Interest maintains a list of over 100 suggested Pro Bono Placements in the DC Metro area. In addition, pro bono hours may be accrued through a variety of on-campus activities, including but not limited to:

- LINK
- Genocide Teaching Project
- Marshall-Brennan
- Students United
- Election Protection
- Clinical Program Translators

## **OFFICE OF SPECIAL EVENTS AND CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION**

Phone 202.274.4075 Fax 202.274.4079  
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Website [www.wcl.american.edu/secle](http://www.wcl.american.edu/secle)

### Upcoming Events!

#### The Courts, the Constitution and Social Change

Date: 4/23/07

Time: 4:00pm -6:00 pm

Room 603

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#### Investment and Trade in Latin America: The Chilean Experience

Date: 4/24/07

Time 8:15am to 6:00pm

Room 603

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Save the Dates:

Spring 2007

FOR THE FULL LISTING OF FALL PROGRAMS PLEASE VISIT  
[WWW.WCL.AMERICAN.EDU/SECLE](http://WWW.WCL.AMERICAN.EDU/SECLE)

### ACADEMY ON HUMAN RIGHTS AND HUMANITARIAN LAW

#### Top Faculty in Human Rights to teach at the Academy's Summer Program

Every summer the Academy hosts over 25 visiting world-renowned scholars and activists who teach 17 courses during its three-week intensive Summer Program. You can take up to 7 academic credits in three weeks and also receive a Certificate of Attendance. Do not miss out on this unique opportunity to learn and study under some of these world-renowned scholars! Some of our faculty include:

**UN Special Rapporteur on Human Rights and Terrorism, Martin Scheinin**

**President, UN Committee against Torture, Fernando Mariño Menéndez**

**Chief Prosecutor, International Criminal Court, and his expert staff, Luis Moreno Ocampo, Fabricio Guariglia, Silvia Fernández and Xavier Aguirre**

**UN Special Rapporteur on Torture, Manfred Nowak**

**Former President and Judge, Inter-American Court of Human Rights, Antonio Cançado Trindade**

**Executive Director, Center on Housing Rights and Evictions, Geneva, Scott Leckie**

**Commissioner, Inter-American Commission on Human Rights, Víctor Abramovich**

**Director, Human Rights First (Washington Office), Elisa Massimino**

**Executive Secretary, Inter-American Commission on Human Rights, Santiago Cantón, Legal Director, Center for Reproductive Rights, Luisa Cabal**

**And other world-renowned experts such as:** Federico Andreu-Guzman, Rebecca Cook, Asborn Eide, Christof Heyns, Naomi Roth-Arriaza, William Schabas, Rodrigo Uprimny, Fried Van Hoof, Patrick Van Weerelt, and Leo Zwaak.

For a complete list of our courses and additional information regarding our faculty, please visit: <http://www.wcl.american.edu/humright/hracademy/2007/courses.cfm>

### **HUMAN RIGHTS MONTH – May 21 – June 15**

Human Rights Month is an annual event sponsored by the Academy on Human Rights and Humanitarian Law which includes which includes conferences, workshops, a film festival, and a discussion of recent publication in the human rights field. Through Human Rights Month the Academy aims to provide a forum to educate and discuss human rights theory, share first hand experiences, as well as create networking opportunities for fellow practitioners, scholars, and activists in the field. We hope that you will join us for several of the events we have planned and that feature world renowned actors in human rights.

Please visit our website for more details on the events we will hold this year:

<http://www.wcl.american.edu/humright/hracademy/activities.cfm>

#### **Human Rights Month Feature Lecture:**

**International Criminal Court: Current Status of the Prosecutor's Office**

**LUIS MORENO-OCAMPO**

**Chief Prosecutor, International Criminal Court**

**Washington College of Law, Room 603, June 8<sup>th</sup>, 12:30 – 2:30 p.m.**

### **HOUSING FOR MOOT COURT AND SUMMER PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS**

If you would like to host some of our Moot Court participants during their week long stay in DC please email [kviken@wcl.american.edu](mailto:kviken@wcl.american.edu). Also, if you are looking to sublet your apartment or would like to rent an extra room for our Moot Court and Summer Program participants during the period from May 21 – June 16 please email [hracademy@wcl.american.edu](mailto:hracademy@wcl.american.edu).

We appreciate your willingness to help out our students!

### **WORK AND/OR VOLUNTEER WITH THE ACADEMY**

We have many opportunities if you would like to get involved with the Academy. Please check the In Search Of section.

## **CENTER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS AND HUMANITARIAN LAW**

As the academic year comes to a close, the Center would like to thank everyone who helped, participated in, or just came to enjoy the many human rights-related conferences and informal chats the Center hosts throughout the year. In addition, the Center would

like to give a special thanks to our fantastic Dean's Fellows, members of the Center's Student Advisory Board, *Human Rights Brief* staffers, GTP Council members, Coffee Hour/Happy Hour hosts and organizers, and the number of other student volunteers who enrich the programming of the Center and help make each year a greater success than the last. We have had a fun and eventful year and look forward to working with you all in the fall. To all soon-to-be graduates, CONGRATULATIONS. You will be missed! Make sure you keep in touch! We wish you all a fantastic and productive summer, wherever you will be!

### **SIGN UP FOR THE CENTER'S LISTSERV!**

The last listserv announcement for the 2006-2007 academic year went out on Tuesday, April 17<sup>th</sup>. The weekly listserv announcements will recommence at the beginning of classes in August 2007. For those of you who have yet to sign up for the Center's listserv, please see instructions on how to join by visiting the Center's website at <http://www.wcl.american.edu/humright/center/listserv.cfm>. On this page, you can also access an archive of the listserv announcements from the past academic year.

### **MISSED ONE OF THE CENTER'S EVENTS?**

Visit the Center's website (<http://www.wcl.american.edu/humright/center/>) for a comprehensive list of podcasts and webcasts that you can watch on demand!

### **EXTERNSHIP PROGRAM**

Room 413 (202) 274-4200 [www.wcl.american.edu/externship](http://www.wcl.american.edu/externship)  
M, W 9:00 am-5:30pm; T, Th. 9:30 am-6:00pm; F 9:00 am-3:00pm  
[externship@wcl.american.edu](mailto:externship@wcl.american.edu)

### **SUMMER EXTERNSHIPS:**

#### **There's still time to find a summer externship!**

Draft briefs, interview clients, research legal issues, gain experience, build your resume. *Many employers are still accepting applications.* Please contact the Externship Office – We are happy to discuss your options with you and help you determine what might best fit your needs!

Also contact us to if you would like to discuss the financial implications of an internship (volunteering) versus an externship (earning academic credit).

In order to participate in an externship this summer, you must register for one of the Externship Seminars offered (courses begin with "LAW-769"). Please see courses and descriptions on the course information page.

The following employers have recently contacted us requesting summer externs:

- **Internal Revenue Service, Exempt Organizations Branch.** The Exempt Organization, Rulings and Agreements office of the IRS processes applications for federal tax exemption and provides direction and guidance to the tax-exempt community. Technical guidance includes technical interpretations of laws and

procedures relating to exempt organizations in conjunction with the Department of Treasure and the Office of Chief Counsel.

- **Service Employees International Union:** Legal research and drafting of legal memoranda for litigation regarding the National Labor Relations Act, the Fair Labor Standards Act, election campaign finance laws, and local and state labor relations statutes.

Most employers do not contact us when opportunities are available. Please do not limit yourself to those that have, or you will miss hundreds of opportunities.

**SUMMER SEMINARS : NEW! PROFESSOR ANDY POPPER IS TEACHING AN EXTERNSHIP SEMINAR ON THURSDAY EVENINGS AT 6:00 PM. SPACES ARE STILLOPEN: Government Litigation Ext Sem (LAW-769-008)**

This seminar examines situations in which lawyers represent the government as well as litigate against the government. The U.S. government, through its various agencies and representatives, is among the most active litigants in the American legal system, bringing and defending a large volume of cases in both courts and administrative tribunals. The experience of litigating for or against the government has some special characteristics, but also shares some important commonalities with litigation practice generally. The seminar will use government litigation as a lens through which to examine certain pragmatic and substantive themes as well as the role of lawyers engaged in governmental practice. Course is open to all students externing in state or federal government agencies, students working with public or private organizations that interact with government agencies, or students in judicial clerkships.

**LONG DISTANCE EXTERNSHIPS: Extern outside of Washington DC:**

**Summer 2007 Long-Distance Seminar:** Students planning on participating in a long-distance externship this summer must enroll in the long-distance externship seminar. This seminar, taught by Professor Amy Young of the U.S. Department of Justice, will take place for three days in May, and three days in August. The May dates are: Monday, May 14: 10:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m., Tuesday, May 15: 10:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m., Wednesday May 16: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. In August, the seminar will meet for three additional days (Tuesday, August 14 through Thursday, August 16) at the same times. Students can register for the seminar through the my.american.edu portal.

**EVENING EXTERNSHIPS AVAILABLE:** A number of organizations offering flexible hours have contacted our office. Please select the evening hour search criteria on the Externship Database to view these opportunities

**INDIVIDUAL EXTERNSHIP COUNSELING:**

Avis Sanders, Director of the Externship Program, is available for one-on-one counseling. Email [externship@wcl.american.edu](mailto:externship@wcl.american.edu) or call (202) 274-4200 for an appointment.

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

## INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION PROGRAM

### STAYING IN DC FOR THE SUMMER?

The **International Arbitration Summer Session** is offering six 1 credit courses that begin on May 29, 2007 and end June 14, 2007. The course material will range from a general overview of international commercial arbitration, to the theoretical and practical aspects of arbitral process. All courses are taught by seasoned arbitration practitioners. Each course can be taken on its own, however, if students choose to take more than one course, they will find that the courses complement each other, rather than overlap.

This is an excellent way to gain both a greater understanding of international arbitration, earn up to five credits, and meet with leading practitioners in the field of arbitration. Additionally, since three of the five courses will be held in the evening, you can supplement your summer working experience with the experience you will gain from the Arbitration Summer Session.

Course offerings include:

- Nuts & Bolts of International Commercial Arbitration (1 credit)
- *Arbitraje Comercial Internacional (1 credit) Available in Spanish only.*
- Investor-State Arbitration (1 credit)
- How to Conduct an Arbitration Proceeding (1 credit)
- Salient Issues in ICC Arbitration (1 credit)
- International Arbitration and Choice-of-Law Issues (1 credit)

No special application is required. Just register as you would for any other class at WCL. For more information please email [arbitration@wcl.american.edu](mailto:arbitration@wcl.american.edu) or call 202.274.4321.

### PENCE LAW LIBRARY

<http://library.wcl.american.edu>

Monday – Thursday	8:00 am – 12:00 am*
Friday	8:00 am – 10:00 pm*
Saturday	9:00 am – 10:00 pm*
Sunday	9:00 am - 12:00 am*

The Library is open two additional hours beyond the posted closing times for registered WCL students with law school IDs. Only security personnel are available in the Library and there are no Library services during extended hours. Current WCL students with IDs may also use the Library beginning at 6:00 am, but must first register with the Facilities Office in Room 383, 202-274-4008.

**LIBRARY AMNESTY APRIL 16 to April 22. In recognition of National Library Week the Library is making our patrons a one-time special offer and will forgive fines. If you return any overdue or lost books or other Library materials during the week of the 16<sup>th</sup> we will forgive your fines. If you have already returned your books and library materials, but have fines on your account, we'll forgive those fines too –**

but everyone who takes part in our “fine forgiveness” program must fill out a form at the Circulation Desk to take advantage of our offer. We will ONLY allow fine forgiveness the week of the 16<sup>th</sup>. Questions? Contact Adeen Postar, Deputy Director at [apostar@wcl.american.edu](mailto:apostar@wcl.american.edu) or John Smith, Access Services Librarian at [jasmith@wcl.american.edu](mailto:jasmith@wcl.american.edu) .

### Library Hours During Reading Period and Exams

**The Library will be open 24/7 to WCL students with ID cards, WCL faculty and staff beginning at 8 am on Tuesday, April 24, the first day of the Reading Period.**

All other patrons must exit the library at the following times:

Tuesday, April 24 to Thursday, April 26	Midnight
Friday, April 27 and Saturday April 28	10:00 pm
Sunday, April 29 to Thursday, May 3	Midnight
Friday, May 4 and Saturday, May 5	10:00 pm
Sunday, May 6 to Thursday, May 10	Midnight
Friday, May 11	10:00 pm
Saturday, May 12	6 pm
Sunday, May 13	Library is Closed

### RESTRICTED ACCESS TO THE LIBRARY DURING THE READING AND EXAMINATION PERIOD

**The WCL Library is open only to WCL and AU Main Campus students, faculty, alumnae and patrons using the Government Depository collection from April 24 through May 12.** You will need to show your AU ID to gain access to the Law Library during this period. This policy is in effect to insure that our students have the full use of our facilities during the Reading and Examination Periods. Questions? Contact Adeen Postar at [apostar@wcl.american.edu](mailto:apostar@wcl.american.edu).

**IMPORTANT CHANGE TO GROUP STUDY ROOM RESERVATIONS** Current WCL ID's are now required to reserve a Group Study Room. To insure that study rooms are available to current WCL students ID's must be presented to the Circulation Desk attendant when group study rooms are reserved. Groups of WCL students can reserve a study room for two hours each day. Individual students may use a vacant room, but must leave if a room has been signed out by a group. Questions should be directed to John Smith, Access Services Librarian at [jasmith@wcl.american.edu](mailto:jasmith@wcl.american.edu) .

**Finding exams at the Washington College of Law** Want to limber up with a few practice exams before your finals? Find past exams given by your professor or for the same class by another professor at <http://library.wcl.american.edu/yoeb> . If the exam you want requires a password, ask for it from your professor. The Library does not maintain paper copies of exams. **You can also do exam prep with CALI lessons** – see the Library webpage at [http://library.wcl.american.edu/library\\_services.cfm](http://library.wcl.american.edu/library_services.cfm) for links to the list of available lessons.

**The Library is looking for a few good people to work at our Circulation Desk over the summer.** If you are interested contact John Smith, Access Services Librarian at [jasmith@wcl.american.edu](mailto:jasmith@wcl.american.edu).

**Please be a good library citizen and keep your personal conversations in the Library to a minimum and do not use your cell phone in the library.** Your fellow students are studying and cell phone use disturbs everyone! Use one of our group study rooms for collaborative learning and conversations; you can sign up for one at the Circulation Desk. **Do not leave your laptop or any valuable personal item unattended on a Library table or carrel for any period of time.**

**Reminder – No food is allowed in the collection and study areas of the Library. Thank you for your cooperation!**

**Good Luck on Exams, Congratulations and Have a Great Summer!**

## **PROGRAM ON LAW AND GOVERNMENT**

### **Ben Cotton Fellowship**

The Program on Law and Government and the National Kidney Foundation of the National Capital Area (“NKF/NCA”) sponsor the Ben Cotton Fellowship every year. The Fellowship is a great opportunity for students interested in health policy and legislative work. The National Kidney Foundation seeks a Fellow for 2007-2009, to work 15-20 hours per week during the school year. The job will include the opportunity to write and present testimony on behalf of the NKF/NCA and to run the Foundation’s Public Policy Committee. The Fellow will also be responsible for keeping abreast of all federal and state legislation in Maryland, Virginia, and Washington, D.C. that will affect kidney patients. Interested applicants should submit a cover letter and resume to Preston Englert at [penglert@kidneywdc.org](mailto:penglert@kidneywdc.org).

### **Exploring the Value of a Post-JD Degree Wednesday, April 25, Room 600, 5-7 PM**

Please join the Program on Law and Government for a panel discussion about the value of a post-JD degree. LLM and SJD alumni Allen Loughry, Juria Jones, Marcela Matamoros, and Ben Firschein will share their thoughts on how their experiences at WCL allowed them to develop professionally and personally. The discussion will take place in the Faculty Dining Room (600) from 5-6:30 PM with a reception to follow. Please RSVP to Amelia Duroska at [aduroska@wcl.american.edu](mailto:aduroska@wcl.american.edu) if you plan to attend.

## **SUMMER SESSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL LAW**

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Taught by leading practitioners from government, business and non-governmental organizations, the summer session provides law students and practitioners with a three-week intensive environmental law training.

Course offerings include:

• **Trade & the Environment in the Americas (1 credit)** *Available in Spanish only.*

- International Business and the Environment (1 credit)
- Environmental Law & the U.S. Congress (1 credit)
- International Law of Biodiversity (2 credit)
- International Institutions and Environmental Protection (2 credit)
- Environmental Compliance and Enforcement (1 credit)
- Alternatives to Environmental regulations (1 credit)

No special application is required. Just register as you would for any other class at WCL. For more information please email: [summerenvironment@wcl.american.edu](mailto:summerenvironment@wcl.american.edu) or call 202.274.4321.

### **STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION**

**The next SBA Senate meeting will be on Sunday, April 22 at 8:00 PM in room 101.**

Any student or student organization that wishes to be on the agenda MUST e-mail Senate President Pro Tempore Frank Gerratana at [sbaprotemp@wcl.american.edu](mailto:sbaprotemp@wcl.american.edu) no later than 5 PM on Friday, April 20. The email must include what you wish to address as well as a copy of any documents you wish to present at the meeting. SBA Senate meetings are open to the public, and all students are encouraged to attend.

**The SBA Graduation Committee is finalizing plans for "Graduation Week" from May 14th - 17th.** More information will soon be posted on the SBA website under "Events" at: <http://www.wcl.american.edu/sba/events.cfm>

Here are the events we're working on:

Monday: Night out at the Washington Nationals (free seats; first come, first served)

Tuesday: An Evening Atop the Washington Hotel Rooftop Terrace

Wednesday: Midnight Odyssey Cruise Down the Potomac (limited tickets; \$40 per person)

Thursday: A Party at LIMA Nightclub (1401 K Street NW)

More info to come soon!

- SBA Graduation Committee, [graduation@wcl.american.edu](mailto:graduation@wcl.american.edu)

### **Green Campus, Clean Campus**

Help WCL put its money where its values are! The SBA's new Green Campus, Clean Campus initiative is looking for students to make the school more sustainable and comfortable. Committee members will work on lighting, temperature, recycling, dining, and student group practices. To participate, please contact Jessica at [jessicagordon7@yahoo.com](mailto:jessicagordon7@yahoo.com).

### **American Jurist**

Voted the Best Student Magazine for 2005-2006 by the Law Student Division of the American Bar Association – is looking for a new Editor in Chief. If you are interested in the position, please send an e-mail to [jurist@wcl.american.edu](mailto:jurist@wcl.american.edu)

### **American University Law Review**

#### **JOINT JOURNAL GRADE-ON PROCEDURES**

#### **ATTENTION DAY AND EVENING 1L STUDENTS**

This year the Joint Journal Committee has made some administrative changes that will ease the grade-on process for both the journals and the students. A TWEN page is being set up for this purpose. The TWEN page will be available for students to access beginning Monday, April 23rd. More information regarding the administrative procedures (which are very simple) will be posted on the TWEN page at that time, so please hold all questions until Monday.

The journals will try to send a representative to speak with each of the sections on Monday. However, since this may not be possible in all cases, please watch for email messages sent through Dean Jaffe. For those of you who signed up for TWEN during the Short Write-On process, the same information will be sent through that email system as well. Any questions or concerns after Monday can be sent to [lawrev-projects-editor@wcl.american.edu](mailto:lawrev-projects-editor@wcl.american.edu). Best of luck with finals!

### **JD/MBA Club**

**How to Effectively Manage Your Student Loans: Best Practices for Graduating MBA Students & Law Students** Sponsored by the JD/MBA Club **On April 24th, from 2-3pm, and 3-4pm**, Graduate Leverage will present an information session on debt management and consolidation of student loans for graduating MBA students and graduating JD students. The salient points to be covered include: An overview of student loans, regulatory changes, and key insights on effective debt management. If you consolidated last year, what should you do with this year's loans? What every 3L and Graduating MBA needs to know to make the best decisions regarding consolidation this year as the decision is different than last year's. How to select the most appropriate loans and which loans to avoid. Graduate Leverage will host both a discussion and Q&A. You can visit their website at: <http://www.graduateleverage.com> Location: Kogod School of Business, Rm 118 Any questions, please email [wesley.alexander@american.edu](mailto:wesley.alexander@american.edu)

### **IN SEARCH OF**

**The Janet R. Spragens Federal Tax Clinic** is seeking two deans' fellows to assist with case management this summer. These positions will be three to five days a week. Individual dean's fellows are limited to a maximum of 200 hours for the summer. Positions are available as soon as possible and continuing until classes begin in August. Current second year students are preferred, but we will consider any student with legal or non-legal experience. Interested applicants should leave a cover letter describing their interests and a resume with Michelle Jacome in room 417, the Clinic Office by April 27, 2007. The positions may be filled on a rolling basis so it is important to apply as soon as possible.

**Adrienne Lockie, a Practitioner-in-Residence in the Women & the Law Clinic**, seeks one Summer Dean's Fellow to work 10 hours per week for 6 – 8 weeks. The Dean's fellow will work on various research projects related to clinical law teaching, feminist theory, legal ethics, and family law. Please submit a resume and cover letter to Melissa Manning in Room 417 or to [mmanning@wcl.american.edu](mailto:mmanning@wcl.american.edu) by Friday, April 27, 2006 at 11:00 a.m. Please indicate the weeks of your availability in the cover letter.

**Jayesh Rathod, Practitioner-in-Residence in the International Human Rights Law Clinic**, seeks one Dean's Fellow this summer, to work 10 hours per week, for a period of 8 weeks. The Dean's Fellow will work on projects related to: the epidemic of workplace injuries and deaths suffered by low-income immigrant workers in the United States; the relationship between law and organizing in the context of immigrant worker advocacy; collaborations between day laborer organizations and unions; and related issues. Candidates with a background or interest in immigrants' rights or employment law are encouraged to apply. Please submit a resume and brief cover letter by email to [jrathod@wcl.american.edu](mailto:jrathod@wcl.american.edu) by Friday, April 27. In your cover letter, please indicate the weeks that you are available.

**Prof. Jamin Raskin** is looking for a summer Dean's Fellow to work 20-30 hours per week on a mixture of scholarly research assignments related to Constitutional Law and Legislation and administrative assignments related to the Program on Law and Government. Please submit a resume and short cover letter by Wednesday April 25 at 5:00 PM to Room 515. Excellent research, writing and organizational skills necessary.

**The Criminal Justice Clinic** seeks a Dean's fellow for 10 hours per week for 10 weeks over the summer. Duties include file maintenance, research, and support for ongoing client matters. Interested students should email a cover letter and a resume to Professor [lcamet@wcl.american.edu](mailto:lcamet@wcl.american.edu).

It's not too early to think about work during the summer! **In search of a Dean's Fellow with an interest in Turkey or Japan** The Washington Seminar Program is seeking to hire a Dean's Fellow this summer (10-20 hours per week) to help us prepare for and implement the Yeditepe and Ritsumeikan [Washington Seminars](#). Faculty and students from Turkey and Japan will come to WCL this summer to learn about the American legal system. Interested students should apply by Monday, April 23, submitting a résumé, photocopy of law school transcript, and writing sample to the Office of Grant Administration and Program Development mailbox in Room 465 or by e-mail to [grants-programs@wcl.american.edu](mailto:grants-programs@wcl.american.edu). Questions can be directed to Hilary Lappin, International Exchange Coordinator at [hlappin@wcl.american.edu](mailto:hlappin@wcl.american.edu) or (202) 274-4317. Prior office experience is preferred.

**Prof. David Hunter is seeking a Dean's Fellow starting summer 2007.** As a Dean's Fellow you will have the opportunity to provide, from May 29 to June 15, support to faculty experts and foreign visitors participating in the session and help with summer extracurricular events. This is a great opportunity to network with leading experts and attorneys from all over the world. After June 15, you will be working as a **research**

**assistant** to Professor Hunter. Please submit a cover letter and resume to David Hunter, e-mail to [dhunter@wcl.american.edu](mailto:dhunter@wcl.american.edu) by Monday, April 23, 2007, at 5:00 p.m.

**The Academy on Human Rights and Humanitarian Law SUMMER - JOB OPPORTUNITIES**

**Summer Program Assistant**

The Summer Program is looking for someone to work between 35 - 40 hours a week from mid-May until the end of June. This person would assist in planning the events for the Summer Program and for Human Rights Month as well as provide assistance to our faculty when needed.

Knowledge of Spanish is a plus. The position pays \$11 an hour. If you are interested please submit a cover letter and resume to [hacademy@wcl.american.edu](mailto:hacademy@wcl.american.edu). On the subject line please write "Summer Program Assistant."

**The Academy on Human Rights and Humanitarian Law SUMMER - VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

**12th Inter-American Human Rights Moot Court Competition**

As one of the only trilingual (English, Spanish & Portuguese) moot court competitions in the world, WCL's Competition brings together nearly 200 students from all over the world from May 21 – 25<sup>th</sup>. During the week, participants attend a number of events, participate in training opportunities, and visit international organizations such as the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights. We also host an awesome party!

Volunteers are needed to communicate with participants, recruit judges, and plan the various events of the Competition. The Competition particularly seeks Spanish and Portuguese speaking volunteers (but not exclusively!). If you are interested in volunteering, please send an email to Kristin Viken, Competition Coordinator, at [iamoot@wcl.american.edu](mailto:iamoot@wcl.american.edu) or at 202-274-4215. For more on the Competition, visit our website at [www.wcl.american.edu/hacademy/mcourt](http://www.wcl.american.edu/hacademy/mcourt).

**Advocacy Opportunity**

Professor Claudia Martin, Co-Director of the Academy on Human Rights and Humanitarian Law, is looking for a self-motivated student to volunteer during the summer to research and draft an amicus brief on rape as a crime against humanity. The amicus brief is to be submitted before domestic courts in Peru to create awareness of the heinous nature of this crime within the judiciary prosecuting cases of rape perpetrated during the armed conflict. This project is being coordinated with women experts and NGOs in Peru. Spanish knowledge preferred, though not required. Please submit your cover letter and resume to [hacademy@wcl.american.edu](mailto:hacademy@wcl.american.edu) if you would like to be considered for this opportunity.

**Oxford University Press Project**

The Academy on Human Rights and Humanitarian Law is looking for self-motivated WCL students, interested in collaborating with an exciting project with Oxford University Press. The project entails drafting summaries in English of the

Inter-American Court and Inter-American Commission on Human Rights decisions from their Spanish or English original versions. Thus we are seeking two types of volunteers: those who will summarize and translate from *Spanish to English* and those who will summarize from *English to English*. This is a great opportunity for students with excellent writing skills to contribute to widen the international recognition of the Inter-American Human Rights System. The Academy seeks 1Ls, 2Ls, 3Ls, and LL.M.s who can dedicate between 5-10 hours/week to the project. This project is eligible to fulfill your Pro Bono Honors Pledge. If you are interested in applying, please send your cover letter and résumé to [digest1@wcl.american.edu](mailto:digest1@wcl.american.edu) indicating "Oxford Volunteer Spring 2007" in the subject line.

### **The Academy on Human Rights and Humanitarian Law FALL – JOB OPPORTUNITIES**

#### **Part Time Administrative Assistant**

The Academy is looking for a part time assistant to work 27 hours per week providing administrative support and conducting legal research in international human rights law as needed. The position also includes supervising volunteers.

Excellent writing skills in English and knowledge of Spanish are essential. Part-time 1Ls are encouraged to apply. The salary for this position is \$11/hour. If you are interested in applying for this position, please send your cover letter, résumé and short writing sample (10 pages max.) to [hrcademy@wcl.american.edu](mailto:hrcademy@wcl.american.edu) indicating "Part-Time Assistant Fall 2007" in the subject line.

#### **Two Dean's Fellows Positions – Summer Program**

We are looking for two Dean's fellows to work 20 hours a week each, assisting in the preparations for the Academy's Summer Program, Annual Meeting on Human Rights Law, and other special projects. These positions will provide administrative support to the Summer Program staff, conduct legal research on international human rights law, and work with special projects as needed.

Interested students with a background in international law are especially encouraged to apply. Knowledge of Spanish is a plus. Please submit your cover letter and resume to [hrcademy@wcl.american.edu](mailto:hrcademy@wcl.american.edu). On the subject line please write "Dean's Fellow Fall 2007".

#### **One Dean's Fellow Position – Moot Court Competition**

The Competition is looking for a highly-motivated dean's fellow for the Fall 2007 semester to help organize the 13th Inter-American Human Rights Moot Court Competition. Join us as we recruit students, faculty and attorneys from around the world. Tasks will include implementing various marketing strategies, researching the Bench Memorandum, helping with fundraising efforts, designing the website, planning fun events, and much more. We are looking for a native (or extremely fluent) Spanish speaker for 10 hours a week. Please send a cover letter and résumé to the Competition at [iamoot@wcl.american.edu](mailto:iamoot@wcl.american.edu). Please highlight any

translation experience you may have in your cover letter. All students, particularly LLM students & former Competition participants, are encouraged to apply!

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FALL – VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

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**ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Tight shoulders, aching back, strained wrists: With these and other symptoms of physical stress, preparing for exams becomes uncomfortably difficult. A **massage therapist** in the AU neighborhood can help and is offering a special for law students. This is bodywork tailored to your individual needs, not a cookie-cutter spa rubdown. You’ll feel ease and fluidity in your body, whether you’re moving or sitting for hours of studying. Your ability to concentrate will be renewed; you’ll sleep better at night and have relaxed energy (not an oxymoron) all day long. To schedule an appointment, call (202) 413-3863 or e-mail [massage.trager@yahoo.com](mailto:massage.trager@yahoo.com)

**Notary Service** is available in the clinical program office, room 417. Please stop by during business hours (9-5, Mon-Fri) or call 274-4142 to make an appointment with the notary. The fee is \$2 per transaction.

**The Civil Practice Clinic** is seeking several deans’ fellows to assist with case management this summer. The Civil Practice Clinic handles a wide variety of cases, including bankruptcy, divorce, child custody, and consumer protection. Duties will involve maintaining contact with clients, interviewing clients, assisting with hearings, preparing research memoranda and documents for court filings, and other matters. These positions will be available for from three to five days a week. Individual dean’s fellows are limited to a maximum of 200 hours for the summer. Positions are available beginning May 21 and continuing until classes begin in August. Current second year students are preferred, but we will consider any student with legal or non-legal experience who is

interested in learning about the general practice of law. Interested applicants should leave a cover letter describing their interests and a resume with Michelle Jacome in room 417, the Clinic Office. The positions may be filled on a rolling basis so it is important to apply as soon as possible.

You are invited to the **Second Annual WIRL (Women in International Regulatory Law) Symposium**, which will be held at the Hotel Monaco in Washington, DC on **April 25, 2007**. The Symposium showcases women involved in a wide range of issues in international regulatory law and is open to both men and women. Speakers include – Alice Fisher, Assistant Attorney General; Ann Compton ABC News White House Correspondent; Martina Vandenberg, Expert in International Regulatory Law in Human Trafficking The 2007 WIRL agenda and registration form is available under Upcoming Events at [www.traceinternational.org](http://www.traceinternational.org). WIRL was conceived to bring together and inspire students considering career paths in international law with the top women in this field. We would love to have you attend and benefit from this extraordinary event. We are reserving up to three spaces for American University Law students to register at no charge for the full day symposium. To learn more about this please call me at 410-990-0076 on or before April 18. For those of you interested specifically in career development, I would also draw your attention in particular to the final panel, which will be a round table discussion of advancing careers in international law and a networking reception with our speakers and the Steering Committee. Students interested in participating in the career roundtable discussion and networking reception are welcome to register and join us between 5:00 and 6:00 at no charge. Simply e-mail [wirl@traceinternational.org](mailto:wirl@traceinternational.org) and let us know to expect you. Feel free to circulate this invitation among your fellow students, organizations, friends, and anyone else you think might find it of interest. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at [Jenkins@traceinternational.org](mailto:Jenkins@traceinternational.org). We look forward to seeing you on April 25th

## OFFICE OF CAREER & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

### **Suite 122**

#### **Hours**

**Monday and Thursday: 9:00 am to 6:00 pm**

**Tuesday and Wednesday: 9:00 am to 7:00 pm**

**Friday: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm**

**1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month: 10:00 am to 1:00 pm**

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

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## UPCOMING PROGRAMS, DATES & DEADLINES & IMPORTANT REMINDERS

**Good luck to the 2007 graduates and we hope all current students have a great summer! If you will be in the DC area this summer, please note our office hours below. If you will be out of town, you can call the OCPD front desk at 202-274-4090 to schedule a phone counseling appointment.**

**OCPD EXPECTED SUMMER OFFICE HOURS**

<b>Monday, Tuesday and Thursday</b>	<b>9:00am – 6:00pm</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>9:00am – 7:00pm</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>9:00am – 5:00pm</b>

*Drop-in hours will not be offered during the summer months and will resume with the start of the fall 2007 semester. OCPD will be open the first Saturday of each month from 10am – 1pm beginning August 4<sup>th</sup>.*

**ATTENTION 3L/4L STUDENTS:**

**NALP ERSS SURVEY** Each year, the Office of Career & Professional Development is required to report employment statistics to the National Association for Law Placement (NALP), the American Bar Association and US News & World Report. To that end, we ask that all graduating students complete a short employment survey which can be found on eCampusRecruiter at [www.ecampusrecruiter.com/auwcl](http://www.ecampusrecruiter.com/auwcl). Students must fully complete the Graduation Survey prior to receiving completed bar certification materials from the Registrar's Office. OCPD has a limited number of gifts to offer students who complete the survey on a timely basis. Please stop by the office to pick up your gift after submitting the survey.

If you have forgotten your username and/or password for accessing the system, please email [careerdevelopment@wcl.american.edu](mailto:careerdevelopment@wcl.american.edu) to receive your log in information. If the graduation survey does not automatically appear after you login, please access the survey by clicking on the "Survey" section on the left of the homepage, and then click on the "2007 NALP ERSS" link. Please remember to answer ALL applicable survey questions and provide accurate contact information.

For those students still seeking post-graduate employment, please contact the alumni counselor, Matthew Pascocello, to schedule an individual counseling appointment.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE ABOUT eCAMPUSRECRUITER**

In order to continue to provide WCL students and alumni with the highest level of service, OCPD is in the process of acquiring a new job search software system powered by Symplicity. The Symplicity software will replace the current system, eCampusRecruiter.

Symplicity is the fastest growing job search software company among law schools and legal employers alike. The transition to Symplicity software ensures that WCL will remain competitive in the legal job market.

To best prepare for the transition, OCPD asks that students and alumni take the following actions as soon as possible:

1. **UPDATE** the information on your student/alumni profile, including contact information, registrant status and graduation date.
2. **SAVE** any documents you have stored on eCampusRecruiter, as these documents will not transfer with the rest of your information.
3. **CHECK** the eCampusRecruiter system frequently for updates regarding the progress of the transition.

If you do not know your username or password, please send an email to [careerdevelopment@wcl.american.edu](mailto:careerdevelopment@wcl.american.edu) to receive log in instructions.

If you have more specific questions about the transition from eCampusRecruiter to Symlicity software, please contact Robin Fulton at [rfulton@wcl.american.edu](mailto:rfulton@wcl.american.edu).

### **NAME THAT SYSTEM!**

Submit an entry to name OCPD's new job search software. Submissions will be accepted through the last day of classes, Monday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>. The winner will take home Kimm Walton's *Guerilla Tactics For Getting The Legal Job Of Your Dreams* and a Starbucks Gift Certificate! *Example: www.LegalEagle.com*

Email your entry to [careerdevelopment@wcl.american.edu](mailto:careerdevelopment@wcl.american.edu)

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### **PUBLIC INTEREST & GOVERNMENT**

**Attention 2Ls: Post-Graduate Fellowship Opportunity with New York Lawyers for Public Interest:** NYLPI is a non-profit law firm advocating on behalf of low-income individuals and communities of color in the areas of environmental justice, access to health care, and disability rights. Fellow would begin in the Fall 2008 and work in one of the established program areas. **Applications encouraged by June 15, 2007**, but will be accepted on a rolling basis. See eCampus Recruiter for complete posting, and continue to check [www.pslawnet.org](http://www.pslawnet.org) for other fellowship opportunities.

**American Constitution Society for Law & Policy (ACS) Seeks Fall Clerks:** ACS is seeking dynamic and versatile candidates for two part-time paid law clerk positions for Fall 2007. The law clerks will work primarily on the Constitution in the 21st Century Project, an initiative to promote positive, much-needed change in our legal and policy landscape. This job presents a unique opportunity to work on substantive projects on a range of progressive legal issues including separation of powers, voting rights, criminal

justice, and racial, gender and GLBT equality, among others. Please see eCampus Recruiter for complete posting.

**U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), ICE, Office of International Affairs Summer & Fall Internship Positions:**

U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), is the largest investigative arm of DHS. The mission of ICE is to protect America by identifying criminal activities and eliminating vulnerabilities that pose a threat to our nation's borders, as well as enforcing economic, transportation and infrastructure security. ICE's Office of International Affairs (OIA) provides operational and programmatic management of ICE attachés at foreign embassies and consulates worldwide. Interns working in OIA contribute to the day-to-day operations of International Policy Unit. **Application Deadline: April 27th.** Please see eCampus for complete posting.

**Attention 2Ls: Fall Recruitment is not just for big firms!** Did you know about 25% of the employers that come on campus during Fall Recruitment are government and non-profit employers? Don't miss out on the opportunity to interview with these employers! Please continue to check your emails for information about Fall Recruitment which begins this July. Stop by OCPD to pick up an informational packet on Fall Recruitment and contact Bridget Bernie, [bbernie@wcl.american.edu](mailto:bbernie@wcl.american.edu), with any questions.

**Have a Wonderful Summer!**

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**JUDICIAL CLERKSHIPS & INTERNSHIPS**

**DO YOU WANT TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT JUDICIAL CLERKSHIPS?**

Get the inside scoop from three WCL alumni and current/former judicial clerks from a variety of state and federal courts. **Listen to the podcast** through the WCL website: <http://www.wcl.american.edu/career/podcast.cfm> (OCPD section).

- **Reese Alutto** – Clerk for Judge Roger Titus, U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland & Former Clerk for Judge Mary Ellen Barbera, Maryland Court of Special Appeals, and Judge Michael Whalen, Circuit Court for Prince George's County
- **Jodie Birdwell** – Clerk for the Senior Judges of the D.C. Court of Appeals & Former Clerk for Judge Judith Retchin, D.C. Superior Court
- **Lizzie Hogan** – Former Clerk for Justice Jack Jacobs, Delaware Supreme Court

**ATTENTION 2Ls:**

**Do you want to finish your post-graduate job search this spring?**

Some judges on the Maryland Court of Appeals, Maryland Court of Special Appeals, Virginia Supreme Court, Virginia Court of Appeals, Oregon Supreme Court, and Oregon Court of Appeals are now accepting applications for the 2008 term. Check the "Judicial Clerkship" section of eCampusRecruiter for more information (you will see "**2008 position**" in the job title line).

**Planning to apply for judicial clerkships for the 2008 term?**

If you were not able to attend one of the Nuts & Bolts Application Workshops this spring, email Shelley Rudge, Judicial Clerkship Coordinator, at [serudge@wcl.american.edu](mailto:serudge@wcl.american.edu) to schedule an individual appointment.

**KEY RESOURCES:**

**Check out the Judicial Clerkship Alumni Survey Database!** Link to this database from the main page of the judicial clerkship website. Use this database to locate and review feedback from alumni who clerked with federal judges, state judges/justices, and administrative law judges around the country. The alumni surveys include information about:

- Clerkship experience (role in chambers, main duties, and judge’s demeanor)
- Interview process (format, length, and even specific questions asked)
- Application advice specific to the judge or court
- Alumni contact information so you can call or e-mail with further questions

**To subscribe to the Judicial Clerkships Listserv:**

- (1) From your eCampus home page, select “myProfile” at the top of the page.
- (2) Select “Edit”.
- (3) Make sure your “Primary Email Address” is one that you check regularly (this is the address used for e-mails).
- (4) Double-check that your “Graduation Date” is correct.
- (5) Under “Listservs,” select “Judicial.”

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***DIVERSITY INITIATIVES***

**GWAC's 21st Annual Ruth R. Banks Green Legal Intern Placement Program (LIPP):** The Greater Washington Area Chapter, Women Lawyers Division of the National Bar Association (GWAC) instituted the Legal Intern Placement Program (LIPP) in order to procure challenging summer employment opportunities for minority law students. GWAC places law students entering their second or third year of law school in legal internships with various cooperating employers in the District of Columbia metropolitan area. LIPP employers include solo practitioners, law firms, not-for-profit corporations, government agencies, trade associations and unions. The usual term of employment is ten (10) forty (40) hour weeks. The beginning and ending dates are mutually agreed upon between the employer and the intern. If you are interested in applying for the LIPP, please see eCampusRecruiter for information on how to apply.

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR LL.M. STUDENTS**  
**FROM ADRIANA VITO, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FOR INTERNATIONAL CAREER**  
**PROGRAMS**

**What if a software could draft your resume for you?**

**OCPD invites all LL.M. students to try Optimal Resume – a software that will build a professional and stylish resume for you! LL.M. students will be the first to have access to this great free tool!**

The Office of Career & Professional Development has recently acquired a new resume software called OptimalResume©. The software is available at <http://wcl.optimalresume.com> and can also be accessed through the hyperlink on the eCampusRecruiter homepage. OptimalResume is a user-friendly system that will help you create a great resume quickly and easily. Start today by creating an account, and work on your customized resume at your leisure. It's easy! This service is sponsored by OCPD and is free to you as an LL.M. student at the Washington College of Law. OptimalResume will allow you to access your resume via the web and to keep it updated on an as-needed basis. There are numerous examples and wording to help you throughout the process and plenty of resume output formats to choose from. Spell check and format assistance is also provided. OptimalResume does the hard work; all you have to concentrate on is content. To begin using OptimalResume, select the "Get Started" function on the OptimalResume homepage and create an account. As a WCL LL.M. student, you are pre-registered in the system so just enter your full @american.edu email address and create a personal password. If you have any questions or comments regarding this software, please email [careerdevelopment@wcl.american.edu](mailto:careerdevelopment@wcl.american.edu)

**Stay tuned for the next edition of the ILSP Career Connection coming out tomorrow! Attention ILSP - LL.M. Students:**

Do you already have an internship arranged for next summer? Do you already know where you will be working during your OPT time? If you answered no to these questions, it is about time you find out about the ILSP Career Connection. What is it?

The ILSP Career Connection is a newsletter for LL.M. students containing jobs and internship opportunities in the USA and abroad. In every edition, a large variety of employers is represented, including law firms, government agencies, NGOs and international organizations. The ILSP Career Connection is available for LL.M. students and alumni from WCL only (please do not share this document outside the AU community!). To access our current edition (to be posted this Friday) please click on: <http://www.wcl.american.edu/career/llmforeign.cfm#connection>

If you experience any difficulties accessing this week's edition of the ILSP Career Connection, please feel free to email me at [avito@wcl.american.edu](mailto:avito@wcl.american.edu)

**Please note:** The ILSP Career Connection focuses on ads for LL.M. students and LL.M. alumni ONLY. If you are a JD student, please browse through ads and postings using our eCampus Recruiter system. If you are a JD student and need assistance to access eCampus Recruiter, please email [careerdevelopment@wcl.american.edu](mailto:careerdevelopment@wcl.american.edu) for help.

As always, I wish you success in your job and internship search!

**General Reminders for Foreign LL.M. Students:**

I am available to meet with you for resume and cover letter review and to answer your job search questions. **You are required to attend a Basic Resume and Cover Letter**

**Writing Workshop before meeting with me** for an individual counseling appointment. To schedule an appointment, please contact the OCPD front desk at (202) 274-4090 or stop by Suite 122. After obtaining an appointment with our front desk, please make sure you send me an email with your resume and/ or cover letter at least 48 hours prior to your appointment. My email address is [avito@wcl.american.edu](mailto:avito@wcl.american.edu) . Also, you may include information about your career goals in your email message. This information will help me better evaluate your needs and help you in a personalized manner.

**Drop-in Hours for Foreign LL.M. Students:**

I am also available to meet with you during my drop-in hours. Drop-in hours are designed for questions that require short discussion, usually 10 minutes or less. If you have a quick question to ask regarding your career development, job applications or resume and cover letter, please stop by our office in suite 122 during the following hours:

**Tuesdays: from 3:00pm to 4:00pm**

**Thursdays: from 11:00am to 12:00pm**

Students don't need an appointment to stop by during drop-in hours. Please keep in mind that issues that take longer than 10 minutes to resolve deserve a full counseling session by appointment and cannot be addressed during drop-in hours.

*\*\*Have a great weekend! \*\**

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**GENERAL REMINDERS FOR STUDENTS**

**Student eCampusRecruiter Profiles**

Please take a moment to update your **eCampusRecruiter** profile. Student profiles should be updated on a regular basis to note changes in contact information and areas of interest. Periodically, the Office of Career & Professional Development will email important information concerning job postings and events to students based on what they have indicated on their profiles. Therefore, keeping your profile current is necessary if you wish to receive such information. To obtain a username and password go to [www.ecampusrecruiter.com/auwcl](http://www.ecampusrecruiter.com/auwcl).

**Please refer to the following Job Search categories for locating postings relevant to your job search:**

**Permanent/Full Time** – Post Graduate Positions for 3Ls & Lateral Positions for Alumni

**Permanent/Part Time** – Part Time Post Graduate Positions for 3Ls & Lateral Positions for Alumni

**Judicial Clerkship** – Post Graduate Positions

**Summer/Full Time** – Full Time Summer Internships, Summer Associate, Law Clerk & Judicial Internships

**Summer/Part Time** – Part Time Summer Internships (including Judicial) & Law Clerk Positions

**Temporary/Full Time** – Fellowships, Contract Attorney Positions, Full Time Law Clerk Positions & Internships (including Judicial)

**Temporary/Part Time** – Academic year Part Time Law Clerk Positions & Internships (including Judicial)

**Did you know that you can use your eCampusRecruiter student profile to sign up for listservs in the area(s) of your interest(s)?** OCPD uses the information provided on the student profile to send targeted emails to students who express interest in a particular practice area or specialty. To enroll in a listserv, simply use the “Edit” option on your student profile and select any number of options under “Listservs.”

**OCPD Website:** Some portions of the OCPD website are protected by password for use by Washington College of Law students and alumni. A login ID and password will be provided once the **eCampusRecruiter** registration process has been completed.

**OCPD Counseling Services:**

OCPD has seven career counselors to assist you with the career planning process.

Counseling services include:

- resume and cover letter review
- conducting mock interviews
- creating job search strategies

Counselors also specialize in judicial clerkships, public interest, private practice and government as noted below. To schedule an appointment, call 202-274-4090 or by stop by Suite 122.

**Traci Jenkins**

General counseling, domestic LL.M.s and second career JDs

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**Claire Raj**

Public Interest and Government

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**Matthew Pascocello**

Alumni, Domestic LL.M.s and 2nd Career J.D.s

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**Adriana Vito**

Foreign-trained LL.M. students and alumni

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**Shelley Rudge**

Judicial Clerkships

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**Kelli Johnson**

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**Laura Friedgood**  
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**DROP IN HOURS:**

A counselor is available every Monday – Thursday from 11:30am to 12:30pm to answer quick questions regarding resumes, cover letters and issues relating to the job search process. To speak with 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.

**EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF April 24**

**Monday, April 24**

**2-3pm**, wesley.alexander@american.edu, How to Effectively Manage Your Student Loans: JD/MBA

**3-4pm**, wesley.alexander@american.edu, How to Effectively Manage Your Student Loans: JD/MBA

**4-6pm, Rm 603**, The Courts, the Constitution and Social Change

**Tuesday, April 25**

**8:15am-6pm, Rm 603**, Investment and Trade in Latin America: The Chilean Experience

**5-7 PM, Rm 600**, Exploring the Value of a Post-JD Degree

**Wednesday, April 26**

**Thursday, April 27**

**Friday, April 28**