

The Docket

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Students, faculty, and staff are invited to place announcements in the Docket, published each week, by submitting text no later than **noon** on Thursday to docket@wcl.american.edu.

The Docket is also accessible at www.wcl.american.edu/docket/

OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR

E-mail: registrar@wcl.american.edu

REGISTRAR'S OFFICE HOURS

Monday	9:00 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.
Tues. - Thurs.	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.

ATTENTION PROSPECTIVE DECEMBER GRADUATES: If you plan to graduate in December 2007, please complete an Application to Graduate as soon as possible. Applications are available in the Registrar's Office, Suite 304, or on-line at www.wcl.american.edu, under Office of the Registrar.

ANONYMOUS GRADING NUMBERS: All students must use anonymous grading numbers, and not names, on all school examinations. These are available on: <https://my.american.edu> under Personal Links at the bottom (WCL Anonymous Grading Number).

SPRING 2007 and SUMMER 2007 EXAMS AVAILABLE FOR PICK-UP For those professors who have returned their exams for spring 2007 and summer 2007 to our office, these exams/papers are now available for pick-up during office hours. Exams are filed by anonymous grading number (for that semester) and are in cabinets and drawers in the office, under the name of the instructor. A listing of all available exams is posted for review.

OFFICE OF STUDENT SERVICES

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>

Scholarship Opportunities

The Offices of Student Affairs and Financial Aid are pleased to announce the release of the most comprehensive collection of outside scholarship available to law students.

Culled from a number of sources during the summer session, there are presently more than 400 scholarships available, based on a number of factors and ranging from \$500 to \$50,000. Students can find the information at <http://www.wcl.american.edu/outsidescholarships/> and in hard copy outside the Office of Student Affairs, suite 300.

Please take advantage of the opportunities these scholarships offer, and let us know when you are successful!

ADA Accommodations

Washington College of Law students with permanent or temporary disabilities may need special accommodations to facilitate their study of the law. If you are such a student and have documentation of your disability, and have not already self identified previously, please consider doing so. Of course, you are not required to disclose your disability or request an accommodation if you do not wish to do so.

It is the law school's desire to identify entering students with disabilities before the Fall semester begins in order to review information and documentation, determine appropriate accommodations, and provide those accommodations in a timely fashion. It is also the law school's desire to urge students with disabilities to come forward at the start of their legal education to learn if they will receive accommodations. We say this because many state boards of bar examiners are reluctant to provide accommodations when taking bar examinations if an applicant first seeks accommodations when taking a bar examination. A record of receiving accommodations in law school will be helpful in such cases.

Your privacy will be protected. Please do not hesitate to call if you have any questions or need more information. You may contact the Senior Academic Counselor, Ann Kreske, at 202-274-4031; akreske@wcl.american.edu. **You are encouraged to submit your documentation as soon as possible for any accommodations needed prior to the final exam period.**

DEADLINE: Documentation of a disability should be provided to the Academic Support Center or Disability Support Services **no later than the Friday before Thanksgiving break in order to seek accommodations related to final exams.**

OFFICE OF DIVERSITY SERVICES

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

Black Alumni Book Award and Reception

Thanks to all who attended and made this year's event a success. Congratulations to the book award winners--Ogo and Adrienne.

APABA-DC 2007 Installation Dinner

Dean Grossman has made available five (5) tickets for the dinner on Wednesday, September 26, at the National Press Club. Registration and cocktails start at 6:00; dinner follows at 6:45. Judge Ricardo Urbina is the keynote speaker, and Judge Eric Washington will conduct the swearing-in ceremony. Contact the office of Diversity Services by e-mail if you want a ticket.

“Stuff on the Table”

- Womble Carlyle Diversity Open 2007
- APABA “Paths to Success” event—September 27
- Hispanic Heritage Month flyer
- Diversity Conference flyer
- BLSA 1L event calendar
- Dean’s Diversity Council member list
- DS fall newsletter

Events

October

- 2** **Hispanic Heritage Month Program and Reception**—4:00-6:30 PM—Student Lounge
- 26** **Prosecution Conference**—Sponsored by Prof. Angela J. Davis and the American Constitution Society—8:00 AM-7:00 PM--Room 603

November

- 8** **Diversity Conference--“Revisiting the Law School Diversity Imperative: Access and Definition”**—Noon-6:00 PM-Dining Room & Room 603

Dean’s Diversity Council Annual Reception & Dinner—6:00-8:00 PM

OFFICE OF FINANCIAL AID

Repayment Information for Graduate PLUS Borrowers

As established by federal regulation, Graduate PLUS loans enter repayment immediately after the final disbursement of a loan period, i.e. following fall disbursement if your loan is a fall only loan and at the end of the school year if a fall/spring loan. The law allows lenders, guarantors, and loan servicers to provide deferment for Graduate PLUS loans and establish their own processes for doing so. The lenders used most often by WCL students were contacted for deferment information and the following report an automatic in-school deferment process and require no action by the borrower.

- Access Group
- AMS/Sallie Mae
- Bank of America
- Citibank
- Key Education Resources
- Student Loan Xpress
- Wachovia Education Finance

If your lender is not listed, follow up to confirm its policy.

Dean's Fellow/Mussey-Gillett Fellows

The first paycheck will be issued September 28. Appointments received after September 12 will be processed for November payment.

Outside Scholarships

Information is available at: <http://www.wcl.american.edu/outsidescholarships/>

Your Financial Aid Counselors are:

Derek Thompson	A – H
Judi Amey	I – P
Barbara Williams	Q – Z

OFFICE OF GRANT ADMINISTRATION AND PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

Thinking About Spending a Semester Abroad? Apply by October 1st for the Spring Semester!

Continued success in today's society is increasingly dependent on the ability of people to think and work globally. WCL believes that the unique challenges that students encounter while studying abroad will enhance their legal education, preparing them to meet the needs of our global society. WCL programs are offered in English and the language of the country – current offerings include **21 semester exchange opportunities** in Asia, Europe, Latin America, Australia, and North America.

Take advantage of this great opportunity to live and study abroad. You will have the chance to learn about comparative legal systems, gain a greater understanding of different cultures AND make yourself more competitive in the job market!

The deadline to apply for a Semester Exchange for Spring 2008 is **October 1**. For a complete description of opportunities abroad please visit: www.wcl.american.edu/studyabroad or contact us at grants-programs@wcl.american.edu

OFFICE OF PUBLIC INTEREST

Suite 122 - Phone: 202-274-4099 - Email: publicinterest@wcl.american.edu

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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. Leave the subject line blank, and in the body of the message, type "subscribe pi_wcl" without the quotes.

Attention 3Ls - Applications for the Women’s Law and Public Policy Fellowship Due Friday, November 2: The Women’s Law and Public Policy Fellowship Program provides several 1-year postgraduate fellowships to law graduates seeking careers in women’s rights advocacy. The application form is available online at <http://www.wlppfp.org/app/>. If you are planning to apply for the fellowship and would like to schedule an appointment to discuss the application and selection process, contact Charlene Gomes, Public Interest Coordinator (and former Program Director of the Women’s Law and Public Policy Fellowship) at cegomes@wcl.american.edu.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND EVENTS:

Skadden Fellowship Workshop for 3Ls, September 24 at Noon in room 403: An application workshop will be held for 3Ls in the process of applying for Skadden Fellowships on Monday, September 24 from noon – 1:20 p.m., room TBA. The workshop will provide applicants the opportunity to ask questions and get feedback on their project proposals. Pizza will be provided. Please RSVP to Charlene Gomes at cegomes@wcl.american.edu.

Dean Grossman Kicks Off the Fall 1L Public Interest Roundtable Series on October 2: Dean Grossman Kicks Off the Fall 1L Public Interest Roundtable Series on October 2: 1Ls are invited to join Dean Claudio Grossman for lunch (pizza) on **Tuesday, October 2 from noon – 12:50 p.m. in room 528**. This is an opportunity for students to talk with Dean Grossman about his work advocating on behalf of people who have been victims of human rights abuse and hear his story about how he went from a political refugee in the Netherlands to Dean of the Washington College of Law. **You must RSVP to Shantimartin@gmail.com.**

Interested in Criminal Defense? Attend the Information Session with Representatives from the Clark County Public Defender in Las Vegas, Nevada on Monday, October 8: The Clark County Public Defender Office will talk about their summer law clerk program for 1Ls and 2Ls. In addition to getting excellent exposure to the variety of services the office provides, summer clerks receive assistance finding housing in the area. Pizza will be provided. Email Charlene Gomes at cegomes@wcl.american.edu if you have questions.

Pro Bono Honors Pledge Program “Getting Involved in Pro Bono” Session at noon, October 11

WCL’s volunteer pro bono program encourages students to complete 75 hours of pro bono and community service work at organizations assisting underprivileged and underrepresented populations. While at least 50 hours of the pro bono work completed must be with an organization engaged primarily in law-related or legal work, students may complete up to 25 of their 75 hours in non-legal community service work, enabling first-year law students to begin participating in the program immediately. The “Getting Involved” session is an opportunity to hear from current students about the advantages of participating in the pledge. Watch the Docket for additional details in the weeks to come.

Equal Justice Works Career Fair and Conference, October 6 and 7, Omni Shoreham Hotel, Washington, DC

Held every October in Washington, DC, Equal Justice Works is the nation's largest public interest law career fair. First-year law students may attend sessions and participate in Table Talk – an opportunity to meet with attorneys at public interest organizations and agencies from around the country, and to get information about summer internship offerings. Second and third-year students may interview with employers. Registration information available soon!

PRO BONO HONORS PLEDGE PROGRAM:

Attention 2Ls and 3Ls - Remember to Submit Summer Pro Bono Hours! Student Time Logs are available in the Office of Public Interest, now located in Suite 122 off the main lobby. Completed time logs should be turned in at the front desk.

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:

- Genocide Teaching Project
- Marshall-Brennan (teaching hours)
- Students United
- Election Protection
- LINK Tutoring Program
- Clinical Program Translators
- Volunteering with the War Crimes Research Office
- Volunteering with the Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Law
- Volunteering with the Mid-Atlantic Innocence Project

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

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The Office of Special Events and Continuing Legal Education (SECLE) provides support to students and faculty in creating exciting and unique programs, workshops and seminars at WCL. Whether you are planning a small event or a large conference, we can assist you. Please contact our office at 202.274.4075 or secle@wcl.american.edu or go to <http://www.wcl.american.edu/secle/planning.cfm> to download a copy of the program planning guide.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

September 25: Ninth Annual Looking Ahead at the New Supreme Court Term

September 25: Anti Trust Lecture Series: China's Proposed Antimonopoly Law

September 28: International Right-to-Know Day

**FOR FULL DETAILS, PLEASE GO TO WWW.WCL.AMERICAN.EDU/SECLE
OR EMAIL SECLE@WCL.AMERICAN.EDU**

FOUNDERS 2008

A request for program submissions for Founders' Celebration 2008 has been sent out – if you have a suggestion for a program, please contact Jennifer Dabson, Director, Office of Special Events and Continuing Legal Education at 202 274-4077 or e-mail jdabson@wcl.american.edu.

2007 National Association of Women Judges Access to Justice Scholarship (\$1000)

The National Association of Women Judges (NAWJ) Access to Justice Scholarship, in the amount of \$1,000, will be awarded to an American University Washington College of Law student who has demonstrated a sustained and passionate commitment to the achievement of equality of opportunity and access in the system of justice. This scholarship will be presented to the selected recipient by Maryland Court of Appeals Judge Irma S. Raker (a NAWJ member and a WCL alumna) on Thursday, October 18, 2007, at the 6:00 p.m. 2007 NAALJ conference reception, to be held at American University Washington College of Law. Please contact Jennifer Dabson at 202-274-4077 or jdabson@wcl.american.edu for more details.

SAVE THE DATES!

OCTOBER

October 1-5: International Week

October 3: Eighth Annual Human Rights Film Series: Encounter Point

October 8: International Legal Issues: The Current Debate over the Immunity of Foreign Cultural Property from Suit in the United States

**October 9–12: Fourth Annual Seminar on International Commercial Arbitration:
International Arbitration Program: How to Handle Oil and Gas Industry
Cases**

**October 10: The Integration of Inter-American System of Human Rights on a National
Level and the Challenge of Training, Assessment and Monitoring of Training
Programs for Judges**

**October 12: Connecting Women, Effecting Change: the Second Annual D.C.
Women's Networking Event, hosted by the Women's Law Association**

October 13: Thomas Tang Moot Court Competition – Northeast Regional

**October 15: American University Washington College of Law Annual Lecture on
International Arbitration Sponsored by Thelen Reid Brown Raysman &
Steiner LLP. 2007 Speaker: Dr. Julian Lew, Q.C., London, UK**

October 16-20: National Association of Administrative Law Judiciary 2007 Conference

- October 17: **Eighth Annual Human Rights Film Series: Devil’s Miner**
- October 23: **Trial Advocacy Conference**
- October 24: **Investment Arbitration in Latin America**
- October 24: **Eighth Annual Human Rights Film Series: The Refugee All Stars**
- October 25: **Live Videoconference from the Securities and Exchange Commission, cosponsored with the ABA**
- October 25: **J. Thomas McCarthy – 3rd Annual Finnegan and Henderson Distinguished Lecture on Intellectual Property**
- October 26: **American Constitution Society Conference on Prosecutorial Power**
- October 26: **11th Annual SBA Golf Tournament**

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

ACADEMY ON HUMAN RIGHTS AND HUMANITARIAN LAW

2008 HUMAN RIGHTS AWARD TOPIC ANNOUNCED

The Human Rights Award is an annual competition sponsored by the Academy on Human Rights and Humanitarian Law that seeks to stimulate the production of scholarly work in international human rights law. For the 2008 award participants will have the flexibility to choose any subject related to: *“International Human Rights Law and the Protection of the Environment”*

The Academy will grant two Awards, one for the best article in English and one for the best article in Spanish. The Jury deciding the Award will be comprised of professionals with a recognized expertise in international human rights law. The best articles are eligible to be published in the American University International Law Review.

The Award in each case will consist of:

- a scholarship to the 2008 Summer Program* that runs from May 26-June 13, 2008
- travel expenses to Washington D.C.**
- housing at the university dorms**
- per diem for living expenses* for the three-week session

Eligibility and Requirements

- Hold a law degree and have demonstrated experience or interest in international human rights law.
- Submit an unpublished legal article/paper written in English or Spanish, written solely by the candidate.

- Articles must not exceed 35 pages in length, including footnotes, double spaced, and using 12-point Times New Roman font.
- Articles can only be submitted via email to hracademy@wcl.american.edu in Microsoft Word format
- The deadline to submit articles is February 1, 2008, at 5:00 p.m. EST.
- Winners will be announced on April 1, 2008 through our website:

A comprehensive list of rules: www.wcl.american.edu/hracademy/2008/hreward.cfm

*Scholarship is to attend for a Certificate of Attendance and not for ABA Credit

**Subject to restrictions.

EXTERNSHIP PROGRAM

Room 413 (202) 274-4200

www.wcl.american.edu/externship

M, Th 9:00 am-5:00pm; T, W. 9:00 am-6:00pm; F 9:00 am-3:00pm

externship@wcl.american.edu

Avis Sanders, Director; Gregory Seidell, Program Assistant

1Ls:

This summer, you can earn academic credit for legal work outside of the classroom. Informational workshops will be held on October 22nd (Sections 1 and 4) and October 31st (Sections 2 and 3). Section 5 students may attend either workshop. All first-year students are expected to attend one of these information sessions. Lunch will be served. Please watch the Docket for details.

INTERNATIONAL EXTERNSHIPS: SUMMER 2008

There are international externships available for the summer of 2008. If you are interested, please stop by the office to fill out a questionnaire, and let us know of your interest.

INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITY IN IMMIGRATION

The ABA Commission on Immigration is looking for an unpaid law clerk to start in their office ASAP. Projects will include analyzing legislation and policy issues, drafting comments to regulations, developing publications, reports, and other materials to educate members of the bar and public about the immigration laws. To apply, send cover letter, resume, and writing sample to immcenter@abanet.org. Go to <http://www.abanet.org/publicserv/immigration/home.html> for more information.

SPRING EXTERNSHIPS AT THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

The Criminal Division of the DOJ has openings for spring externs in the Organized Crime and Racketeering Section. The application deadline is in the middle of October. Please refer to the Externship Database for more information.

SECURITY CLEARANCE AND EARLY APPLICATION

Many externships with the federal government require a security clearance. Accordingly, some spring externships have deadlines beginning in October. Plan your applications accordingly.

EXTERNSHIP STUDENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Externship Program is creating an Externship Student Advisory Board (SAB) that would assist in developing programming that reflects student interests and priorities. Students would meet with

Externship Program staff on a monthly basis over the course of one year. Student Advisory Board members would assist in the development of future programs, provide support for existing projects and help evaluate completed projects. SAB members could also provide some peer mentorship for students who are seeking externships.

INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION PROGRAM

Not sure if litigation is for you?

Explore one of the alternatives by considering some of our FREE activities in International Commercial Arbitration

American University Washington College of Law Annual Lecture on International Commercial Arbitration, October 15, 2007 FREE TO WCL STUDENTS:

Established in 2006, the American University Washington College of Law Annual Lecture on International Arbitration is delivered by a leading practitioner in the field of international commercial arbitration. Sponsored by **Thelen Reid Brown Raysman & Steiner LLP**, this annual lecture offers an eminent figure in international arbitration a platform on which to share his or her ideas on novel issues and current trends in international arbitration from his or her own perspective and provides practitioners and academic an exclusive opportunity to participate.

This year's lecture, **“Does National Court Involvement Undermine the International Arbitration Process?”**, will be presented at 6 p.m. on by DR. JULIAN D M LEW QC, 20 Essex Street, London. To register online please go to http://www.wcl.american.edu/secle/cle_form.cfm or contact: International Arbitration Program, arbitration@wcl.american.edu, (202) 274-4321.

Fourth Annual Seminar on International Commercial Arbitration

October 9, 2007

MORNING SESSION IS FREE TO WCL STUDENTS:

The Annual Seminar is a four-day intensive program that uses a mock case as a tool for providing practitioners with skills, strategies, and tactics for successfully conducting arbitration cases. On this occasion, the seminar will feature sessions that are primarily from the perspective of the Rules of Arbitration of the International Chamber of Commerce.

The Seminar is co-sponsored by the American Arbitration Association (AAA); International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID); and International Court of Arbitration of the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC). Cooperating institutions include: American Bar Association (ABA) Section of Dispute Resolution; ASIL Dispute Resolution Interest Group; International Dispute Resolution Committee of the DC Bar; and U.S. – Mexico Bar Association. Media Partners include TDM and Global Arbitration Review.

Take advantage of this unique networking opportunity and meet the leading practitioners in the field. We have arranged for a special AU-WCL student fee of \$250.00 which will cover materials, breakfasts, lunches, the opening dinner, the networking cocktail and closing reception. Upon completion of the seminar a certificate will be presented.

For more information, please visit our webpage at <http://www.wcl.american.edu/arbitration/>
Investment Arbitration in Latin America, October 24, 2007 FREE TO WCL STUDENTS
Providing a forum for academic debate on recent procedural and substantive issues arising from bilateral investment treaty arbitrations involving Latin American States as respondents, the conference will assess current and future developments in this continuing evolving area of the law. Speakers include William W. Burke-White, Assistant Professor of Law, University of Pennsylvania Law School; Sarah François-Poncet, Partner, Salans LLP; Horacio Grigera Naón, Director, International Arbitration Program; Xavier Garaicoa Ortiz, Procurador General del Estado de Ecuador; Ronald Goodman, Foley Hoag LLP; Osvaldo Guglielmino, Procurador del Tesoro de la Nación Argentina; Jonathan Hamilton, Partner, White & Case LLP; Philippe Sands, Professor of Law and Director of the Centre of International Courts and Tribunals at University College London; J. Christopher Thomas QC, Partner, Thomas & Partners; Ignacio L. Torterola, PTN - ICSID Liaison, Embassy of Argentina; and Perry Wallace, Professor of Law, American University Washington College of Law.

To register online please go to http://www.wcl.american.edu/secle/cle_form.cfm or contact: International Arbitration Program, arbitration@wcl.american.edu, (202) 274-4321.

INTERNATIONAL JD DUAL DEGREE PROGRAMS

INTERESTED IN AN INTERNATIONAL LAW CAREER OR IN PRACTICING LAW ABROAD?

CANADA: JD/LL.B.

This program is offered jointly by WCL and the University of Ottawa Faculty of Law, Common Law Section. Students from both institutions enroll in a unique JD/LL.B. dual degree program. The goal of this program is to prepare students in the Canadian and American legal systems, provide them with more opportunities to practice law and give them a comparative understanding of the common law system.

SPAIN: JD / LICENCIATURA EN DERECHO

WCL currently offers two dual degree programs in Madrid, Spain. Students can receive their dual degree J.D/Licenciatura en Derecho from either la Universidad Carlos III or Universidad Alfonso X El Sabio. Graduates from these programs will have full understanding of the law as developed and practiced both in the United States and in Spain, will be prepared to work in different legal areas in both countries, and eventually in other countries of the European Union.

FRANCE: JD/Master I/Master II

Dual degree program offered jointly by the Washington College of Law and the University of Paris X-Nanterre (UPX) in Paris, France. Students enrolled in the JD/Master I/Master II will be prepared to understand and work in the continental legal system used in most of Europe, Latin America, Asia and Africa.

The Programs:

- Students will spend two years at WCL and two years at the host institution.
- These programs are open to first year WCL students in good academic standing.
- For the programs in France and Spain, student must have excellent written and oral French and Spanish skills, respectively. **Students who are interested in applying for the Spain programs must take the DELE examination this coming November. The application deadline for this exam is October 12, 2007.** The 'Diplomas de Español como Lengua Extranjera (DELE)', issued by the Instituto Cervantes on behalf of the Spanish Ministry for Education and Science, are official qualifications accrediting levels of competence and command of the Spanish language. For more information visit <http://diplomas.cervantes.es/candidatos/inscripcion.jsp> and contact the program director Macarena Saez via email or telephone.

- Students must apply during their first year at WCL to start the programs abroad during their third year of law school. Once accepted into the program, no further application to the host institution is necessary.
- The application deadline for these programs is **January 28, 2008**.

For more information contact Macarena Saez at (202)-274-4388 or by email at msaez@wcl.american.edu. You may also visit our website: <http://www.wcl.american.edu/dualdegree>

INTERNATIONAL LEGAL STUDIES PROGRAM

International Week- October 1-5, 2007

Monday October 1st

- 12:00 pm- **Opening Ceremony**
- 2:00 pm- **“Intellectual Tea” with the International Visiting Scholars**
- 4:00 pm- **OCPD Panel on Careers in Intl. Development**
- 5:00 pm- **Networking Reception/Happy Hour**

Tuesday October 2nd

- 12:00 pm- **Global Focus: International Aspects of the 1L Curriculum**
- 2:00 pm- **CEDAW: Promoting Women’s Human Rights Across the World**
- 4:00 pm- **WCL Hispanic Heritage Month Observation**
- 6:00 pm- **Access to HIV/AIDS Medicine in the African and Caribbean Regions**
- 8:00 pm- **Traditional Art & Law in Indonesia**

Wednesday October 3rd

- 9:00 am- **Breakfast Presentation by the Humphrey Scholars**
- 10:30 am- **Montreal Protocol and Climate Change: Report from the Montreal Protocol’s 20th Anniversary Meeting**
- 12:00 pm- **Practicing Law in Latin America**
- 4:00 pm- **Study Abroad and Summer Sessions Fair**
- 5:00 pm- **Human Rights Coffee Hour**
- 6:00 pm- **Human Rights Film Screening**

Thursday October 4th

- 12:00 pm- **Transnational Justice in Afghanistan**
- 4:00 pm- **1st Annual ILSP Conference on International Law**
- 6:00 pm- **Embassy Reception**

Friday October 5th

- 12:00 pm- **The World is Watching: Holding Multinational Corporations Accountable in US Courts for International Injustices**

For questions contact:
Peri Shereen at pshereen@wcl.american.edu
www.wcl.american.edu/ilsp

PENCE LAW LIBRARY

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

Monday – Friday 8:00 am – 12:00 am
 Saturday – Sunday 9:00 am -12:00 am

Extended hours are available to currently enrolled WCL students, faculty and staff. Please exit the Library at closing and sign in with your AU ID at the Security Desk to return to use the Library after regular hours.

ON OCTOBER 1 THE LIBRARY WILL LAUNCH AskPenceLibrary – VIRTUAL REFERENCE. Between 9am and 4pm Monday through Friday you can IM a reference librarian and get an instant answer to your question. Access will be on the Library webpage at <http://library.wcl.american.edu/>.

Are you conducting research for a paper or for a clinic client? Take a look at the many databases available through the Pence Law Library website at <http://library.wcl.american.edu/resources/resources.cfm>. Our many databases include the Making of Modern Law, which contains over 22,000 American and British legal treatises published between 1800 and 1926, the CCH Business and Finance Network, which covers securities, banking, products liability, intellectual property, computer and internet law, government contracts, federal energy, transportation law and much more. If you need advice about what sources to use for your research, email a reference librarian at reflib@wcl.american.edu or stop by the Reference Desk.

Information on Writing Competitions is now posted on the bulletin board at the entry of the Library and also available at <http://www.wcl.american.edu/studentaffairs/writing.cfm>.

Calling all student authors! If you have an article accepted for publication or recently published by a law review or other scholarly journal, please send your name, article title, and journal title to Billie Jo Kaufman, Associate Dean for Library and Information Resources at bkaufman@wcl.american.edu. Each spring the Library hosts a reception to honor student scholarship efforts and we don't want to leave anyone out!

Please be a good library citizen and keep your personal conversations in the Library to a minimum and set your cell phone to vibrate. Your fellow students are studying! Use one of our 14 group study rooms for collaborative learning and conversations; you can sign up for one at the Circulation Desk with your ID. Need an absolute quiet place to study? Use the Quiet Study Room on the first floor of the Library.

Do not leave your laptop or any valuable personal item unattended on a Library table or carrel for any period of time. Unclaimed items found by the Library staff may be retrieved from the Security Desk.

PROGRAM ON LAW AND GOVERNMENT

The Program on Law and Government, the Law & Government Society, and the Office of Special Events and Continuing Legal Education

Present

THE 9TH ANNUAL LOOKING AHEAD AT THE NEW SUPREME COURT TERM

Come Listen to WCL Experts Preview the Important Cases of the Upcoming Supreme Court Year

PANELISTS:
Professor Cynthia Jones
Professor Mary Siegel
Professor Steven Vladeck

Professor Steve Wermiel – moderator

Tuesday, September 25
Noon – 1:30 pm
Room 603

Pizza will be served

WOMEN AND LAW PROGRAM

Seeing the Invisible: Spotting Gender Issues in First Year Courses

Are you curious about the role of gender in first year subjects? Have you ever wondered how gender influences the cases you learn in Torts, Contracts and Civil Procedure courses? Come meet Ann Shalleck, the director of the Women and the Law Program, and learn to identify the underlying gender concepts in the first year curriculum. Professor Shalleck will guide a discussion structured around re-reading cases already familiar to you on how to spot the often overlooked impact of gender in many areas of the law.

Date: Wednesday September 26

Time: 3-4pm

Location: Room 526

Light refreshments will be served.

Only 20 spots for this discussion are available. Interested students must RSVP to the Women and Law Program at wilp@wcl.american.edu or x. 4089. Priority will be given to 1L students.

STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION

The next regularly-scheduled SBA Senate meeting of the year will be on Tuesday, Sept 25 at 10:10 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 no later than 5 PM on Sunday, September 23. The email must include what you wish to address, as well as a copy of any documents you wish to present at the meeting. Agenda items will **NOT** be accepted after the deadline, to ensure that the Senate has adequate time to review them prior to the meeting. SBA Senate meetings are open to the public, and all students are encouraged to attend.

Please note:

1) Organizations requesting funding should contact the SBA Finance Committee at sbafinance@wcl.american.edu. 2) Organizations requesting more than \$500 of additional funds for a particular expenditure must attend the SBA Senate meeting for approval. 3) The Senate President Pro-Tempore must be notified of ALL agenda items, even those postponed from prior meetings. 4) Senate committee meetings may be announced via the SBA TWEN site. Students are encouraged to subscribe to the site to receive important notices.

The SBA Senate Membership and Internal Affairs Committee (MIAC) will be meeting on Friday, September 21 at 3pm in the SBA lounge. The MIAC handles issues surrounding Senate procedures, including how SBA meetings are conducted. Input from students or student organizations would be especially welcome at the meeting. If you are unable to attend, but do have questions or concerns, please drop an email to the MIAC chair, Frank Gerratana, at sbaprotemp@wcl.american.edu.

Attention: Evening Students

The SBA Senate has one evening student vacancy to fill for the remainder of the year. Interested students should submit a resume and cover letter by 5:00 pm on Friday, September 21 to sbaelection@wcl.american.edu.

You must be an evening 2L, 3L, or 4L to apply.

Attention: Section Four 1Ls

Exercise your right to vote! There will be a special election ONLINE for your SBA Section Representative. Please visit www.wcl.american.edu/sba/elections to vote. Voting will take place from 10:00 am on Friday, September 21 to 10:00 am on Monday, September 24. Questions, problems, concerns? E-mail sbaelection@wcl.american.edu

APALSA

Co-sponsored event with APABA-DC and the AEF (Asian Ed. Fund) Thursday, Sept. 27, 2007, 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. at Hogan & Hartson, 555 13th Street. NW (Red Line: Metro Center) A panel of leaders in the DC Asian Pacific American legal community (from both public and private sectors) will give advice on how to succeed in law school. Law students of all levels will benefit from discussions about time management, creating road maps for a legal career, available resources in the APA community, and much more. The event is also an opportunity to meet local alumni from your school, sign up for an attorney mentor and meet local public interest groups looking for volunteers. Contact: Miya Saika Chen- miya.chen@american.edu

Criminal Law Brief

The Criminal Law Brief is soliciting staff applications. All students with a strong interest in criminal law and related issues are invited to submit applications. Please download the staff application off the Criminal Law Brief website <https://www.wcl.american.edu/journal/clb/>. The application form, resume, cover letter explaining your interest in the Criminal Law Brief, and a 3-5 page essay on criminal law should be placed in the Criminal Law Brief office #615 on the 6th Floor, in the box labeled "CLB Staff Applications". You may also submit applications via email to CrimLawBrief@wcl.american.edu. The deadline for applications is October 12th at 5pm. If you have any questions please email us at CrimLawBrief@wcl.american.edu

Equal Justice Foundation

Introductory Meetings: Thursday, September 27 at 12:00 pm in Room 401 AND at 5:30 pm in Room 402 Food and Drinks will be served. Interested in public interest? Learn how you can apply for a grant for this summer to work for a public interest organization and about getting involved with EJF.

Islamic Legal Forum

September 26, 2007, 7pm (JD Student Lounge)

Ramadan Lecture Series: Conflict Resolution and Activism: combining Islamic principles and practical applications for Peacebuilding

With the ongoing violence in Darfur, Iraq, and Afghanistan, the continuous instability in the Middle East, and the increasing security threats around the world, a new approach is needed to wage violence non-violently. Ms. Jana El Horr, International Peacebuilding Fellow at the American Islamic Congress, will address the necessity of youth engagement in peacebuilding based on principles of non violence and humanitarian consciousness. Ms. El Horr will focus on the application of peacebuilding, conflict resolution, and non violent initiatives in Islamic communities. Join the Islamic Legal Forum in the JD Student Lounge (6th Fl) for iftar/dinner and a discussion with Ms. El Horr. Please RSVP (zeenat.iqbal@american.edu) by noon on Tuesday, September 25th.

JLSA

The Jewish Law Students Association and The Islamic Legal Forum invite you for a joint **Yom Kippur Break Fast and Ramadan Iftar**. The event will take place on **Saturday, September 22, 7-11pm at the 6th Floor Student Lounges**. Professor Naomi Gale will speak about human rights @ 8pm. Email: JLSA@wcl.american.edu to reserve your spot. All Are Welcome!

The Jewish Law Students Association will be having **its 2nd Shabbat dinner** of the semester on **Friday, September 28th @ 7pm**. All are welcome to join! To RSVP and for more information, contact: Lisa Rothfarb at lrothfarb@gmail.com.

The Jewish Law Students Association will be traveling to Israel over winter break (December 24-January 6) to participate in **The Israel Legal Trip** along with other Jewish law students from the DC area. We will travel to the North, explore the South, learn about legal Issues in Israel, explore the mystical and rational sides of Judaism, meet Israel's leaders and top policy makers, and meet Israeli law students. The cost of the trip (including airfare) is \$699 with a \$50 discount for those who sign up by October 1. To register, visit www.aishcampusdc.com/Israel or email JLSA@wcl.american.edu.

Media and the Law Society

Introductory Meeting **Wednesday September 26th 12-1pm, Rm. 527 5-6pm, Rm. 524**

IN SEARCH OF

Prof. David Aaronson is seeking a Dean's Fellow for 10-15 hours per week to provide research assistance on the topic of capital punishment and related sentencing issues. The student would review and update a section of a manuscript on Maryland Criminal Jury Instructions and Commentary (3rd edition). Both U.S. Supreme Court and Maryland cases are included. The

ideal student has strong research and writing skills, an interest in the topic and, perhaps, specialized knowledge of some of the death penalty legal issues. Interested students should e-mail a resume, transcript and writing sample. Professor Aaronson's contact information is: Room 410; 202-274-4201; e-mail: daarons@wcl.american.edu.

Prof. Ann Shalleck seeks a dean's fellow for AY 2007-08 to work 10 hours per week on issues of narrative theory, feminist theory (particularly the history and theory of marriage), the lawyer-client relationship and family law. Please bring a resume and cover letter to Maribel Yarmat in room 417 or send an email to myamat@wcl.american.edu by Monday, October 1, 2007 at 5:00 p.m.

Program on Information Justice and Intellectual Property- PIJIP has openings for new Dean's Fellow positions to work on events, program administration and research projects. Research projects may include work on access to medicines projects, including state legislation regulating drug prices and pharmaceutical marketing tactics. Send resumes and description of your interests to Sean Flynn at sflynn@wcl.american.edu

The 2007 Thomas Tang National Moot Court Competition Northeast Regionals will be held on October 13, at WCL, beginning at 9 am until about 6 pm. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. We are in need of moot court judges. If you are interested in participating as a moot court judge, please contact me or Phillip Olaya, by replying to this email with your name and contact information. If you are an attorney, you will be asked to judge one of the preliminary, or possibly, the afternoon rounds. We also need four brief graders. If you are student, we need time keepers for each of the oral arguments. Thank you for your consideration.

Fellowship in Health Policy & Legislative Work: The 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, which is an excellent opportunity for students interested in health policy and legislative work. The National Kidney Foundation seeks a Fellow for 2007-2008, to work 15-20 hours per week during the school year. The stipend is \$2500.00 per semester; with an option of an additional \$2500.00 in the summer, if interested. A second year student is preferred, but it is not required that a candidate be a second year student. The Fellow will provide research and assistance as it relates to legislation and the problems of kidney disease. The job will include the opportunity to write and present testimony on behalf of the NKF/NCA and to work with 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: <mailto:penglert@kidneywdc.org> We will be in touch.

**Academy on Human Rights and Humanitarian Law Volunteer Opportunities:
OXFORD UNIVERSITY PRESS PROJECT**

The Academy on Human Rights and Humanitarian Law is looking for self-motivated students interested collaborating in a 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 original versions in either Spanish or English. This is a great opportunity for students with excellent writing skills to contribute to wider international recognition

of the Inter-American Human Rights System. If you are interested in applying and you can dedicate a minimum of 5 hours each week to the project, please send a cover letter and your resume to hrcademy@wcl.american.edu indicating "Oxford Volunteer Fall 2007" in the subject line.

13th INTER-AMERICAN HUMAN RIGHTS MOOT COURT COMPETITION

This is the only trilingual (English, Spanish & Portuguese) moot court competition in the world focusing on the Inter-American Human Rights legal system. Each May the Competition brings together over 200 students from all over the world. The Competition involves a large number of prominent attorneys, volunteer judges, and experts from the Inter-American Commission and Court of Human Rights. Participants attend social events, training opportunities, and site visits to international organizations.

Volunteers are needed to communicate with participants, recruit judges, research the Bench Memorandum and plan the various events of the Competition. You do not need to speak Spanish or Portuguese to volunteer, but if you do then it's a plus. If you are interested in volunteering, please send an email to iamoot@wcl.american.edu or call 202-274-4215. For more on the Competition, visit our website at www.wcl.american.edu/hrcademy/mcourt.

INTERNATIONAL LAW PROJECT WITH OXFORD UNIVERSITY PRESS

Prof. Claudia Martin, Co-Director of the Academy on Human Rights and Humanitarian Law, seeks student volunteers to serve as Assistants to the Editorial Board for the project Oxford Reports on International Law in Domestic Law. The project is sponsored by Oxford University Press and the Amsterdam Center for International Law at the University of Amsterdam and entails the creation of a database on international law in domestic court decisions representing countries from all over the world. Volunteers will review a selection of cases submitted by reporters based in different countries, compare them to applicable guidelines, make comments and suggestions as to the final selection, communicate with reporters and guide them on how to write a report and commentary on the selected cases, review the report and commentary and make suggestions to the members of the Editorial Board. Since the cases come primarily from Latin America, knowledge of Spanish is essential. The reports will be produced in English, but the student will be required to consult the full text of the original decision as part of the review process. The final version of the report will be posted in the Oxford University Press database. These are volunteer positions which require 10 hours per week. If you are interested in this position, please send your resume to cmartin@wcl.american.edu indicating "Volunteer Fall 2007" in the subject line.

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

You are cordially invited to the **4th Annual Minority Law Student Leadership Summit** Sponsored by Mayer Brown. This great event begins with a networking reception on **Friday, September 28th (6pm)**, where students have the opportunity to network with experts in a variety of practice areas. Motivational Keynote Speaker: Vita Richardson, Executive Director, Minority Corporate Counsel Association. The summit continues on Saturday, September 29th(9am to 5pm), where students have the opportunity to participate in a series of roundtable discussions and attorney panel discussions including the following speakers: Honorable Judge Doris Ling-Cohan, New York State Supreme Court; Jackie Lopardo, Esq., Entertainment Attorney, Private Practice; Craig Thompson, Esq., Partner, Venebale, LLP; Thompson Communications, LLC; Eli Curi /Partner,

Dickstein Shapiro; Don Tellock , Partner, Arent Fox; Board of Directors, SEO; Catherine Christian, New York County District Attorney's Office Keynote Speaker: Greg Walker, UBS Securities, LLC, Managing Director and Managing Attorney Investment Bank Diversity Legal Associate Program *Please note that the Summit is designed for law students who have completed at least one year of law school, and who are officers or board members of their respective minority student leadership organizations. *Students are not required to attend both the networking reception and the workshops and panel discussions on day two of the summit. *There is no registration charge....Yes it is FREE For registration information and summit agenda please log on to WWW.MLSSUMMIT.ORG

EXTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES- Due to the time required to obtain a security clearance for students working at an externship with the SEC, CFTC and Department of State, students wishing to participate at an externship at those agencies during the Spring 2008 Semester should forward their resume package as soon as possible. The agencies have indicated that they will be reviewing applications on a running time basis. Please apply as soon as possible. It is likely that applications received late may find that all positions have been filled.

C.F.T.C. Field Component-Law 785- Students who will have completed Business Associations and Securities Regulation by the end of the Fall semester of 2007 or who, having completed Business Associations by the end of the Fall semester 2007 and will be enrolling in Securities Regulations for the Spring 2008 Semester, are eligible to participate in a Field Component at the Commodity Futures Trading Commission. Please submit your resume, a copy of your transcript, a list of subjects you intent to take in the Spring 2008 Semester, a writing sample and a cover letter as soon as possible to Professor Guttman's mailbox in room 465 or to Carolyn Wright, his Sr. Legal Assistant in room 325. Two hundred and ten (210) hours of working with a staff attorney or an Administrative Law Judge at the Commission will earn three credits. There will also be a meeting with Professor Guttman on Tuesday of every second week, between 12:00 – 2:00 p.m.

S.E.C. Student Observers Program (Field Component)-Law 784 - I would like to draw the attention of students who have completed Securities Regulation or are going to complete this course by the end of the Fall Semester 2007, that students so qualified can apply for participation for a **minimum** of three credits in the Field Component- S.E.C. Student Observers Program at the Securities and Exchange Commission for the Spring 2008 semester. [Law-784] Students will be expected to work a minimum of two hundred and ten hours (210) with an attorney on the staff of the Commission and will have to attend approximately nine seminars given by Commissioners, staff and outside counsel. (These meeting usually take place on a Wednesday from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.) Students participating in this Student Observers Program also will have to enroll in an advanced securities law seminar, such as Regulation of Securities Markets, Mergers and Acquisitions, Seminar on Derivatives, etc. which enables students to earn additional credits. Students should submit their resume, a copy of their transcript, a writing sample and a cover letter as soon as possible. Please submit your applications promptly as the SEC will consider admissions to the Student Observers Program as soon as received. Interested applicants should submit this information to Professor Guttman's mailbox in room 465 or to Carolyn Wright his Sr. Legal Assistant in room 325. During the semester students will be meeting with Professor Guttman to discuss recent developments in securities law every other week on Tuesdays between 12:00 – 2:00 p.m.

U.S. Department of State Office of the Legal Adviser- Applications are invited for a student internship at the Department of State Office of the Legal Adviser. The work involves 210 to 280 hours over the Spring 2008 semester and enables a student to earn up to six credits. (At seventy hours of work per credit). Areas under consideration by the Department include subjects in the fields of Diplomatic Law, Law Enforcement, Human Rights & Refugees Laws, Economic & Business Laws, etc.

Students having an interest in these areas, as shown by the courses and seminars they have taken or intend to take by the end of the Fall 2007 semester should submit a resume, a copy of their transcript, a writing sample and a cover letter as soon as possible to allow for security clearance. Interested applicants should submit this information to Professor Guttman's mailbox in room 465 or to Carolyn Wright his Sr. Legal Assistant in room 325. Students in this externship will be meeting with Professor Guttman every other Tuesday between 12:00 – 2:00 p.m.

Lexis - Learn how to pull cases and search across multiple sources by legal topic. We've converted the old Search Advisor to a much-improved system. 250 Lexis Reward Points

Date	Time	Duration	Location	Instructor	Status
Tuesday 9/25/2007	12:00 pm	25 mins	Room 208 in the Library	Annabelle O'Shaughnessy Berger	Open
Tuesday 9/25/2007	12:30 pm	25 mins	Room 208 in the Library	Annabelle O'Shaughnessy Berger	Open
Wednesday 9/26/2007	09:00 am	25 mins	Room 208 in the Library	Annabelle O'Shaughnessy Berger	Open
Wednesday 9/26/2007	09:30 am	25 mins	Room 208 in the Library	Annabelle O'Shaughnessy Berger	Open
Wednesday 9/26/2007	12:00 pm	25 mins	Room 208 in the Library	Annabelle O'Shaughnessy Berger	Open
Wednesday 9/26/2007	12:30 pm	25 mins	Room 208 in the Library	Annabelle O'Shaughnessy Berger	Open
Thursday 9/27/2007	04:00 pm	25 mins	Room 208 in the Library	Annabelle O'Shaughnessy Berger	Open
Thursday 9/27/2007	04:30 pm	25 mins	Room 208 in the Library	Annabelle O'Shaughnessy Berger	Open
Thursday 9/27/2007	08:00 pm	25 mins	Room 208 in the Library	Annabelle O'Shaughnessy Berger	Open

Table Talk Lunch Series- **“Global Peace through Commerce: The Promises and the Risks”**
Tuesday, September 25th, 12 Noon, Kay Spiritual Life Center Lounge, AU Main Campus

SPEAKERS: Daniel Bradlow, *Director of International Legal Studies Program, Washington College of Law*; Rev. Séamus Finn, OMI, *Chair of the Board, Interfaith Center on Corporate Responsibility*; Steve Green, *Iraq Investment and Reconstruction Task Force, Department of Commerce*. Buffet lunch will be provided or you may bring your own. A donation of \$5 each is requested from faculty, staff, and community members to help offset the cost of the program. Free to students. Reservations required. Please RSVP at 202-885-3321 or email kslc@american.edu by Monday, September 24th. Sponsored by the Office of the University Chaplain, Kogod School of Business, and Center for Global Peace.

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

1st Saturday of the month: 10:00 am to 1:00 pm

<http://www.wclamerican.edu/career>

UPCOMING PROGRAMS, DATES & DEADLINES & IMPORTANT REMINDERS

****Applications for Fall 2007 OCPD Dean's Fellow are now being accepted****

OCPD is seeking a Dean's Fellow to work 10 hours per week. Responsibilities include assisting OCPD staff members with various administrative projects and internet research throughout the fall semester. Proficiency in Microsoft Word, Access and Excel preferred. If interested, please email a resume and cover letter to Traci Mundy Jenkins, OCPD Director, at tjenkins@wcl.american.edu. Only candidates selected for an interview will be contacted. *This position is available immediately.*

PUBLIC INTEREST & GOVERNMENT

Calling All Public Interest Students: 2007 Equal Justice Works Career Fair & Conference Registration Now Open! The 2007 EJW Career Fair will be held on October 6 & 7 at the Omni Shoreham Hotel in Washington, DC. Student registration is now open. Please go to the EJW website, www.equaljusticeworks.org to register. A list of participating employers including available positions is available at the EJW website. 1Ls are also permitted to participate in the table talk portion of the event, but not permitted to interview. If you have questions about the Career Fair please contact, Claire Raj, craj@wcl.american.edu.

Attn: 3Ls - Presidential Management Fellowship (PMF) Program: The application for the 2007-08 PMF program will open in late October/ early November. Third year students interested in management and leadership careers in the Federal government should visit the PMF website at www.pmf.opm.gov to learn more about the program. OCPD will host an informational session in October to explain the application process.

FBI Accepting Applications for Honors Internship Program: The Federal Bureau of Investigation is currently accepting applications for its 10 week paid summer internship program from 1Ls, 2Ls and 3Ls. Law students are typically placed in the Office of General Counsel, Criminal Division, and National Security Division. The program is a major recruiting tool and participants are assigned to mentors, given briefings by top level executives, and taken on field trips to learn more about the organization. For detailed information and application requirements visit CareerLink or the FBI internship homepage at www.fbijobs.gov/231.asp. Application deadline is **October 10th**. *The FBI deadline violates NALP/ABA recommendations that 1Ls not apply for positions prior to Dec. 1, 2007. However, due to the extensive nature of the FBI's background check, they have chosen to establish an earlier deadline and, in this instance, NALP makes an exception to the rule.*

Job Search Resources: It's not too late to line up a fall internship or externship. Visit the following websites for a jumpstart on your job search.

1. CareerLink – WCL's on-line jobs database. Remember to update your profile and **select public interest and government listserv options**.
2. PSLawnet (www.pslawnet.org) – The Public Service Law Network includes an organizational and opportunities database and compiles the most recent fellowship information found in the "Fellowship Corner."
3. Idealist (www.idealists.org) – This website lists hundreds of internship opportunities and is a particularly good resource for students interested in a public policy experience.

4. Opportunities in Public Affairs (www.opajobs.com) – Your top resource for Capitol Hill, Public Relations, and Public Affairs jobs in the Washington, DC area. Available in hardcopy in the OCPD library, or log on to CareerLink to access the online version and username and password.
5. The Government Honors & Internship Handbook (<http://www.law.arizona.edu/career/honorshandbook.cfm>) – The best resource for federal internship and honors attorney programs. Available in hard copy in the OCPD library, or log on to CareerLink to access the online version and username and password.

JUDICIAL CLERKSHIPS & INTERNSHIPS

Join us for a LUNCH and LEARN about: Staff Attorney Positions with Federal and State Appellate Courts! Three current staff attorneys will discuss their experiences in this panel discussion.

- Thursday, September 27th, 12:00-1:00 pm, Room 602
- Pizza Provided
- Please register under the Events section of CareerLink!

ATTENTION 3LS/4Ls: Planning to apply for state judicial clerkships for the 2008 term? Many state judges have been accepting applications (and hire on a rolling basis) or have deadlines very soon!

For state clerkships, judge-specific hiring information for more than 20 states is listed within the “jobs & resume collection” section of CareerLink. Choose “Judicial Clerkship” as the “Position Type” to find these postings.

To download addresses for many state judges, go to the “clerkships” section of CareerLink. You will have to complete a Clerkship Registration the first time you access this section.

Contact Shelley Rudge, Judicial Clerkship Coordinator, at serudge@wcl.american.edu to schedule an individual counseling appointment.

To subscribe to the Judicial Listserv:

- (1) From your CareerLink home page, select “profile” at the top of the page.
- (2) Select the “Academic Information” folder.
- (3) Double-check that the “Graduation Date” and “Year in School” fields are correct. Emails are sent based on these categories.
- (4) Under “Listserv,” select “Judicial” and then save your changes.

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

***JOB FAIRS, SCHOLARSHIPS/FELLOWSHIPS, RECEPTIONS AND
OTHER DIVERSITY INITIATIVES***

Paths to Success: What the DC Metro APA Legal Community Can Offer is an opportunity for 1Ls, 2L transfer students and any other interested student to meet leaders of APA organizations from the Washington, DC metropolitan area who will give advice on succeeding in law school. Also meet local alumni from WCL and sign up for an attorney mentor. The program will be held September 27, 2007 from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. at Hogan & Hartson, 555 13th Street NW (Metro Center). Sponsored by the Asian Pacific American Bar Association Educational Fund. For more information, e-mail George Wu at georgewu@gmail.com or Taron Murakami at tmurakami@gmail.com.

DATE CHANGE! Microsoft Women & Minority Law School Student Intellectual Property Summit will be held on **October 1** at the Park Hyatt Washington (24th & M Streets, NW). All interested law students are welcome to attend. For an immediate response to all inquiries please e-mail tanjjac@microsoft.com with your name, company name, telephone number, e-mail address. Your contact information will only be used for registration purposes. **After August 2, 2007 please register via our online registration tool by visiting: ipsummit07@microsoft.crgevents.com.**

ASLME Student Health Law Conference: The American Society of Law, Medicine & Ethics's first annual Health Law Student conference will take place on **October 19, 2007**. This conference, entitled *Taking the Health Law Career Path* will take place at the **University of Pittsburgh School of Law**. This conference aims to provide students interested in exploring a career path in health law with a toolkit for success. The main features of the conference are a plenary session to provide an update on health law, panels on a variety of employment possibilities, and a networking reception. Students may register by visiting ASLME's website at <http://www.aslme.org/> or by clicking on the link below.

King & Spalding Diversity Fellowship Program: The King & Spalding Diversity Fellowship Program awards up to four fellowships to qualified second-year law students who show promise of contributing meaningfully to the diversity of the legal community. Each recipient receives \$10,000 and a summer clerkship at King & Spalding's Atlanta, Houston, New York or Washington offices the summer following the completion of his or her second year of law school. The program is available to any student with an ethnically or culturally diverse background. Eligibility to apply for a King & Spalding Diversity Fellowship is open to any law student in the top 33% of the class who is pursuing a Juris Doctor degree at a law school accredited by the American Bar Association, who has completed the first year of legal studies, and whose presence will increase the ethnic and cultural diversity of the practice of law. Please visit www.kslaw.com for an application. Applications must be received by **October 1, 2007**.

ATTENTION 1Ls!! Dinsmore & Shohl LLP Diversity Scholarship: First and second year law students are welcome to apply for the Dinsmore & Shohl Diversity Scholarship, which will consist of a salaried summer associate position as well as a \$10,000 scholarship. First-year law students must submit applications between **December 1 and 15, 2007**. Scholarship recipients will be assigned a mentor - a Dinsmore & Shohl LLP lawyer - at the time the scholarship is awarded. The mentor will be available to the Scholar as a dedicated resource to assist with professional development. Interested candidates should obtain an application packet from the OCPD Front Desk or visit www.dinslaw.com for more information.

For more information on Diversity Initiatives, please visit <https://law-american-csm.symplicity.com/> and search under “jobs & resume collection” for **fellowships and scholarships**; or search under the “Events” tab on CareerLink for **job fairs, receptions and other networking opportunities**.

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

International Student Interview Program (ISIP)- NYU Job Fair for LL.M. Students: *It is time to prepare!*

What is ISIP 2008?

Every year in January, the New York University (NYU) organizes a job fair for **international** LL.M. and S.J.D. students. 130 or more law firms, corporations, and international institutions will interview students for jobs and internships abroad and in the United States. Registration for ISIP 2008 is open during the month of September 2007 and WCL has already offered two information sessions to teach you how to register and participate in the program. If you haven't attended a session yet, please make sure you attend the last information session coming up next week:

Last ISIP Information Session: Tuesday, *September 25th*
(5:15pm-6:15pm, room TBA)

Information about ISIP 2008, participating employers and details about the program will be given during these sessions. All students interested in taking part in ISIP 2008 should attend one of these two sessions. All foreign-trained LL.M. and S.J.D. students are welcome to attend. Students are welcome to bring laptops to facilitate the registration process. **Please register for the ISIP 2008 information session listed above:** send an email to avito@wcl.american.edu indicating your full name and which session you chose to attend.

Attention Foreign LL.M. and SJD Students – IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT:

If you wish to participate in the upcoming ISIP 2008 interviews in January 2008 in New York, **YOU MUST SIGN UP ELECTRONICALLY BEFORE SEPTEMBER 26, 2007.** If your name and email are not in the ISIP 2008 system by September 26, YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE in the job interviews in New York next January 2008. Attend the next information session listed above to learn how to sign up.

Also, in order to view the list of participating employers and to apply for the advertised jobs, **you MUST HAVE YOUR RESUME READY by the end of September.** This means you should attend our next resume workshops (listed below) and after drafting your resume, you should book an appointment to have your resume reviewed. Appointments can be arranged by calling (202) 274-4090 **AFTER** you participated in the basic resume workshop below:

Prepare Your Resume for ISIP 2008: Resume and Cover Letter Workshop for Foreign Attorneys - all foreign attorneys encouraged to attend

September 21th (Friday) from 12:00pm to 2:30pm – Room: TBA

Attention all foreign LL.M. students: if you wish to participate in ISIP 2008 (NYU Job Fair) you must attend a resume workshop to work on your resume drafts before the end of September 2007. Please RSVP by email to avito@wcl.american.edu with your full name and country of origin if you wish to attend one of the sessions listed above. Indicate the date you wish to attend in your email.

After you attend the Basic Resume and Cover Letter Workshop, use this tool:

OCPD invites all LL.M. students to try Optimal Resume – a software that will build a professional and stylish resume for you! All registered students can use this tool for free. We suggest you use Optimal Resume *after* attending our basic resume workshop.

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: Go to: <http://wcl.optimalresume.com> and 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

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 . 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.

GENERAL REMINDERS FOR STUDENTS

Student CareerLink Profiles

Please take a moment to update your **CareerLink** 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 your username and password, please send an email to careerdevelopment@wcl.american.edu.

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)

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 are provided on the CareerLink homepage.

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.

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Kelli Johnson

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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 member

EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF September 24

Saturday, September 22

7-11pm, 6th Floor Student Lounges, **Yom Kippur Break Fast and Ramadan Iftar**

Monday, September 24

12pm, cegomies@wcl.american.edu, **Skadden Fellowship Workshop for 3Ls**

Tuesday, September 25

12-2pm, Rm 603, **Ninth Annual Looking Ahead at the New Supreme Court Term**

5:15pm-6:15pm, rfulton@wcl.american.edu , **ISIP 2008 (NYU Job Fair) info. session for foreign LL.M. and SJD students**

5:30-7:30pm, Rm 603, **Anti Trust Lecture Series: China's Proposed Antimonopoly Law**

10:10pm, Rm 101, **SBA Senate meeting**

Wednesday, September 26

12-1pm, Rm 527, **Media and the Law Society Introductory Meeting**

3-4pm, wilp@wcl.american.edu or x 4089, **Seeing the Invisible: Spotting Gender Issues in First Year Courses**

5-6pm, Rm 524, **Media and the Law Society Introductory Meeting**

7pm, JD Student Lounge, **Ramadan Lecture Series**

Thursday, September 27

12pm, Rm 401, **Equal Justice Foundation Introductory Meeting**

12-1pm, Rm 602, **Lunch and Learn: Staff Attorney Positions with Federal and State Appellate Courts**

5:30pm, Rm 402, **Equal Justice Foundation Introductory Meeting**

Friday, September 28

10am-12pm, Rm 503, **International Right-to-Know Day**

7pm, lrothfarb@gmail.com, **Shabbat dinner**