

## Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Law Fall 2003 Newsletter

Welcome – and welcome back! We hope you had a great summer. As you think about your priorities for this semester, the Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Law wants to let you know about courses, activities and projects in which you can participate. Cutting-edge work is being done on a wide variety of projects at WCL – we encourage you to get involved!!!

Included in this newsletter are:

- A Few Ways to Get Involved: Offices, Programs, and Student Groups
- Professional Development Opportunities: Externships and Career Panels
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### **A FEW GREAT WAYS TO GET INVOLVED:** **Offices, Programs and Student Groups**

#### **Introducing the Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Law**

The Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Law was established in 1990 to work with students, faculty and the international legal community to provide scholarship and support for human rights initiatives around the world. Marshalling the extensive human rights resources of WCL, the Center provides hands-on experiences for interested WCL students; coordinates and facilitates faculty scholarship on relevant subjects; and is a resource to the international community on human rights and humanitarian law issues. We also have a lot of fun!

The Center is hosting two events at the beginning of the Fall 2003 semester for students interested in learning more about the activities of the Center and how to get involved. Come and meet members of the WCL Human Rights Community—faculty, student activists and local practitioners and learn about how you can get involved in the wide range of human rights and humanitarian law projects at WCL.

- August 20: Welcome Reception for Incoming Students/Orientation. Come meet faculty and activists from the Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Law, the War Crimes Research Office, the Human Rights Brief, the Academy on Human Rights and Humanitarian Law, the International Human Rights Law Clinic, Action for Human Rights and more. 3pm, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor Student Lounge
- September 4: "What is the Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Law?" Come hear about the specific projects of the Center and ways in which you can be involved. 12pm, Room 401.

### **Join the Human Rights Brief**

The Human Rights Brief is now accepting applications for its 2003-2004 staff. The Brief is a student-run publication that analyzes current human rights issues. We publish three issues a year which are distributed to roughly 5000 scholars, human rights practitioners, students and legal professionals around the world. Working on the Brief is a great way to gain experience on a legal publication and to meet fellow student human rights advocates.

The Brief is now accepting applications for staff writers and article editors. These positions are open to all JD and LLM students. *1Ls are invited to apply.* Applications are available outside Room 630 and are due on Monday, Sept. 8th at 5pm in the box outside the Brief office. When you drop off your application please sign-up for an interview during the week of the 8th. Please feel free to contact Co-Editors-in-Chief Jamal Jafari or David Baluarte at [chief\\_hrbrief@wcl.american.edu](mailto:chief_hrbrief@wcl.american.edu).

### **Come and “Munch” on Human Rights**

Interested in human rights but stuck studying property and torts? Join us for ***Munching on Human Rights***, an introductory program to educate and engage students, especially 1Ls, about basic issues in international human rights and humanitarian law. Held on the second Tuesday of the month, Munching will give you a great opportunity to informally interact with WCL’s internationally-known faculty and get a “taste” of international law. The first Munching will take place on Tuesday, September 9, 12pm in Room 401. Professor Rick Wilson will discuss “What is the International Bill of Human Rights?” And, of course, pizza will be served! The full Munching schedule is on the Center’s website.

### **NEW! Advanced Munching on Human Rights**

***Advanced Munching*** is a new creative program designed to explore real world human rights issues using creative texts as the spark for discussion. We will use materials from a wide variety of sources, such as short stories, autobiographies, poems, speeches, plays and artwork as the starting point for discussions about current developments in human rights & humanitarian law. Readings will be short and discussions will be interesting! Center Executive Director Hadar Harris will be leading the class with periodic guest facilitators. Advanced Munching will meet every two weeks and is open to the entire WCL community. The first meeting is Thursday, September 18 at 12pm in Room 401. And yes, pizza will be served!

### **Human Rights Coffee Hours**

Action for Human Rights will be sponsoring a series of early morning (9am) coffee hours throughout the semester. Come meet and hang out with other students and faculty interested and involved in the WCL's human rights community. Human Rights Coffees will provide a forum for announcements, recruitment, campaign information – and a great place to have a free breakfast and a cup of fair trade coffee or tea. Come join us every other Thursday throughout the semester at 9am in the 6<sup>th</sup> floor Student Lounge (behind the cafeteria). This semester, Human Rights Coffee Hours will be held on September 4 & 18, October 2, 16 & 30, and November 13.

### **Central Asia Symposium: September 29 - October 10**

The Center, in conjunction with CEENISSO, is sponsoring a series of events to explore the culture, diversity and human rights situation of Central Asian countries. Events include panel discussions on the history and human rights of the region; minorities, ethnicity and nationalism; legal reform: successes and failures; and the impact of independence on the environment, natural resources and energy in the region. In addition, there will be an art exhibit in the law school and a luncheon with regional foods. The two weeks of events opens with a gala reception at the Embassy of Kyrgyzstan on Monday, September 29. For more information on the symposium, see the Center's website or contact Sarah Hymowitz at [murgabqirl@yahoo.com](mailto:murgabqirl@yahoo.com). See the Calendar below for program details.

### **The Fourth Human Rights Film Series: October 7 - November 11**

Like to go to the movies? This Fall, the Center, in conjunction with Human Rights Watch, the AU Center for Social Media, the Office of the University Chaplain, the Center for Global Peace and the Center for Democracy & Elections Management, will be holding the latest installment of the Human Rights Film Series. Films will examine a wide variety of human rights issues, from female genital mutilation to the student movement in Serbia, to the impact of dam building on displaced peoples in India. Films are screened twice, on Tuesday nights at WCL and on Wednesday nights on AU Main Campus. Each film will be followed by a discussion with a guest speaker. A Special Panel Discussion will be held with Filmmaker Gordon Quinn and others on Tuesday, November 4 to discuss the impact of 9/11 on Immigrants to the US. Check the Film Series web page at <http://www.wcl.american.edu/humright/center/film.cfm> for more info.

### **Participate in the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Inter-American Human Rights Moot Court Competition**

The Inter-American Human Rights Moot Court Competition brings together students from all over the world to compete in the only tri-lingual (English,

Spanish & Portuguese) moot court featuring written and oral advocacy based on the Inter-American human rights legal system. Last year, 45 teams competed from 14 countries, including teams from Brazil and Sri Lanka.

This year's Competition will be held from May 23-28, 2004 at WCL but the work starts now! You can be involved in a number of ways:

- Be a part of the WCL team and represent the law school at the Competition! The deadline for applying for the team is December 1st. Please send a cover letter, resume, and a short (10 page max) writing sample. If you want to be considered with a friend as a team, please submit your applications together. This competition is open to 2Ls, 3Ls and 4Ls. Sorry, 1Ls & LLMS are not eligible to compete.
- Volunteer now to help prepare for the Competition! Volunteers are needed to help with publicity, recruitment, event planning, fundraising and more. We need your help NOW to make next year's Competition the best ever!

To learn more about the Competition, go to the Competition website at [www.wcl.american.edu/humright/mcourt](http://www.wcl.american.edu/humright/mcourt) or contact the Competition organizers at [iamoot@wcl.american.edu](mailto:iamoot@wcl.american.edu) or (202) 274-4180.

### **So You're Interested in Human Rights, Eh?**

#### **Student Dialogue on Human Rights with University of Ottawa (Canada)**

Ever think about how the US and Canada treat human rights issues differently? The two governments differ drastically in their approaches to Issues such as the International Criminal Court, Indigenous Rights, Human Security and Terrorism. The Center is working with students and faculty at the University of Ottawa in Canada to develop a project on similarities and differences in human rights and humanitarian law in the US and Canada. Several WCL students are spearheading the exchange. If you are interested in working on the project, please contact Hadar Harris, Executive Director of the Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Law at [hharris@wcl.american.edu](mailto:hharris@wcl.american.edu).

#### **War Crimes Research Office (WCRO) Seeking Volunteers**

The **WCRO** is also presently seeking student volunteers who have legal experience in another country to become members of the **International Student Resource Panel**. Panel members will serve as resource persons for WCRO research projects that have a comparative law element. There is no specific time commitment for this panel, just a willingness to be a resource person if questions about the legal system in your geographic area of expertise arise. If interested, please send your contact information and country (or countries) of expertise to [warcimes@wcl.american.edu](mailto:warcimes@wcl.american.edu). If you are interested in volunteering generally for the War Crimes Research Office, contact Tim Curry at [tmcurry@wcl.american.edu](mailto:tmcurry@wcl.american.edu) or call (202) 274-4067.

## **Take Action! Join Action For Human Rights (AHR)**

**Action For Human Rights (AHR)** is a student-led organization dedicated to bringing students into real contact with the world of human rights advocacy. We do this through experiential learning field trips and reflection, volunteer opportunities, and human rights community building activities at WCL. This semester our experiential program will focus on prison conditions and reform in the DC metropolitan area. Future projects may deal with environmental justice, AIDS awareness and treatment, and elderly healthcare. For information about these programs, contact Michael Waller at [rwaller@usa.net](mailto:rwaller@usa.net) or Debra Spinelli Hays at [debraspinellihays@hotmail.com](mailto:debraspinellihays@hotmail.com).

### Upcoming Events:

- 1st Human Rights Coffee Hour. (Thurs., Sept. 4 at 9:00am, Student Lounge 6th Floor). Come get free breakfast and fair trade coffee and tea. Network with other students and profs and hear about the latest events from human rights/public interest organizations on campus.
- Volunteer Boot Scoot for Human Rights. (Time and place TBA). Free food and plenty of tantalizing opportunities to nourish your soul and soothe your conscience. Human rights organizations from Maryland, Virginia, and DC come to discuss the myriad of volunteer opportunities in the DC area.
- Prison Reform Experiential Learning Project, Informational Meeting. (Mon., Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>, 5-5:45pm, Student Lounge 6th floor). Stop by and hear the details on AHR's Experiential Learning Project. We're looking for 10-14 interested students to commit to this unique opportunity.

## **Central & East Europe & Newly Independent States Student Organization (CEENISSO)**

**CEENISSO** promotes student learning and experience with this part of the world. We offer a rich variety of programming including speaker series, bi-weekly language tables, embassy visits, parties, and other cultural and social events. Our programs focus on current international law issues relevant to the region and comparative legal issues like democratization, rule of law, environmental law, civil society, etc. We have several special events planned this semester including the 1st Annual Conference on Central Asia and a dinner with legal practitioners and experts on the CEENISSO part of the world. Please email us at [ceenisso@wcl.american.edu](mailto:ceenisso@wcl.american.edu). We invite new student participation and would like to hear from you.

## **Health and Human Rights Law Student Association**

**Health and Human Rights** is an organization focused on broad issues including health law, biomedical issues, the AIDS pandemic, and others. There are a lot of ways to get involved this semester with HHR, including volunteering with

Whitman-Walker Clinic in DC, attending brown-bag lunches, working with Physicians for Human Rights, and much more. Keep an eye out for upcoming meetings! This year's HHR Co-Coordinators are: Jennifer Luong & Karen Woody

### **International Law Society**

The **International Law Society** (ILS) promotes student involvement in and understanding of issues of importance to the international legal community. Every Fall, ILS organizes **International Law Career Forum**. Each Spring, we plan an **International Law Week** in conjunction with the law schools at Georgetown and George Washington universities, featuring panels with nationally recognized speakers, receptions at various embassies, and site visits to law firms and government agencies. ILS also coordinates the **Jessup International Moot Court Competition**, whose regional competitions we hosted this year. Throughout the year, ILS secures prominent speakers to participate in **panels** on a wide variety of topics relating to international law. This year we are organizing an ambitious **Practitioners' Dinner** involving student interaction with dozens of practicing international lawyers at a large Washington restaurant. ILS is a member of the Washington Council of International Law Societies and the International Law Students Association. For more information, see our booth at the student organizations BBQ on Friday August 22nd or attend our first general meeting on *Wednesday September the 3rd at 5pm*.

Email: [ils@wcl.american.edu](mailto:ils@wcl.american.edu). The International Law Society contact is Yoonie Kim, ILS President: email: [yoonekim@hotmail.com](mailto:yoonekim@hotmail.com)

### **Global Partnerships on Gender and the Law**

Formerly the Women and International Law Program, Global Partnerships on Gender and the Law supports and promotes the work of advocates and scholars around the world to integrate women's human rights into legal education and practice. This semester we will be continuing our international programming with women's legal rights educators and practitioners around the world and working with the International Legal Studies Program to promote WCL's unique Gender and the Law LL.M. Specialization through forums on gender and legal issues with DC-based international NGOs.

This summer, the program held a Working Group on gender and legal education in New Delhi, India. Indian professors and women's rights activists met for the first time to discuss mainstreaming gender and legal education in India, Please join us for a Brown Bag presentation on September 16 (room and time TBA) to learn more about the outcomes of this ground-breaking Working Group.

Also stay tuned for upcoming forums on Gender and International Trade, with a presentation from the International Gender and Trade network and the Center for Concern, and on comparative issues on gender and the law internationally. For

more information about Global Partnerships on Gender and the Law or the LLM Specialization, please contact April Fehling at [afehling@wcl.american.edu](mailto:afehling@wcl.american.edu).

### **News from the International Human Rights Clinic**

This Fall, the International Human Rights Law Clinic will be bigger than ever, with 48 students and six professors. For the first time in clinic history, we will divide the Clinic into 3 sections, with cases coordinated across the sections. Students will work in pairs and be assigned a mix of asylum and human rights cases. While working on cases, the students will also take a seminar course called The Lawyering Process, which begins to expose them to the skills, ethics and values of working in the role of a lawyer with a client. This year's clinic faculty includes Rick Wilson (Director), Elliott Milstein, Muneer Ahmad, Elizabeth Bruch, Melissa Crow, and Sarah Paoletti. Sarah is new this year, and is the first graduate of the WCL Human Rights Clinic to rejoin the faculty, having graduated from WCL in 1998. Clinic recruitment and enrollment for the 2004-2005 school year will begin in about February of next year, so watch this newsletter and The Docket for more information. Enrollment will be open to all rising 2nd and 3rd year students.

The Clinic also uses volunteer student interpreters who are *fluent* (nearly bilingual, not just "conversational") in another language for work on clinic cases. Come by to see Aliza in the Clinic office, Room 417, to fill out a volunteer interpreter form, and you will be contacted by clinic students who need your help. The clinic does not accept volunteers for case work other than interpreters, and is not open to LL.M. students at this time.

Finally, note that Professor Wilson will be teaching the course on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights in the Spring semester, at a time to be announced.

### **Practice Public International Law For a Semester**

Looking for practical experience in international law? Each spring, WCL Professor Paul Williams teaches a course in practicing public international law. Under his direction, students gain first-hand experience working on current issues of public international law, researching and drafting documents for NGO's, non-profits, government entities, and non-state parties to issues of public international law. Past students have provided work on matters concerning Afghanistan, Georgia, Montenegro, Armenia, Kosovo, Macedonia, Bosnia, Sudan and Somalia. Whether it's drafting a Constitution, Agreement or Cease-Fire, or writing a memo on refugee resettlement or interim authority, this class provides rare and exciting opportunities to practice public international law.

WCL 2Ls, 3Ls, 4Ls, LL.M.s students are eligible for the class. Due to high demand, a special enrollment procedure will take place in late Fall. Announcements to follow in the Docket and JD/MA list serve. To receive email notice when applications are available, email Tina at [tmaynig@american.edu](mailto:tmaynig@american.edu) and ask to be added to the JD/MA list serve.

## **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES** **Career Panels, Listserves and Externships**

### **Career Panels: Professional Opportunities in the Human Rights World**

The Center, in conjunction with the [Office of Career Services](#) (OCS), strives to assist students in gaining a better understanding of what working in the human rights field really means. Throughout the year, the Center and OCS will bring a variety of speakers to talk to students about getting a job, the types of jobs available, and how to make a living on a public interest salary. Upcoming events include:

September 25: "What I Did On My Summer Vacation: Human Rights Work in Action," (Co-sponsored by the Action for Human Rights, the Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Law and the Office of Career Services), Time and Room TBA

November 6: "Telling Their Tales: Human Rights Experts Talk About Doing What They Do" (Co-sponsored by the Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Law and the Office of Career Services), Time and Room TBA

### **Join the New OCS Public Interest Listserves**

Want to make sure you receive all future updates about government or public interest careers? Be sure to sign up for OCS' new group email lists. These lists are the only way you can receive regular updates by email. Be sure and subscribe as soon as possible so you don't miss any. For more information, contact Sheila Ketcham at OCS at [sketcham@wcl.american.edu](mailto:sketcham@wcl.american.edu).

Public Interest Careers List - from the email address you would like subscribed, a user should send an email to [publicinterestcareers-request@wcl.american.edu](mailto:publicinterestcareers-request@wcl.american.edu). In the body of the message, please enter the words "subscribe" or "unsubscribe" depending upon which the user would like to do.

Government Careers List - from the email address you would like subscribed, send an email to [govtcareers-request@wcl.american.edu](mailto:govtcareers-request@wcl.american.edu). In the body of the message, please enter the words "subscribe" or "unsubscribe" depending upon which the user would like to do.

### **WCL Externship Program: Externship Opportunities in Human Rights Law**

Students participating in the Externship Program have a unique opportunity to integrate practical experience with the theory of the classroom by receiving academic credit for work experience and related academic supervision. Each year, hundreds of WCL students receive academic credit for their work with local,

state, and federal government agencies, not-for-profit organizations, courts, and law firms engaged in *pro bono* activities. Many externship employers focus on human rights, civil rights, and humanitarian law. Some past placements with human rights organizations include: AYUDA; Casa of Maryland; Inter-American Commission on Human Rights; International Criminal Justice Institute; *Karamah*: Muslim Women Lawyers for Human Rights; Lawyers Committee for Civil Rights; Robert F. Kennedy Memorial Center for Human Rights; Equal Employment Opportunity Commission; World Organization Against Torture USA. The office holds a fall Externship Orientation for 1Ls and an Externship Workshop for upper class students. Please see the Calendar below for details.

Please visit the Externship Database, which contains over 500 potential employers, at [www.wcl.american.edu/externship](http://www.wcl.american.edu/externship). Please email [externship@wcl.american.edu](mailto:externship@wcl.american.edu), call (202) 274-4200 or stop by the Externship Office, Room 413, to obtain the password and username for the database or for more information about externships.

### **DEAN'S FELLOWS OPPORTUNITIES**

**The Academy on Human Rights and Humanitarian Law** is looking for two Dean's Fellows to work 20 hours a week in helping to coordinate its summer program. Students interested in this opportunity should submit their resume by e-mail to [hrcademy@wcl.american.edu](mailto:hrcademy@wcl.american.edu)

LOOKING FOR A FEW GOOD DEAN'S FELLOWS! The **Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Law** is looking for Dean's Fellows (2Ls, 3Ls or LLMs) for 10 hours/week each. Dean's Fellows are needed to plan events, coordinate Center outreach initiatives, and assist in administrative tasks. Native Spanish or Portuguese speakers are particularly encouraged to apply. Please send a resume, two references and a short writing sample (10 pages or less) to [humlaw@wcl.american.edu](mailto:humlaw@wcl.american.edu) with the subject line "Dean's Fellow Fall 2003." Deadline for applications is Friday, August 29.

**Global Partnerships on Gender and the Law** (Formerly the Women and International Law Program) seeks Dean's Fellows for the Fall semester. We will be working on developing the Gender and the Law LLM Specialization, follow up on our international Gender and Legal Education projects, and organizing upcoming events. Students with a background in international and/or women's issues are especially encouraged to apply. Please submit a resume, cover letter, and brief writing sample to April Fehling at [afehling@wcl.american.edu](mailto:afehling@wcl.american.edu), with "Dean's Fellow" in the subject line. Deadline for applications is Friday, September 5.

**The International Human Rights Law Clinic is looking for three clinic Dean's Fellows for this year.** Current second and third year students not enrolled in the Human Rights Clinic may apply, particularly those with experience working in an NGO or law office, those with languages other than English, and those with

strong organizational abilities. The work will be on cases not assigned to students, work on Clinic class preparation, role-playing in Clinic simulations, and other tasks as assigned. Please drop off or send a resume and cover letter to Aliza Rahman, the Clinic's Administrative Assistant, in Suite 417, or attached to arahman@wcl.american.edu. Applications are due before 5pm on August 29th.

**The War Crimes Research Office (WCRO)** is seeking Dean's Fellows *and volunteers* for the Fall semester. JD and LLM students are eligible. Interested students with a background in international law, particularly international criminal / humanitarian / human rights law, are especially encouraged to apply.

Examples of research projects include:

- assisting with confidential international law projects for WCRO clients,
- preparing summaries of relevant jurisprudence for publication,
- monitoring developments at international criminal tribunals.

To apply for the Dean's Fellow position, please submit a resume, a cover letter and a transcript (unofficial is fine) along with a short writing sample, to John Cerone, Executive Director, War Crimes Research Office, at our new office location, 4910 Massachusetts Avenue, NW (1 block from the WCL building). The deadline for applications is Friday, September 5, 2003. For more information, email the War Crimes Research Office at warcrimes@wcl.american.edu or call (202) 274- 4067.

## **UPCOMING HUMAN RIGHTS EVENTS AT WCL**

### August

20 Welcome Reception for Incoming Students/Orientation: 3pm, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor Student Lounge

### September

- 2 WCRO Speakers Series: "The Battle for Restitution in America's Courts",  
Speaker: Michael Bayzler: 12-1:30pm (Room TBA)
- 4 Action for Human Rights Coffee Hour: 9-9:45am, Student Lounge 6th Floor
- 4 "What is the Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Law?": 12-1pm, Room 401. Lunch will be served.
- 9 Munching on Human Rights: "What is the International Bill of Human Rights?":  
12-1pm, Room 401. Pizza will be served.
- 15 Action for Human Rights Prison Reform Experiential Learning Project,  
Informational Meeting: 5-5:45 pm, Student Lounge 6th floor
- 16 New Partnerships for Transforming Women's Rights in India: The Gender and Legal Education Working Group (Sponsored by Global Partnerships in Gender and the Law): 12-1pm (Room TBA)
- 18 Action for Human Rights Coffee Hour: 9-9:45 am, Student Lounge 6th Floor
- 18 Advanced Munching on Human Rights: 12-1pm, Room 401. Lunch will be served
- 25 WCRO Speakers Series: "Testifying in the Milosevic Case at the ICTY," Speaker:  
Peter Galbraith: 12-1:20pm (Room TBA)

- 25 "What I Did On My Summer Vacation: Human Rights Work in Action," (Co-sponsored by the Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Law, Action for Human Rights and the Office of Career Services), Time and Room TBA
- 29 Central Asia Symposium: Opening Reception, Embassy of Kyrgyzstan (Co-sponsored by the Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Law and CEENISSO)
- 30 Central Asia Symposium: From the Silk Road to the USSR and Beyond: Overview of History/Human Rights of Region: 12–2pm (Room TBA)

#### October

- 1 Advanced Munching on Human Rights: 12-1pm, Room 401. Lunch will be served.
- 2 Action for Human Rights Coffee Hour: 9-9:45 am, Student Lounge 6th Floor
- 2 Central Asia Symposium: Panel Discussion on Minorities, Ethnicity and Nationalism: 12–2pm (Room TBA)
- 7 Human Rights Film Series: *The Day I Will Never Forget* (Female Genital Mutilation): 6pm, Room 603, Speaker TBA
- 7 Central Asia Symposium: Panel Discussion on Legal Reform: 12-2pm (Room TBA)
- 9 Central Asia Symposium: Pot Luck Lunch with Regional Foods: 12-2pm (Room TBA)
- 10 Central Asia Symposium: Panel Discussion on Environment, Natural Resources and Energy: 12-2pm (Room TBA)
- 14 Munching on Human Rights: "What is the Difference Between Human Rights & Humanitarian Law?" John Cerone, Executive Director, War Crimes Research Office. 12-1pm, Room 401. Pizza will be served.
- 14 Human Rights Film Series: *The Damned and the Sacred (Dance Grozny Dance)* (Chechen Nationalism): 6pm, Room 603, Speaker TBA
- 16 Advanced Munching on Human Rights: 12-1pm, Room 401. Lunch will be served.
- 16 Action for Human Rights Coffee Hour: 9-9:45 am, Student Lounge 6th Floor
- 21 Human Rights Film Series: *War Takes* (Life in Colombia During the 1998-2001 Cease Fire): 6pm, Room 603, Speaker TBA
- 22 Externship Orientation for 1Ls: tentatively scheduled for 3-5pm, Room 603
- 28 Human Rights Film Series: *Bringing Down a Dictator* (Student Movement in Serbia): 6pm, Room 603, Speaker TBA
- 29 Externship Workshop for Upper Class Students: 12-1:30pm, Room 603. Lunch provided.
- 30 Advanced Munching on Human Rights: 12-1pm, Room 401. Lunch will be served.
- 30 Action for Human Rights Coffee Hour: 9-9:45am, Student Lounge 6th Floor

#### November

- 4 Human Rights Film Series: *New Americans*. Featuring Special Panel Discussion: "The Experience of Post-9/11 Immigrants to the US." Invited speakers include Gordon Quinn, filmmaker; Raj Purohit, Lawyers Committee for Human Rights; WCL Prof. Muneer Ahmad; Tahirih Justice Center: 6pm, Room 603
- 6 "Telling Their Tales: Human Rights Experts Talk About Doing What They Do" (Co-sponsored by the Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Law and the Office of Career Services), Time and Room TBA

- 11 Munching on Human Rights: "Introduction to the Different Regional Human Rights Systems": 12-1pm, Room 401. Speaker TBA. Pizza will be served.
- 11 Human Rights Film Series: *Drowned Out* (Impact of Dam Building on Displaced Peoples): 6pm, Room 603, Speaker TBA
- 13 Advanced Munching on Human Rights: 12-1pm, Room 401. Lunch will be served.
- 13 Action for Human Rights Coffee Hour: 9-9:45am, Student Lounge 6th Floor

#### **FALL COURSE LISTINGS IN HUMAN RIGHTS/HUMANITARIAN LAW**

The following is a partial list of courses being offered at WCL this semester in human rights-related subjects. If you would like to talk about your course selections or need more information, please contact us at 274-4180 or email us at [humlaw@wcl.american.edu](mailto:humlaw@wcl.american.edu)

Law 614-001	Alternative Dispute Resolution	(Murphy)
Law 618-001	International Environmental Law	(Hunter)
Law 655-001	Immigration & Naturalization	(Ahmad)
Law 660-001	International Law	(Orentlicher)
Law 660-002	International Law	(Goldman)
Law 662-001	International Organizations: Law of the UN	(Orentlicher)
Law 665-001	Employment & Labor Law: Workers and the Law	(Datz)
Law 666-001	Employment Rights Law	(Herrstadt)
Law 691-001	Sex-Based Discrimination	(Kovacic-Fleischer)
Law 707-001	Advanced Constitutional Law: Church & State	(Shiffman)
Law 707-002	Education & the Constitution	(Wermiel)
Law 719-001	Antitrust & the Health Care Industry	(Rosenbaum)
Law 725-001	International Protection of Refugees and IDPs	(Vu)
Law 729-001	Wrongful Convictions	(Gilbert)
Law 738-001	Seminar: International Courts	(Heywood & Brantley)
Law 739-001	Seminar: Advanced Human Rights	(Goldman)
Law 750-001	Special Education Law	(Dubow)
Law 753-001A	Women and the Law Clinic	
Law 755-001	International Human Rights Clinic	
Law 795-001	Critical Race Theory	(Hutchinson)
Law 795-002	Research Seminar: Social Justice	(Schwartz)
Law 795-003A	Research Seminar: Adv Intl Environmental Law	(Zaelke)
Law 795-004	Family & Employment-Based Immigration Law	(Lawrence)
Law 795-006	Seminar: Adv Intl Human Rts Advocacy	(Jabareen & Purohit)
Law 795-010	Legal Aspects of Sustainable Development	(DiLeva & Ninio)
Law 795-011	Iraqi War: Reconfiguring the Global Order	(Maksoud)
Law 795-012	Civil Rights & Remedies	(Gross, Mark)
Law 815-002	Seminar: Feminist Jurisprudence	(Clark)
Law 843-001	Adv Issues in Immigration Policy and Litigation	(Rosenberg)
Law 866-001	Asian-Pacific Americans and the Law	(Volpp)
Law 869-001	US/Japanese Comparative Legal Systems	(Goldman)
Law 891-001	Lobbying and the Legislative Process	(Susman & Gustitus)

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

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