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Events & Announcements April 5 – April 9

Virtual Drop In Hours

Virtual Office Hours with Dean Clark

Wednesday, April 7th- 12p-1p – [Contact Info Redacted](#)

Thursday, April 8th- 5p-6p – [Contact Info Redacted](#)

Dean DiBiase's Office Hours

In addition to meeting with students by appointment, Dean DiBiase will be holding office hours on Zoom each Wednesday.

One-on-One

The weekly one-on-one office hour session is broken into four 15-minute slots, with availability for one student per slot. Students can book a slot here:

[Contact Info Redacted](#)

Open Office

On the first Wednesday of each month (subject to change depending on the law school events calendar), Dean DiBiase will also have an hour of open office time where students can get to know her and each other. The next open office hour is scheduled for [Contact Info Redacted](#)

Student Life Office Drop In Hours with Colin Watrin

Wednesday, from 2:00 –3:00 – [Contact Info Redacted](#)

Drop in Hours with Roderick Morrison, Senior Associate Director of Diversity, Equity, & Admission

Please email [Contact Info Redacted](#) to arrange a meeting time.

Externship Virtual Drop-In Hours

For general questions and guidance on the application process, students can meet with Samira Sharif by appointment. Please email [Contact Info Redacted](#) your availability.

Virtual Events This Week

Social Justice Monday: Black Moms Matter: An Examination of the Black Maternal Health Crisis

April 5 | 12:00 – 1:00pm | [Contact Info Redacted](#)

The United States is still one of the most dangerous developed nations for childbirth, especially for black women. According to the CDC, African American women are three to four times more likely to die during or after delivery than white women. Black women are also 50 percent more likely to prematurely give birth, thus increasing the risk of poor healthcare outcomes. Additionally, the World Health Organization estimates the odds of Black women in the U.S. surviving childbirth are comparable to those of women in third-world countries such as Uzbekistan, where significant proportions of the population live in poverty. However, Black women are disproportionately affected regardless of socioeconomic status, and the mortality rate is steadily increasing. Join us as we discuss the underlying causes and recent legislation introduced to bridge the alarming healthcare disparity gap on this issue.

Health Law Fair: Regulatory and Compliance Discussion

April 5 | 4:00 – 5:00pm | [Contact Info Redacted](#)

A conversation with Darby Allen (Partner, Davis Wright Tremaine) and Aaron Bals (Chief Compliance and Risk Officer, Providence Health Plan) on the work of attorneys in healthcare regulatory and compliance field and particular challenges they grapple with in the current federal and state regulatory landscape.

Health Law Fair: "Counsel v. Counsel" Medical Malpractice: Plaintiff and Defense Webinar

April 6 | 4:00 – 5:00pm | [Contact Info Redacted](#)

Jennifer Crisera from Bennett Bigelow and Leedom and Liz Quick from Quick Law Group have agreed to speak and discuss the practice of medical malpractice litigation. They will discuss the continued practice as well as the changes to the practice that have come from COVID-19.

Human and Environmental Rights in the Brazilian Amazon: Perspectives from the Ground.

April 7 | 12:00pm | [Contact Info Redacted](#)

ALLJ is hosting this international event at noon on April 7th. The speakers include Johny Giffoni, a Public Defender/Environmental law lawyer who works with traditional and indigenous communities in the Brazilian Amazon. Speaking with him will be Human Rights Professor Tom Antkowiak, with the event moderated by Professor Brooke Pinkham. There will be opportunities for student questions. Zoom link: [Contact Info Redacted](#) [Contact Info Redacted](#)

Health Law Fair: Law and Doctor's Orders: A Mental Health Lens on Rehabilitative Justice

April 7 | 4:00 – 5:00pm | [Contact Info Redacted](#)

Judge Michael Finkle and Dr. Jennifer Piel will discuss the unique challenges the legal system presents to those who suffer from mental illness and suggest how we might be able to improve. There will also be time for students to ask questions.

First-Generation Summer Position Panel

April 7 | 5:00 – 6:00pm | [Contact Info Redacted](#)

Join us for a Q&A with attorneys and find out how to navigate your summer position as a first-generation law student. Learn about networking, what kind of work to expect, and how to make the most out of your first summer position! [Zoom ID: 98756707906]

Health Law Fair: Public Health Law in a Pandemic: COVID-19 and Beyond

April 8 | 4:00 – 5:00pm | [Contact Info Redacted](#)

A discussion with Professor Allyn Taylor and Professor Patricia Kuszler on the legal authority of political leaders and public health officials in a pandemic, how those powers have (or have not) been applied during the COVID-19 pandemic, and what lessons we might take for the future.

ESLA Guest Speaker – Dean Kristin DiBiase & Steven Reid

April 9 | 12:00 – 1:00pm | [Contact Info Redacted](#)

Please join us as we welcome our very own Dean Kristin DiBiase and Seattle University Assistant Athletic Director Steven Reid! Both speakers will discuss their experience with NCAA compliance and sports law and using their JDs to navigate their non-traditional career paths as lawyers!

Health Law Fair: Health Law Careers and Networking Event

April 9 | 12:30 – 2:00pm | [Contact Info Redacted](#)

Join us and meet some of the practitioners in healthcare law. This is a great opportunity to ask questions about future careers and learn about the day-to-day expectations placed on practitioners in this field.

You can always see more details about student life related events in the coming weeks by visiting ConnectSU. Click the image below to view more.

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Announcements

News from the Law Library

Updated Research Guide for Study Aids

The law library has updated its [Study Aids Research Guide](#). In addition to browsing by subject and series, you can link to Quimbee, CALI, and our recently launched Lexis Digital Library to find your preferred physical and digital materials. For recent and upcoming graduates, the research guide also provides resources that will aid your preparation for the bar exam.

Library Services

As we get closer to the end of the semester, a reminder that the law library is open Sunday to Saturday, from 7am-10pm, on a quiet study basis.

We are ready to help you with mostly online services and some in-person services. If you need assistance, please reach out to:

Research Questions: lawreference@seattleu.edu

Circulation Questions: lawcirc@seattleu.edu

Interlibrary Loan/Summit Questions: lawILL@seattleu.edu

Check [Contact Info Redacted](#) for our hours.

When in the law library, please sign in on the 3rd and 4th floors. Be sure to follow all health and safety requirements and wear a face covering.

Law Library Stacks are Closed

For everyone's health and safety, the library stacks are closed. To request a book, please use the catalog or contact: lawcirc@seattleu.edu. Our circulation staff will obtain the book and place it on our contactless delivery shelf outside the library second floor entrance. All returned materials will be quarantined.

[AccessLex Law School Scholarship Databank](#) is open for business!

We wanted to make it easier for students to find money that's already available to help pay for law school and lower their student loan burdens. So we did it! We created a space where students can search nearly **800 carefully curated and vetted scholarship opportunities and writing competitions**, with filters to help them find the ones best suited for them.

The Databank includes scholarships for incoming and returning law students, and even some that can be used to pay for degrees prior to a J.D., including bachelor's and master's degrees; or towards bar study costs.

It's the most comprehensive list of scholarships out there that's designed specifically for law students and those interested in a law career. [Contact Info Redacted](#)!

Incoming Students Looking for Housing

With the end of the semester quickly approaching, this time of year is when many newly admitted students are finalizing plans to attend Seattle U Law. Many incoming students have questions about finding housing in Seattle.

If you or anyone you know has space for rent, or might be interested in connecting with an incoming 1L as a potential roommate, please send a quick note to lawadmis@seattleu.edu describing your housing situation (type of housing, location, approximate rent cost).

Thank you,
The Admissions Team

WACC Diversity Scholarship

Due April 5

The Washington Chapter of the Association of Corporate Counsel ("WACC") is proud to sponsor three (3) diversity scholarships totaling \$9,000 (\$3,000 per scholarship). First and second year law school students of the three Washington State law schools are eligible to apply for the scholarship. The top three candidates, as determined from a number of criteria, will be awarded a scholarship to be used to offset the following academic year's tuition payments. Please see the scholarship [Contact Info Redacted](#) and [Contact Info Redacted](#) for further details.

Labor and Employment Law Association (LELA) is seeking new board members.

Interested in planning events and seeking opportunities to promote workers' rights? Join the board of LELA for 2021-2022! You can apply for a board position at-large or specify if you would like to serve as President, Vice President, or Treasurer. Please write a brief letter of interest introducing yourself and why you would like to serve on LELA's board **by the morning of Wednesday 4/7**. Please send your letters and any questions to LELA Vice President Ed Hones at [Contact Info Redacted](#)

Student Animal Legal Defense Fund Board Elections

The Seattle U. chapter of the Student Animal Legal Defense Fund is excited to announce board elections for the upcoming school year. Openings include but are not limited to President, Vice President, and Treasurer. To apply, please send a brief statement of interest by [Contact Info Redacted](#) to [Contact Info Redacted](#) and [Contact Info Redacted](#). Let us know which position you are interested in and why you would be a good candidate. To learn more about the Animal Legal Defense Fund, visit [Contact Info Redacted](#)

ABAW Spring Blossom Fellowship

Apply for the 2021 Asian Bar Association of Washington Student Scholarship Foundation (ABAWSSF) Spring Blossom Fellowship. Each year, ABAWSSF awards one fellowship grant of up to \$5,000 to a JD student attending a law school in the State of Washington and who will be working with a public interest/service organization during Summer of 2021 and whose work advances the rights of women and/or immigrants. Selection is competitive. **Applications are due by April 8, 2021** at 5:00 pm PST. Information and details on how to apply can be found at [Contact Info Redacted](#):

Loren Miller Bar Foundation – Bar Preparation Scholarship

The Loren Miller Bar Foundation provides the Philip L. Burton Memorial Scholarship to deserving third-year law students of African/African-American descent and/or law students who possess a demonstrated commitment to improving the African-American community. The scholarship funds are provided expressly to offset the recipient's Washington State Bar Exam preparation course expenses.

We would greatly appreciate it if you could share this information with your third year law students. **This year's deadline is April 9, 2021.** **Contact Info Redacted**

Low Bono and Traditional Models of Practice

April 14th, 2021 4pm-6pm

Join the WSBA Low Bono Section for an informational panel exploring Low Bono and Traditional Models of practice. The panelists will share information about how to engage in Low Bono practice and will be prepared to answer your questions! The panel will be followed by a networking happy hour.

To register: tinyurl.com/lowbonopanel

CALL FOR LAW SCHOOL STUDENT FELLOWS:

Law Students of Color, specifically those in:

- Asian/Pacific American Law Student Association
- Black Law Student Association
- Latina/Latino Law Student Association
- Native American Law Student Association
- South Asian Law Student Association

[Lawyers of Color](#) is recruiting minority law students to serve as Lawyers of Color Fellows, who will have the opportunity to network with law firm partners and corporate in-house counsel, as well as public interest law leaders. We are a 501(c)(3) devoted to promoting diversity in the legal profession. We celebrate attorneys of color and conduct research and studies regarding the intersection of the legal profession and social justice. We've been mentioned in *The New York Times*, the *National Law Journal*, and *Above The Law*, among other media outlets.

Because fellows are not paid, there is typically only a small time commitment of about 30 minutes per week. If you'd like to take advantage of this great opportunity, please complete the following form by **Wednesday, April 14, 2021**:

Contact Info Redacted

Practical Advice for Gender-Related Issues in the Legal Field

April 15 | 11:45am – 12:45pm | **Contact Info Redacted**

This virtual event will feature a panel of Washington State Gender & Justice Commission Members and Affiliates who work in various fields of law. After a main panel of introductions, students will have the ability to choose a breakout room for more in depth and personal conversations. The goal of these breakout rooms is to provide students with networking opportunities while simultaneously promoting discussion on modern gender-related issues in our profession. The breakout room topics will focus on (1) Identity and Intersectionality in the Workplace; (2)

Uncomfortable Moments: Navigating Offensive Conduct and Microaggressions in the Workplace and in Interviews; and (3) Negotiating a Salary and Other Difficult Conversations. This is a [Contact Info Redacted](#) in one of the three breakout rooms.

The Mary Ellen Krug Award

DEADLINE: April 15, 2021 by 5:00 pm

The Mary Ellen Krug Award honors a student who has shown strong interest, promise, or distinction in labor and employment law and includes a cash grant. The cash grant, awarded by the King County Bar Association Labor and Employment Section, is a variable amount generated in part from proceeds originating from the annual Pacific Coast Labor and Employment Law Conference each spring, which now comprises an endowed scholarship at Seattle University School of Law. In addition to the cash grant, the winner is honored with recognition at the Conference luncheon attended by some 300 labor and employment attorneys. The conference awards luncheon is typically held in early May. For details see the guidelines posted on the [Contact Info Redacted](#)

Kate Seabright Scholarship Applications Open

KABA is pleased and honored to announce it will be continuing the Kate Seabright Scholarship for a third consecutive year. This scholarship will provide **\$3,000-\$8,000 to one or two law students** attending law school in Washington State who demonstrate commitment to advocating for mental health awareness, promoting volunteerism, and increasing diversity and inclusion in the legal profession.

This scholarship will be awarded in the memory and honor of Kate Seabright. Funding for the scholarship is made possible through donations from Kate's parents, Mike Seabright and Margaret Ahn Seabright, and her law firm, Fox Rothschild LLP. Kate was a leader in the legal profession and in her law firm, dedicated to serving the Asian American legal community, and unwavering in her support of marginalized communities. Above all, Kate was an incredibly compassionate young woman, whose kindness and integrity will always be remembered. Application information is available on KABA's website here: [Contact Info Redacted](#)

Deadline: April 30, 2021

Qualified Immunity 360

May 7, 2021, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (WSBA CLE credit available)

The [Washington State Minority and Justice Commission](#) is sponsoring a webinar presentation on qualified immunity, co-hosted by Washington Supreme Court [Justice Mary I. Yu](#) and [Judge David Whedbee](#) of the King County Superior Court.

The presentation aims to facilitate a "360" discussion of the doctrine to educate practitioners, judges, law students, and the public on the mechanics, history, and public policy behind the doctrine. [Contact Info Redacted](#)

Judicial Clerkship at Tulalip Tribal Court

Position: Judicial Clerk

Open to: All law students - 2L or 3L preferred, but 1L may be considered depending on experience

Time commitment: Full or part-time positions are available for Summer
Location: The position will be virtual for Summer 2021, but travel to the court may be required on few occasions. Mileage reimbursement is available.

Compensation: Pay is \$16.69 per hour. SU students may earn credit through the Externship program (instead of the paid position). Please contact the Externship Office as soon as possible to ensure you qualify.

Application Process: Send resume, letter of interest, transcript and a writing sample via email to Brooke Pinkham, CILP Staff Director, at [Contact Info Redacted](#)

Application Deadline: Rolling basis - apply ASAP

Contact: Brooke Pinkham, CILP Staff Director, via email at [Contact Info Redacted](#)

American Bar Association (ABA) Section on Environment, Energy, and Resources (SEER) Writing Competitions

Eight SEER competitions are accepting entries during the 2020-2021 ABA year. Each competition represents a chance to win a \$1,000 cash prize. **Entry Deadline: May 31, 2021.** Visit the [Contact Info Redacted](#) for more details on the eight different competitions. If you are not already a member of the ABA and/or SEER, law students can [Contact Info Redacted](#) to access a multitude of [Contact Info Redacted](#)!

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