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STUDENT LIFE

NEWSLETTER

Upcoming Events

Social Justice Monday: The Dobbs Decision

Monday, September 26 from Noon – 12:50 pm

Location: Room C5 or via Contact Info Redacted

Join us for a dynamic panel discussion of [Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization](#) and the U.S. Supreme Court's reversal of Contact Info Redacted with Seattle University School of Law Professors **Sital Kalantry** and **Erin Carr**, and **Lisa Humes-Schulz** of Planned Parenthood Alliance Advocates. In *Dobbs*, the court held that abortion is no longer a fundamental constitutional right under the U.S. Constitution. Panelists will address the legal, psychological, social, and political implications of this landmark decision.

Presented by the Womxn's Law Caucus

Disability Inclusion Alliance General Body Meeting

Monday, September 26 from Noon – 1:00 pm

Location: Room C1 or Contact Info Redacted

The Disability Inclusion Alliance is an organization dedicated to promoting the wellbeing, academic success, and professional development of law students with disabilities.

FedSoc Coffee Breaks: Amendments to the Constitution?

Monday, September 26 from Noon – 1:00 pm

Location: Room 327

The US Constitution is notoriously difficult to amend. Between August 29 and 31st, the National Constitution Center brought a group of libertarian, progressive, and conservative scholars together to see what amendments to the constitution the parties *could* agree upon. For this event, we will review the proposals of the scholar committee, and discuss their merits: are these amendments we would wish to see? What good would they do? And what other amendments would we like to see going forward?

If you were unable to attend, or wanted to review the amendments ahead of time, the proposal can be found

here: Contact Info Redacted

Bring your own coffee or food, and be ready to discuss, question, and debate!

LLSA's General Body meeting: Resume and Cover Letter Workshop with Ms. Jana

Tuesday, September 27 from Noon – 1:00 pm

Location: Room C5 or Contact Info Redacted

Please join LLSA in their second general body meeting for a workshop on Resume and Cover Letters presented by Ms. Jana Matthews.

Future Prosecutors for Social Justice General Body Meeting

Wednesday, September 28 from Noon – 1:00 pm

Location: Courtroom (105)

This will be our first meeting of the year to go over new Bylaws for FPSJ, vote on them, and discuss any questions about restarting the organization. I will send an email with the proposed Bylaws before the meeting so if you are unable to attend, you can still vote on the Bylaws.

Be Responsible! Using AI and Privacy in Your Legal Practice

Wednesday, September 28 from Noon – 1:00 pm

Location: Room C3

Technology and has significantly changed the practice of law, including how lawyers communicate with clients, draft documents, prepare for trial, and perform research, among other tasks. The Model Rules of Professional Conduct include a comment specifying a duty

of technology competence (Rule 1.1, comment 8), and most states have adopted the comment. Professor Thompson will explore the duty of technology competence and its application to AI applications commonly used in the practice of law.

Happy Hour at The Chieftain with If/When/How

Wednesday, September 28 from 5:30 – 8:00 pm

Location: The Chieftain

Join us for a Happy Hour to meet the Executive Board on September 28th at Chieftain at 5:30pm! Food will be provided and the first 10 people will get a free drink!

If/When/How envisions a transformation of the legal systems and institutions that perpetuate oppression into structures that realize justice, and a future where all people can self-determine their reproductive lives free from discrimination, coercion, or violence.

Film Screening: The Prison Within hosted by Professor Danieli Evans

Wednesday, September 28 at 6:00 pm

Location: Room C5

Criminal Law & Social Justice Film Series: Prof. Danieli Evans is hosting a film series screening documentaries related to the criminal legal system and social justice. The first film is this Wednesday 9/28 at 6 PM in room C5. We will watch Contact Info Redacted produced by a Seattle Law alum. This film documents the experiences of victims/survivors of crime and people who are incarcerated as they participate in a restorative justice process. We will have a discussion after the film for anyone who is interested in participating. There will be some light snacks provided, and please feel free to bring your own refreshments or dinner. There will be 3 additional film screenings during the semester on 10/26, 11/9, and 11/30. More details on the future screenings to follow.

Womxn of Color Coalition 1L Welcome Mixer

Thursday, September 29 from 5:00 – 7:00 pm

Location: Optimism Brewing Company

Hello all!!! We are so excited to have you here. Thanks so much for being a part of WOCC. As a thank you, we would like to invite you to Optimism Brewing Company for some free food and for an opportunity to meet the board and other folks. Can't wait to see you there!

We are dedicated to creating a safe space within the Seattle University School of Law where the unique experiences, opinions, challenges and successes of womxn of color are shared, discussed, and developed. We are a collective of individuals who identify as womxn of color, and womxn of color allies. We are open to all people who are ready to listen and engage in an open and honest dialogue about race, and gender in the law.

Information Session about New Immersion Course to India

Friday, September 30 from Noon – 1:00 pm

Location:Contact Info Redacted

For this course, all students will travel to New Delhi, India where they will take classes at our partner institution, Jindal Global Law School during the Spring Break of 2023. Students will learn various areas of Indian law (including human rights law) and Indian legal history and learn about how Indian legal institutions function. The course will use a comparative law framework to explain how Indian law and legal institutions compare to U.S. law and legal institutions. See attached for more details.

Meditation & Mindfulness with Dean Varona**Monday, October 3 from 4:00 – 5:00 pm****Location: Room C1**

Come and unwind with the Wellness Committee and Dean Varona over a meditation and mindfulness workshop.

Alternative Dispute Resolution Board**Client Counseling Competition**

First and foremost thank you to all the students who participated in the client counseling competition. We are proud to announce the winners of the 2022 Client Counseling Competition.

1st Place: Marwa Hirmendi & Connor Trapp

Mediation Competition

Join us for our second competition of the year! We invite all 2L/3L/4Ls to compete in teams of two where you will have the opportunity to sharpen your creative problem-solving skills. You do not need to be an ADR Board member to compete.

- When: October 28th from 5:00-9:00pm
- Where: Sullivan Hall
- Stay tuned for information about sign ups

If you have any questions please contact:

Membership: VP of Membership Oliver Garrison at **Contact Info Redacted**

Competitions: VP of In-House Competitions Schuyler Peters at **Contact Info Redacted**

General: President Haley Westman at **Contact Info Redacted**

Moot Court Board

The Moot Court Board is excited to announce that our Motions Competition will be held on **October 21st and 22nd!** Be on the lookout for announcements regarding sign ups to compete and to bailiff!

Join us for Bond final round on Wednesday, **September 28th at 4:30pm.** A reception with refreshments will follow. Come congratulate our finalists, meet the judges, and mingle with the Moot Court Board!

As a reminder, our Recruitment Happy Hour will be held at the Chieftain on **October 6 from 5:00-7:00pm.** We look forward to seeing you there!

If you have any questions about the Moot Court Board, please contact us!

Chair, Martha Ridgway - **Contact Info Redacted**

Vice Chair, Shariah Olomua - **Contact Info Redacted**

Student Bar Association

Congratulations to the following students for winning the 1L Section Representative position on the Student Bar Association:

Section A: Morgan Graves

Section B: Clara De Abreu E. Souza

Section C: Brittany Gautier

Interested 1L Flex students can apply to represent their section by emailing a resume and cover letter to Stephanie Lowry - **Contact Info Redacted** by October 4.

Cierrah Loveness, ABA Student Representative will be tabling on the Court Level from 3:30 – 5:30 on **Tuesday, September 27**. Come grab free swag and learn about resources the ABA has to offer to students.

SBA Fees Survey: [Contact Info Redacted](#)

Professional Headshots will be taken on October 6th & 7th:
[Contact Info Redacted](#)

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.



Dean's Office

Cafecitos with Dean Varona

There is no set agenda for our *Cafecitos*. We can talk about whatever you wish, including but not limited to your law school experience, academic advice, career planning, the legal profession, current events, fun things to do in and around Seattle, etc.

Available *Cafecitos* are:

- Tuesday, September 27th – 3:00 pm – in person (limit: 12)
- Saturday, October 15th – 10:00 am – virtual (no limit)
- Friday, October 28th – 3:00 pm – in person (limit: 12)
- Tuesday, November 15th – 3:00 pm – in person (limit: 12)

To reserve a space at one of these *Cafecitos*, please email Gabi Harrington at [Contact Info Redacted](#)

Dean DiBiase, Associate Dean for Student Affairs

Dean DiBiase will be available for Zoom Office Hours **Monday, September 26, 2022, from 5:00pm to 6:00pm.**

Meeting URL: [Contact Info Redacted](#)

Meeting ID: [Contact Info Redacted](#)

Passcode: [Contact Info Redacted](#)

Dean DiBiase is also available to meet with students by appointment: [Contact Info Redacted](#)

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Scholarships & Fellowships

Bar Preparation Scholarships

Last academic year Seattle University Law had a scholarship recipient for each one of the bar prep scholarships offered below. Students must plan to graduate next year to be eligible. Please click on this link to learn more - [Contact Info Redacted](#)

- Women of WSAJ Bar Preparation Scholarship
- Diversity Bar Prep Scholarship
- LGBTQ Bar Prep Scholarship

All applications are due on **November 18, 2022**

BIPOC Scholarship from Point Foundation

The BIPOC Scholarship from Point Foundation provides financial, coaching and community support to members of Black, Indigenous and People of Color (BIPOC) communities. Generations of racism and an education system born from discriminatory policies have made clear that BIPOC students face greater obstacles to educational achievement. When these challenges are combined with those faced by students who also identify as LGBTQ, the impediments can make a higher education degree seem impossible. Point aims to mitigate these issues by providing financial support, community resources, and professional development. Apply here - [Contact Info Redacted](#)

Eligibility Requirements: BIPOC & LGBTQIA+

Westin Fellowship

The fellowship presents a unique opportunity to spend a year researching privacy while creating ties to the community in industry and government around the world. Westin Fellows will have the opportunity to work either remotely during their year-long fellowship or to be residential in Portsmouth, NH.

The IAPP Westin Fellowship Program was created in 2013 to encourage and enable research and scholarship in the field of privacy.

Completed applications are being accepted through September 30, 2022. We hope to extend offers in October or November 2022 for the August 2023 - August 2024 term.

[Contact Info Redacted](#)

Announcements

Law Library

Forget your laptop charger and running low on battery? You can check out a laptop charger from the Law Library! Stop by the circulation desk just inside the library entrance and ask to borrow a charger.

Trying to access a book or article the law library doesn't own? We can help! The Law

Library can work with other libraries to borrow copies of books we don't own and to request scans or articles. First [search our catalog](#) to confirm we don't have access locally or via other [Summit libraries](#). If you can't find it locally or in a Summit library—or if you're not sure and want help checking—email us at LawReference@seattleu.edu and let us know what you're looking for. We will help you investigate other ways to access what you need and can connect you with our resource sharing team to borrow it from another library if necessary.

Latinx Law Student Association Graduation Stoles

If you are graduating and would like to receive a graduation stole from the LatinX Law Student Association (LLSA) please email Andrea Velazquez - [Contact Info Redacted](#)

Wellness Committee 1L Representative

The Wellness Committee is comprised of faculty, staff, and students. If you are a 1L student interested in wellness activities, please email [Contact Info Redacted](#) to see how you can get involved. Previous events the committee has hosted include Destress with Dogs, Deans & Donuts, Mental Health First Aid Training, wellness component of orientation, and much more!

Womxn's Law Caucus

Dues and Membership Info

All new members and returning members are required to update their membership. Make sure you have completed all required steps to be a member of WLC.

- Add yourself as a member on ConnectSU
- Pay \$25 membership dues via Venmo [Contact Info Redacted](#)
- Follow our Instagram page [Contact Info Redacted](#)
- If you have any questions regarding membership, email Nicole McElhaney [Contact Info Redacted](#)

Once you have completed these steps, you will have exclusive access to our outline bank and WLC Member events.

1L Section Reps Needed

Womxn's Law Caucus is looking for 1L section representatives. Section representatives are expected to serve as a liaison for their sections, communicating upcoming events and WLC news. This is a great position for students interested in WLC Board positions in their second year. If you are interested in applying, email WLC Co-Presidents, Aden Jones and Simran Kaur, at [Contact Info Redacted](#) and [Contact Info Redacted](#). Please include your name, section, and a short paragraph on why you are interested in joining WLC.

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