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STUDENT LIFE

NEWSLETTER

Upcoming Student Life Events

Social Justice Monday: Navigating the Disability Process

Monday, September 25 from Noon – 12:50 pm

Contact Info Redacted

Join **Huy Nguyen**, Executive Director of the Benefits Law Center (BLC), and **Charla Boley '23**, Equal Justice Works Fellow, to learn how BLC helps low-income individuals with disabilities gain a measure of income stability: the first step toward housing, medical treatment, and quality of life. Hear about BLC's specific projects, including the Social Security Advocacy Project, Disabled Homeless Advocacy Project, and the Justice Bus. Additionally, discover how you can help people with disabilities overcome barriers in navigating the legal system.

Presented by the Disability Justice Collective

Pacific Islander Law Students Association Spam Musubi Fundraiser

Monday, September 25 from 11:00 – 1:00 pm

Location: Court Level

Meet the Pacific Islander Law Student Association and buy a spam musubi!! The Pacific Islander Law Students Association is an organization created to foster a sense of community within Seattle University School of Law and provide a space to discuss issues relevant to our community's personal and professional well-being and identity. We seek to unite the lawyers, law students, and legal workers who identify as Pacific Islander, and foster a community whose desire is to learn, network, and advocate for the Pacific Islander Community within the legal field.

Meditation and Mindfulness with the Non-Binary, Gender Non-Conforming and Allies Student Association

Tuesday, September 26 from 12:30 – 1:00 pm

Contact Info Redacted

Come meditate with us during your lunch break! We will explore different kinds of meditations designed to reduce stress, increase compassion, and build connections, including tonglen, zazen, and other guided meditations.

Global Accelerated Student Potluck

Tuesday, September 26 from 12:30 – 2:00 pm

Contact Info Redacted

The Student Bar Association, along with International & Immigrant Student Association, has created a Meet and Greet Potluck for students in the Global Accelerated program, as well as any students that want to join, to get to know each other and spend an hour and a half mingling with some good food. This event will take place Tuesday, September 26, at 12:30 PM in room 327. If you would like to bring a snack, please sign up [here](#).

The International Labour Organization: Promoting Workers' Rights Worldwide

Wednesday, September 27 from Noon – 12:50 pm

Contact Info Redacted

Seattle U Law's International Programs Office, Justice in Employment and Labor Law Organization, and International Law Society will host [Kevin Cassidy](#), Director and Representative to the Bretton Woods and Multilateral Organizations for the [International Labour Organization \(ILO\)](#) Office for the United States. Mr. Cassidy will discuss the ILO's work in improving labor standards and workers' rights around the world, and how this work relates to the American public. There will also be opportunity for Q&A. The International Labour Organization, an agency of the United Nations, brings together governments, employers and workers of 187 UN Member States to set labor standards, develop policies and devise programs promoting decent work for all women and men. The main aims of the ILO are to promote rights at work, encourage decent employment opportunities, enhance social protection and strengthen dialogue on work-related issues.

Sackett v. EPA Decision Debrief

Wednesday, September 27 from Noon – 1:00 pm

Contact Info Redacted

Join the Environmental Law Society as we host Seattle University School of Law Professor Mayer to debrief the recent ruling on Sackett v. EPA.

Phi Alpha Delta General Body Meeting

Wednesday, September 27 from Noon – 1:00 pm

Contact Info Redacted

General Body Meeting to welcome incoming 1L's who might be interested and welcome back 2L's and 3L's. Free Pizza and Drinks will be provided! PAD is a professional law fraternity advancing integrity, compassion, and courage through service to the student, the school, the profession and the community.

Sound Bath by Healing Harmony presented by LexisNexis and the Wellness Committee

Wednesday, September 27 from 4:00 – 4:45 pm

Location: Sullivan Hall, Room 328

Experience this gentle flow in combination with the vibrational healing sounds of crystal singing bowls, vocals, and drums. Allowing for a deeper exploration of flexibility, balance and ease. Enjoy an extended savasana as you are immersed in a luxurious, restorative sound bath.

Jodi Arnold blends together her experience as a mother and her training as a teacher and coach to offer mindfulness-based meditation and yoga for today's swiftly changing world. She is a certified meditation coach and yoga instructor offering creative ways to bring connection and move forward to live life with more peace. Please check out

www.calmcurrent.com for more information. Contact Info Redacted

Disability Justice Collective General Body Meeting

Wednesday, September 27 from 6:00 – 7:00 pm

Contact Info Redacted

The Disability Justice Collective is an organization dedicated to promoting the wellbeing, academic success, and professional development of law students with disabilities. It is open to both students with disabilities and allies.

Womxn of Color Coalition (WOCC) Welcome Back Happy Hour

Thursday, September 28 from 4:30 – 6:30 pm

Location: Stoup Brewing (formerly Optimism) – 1158 Broadway

Please join WOCC for a relaxing evening of fun, food, and drinks! Come meet the current

board and learn about upcoming events! Additionally, if you have decided to participate in our mentor-mentee program, this will be a great opportunity to connect!

Public Interest Law Foundation (PILF) Welcome Back Event

Thursday, September 28 from 5:00 – 8:00 pm

Location: Rhein Haus

Join us for our 1st meeting of the year for some PILF updates, info on how to apply to be a 1L PILF Rep, and of course, to enjoy snacks, socializing, and beer!

QUEERaoke

Thursday, September 28 from 8:30 – 11:45 pm

Location: The Chieftain

Come to karaoke at the Chieftain with the NGNCA! We meet at 8:30, and karaoke starts at 9.

This is a public event at the Chieftain, and the karaoke starts at 9pm. Genderbending of songs, hanging of lyrics, and high-drama performance are encouraged!

We recommend that you get there close to the beginning to make sure you can get some songs in. It's a popular event, and it fills out quickly later in the evening!

Alternative Dispute Resolution Board

Winners from our Client Counseling Competition:

1st place: Cambria Judd Babbitt & Fatima Al-Rikabi

2nd place: Morgan Graves & Gabrielle Clegg

3rd place: Ankita Mishra & Marina Maliugina

Student Bar Association

Thank you everyone who ran for a position this election season. Congratulations to the following students for being elected to the Student Bar Association. The term of office is one year beginning October 1, 2023, and ending September 30, 2024.

1L Section A

Isabell Murray

1L Section B

Tatum Doke

1L FLEX Representative

Laura Woods

If there are any questions regarding election results, please email me at [Contact Info Redacted](#)

Professional Headshots for Students: Get your professional headshot taken to update your LinkedIn! Times will be available on Thursday, October 5, from 1-5 PM and Friday, October 6, from 11:30 AM-2:30 PM in the Student Org. Room behind Sidebar. Sign up using the Google Doc [Contact Info Redacted](#)! Please do not delete a name already listed on the sign-up sheet.

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

Dean Varona

If you would like time to meet with Dean Varona, please email [Contact Info Redacted](#) Executive Coordinator to the Dean.

Dean DiBiase, Associate Dean for Student Life, Diversity & Inclusion

Dean DiBiase will be available for Office Hours

Monday, September 25, 2023

[Contact Info Redacted](#)

Tuesday, September 26, 2023

Office Drop-IN (Room 210E) from 2:00 – 3:00 pm

Department Events & Announcements

Law Library

See the Law Library's [Study Aids Guide](#) to learn more about the resources available through the Law Library to help with your studying. If you have questions about finding the right study aids, ask us at [Contact Info Redacted](#)

There's still time to participate in the Law Library scavenger hunt; learn about the library, have fun, and get entered to win a gift certificate to Boon Boona! Find the scavenger hunt questions online here: [Contact Info Redacted](#) and send your answers to [Contact Info Redacted](#)

Student Housing Guide Survey

Similar to previous years, we are launching a five-minute, anonymous survey about current students' housing experiences. This information will be distributed to both current and newly admitted law students to help you locate housing that best suits your needs. Housing is listed as one of the biggest stressors for both current and new students and given the current climate, providing your feedback on this survey will help the incoming class as well as your classmates make informed housing decisions. Please take a few minutes to share your insights! [Contact Info Redacted](#)

Graduates: Time to Order Your Cap & Gown!

Those participating in the December 2023 Commencement Ceremony may now order regalia online through the [Jostens website](#). Please order your regalia **no later than Friday, October 13, 2023**. Don't be late! Academic regalia is required if you wish to participate in graduation. Questions? Contact Deann Ketchum, Dean's Office at [Contact Info Redacted](#)

Compliance Panel

Tuesday September 26 from Noon – 12:50 pm

[Contact Info Redacted](#)

Explore the emerging field of compliance management as a career pathway for law school graduates. Hear from a panel of compliance professionals who work for a variety of industries as they discuss their career paths, how they use their legal training, and what courses or specialty training will enhance compliance “credentials” in the current job market.

Moderator

[Nelson Dong](#), Partner at [Dorsey & Whitney](#), Seattle

Panelists

[Steven Reid](#), Associate Athletics Director for Compliance, [Fresno State Athletics](#)

[Sven Peterson](#), Vice President of Compliance, Ethics and Regulatory Services, [Premera](#)

Externship Fair

Wednesday, September 27 from Noon – 1:30 pm

Location: Sullivan Hall First Floor Gallery

All students are invited to attend this event. This is your chance to see the range of

externships that are available and to talk with lawyers and judges, many of whom are SU Law School alums. We encourage you to stop by each group and even ask for career advice.

Tips & Advice from a Legal Recruiter

Wednesday, September 27 from Noon – 1:00 pm

Contact Info Redacted

It's never too early to learn about the legal market and how to secure a post-grad job. Recruiters have a front row view into the current legal environment, what employers are looking for in candidates, and how candidates can best prepare themselves for their career.

Take advantage of this fantastic opportunity to hear directly from legal recruiter [Bahareh Samanian](#). Bahareh will share her insights on the current legal market and will provide tips and advice on how to best begin preparing to pursue a fulfilling career. **RSVP to Dean Etter at** [Contact Info Redacted](#)

With an extensive background in the practice of law, legal operations, and legal recruiting, Bahareh Samanian connects top legal talent with firms ranging in scope from AmLaw 200 to niche, boutique players. More than a recruiter, she is a talent partner to her clients and an advocate for candidates. She creates mutually beneficial relationships between clients and candidates, which she accomplishes through partnership and collaboration.

Red Mass & Reception

Monday, October 2 at 6:00 pm

Location: Gather at 5:40 pm in Sullivan Hall lobby for the procession

Seattle University School of Law invites you, your family, and your colleagues to join us for Red Mass. Red Mass is a tradition within the Catholic Church dating back to the 13th century and is celebrated to invoke God's blessing

Luminaries in Law with Dahlia Lithwick

Wednesday, September 27 from 4:30 – 6:30 pm in Room C6 or [watch on Vimeo](#).

The law school is honored to welcome Dahlia Lithwick, Legal Correspondent and Senior Editor at Slate, as a speaker in our Luminaries in Law series. Lithwick is the senior legal correspondent at Slate and host of Amicus, Slate's award-winning biweekly podcast about the law. She will be interviewed by Professor Deirdre Bowen followed by Q&A moderated by Dean Anthony E. Varona.

Legal Mentor Network Happy Hour

Thursday, October 12 from 4:30 – 6:30 pm

Location: 2nd Floor Gallery

The Legal Mentor Network invites all Seattle-area mentors and mentees to connect, enjoy

free food and drinks, and talk about mentorship! The Legal Mentor Network is the first nationwide, free mentorship program for law students and recently barred attorneys. Attorneys at all stages of their careers match experienced attorneys with newer attorneys and law students, to create impactful relationships for mentors and mentees alike. The Legal Mentor Network is made up of highly engaged members of the legal community. In coming to an event, you might just meet your next mentor, mentee, boss, colleague, client, referral source, or all of the above! Join us on Thursday, October 12 from 4:30pm to 6:30p.m. on the 2nd Floor Gallery.

RSVPs are required to attend this event. Please [Contact Info Redacted](#)
Questions? Please contact Brittany Becker at [Contact Info Redacted](#)

Dean's Luminaries in Law Lecture & Conversation Series: The Indian Supreme Court at 75: Protecting Rights, Expanding Freedoms, and Empowering Citizens

**Friday, October 20 beginning with lunch on the Court Level at 11:45
am followed by talk at 12:30 pm in Room C5**

The School of Law, in collaboration with the RoundGlass India Center at Seattle University, is honored to welcome Abhishek Manu Singhvi, a member of the Indian Parliament and India's leading Supreme Court litigator, to deliver an address on the "The Indian Supreme Court at 75: Protecting Rights, Expanding Freedoms, and Empowering Citizens."

Professor C. Raj Kumar, founding Vice Chancellor of Jindal Global University and a leader in Indian higher education, will provide commentary.

The discussion will be moderated by Dean Tony Varona, and Professor Sital Kalantry will provide concluding remarks. This event will mark the international launch of Professor Kalantry's new book, "[The Court on Trial: A Data-Driven Account of the Indian Supreme Court](#)."

Student Organization Announcements **Womxn's Law Caucus**

Hey 1Ls! As Womxn's Law Caucus (WLC) approaches its first General Student Body Meeting (stay tuned for a date/time announcement), it is beginning the search for **1L Representatives** to serve for the rest of the academic year. As a 1L Rep, you will be the primary connection between WLC and the rest of your classmates. Therefore, we are looking for 1Ls who are passionate about connecting with fellow students as well as creating community within the broader WLC family. We ask that any interested parties complete the following brief interest form: [Contact Info Redacted](#)
Interested parties should complete the form **by the end of the day on September 29th**. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to WLC President, Meg Rutherford, at [Contact Info Redacted](#)

Washington's Innocence Project Pro Bono Service event hosted by SU Post Conviction Appellate Alliance (SUPAA)

Please [Contact Info Redacted](#) and choose the timeslot that works for your schedule.

Slot 1: Tuesday, October 10 - 12PM-4PM in Courtroom

Slot 2: Friday, October 20 - 8AM-12PM in Courtroom

Slot 3: Friday, October 20 - 12PM-4PM in Courtroom

About the Event: This pro bono event promises a day of action, learning, and advocacy. Participants will have the opportunity to:

Legal Workshops: Engage in interactive workshops led by seasoned legal professionals, focusing on the intricacies of post-conviction appellate work and the efforts of Washington Innocence Project by assisting in putting case files into their new database.

Case Reviews: Collaborate with experienced attorneys and investigators on real cases, gaining valuable hands-on experience in the pursuit of justice.

Networking: Connect with fellow legal enthusiasts, lawyers, students, and professionals, who share a passion for justice reform.

Advocacy Opportunities: Learn about ongoing initiatives and advocacy efforts spearheaded by Washington's Innocence Project, SUPCAA, and ATJI, and discover how you can get involved.

Scholarship Opportunities

2023 Kristin Miles Scholarship for 2023 Fall WSSHA Health Law Conference - Application Deadline: Monday, October 2, 2023

The scholarships provide a waiver of all registration fees to attend the WSSHA Fall Health Law Conference on November 3-4, 2023 at the Pan Pacific Hotel in Vancouver, B.C., Canada, which includes health law sessions and CLE credit for licensed attorneys, Friday networking reception, Saturday breakfast and sponsored lunch, and a \$500 stipend to cover lodging, transportation costs, and ancillary expenses for attending the conference.

Any first, second, or third-year J.D. student, as well as any health law LL.M. student, enrolled in a law school located in the State of Washington, including previous applicants not selected are encouraged to re-apply.

Applications are due on Monday, October 2, 2023 and should be sent to Jonathan Litner at Contact Info Redacted.

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