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≈ Calendar of Events ≈ Week of August 27, 2007

All events will be held in Myron Taylor Hall unless otherwise noted.

MONDAY, AUGUST 27

9:00 a.m.-5:10 p.m. Myron Taylor Hall. OCI #1 interviews. Details on page 5, Career column.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 28

9:00 a.m.-5:10 p.m. Myron Taylor Hall. OCI #1 interviews. Details on page 5, Career column.

3:00-7:00 p.m. Room 309. Office hours for Walter Bubl , Academic Support Counselor. Details on page 7, Walter Bubl 's column.

3:20 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Statler Hotel. (Reception area: Taylor room) OCI #1 interviews. Details on page 5, Career column.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 29

8:40 a.m.-12:00 Noon. Statler Hotel. (Reception area: Taylor room). OCI#1 interviews. Details on page 5, Career column.

9:00 a.m.-5:10 p.m. Myron Taylor Hall. OCI #1 interviews. Details on page 5, Career column.

12:15 p.m. Room G85. Semester Abroad--Spring 2008; Fall 2008--Information Session for 2L and 3L students, moderated by **Larry Bush**, Executive Director, Clarke Center for International and Comparative Legal Studies, and Berger International Legal Studies administrator. **Pizza and soft drinks will be provided.** Details on page 6, Berger International Legal Studies Program.

1:00-5:00 p.m. Room 252. Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS). Free and confidential consultation for law students with **Maurice Haltom** Therapist/Counselor, Counseling and Psychological Services. Details on page 7, Maurice Haltom, CAPS column.

4:00-6:00 p.m. Saperston Student Lounge. Mandatory meeting for all **Lawyering Program Honors Fellows.** Contact **Joel Atlas**, 5-1348, with any questions.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 29

5:00-7:00 p.m. Room 309. Office hours for Walter Bubl , Academic Support Counselor. Details on page 7, Walter Bubl 's column.

8:00 p.m. Limited Enrollment Add-Drop ends. Details below, Registrar's column.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 31

9:00 a.m.-5:10 p.m. DC Job Fair, Embassy Suites Hotel, Washington, DC. Contact the Career Office for more information.

4:00 p.m. Unlimited Enrollment Add-Drop ends. Details below, Registrar's column.



FROM NAN COLVIN, REGISTRAR

- **Fall '07**
- **Law School Registrar's Office Hours** - The Registrar's Office is open to the community Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. - Noon and 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. The office is closed between Noon and 1:00 p.m. The telephone number is 255-7190. Our email address is: registrar@lawschool.cornell.edu
- **Upperclass course changes** - Students must add or drop **limited enrollment** courses by **8:00 p.m. Wednesday, August 29**. Students may add or drop **unlimited enrollment** law courses until **4:00 p.m., Friday, August 31**. **Non-law courses must also be added or dropped by 4:00 p.m. on August 31**. Please remember to notify the Law School Registrar if you add or drop a non-law course through the University Online AddDrop.
- **Credit hour requirements** - During the second and third years, students may not register for fewer than 12 hours or more than 16 hours during any one term, or fewer than 26 hours in any one academic year. Exceptions to the credit hours requirements must be approved by Dean Lukingbeal. The Exception to Hours request form is on the Registrar's webpage under the Course Registration link. In addition, a student electing a course outside the Law School for credit or otherwise, must also register for at least 9 credit hours in the Law School each term. Regardless of the number of courses elected outside the Law School, a student must earn 72 of the required 84 semester credit hours in professional law subjects. No exceptions
- **University Registration** is complete once tuition and other financial obligations have been met. Tuition statements and payment information were sent by the Office of the University Bursar in July. **Please** give special attention to the dates regarding tuition payment and finance charges. In addition to finance charges, **a \$350 late fee will be assessed beginning September 14, 2007**.
- **Registration Status** - Students will determine their own registration status by signing on to **Just the Facts** on Bear Access. Computers are available in the Saperston Student Lounge, the Computer Lab and the Foyer to determine your registration status. **Just the Facts** will direct you to the appropriate office if your registration is incomplete. You will need your NetID to check your registration status.
- **Bursar's Office** - If **Just the Facts** indicates your registration is on hold for financial reasons, you must first stop by the Bursar's Office, 260 Day Hall to clear your student account by **September 14, 2007**, and then proceed to the Office of the University Registrar, B7 Day Hall.

- **Local Address Information** - Students who have not submitted their local address online at the Registrar's website for the online local address directory are asked to do so by **4:00 p.m. Friday, August 31**. Please submit the information even if you do not wish that it be displayed in the directory. This information is requested should the office need to contact you when you are not at the school. Just go to the Registrar's site at: <https://support.law.cornell.edu/students> and click on *Update Your Local Address*. Students also need to update their local address for the University using **Just the Facts**, through UPortal/Bear Access.

- **Law School Directory Information** - Students who have not submitted their directory (Facebook) information at the Registrar's website are asked to do so by **4:00 p.m. Friday, August 31**. Just go to the Registrar's site at: <https://support.law.cornell.edu/students> and click on *Update Your Directory Information*.

- **Student Transcripts - Official transcripts** are available only at the University Registrar's Office in B7 Day Hall. Processing time varies please allow 7-10 days for processing. **Internal (unofficial) transcripts** are available at the Law School Registrar's office (written request required). Please make the request for unofficial transcripts on-line at: <https://support.law.cornell.edu/students> using the on-line Cornell Law School *Request Form* under the Academic Matters link. **Please remember** that we ask **you to make this request 24 hours in advance of your need for the materials**.

- **Loan Deferment Certifications** - Students who need to have loan deferments completed by the school need to submit them to the Registrar's Office, 160 Myron Taylor Hall, as quickly as possible to assure timely processing.

- **Bar Registration** - The rules of certain states (not New York) require notification of the intent to begin study of law or registration with the bar admission authorities when a person begins studying law. The student should obtain instructions from the proper authorities (usually the state board of bar examiners of the clerk of the court of highest jurisdiction) in the state in which the student intends to practice. The Registrar's Office has on hand bar information for interested students.

- **Lost & Found** - Lost items and articles are usually turned in to the Registrar's Office or to the Law Library.

- **Book and Coat Lockers** - Students who **do not** live in Hughes Hall have been assigned a book and coat locker. Most students will need to share a coat locker. Coat lockers assignments are available on the Registrar's website (under My Information) at <https://support.law.cornell.edu/students>

- **Mail Folders** ("flexes") - Remember to check your mail folder daily for notices and remove your mail regularly. Please do not use the folder to keep books or for storage; there is not enough space.

- **Assignment Board** - Assignments and notices are posted in the glass case as they are received by the Registrar's Office. Students should also check for assignments on the course Blackboard site at: <http://blackboard.cornell.edu/>

- **Release of information** - A reminder to all students. Students asking faculty members to write recommendations will need to complete a release form with the Law School Registrar's Office if the faculty member wishes to view the student's record. The form is available online at the Academic Matters link: <https://support.law.cornell.edu/students/forms/FormsLogin.cfm?action=ExamineRecord>

- **Attendance** - Regular attendance is required to sit for examinations, to receive a degree, and for certification to appropriate bar examiners. Irregular attendance or neglect of work may result in a student's being barred from taking an examination or being removed from the school.

- **Absences** - A student who must be absent from class for a period of three or more days should contact Associate Dean for Student Affairs Anne Lukingbeal and discuss the reasons for the absence.

- **Religious Holidays and the Academic Calendar** - The University policy concerning the academic calendar and religious holidays states, "In enacting the academic calendar, the University has scheduled classes, laboratories and examinations on religious holidays. It is the intent of the University that students who miss these activities because of religious observances be given adequate opportunity to make up the missed work." A faculty member may request audio or videotaping of a class if he or she wishes. Any student who seeks an accommodation should approach his or her instructor. All requests for taping must be submitted on-line to the IT Department at least 48 hours in advance. If you are requesting to videotape or record a professor's lecture, you must obtain the professor's permission prior to submitting an AV request. Students can find this request form on-line at the Registrar's site under *Academic Matters* or at: <http://www.lawschool.cornell.edu/informationtechnology/StuAV.pdf>

- **Emergency Phone Number**

On-Campus or Off-Campus: call 911

for all safety, fire, medical, or other life threatening emergencies

- **Non-Emergency Phone Numbers**

On-Campus

Campus Police: 255-1111

Campus Police Administration: 255-1113

Gannett Health Center: 255-5155

Environmental Health & Safety: 255-8200

Off-Campus

Ithaca Police: 272-3245 (in the City of Ithaca)

Cayuga Heights Police: 257-1011 (in the Village of Cayuga Heights)

Tompkins County Sheriff 272-2444 (if not in the City of Ithaca or Cayuga Heights)

New York State Police: 273-4671

Suicide & Crisis Counseling Services: 272-1616

Rape/Sexual Violence Hotline: 1-800-656-4673

FROM ANNE LUKINGBEAL, ASSOCIATE DEAN AND DEAN OF STUDENTS

- **Welcome to new students and welcome back to returning students!**

As the academic year begins, I would like to remind you that all students are expected to be familiar with the contents of the Law School Code of Academic Integrity (Honor Code), the Law School Code of Professional Standards, and the Campus Code of Conduct. Incoming students should have received a new Cornell Law School Student Handbook in the form of an academic planner at Orientation which contains these documents as well as other information. Upperclass students will find copies of the new handbook in the flex room. The 2007-08 Student Handbook is on line at the Registrar's web site under the Cornell and Law School Policies link.

- **To the Class of 2010:** I hope that your first few weeks as a Cornell Law student are exciting, challenging, and productive. In the event that you would like to seek advice about any matter relating to your education, please feel free to make an appointment to see me. To do so, stop by the Registrar's Office or call my assistant, **Rosemary Lacey** at 255-0565.

- **Faculty Advisors:** You are also welcome to call on your primary faculty advisor (your small section teacher) or any of the following faculty members who have volunteered to serve as advisors:

Joel Atlas	room 307	255-1348	Sheri Johnson	room 108	255-6478
John Blume	room 112	255-9653	Thomas Mills	room 353	255-5859
Larry Bush	room 107	255-3014	Jo Anne Miner	room G59	255-4196
Angela Cornell	room G55	255-7497	Andrea Mooney	room 319	255-5883
Glenn Galbreath	room G51	255-4196	Eduardo Penalver	room 310	255-5883
Steve Garvey	room 324	255-5353	Jeffrey Rachlinski	room 122	255-3986

FROM JOHN DEROSA, ASSISTANT DEAN FOR STUDENT SERVICES, LIZ PECK, DIRECTOR OF CAREER SERVICES & STACEY WILEY, ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR FOR CAREER SERVICES

- **1Ls: Welcome from the Career Services Office!** We will be meeting with you in small groups in October (by Lawyering section) to introduce ourselves and discuss the services our office provides. We will email you to let you know your specific Career Services Orientation time and location. Until then, welcome to Cornell Law School!
- **2Ls and 3Ls: If you have an interview at the Statler Hotel:** like the job fairs, interviews will be held in individual hotel rooms. Be sure to arrive in plenty of time to find out the room your interview is in. There is also a reception/check-in room for each Statler OCI. The Taylor Room is where you will find Career Office staff, interview room numbers, refreshments, message boards, schedules, and the red research books. **If you have an interview in Myron Taylor Hall:** these interviews will take place in faculty, administrator, and student organization offices and classrooms in MTH. On the day of the interview, check the Career Office door to find your interview room.
- **3Ls: If you worked for a law firm this past summer and did not receive a permanent offer of employment,** it is extremely important to make an appointment with a counselor as soon as possible to discuss future job search strategies. Stop by the office or contact **Lisa Carberry** to make an appointment.
- **2Ls and 3Ls: NALP's "Standards for the Timing of Offers and Decisions"** govern timelines associated with accepting offers of employment. **Pay close attention to the following:**
 - * **If you are a 2L/3L student and you were previously employed by the offering firm** (i.e., you spent a summer there), and the firm made you a permanent offer **before** September 15, you must respond by November 1.
 - * **If you are a 2L/3L and you were previously employed by the offering firm** and the firm made you an offer **after** September 15, you have until December 1 to respond.
 - * **If you are a 2L/3L and you were not previously employed by the offering firm,** you must respond by December 1.

The following guidelines, found at: <http://www.nalp.org/content/index.php?pid=28> , govern how many offers you may hold open by various dates:

After September 15: 5

After October 1: 4

After October 15: 3

After November 1: (w/employer's consent, and only if you were previously employed by the offering firm and you received an offer prior to September 15): 2

After December 1: (w/employer's consent only): 1

FROM THE LAWYERING PROGRAM

A mandatory meeting for all Lawyering Program Honors Fellows will be held on **Wednesday, August 29, from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.**, in the **Saperston Student Lounge**. Contact **Joel Atlas, 5-1348**, with any questions.

FROM LARRY BUSH, BERGER INTERNATIONAL LEGAL STUDIES PROGRAM

Wednesday, August 29, 12:15 p.m. Room G85.

Pizza and soft drinks provided. **Annual information session for 2L and 3L students who are interested in participating in a semester abroad during the Spring 2008 semester** (both 2L and 3L students are eligible) or the Fall 2008 semester (for current second year students) at one of our partner law schools:

Tel Aviv University, Israel (a **new offering**--English language--2 places available for Spring 2008; not available in Fall 2008)

Bucerius Law School, Hamburg, Germany (English language--not available in Spring 2008; 2 places available in Fall 2008)

University of Cape Town, South Africa (English language--academic calendar precludes Spring 2008 placements; four places available in Fall 2008)

Central European University, Budapest, Hungary (English-language--two places available in Spring 2008, two places available in Fall 2008)

ESADE, Barcelona, Spain (Spanish fluency required, but some English-language courses; not available in Spring 2008; four places available in Fall 2008)

Heidelberg University, Germany (German fluency required; academic calendar precludes Spring 2008 placements; Fall 2008 placements, with approval of director)

University of Hong Kong (English language--three places available in Spring 2008; four places available in Fall 2008)

Humboldt University, Berlin, Germany (German fluency required; academic calendar precludes Spring 2008 placements; Fall 2008 placements, with approval of director)

Keio University, Tokyo, Japan (Japanese fluency required, but some English-language courses--academic calendar precludes Spring 2008 placements; four places available in Fall 2008)

University of Paris I, France (French fluency required; calendar precludes Spring 2008 placements; Fall 2008 placements, with approval of director)

Pompeu Fabra University, Barcelona, Spain (Spanish fluency required; four places available in Spring 2008; four places available in Fall 2008)

University of Sydney, Australia (English language--academic calendar precludes Spring 2008 placements; four places available in Fall 2008)

"Semester in London," University College London, England (English language--no Spring 2008 placements; 10 places available in Fall 2008)

Waseda University, Tokyo, Japan (Japanese fluency required, but some English-language courses--academic calendar precludes Spring 2008 placements; four places available in Fall 2008)

Please consult our Semester Abroad web site for information about partner schools and about the program standards and procedures:

http://www.lawschool.cornell.edu/international/study_abroad/semester_abroad/index.cfm

Please note:

The **deadline for applying** for a semester abroad during the **Spring 2008 semester** is **October 1, 2007 (except Hong Kong, for which the deadline is August 31)**.

The **deadline for applying** for a semester abroad during the **Fall 2008 semester** is **January 21, 2008**.

FROM WALTER BUBLÉ, ACADEMIC SUPPORT COUNSELOR

Office hours for individual consultations on academic matters with 1L JD students **Tuesdays 3:00-7:00 p.m. and Wednesdays 5:00-7:00 p.m., room 309**. Drop in or arrange an appointment by email at: wgb7@cornell.edu

FROM MAURICE HALTOM, COUNSELING AND PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES (CAPS)

Let's Talk

Free and confidential support is available to all students.

No appointment necessary. Just drop in.

- * stress * academic problems * anxiety * relationships
- * adjustments to a new culture * family problems
- * depression * financial * other concerns

When: Wednesdays, 1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. (August 29 - December 12)

Where: Myron Taylor Hall, Room 252

Who: Maurice Haltom, LMSW, Counselor from Gannett Health Services

For additional hours and counselor bios: www.gannett.cornell.edu/LetsTalk

FROM THE LAW LIBRARY

Reserved Carrels

Applications for Fall Semester **reserved carrels for 2L, 3L, and LLM students** are available at the circulation desk or online at the Law Library web site www.lawschool.cornell.edu/library. Applications are due by **Friday, August 31, 2007**. Please read the reserved carrel guidelines on the web site for more information and the requirements for obtaining a reserved carrel.

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

- The **Admissions Office** has positions available. If you are interested in meeting prospective applicants, giving tours of the Law School, etc., the Admissions Office is now accepting resumes. Work-study is helpful but not essential. Please submit resumes to **Patina Janisko**, room 226, by **Friday, September 14**.
- The **Cornell Death Penalty Project (CDPP)** is looking for a student with experience and interest in web design to update its website. This is a paid position. If interested, please contact **Christopher Seeds**, Visiting Fellow, CDPP, at (607) 255-3805.

- The **Law School Development Office** is looking for a Law School student interested in working as an **office assistant** to work 6-12 hours per week on a temporary basis. Afternoon work availability is preferred, but we are willing to attempt to work around your schedule. Working on occasional Fridays may also be a possibility, but not required. Responsibilities include background research, data entry, filing, typing, answering telephones, assisting with projects, and possible other diverse assignments. Knowledge of word processing and Internet is necessary. Confidentiality is required and of the utmost importance. There may be an opportunity to continue in this position throughout the academic year. If you are interested, deliver your resume to **Dawn Milbyer**, room 260.

- **Professor John Barcelo** seeks the assistance of students who are fluent in English and French to translate chapters of *L'Union Europeenne: Institutions Ordre Juridique Contentieux*, by Philippe Manin, from French into English. Students will be paid the hourly research assistant rate. Any student interested in participating in the translation project should contact Professor Barcelo's administrative assistant, **Allen Czelusniak**, via e-mail at ahc85@cornell.edu or phone, 255-5883, for more information.

WRITING COMPETITION

- The **Special Committee on Animals and the Law of the New York State Bar Association** is pleased to announce the **First Annual Special Committee on Animals and the Law Writing Competition**. Law students (which include J.D., L.L.M., Ph.D., and S.J.D. candidates) are invited to submit an article concerning any area of animal law. The deadline for submission is **December 1, 2007**. Please click on the following link for a copy of the Writing Competition Announcement: <http://www.nysba.org/writingannouncement>, for a copy of the competition rules and submission information click here: <http://www.nysba.org/studentwritingrules>

- **Jones Day** announces its **Third Annual William E. Swope Writing Competition** to commemorate the legacy established by the former Jones Day Partner's pioneering and fact-intensive approach to the practice of antitrust law. The competition is open to all students currently enrolled in a full-time or part-time juris doctorate or more advanced degree program at an AALS-accredited law school (or a law school of equivalent standing if outside the U.S.), to current judicial clerks who have graduated from such a program, and to practicing lawyers who graduated from such degree programs in May 2002 or later. Judges will be looking for work that demonstrates the application of practical analysis to antitrust problems. Submissions are due by **December 31, 2007**. For more information about the competition visit the Jones Day site at: <http://www.jonesday.com/swope>

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