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≈ Calendar of Events ≈ Week of September 1, 2008

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

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

Labor Day. Classes are in session.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

9:00 a.m.-5:10 p.m. Myron Taylor Hall. OCI#2. Details on page 5, Career column.

1:00-5:00 p.m. Room 252. Office hours for Walter Bubl , Academic Support Director. Details on page 7, Walter Bubl 's column.

3:30-5:00 p.m. Room 263. Office hours for students with Dean Schwab. Details on page 2, Dean Schwab's column.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

9:00 a.m.-5:10 p.m. Myron Taylor Hall. OCI#2. Details on page 5, Career column.

1:00-4:30 p.m. Room 252. Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS). Free and confidential consultation for law students. Details on page 6, CAPS column.

8:00 p.m. End of Limited Enrollment Add-Drop. Details on page 2, Registrar's column.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

1:00-5:00 p.m. Room 252. Office hours for Walter Bubl , Academic Support Director. Details on page 7, Walter Bubl 's column.

4:30 p.m. Room G85. 2008-09 Clarke Lecture. Dr. Tsai Ing-wen LL.M. '80: *Cross-strait Relations: Past, Present, and Future.* Details on page 6, Clarke Program column.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

4:00 p.m. End of Unlimited Enrollment Add-Drop. Details on page 2, Registrar's column.



FROM STEWART J. SCHWAB, THE ALLAN R. TESSLER DEAN

Office Hours for Students

I will be holding drop-in office hours for students on **Tuesday afternoons, beginning September 2, between 3:30 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.** Students wishing to see me may sign up in advance with **Rachel Lukens** in room 263 or stop by and sign in during the office hours.

FROM NAN COLVIN, REGISTRAR

Fall '08

- **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, September 3**. Students may add or drop **unlimited enrollment** law courses until **4:00 p.m., Friday, September 5**. **Non-law courses must also be added or dropped by 4:00 p.m. on September 5**. 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 12, 2008**.
- **Bursar's Office** - If **University Student Center** 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 12, 2008**, 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. Monday, September 1**. 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 **Student Center (Just the Facts)**.
- **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. Monday, September 1**. 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 or 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 tab, at the *Law School Permission to Examine Student Record* link.

- **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/information-technology/av.cfm>

- **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. Upper class students will find copies of the new handbook in the flex room. The 2008-09 Student Handbook is on line at the Registrar's web site under the Cornell and Law School Policies link.

- **To the Class of 2011:** 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:

	Room	Telephone		Room	Telephone
Joel Atlas	307	255-1348	Sheri Johnson	108	255-6478
Larry Bush	107	255-3014	Bernadette Meyler	212	254-4204
Angela Cornell	G55	255-7497	Thomas Mills	353	255-5859
Glenn Galbreath	G51	255-4196	John Mollenkamp	321	255-3986
Steve Garvey	324	255-8589	Andrea Mooney	319	255-5883
Valerie Hans	222	254-4204	Jeffrey Rachlinski	122	255-3986
William Jacobson	G57	255-6293	Bradley Wendel	106	255-6018

FROM JOHN DEROSA, ASSISTANT DEAN FOR STUDENT AND CAREER SERVICES, ELIZABETH PECK, DIRECTOR OF CAREER SERVICES AND SUZANNE HESS, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF 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, we wish you luck settling in to the law school!

- **2Ls and 3Ls:** Please remember the following dates for upcoming OCI and regional job fairs.

OCI#2 will be held in Myron Taylor Hall from 9:00 a.m.-5:10 p.m. on Tuesday, September 2 and Wednesday, September 3.

The Boston Job Fair will be held at the Doubletree Suites (400 Soldiers Field Road) on Friday, September 5.

OCI #3 will be held in Myron Taylor Hall from 9:00 a.m.-5:10 p.m. from Monday, September 8 to Wednesday, September 10.

The San Francisco Job Fair will be held at Hotel 480 (480 Sutter St.) on Friday, September 12.

The Los Angeles Job Fair will be held at the Millennium Biltmore Hotel (506 S. Grand Ave.) on Monday, September 15.

The Chicago Job Fair will be held at the Embassy Suites Hotel Chicago Downtown (600 North State Street) on Friday, September 19.

The Dallas Job Fair will be held at the Magnolia Hotel (1401 Commerce St.) on Friday, September 19.

The Atlanta Job Fair will be held on Monday, September 22. Interviews will take place at employers' offices.

OCI #4 will be held in Myron Taylor Hall from 9:00 a.m.-5:10 p.m. on Monday, September 22 and Tuesday, September 23.

- **2Ls and 3Ls:** If you have an OCI 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. The guidelines have changed since last year, so please pay close attention to the following:

If you are a 2L or 3L and you were **previously employed** by the offering firm (i.e., you spent a summer there), and the firm made you a permanent offer, you must respond by November 15.

If you are a 2L or 3L and you **were not previously employed** by the offering firm, you must respond within 45 days following the date of the offer letter, or December 30 (whichever comes first).

- **2Ls and 3Ls:** Please be aware that NALP's "Standards for the Timing of Offers and Decisions" do not permit you to hold open more than 5 offers of employment at any one time. For each offer received that places you over the offer limit, you must release an offer within one week. You can find the full text of the NALP guidelines at <http://www.nalp.org/content/index.php?pid=16#part5>

FROM THE LAW LIBRARY

Reserving Carrels for fall semester. Applications are available at the circulation desk and online at www.lawschool.cornell.edu/library for reserved carrels for the Fall Semester. Second year, third year, and LLM students are eligible to apply. Carrels are reserved for a semester at a time. If you are assigned a carrel for the fall semester you will go to the bottom of the list for the spring semester if you reapply for a carrel. Carrels are meant for the gathering of library and other materials for research purposes. The carrels are assigned by a lottery system.

CLARKE PROGRAM IN EAST ASIAN LAW AND CULTURE

**The Clarke Program in East Asian Law and Culture presents the 2008-09 Clarke Lecture
Thursday, September 4, 4:30 p.m. Room G85**
Reception will follow in the Saperston Student Lounge

Dr. Tsai Ing-wen LL.M. '80, Chairperson, Democratic Progressive Party (DDP), Taiwan
Will present: *Cross-strait Relations: Past, Present, and Future*

Commentators: **John J. Barcelo III**, William Nelson Cromwell Professor of International and Comparative Law and Elizabeth and Arthur Reich Director, Leo and Arvilla Berger International Legal Studies Program, Cornell Law School and **Chen Jian**, Michael J. Zak Professor of History for US-China Relations at Cornell University

For more information, contact **Donna Hastings**, donna-hastings@lawschool.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.-4:30 p.m. September 3 - December 17

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 WALTER BUBLÉ, ACADEMIC SUPPORT COUNSELOR

Office hours for individual consultations on academic matters with 1L JD students **Tuesdays and Thursdays 1:00-5:00 p.m., room 252**. Drop in or arrange an appointment by email at: wgb7@cornell.edu

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

Sports and Entertainment Law Society

Coming Event. On **Monday, September 8, at 5:00 p.m. in the Mancuso Amphitheatre** (room G90), the Sports and Entertainment Law Society presents: *The Role of an Entertainment Attorney and Advice from a Practitioner of Entertainment Law*. **David Albert Pierce**, Esq. will discuss his experiences in entertainment law. Light refreshments will be provided. The event is co-sponsored by GPSAFC and the Career Office. For more information contact **Ashley Vincent** at aav26@cornell.edu

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

- **Admissions Office.** We have employment in the Admissions Office! 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 19**.
- **Professor Blume** intends to hire one or more research assistants to work on several ongoing criminal procedure projects. Interested students should submit a resume to Karen Wilson in room 115
- **Students needed to work part time with the 3rd Annual Conference on Empirical Legal Studies (CELS) 2008** which will take place at Cornell on September 12-13. **Professors Hans, Eisenberg, Heise and Rachlinski** are planning and hosting the conference. Part time workers will assist in preparations for the conference and with registration, hosting and general support at the conference itself at the Statler Hotel on September 12 (Friday) and 13 (Saturday). Ability to work accurately with a simple database, familiarity with the Law School, Cornell University, and the Statler Hotel, congeniality and cooperation are desirable. If you are interested, please contact **Heidi Best** at shb5@cornell.edu with your name, year, experience, contact information and your availability for the weeks of September 1 and 8 and specifically for September 12 and 13.
- **Technology background/skills? Professor Farina** wants to hire one or more people with any of the following proficiencies: Oracle, website management, web design, coding, Drupal, digitization of documents. Hours highly flexible and negotiable. Email crf7@cornell.edu with statement of abilities and resume.
- **Research Fellows.** The **Law Library is recruiting two Research Fellows** for the Fall 2008 semester. Fellows complete various types of legal research projects, including in-depth projects for faculty. Other assignments may include web site maintenance. The hourly pay rate is highly competitive. Applicants with strong legal research skills, or those seeking to improve their research skills, are encouraged to apply. If interested, please contact **Matt Morrison** in the Law Library, 255-2487, 355 Myron Taylor Hall, mmm72@cornell.edu

WRITING COMPETITIONS

- The **James E. Beckley Writing Competition**, sponsored by the Public Investors Arbitration Bar Association ("PIABA"), is for students interested in Securities Arbitration and Securities Law. The submission may address any aspect of Securities law; Securities arbitration; The Federal Arbitration Act, Title 9, US Code, Section 1-14; or FINRA Code of Arbitration, effective April 16, 2007 and any changes or proposed changes to that Code. The competition is open to all students who attend a law school in the

United States. Full-time students who are not law students but who write law-related papers as part of a course at an American law school are also eligible. **Entries** must be received via email no later than **midnight September 26, 2008** and shall include the required entry form. Competition guidelines and entry form are available at the Public Investors Arbitration Bar Association website: www.piaba.org (from Member Resources select Law Students).

- **The Victoria Fisher Memorial Prize is offered by the Faculty of Law, University of Leicester.** A prize of £250 is offered annually to the best essay submitted on a topic related to Women and the Law. Entries are encouraged from people regardless of age, experience, qualifications or place of residence. The only requirement is that candidates should never have had work published in a learned journal or as a non-fiction book. Submissions must arrive no later than **September 30, 2008**. For complete Memorial Prize Essay Rules please visit: <http://www.le.ac.uk/la/news/fisher2008-9.pdf>

- The **Intellectual Property Law Section of the New York State Bar Association** is pleased to announce its **Annual Law Student Writing Contest**, with prizes to be awarded at the Section's Annual Meeting in New York City on January 27, 2009. The deadline for submissions is **November 6, 2008**. Information on the contest is available at the Registrar's Office.

UNIVERSITY EVENT

September 3-5, 2008

4:30 to 6:00 p.m. Goldwin Smith Hall, Kaufmann Auditorium

Messenger Lecture Series

After Enlightenment: Rethinking Science's Place in Democracy

Sheila Jasanoff, Ph.D., J.D. Harvard University

Lecture 1: "The Wisdom of Strangers"

Lecture 2: "Law's Knowledge"

Lecture 3: "Getting the Right World"

This series' speaker is sponsored by the Messenger Lecture Program and was nominated by the ISS Contentious Knowledge Theme Project. For more information:

<http://www.socialsciences.cornell.edu/0609/events.html>

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