International Law Fellowships
Summer Stipends Available

This summer, three or four stipends, up to $3,000 each, will be made available to students who will be working in low-paying or non-paying jobs that are related to international law. This is the sixth year that the Law School’s International Programs Committee has offered the stipends to students.

Although there is a preference for students who work abroad and for those who find international jobs working for not-for-profit or governments agencies, students working in jobs that provide international experience will also be considered. Students are reminded that they must find their own jobs and that only students that have confirmed job offers will receive the awards. At the conclusion of the work period, both the student and the employer will be requested to submit evaluations.

Applicants should submit the following materials to Professor Alan Raphael’s mailbox, which is located in the 13th floor mail room, by 5pm on Monday, April 2nd:

1) A current resume.
2) Employer and job description, including salary, if any.
3) Amount of stipend requested.
4) Personal statement (no more than 2 pages, double-spaced) covering prior experience in international law and practice, details of current interests in that area, and how the job relates to or advances those interests.
5) A letter from the employer which provides a description of the functions and/or services of the organization, description of the duties of the job, an explanation of how the student will be used and supervised, and information as to what compensation, if any, will be provided to the student.

If you have questions in regards to the program, please contact Professor Alan Raphael via email at araphae@luc.edu

2008 London Comparative Advocacy Program
Information Sessions

Tuesday, April 3, 1:30 to 2pm in room 240MH
Wednesday, April 4, 6 to 7pm in room L14
Monday, April 9, 12 to 1pm in room 1467
Program will be conducted in December and January in London, England
Applications, due May 9, will be available at the Information Sessions.

Chile Ambassador Visits Seminar

Jose Miguel Cruz, the Consul General of Chile in Chicago and former Ambassador of Chile to Canada, visited with students in the Comparative Law Seminar: Legal Systems in Latin America on Monday, March 19. Ambassador Cruz answered students’ questions about Chile’s role in Latin America, its relationship with the U.S., and its legal system. Students in the seminar had just returned from a visit to Chile (see story on page 2).
Students Visit Chile for Research

Students in the Comparative Law Seminar: Legal Systems in the Americas spent their spring break in Chile doing research for their research papers for the seminar. For the fifth year in a row, seminar students spent an intensive week in Santiago as part of the law school’s ongoing relationship with the law school of Universidad Alberto Hurtado, a dynamic Jesuit institution in Chile. The students spent a day at the university, with lectures (in English ) on various aspects of the Chilean legal system by members of the Hurtado law faculty. They spent a day at the new criminal court building in Santiago, where they witnessed a trial conducted under the country’s innovative new criminal justice system and met with a judge. They also met with the senior partner of the largest law firm in Chile, and they had a legal and political briefing at the U.S. Embassy. Much of the week was spent with students interviewing local experts on the students’ own research topics. The week concluded with a trip to Chile’s wine-growing country for lunch and a tour of a vineyard. Many students took advantage of their visit to South America to visit other parts of Chile, as well as Argentina and Bolivia.

International Law Review’s Symposium on Rule of Law and Delivering Justice in Africa

The International Law Review’s recent symposium focused on legal development, access to justice, constitutional development and human rights issues in Africa. The symposium began with a keynote address by Justice Modibo Ocran, Supreme Court Justice in Ghana, on Thursday evening, February 15. Justice Ocran, wearing traditional African attire, spoke about the problems with the concept and enforcement of socio-economic rights in Africa. The panel discussions held on Friday, February 16 covered a wide-range of topics including the right to education in South Africa, the role of the International Criminal Court in African conflicts, and the expansion of the use of paralegals in Africa to address access to justice concerns. The symposium concluded with a luncheon keynote address by Professor Heinz Klug of the University of Wisconsin, where he focused on the idea of constitutional patriotism and the South African experience.

Jessup International Moot Court Team

Congratulations to team members John Tanagho, Alison Yohanna, Tiffany Jaspers, and Chris Ryba who represented the School of Law at the Jessup International Moot Court Competition that was hosted by Notre Dame in February. The Second Place Best Oralist award was given to Chris Ryba for his performance.

International Visitors

Professor Spencer Weber Waller has met with several international delegations in the past several weeks for discussions in regards to antitrust laws. A group from the Russian Anti-Monopoly delegation, who are currently visiting the United States by invitation of the State Department, were here at Loyola Law School as well as a similar group representing Latin American and African countries.

International Commercial Arbitration News

This past Friday, March 16, six team members left for Hong Kong to compete in the Vis Moot East, an international commercial arbitration competition. The Loyola team comprises Mike Lovernick, Hilary O’Connor, Justin Radic, Malini Rao, Tanya Saigol, and Anna Woodworth. On Wednesday, March 28, the team of David Barrett, Justin Doolittle, Jerome Maes, and Michelle Schindler will depart for Vienna, Austria to compete in the Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot. Loyola offers its best wishes to both teams for ultimate success in their respective competitions.