Visit of Chilean Students and Faculty

The law school’s long-standing cooperation program with the law school of Universidad Alberto Hurtado in Santiago, Chile, continued this month with a visit by a group of Hurtado law students and faculty. The five students spent the week in Chicago meeting lawyers, judges and Loyola faculty members to discuss their individual research agenda, viewing the closing argument in a case in the criminal court of Cook County, sitting in on classes at the law school, meeting our law students and researching in the law library. They also had the opportunity to see the many sights and attractions of the city. The Latino/a American Law Student Association (LALSA) arranged a dinner with them before they left.

Discussion with Russian Legal Community

Prof. Barry Sullivan, the Cooney & Conway Chair in Advocacy, hosted a discussion at the Loyola Law Center on September 8 with a delegation of leaders in the Russian legal community on legal ethics and responsibilities, as part of a program organized by the ABA Rule of Law Initiative. Participants included the President of the Russian Federal Chamber of Lawyers as well as the Presidents of the Moscow and St. Petersburg Chambers. The group met with lawyers, law firms, bar associations and legal organizations in Chicago to learn about U.S. legal ethical standards.
Spring 2010 International Curriculum

The law school is offering an unusually rich selection of courses on aspects of international and comparative law in the spring 2010 semester. The following courses are listed in the spring 2010 registration materials:

Advanced Business Organizations, Including a Comparative Perspective (Anne-Laure Champetier de Ribes-Justeau); Advanced Legal Research Special Topics, sec. 1, Foreign and International Legal Research (Julienne Grant); Comparative Law Seminar: Americas (Chile) (Thomas Haney and Stacey Platt); Comparative Law Seminar (Vietnam) (Diane Geraghty and Bruce Boyer); Comparative Patent and Health Law (Cynthia Ho); Immigration Law and the Workplace (Margaret McCormick); International and Comparative Employment Law (Michael Zimmer); International Commercial Arbitration Practicum (Margaret Moses); International Human Rights (Thomas Haney); International Tax Law (Samuel Brunson); International Trade Law (Carolyn Amadon); Islamic Law (Safaa Zarzour); Transnational Dispute Resolution (Spencer Waller).

In addition, Dean James Faught is offering the London Comparative Advocacy program in London from December 27 through January 10.

Also, this year’s Wing-Tat Lee lecturer, Ingeborg Schwenzer of the University of Basel, Switzerland, is offering an intensive 1 credit hour course on the U.N. Convention on Contracts for the International Sales of Goods (the “CISG”), on February 5 and 6. Her lecture will be held on February 4.

International Arbitration Speakers

The International Law Society hosted a program on international arbitration on October 6 which featured Mary Beth Wilkinson, a partner in the Chicago office of Lovells, the large London-based law firm, and Darrow Abrahams, an associate in that office who recently conducted an arbitration in Munich. They spoke to law students about arbitration and about how they obtained their professional positions.

Loyola and ABA Antitrust Section Co-host Symposium Analysis of Antitrust Law Regimes

On September 11, 2009, the Institute for Consumer Antitrust Studies, in conjunction with the American Bar Association Section of Antitrust Law, hosted a conference of leading antitrust scholars from around the world to analyze the enforcement of antitrust law throughout the world and to develop effective, efficient, and fair antitrust enforcement regimes.

Notable international participants included Melanie Aitken, Commissioner, Canadian Competition Bureau, Professor Michal Gal from Haifa University in Israel, and former Australian Competition and Consumer Commission Chairman, Allan Fels.
Faculty Activity in International Law

Professor Barry Sullivan, the Cooney & Conway Chair in Advocacy, was part of a team conducting a site visit for the ABA this past summer at the Law Faculty of Bahaesehir University in Istanbul, Turkey.

Professor Michael Zimmer published an article, “Two Halves of a Whole: Teaching International and Comparative Employment Law” in 25 International Journal of Comparative Labour Law and Industrial Relations 23 (2009). His paper, “Escaping the Westphalian Trap: Unionism and Equality in China, Mexico and the United States,” was given at a conference on “Work and Inequality in the Global Economy” at UCLA in October 2009 and will be published in Revista Latinoamericana de Derecho Social (no. 10, January-June 2010), the most prestigious labor law journal in Latin America, published at the National University in Mexico City.


Faculty Lecture

Professor Mark A. Drumbl of Washington and Lee University School of Law spoke to the faculty on October 21 on “Always Innocent? Child Soldiers, Justice and the International Legal Imagination,” the subject of his forthcoming book.

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