Summer 2010 Study Abroad Programs

The law school will sponsor its annual study abroad programs in summer 2010.

The 3rd annual program in **Beijing, China** will be held May 29 to June 26. The courses will be: Introduction to International Business Transactions (Cooper), Introduction to Chinese Law (Leonhard), Comparative Health Law (Blum), and Public International Law (Araujo).

The 28th annual program in **Rome, Italy** will be held June 19 to July 17. The courses will be: Comparative Criminal Procedure (Carey), Comparative Law: Common Law (Faught), Comparative Law: Civil Law (McCormack), Comparative Law: Domestic Violence (Weinberg), Comparative Constitutional Law (Sullivan), International Art Law (Rhodes), and International Sales Law (Williams). Lecturing and teaching Comparative Constitutional Law with Prof. Sullivan will be **Justice Antonin Scalia of the U.S. Supreme Court**.

The optional field study in **Strasbourg, France**, including a trip to Luxembourg, will be held July 19 to 30, as an optional part of the Rome program. The course will be: European Legal Institutions (Shoenberger).
**Student Essay Contests**

The ABA Section of International Law is sponsoring its annual Rona R. Mears Student Writing Competition and Scholarship Awards. Law students who are members of the ABA Section of International Law are eligible to submit an essay on this year’s topic, “The Scope and Application of Universal Jurisdiction,” by January 15, 2010. Full information about the competition, with the rules and entry forms, are available at: [http://www.abanet.org/intlaw/students/](http://www.abanet.org/intlaw/students/)


The journal *Transnational Law & Contemporary Problems* of the University of Iowa College Of Law is sponsoring the annual Trandafir International Business Writing Competition. Law students may submit an essay on any topic of contemporary international business or economic concern with a legal nexus. The deadline is February 1, 2010. More information about the competition is available at: [http://www.uiowa.edu/~tlcp/html/trandafir_competition.html](http://www.uiowa.edu/~tlcp/html/trandafir_competition.html)

The New York State Bar Association is sponsoring its annual Albert S. Pergam International Law Writing Competition. Law students may submit an essay on areas of public or private international law. The deadline is December 4, 2009. More information about the competition is available at: [http://www.nysba.org/AM/Template.cfm?Section=Section_Awards6&Template=/CustomSource/Award/AwardDisplay.cfm&code=MS_PERGAM](http://www.nysba.org/AM/Template.cfm?Section=Section_Awards6&Template=/CustomSource/Award/AwardDisplay.cfm&code=MS_PERGAM)

*International News* apologizes for the lateness of this information. Most of this came to the attention of the editor only recently. Future issues of *International News* will carry information about essay contests open to law students in a more timely manner.

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**Conference in Bhutan on Democracy in Asia**

**Professor John Bronsteen** was invited to be a keynote speaker at an international conference on “Deepening and Sustaining Democracy in Asia” held in Paro, Bhutan on October 12-14. The conference was organized by the Centre for Bhutan Studies in collaboration with the United Nations Development Programme in Bhutan. Participating speakers came from the U.S., China, India, the U.K., France, Mongolia, and the Democratic Republic of Congo. Professor Bronsteen spoke on “Justice and Happiness: Measuring and Fostering Each One,” the subject of some of his current research.
Antitrust Marathon in Dublin

The law school’s Institute for Consumer Antitrust Studies, in cooperation with the British Institute of International and Comparative Law and the Irish Competition Authority, organized “Antitrust Marathon IV: With Authority” in Dublin, Ireland on October 26-27. **Professor Spencer W. Waller** ran in the 26.2 mile Dublin Marathon, then participated the next day in the international conference on competition law with other speakers from the U.S., Canada, the U.K., France and Ireland.

IP Day at the Law School

The law school hosted “IP Day: IP in a Global Economy” on November 3, organized by Professor Cynthia Ho. Speakers included Lynne G. Beresford, the Commissioner for Trademarks of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; Stanford K. McCoy, the Assistant U.S. Trade Representative for Intellectual Property and Innovation; Lynn Levine, Director of the Office of Unfair Import Investigations of the U.S. International Trade Commission; and a number of representatives of law firms, corporations and other organizations.

South African Contract Law

The International Law Society hosted a talk by Minette Nortje, a Senior Lecturer at the University of Johannesburg, on “South African Contract Law” on November 17.

Immigration Law

The Office of Career Services offered a program for law students on Wednesday November 18: “Alums in Practice: Immigration Law” at noon in the Career Services office, suite 1370.

Healthcare and Antitrust

On October 28, Mohammed Al-Yousef, a candidate for an SJD in health law degree, spoke on his dissertation topic, “Healthcare and Antitrust: A Comparative Analysis.” Mr. Al-Yousef, who is from Saudi Arabia, is completing a very extensive project in this area as part of the work for his doctoral degree.

Visiting Professor from Malaysia

The Beazley Institute for Health Law and Policy is hosting a visit from November 4 to 19 by Professor Norchaya Talib, a faculty member at the Faculty of Law of the University of Malaya in Kuala Lumpur. Professor Talib holds an LLB (Honours) from the UK as well as an LLM from the University of Malaya and a PhD from the University of Manchester in the UK. She is the author of several books including The Law of Torts in Malaysia and the annual Survey of Malaysian Law, as well as numerous academic articles in healthcare and torts.
LAW LIBRARY ADDS CHINESE LAW DATABASE
by Julienne Grant

The Law Library has a growing collection of resources in both print and electronic formats that can help with foreign, comparative, and international law (FCIL) questions. This past summer, the Library added LawInfoChina/ChinaLawInfo to its collection of electronic resources for FCIL research. LawInfoChina/ChinaLawInfo, which is associated with the Legal Information Center of Peking University, is a set of commercial databases that offers access to Chinese legal information in both English and Mandarin.

LawInfoChina provides access to English translations of a variety of Chinese legal materials, including laws, regulations, and cases. According to the database description, LawInfoChina includes all laws adopted by the National People’s Congress (NPC) and the NPC Standing Committee from 1949 forward, as well as all administrative regulations promulgated by the State Council from 1949 to the present.

Cases offered in English translation are “typical judicial decisions approved and published by the Supreme People’s Court or the Supreme People’s Procuratorate” in such areas as civil disputes, criminal offenses, economic disputes, and intellectual property law. Each case is editorially enhanced and contains the case background, facts, parties, trial and appellate court procedure, reasoning and law application, along with the court decision. According to the database description, “cases are chosen to reflect both current and predicted future trends in Chinese legal practice.” The Institute of Legal Translation Studies at Peking University provides the majority of English translations in the database.

ChinaLawInfo, which is in Mandarin, offers more content than its English counterpart. ChinaLawInfo, for example, also provides access to the texts of Chinese legal periodicals. In addition, the Mandarin version includes a database of over 100 annotated laws. Both LawInfoChina and ChinaLawInfo offer basic keyword searching capability, as well as advanced search options that allow for subject searching and date limiting.

LawInfoChina/ChinaLawInfo is available to the Law School community through the Law Library’s website under “Subscription Databases,” and then alphabetically under “LawInfoChina.” The databases are available off campus with a Loyola ID and password. For assistance using or accessing LawInfoChina/ChinaLawInfo, please stop by the Reference Desk, or call 312.915.7205. More information on the databases, as well as detailed information in English on the Chinese legal system and current legal developments, is available on the LawInfoChina web page.

*For a general print guide to conducting FCIL research in the Law Library that includes a complete list of the Library’s FCIL electronic resources, please contact Julienne Grant at jgrant6@luc.edu.

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