



Student Services Weekly Newsletter

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Twin Cities Day at the Law School THIS FRIDAY, March 6

On Friday, March 6th, from noon to 3 in the Atrium, a number of Minneapolis area legal employers, most of whom recruit here on campus in the fall, will be here for "Twin Cities Day." Students (particularly 1Ls) who have an interest in working in the Twin Cities next summer and/or after graduation are encouraged to stop by to meet representatives of the participating employers, many of whom are UW alums. The participating employers so far are:

**Briggs and Morgan *Dorsey & Whitney
*Faegre & Benson *Fredrikson & Byron
*Leonard, Street and Deinard *Lindquist & Vennum
*Oppenheimer Wolff & Donnelly
*Robins, Kaplan, Miller & Ciresi *Twin Cities Diversity in Practice
Zelle, Hofmann, Voelbel, Mason & Gette

Other upcoming "city days" are Madison/Milwaukee Day on the afternoon of Friday March 27; and Chicago Day on Friday afternoon April 3rd.

Lunch with Lawyers "Children & the Law" on Wed., March 4

This Wednesday, March 4, from 12:20 to 1:20 in Room 2260, students are invited to hear Wisconsin attorneys who are members of the Children and the Law section of the State Bar of Wisconsin talk about this practice area at the State Bar of Wisconsin's next "Lunch with Lawyers" Program. Pizza will be served, compliments of the State Bar of Wisconsin, and this event is open to all interested students.

1Ls & 2Ls: Applications Available for Summer Public Service Fellowships!

Applications for Summer Public Service Fellowships (SPSFs) are now available in the Career Services Office! Applications (and fact sheets) are also available online at www.law.wisc.edu/publicinterest/summer_funding.htm#SPSF. SPSFs provide funding for students who work a minimum of 10 weeks/400 hours in unpaid or low paid summer public interest/public service jobs. There are two deadlines associated with the SPSF application. *The first deadline*, Friday, March 6, is for the submission of financial aid paperwork, including your 2009-2010 FAFSA and a copy of your 2008 federal income tax return. *The second deadline*, Friday, March 27, is for the submission of the SPSF application itself. You do not need to have

obtained a qualifying public interest position by the first deadline; you do need to have obtained such a position by the second deadline.

When you pick up the SPSF application, you must also pick up the accompanying green Fact Sheet, which contains very important information about the application process. If you have any questions about the SPSF, please contact Kristin Davis at kristindavis@wisc.edu.

Register Now for Loyola Patent Law Interview Program

Loyola University Chicago School of Law is hosting the **2009 Patent Law Interview Program** on Thursday, July 30, and Friday, July 31, in Chicago. Last year roughly 150 employers and 1500 law students from across the country participated in the program. You do not need to be patent bar eligible to register, but the vast majority of employers participating in the program are seeking patent bar eligible students. Beginning **Monday, February 23**, students who want to participate in this summer's Loyola Patent Law Interview Program may register online. On that day a "Register Now" link will appear on the Student Information Page at

www.luc.edu/law/career/Patent_Program_-_Stu.html

The student registration form is very simple. All students need to enter at this point is some basic contact, school and class year information. Students will also need a credit card to pay the \$35 registration fee to complete their online registration. This simple registration is just the first step in participating in the program. Once students are registered, the Program will send them information about how to register in Symplicity, upload their resume, and bid on interviews. The deadline for student registration is **Thursday, March 12**. You **MUST** register by the deadline.

If you register for this Program but do not receive an email confirmation of your registration, please check your junk mail folder (particularly if you are using a gmail or other non-school email address). If you still can't find the confirmatory email, please contact Asst. Dean Jane Heymann, who is the Patent Program Liaison in the Career Services Office.

1Ls & 2Ls: Register Now for 2009 OCI Programs in Washington, D.C., NY & LA

Every August, our law school participates, along with the University of Minnesota Law School and the University of Iowa Law School, in Off-Campus Recruitment (OCI) Programs in New York, D.C., and

Los Angeles. In 2009, these programs are scheduled for the following dates: **West Coast (in Los Angeles) on Friday, August 14; Washington, D.C. on Wednesday August 19; and New York on Friday August 21.**

If you think you MIGHT want to participate in one or more of these interviewing programs, please send an email message by April 1st to Kate McMahan at kemcmahan@wisc.edu, giving her your name, your class year as of Fall 2009 (2L or 3L), your expected graduation date, and the email address that you will use this summer. Registering does not obligate you to attend any of these programs; it merely enables you to obtain access to the Symplicity site that the Off-Campus Recruitment Programs use so that you can bid and sign up for interviews this summer if you choose to do so.

Save the Date for the 2009 Cook County Minority Job Fair

The Cook County Bar Association's 26th Annual Minority Law Student Job Fair is scheduled for **August 21, 2009**. In March, detailed information about registration, cost, eligibility, etc. for the Job Fair will be available and will be delivered to all the minority student organizations at the Law School.

Fulbright Information Sessions

Dr. Erin Crawley, Fellowships Advisor at the University of Wisconsin's International Institute, will hold information sessions about Fulbright grant programs during the spring semester. It is not too early to begin preparing for Fulbright application deadlines in the fall! Fulbrights are federally-funded grants, and as such have citizenship requirements; to be eligible for the Fulbright (IIE) US Student Program, you must be a US citizen. Information sessions on the Fulbright IIE US Student Program will be held on the following days and times (both sessions are the same):

- **Tuesday, March 3** from 12-1 p.m. in Room 336 Ingraham Hall
- **Thursday, March 26** from 2:30-3:30 p.m. in Room 206 Ingraham Hall

If you are interested in the Fulbright programs, but are unable to attend an information session, please contact Dr. Crawley to set up an appointment. She can be reached at fellow@intl-institute.wisc.edu or 262-9632.

Upcoming Job Deadlines Feb 28th – March 7th

For a spreadsheet of upcoming deadlines for jobs listed in Symplicity, visit

www.law.wisc.edu/career/newsletters/attachments/jobdeadlinesfeb28-march7.xls – you must be signed into the University network using your Net-ID to see the spreadsheet. Be sure to check other websites such as www.pslawnet.org and www.usajobs.com for other job deadlines. Contact nileshpatel@wisc.edu if you have trouble opening the spreadsheet.

Scholarship/Funding Opportunities

2Ls: Scholarship Opportunity for 2Ls Interested in Workers Compensation Law

The Wisconsin Association of Workers Compensation Attorneys offers two scholarships of \$750 each to second year law students who meet the scholarship criteria. These scholarships may be used only for tuition and fees. Students may nominate other students or self-nominate. The **deadline is March 20, 2009**. All materials should go to Ruth Robarts, Assistant Dean for Student & Academic Affairs by midnight on March 20 via e-mail.

Scholarship criteria:

- (1) second year student
- (2) with an expressed interest in practicing in the Workers Compensation area
- (3) who can attend one or both of the association's state conferences (in July or November)
- (4) who has taken or is taking Administrative Law or another course closely related to practicing in the area of Workers Compensation

Materials required:

- (1) a personal statement that addresses the criteria for the scholarship
- (2) a current resume

The Marie Christine Kohler Fellowship

The Marie Christine Kohler Fellowship offers an opportunity to dissertators, final-year MFA, and third-year Law, Medicine and Veterinary Medicine students to reside rent free in the Knapp House, the former Governor's Mansion. The fellowship is founded on principles of scholarship, leadership, and fostering a breadth of ideas. The **application deadline is March 2nd**, and candidates are strongly encouraged to attend an open house at 130

E. Gilman Street on March 1st (from 1-4 PM).

<http://knapphouse.rso.wisc.edu/>.

Job Opportunities with UW PEOPLE Program

The PEOPLE Program offers various summer job opportunities. To learn more about the PEOPLE Program visit www.peopleprogram.wisc.edu. For questions, contact dljames@education.wisc.edu. *The official application deadline has passed but* interested students may want to contact the program to express their interest and find out if any additional applications may be accepted in the future.

Resource For Non- Traditional Legal Jobs

The Career Services Office subscribes to the Non-Traditional Legal Careers Report, published every two weeks, which lists positions for J.D.'s in non-law firm settings. Each issue features positions in Business, Education, Government, the Judiciary, Legal Publishing, Policy, Law Libraries, Public Interest, and International positions. The website address is: <http://www.nontradlegal.com/>. Contact nileshpatel@wisc.edu or anyone in the Career Services Office for the username and password.