



COLLEGE OF LAW

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**Office of Professional Development
Newsletter**

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OPD Hours

The Office of Professional Development is available between 8:30am – 5:00pm, Monday through Friday.

How to meet with us:

- Assistant Dean Heather Karns will be available for in-person appointments on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursday during business hours, virtual appointments can also be arranged. Schedule an appointment by emailing Heather.Karns@utoledo.edu
- Laura Dettinger, Director, is unavailable for appointments until late January. Please contact Katie if you'd like an appointment.
- Katie Schuyler, Assistant Director, will be available for in-person appointments and drop-ins on most Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday afternoons. Katie is remote on Monday and Wednesday and as needed. Schedule an appointment by emailing Kate.Schuyler@utoledo.edu or check the appointments tab for availability (please make note of if the appointment is in-person or virtual when scheduling - if you prefer a particular format, please send her an email).
- Shannon McCune, Administrative Assistant, is available in-person during business hours Monday through Friday.

Reminders/Announcements

- Important **Ohio Bar exam dates**:
 - November 1st: Timely application to take the February 2022 due to the Ohio Supreme Court

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- November 15th: Timely application to Register as a Candidate for Admission to the Practice of Law in Ohio for those students in their second calendar year of law school due to the Ohio Supreme Court.
 - Interested in learning more about a joint degree in Law and Business? Join Dean Rapp and a representative from the Business School on Thursday, November 4th from 12:20-12:50 in Room 1013 for a **JD-MBA Information Session**.
 - **MPRE** price increase: Starting in 2022, the cost of the MPRE will increase to \$150 from \$135. Applicants will notice the increase when registration for 2022 opens in December 2021.
 - **NCBE** price increase: Effective July 1, 2022, the investigative services fee will be \$275 for law students (currently \$250).
 - Are you going to do unpaid, law-related, public service work? Consider pursuing a **Public Service Commendation!** This counts as a PDP Pro Bono Awareness Activity, and it's a great way to gain legal experience and make connections in the legal community. To find out more, click [here](#).

Professional Development Program

Purpose of the Professional Development Program

The College of Law designed the Professional Development Program to help you build your professional identity and network throughout your legal education career. Each year you will be required to complete certain mandatory activities. Additionally, throughout law school you will be required to attend networking and skills events, complete pro bono awareness tasks, and participate in career exploration activities. Inside your designated reporting cycle folder will include the activity categories and numbers of activities required for each reporting cycle. The Professional Development Program is a floor, not a ceiling; OPD encourages you participate in as many of the activities as your schedule allows.

How it works

Reporting cycles are based on the number of credits you have earned at the end of

the semester. For example, you must have completed all activities listed in the “0 – 30 Credits Reporting Cycle” between the time you start law school and the semester in which you earned your 30th credit. For the “31 – 60 Credit Reporting Cycle” complete all activities listed between the semester you earned your 31st credit and your 60th credit. And for the “61+ Credits Reporting Cycle” between the semester you earned your 61st credit and the semester that you graduate. For some students, cycles may overlap. You may begin working on the next reporting cycle once you’ve completed the last one if your semester bridges the reporting cycle. I.e. you start a semester with 27 credits and end it with 42 credits, you can finish the 0 – 30 reporting cycle, then start working on the 31 – 60 reporting cycle activities.

Mandatory Activities: Mandatory activities include class level specific programming required by the Office of Professional Development. These meetings will be announced in the OPD newsletter, emails sent by OPD staff, and/or on TLCN. Activities may be web-based or in-person if safety standards allow. Additionally, many of these activities require pre- or post-work such as updating application documents or certify completion of an on-demand video.

Networking and Skills Events: These events are often sponsored or co-sponsored by the Office of Professional Development, Alumni Affairs, or a Bar Association. They are designed to help you build your networking skills. Events can take place virtually or in person (when allowed).

Professional Exploration: Professional exploration tasks will aid in determining your professional identity and long-term career path. Exploring the profession can be done on a large scale, by attending an in-person or virtual legal conference, for example. Or on a smaller scale, such as a one-on-one informational interview. It is your responsibility to find outside events related to your areas of interest, set up informational interviews, or arrange observation of a legal proceeding. OPD is happy to help in your search.

Pro Bono Awareness Tasks: Ohio, along with many other states, encourages pro bono work as part of a lawyer’s professional duties to the public and justice system. Therefore, these tasks are not only a resume builder, but they will help kick-start a commitment to your professional duty as lawyers. The Ohio Supreme court states in the Preamble to the Ohio Rules of Professional Conduct: “...[A]ll lawyers should devote professional time and resources and use civic influence to ensure equal access to our system of justice for those who because of economic or social barrier cannot afford or secure legal counsel.” ***It is your responsibility to find pro bono clinics and volunteer to help, or find an attorney to work with or***

shadow. OPD is happy to help in your search but will not be responsible for placement in these opportunities. OPD may advertise pro bono projects and other opportunities via the newsletter or emails. Students in the 0 – 30 credit reporting cycle are not required to complete a Pro Bono Awareness Task. Students in the 31 – 60, or 61+ reporting cycle may report participation in one of the listed legal clinics. Note: the Public Service and Corporate Counsel Externship Clinics do not count.

Professional Development Program - Approved Activities

**Black American Law Student Association
Diversity & Law: Ohio Supreme Court
Wednesday, November 3 at 12:00 pm, McQuade Auditorium**

Ohio Supreme Court Justice Melody Stewart will be visiting the College of Law to talk about the intersection of diversity and the law. Join us at this rare speaking engagement! Justice Stewart will share her judicial wisdom on the topic, and students will have the opportunity to ask questions.

Attendance at this event will count as a Networking and Skills Event – Additional Approved Program. Please remember to self-report your attendance on TLCN after the event.

**Equity Education Series – Part 2: From the Rooney Rule to the Mansfield Rule
November 16, 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. | Live Interactive Webinar**

This program is complimentary to OSBA Members and Non-Members

This program will introduce the Rooney and Mansfield Rules as methods to increase diverse hiring and the impact on retention and organizational culture. Discussions will address the adoption of the Mansfield Rule by corporate legal departments and how it balances with demands of outside counsel and will include how a process from NFL influenced diversity and inclusion hiring processes in the legal field. Speakers include:

Lindsay Ford Ellis, Esq.; OhioHealth Corporation; Columbus
Jolie Havens, Esq.; Vorys Sater Seymour and Pease LLP; Columbus

Jhay Spottswood, Esq.; Franklin County Court of Common Pleas; Columbus
Katherine Wolfe, WIP Chair – pending
Margo Urhman, Esq.; Hahn Loeser and Parks LLP; Cleveland

**Attendance at this event is approved for Professional Exploration - Attending a CLE for 2Ls and 3Ls. Please remember to self-report your attendance after the event.*

Veteran Legal Clinic

When: First Thursday of Each Month, 8:30- 11:00 am

Where: Toledo Community Based Outpatient Clinic

1200 South Detroit Avenue

Toledo, OH 43614

2nd Floor Conference Room

Veterans are welcome to stop by for assistance in legal matters such as eviction/foreclosure, child support and family law, bankruptcy, and other civil matters. Law students are welcome to attend these clinics to help under the supervision of a licensed attorney. It is also a good networking opportunity. **If you plan to attend, or if you have questions, please email Katie Schuyler at kate.schuyler@utoledo.edu.**

**Attending the Veteran Legal Clinic counts as a Pro Bono Awareness activity – Volunteer at a Bar Sponsored Pro Bono Clinic. Please remember to self-report your attendance after the clinic.*

The following activities have been approved for a Professional Exploration Activity – Attend a legal conference for 31-60 and 61+ Reporting Cycles. Please remember to self-report your attendance.

- **"Mental Health in the Legal Profession" - the ABA Law Student Podcast**

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- The ABA Law Student Podcast recently published an episode talking about mental health in the legal field and how individuals can seek help if they need it. [Click here to listen to the episode.](#)
 - **Eviction Moratorium Extension: What Happens When It Expires?**
 - [Click here to listen to the latest episode from NPR's "On Point" podcast talking about the eviction moratorium ending and the housing shortage in the U.S.](#)
 - **ABA and National Affinity Bars Equity Webinar**
 - Representatives from the National Affinity Bar Associations met to discuss how they are identifying and addressing inequities brought to focus by the murder of George Floyd, protests around the country, and COVID-19.
 - [Click here to listen to the recording.](#)

PDP Deadlines:

- 0-30 Reporting Cycle: Last day of classes of the semester in which you earn your 30th credit hour.
- 31-60 Reporting Cycle: Last day of classes of the semester in which you earn your 60th credit hour.
- 61+ Reporting Cycle: Last day of classes before you graduate.

Legal Programs, Scholarships, and Contests

Each year, over 2,000 volunteer legal interns serve in Justice components and U.S. Attorneys' Offices throughout the country. Legal interns work on challenging and meaningful issues in various [practice areas](#) that impact our country.

On Tuesday, November 9, and Wednesday, November 10, 2021, OARM is hosting three webinars introducing law students to DOJ's Volunteer Legal Internship Program. We will share information about summer and academic-year vacancies, the application process, and answer frequently asked questions. Students may attend any one of the webinars listed below.

No RSVP is required.

Tuesday, November 9, 2021 – 12:00 PM ET

Link: [Volunteer Legal Internships at the U.S. Department of Justice](#)

Date: Tuesday, November 9, 2021

Time: 12:00 – 12:30 PM ET

Event Password: VLIPWebinar21 (Event password should populate automatically.)

Event Code (Access Code): 2761 325 9845 (You should not need this code, if you follow the above link.)

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2021 – 1:00 PM ET or 3:00 PM ET

Link: [Volunteer Legal Internships at the U.S. Department of Justice](#)

Date: Wednesday, November 10, 2021

Time: 1:00 – 1:30 PM ET

Event Password: VLIPWebinar21 (Event password should populate automatically.)

Event Code (Access Code): 2761 979 4593 (You should not need this code, if you follow the above link.)

or

Link: [Volunteer Legal Internships at the U.S. Department of Justice](#)

Date: Wednesday, November 10, 2021

Time: 3:00 – 3:30 PM ET

Event Password: VLIPWebinar21 (Event password should populate

automatically.)

Event Code (Access Code): 2761 061 6720 (You should not need this code, if you follow the above link.)

2021 BOYK LAW VETERAN SCHOLARSHIP

The Ohio Personal Injury lawyers of [Charles E. Boyk Law Offices, LLC](#) are pleased to announce the 2021 Boyk Law Veteran Scholarship for college students.

The scholarship has been created as part of Boyk Law's continued commitment to the service men and women of the United States Armed Forces and their continuing education. The Boyk Law Veteran Scholarship is \$2,000 and will be awarded to a student who is currently attending an accredited college or university, who has either served in the Armed Forces or is the child of a US Veteran. The first annual award was awarded in November 2015.

This scholarship is near and dear to our hearts, and we are grateful to be in a position to offer this award for another year. We understand that education looks different for so many as we are still battling the COVID-19 pandemic and classes have shifted to online. We hope that this scholarship can bring a light of hope to those struggling to pay for their education during these times, and encourage students to continue pursuing their educational goals.

Thank you to all of those who serve and continue to serve our country.

Eligibility: #

- Applicant has served in the United States Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force, Coast Guard, or Reserves OR is the child or stepchild of someone who has.#
- Applicant is a U.S. citizen currently attending an accredited college or university within the United States.#

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- Applicant must have a minimum 3.0 GPA and have completed at least one semester of classes at an accredited college or university. #

Application Requirements:

In order to apply for the 2021 Boyk Law Veteran Scholarship, an applicant must submit the following items:

- An up-to-date resume with current contact information #
- 750-1,000 word essay addressing at least two (2) of the following questions: #
 - Tell us the story of YOU. What is driving you to go to college and what would you like to do with your degree? #
 - How has being a Veteran or the child of a Veteran affected your life? #
 - If you could give advice on joining the Armed Forces or advice to other children of Veterans, what would that advice be? #
- A certified copy of college or university transcript. #
- We would prefer (but do not require) the applicant to be from/currently living in the state of Ohio #

The winner of the 2021 Boyk Law Veteran Scholarship will be announced by Veteran's Day, November 11

One student will receive one \$2,000 scholarship to be used exclusively toward college or university tuition or school-related expenses. The winner will be notified by phone on November 11, 2021. A check will be made out to the winning student's college or university.

How to Apply:

If you are interested in applying for Boyk Law's \$2,000 scholarship, please email applications to: info@charlesboyk-law.com with subject line: 2021 Boyk Law Veteran Scholarship. The deadline to apply is **November 1, 2021**. Applications received after this date will not be considered.

Visit <https://www.charlesboyk-law.com/2021-boyk-law-veteran-scholarship/> for more information.

ENTERTAINMENT LAW INITIATIVE WRITING CONTEST

The Recording Academy® Entertainment Law Initiative Writing Contest challenges law students to identify and research a pressing legal issue facing the music industry today and outline a proposed solution in a 3,000-word essay. A nationwide panel of music law experts will judge the papers in a blind process to select a winner and two runners-up.

ONE WINNER

\$10,000 tuition scholarship

Two tickets to the 64th Annual GRAMMY Awards®

Two tickets to MusiCares® Person of the Year honoring Joni Mitchell

Recognition at the Entertainment Law Initiative GRAMMY® Week Event

Los Angeles roundtrip airfare and hotel accommodations for winner and guest

Publication of paper in the ABA *Entertainment & Sports Lawyer Journal*

Mentorship session with an ELI Executive Committee attorney member

TWO RUNNERS-UP

\$2,500 tuition scholarship

Recognition at the Entertainment Law Initiative GRAMMY Week Event

Mentorship session with an ELI Executive Committee attorney member

Paper Submission Deadline

Jan. 4, 2022 | 10 a.m. PT (1 p.m. ET)

24th Annual ELI GRAMMY Week Event

Beverly Wilshire
Jan. 29, 2022

Winner and Runners-Up Notified

Jan. 14, 2022

MusiCares Person of the Year

Los Angeles Convention Center
Jan. 29, 2022

64th Annual GRAMMY Awards

STAPLES Center
Jan. 31, 2022

This contest is open to Juris Doctorate (JD) and Master of Laws (LLM) candidates at U.S. law schools. Please note that LLM students who are, or who have been, time in the past, licensed as an attorney are not eligible to enter. JSD/SJD students are not eligible. See official rules for full details on entry requirements and prizes.

VISIT [GRAMMY.COM/ELI](https://www.grammy.com/eli) FOR RULES AND MORE INFORMATION

Jobs of the Week

Please click on the Job Title to see the posting with more details in TLCN.

Job Title	Employer Name
2L Summer Fellowship	New York County District Attor
Summer Intern and Law Clerk	Arthur Law Firm Co., LPA
Legal Intern	Ohio Consumers' Counsel
Law Clerk	Law Offices of John O. Knappma
Law intern (part time)	City of Perrysburg
1L Summer Fellowship	New York County District Attor
2L Law Clerks - summer 2022	Legal Aid Society of Greater Cin
Legal Intern/Extern - Summer 2022	U.S. EPA
Max Kampleman Fellowship Program	Commission on Security and Co in Europe
Diversity Fellow	McAndrews, Held & Malloy, Ltd
Law Clerk Program	Texas Attorney General



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