



UNIVERSITY OF
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School of Law

This Week At USF

February 20, 2018

Announcements

Registrar Announcement - **TODAY!**

Tuesday, February 20

Last day to elect the credit/no-credit option for courses that are listed as "Opt" in the grading column on the course schedule. Please submit a completed Change of Schedule form, which can be found on the website here - <https://myusf.usfca.edu/law/registration/registrar-forms> - or can be picked up in hard copy at the Registrar's Office. Administrative Monday. Tuesday classes do not meet. Monday classes meet.

School Health Insurance - What are the benefits?

Student Bar Association - USF Health Promotion Services

Date: Tuesday, February 22, 2018

Time: 12:30-1:30pm

Location: Kendrick 101

Check out the [flyer](#)! Learn about health insurance and about what the USF Student Health Clinic has to offer.

Community Healing and Transforming Trauma (CHATT)

Office of Student Affairs - Wellness Event

Date: Tuesday, February 27, 2018

Time: 5:15-6:15pm

Location: KN 103

Come to this presentation to learn about the impact of violence at the individual, family, and community level and the importance of supporting resiliency at all levels to promote comprehensive healing. Click this [link](#) for more information.

Curriculum Fair

USF School of Law

Date: Wednesday, February 28, 2018

Time: 12:00-1:20pm, 5:00-6:20pm

Location: Student Boulevard, Atrium

The law school will be holding a Curriculum Fair! Come to the Student Boulevard and Kendrick Atrium and visit with directors and administrators of programs to learn more about our academic programs and co-curricular offerings, such as clinics, law review, journals, advocacy teams, externships (domestic and international), and more!

Black History Month Reception

Date: Wednesday, February 28, 2018

Time: 5:30pm - 7:30pm

Location: Jackson Lewis P.C. [50 California St., 9th Floor, San Francisco, CA 94111](#)

[RSVP](#) Now! Please join USF School of Law students, faculty, and alumni as we celebrate Black History Month. San Francisco City Administrator Naomi Kelly '01, the highest-ranking non-elected official of San Francisco City and County government, and third-year law student Marshal Arnwine will make brief remarks, and there will be an opportunity to network with one another.

20th Annual Trina Grillo Public Interest and Social Justice Retreat

University of San Francisco School of Law

Date: March 16-17, 2018

Location: Kendrick Hall

[RSVP](#) today! Check out the [flyer](#) to find out which universities will be joining us! This [Trina Grillo Retreat](#) will feature panels that

include law professors, practitioners, grass roots organizers, and law students on the topics of Civil Justice, Criminal Justice, Environmental Justice, and Immigration Justice. We will also celebrate the life and legacy of Trina Grillo. If you require disabilities-related accommodation or have questions, please contact us at lawstudentaffairs@usfca.edu.

Trina Grillo: Law Student Home-Stay Program

When: Friday, March 16 - Saturday, March 17, 2018

Help to welcome out-of-town law students attending the Trina Grillo Retreat by offering your apartments/rooms/couches for a night or two! Check out the [flyer!](#)

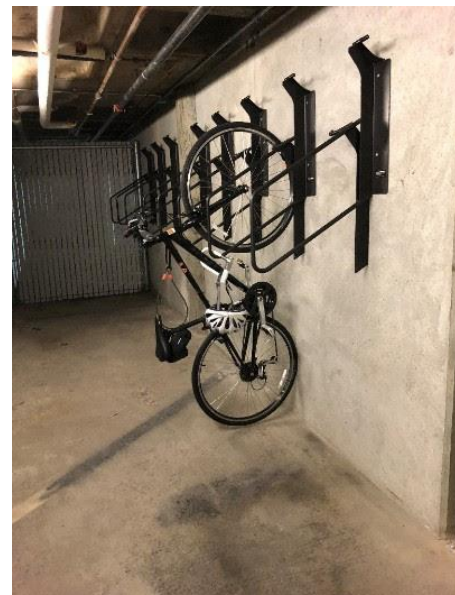
To sign up or for more information, please visit `Alakoka Kailahi in KN 328 or email lawstudentaffairs@usfca.edu.

Bike Cage is Available!

USF School of Law

The secured bike cage can be found in the Kendrick Hall Parking Lot on P1 behind the elevator. To use the bike cage, please complete the [Secured Bike Cage Key Rental Agreement](#) and submit to the Dean's Office.

Questions? Email lawdeansadmin@usfca.edu.



Academics

Summer 2018 Externship Applications

Summer 2018 Externship Applications are due by *April 19, 2018*. **No late applications will be accepted.**

Before applying for an externship, please review the relevant Externship Application Packet, available in KN 235 or [here](#) for Civil/Criminal Externship and [here](#) for Judicial Externships.

JD/LLM in Tax Dual Degree Application

Advance your tax career with [USF's Graduate Tax Program](#). The Graduate Tax Program is now accepting applications for the [JD/LLM in Tax Dual Degree](#).

Have questions? Please feel free to contact Natascha Fastabend (nrfastabend@usfca.edu) or Ellen Strauss (esstrauss@usfca.edu).

Pro Bono

Please be sure to complete your [Pro Bono Timesheets](#) and submit them to probono@usfca.edu.

Meet our new Pro Bono Coordinator, Katherine Abalos!

"I came to study law at USF because I believe that the world needs more people with strong minds and even stronger hearts. Pro bono opportunities are a great way to gain experience and understanding of the issues that impact our community while providing the skills that we are gaining as law students to assist with these issues."

If you have any ideas or questions about our Pro Bono Program, don't hesitate to contact Katherine at probono@usfca.edu.



FLY: Fresh Lifelines for Youth

FLY is currently accepting Spring 2018 volunteer applications for those interested in teaching at-risk high school students about the law and their rights. **No prior teaching experience is required!** This is a great opportunity for anyone interested in law, youth development, education, or simply anyone enthusiastic about giving back to young people. In addition, this opportunity is great for students who are interested in working closely with a predominately African American and/or Latino population.

FLY requires all volunteers commit to teach for a semester (12 weeks), typically 2 hours, once a week, at one of our Alameda County sites. Our sites range from during the school day to after school, and we always place students at sites that align with their schedule. Students will also complete 36 hours of training, which can be counted as a part of pro bono hours. The commitment totals around 90 hours per semester, and is perfect for all law students.

To apply to volunteer check out their [website](#) for more information.

AABA East Bay- Legal Clinic

Volunteer at the [Asian American Bar Association clinic](#) in Oakland on the third Wednesday of every month from 5:45-9:00pm. Due to the current political climate, there has been an unprecedented number of clients seeking to apply for citizenship to protect themselves and gain the right to vote. This month we will be holding a naturalization clinic in lieu of a regular legal clinic.

AABA San Francisco-Tenderloin Legal Clinic

Volunteer at the [API Legal Outreach/Asian American Bar Association clinic](#). Please come and provide your legal expertise to low-income community members!

Legal Advice and Referral Clinic

Volunteer at the Legal Advice and Referral Clinic ("LARC") on February 24, 2018
If you are signing up for pro bono work, please contact probono@usfca.edu or stop by the Deans' Office.

Tenants Together

Description of work: [Tenant's Together](#) aims to build an anti-racist, feminist, multiracial, anti-oppressive tenant movement. Hotline counselors educate members of the community about their rights and provide other information to support renters.

Skill Level: Bilingual Spanish/English speakers

Time Commitment: Weekly commitment of 3-4 hours. The Hotline operates Monday through Friday, 10:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., and Thursdays 6:00-8:00 pm (we can also consider alternative time slots during the week, please contact Sara to discuss).

Contact: Sara Linck-Frenz at sara@tenantstogether.org.

Oasis

Description of work: [Oasis](#) is seeking law students who are passionate about immigrants' rights and LGBTQIA+ rights.

Volunteers will work with LGBTQIA+ asylum applicants under attorney supervision to help fill out immigration forms, work on drafting client declarations, research relevant law and country conditions, as well as shadow attorneys at administrative hearings.

Skill Level: All. Knowledge of Spanish or any other language in addition to English is a plus.

Time Commitment: 8 hours per week for one semester.

Contact: Please send resume and cover letter explaining why this position interests you to Rachel Kafele at rachel.kafele@oasislegalservices.org.

CLASP (Community Legal Assistance Saturday Program)

Description of work: This once a month walk in clinic is held at the Alameda County Law Library, close to the Lake Merritt Bart Station. CLASP is a tremendous opportunity to interact directly with clients, improve your interviewing skills, and work with lawyers across a broad spectrum of practice areas. Student volunteers help with client management, including check-in and escorting to legal consults, conduct intake interviews, and second and third year students may be able assist with document production (demand letters, answers, administrative complaints, etc.) under the direction of the attorneys. Training is provided the day of the event.

Skill Level: All, interpreters especially needed for Spanish, Cantonese and Mandarin.

Time Commitment: One off opportunity but the clinic runs the first Saturday of every month.

Recruitment Process: Please contact Christina Wiellette at christina@acbanet.org. Law students must enroll as a Volunteer Legal Services Corporation volunteer prior to signing up. Volunteer recruitment begins immediately after the clinic in the preceding month. Volunteer slots are usually filled 10 days prior to the clinic date.

Student Affairs

Funding for Student Conferences

Thinking about going to a conference? Check out our [Student Conference Funding Application](#). To request funding for conference registration and travel costs, you must submit your application at least two weeks before conference. Applications must be submitted to the Dean's Office, KN 328, or emailed to lawstudentaffairs@usfca.edu.

Let's Talk: Wellness Opportunities

Thursdays, 12pm-1pm in KN 212

CAPS offers "Let's Talk" every Thursday this fall. The purpose of Let's Talk is to provide a space for drop-in consultation and support for USF students.

[Lets Talk](#), [Lets Talk FAQ](#)

Counseling and Psychological Services

[\(415\) 422-6352](tel:(415)422-6352)



Mental Health & Wellness: Podcast of the Week:

Listen to this podcast about how to [Burnout stress, and How to Recover + Reset with McKell of Nutrition Stripped](#).

PILF: Public Interest Law Foundation

Thinking about doing public interest or public service work next summer? Review the [2018 Summer PILF Grant Application](#) and [PILF Community Service Opportunities](#)!

If you have questions, please contact pilf@usfca.edu.

"Time Out" Session

Join us for Mindfulness Meditation, Compassion Practice, and Supportive Discussion

Please join us for mindfulness meditation practice this and every Thursday from 5:30-6:15pm, in Zief 017. No experience necessary, and "drop-ins" by all students, staff and faculty are encouraged; however, please arrive a few minutes early to enable the session to begin and end on time. Sessions are led by Professor Tim Iglesias, Professor Rhonda Magee, and Father Donal Godfrey; contact Tim Iglesias at iglesias@usfca.edu, ext. 5055 with any questions.

Mental Health & Wellness: Article of the Week

Read up on the real 'truths' about fitness advice that actually does not increase your success to a healthy lifestyle. Click this link on the [11 fitness 'truths' that are doing more harm than good](#).

Admissions & Financial Aid

Summer 2018 Financial Aid

If you are interested in receiving financial aid for any USF School of Law Summer 2018 program (Intensive Advocacy Program-IAP, Regular Summer Session, Summer Externships for unit credit including local and International Summer Externships Abroad), you must have complete the following:

- Complete a current 2017-18 FAFSA
- Submit a **Summer 2018 Intent to Enroll (ITE) form** to the Law Financial Aid Office indicating your interest in receiving summer financial aid.
- Register in a minimum of 3 Summer units
- You must be in Good Academic Standing

Information on Summer 2018 financial aid as well as the Summer 2018 ITE form **will be available online in late February/early March** at the following web site:

<https://www.usfca.edu/law/admissions/tuition-aid/jd/types-of-aid/summer>

In addition to submitting the Summer ITE Form, once you are registered for summer classes, you will need to complete a Federal Direct Graduate PLUS application for Summer 2018 online at www.studentloans.gov. In the Spring, the Law Registrar's Office will send an email to all continuing law students notifying you of the Summer 2018 registration process. The earliest anticipated Summer registration will occur online in early March. Contact the Law Registrar's Office for any updated information.

The priority deadline to submit the Summer 2017 ITE form will be April 1, 2018.

Applying for Financial Aid for the Fall 2018/Spring 2019

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid or FAFSA, for the **Fall 2018 and Spring 2019** academic year is now available online at www.fafsa.ed.gov

All students who wish to receive financial aid for the 2018-19 academic year are required to complete the new 2018-19 FAFSA.

The FAFSA should be completed as soon as possible but no later than March 1, 2018 in order to receive the maximum financial aid consideration for 2018-19 (this date is especially important for those continuing students who wish to be considered for the Federal Work Study award). You can access the FAFSA online at www.fafsa.ed.gov. Our Title IV code is 001325 and must be included in your FAFSA application.

IMPORTANT: The 2018-19 FAFSA can be completed after March 1, and you will still be able to receive federal educational loan aid for this upcoming year. However, delaying completing your FAFSA will affect when you receive your award notice as well as your eligibility for Federal Work Study.

Financial aid awards for the 2018-19 academic year will be made available to continuing law students *by early April 2018* as long as the 2018-19 FAFSA is completed and USF receives your FAFSA information by mid-March 2018. You will be sent an email notification at that time by the University One Stop Financial Aid Office indicating that you can review your financial aid award online via your myUSF online student portal.

The University Financial Aid Office will begin downloading 2018-19 FAFSA information for continuing USF students in mid-March. If you recently completed a 2018-19 FAFSA, we will not be able to verify receipt of your 2018-19 FAFSA *until that time*.

In addition to completing a new FAFSA, those students who wish to be considered for the Graduate PLUS loan program for the Fall 2018 & Spring 2019 academic year, must also complete a new PLUS loan application for each academic year. Graduate PLUS loan applications for the 2018-19 academic year are available online at www.studentloans.gov. **Students can begin applying for a 2018-17 PLUS Loan only AFTER you have completed a 2018-19 FAFSA and have been offered the Federal Direct Unsubsidized Loan for 2018-19 and have "accepted" the Unsubsidized Loan online via your myUSF student portal.**

Bar Loan Information

December 2017 or Spring 2018 graduating students can apply for private bar loans to help with living expenses during the February 2018 or the July 2018 bar preparation period. These loans are private lender loans subject to credit approval.

Information is available at the Law Financial Aid Office or online at: <https://www.usfca.edu/law/admissions/tuition-aid/id/types-of-aid/loan-programs>

Important Information for 2L, 3L and 4L Part Time Students Regarding Add/Drop

Late registration and Add/Drop began on Thursday, January 4, AFTER you have already been processed for a financial aid refund. Adjustments to your financial aid may be necessary if any of the following situations occur during Add/Drop:

- If you have received the maximum financial aid award for 20 annual units but you are registered for **less than 10 units for the Spring semester as of January 2**, your aid refund will be in excess of your anticipated cost of living expenses for the fall semester. If you are not planning on adding any additional units, you will be required to return the excess financial aid awarded to you since you cannot receive aid for units that you are not registered for.
- If you Add a class after your refund has been processed, you will be immediately billed for the additional units. You will need to submit a payment with personal funds to pay for the additional units (or make a personal payment using the funds you received as a refund). If you are already receiving the maximum financial aid for the semester prior to the addition of your added class, you can request additional financial aid to cover the cost of the additional units. For more information, please contact Matthew Cox, the Assistant Director for Law Financial Aid at msox@usfca.edu.
- If you Drop a class after your refund has been processed, with the intention of adding another class with the same unit value, you must Add and Drop on the same day, otherwise you run the risk of an outstanding tuition balance due on your USF student account.
- If you Drop a class after your refund has been processed, and you do not intend to add another class, you will create a credit on your USF student account. You must notify the Law Financial Aid Office immediately by contacting Matthew Cox, the Assistant Director for Law Financial Aid at msox@usfca.edu. Otherwise you will be inadvertently issued a refund for this credit, which you will be required to repay the University since you are not eligible to receive financial aid for this dropped class.

Important: The Law Financial Aid Office will conduct an audit of all Part Time students' financial aid records after the **January 29 census date** (last day to withdraw without penalty). If your financial aid for the Spring semester is not appropriate for the unit load you are registered, we will make the necessary adjustments to your aid and you will be notified via email. Please remember that any over-award (receiving financial aid in excess of your unit load), will result in the USF One Stop Office returning those funds to the lender and creating a balance due on your USF student account. It is critically important that you review your student account after the census date to insure that your account is reconciled. **Any unpaid balance will result in late fees assessed on your student account and a Hold placed on your student record, which will prevent you from registering for the spring semester.**

Scholarships

Writing Competitions

Be sure to stay up to date on [Legal Writing Competitions](#).

1. **Willis W. and Ethel M. Clark Foundation – Marshall M. Schulman Criminal Law Writing Competition**; Amount = \$1,500; Application Deadline: 3/2/2018; <http://criminallaw.calbar.ca.gov>
2. **Marshall M. Schulman Criminal Law Writing Competition**; Amount = \$1,500; Application Deadline: 3/2/2018; <http://criminallaw.calbar.ca.gov>
3. **Affordable Housing & Community Development Law Writing Competitions**: Application Deadline: 3/3/2018. The goal is to attract students to the affordable housing, community development, or pro bono practice fields. Amount=\$1,000 www.americanbar.org/groups/affordable_housing.html Document with more [info](#).
4. **Ed Mendrzycki Essay Contest**; Amount = \$5,000; Application Deadline = 03/09/2018; <http://ambar.org/LPLEssayContest>
5. **Constitutional Environmental Law Writing Competition**: Application Deadline: 4/09/2018. Students may develop their own constitutional law topic or submit a piece exploring one of the topics provided on this [document](#). Amount = \$2,000 <https://www.eli.org/constitution-courts-and-legislation/diamond-constitutional-environmental-law-writing-competition>

6. **2018 Hogan/Smoger Access to Justice Essay Competition:** Application Deadline: 4/30/2018; Amount=\$5,000; www.citizen.org/law-school-contest

Upcoming Private Scholarship Programs

1. **National Italian American Bar Scholarship;** Amount = \$5,000; Application Deadline: 02/28/2018 <https://sonsofitalyfoundation.submittable.com/submit/99899/national-italian-american-bar-association-niaba-sons-of-italy-foundation-scho>
2. **Hispanic Scholarship Fund;** Amount = \$500-\$5,000; Application Deadline = 03/30/18; <https://www.hsf.net/scholarship>
3. **DRI Law Student Diversity Scholarship;** Amount = \$10,000; Application Deadline: 03/30/2018; <https://www.dri.org/>
4. **Arnold & Porter LLP – Diversity Scholarship;** Amount: \$10,000; Application Deadline = 03/31/2018; <http://www.arnoldporter.com/en/careers/law-students-trainee-solicitors/diversity-scholarship>
5. **Chicana/Latina Foundation Scholarship Program;** Amount = \$1,500; Application Deadline = 03/31/2018; <http://www.chicanalatina.org/scholarship.html>
6. **LULAC National Scholarship Fund;** Amount = Varies; Application Deadline = 03/31/2018; <https://www.lnesc.org/lnsf>
7. **National Federation of the Blind Scholarship;** Amount = Up to \$12,000; Application Deadline = 03/31/2018; <http://www.nfb.org/scholarships/>
8. **Krist Law Firm P.C. National Scholarship;** Amount = \$10,000; Application Deadline: 3/31/2018; <https://www.houstoninjurylawyer.com/the-krist-law-firm-national-scholarship/>
9. **JVS Scholarship Program;** Amount = Varies; Application Deadline: 03/04/18 (renewal applicants), 03/31/18 (new applicants); <https://www.jvs-socal.org>
10. **Davis-Putter Scholarship Fund;** Amount = Up to \$10,000; Application Deadline = 04/01/2018; <http://www.davisputter.org/apply/>
11. **Warner Norcross & Judd Minority Scholarship;** Amount = \$5,000; Application Deadline = 04/01/2018; <http://www.wjn.com/Careers/Diversity/Minority-Scholarships-and-Applications>
12. **Hon. Mario G. Olmos Memorial Scholarship;** Amount = Varies; Application Deadline: 03/09/2018; For questions, contact: Juan Ramirez at Juan-f-r@comcast.net
13. **Farella Braun & Martel, LLP 1L Diversity Scholarship;** Amount = Varies; Application Deadline = 03/09/2018; http://www.fbm.com/diversity_scholarship_program/
14. **Mexican American Bar Foundation Scholarship;** Amount = \$7,500-\$15,000; Application Deadline: 03/09/2018; <https://www.themabf.org>
15. **Krist Law Firm P.C. National Scholarship;** Amount = \$10,000; Application Deadline: 3/31/2018; <https://www.houstoninjurylawyer.com/the-krist-law-firm-national-scholarship/>
16. **Buckfire & Buckfire, P.C. Law School Diversity Scholarship;** Amount = \$2,000; Application Deadline: 4/01/2018; <https://www.buckfirelaw.com/library/scholarships.cfm#law>
17. **Howard Fox Memorial Law Scholarship Fund;** Amount = Varies; Application Deadline: 04/01/18; <http://www.bccf.org>
18. **Margaret A. Gannon Legal Education Stipend (Women Lawyers of Alameda County);** Amount = \$1,000; Application Deadline = 04/10/2018; <https://wlaonline.org/event/2018-margaret-a-gannon-legal-education-application-deadline-april-10-2018/>
19. **One Lawyer Can Change the World Scholarship;** Amount = \$10,000; Application Deadline: 04/15/2018; <https://lawpreview.barbri.com/10000-scholarship>
20. **Grasshopper Entrepreneur Scholarship;** Amount = \$5,000; Application Deadline: 04/30/2018; <http://grasshopper.com/entrepreneur-scholarship>
21. **Earl Warren Scholarship;** Amount = Varies; Application Deadline: 05/01/2018; <http://www.naacpldf.org/earl-warren-scholarship>
22. **Law Student Scholarship by GJEL;** Amount - \$2,000; Application Deadline = 05/15/2018; <https://www.gjel.com/law-student-scholarship.html>
23. **The Pearce Law Firm Empowering Women in Law Scholarship;** Amount = \$1,500; Application Deadline = 05/31/18; <https://thepearcelawfirm.com/empowering-scholarship>

24. **American Indian College Fund Scholarships**; Amount = Varies; Application Deadline = 05/31/2018;
<http://www.collegefund.org>
25. **Chhabra Law Firm Patent Bar Prep Scholarship**; Amount = \$1,750; Application Deadline: 11/30/2018;
<https://www.clfip.com/patent-bar-preparation-scholarship>

If you have any questions regarding information in this announcement or financial aid in general, please contact the Law Financial Aid Office at [415.422.6210](tel:415.422.6210) or email lawfinaid@usfca.edu.



School of Law Events

USF Law Improv

Date: Wednesday, February 21

Time: 12:00-1:20pm

Location: Kendrick 103

Check out the [flyer](#)! Come join USF Law's premier Improvised Comedy Troupe for 90 minutes of fun and laughter. We will strive to create a safe environment to express your creativity, engage with friends, and develop presentational skills through improvisation games and belly laughs. Each session will begin with practice developing comfort in the skills of improvisation before trying them out in a judgement-free atmosphere.

2018 McCarthy Institute Speakers, Sponsors, and Alumni Reception

Date: Thursday, February 22

Time: 7:00-9:00pm

Location: CasCal, [400 Castro Street, Mountain View](#)

[Register Now!](#)

Trademark Law and Its Challenges 2018

Date: Friday, February 23, 2018

Location: Google, Sunnyvale

Time: 9:00am - 5:00pm

MCLE: CA General Credit Hours will be available (approval pending)

[Register](#) today! The McCarthy Institute for Intellectual Property invites you to join its eighth annual symposium Trademark

Law and Its Challenges 2018. This annual one-day symposium brings together brand owners, trademark attorneys, and public policymakers to face off on today's most pressing issues in trademark law.

Alumni Mentor Program (AMP) Mixer

Date: Thursday, March 15, 2018

Time: 5:30-7:30pm

Location: Littler Mendelson P.C., [333 Bush St, 34th Floor, San Francisco, CA 94104](#)

All current and interested participants in the USF School of Law Alumni Mentor Program are invited to attend a happy hour. Beer, wine, and appetizers will be served.

Please RSVP by Friday, March 9, 2018 to Kelsee Levey, Law Events Program Assistant, at kllevey@usfca.edu with your name and the name of any guests who will be attending. Click this [link](#) for more information.

Alumni Graduates Dinner

Date: Wednesday, May 16

Time: 6 p.m. cocktails, 7 p.m. seated dinner and award ceremony

Location: Julia Morgan Ballroom, 15th Floor, [465 California Street, San Francisco](#)

[Register Here](#) by March 30th for an early bird discount!

Community Events

The 2018 Crawford Lecture: Veterans - Critical Factors of Influencing Reintegration

Date: Tuesday, April 10, 2018

Time: Registration at 4:30pm; Reception at 4:30pm-5:30pm; Panel Discussion: 5:30-7:00pm

Location: McLaren Complex 250

[RSVP!](#) School of Nursing & Health Professions are hosting the 2018 Crawford Lecture on the timely and important subject of critical factors affecting reintegration of veterans into the community. Many of the speakers are attorneys specializing on the rights of returning servicemen and women and how they can effectuate their legal rights.