Announcements

Spring MUNI Passes Available!

Office of Student Affairs
To purchase your Spring Semester MUNI pass, you must log on to onecard.usfca.edu and use your Dons Dollars between 8:00am Tuesday, January 1 and 11:59pm on Tuesday, January 23, 2018.

The spring semester passes are valid from February 1, 2017 through May 19, 2018, so there will be a gap between January 24 to January 31, where you will need to pay the regular fare.
Questions? Email takailahi@usfca.edu

USF School of Law at a Game!

USF Men's Basketball vs. Pepperdine
Date: Saturday, January 20, 2018
Location: Sobrato Memorial Gym
Time: 7:00pm
Tickets will be FREE for all students, staff and faculty! Reserve your tickets online using code: USFLaw
Have fun and get your game on! Increase your wellness, de-stress, and attend a free game!

Student Representative Application - DEADLINE EXTENDED

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee
Apply now! Become a liaison between the student body and the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee who support, facilitate, and address issues related to diversity, equity, and inclusion at the School of Law.
Applications due by 5:00pm on Monday, January 29, 2018 via email to lawstudentaffairs@usfca.edu or in hard copy to Kendrick 328.

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.

Law Journal Opportunities

Call for Comments and Articles!

Law Review
Check out the flyer! Get your writing published! Law Review is looking for student comments to include in an upcoming issue! Submit your Upper Level Writing Requirement, or equivalent, anytime up until January 16, 2018. Email submissions or questions to eakoger@usfca.edu.

Intellectual Property and Technology Law Journal
The Intellectual Property and Technology Law Journal is now accepting submissions for our Spring Issue. If you have an IP or Tech related piece you would like published, please send an email to the IPTLJ Editor-in-Chief, Mike De Smidt, at mjdesmidt@usfca.edu.

Academics

International Summer Externships

Spend this summer in China, Europe, Mexico or Vietnam! Externships are available with prestigious IP firms, organizations defending human rights and strengthening the rule of law, and at major U.S. based firms, which have wide networks, impressive client lists, and instant name recognition for building your resume.

The next Information Session on Wednesday, January 17, 2018 from 12:00-1:15pm. For applications and more information go to the website, visit Kendrick 342, and or email lawsummerabroad@usfca.edu.
Pro Bono

Please be sure to complete your Pro Bono Timesheets and submit them to probono@usfca.edu.

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

GI Rights Network: Spring Training - Military Counseling Project

The GI Rights Network is a private, non-profit, non-governmental organization that answers thousands of calls from military personnel and their families. The GI Rights Hotline provides accurate helpful counseling and information to service members and veterans, on discharges, grievance and complaint procedures, and other civil rights issues.

Become a GI Rights Counselor! Spring training is on Wednesday, January 17, 2018 from 6:00pm - 8:30pm at the War Memorial Building. Check out the flyer for more information!

Questions? Contact Siri Margerin at sirism@mac.com

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 laws 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 apart 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. The next clinic will occur on Thursday, January 18th, 2018.

**Legal Advice and Referral Clinic**

Volunteer at the Legal Advice and Referral Clinic ("LARC") January 27 (no clinics in November or December)

*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: Tenants 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 with 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 two weeks before conference. Applications must be submitted two weeks before the conference to the Dean's Office, KN 328, or emailed to lawstudentaffairs@usfca.edu

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

Mental Health & Wellness: Article of the Week
Spring Semester is here! Have you figured out the best time to study? Law school can be stressful, but by organizing your study habits you can boost your wellness and get more done!

Mental Health & Wellness: Video of the Week:
Start off ready to go and ease your mental wellness this semester! Check out How to Start a New Semester the Right Way for tips.

Admissions & Financial Aid

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 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.

Spring 2018 Tuition Billing Notice
Spring 2018 tuition payment was due on January 2, 2018. If you are registered for spring classes, the USF One Stop Student Accounts Office has posted your Spring 2018 tuition bill on your USF student account by December 5 and has sent you an email notice. You can view your bill online via your myUSF student account via the View and Pay section. Payment must have been made by personal funds, Authorized Financial Aid, a combination of personal funds and Authorized Financial Aid, or you must be signed up for the payment plan by January 2, 2018: https://myusf.usfca.edu/onestop/billing-tuition/payment-plan

If you are utilizing financial aid to cover your spring tuition bill, your financial aid will be noted as Authorized Financial Aid on your billing statement and will be credited towards your spring bill. If your Authorized Financial Aid is sufficient to cover your spring bill, there is no additional payment that you need to make at this time.

IMPORTANT- Failure to make your tuition payment by the above payment methods will result in the cancellation of your spring class registration by the USF One Stop Student Accounts Office and a hold will be placed on your student record. You will not be allowed to re-register until you have reconciled your spring tuition payment. Once that is done, the hold will be lifted and you will be allowed to re-register during the add-drop/late registration period (which began on January 4, 2018).

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/jd/types-of-aid/loan-programs

Spring 2018 Registration & Financial Aid
All law students must be in good academic standing AND registered for Spring 2018 classes before any Spring 2018 financial aid can be disbursed (unless there is a hold on your student record for an unpaid fall balance or any other administrative or academic matter). No aid for Spring 2018 will be disbursed unless you are registered for the minimum number of units required by the US. Department of Education for Financial Aid Disbursement, which is 6 units minimum for full time students and 3 units minimum for part time students.*

*Please note: that USF School of Law School requires that all full time JD students register for a minimum of 12 units per semester and all part time JD students register for a minimum of 8 units per semester.

If you did not register for Spring 2018 classes during the fall online registration period, your financial aid will NOT disburse until AFTER you register for classes during the late registration period which began on January 4, 2018. Funds typically disburse to the University twice a week, on Mondays and Wednesdays. Once you are registered for the appropriate number of units, funds will disburse on the next Monday or Wednesday, depending on when you complete late registration.

Spring 2018 Financial Aid Disbursement & Loan Refund Processing
The earliest disbursement date for Spring 2018 financial aid was Tuesday, January 2, 2018.
To be eligible to receive financial aid, students must be in good academic standing and have accepted the financial aid offered to them and completed all other requirements for disbursement including being registered for spring classes. Please be aware that waitlisted units do NOT count towards the minimum unit requirement for financial aid disbursement.

Once your Spring 2018 financial aid is disbursed, your Spring tuition bill will be paid off. Any funds left over after your bill is paid, will be refunded to you. The refund process began for all USF Law students on Wednesday, January 3, 2018. THIS IS NOT THE DATE THAT YOU RECEIVE THE REFUND IN YOUR BANK ACCOUNT.

If you are enrolled in direct deposit refund processing, you should receive your refund 2-5 business days AFTER the refund process begins.

If you are not enrolled in direct deposit refund processing, a refund check will be processed and you should receive the check 7-12 business days AFTER the refund process begins.

Please plan your finances accordingly as you may not receive a refund until the first week of class.

---

**Scholarships**

**Writing Competitions**

Be sure to stay up to date on Legal Writing Competitions.

1. **College of Workers’ Compensation Lawyers Writing Competition**: Amount = $2,000; Application Deadline: 1/15/2018; [https://www.cwclawyers.org](https://www.cwclawyers.org)

2. **Louis Jackson National Student Writing Competition in Employment & Labor Law**: Amount = $3,00; Application Deadline: 01/17/2018; [https://chicagokent.formstack.com/forms/louis_jackson_entry](https://chicagokent.formstack.com/forms/louis_jackson_entry)


4. **ABA Section of Antitrust Law Student Writing Competition**: Amount = $2,500; Application Deadline: 2/31/2018 [https://www.americanbar.org/groups.antitrust_law/awards_fellowships/](https://www.americanbar.org/groups.antitrust_law/awards_fellowships/)


6. **Affordable Housing & Community Development Law Writing Competitions**: Deadline March 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](http://www.americanbar.org/groups/affordable_housing.html) Document with more info.

Upcoming Private Scholarship Programs

1. **Fish & Richardson 1L Diversity Fellowship Program**: Amount = $10,000 & 1L Summer Clerkship; Application Deadline: 1/12/2018; [http://www.fr.com](http://www.fr.com)

2. **Willis W. and Ethel M. Clark Foundation – Investment in Community Graduate Fellowship**: Amount = up to $10,000; Application Deadline: 1/31/2018; [http://www.theclarkfoundation.org/application.html](http://www.theclarkfoundation.org/application.html)

3. **P.J.C. Lindfors Legal Studies Fund (for Finnish and American Law Students)**; Amount = $1,000-$3,000; Application Deadline: 2/1/18; [https://finlandiafoundation.org/programs/scholarships/pjc-lindfors-legal-scholarship](https://finlandiafoundation.org/programs/scholarships/pjc-lindfors-legal-scholarship)

4. **California P.E.O. Scholarships**: Amount = Varies; Application Deadline: 2/1/2018; [https://www.peocalifornia.org](https://www.peocalifornia.org)

5. **California Bar Foundation 2018 3L Diversity Scholarship**: Amount = $5,000 Living Stipend; Application Deadline: 2/15/2018; [https://www.tfaforms.com/452612](https://www.tfaforms.com/452612)


8. **Grasshopper Entrepreneur Scholarship**: Amount = $5,000; Application Deadline: 04/30/2018; [http://grasshopper.com/entrepreneur-scholarship](http://grasshopper.com/entrepreneur-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](mailto:lawfinaid@usfca.edu).
Law Review Symposium, The Epidemic of Data Insecurity

USF Law Review
Date: Friday January 26, 2018
Location: USF Fromm Hall - FR Complex, 660 Parker Avenue
Time: 9:00am - 4:30pm, a reception will follow the program
RSVP today! No one can ignore the growing risk of data breach as businesses in all sectors continue to move into a completely electronic business model. With data breaches becoming more frequent, larger in scale, and covered by the media, businesses and consumers must remain informed about the laws intended to safeguard personal information.

Please join the University of San Francisco Law Review at its Symposium focused on legal and non-legal facets of data breach. Panel topics to include discussions on the epidemic of data insecurity, preventative measures against attacks, legal recourse for breach victims, and the ethical issues related to retaining such information. A networking reception to be held after the panels.

2018 E. L. Wiegand Visiting Fellow Caroline D. Ciraolo Discusses the Impact of Global Tax Enforcement

Date: Friday, February 16, 2018
Time: 11:30 a.m. Registration
12:00 to 1 p.m. Lecture
1:00 to 2:00 p.m. Reception
Place: 101 Howard Street, Room 529
MCLE: 1 General Credit Hour*
Register now
Countries around the world are calculating their respective tax gaps and increasing their investment in civil tax enforcement as information regarding offshore tax evasion takes center stage with the surge of whistleblowers and data leaks. At the same time, law enforcement officials are reviewing information obtained from various sources to identify individuals and entities engaged in tax evasion and to pursue criminal investigations. With this looming threat of discovery, taxpayers are considering voluntary disclosure programs to avoid the increasingly severe consequences of non-compliance. Ciraolo will discuss this new era of global tax enforcement and its impact on taxpayers, their advisors, and third party gatekeepers, including banks and other financial service providers.
This Program is exclusively funded by a generous grant from the Edwin L. Wiegand Trust of Reno, Nevada.

Caroline D. Ciraolo, former acting assistant attorney general of the U.S. Department of Justice Tax Division, is a partner with Kostelanetz & Fink and a founder of its Washington, D.C. office. Her practice focuses on complex and sophisticated federal and state civil tax controversies, providing related tax advice, conducting internal investigations, and representing individuals and institutions in criminal tax investigations and prosecutions.

During her tenure with the Justice Department, Ciraolo was actively involved in all aspects of Tax Division operations. Under her leadership, the Division reached agreements with 80 Swiss financial institutions that admitted to facilitating tax evasion and the avoidance of reporting requirements by U.S. account holders. The Division also imposed and collected more than $1.36 billion in penalties, and increased civil and criminal enforcement with respect to offshore tax evasion, employment tax violations, and traditional tax offenses.

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 Retreat will feature panels that include law professors, practitioners, grass roots organizers, and law students on the topics of Civil Justice, Criminal
Community Events

Webinar: Establishing Legal Services for Undocumented Students and their Family Members

University of California Immigrant Legal Services Center
Date: Tuesday, January 9, 2018
Time: 12:00pm
Location: Register online and view
The UC Immigrant Legal Services Center webinar will focus on WHY and HOW to offer immigration legal services. With the support of NextGen of a technical assistance initiative, the new legal services toolkit, will help colleges and universities across the country establish immigration legal services for their students.

Win that Job

CCCDA Diversity Outreach Committee, Asian American Prosecutors Association, and Bay Area Black Prosecutors Association
Date: Saturday, January 20, 2018
Location: UC Hastings, 198 McAllister Street, San Francisco
Time: 9:00am – 2:00pm (Lunch Provided)
RSVP & more information at www.cocoda.rsvpify.com
Check out the flyer! Contra Costa DA’s Office invites you to a diversity workshop for 1L & 2L aspiring public sector lawyers to polish interview skills, refine resumes, and win that job. Workshop is followed by a meet-and-greet luncheon with newly appointed Contra Costa County District Attorney, Diana Becton.

"To Redeem the Soul of America: King's Vision and Its Challenge to U.S, Catholics" - a Lecture by Fr. Bryan Massingale

University Ministry and Lane Center for Catholic Studies and Social Thought
Date: Thursday, February 1, 2018
Time: 5:00 - 6:30pm
Location: Xavier Chapel in Fromm Hall, USF
Fr. Bryan Massingale, a priest of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee and a professor of theological and social ethics at Marquette University. He is one of the world's leading Catholic social ethicists and scholars of African American theological ethics, racial justice, and liberation theology and holds two honorary doctorates. Attend to find out more!