This Week At USF
August 28, 2018

Announcements

Art of Negotiation
Development and Alumni Relations
Date Thursday, September 6
Location USF Campus
Time: 12-1:30 p.m.
RSVP here https://rsvp.usfca.edu/negotiate
Born and raised in San Francisco, Yankees SVP and Assistant General Manager Jean Afterman is one of the most powerful and influential women in Major League Baseball. Her time with the Yankees has included 11 playoff appearances, two pennants and a World Series title. Her negotiating skills have been a key element contributing to the team's success. Her love of baseball started here in San Francisco at Candlestick Park with the Giants, so how did she end up in New York? Join a conversation with Jean about her path to her current role and how USF, San Francisco, and skillful, fearless negotiation have featured in her life and work.

Discuss & Chat with Dean Carlos (DC with DC)
Office of Student Affairs
Beginning Tuesday, September 4, Dean Carlos will hold drop-in office hours on Tuesdays from 12:00-1:30 p.m. in Kendrick, Room 105. We encourage students to stop by Room 105 during drop-in hours to ask questions, give feedback, or just say “hi”. On the last Tuesday of each month drop-in hours will be from 5:30-6:30 p.m. to accommodate evening students.

Students are always welcome to make appointments with Dean Carlos by visiting the Deans’ Office in Kendrick, Room 328 or via email at: shcarlos@usfca.edu.

Any changes to drop-hours will be posted in “This Week at USF.”

Online Registration Continues
Law Registrar's Office
Online registration and waitlist seat offers continue for Fall 2018. Students may add classes through Friday, August 31 and drop classes through Monday, September 10. Please check the waitlist daily Monday – Friday through August 31 if you have placed yourself on a waitlist. More information here - https://myusf.usfca.edu/law/registration/registration-dates-and-procedures.
Contact Law Registrar’s Office (lawregistrar@usfca.edu)
Fall 2018 Externship Application
The Fall 2018 Externship Application deadline has passed and we will no longer be accepting applications. Spring 2019 Externship Applications are due December 5, 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. The mandatory judicial externship class typically meets the Friday before the semester begins. The mandatory civil and criminal classes meet 3-4 times per semester. Please see Course Schedule for all class dates.

Advocate of the Year Competition Registration
Moot Court Board
Advocate of the Year Competition (AYC) is USF’s annual internal oral argument competition. It’s a great opportunity for students to network, to improve their writing and oral advocacy skills, and to refresh their research techniques. This competition is open to all upper division students (2L and up). All participants receive one unit credit. Participants will write a 16-20 page brief (assigned 9/12, due 9/26) and argue both sides of the problem in front of practicing judges and lawyers in the first round of competition (10/6-10/7). The top 16 students will advance to the second round (10/13). Finals will be held on Friday, 10/26. Students advance based on their performance in each round. Awards will be given for Best Oralist and Best Brief Writer. Sign up by 8/31, the last day to add classes, with CRN # 42942. Questions? Email usfmootcourt@gmail.com. Kelly Stephan, usfmootcourt@gmail.com

Student Tutors Needed ASAP:
The Re-examinee Peer Tutor Program is seeking student tutors for the Fall semester. Eligible tutors are able to receive 1 unit of credit for tutoring. Tutors are needed for the following subjects:

- Civil Procedure 1
- Contracts 1
- Property 1
- Torts 1

Please contact Simone Christen (simone.k.christen@gmail.com), for more information about the program, including eligibility requirements

LinkedIn Workshop
Office of Career Planning
Thursday, September 13, 2018: 12:15 - 1:20 PM KN 240 and 5:30 - 6:20 PM KN 105
Thursday, September 27, 2018: 12:15 - 1:20 PM KN 240 and 5:30 - 6:20 PM KN 212
https://rsvp.usfca.edu/workshop
The Office of Career Planning is hosting a LinkedIn Workshop to help you create an outstanding profile and set you up for success in navigating the strange world of professional social media. RSVP for one of the sessions listed. Food will be served!

Academic Bar and Exam Success Program
ABES is very excited to announce the launch of the ABES Peer Mentor Program! We are currently seeking 2Ls, 3Ls, and 4Ls who are interested in becoming ABES Peer Mentors. For questions about becoming a Peer Mentor please email Professor Abedian at aabedian@usfca.edu or click on the link below to fill out an application to become a mentor. We look forward to working with you!

https://myusf.usfca.edu/law/academic-and-bar-exam-success-program
Online Group Study Room Reservations Now Available at Zief

Zief Law Library
With the start of the new school year, the law library is launching a new online booking service for group study rooms. Students can book directly from the library's home page using the "Book a Study Room" button. Our new online booking system furnishes e-mail confirmation of reservations. Students are limited to booking one 3-hour block per calendar day. However, students can now book group study rooms up to 3 days into the future. Detailed booking instructions are available here: https://tinyurl.com/y7fttbr

Register to Vote:
Have you recently moved, and need to update your voter registration? Need to register to vote for the first time? Visit my.voteeverywhere.org to register online!

Bike Cage Key Rental
Deans' Office
Use the Bike Cage located in P1 for the academic school year! If you're interested, please fill out the Bike Cage Key Rental Agreement Form found in the Deans' Office and return completed with a refundable $20 check or cash to the Deans' Office, KN 328, to receive your bike cage key. Questions? Email takailahi@usfca.edu.

Call for Comments
USF Law Review
Want to get your writing published? USF Law Review is looking for student comments to include in an upcoming issue. Please contact Law Review Executive Editor Ernie Mejia at edmejia@usfca.edu for more information.

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.

Volunteer Opportunity: LawHelpCA's Legal Access Corps
Find more Information here.

Open Door Legal
Open Door Legal is in need of Mandarin speakers to work pro bono on translations for their clients. Open Door Legal is a legal services organization started by two USF alums over 5 years ago. The organization is pioneering the country’s first system of universal access to civil representation and showing that when everyone has access to the law, poverty can be dramatically reduced. No prior translation experience is needed. The work can all be done electronically so there is flexibility in the time commitment. Contact probono@usfca.edu if you are interested in getting involved.

General Assistance Advocacy Project (GAAP)
GAAP are always looking for enthusiastic and dedicated individuals to help us serve clients at our drop-in clinic. GAAP Volunteers gain rich and valuable knowledge and experience working directly with clients and handle challenging cases with support, supervision, and careful attention.

Volunteers are encouraged to commit to three hours per week at the clinic, open every day, except Wednesdays, from 9am-12pm, and 1:30pm-4:30 pm. GAAP provides training and support to volunteers who assist and counsel clients. As a result,

GAAP’s clients are served by over 50 committed volunteers, including law students from the University of California- Hastings College of the Law and other Bay Area law schools, Bonner/Americorp Leaders from St. Mary’s College of California, undergraduates, community volunteers, and high school students. For more information, contact Kendra Amick at kamick@gaap.org or call (415) 928-8191.

CROC- Cooperative Restraining Order Clinic
Description of work: Law students are needed to participate in the clinics which helps domestic violence survivors get restraining orders against their abusers.
Skill Level: All
Time Commitment: Clinics take place once a week on alternating Saturdays and Thursday evenings. Students are expected to commit to at least two clinics a month for at least a six month period.
Contact: Emberly C. Cross emberly@roclinic.org 415-864-1790
More information: https://www.probono.net/sf/volunteer/item.cooperative_restraining_order_clinic_croc

LiveChat hosted by The Legal Aid Association of California through LawHelpCA.org
Description of work: This is the official statewide resource for self-help referrals and information and LiveChat volunteers help people navigate the website by providing direct, person-to-person help for someone who might be in a stressful and alienating legal situation who just needs a kind, human response. It is possible to work remotely from a personal computer, though the first few training/practice sessions take place in LAAC’s Oakland office until you are comfortable navigating the website.

Skill Level: All
Time Commitment: 20 hours over the course of a semester
Contact: David Latt at dlatt@laaconline.org or (510) 893-3000 ext 102

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.

California Lawyers for the Arts
Description of work: Work to establish a bridge between the arts and the legal communities. Check out the current volunteer opportunities for law students here.
Skill Level: All
Time Commitment: Various
Contact: Bob Pimm, bob.pimm@calawyersforthearts.org
https://www.calawyersforthearts.org/internvolunteerlaw-fellow-application-form.html

APILO/AABA East Bay- Legal Clinic
Volunteer at the API/AABA East Bay Legal Clinic on their next legal clinic date to be announced in next week’s newsletter.
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. Starting at 6 p.m. we will have a volunteer training and meal, and then at 6:30 p.m. we will start seeing clients. Please come and provide your legal expertise to low-income community members

APILO/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!
As usual, the clinic will start at 5:45 p.m. and is held at the UC Hastings Civil Justice Clinic office (100
Legal Advice and Referral Clinic Volunteer at the Legal Advice and Referral Clinic ("LARC") on May 26th.

*If you are signing up for pro bono work, please contact [probono@usfca.edu](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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 Merrit 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](mailto: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 email lawstudentaffairs@usfca.edu.

Let's Talk
"Let's Talk" is a program that provides easy access to informal confidential consultations with counselors from Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS). Counselors hold walk-in hours and no appointment is necessary.
August 22 - Dec 13
Location: UC 528
Monday: 1-2pm, 3-4pm
Tuesday: 12-1pm
Wednesday: 11-12pm, 12-1pm
Thursday: 12-1pm
Friday: 1-2pm
For more info: myusf.usfca.edu/caps/lets-talk

Womxn of Color Collective
Wednesday, Aug. 29 from 3:30–4:30 p.m.
Intercultural Center (UC 411/412)
This is a safe, supportive space to create community and share narratives with other womxn of color!

Trans* and Non-Binary Collective
Monday, Aug. 27 from 3:30–4:30 p.m.
Gender & Sexuality Center (UC 413)
This is a collective for folks who identify as trans* or non-binary to build community and solidarity.

School Health Insurance - What are the benefits?
Here's a powerpoint that provides some basic information about how to access your health care, the benefits that you get, the location of the clinic, and lots more! If you have any questions, feel free to contact Kamal Harb, the Director of Health Promotion Services, at harb@usfca.edu.

USF Monday Night Haven Meeting
Date: Starting August 20
Time: Mondays 8 - 9:00 pm
Location: Toler Hall University Ministry Office, Romero Room Lower Level 122
Are you struggling with substance use and considering making a change? Would you like to meet a group like minded students who have overcome their substance use issues? If so, come check out the weekly Haven meeting at USF!
Contact Todd Berry at 415-577-1260 for more information.
Burton Book Fund
We are happy to announce that USF Law students are now eligible to apply for grants through the Burton Book Fund. The Burton Book Fund provides $200 grants to current and former foster youth attending colleges and universities in California to help offset the cost of textbooks. Additional information about the Burton Book Fund is available here.

Please contact Dean Carlos at shcarlos@usfca.edu for more information about eligibility and how to apply.

First Six Weeks
Title IX Task Force
National studies have shown that the first six weeks of the school year are when the highest number of sexual assaults are perpetrated on college campuses against first year students. The programs presented in the series intent to raise awareness of sexual assault, support victim/survivors and empower our community to develop healthy relationships.
Check out the flyer for the event dates!

Financial Aid
Financial Aid Office Hours Fall 2018 Semester

August 13-19
Monday – Thursday
8:30 am – 5:30 pm
Friday
8:30 am – 5:00 pm

August 20-31
Monday – Thursday
8:30 am – 6:00 pm
Friday
8:30 am – 5:00 pm

Beginning September 4
Monday & Wednesday
8:30 am – 6:00 pm
Tuesday, Thursday, Friday
8:30 am to 5:00 pm

Fall 2018 Tuition Payment Deadline
Fall tuition and fees were due by August 1, 2018 for all USF students registered for fall classes. Your bill must be reconciled by Authorized Financial Aid, personal payment, a combination of the two, or enrollment in the four month payment plan. Payment options are available when viewing your bill online via your myUSF student portal.
Please be aware that all registered students will be automatically billed for University sponsored health insurance, unless you complete the online insurance waiver form. Information on the University sponsored health insurance including the online waiver form is available at: https://myusf.usfca.edu/hps/insurance

If you applied for a waiver last year for 2017-18 academic year, it is no longer valid for the upcoming 2018-19 academic year. You must apply for a waiver every year. Once you apply for and are approved for a waiver, please allow 5-7 business days before the insurance charge on your student account is reversed. The deadline to apply for a waiver is September 1, 2018.

IMPORTANT: If your Fall 2018 semester charges were not reconciled by the August 1 deadline, the USF Students Accounts Office sent you a registration cancellation warning email, providing you with a one-time only extended payment deadline of August 10. If your fall class registration remained unreconciled by that date, your fall registration would have been cancelled by the USF One Stop Student Accounts Office. You will not be allowed to re-register until you have made the appropriate payment to your student account, with either sufficient Authorized Financial Aid, personal payment, a combination of the two, or enrollment in the four month payment plan and payment of the first installment.

Fall 2018 Financial Aid Disbursement Date
The Disbursement date is the earliest possible date that funds from both federal and private sources can be sent to the University each semester. Funds are sent electronically by each provider in two equal installments, once each semester. Federal regulations require that aid be disbursed no earlier than approximately one week before the start of each term. Scholarship funds are also disbursed at the same time federal and private loan funds are disbursed.

The earliest scheduled disbursement date for both federal and private sources for the Fall 2018 is Monday, August 13, 2018.

Once funds disburse, your fall semester bill is paid off and any remaining funds left over after your bill is paid, is refunded to you. Aid will continue to be disbursed throughout each semester as individual student financial aid files become complete later in the term and/or additional federal or private loan applications are processed and approved.

As an FYI, the earliest disbursement date for the Spring 2019 semester will Tuesday, January 2, 2019.

Fall 2018 Excess Aid Refund Process
If your total financial aid exceeds your tuition bill, the University Student Accounts Office will begin a refund process on August 14, the day AFTER disbursement. Any excess aid after tuition is paid will be refunded to you. Your refund should be used to cover your cost of living expenses (food, rent, etc.) for the semester. The refund process begins on August 14.

Refunds are sent electronically to your bank account as long as you have signed up for the direct deposit refund process. If you have not signed up for direct deposit refund process, a paper check refund will be made available to you.

IMPORTANT: August 14 is NOT the date you receive your refund in your bank account. Direct deposit refunds are typically received in your bank account 3-5 business days AFTER August 14, depending on
your banking institution.

A paper check refund is typically made available 10-15 business days **AFTER** August 14. Refunds as a result of an overpayment from a personal check may take up to 15 business days to process.

**If you are already enrolled in direct deposit, you do NOT need to re-enroll. Please be sure however, that your designated bank account on file is still active by viewing the information online via your myUSF student portal.**

If you are relying on a refund for living expenses including the purchase of your books, food, etc., please plan accordingly. The USF One Stop Office will make every effort to insure that you receive your refund in a timely manner, but there can be unanticipated delays due to excessive refund processing as the University processes aid refunds for all USF students around the same time. **Please note that the earliest that a student can expect to receive a direct deposit aid refund in their bank account may not be until the week of August 20.**

**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](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov). All students who wish to receive financial aid for the 2018-19 academic year are required to complete the 2018-19 FAFSA.

It not too late to apply for federal loan aid for the upcoming 2018-19 academic year.

You can access the FAFSA online at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov). Our Title IV code is 001325 and must be included in your FAFSA application.

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](http://www.studentloans.gov). **Students can begin applying for a 2018-19 PLUS Loan beginning in early June but 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.**

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**Scholarships**

**Writing Competitions**

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

**Upcoming Private Scholarship Programs**

1. [Marin County Bar Association Legal Education Scholarship & Michael F. O'Donnel Memorial Scholarship](#), Application Deadline 8/31/18
2. **The McCormack & Erlich Employment Law Firm Scholarship**, Application Deadline 8/31/18
   Award Amount up to $1,000, [https://mcelawfirm.com/scholarship/](https://mcelawfirm.com/scholarship/)

   Award Amount up to $1,000, [https://mosheslaw.com/scholarship-law-office-of-yuriy-moshes/](https://mosheslaw.com/scholarship-law-office-of-yuriy-moshes/)

   **Sonoma County Women in Law**, Application Deadline 9/1/18
   Award Amount up to $5,000 - $7,000, [http://www.sonomacou](http://www.sonomacou)