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Professional Development Program

Student Instructions

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 class folder will include the activity categories and numbers of activities required for each class year. This 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:

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 and/or via emails sent by OPD staff. Some activities may be “on-demand” or web-based. Additionally, these activities will likely require pre- or post-work such as filling out a professional identity assessment or updating your application documents.

Networking and Skills Events: These are events sponsored, or co-sponsored by OPD, and generally involve participation by Toledo Law alumni or friends of the law school. OPD staff will publicize notice of events that qualify under this category in the OPD newsletter and/or by email.

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.

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 a 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.

Tracking: This webcourse should be used tracking your completed activities. You are responsible for reporting the activities that you completed. The Office of Professional Development will track attendance at all mandatory *in-person* activities. Note, if you complete a mandatory activity on-demand, you are responsible for tracking it in the “2019-2020 Professional Development Program (PDP)” webcourse.

Turn-in: You are required to report each Networking and Skills, Pro Bono Awareness, and Professional Exploration activity by end of the semester in which you complete the number of credits for each class level. This is your “reporting period.” Reporting is done via the “2019-2020 Professional Development Program (PDP)” webcourse, and should be done in the appropriate drop-box or questionnaire for each activity.

For example, if you are a full-time 1L student who started in August 2019 and completed 30 hours by the end of Spring 2020, you would report your 1L activities by the end of the Spring 2020 semester for the “1L reporting period.” If you are a part-time 1L student who started in August 2019 and completed 30 hours by the end of Spring 2021, you would report your activities by the end of the Spring 2021 semester.

2-year JD students will only complete the first and second reporting periods.

Contact OPD@utoledo.edu with questions about the Professional Development Program (PDP).

For the checklist of activities, log into Blackboard > "2019-2020 Professional Development Program (PDP)" and click on the appropriate folder for your reporting period under "Content."

Upcoming Programs

Practice Area Speed Networking Event

Tuesday, October 29, 2019 - 5:30pm - 7:30pm in SLK Lounge

Join the Office of Professional Development for Practice Area Speed Networking on October 29th from 5:30pm – 7:30pm in the SLK Lounge. Come learn about various practice areas from Toledo Law alumni!

Practice Areas and Alumni include:

- Family Law: Cindy Kirby – Kirby Family Law
- Appellate Court: Judge Singer - Sixth District Court of Appeals
- Personal Injury and Solo Practice: Kayleigh Burden – Kayleigh Burden Law

More practice areas and attorneys are being added daily.

Formatting: The program will be traditional structured table talk, followed by open networking for the last 30 minutes. Appetizers will be served.

Professional Dress

RSVP on TLCN by noon on October 24th required.

Night students are encouraged to attend before evening classes.

Attending this Event counts as a Networking and Skills Event – "Speed Networking Event" Remember to self-report this activity on the PDP blackboard course after the event.

Ohio Substance Abuse Education Session

Tuesday, October 29, 2019 - Auditorium, 11:50am - 12:50pm

Attention 3L/4L students taking the Ohio Bar Exam in February or July

2020. Attorney Bill Hayes will present a substance abuse education session which is **required** for all Ohio bar applicants. All students are welcome to attend. This is the only live presentation this academic year, so if you are graduating in Dec. '19 - Aug. '20, you should attend if you have not already completed this requirement. **Attendees can be certified as receiving the one hour of instruction on substance abuse, including causes, prevention, detection, and treatment alternatives that is required by the Ohio Supreme Court.** (See [Gov. Bar Rule I.](#)) **The law school has to certify completion of this to the OH Supreme Court, therefore you must attend the whole hour presentation to be certified. Do not be late or leave early. Pizza will be provided for those who [RSVP](#).**

**Those who need the certification and are unable to attend due to work or extenuating circumstances must contact Dean Goheen in the library to schedule a make-up video

replay which involves watching the video in the library at a mutually convenient time. If you have questions, contact Assistant Dean for Academic Affairs, Kelly Tomlinson, at kelly.tomlinson@utoledo.edu or 419-530-2937.

RSVP POLICY

Please note The Office of Professional Development's RSVP Policy:

The Office of Professional Development will be following a strict RSVP policy for the 2019-2020 school year. Any programming put on by OPD that advertises that pizza or food will be provided, requires an RSVP by the date listed. OPD will only order food for those that RSVP by the deadline. This includes required programming, such as mandatory class meetings, specifically whether you are attending at 11:50am or 5:15pm.

Additionally, other programming such as networking events or events with alumni involvement, may list a required number of RSVPs by a certain deadline to go forward. If the number is not reached, the event may be canceled. Please RSVP to these events as soon as you know you will be able to attend.

RSVP early, often, and encourage your friends!

OPD Evening Hours

The OPD staff is available in the evenings by appointment only. If you would like to make an appointment, please contact us at opd@utoledo.edu or 419-530-2851.

Professional Development Program Activities

Activities below count towards your Professional Development Program (PDP) Activities. If you have any questions, or would like an activity advertised here and count towards your PDP, please contact Laura Dettinger at Laura.Dettinger@utoledo.edu. Remember to report your completed activities on the Blackboard Course under your reporting period folder.

Great Lakes Water Conference: "Lake Erie Bill of Rights, PFAS, Plus More"

Friday, November 8

8 a.m. McQuade Law Auditorium

Attending at least the morning session counts as a "Professional Exploration Activity" - Attending a legal Conference or CLE Course for 2Ls, and 3L/4Ls

Toledo Bar Association Pro Bono Clinics

The Toledo Bar Association has many pro bono clinics coming up in the near future. You can register to volunteer [here](#). Once you register, email Michelle Tussing to let her know you are a student.

Note: If you sign up, you are committing to participate, if you can no longer participate for any reason, you must inform Michelle Tussing as soon as possible.

Michelle's email is MTussing@toledobar.org

Participation in a Toledo Bar Association Pro Bono Clinic counts as a "Pro Bono Awareness" Task for 2Ls & 3Ls/4Ls

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Peggy Browning Fund



Educating Law Students on the Rights and Needs of Workers

NATIONAL LAW STUDENTS WORKERS' RIGHTS CONFERENCE



When: October 18-19, 2019

Where: Maritime Conference Center
Linthicum Heights, MD

Friday: Pre-Conference Sessions
Networking Dinner
Evening Program

Saturday: Keynote Address/Peter Mitchell Labor Law Lecture:
Sharon Block, *Executive Director, Labor & Worklife Program*
Lecturer on Law
Harvard Law School
Morning & Afternoon Workshops
Plenary Session

Much More:

- Learn more about the vital issues facing American workers.
- Gain valuable insights into becoming an advocate for workers and their families.
- Supplement your labor law and workers' rights courses.
- Network with fellow law students, top labor attorneys, professors, nonprofit practitioners and government officials.

Registration Deadlines: August 26, 2019 if requesting support for airfare
October 1, 2019 for all others

Watch for details at www.peggybrowningfund.org

Questions? Email mmoffa@peggybrowningfund.org or call 267-273-7992





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LAW STUDENT
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In partnership with the University of Cincinnati College of Law's Center for Professional Development, Keating Muething and Klekamp invites 1L Diverse Students to participate in a case competition to be held at KMK Law on January 17 & 18, 2020. The Second Annual Competition will join our top legal, diverse talent from Tri-State law schools. Participants will benefit from workshops, networking and team presentations judged by KMK partners, clients and community leaders.

Who is eligible to participate?

Underrepresented racial and ethnic minority, first year students who attend Tri-State law schools.

Application Instructions:

We require each participant to fill out an individual [registration form](#), and submit to jmulhem@kmklaw.com with a current copy of his/her resume. The email subject line should say, "2020 Case Competition".

Key Dates:

Application Deadline: **11.1.2019**

Hotel Reservation Deadline: **12.18.2019**

Competition Dates: **1.17 & 1.18. 2020**

Team Prizes:

1st Place - \$3,000

2nd Place - \$2,000

3rd Place - \$1,000

Accommodations:

KMK has secured a block of rooms at the rate of \$118 USD per night at the [Hilton Cincinnati Netherland Plaza](#): 35 West Fifth Street, Cincinnati, OH 45202

Book Your Room Now!

Group Code: KMK

Call 1.800.445.8667 for assistance

Last day to Book: December 15

Contact Information:



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American Arbitration Association - ADR Summit for Diverse Law Students

The American Arbitration Association is launching a 1½-day ADR Summit for diverse law students to provide an in-depth understanding of what it really takes to become a successful arbitrator and/or mediator. Since 2009, the AAA A. Leon Higginbotham, Jr. Fellows Program has provided training, networking, and mentorship for up-and-coming diverse ADR practitioners—many of whom have advanced to appointment to the AAA Roster and have been selected to serve on cases.

Presenters will include experienced ADR professionals and litigators from various backgrounds who will outline a successful career path as an arbitrator or mediator and discuss how to avoid potential pitfalls along the way. Attendees will learn the importance of focusing on a specific industry, networking, connecting with mentors, gaining relevant experience, and building a good reputation in the field.

The program is open to diverse students. Selected applicants will receive a \$1,300 stipend to cover travel and hotel expenses to New York.

The event is Saturday, November 23 & Sunday, November 24

TO APPLY, please provide the following materials:

Statement of interest

One faculty or professional recommendation

An essay on the future of ADR (350-500 words)

Application Deadline: October 7, 2019

Send Applications to: Kron Vollmer at VollmerK@adr.org

Jobs of the Week

Below are a few select job postings for 2L and 3L/4L students. For the full posting and to view other positions go to [TLCN](#). Apply as soon as possible

Job Title

Employer Name

[MLB Diversity Fellowship Program](#)

[Law Clerk](#)

[Judicial Law Clerk to Justice Pat DeWine](#)

[Summer 2020 Law Clerk](#)

[Law Clerk](#)

[Legal Intern](#)

[Law Clerk](#)

[2020-2022 Gault Fellowship](#)

[Diversity Fellowship Program](#)

[Toledo Bar Association Fellowship Collaborative](#)

[2020 Ella Baker Summer Internship Program](#)

[Legal Internship \(Spring, Summer and Fall\)](#)

[Extern](#)

Major League Baseball

Allen Circuit Court

Justice Pat DeWine

National Juvenile Defender Center

Ward Law Office LLC

Wood County Public Defenders

Brady, Coyle & Schmidt, Ltd.

National Juvenile Defender Center

Bakerhostetler

Toledo Bar Association

Center for Constitutional Rights

White House, Office of Science and
Technology Policy

Federal Public Defender

General Info

Join a bar association! Getting to know your local bar association and their members is a great way to network with attorneys. Some bar associations are even free for law students.

[American Bar Association](#)

[Columbus Bar Association](#)

[Cleveland Bar Association](#)

[Detroit Bar Association](#)

[Ohio State Bar Association](#)

[Federal Bar Association](#)

[State Bar of Michigan](#)

[Toledo Bar Association](#) - Join the bar by filling out [this application](#)

[Toledo Women's Bar Association](#)

[Washtenaw County Bar Association](#)

Find archived newsletters [here](#)

2019 AFL-CIO Lawyers Coordinating Committee Directory of Members - Now Available in the OPD

This directory contains contact information about national and local union legal departments, as well as firms that practice union-side labor law. If you are interested in using this resource, stop by the OPD or e-mail opd@utoledo.edu.

Bar Exam Info

For links to state bar exam websites, [click here](#).

Ohio Bar Exam Info

[MORE ABOUT OHIO DEADLINES](#)

2019

- Oct. 25 Release of the results of the July 2019 bar examination
- Nov. 1 **Deadline:** Application to take the February 2020 bar examination
Note: The dates for the February 2020 bar examination are Feb. 25, 26, and 27
Admissions Ceremony for successful July examinees who have met all admission requirements
- Nov. TBD The Nov. TBD Bar Admissions ceremony will be recorded as a service for the newly admitted attorneys, their families and guests. The video will contain coverage of the entire event, including all speakers and the presentation of wall certificates. This video can be viewed in the [Supreme Court video archive](#).
- Nov. 15 **Deadline:** Timely [Application to Register as a Candidate for Admission](#) to the Practice of Law (for applicants in the second year of law school)
- Dec. 10 **Deadline:** Late Application to take the February 2020 bar examination

IMPORTANT: Every applicant who intends to take the Ohio bar examination shall file with the Office of Bar Admissions of the Supreme Court an Application to Register as a Candidate for Admission to the Practice of Law by November 15 of the applicant's second year of law school. (This means in your second year of law school, whether you are on the Full-Time or Part-Time track, no matter when you plan to graduate!) [Click here for more details.](#)

Michigan Bar Exam Info

[MORE ABOUT MICHIGAN DEADLINES](#)

DEADLINES FOR OTHER STATES VARY, PLEASE CHECK WITH THE STATE IN WHICH YOU PLAN TO TAKE THE BAR EXAMINATION FOR MORE DETAILS.



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