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OPD Appointments and Office Hours

The OPD staff is available for virtual appointments. You can schedule an appointment with Laura or Katie directly through TLCN. Or, if you have a quick question, stop by our virtual office hours! Please double check in TLCN to verify office hours haven't changed for the week, but in general our office hours are as follows:

Laura: Mondays, 2:30-4:30 pm

Wednesdays, 11:30 am -1:30 pm

Click on this link to join Laura's hours:

<https://utoledo.webex.com/meet/laura.dettinger>

Katie: Thursdays, 1:00-3:00 pm

Fridays, 8:45-10:45 am

Click on this link to join Katie's

hours: <https://utoledo.webex.com/meet/kate.schuyler>

To learn how to schedule an appointment or join office hours, watch [this](#) quick (3 minute) video!

Reminders

OHIO BAR EXAM - FEBRUARY BAR APPLICATION
DEADLINE

If you are going to sit for the February 2021 bar exam, the Application is due to the Ohio Supreme Court by November 2, 2020. The dates for the February 2021 bar exam are February 23-24.

OHIO BAR EXAM - CHARACTER AND FITNESS APPLICATION DEADLINE

Tiffany Kline from the Ohio Supreme Court is unable to present on-campus this year, but she answers many questions regarding the Character and Fitness Questionnaire in this [video](#) of last year's presentation. You will need to log-in to Mediasite with your UTAD credentials to watch.

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 (this is a Sunday, so you have until November 16) 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!)*

Professional Development Program

Purpose of the Professional Development Program

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

How it works

Reporting cycles are based on the number of credits you have earned at the end of the semester. For example, you must have completed all activities listed in the "0 – 30 Credits Reporting Cycle" between the time you start law school and the semester in which you earned your 30th credit. For the "31 – 60 Credit Reporting Cycle" complete all activities listed between the semester you

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

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

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

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

Pro Bono Awareness Tasks: Ohio, along with many other states, encourages pro bono work as part of a lawyer’s professional duties to the public and justice system. Therefore, these tasks are not only a resume builder, but they will help kick-start a commitment to your professional duty as lawyers. The Ohio Supreme court states in the Preamble to the Ohio Rules of Professional Conduct: “...[A]ll lawyers should devote professional time and resources and use civic influence to ensure equal access to our system of justice for those who because of economic or social barrier cannot afford or secure legal counsel.” It is your responsibility to find pro bono clinics and volunteer to help, or find an attorney to work with or shadow. OPD is happy to help in your search but will not be responsible for placement in these opportunities. OPD may advertise pro bono projects and other opportunities via the newsletter or emails. Students in the 0 – 30 credit reporting cycle are not required to complete a Pro Bono Awareness Task. Students in the 31 – 60, or 61+ reporting cycle may report participation in one of the listed legal clinics. Note: the Public Service and Corporate Counsel Externship Clinics do not count.

Professional Development Approved Programs

Toledo Women's Bar Association Monthly Luncheon

"Salute to the Judiciary 2020" Zoom - Thursday, October 22nd, 5:30 pm

The TWBA's annual Salute serves as a forum for judicial candidates to not only introduce themselves to the attendees, but also speak briefly about their background, qualifications, and candidacy. This year, we will be hearing from at least two candidates for the Supreme Court of Ohio, one candidate for the Sixth District Court of Appeals, three candidates for the Lucas County Court of Common Pleas, and one candidate for the Wood County Court of Common Pleas.

In addition to hearing from the judicial candidates, we will also be memorializing three judges we lost this year – Judge Fred McDonald, Judge James Jensen, and Judge Peter Handwork.

A link for this event will be emailed following registration. For more information and to register, click here: <https://tw3sba.wildapricot.org/event-4022214>

***Attending the TWBA Salute to the Judiciary 2020 event counts as a Networking and Skills Event - Bar Association Networking Event*

20th Annual Great Lakes Water Conference

"Water in the Courts" - Friday, November 6th, 9:00-12:30 pm

Water-related cases of international, national, regional and local import will be the focus of the 20th Annual Great Lakes Water Conference. In light of the COVID-19 pandemic, this year's conference will be conducted **virtually online as a live webinar**.

Titled "Water in the Courts," the half-day conference will feature six legal experts addressing litigation about the Enbridge oil pipeline underlying the Straits of Mackinac; an interstate groundwater allocation case pending before the U.S. Supreme Court; the Court's recent *County of Maui* decision affecting permitting under the Clean Water Act; challenges to the new federal "waters of the United States" rule; high water levels and flooding in and around Lake Ontario; and the Lake Erie Bill of Rights.

The conference is sponsored by The University of Toledo College of Law and its affiliated Legal Institute of the Great Lakes.

Registration for the conference is free for the public and \$50 for attorneys seeking 3.0 hours of CLE. The conference has been approved by the Ohio Supreme Court Commission on Continuing Legal Education for 3.0 hours of CLE credit as a live interactive webinar.

The deadline for registration is Nov. 4. For more information and to register, [visit the conference webpage.](#)

*** Attending this conference counts as a "Professional Exploration - Attend a bar association committee meeting, legal conference, legal job fair, or continuing education course" for 2Ls and 3Ls.*

"Nuts & Bolts: The Job Search"

Informational Interviews

"Nuts & Bolts: The Job Search" is a series of short informational videos (~ 5 minutes) brought to you by the Pennsylvania, Ohio, and West Virginia Employment Resources consortium, otherwise known as POWER. POWER consists of 11 law schools in our region, and is dedicated to promoting best practices in law school career development and assisting in the career success of all our students.

Each of the 11 POWER schools created a video on a different topic, designed to educate students on professionalism basics to help you develop into a well-rounded lawyer. OPD will be sharing each of these videos with you.

Today's video is on informational interviews. For many students, navigating an informational interview can be tricky - this video can help! Click [here](#) to watch.

Legal Programs, Scholarships, and Contests



LAW STUDENT
DIVERSITY CASE
COMPETITION
The Nation's First and Only



Virtual Event - January 15 & 16
Registration Opens October 19, 2020 at

www.kmklaw.com

**A short video about the competition can be
found [here](#)**



We're accepting '21-22 Reproductive Justice Fellowship Program applications!



Are you a law student who can't wait to shape laws and advance policies to ensure reproductive self-determination for all? We're calling on the If/When/How community to spread the word and encourage aspiring lawyers to apply for our '21-22 If/When/How [Reproductive Justice Fellowship Program](#) cohort.

We invite **3Ls** [to apply](#) for the one-of-a-kind legal fellowship program that has launched the careers of 82 lawyers to date. Fellows earn \$57,000 and start in Fall 2021; possible placement locations include Oakland, CA, Washington, D.C., Atlanta, GA, Memphis, TN and Nashville, TN, with the potential for remote placements. [Applications](#) are **due November 2nd!**

[APPLY NOW!](#)

Jobs of the Week

Below are a few select job postings for students. For the full posting and to view other positions go to [TLCN](#).

Don't wait to apply – deadlines for summer 2021 are approaching quickly!

Job Title	Employer Name
2021 Ella Baker Summer Internship Program	Center for Constitutional Rights
2021 California Attorney General's Honors Program	State of California, Dept of Justice
Donald W. Banner Diversity Fellowship	Banner Witcoff
Summer Associate and Diversity Scholarship (2Ls)	Shumaker, Loop & Kendrick
Student and Volunteer Attorney Internships	EEOC - Cleveland
Summer Law Clerk	Ohio Attorney General's Office
Student Trainee (Legal Intern)	Consumer Financial Protection Bureau
Mayoral Fellow	City of Chicago, Mayor's Office
Summer Honors Intern	New York City Law Department
Intern (Remote or In-person)	Indiana Department of Criminal Justice
McAndrews Diversity in Patent Law Fellowship	McAndrews, Held & Malloy, LLP
Summer 2021 Intern (Remote Work Possible)	Iowa Dept. of Justice, Office of the AG





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