Law Librarianship Program Alumni Newsletter, Autumn 2016

1. Class of 2017

Six new students have joined the program this year and are off to a great start! They are:

1. Hannah Doenges (JD from the University of Minnesota Law School)
2. Christine Ford (JD from the University of Missouri School of Law)
3. Mariana Newman (JD from the University of California, Los Angeles School of Law)
4. Elizabeth Manriquez (JD from Chicago-Kent College of Law)
5. Maya Swanes (JD from the University of New Mexico School of Law)
6. Samuel Williams (JD from the Lewis & Clark Law School)

The orientation for the Law Librarianship Program was held the week of September 19 – September 23 which included reference & circulation training, information about the program requirements, and background on the profession of law librarianship. Each day, the students were able to have lunch with a group of staff members and lecturers who will be a part of their internship and teaching this year. They are a wonderful group of students and should be a credit to the program!
2. Class of 2016

a.) Once again, we have 100% full employment for our most recent class of graduates. Here is what the Class of 2016 is doing now:

- Justin Abbasi, Judicial Administrative Assistant, Washington State Supreme Court
- Tiffany Camp, Reference Librarian, UNC Law Library
- Tami Carson, Academic Account Manager at Thompson-Reuters (Chicago)
- Elizabeth Cook, E-Resources and Collection Development Librarian, Cardozo Law Library
- Sarah Dunaway, Assistant Law Librarian, Public Law Library of King County
- Ambrogino Giusti, Law Clerk, Washington State Court of Appeals
- Sarah Reis, Reference Librarian, Stanford Law Library
- Emily Siess, Public Services Librarian, Concordia Law School Library
- Allison Symulevich, Reference Librarian, UNC Law Library

b.) Many thanks to our Directed Fieldwork hosts this year! Once again, they offered an invaluable work experience for our students in their libraries to help prepare them for future employment. The Fieldwork hosts for 2016 were:

- Karin Johnsrud, U.S. Supreme Court Library (Justin Abbasi)
- Teresa Miguel-Stearns, Yale Law Library (Tiffany Camp)
- John Mayer, CALI (Tami Carson)
- Sarah Jaramillo, New York University Law Library (Elizabeth Cook)
- Sarah Griffith, U.S. Courts Library: Seattle (Sarah Dunaway)
- Susan Goard, United Nations Dag Hammarskjold Library (Ambrogino Giusti)
- Sabrina Sondhi, Columbia University Law Library (Sarah Reis)
- Suzanne Klinger, University of Washington: Tacoma Library (Emily Siess)
- Rebecca Trammell, Stetson Law Library (Allison Symulevich)

c.) And finally, thanks to Mike Chiorazzi, Associate Dean for Information Services, Beverly & James E. Rogers Professor of Law, Professor of Information Resources & Library Science at the University of Arizona for teaching the Law Library Administration class this year. The Class of 2016 were given a thorough overview of the challenges and opportunities of managing a modern law library by one of our most distinguished alumni.
3. Ischool classes

With Penny’s retirement, in addition to being the Interim Director of the Law Librarianship Program, I am also teaching the Current Issues in Law Librarianship class (LIS 595) this year. As you may remember, this is the class that culminates in a research paper and presentation that represents the capstone of the MLIS degree. In addition, we will be meeting throughout the year to discuss issues related to the future of law libraries, the preparation of cover letters and resumes and, effective presentation skills. In addition, I will still be teaching my Library Technology Systems class (LIS 587) in Winter Quarter.

4. Law Librarianship Program Task Force

With the changes in administration of both the Law Librarianship Program and the Gallagher Law Library, it seemed an appropriate time to undertake a review of the both the program and internship. The goal of this review is to examine the practices that are currently in place and decide whether they still meet the needs of the profession for future employees. I have asked a number of former graduates to help out with this review and look forward to working with them this year to ensure that we maintain our standing as the best law librarianship program in the U.S.

The members of the Task Force are:

1. Simon Canick, Associate Dean for Law Library and Technology
   University of Maryland
   Thurgood Marshall Law Library

2. Vicenc Feliu, Associate Dean of Library Services & Professor of Law
   Villanova University School of Law Library

3. Jocelyn Kennedy, Executive Director
   Harvard Law School

4. Scott Matheson, Associate Librarian for Technical Services
   Yale Law School Lillian Goldman Library

5. Ingrid Mattson, Reference Librarian & Adjunct Professor
   Ohio State University Moritz Law Library

6. Camilla Tubbs, Associate Dean for Library and Technology
   University of California at Hastings Law Library

7. Michael Umberger, Assistant Law Librarian for Reference & Outreach
   Emory University MacMillan Law Library

8. Alena Wolotira, Reference Librarian
   University of Washington Gallagher Law Library

If you have any feedback that you would like to give on your experience with the program or its graduates, please send your comments to any of the Task Force members or to me at: rmjost@uw.edu.
5. Alumni Reception at AALL Chicago

It was nice to get together with so many of you at the annual Alumni Reception in Chicago! We had a large turnout from many former classes and the new students enjoyed the chance to network and make connections with new colleagues. Mark your calendars for the Alumni Reception at AALL in Austin this year!

6. Changes at Gallagher Law Library

a.) Retirements

- Craig Morley
  - After 30+ years at Gallagher, Craig Morley retired in June 2015 as the Materials Conservation Supervisor. I know many of you had a session with Craig as part of your internship rotation and were able to witness the almost forgotten art of how to mend and repair books by hand. Craig helped protect the collection from the ravages of time over the years with his skills.

- Flora Escarez
  - After 28 years at the library, Flora Escarez retired in June 2016 as a Library Specialist in charge of the complex serials and continuations in the library collection. Her contributions to the Technical Services Department were enormous and she will be missed by all.
b.) Restructuring the former Reference Department

The Gallagher Law Library’s Reference Department has been re-structured to improve services to the library patrons. The new Department is called Research Services and is headed by Anna Endter (Class of 2012). Peggy Jarrett will be focused on her collection development duties while still working several shifts at the Reference Office. Cheryl Nyberg will be in charge of the library’s digital preservation and publication projects as well as working in the Reference Office.

7. Mrs. Gallagher

For those of you who may never had the opportunity to meet Mrs. Gallagher in person, we are bringing you the next best thing: video recordings! I have added several video recordings to the alumni website with remarks by Mrs. Gallagher. The quality of the picture & audio is not great but I hope they will give you some flavor of her charm and wit. The link to the recordings is:

http://lib.law.washington.edu/lawlibrarianship/mariangallaghervideos.asp

All the best,

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