

# AALS WORKSHOP FOR NEW LAW SCHOOL TEACHERS

June 9 – 11, 2016 Washington, DC



# WHY ATTEND?

Law schools are facing unprecedented challenges brought about by the nationwide downturn in student applications and a host of other changes and transformations. New law teachers, including those joining law school faculties as tenure-track, lecturer, clinical, or visiting appointees, need to understand these challenges in order to succeed in their new careers as scholars, teachers, mentors, and institutional citizens.

At this workshop, participants will be able to share their experiences and concerns both with each other and with a roster of inspirational scholars and teachers chosen for their commitment to legal education, the distinction they have achieved in their own careers, and the diversity of their scholarly and pedagogical approaches.

These speakers will pass along valuable advice about developing, placing, and promoting one's scholarship as well as tips and techniques for successful student engagement and assessment. They will also address the often competing demands of institutional service and the evolving expectations of law students and faculty colleagues.

In contrast to when most of us joined a law school faculty in the past, an increasing number of today's new teachers have a first article already written and a scholarly network already underway. Yet, there is something truly special about an event that draws together new professionals from around the country.

For that reason among others, we look forward to welcoming new faculty members as they embark on this next phase of their legal career.



#### **SCHEDULE**

The workshop will begin on Thursday, June 9 with registration at 4 p.m. and small group discussions at 6 p.m. An opening dinner will be held at 7:30 p.m. featuring a keynote address by Frank H. Wu, University of California Hastings College of Law. Dinner will be followed by a dessert and coffee reception. The workshop program includes two and a half days of plenary sessions, concurrent sessions and small group discussions. The workshop will conclude by 4 p.m. on Saturday, June 11. In addition to the program sessions, there will be luncheons on Friday and Saturday and a reception on Friday evening.

## WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

The workshop will benefit those within their first few years of teaching in any program in the law school, tenure track, contract, and visiting assistant professors.

# Planning Committee for AALS Workshop for New Law School Teachers

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# Workshop for New Law School Teachers

# **THURSDAY, JUNE 9, 2016**

4 pm - 8 pm AALS Registration

6 pm - 7:15 pm Small Group Discussions

7:30 pm

**AALS Sponsored Dinner** 

#### Introduction

Kimberly A. Yuracko, Northwestern University
Pritzker School of Law, and **Chair**, Planning
Committee for 2016 AALS Workshop for New
Law School Teachers

# The Future of Legal Education: The Role of Faculty

Frank H. Wu, University of California, Hastings College of Law

8:45 pm - 9:30 pm

# **Dessert and Coffee Reception**

After the opening dinner, attendees may mingle and enjoy a reception of mini desserts and coffee in a relaxed atmosphere.

## **FRIDAY, JUNE 10, 2016**

8 am - 9 am

AALS Section on Women in Legal Education Q & A with Coffee and Breakfast Pastry

8:30 am - 9 am

Coffee, Tea and Breakfast Pastries

9 am - 9:15 am

Welcome

Judith C. Areen, AALS Executive Director

Introduction

Kimberly A. Yuracko, Northwestern University Pritzker School of Law, and Chair, Planning Committee for 2016 AALS Workshop for New Law School Teachers

9:15 am - 10:30 am

Plenary Session: The New World of Legal Academia: Planning for the Future

Jane Aiken, Georgetown University Law Center Carissa Byrne Hessick, University of Utah, S.J. Quinney College of Law Blake D. Morant, The George Washington University Law School

Moderator: Mark Tushnet, Harvard Law School

New faculty members are beginning their careers at a time of major change in legal education. This plenary session prompts new law teachers to set their long-term professional objectives with an awareness of that broader landscape. Panelists will also discuss the differences and similarities a new law teacher is likely to find across different institutional homes.

10:30 am - 10:45 am Refreshment Break

10:45 am - 12 pm

Plenary Session - Managing Institutional Relationships

Christine Hurt, Brigham Young University J. Reuben Clark Law School

Peggie R. Smith, Washington University in St. Louis School of Law

Michael P. Van Alstine, University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law

**Moderator:** Kimberly A. Yuracko, Northwestern University Pritzker School of Law In addition to producing influential scholarship and facilitating effective student learning, law professors are also expected to build and manage multiple institutional relationships—both formal and informal—with students, staff, faculty, university officials, community members, alumni, and other practicing lawyers and judges. New law teachers are increasingly called upon to interact with these groups very soon after joining a faculty. Such interactions can present exciting opportunities, but balancing the competing demands on one's time can be difficult.

12:15 pm - 1:45 pm

AALS Luncheon: The Role of the Legal Scholar in a Changing World - The Why

**Introduction:** Kami C. Simmons, Wake Forest University School of Law

Nancy D. Polikoff, American University, Washington College of Law

2 pm - 3:30 pm

Small Group Discussions - Scholarship: The How

Designing Your Research Agenda from Scratch

Pursuing Your Research Agenda

**Clinical Faculty Research** 

Jayesh M. Rathod, American University Washington College of Law

3:30 pm - 3:45 pm

Refreshment Break

#### Program Schedule, continued

3:45 pm - 5:15 pm

#### **Plenary Session - Distributing Your Ideas**

Randy E. Barnett, Georgetown University Law Center Naomi R. Cahn, The George Washington University Law School

Elizabeth Field, The George Washington University Law School

Alexandra Natapoff, Loyola Law School Jide O. Nzeliba, Northwestern University Pritzker School of Law

**Moderator:** Michael E. Waterstone, Loyola Law School - Los Angeles

In addition to producing scholarship, new law teachers have to find ways to distribute it and build their reputations. Key challenges include deciding which audiences you want to reach, figuring out how to engage with the world outside legal academia, and developing a reputation through your scholarship. Panelists will offer advice on how to think about getting your scholarship out into the world.

5:30 pm - 6:30 pm AALS Reception

6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

AALS Section on Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Issues Informal Gathering

# **SATURDAY, JUNE 11, 2016**

8 am - 9 am

AALS Section on Minority Groups Q & A with Coffee and Breakfast Pastry

8:30 am - 9 am

Coffee and Tea and Breakfast Pastry

#### 9 am - 10:15 am

# Plenary Session - Diversity and Inclusion Inside and Outside the Classroom

Guy-Uriel Charles, Duke University School of Law Rachel Moran, University of California, Los Angeles School of Law

**Moderator:** Kami C. Simmons, Wake Forest University School of Law

All law teachers have to think about ways to teach, mentor, and collaborate effectively in a diverse community. This session will discuss the special challenges diverse faculty members sometimes face in their roles of teacher, mentor and institutional citizen. It will also address the responsibility that all faculty members have to promote the meaningful inclusion of all students and discuss strategies for doing so both within and outside the classroom.

10:15 am - 10:30 am **Break** 

#### 10:30 am - 11:45 am

## Plenary Session - Teaching

Susan J. Bryant, City University of New York School of Law

Lawrence C. Levine, University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law Stephen I. Vladeck, American University Washington College of Law

**Moderator:** Kimberly A. Yuracko, Northwestern University Pritzker School of Law

Effective teachers often use a variety of teaching methods to maximize student engagement and learning. In this session, panelists will identify some of the teaching methods they use and discuss how these methods apply to a variety of learning environments, such as large and small classes, podium courses, and clinics.

#### 12 pm - 1 pm AALS Luncheon

1:15 pm - 2 pm

### **Plenary Session - Learning Theory**

Michael H. Schwartz, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, William H. Bowen School of Law

**Moderator:** Kimberly A. Yuracko, Northwestern University Pritzker School of Law

Effective teachers understand that what learners bring to the classroom is just as important as what the teachers bring. This plenary session will connect the current academic research on student learning with the teaching strategies that were modeled during earlier sessions. Awareness of this research can help teachers to promote a positive classroom experience.

#### 2 pm - 3 pm

#### Plenary Session - Assessment

Kris L. Franklin, New York Law School

**Moderator:** Michael E. Waterstone, Loyola Law School – Los Angeles

In this interactive session, participants will learn different methods to evaluate students and provide feedback throughout the semester. The session will also cover exam creation, grading, and post-exam review.

#### 3 pm - 3:10 pm Refreshment Break

# 3:10 pm - 4 pm **Wrap Up**

In this last session, participants will break up into the same small groups that they began the workshop in to discuss ideas and issues related to teaching, scholarship and institutional relationships that have been raised during the workshop. The session will also give participants another chance to network with other new law teachers with similar subject area interests.

# **REGISTRATION**

# **How Do I Register?**

You can register for the Workshop for New Law Teachers by one of the methods listed below. If you find you are unable to register online then you may not yet be listed in the AALS database. In that case, please contact your dean's office to have yourself added to the AALS Law School Roster. Once added you should be able access your AALS account and register online. If you need assistance with this process, contact <a href="mailto:dltsupport@aals.org">dltsupport@aals.org</a>.

#### **Online**

Visit <u>aals.org/nlt2016</u> to access the online registration system for both individual and group registration for the Workshop. You can pay the registration fee online using American Express, Visa or MasterCard.

#### Fax or Mail

If you would like to pay using a paper form please complete and return to AALS with payment of the registration fee. We accept American Express, Visa, MasterCard, or check (made payable to AALS). You may fax the form to AALS at (202) 872-1829. If paying by check, please mail to AALS, at 1614 20th Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20009-1001. Note that, in accordance with payment Card Industry Association standards, registration by email is no longer available as of July 1, 2015.

# **On-Site Registration**

For all registrations received after June 2, 2016 there is an additional on-site charge of \$50. Plan to register on-site if your paper registration form will not arrive at AALS by the June 2 deadline. AALS accepts cash, personal or school checks, American Express, MasterCard, and Visa on-site at the workshop.

# **Cancellation Policy**

Registration fees will be refunded less a \$50 processing fee for written cancellation requests received by May 26 at registration@aals.org. Cancellation requests can also be made by regular mail to: AALS Registration, c/o Erick Brown, 1614 20th St. NW, Washington, DC 20009. No refunds will be given for cancellations received after May 26.

## Confirmation

AALS automatically sends two email confirmations shortly after submission of your paid registration. Confirmations should be received within 24 hours for online and faxed paper registrations, and within two weeks for mailed check payments. If you have not received a response within that time frame please first check your spam folder. Then, contact AALS registration staff at <a href="mailto:registration@aals.org">registration@aals.org</a> to verify that your registration has been received and successfully processed.

Type of Registration	by May 19	after May 19
Faculty of Member and Fee-Paid Schools	\$580	\$630
Faculty of Non Fee-Paid Law Schools	\$630	\$680
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# Meeting and Hotel Information

The workshop sessions and sleeping accommodations will be at the Renaissance Washington, D.C. Dupont Circle Hotel, 1143 New Hampshire Avenue N.W., Washington, D.C. 20037.

To make reservations, please first register for the workshop. After completing your meeting registration, you will receive a confirmation email from AALS with instructions for booking a hotel reservation at the Renaissance Dupont Circle Hotel.

The AALS room rate is \$199 for single or double occupancy. All rooms will be subject to established taxes; currently tax is 14.5 percent. There is a \$20 charge for each additional adult in the room beyond two. Children staying in the same room with their parent(s) are free of charge.

The Renaissance Dupont Circle Hotel check-in time is 3 p.m.; check-out time is 12 p.m. The hotel is smoke-free. The Renaissance Dupont Circle Hotel will provide AALS attendees with high-speed internet access in your sleeping room on a complimentary basis for each day of your stay.

The cut-off date for making a room reservation is May 18, 2016. Making a reservation prior to the cut-off date does not guarantee availability of the AALS rate. For the best rate, please make your reservation early.

A hotel reservation guaranteed by a credit card for late arrival may be cancelled without penalty by 6 p.m. on your arrival date. A hotel reservation not guaranteed by a credit card for late arrival will be held only until 6 p.m. on your arrival date. The hotel will accept the following credit cards: American Express, Carte Blanche, Discover, Diners Club, MasterCard, and Visa.

#### **INTERNET ACCESS**

AALS has arranged for complimentary high-speed internet in the guest rooms. From your guest room, please log into the hotel's guest room network, type your last name and room number, and then accept the internet charge, even though it is complimentary; no internet charges should appear on the guest room account at checkout. Complimentary wireless internet is also available in the hotel lobby.

#### **BABYSITTING SERVICES**

For babysitting services, contact the hotel concierge for information. Neither the hotel nor AALS endorses these services, but the hotel provides this information for your reference.

## **ACCESS-RELATED ACCOMMODATIONS**

AALS is committed to making our meetings and events accessible to all of our attendees. Visit aals.org/nlt2016 and click on "accessibility" for more information. Please contact the AALS at <a href="mailto:accommodations@aals.org">accommodations@aals.org</a> no later than May 6, 2016 so that we may assist you with services that you need.

#### LOCAL TRANSPORTATION

#### Reagan Washington National Airport (DCA)

The Renaissance Dupont Circle Hotel is located about 5 miles and about 15 minutes from the Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport (DCA); estimated taxi fare is \$22 each way. All taxicabs dispatched at Reagan Washington National Airport must have and use taxi meters. Super Shuttle provides door-to door service (with other stops) to the hotel at a cost of \$15 each way. The Super Shuttle booths are located in the baggage claim areas in both the north and south ends of the terminal. Twenty-four-hour advance reservation is required for the return to the airport. Call (800) 258-3826 for reservations and information or visit <a href="https://www.supershuttle.com">www.supershuttle.com</a> for online reservations.

To ride Metro (Washington, D.C.'s subway system) from Reagan Washington National Airport to the Renaissance Hotel, take the Yellow Line to Gallery Place/Chinatown and change to the Red Line (heading toward Shady Grove) and exit at the Farragut North Metro station. For more information visit Metro's website at <a href="https://www.wmata.com">www.wmata.com</a>.

#### **Dulles International Airport (IAD)**

The Renaissance Dupont Circle Hotel is located about 25 miles and about 45 minutes from the Dulles International Airport (IAD). Estimated taxi fare is \$55 each way (use metered cab). Super Shuttle provides door-to-door service (with other stops) to the hotel for \$15 each way. Proceed to the Ground Transportation desk in the baggage claim area to purchase a ticket. You can then proceed to the Super Shuttle boarding area located on the lower level, outside at curb 1D or 1F. Twenty-four-hour advance reservation is required for the return to the airport. Call (800) 258-3826 for reservations and information or <a href="https://www.supershuttle.com">www.supershuttle.com</a> for on-line reservations.

# Thurgood Marshall Baltimore-Washington International Airport (BWI)

The Renaissance Dupont Circle Hotel is located about 35 miles and one hour from the Thurgood Marshall Baltimore-Washington International Airport (BWI). Estimated taxi fare from BWI is \$68 each way. Super Shuttle provides door-to-door service (with other stops) to the hotel for a fare of \$15 each way. Go to lower level and follow signs to the Ground Transportation desk located between carousels 6 and 7. Twenty-four-hour advance reservation is required for the return to the airport. Call (800) 258-3826 for reservations and information or www.supershuttle.com for online reservations.

#### **Union Station**

Union Station is about three miles from the Renaissance Dupont Circle Hotel; taxi fare is approximately \$20. Union Station services both Amtrak and Metro (Washington, D.C.'s subway system). On Metro, take the Red Line directly from

#### Meeting and Hotel Info, continued

Union Station to Dupont Circle Metro station for the Renaissance Hotel. The Renaissance Hotel is also close to the Foggy Bottom/GWU Metro Stop, accessible via the Blue/Orange/Silver lines. For more information about trains with routes to Union Station, visit <a href="https://www.amtrak.com">www.amtrak.com</a>.

#### The Metro

The Washington, D.C. subway system is called Metro. The Renaissance Dupont Circle Hotel is accessible either via the Red Line - Dupont Circle Metro stop - or the Blue/Orange/Silver Lines - Foggy Bottom/ GWU Metro stop. For more information visit Metro's website at www.wmata.com. Metro operates seven days a week. Rail stations open at 5 a.m. on weekdays and 7 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday. Metro closes at midnight on weekdays, and at 3 a.m. on Fridays and Saturdays. When traveling late at night, be sure to check the scheduled departure time for the last metro train. At many stations, the last metro train departs before closing, so it is important that you allow enough time to enter the system and board the train. Last metro train departure times are posted at each station kiosk.

#### DINING

For breakfast, the Renaissance Dupont Circle Hotel has MBrasserie, which serves your choice of an *ala carte* or buffet breakfast.

For lunch and dinner, MBar is open for light fare.

There are many other dining options in the nearby area. Please visit with the concierge for suggestions and reservations.

# **AALS CALENDAR**

# **Conference on Clinical Legal Education**

Saturday, April 30 - Tuesday, May 3, 2016, Baltimore, MD Friday, May 5 - Tuesday, May 9, 2017, Denver, CO

# **Workshop for New Law School Teachers**

Thursday, June 9 - Saturday, June 11, 2016, Washington, DC

## **Faculty Recruitment Conference**

Thursday, October 13 - Saturday, October 15, 2016, Washington, DC Thursday, November 2 - Saturday, November 4, 2017, Washington, DC

## **Future Annual Meeting Dates and Locations**

Tuesday, January 3 - Saturday, January 7, 2017, San Francisco, CA Wednesday, January 3 - Sunday, January 7, 2018, San Diego, CA Wednesday, January 2 - Sunday, January 6, 2019, New Orleans, LA

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