Welcome Back - What’s New

The LES Department welcomes all new and returning students to this fall semester. We hope everyone had a great summer and has made a good start for this new academic year.

Due to the retirement of the former Department Chair, Prof. Ann Draznin, the Legal Studies Department has started the new academic year with a new Chair, Prof. Kathryn Eisenhart.

The Department is currently working on the new online graduate program, which will be starting in Fall 07.

We welcome our new online coordinator, Jeri Frederick.

All students are highly encouraged to contact their academic advisors to consult them on the courses before registration.

Good Luck Everyone! Have a great year!

LES Welcomes New Faculty

The Legal Studies Department welcomes its new faculty, Deborah Anthony.

Prof. Anthony received her Bachelors Degree in Philosophy from University of Utah and J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center. She practiced law in the fields of family law, civil rights, and consumer law in Minnesota, where she also taught college courses.

Before joining LES, she earned Masters Degree in Government at the University of Texas at Austin.

Prof. Anthony said what she liked about Springfield was less traffic and more opportunities to participate in cultural activities due to the smaller crowds. She enjoys teaching small classes and working closely with students at UIS. She said the student-focused environment at UIS was what she was looking for. Asked about her ultimate goal at LES, she said she was interested in developing new courses, utilizing her academic background. She is married with one daughter, who is looking forward to snow in winter.

Prof. Anthony is teaching LES 401, Legal Research and Citation and LES 587, Public Advocacy this fall.

NEW in LES: Online MA program starts in Fall 07!!

The Legal Studies Department will be offering online graduate program, starting in the fall semester in 2007.

This program allows the students in any location to obtain Master of Arts Degree in Legal Studies by taking classes online. In addition to the four required courses, there are several electives that will enhance the understandings of various aspects in the legal system as well as the relationship between the law and society.

The feature of this program is the two methods for taking classes. Students will participate in required classes with on-campus students through the conferencing software, which enables them to interact directly with the professors and classmates.

As for the other classes, they will be able to attend the classes whenever works for them by using tools and discussion boards on the blackboard.

Refer this exciting program to anyone who might be interested!!

If you have questions about online MA program, contact Jeri Frederick at 217-206-7985, email: jfred1@uis.edu

“LES Pendens”

Pendens (pêndênz) is a Legal term meaning pending or in progress. A les pendens is a lien.
Hi From Pre-Law Center

Pre-Law Center is located on PAC 363 and welcomes all the students who are interested in going to law schools.

Director Dennis Rendleman, and the Graduate Assistant Natalia Vera will be available to assist and advise students with law school applications, preparation for LSAT, or other questions regarding careers in the legal field.

The center is open on Mondays: 9:00am-1:00pm

Tuesdays: 1:00pm-4:00pm

The contact information is: Pre-Law Center at 206-4529 or by email at: prelawcenter@uis.edu, or Pre-Law Center Graduate Assistant at 206-7826 (PAC 325).

The center has planned some events such as a trip to UIUC Law Fair and LSAT Primer Program.

The schedule for upcoming events is available at the Pre-Law Center Calendar at: http://webtools.uiuc.edu/calendar/Calendar?calid=1078 or check the flyer on the LES Bulletin Board located near the Dept. Office.

Course schedule Spring 2007

The followings are some of the courses that will be offered in Spring 07.

The priority registration begins in the early November.

LES 407: Law and Society
Monday 6:00-9:30 pm

LES 415: Constitutional Law
Tuesday 6:00-9:30pm

LES 446: Family Law
Monday/Wednesday 10:00-11:40

LES 423: Dispute Resolution
(Cont.)

Friday: 6:00-9:30pm/ Saturday, Sunday: 9:00am-5:00pm
Meeting dates: 1-26/27/28; 2-16/17/18; 3-9/10/11

LES 513: Seminar in Politics and Law
Wednesday 6:00-9:30

LES 562: Commercial Law
Wednesday 2:00-5:30 or 6:00-9:30

In addition, lower division classes such as LES 201, 202, and 204, and required courses such as LES 402, 504, and 551 will also be offered in Spring.

Course description is available at the Department website.

LES 472: Research Methods for Legal Studies
Thursday 6:00-9:30

LES 474: Law of Evidence
Thursday 6:00-9:30

LES 482: Ethics in Government (undergraduate closing seminar)
Tuesday 6:00-9:30

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Upcoming Calendar of Events

November 6th (Mon) - 12th (Sun)
Spring 07 Priority Registration (for currently enrolled students)

November 13th (Mon) – January 21st (Sun)
Spring 07 Open Registration

December 2nd (Sat), 2006
The last LSAT in 2006

December 18th (Mon) - January 16th (Tue)
Winter Break

January 10-12th, 2007
LSAT Primer Program

February 10th (Sat), 2007
The first LSAT in 2007

You can also check the Pre-Law Center Calendar at:
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Now the Department Calendar is also available at:
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For more information about Workshop, Law Fair, LSAT or Primer Program, contact Natalia Vera at 206-7826.