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## **BOOKSTORE**

It's that time again sell your books during our

"Book Buy Back"

May 1st - May 19th

Reminder for Rental returns

Open during Commencement
Saturday, May 19th

Noon - 3:00 p.m.

Don't forget your last minute gifts, souvenirs and frames.

#### **CROWN COURT**

Daily menu items on the EBBs and at the Crown Court. Stop in and check it out! See page <u>15</u> for Menu







#### **Hours**

Hours will vary during exams. See page <u>15</u> for hours

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### **BOOKSTORE**

www.widenerlawbookstore.com

302-478-0606

#### Hours:

**Monday & Tuesday** 

9:00 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.

**Wednesday & Thursday** 

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**Friday** 

9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

## WORKSTUDY NEEDED!

A 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> year law student who is Work Study eligible is needed to work in the Graduate Programs Office. Please submit a resume for the position to Karla Harris in room number 228. Thank you.

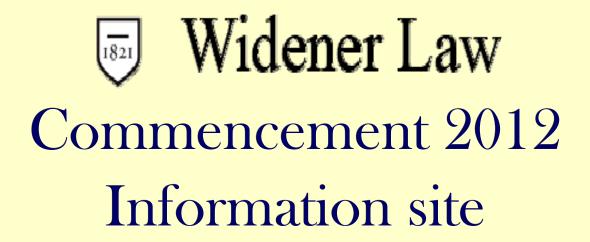
## DELAWARE BAR REVIEW STUDENT ASSISTANTS

Four reliable individuals (3 day and 1 evening) are needed to assist in the administration of the 2012 Widener Delaware Bar Review course sessions. The student assistants will receive a discounted tuition fee. To apply, please send a letter requesting consideration for the position along with a copy of your resume to the Bar Programs Office in Room 250 or call 477-2087 for more information.

#### International Law

#### RESEARCH ASSISTANT

Dean Strauss is looking for an international law research assistant. Interested students should send an email with resume to: andrewstrauss@comcast.net



http://blogs.law.widener.edu/grads2012/

#### ATTENTION MAY GRADUATES

Please review your name and previous degrees for accuracy in the 2012 Commencement Program list. The way your name appears in the program is also how it will appear on your diploma. If your name or information needs to be corrected, please contact Lauren Piotti in the Registrar's Office at 302-477-2150 or lpiotti@widener.edu

#### Do you have a Relative who is a Widener University School of Law Graduate?

Any member of the graduating class who is related to an alumnus of Widener University School of Law may invite the alumnus to participate in the 2012 Commencement Ceremony. Please contact Pattie Donoghue at 302-477-2710 with the following information: your name and telephone number; alumnus' name, address, and telephone number; and your relationship.

#### **OFFICE OF STUDENT AFFAIRS**

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

#### FINAL EXAMINATIONS

As final examinations approach, all students should take a few minutes to review the Law School rules relating to examinations. These rules may be found in §607-609 of the Academic Code and §203-205 of the Dean's Office Regulations.

According to §607 (f)(l) of the Code, all examinations are graded anonymously. Students should not discuss the examination process, including the possibility of exam deferral or exam accommodation with faculty members. Any attempt by a student to identify himself/herself to a professor by placing notes or messages on an examination or exam booklet compromises the anonymous grading system. All questions should be directed to Associate Dean of Student Affairs office or the Registrar's Office. Any compromise of the anonymous grading system by a student constitutes a violation of the Code of Conduct and could result in suspension or expulsion.

Permission to defer an examination will be granted <u>only</u> in extreme cases. Students should refer to the guidelines. Emergency deferrals will be granted to those students who, for medical reasons, are unable to sit for an examination when scheduled. A student who becomes ill and cannot take an examination when scheduled must call the Registrar's Office before the examination begins. If that student cannot appear in person or call the Registrar, he/she may miss the exam and apply for a deferral. An application for this type of deferral must be made within 48 hours of the original exam date and in no event later than the last day of regularly scheduled exams. The student must also provide the Registrar's Office with a letter from the attending physician which confirms that the student was unable to sit for the examination due to illness. Students who begin an examination and leave due to illness may not make up the examination on the makeup day. The examination must be retaken at the end of the next semester in which the course is offered.

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Anonymous numbers must be placed on all examination booklets and on the examination itself. In the unlikely event you forget to put your anonymous number on your papers before time is called, you may do so at the proctor's table when you turn in your exam. If you continue to write after the proctor has told you to stop, your examination number and the fact that you did not stop when told will be reported to the Registrar's Office and may ultimately be reported to the Office of Student Affairs.

#### Open book exams

You may bring into an open book exam only those items designated by the professor. If you are in doubt as to what can be brought into the exam, check with your professor before the examination.

#### Scrap paper

Scrap paper will only be permitted in an examination if the professor has specifically told the Registrar that it will be permitted. The proctor will distribute scrap paper to you during the examination.

#### Lavatory

You are reminded that the honor code applies during the entire exam and a lavatory break does not **breaks** mean there is a break in the honor code rules.

#### Student ID

Finally, remember to bring your <u>STUDENT ID</u> to <u>each</u> of your examinations. <u>STUDENTS MUST</u> BE POSI TIVELY IDENTIFIED BY THE REGISTRAR OR PROCTOR BEFORE SITTING FOR <u>EACH</u> EXAM.

#### **ONLY WIDENER STUDENT ID IS ALLOWED**

Students are reminded that the **Student Code of Conduct §202(I)** requires you to report all Code of Conduct violations.

#### **NEWS FROM CAMPUS SERVICES**

#### **Quiet Hours:**

Mandatory quiet hours are in effect in the dormitories and apartments on campus as of Friday, April 27, through the end of the semester. Quiet hours will be in effect 24 hours a day until final exams are over. Any problems during this time should be reported to Campus Safety. Thank you for your consideration and cooperation.

#### **Reminder for Apartment Residents:**

Apartment deposits are due by **Friday**, **May 11**. Payments by check should be made to the Campus Services Office. Payments by credit card should be paid at the Bursar's office. No apartments will be held after **May 11**, without a deposit. Apartment leases for the 2012/13 academic year must be signed no later than **Friday**, **May 11**. If you have any questions, please contact Chris Burrell at cmburrell@widener.edu or stop by the Campus Services office.

#### **Dormitory Closing:**

The dormitories will be closing at 12 noon on Wednesday, May 16. All residents will need to vacate their dormitory room and return their key to the Campus Services office before they leave campus. You will need approval from the Campus Services office to remain in your dorm room beyond this date. Graduating residents have until Sunday, May 20th to vacate their room. If you have signed up for I.T.A.P., bar review housing or summer housing, you are exempt from this deadline. Any questions or concerns should be directed to Campus Services at decampusservices@mail.widener.edu.

#### **Attention All Graduates:**

If you are graduating, or if you will not be returning to campus for the fall 2012 semester, please remember to close your student mailbox and return the mailbox key. Just stop by the mailroom during their scheduled hours to fill out the form for forwarding your mail and return your key. After hours, just put your key in an envelope, along with your forwarding address, and drop it through the mail slot in the window.

If you are using one of the lockers on campus, and will not be returning in the fall, please remove your lock and empty the contents. If you are using a key, please return it to the Campus Services office, to obtain a refund of the deposit.

Please remember to turn in your mailbox and locker keys before you leave campus for the final time. Thank you!

## SUMMER 2012 INTERNSHIP POSITIONS IN THE ENVIRONMENTAL LAW CLINIC

Widener's Environmental and Natural Resources Law Clinic is now accepting applications for summer intern positions. The Clinic seeks to have no more than 4 interns assist in handling pending and new Clinic matters during the summer break. Interns will work under the direct supervision of Clinic Director Prof. Kristl on a variety of projects, which may include:

- \* research and writing of legal memos dealing with issues in pending matters;
- \* drafting client letters, briefs, motions, and other documents for use in pending matters;
- \* updating and preparing new materials for the Clinic's pages on the Environmental Law Center's website
- \* preparing for and attending client meetings, public hearings, and court hearings

Projects will be designed with individual experience and capacity in mind (i.e., we try hard to make sure you're not in over your head!)

Intern positions are available for Regular and Evening Division students who, by the time the internship starts, have completed at least 1 year here at Widener

This can be a great chance to gain real, practical experience in general and to check out the Environmental Clinic to see if it might be right for you to take for credit later in your law school career.

#### **Requirements**

Applicants must submit their resume and interview with the Clinic Director. Applicants accepted into the program must agree to do the following during the summer (May 31 - August 4):

- \* work at least 10 hours a week on Clinic matters
- \* meet reasonable deadlines set by the intern and Clinic Director
- \* maintain confidentiality and comply with all applicable rules of professional conduct

#### **Application Deadline**

Interested students must submit their resume and a short statement of why they are interested in the position to the Clinic Director physically by delivery (to the Director in his Clinic Wing office in L256 or Clinic Secretary Debbie Dantinne in L255) or by email (<a href="ktkristl@widener.edu">ktkristl@widener.edu</a>) no later than 6:00 p.m. on TUESDAY APRIL 24, 2012. Applications submitted after the deadline will not be considered unless the positions have not been and cannot be filled by those applying before the deadline. When submitting your resume, please indicate dates and times during the week of April 23 and April 30 when you are available to meet with the Clinic Director. Internships will be awarded by May 4.

Questions? Feel free to email them to the Clinic Director (ktkristl@widener.edu).

# Looking to earn some extra money? \$\$\$\$

The Office of Alumni/Development is in immediate need of a student worker to make solicitation calls for the Widener Law Fund

Work hours can be scheduled around your class/study time.

Contact:

Peter Castagna,
Asst. Director, Widener Law Fund
302-477-2754
pjcastagna@widener.edu

## "ATTENTION"

All Graduating students, please visit the Bursar's office during office hours to confirm your student account's financial obligations have been satisfied before <u>May 7<sup>th</sup></u>, 3:00 P.M.

#### **Spring 2012 Office Hours:**

Mon. & Thurs.: 9:00 A.M. - 6:30 P.M.

Tues., Wed. & Fri.: 9:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.

#### **Student Account Representatives:**

Annette Carr - (302) 477-2207

Carleen April - (302) 477-2181

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## SPRING 2012 SUPERIOR AUTHORSHIP COMPETITION

The Delaware Journal of Corporate Law is the most established law review of Widener University School of Law. Recently, Washington & Lee Law School ranked the Journal 1st among student-edited "Corporation and Association" journals—surpassing the journals at both Yale and Columbia—based upon citations in federal and state court opinions. The Journal is also ranked 10th out of 456 specialized law reviews.

Currently, the *Journal* is accepting scholarly articles from students for its Superior Authorship Competition. This competition provides an alternative means of gaining membership to this law review for those students not yet affiliated with a scholarly journal on campus. Aside from the corporate nature of this law review, membership provides those of all interests with an opportunity to perfect their writing, organizational, bluebook, and editing skills. Law review membership and the skills it provides are also highly regarded by employers.

There are, however, certain requirements that need to be fulfilled in order to be eligible for the competition. In short, you must:

- 1. Be a 2RD or 3ED student;
- 2. Earned a 2.7 GPA or higher as of the end of the Spring 2012 semester; and
- 3. Topics must be approved by the Editor-in-Chief by April 30, 2012, by 5:00 p.m.
- 4. Submissions are due in the Law Review's Office by April 30th by 5:00 p.m.

Other requirements do apply, such as topic approval and paper style. For a full list of requirements and further information regarding this competition, please direct inquiries to the office of the Editor-in-Chief, Nicole Sciotto at <a href="mailto:nmsciotto@mail.widener.edu">nmsciotto@mail.widener.edu</a>

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## The Delaware Journal of Corporate Law

## **Summer Write-On Competition**

Are you a 1RD or a 2ED and would like to seek membership onto the *Journal*? We invite you to do so by competing in the 2012 Summer Write On Competition. Membership on the *Journal* will improve your writing and editing skills as well as be a distinguishing feature for your upcoming interviews.

We do not set a cap to the number of accepted applications.

For eligibility onto the *Journal*, you must have at least a 2.7 cumulative GPA at the completion

Packet Pickup Dates: May 18 – June 29, 2012

Due Date: 3 Weeks from the date you pick up the packet

Location: You may pick up the packet at the Circulation Desk on the 2nd Floor of the Library or you may download the packet on TWEN. Add the course "Delaware Journal of Corporate Law 2012 Summer Write On Competition."

Materials will be available on May 18th.

If you have any additional questions about the competition, feel free to contact Marisa De Feo at mdefeo915@gmail.com

Phone: (302) 477-2145 \* Email: djcl@widener.edu \* www.DJCL.org

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#### MOOT COURT HONOR SOCIETY NEWS

The Moot Court Honor Society is pleased to announce the 2012-2013 Executive Board.

#### **PRESIDENT**

Aaron Nelson

## VICE PRESIDENT INTERSCHOLASTIC COMPETITIONS

Geena George

#### <u>VICE-PRESIDENT</u> FIRST YEAR ADVISING/ACADEMIC CHAIRPERSON

Rachael Kemmey

#### <u>VICE-PRESIDENT</u> NEW MEMBER COMPETITION CHAIRPERSON

**Allison Fleming** 

## <u>VICE-PRESIDENT</u> JUDGE G. FRED DIBONA COMPETITION CHAIRPERSON

Allison Mielke

## <u>VICE-PRESIDENT</u> DISTINGUISHED JURIST COMPETITION CHAIRPERSON

Sean Develin

## <u>VICE-PRESIDENT</u> RUBY R. VALE CORPORATE COMPETITION CHAIRPERSON

Ryan Cox

These individuals have demonstrated a dedication to pursuing appellate advocacy and law school service while establishing themselves as leaders in the Widener community. Please join us in congratulating these students for their achievement as they lead Moot Court through a productive and successful year.

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#### The Widener Law Review

#### SUMMER WRITING COMPETITION

#### Who is Eligible?

- 1RD, 1ED (who are switching to RD and will have completed 27 credits by the start of their 2L Fall Semester) and 2ED students.
- Fulfill the 2.7 GPA requirement.

#### **Important Dates**

- Tuesday, April 24th Formal Information Session
- Friday, May 18th Competition Opens
- Friday, June 29th Competition Closes (last day to pick-up a packet)
- Friday, July 20th Last day to submit a Competition paper
- Sunday, August 5th Offers Extended to New Members

#### Summer Writing Competition Packet Pick-Up and Submission

- All pick-ups and submissions are done via TWEN
- Students must add the WLR Summer Writing Competition TWEN page
- To pick up the competition packet, click on Assignment Pick-Up and upload the packet (time stamped)
- Papers must be submitted by 5:00 PM three weeks from date of pick-up
- To submit your paper, click on the Assignment Drop-Box and upload your paper.

#### **Competition Requirements**

- Submitted papers must adhere to the format, style and length requirements outlined in the competition packet. A sample law review article will be available on TWEN.
- The competition is a closed-packet and students may not perform additional research beyond the materials included in the packet
- Students must submit their papers by 5:00 PM three weeks from pick-up
- Each submission must include a Grade Release Form and Code of Conduct Certification. These documents will be submitted to Debbe Patrick, WLR secretary.
- Submissions may also include a letter of intent (optional).

#### **Membership**

- Submissions will be read and scored by the WLR Board
- Submission scores are determined by the strength of the applicant's paper. Your GPA will be considered.
- Applicants with the highest scores will be invited membership to WLR
- Applicants will be notified via telephone on Sunday, August 5th
- New members will be required to attend New Member Orientation in August.

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## STUDY ABROAD - 2012

## **DEADLINE EXTENDED TO MAY 15, 2012**



WIDENER HAS SUMMER LAW
INSTITUTES IN LAUSANNE
NAIROBI, AND VENICE

LET YOUR ADVENTUROUS
SPIRIT WORK FOR YOU AND
EARN UP TO 6 CREDITS IN FOUR
WEEKS WHILE VISITING
EXCITING PLACES.

#### FOR INFORMATION VISIT OUR WEBSITE:

law.widener.edu/summer

Or contact Arlene Trapuzzano at artrapuzzano@widener.edu

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#### CELEBRATE OUR EARTH

Help the Earth— Join the Billion Green Acts Campaign.

Take the Pledge to perform a green act:

#### **PLEDGES:**

Take shorter showers (10 minutes or less)

Use locally grown produce

Switch to CFL light bulbs

Take public transportation to work one day a week

Turn off my computer and printer at the end of the day

Plant a tree

Use a clothesline to dry clothes

Plant a garden

Bring a reusable shopping bag to the store

Recycle all paper

Switch off the tap while brushing my teeth

Eat vegan meals one day per week

Lower my uses of bottled water/beverages (own a reusable cup)

Wash clothes in cold water

Use rechargeable batteries

There are many more



Find one that fits you

## Crown Court - Hours during exams

Monday, April 30th 9-5
Tuesday, May 1st 9-5
Wednesday, May 2nd 9-2
Thursday, May 3rd 11-2
Friday, May 4th 9-2

Saturday and Sunday closed



Monday, May 7th 9-2
Tuesday, May 8th 9-5
Wednesday, May 9th 9-2
Thursday, May 10th 11-2
Friday, May 11th 9-2
Saturday and Sunday closed



Have a great summer...



Monday, May 14th 9-2

Tuesday, May 15th 11-2

Wednesday closed

Thursday, May 17th 11:30-1:30

Friday, May 18th 11:30-1:30

Saturday and Sunday closed

see you in August !

Monday, May 21st 11:30-1:30
Tuesday, May 22nd 11:30-1:30
Wednesday, May 23rd 11:30-1:30
Thursday, May 24th 11:30-1:30
Friday May 25th closed
Saturday and Sunday closed

#### Delaware Campus

See DE Law News on our website law.widener.edu Two great campuses. Countless paths to success.

## DE LAW NEWS Submission information

The LAST issue of DE Law News will be published on May 7. All information should be submitted to Christy Farley (delawnews@mail.widener.edu), 4th Floor Law Building by NOON, Wednesday, May 2, in order for the news to be published.

#### CALENDAR \* ACADEMIC YEAR 2011/2012

#### **April**

30 Final Examinations - Begin

#### May

- 1 Bookstore Book Buy Back begins
- 19 Commencement Delaware
- 20 Commencement Harrisburg
- 17-24 DE I.T.A.P. (tentative)
- 18-25 HBG I.T.A.P. (tentative)
- 28 Memorial Day
- 29 Classes begin
- 29-30 Add/Drop

#### **July**

- 16 Last day of classes
- 17 Reading Period
- 18-25 Final Examinations

Registrar's Office Information Line (302) 477-2149

Registrar's Office e-mail delreg@widener.edu





#### **Library Exam Hours**

April 23 - May 14 8 a.m. - 2:00 a.m.

May 15 - 17 8 a.m. - 10 p.m.

May 18 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.

May 19 (Graduation) CLOSED

May 20 Noon - 5 p.m.

## Legal Information Center Policies

The Law Library is a shared resource. We are all important members of this community. Work as quietly as possible. Keep conversations low. Remember others are looking for a quite place in which to work.

- Cell phones: Mute your phone and use it only in the Cell Phone Area. Even there, be mindful of others as voices carry. Better yet, be courteous to others by taking your conversations outside of the library.
- <u>Food</u>: It is permitted, but again be courteous. Do not bring in strong-smelling food, be careful not to stain the furniture, and please clean up.
- <u>Drinks</u>: Use sturdy spill-proof containers.
- Re-Shelve the books you use so others can locate them.

#### A New Face in the Library

Christy D'Antonio is the new Access Services Librarian. She comes to us from the University of Pennsylvania's Biddle Law Library, where she worked as a research and reference librarian, providing the students, faculty and the public with a wide range of reference services. Her other library experience includes work at the Camden County Library System, New Jersey State Archives, the Independence Seaport Museum and Drexel University where she graduated with a Master of Library and Information Science. She also worked at Enterprise Rent-A-Car where she developed her excellent customer service skills. She grew up in New Jersey and lives in Cherry Hill. In her spare time, Christy likes to knit, crochet and read. She also likes to spend time with her family, especially her nieces and nephew, and her cat Lily.

#### **Titles on the New Book Shelf:**

Abraham Lincoln, Esq.: The Legal Career of America's Greatest President Elizabeth and Hazel: Two Women of Little Rock

#### **GOOD LUCK ON YOUR EXAMS!**