

THE DIGEST

WIDENER UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW ~ HARRISBURG CAMPUS

DEAN'S PICNIC

The annual Dean's Picnic will be held on Saturday, September 12th from 12:00 noon until 4:00 p.m. The rain date is September 19th. Make your plans now to attend this fun-filled event and be sure to bring along family and friends. There will be food, beverages, a dunk tank and obstacle course, music and, of course, the opportunity to get to know your fellow classmates, faculty, administrators and staff.



ARAMARK SIDEBAR CAFÉ

OPEN

Breakfast

10:00—11:00 a.m.

Lunch

11:00 a.m.—2:30 p.m.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

August

- 17 *Introduction to Law/Orientation*
- 19 *Classes Begin*
- 19-25 *Add/Drop Period*
- 25 *Student Orgs Table Day/The Pit*

September

- 7 *Labor Day Holiday (no classes)*
- 12 *Dean's Picnic*
- 17 *Professionalism Day/Night
(attendance required) (no classes)*
- 28 *Yom Kippur (no classes)*

October

- 5 *Founder's Day Celebration*
- 6 *No Tuesday classes meet; Monday
class schedule followed*
- 14 *In-Service Day*
- 23 *SBA Halloween Party*

A Message from the Dean of Students

Welcome Back!

The Dean of Students Office on the Harrisburg Campus is dedicated to assisting law students with many facets of their law school student life. It is designed to provide a variety of services to help students develop personally and professionally.

The Dean of Students provides counseling for students in the area of scheduling issues, academic issues, personal problems or issues that deal with balancing the stress of law school and everyday life.

The office serves all students on the Harrisburg Campus and addresses any issues that may arise regarding the accommodation of disabilities and academic support for students requiring assistance.

The Dean also oversees all student interest and cocurricular organizations.

To enable us to reach you, please:

1. Keep your phone number, address and email address current with the Registrar's Office.
2. Check your mailbox and Campus Cruiser for important information.

ACCOMMODATIONS FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

If you believe you require accommodations in the classroom or for exams, please contact the Dean of Students Office as soon as possible.

ALARMS AND BUILDING HOURS

Library/Classroom Building

The hours for this building are the same as the Library's. When the Library is closed, this building will be closed and the alarm activated.

Administration Building/Classroom Wing

This wing is open on class days from shortly before the first scheduled class or event until shortly after the last scheduled class or event. The guards will be notified of any special events, makeup classes, etc., that are scheduled and the building will be open and the alarm deactivated as needed.

Administration Building/Administrative Wing

This wing is open Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. It is closed on weekends. When this wing is closed, the alarm will be activated.

Student Center/Sidebar Vending Area

Hours for the Student Center and the vending area of this building will be the same as the Library's hours. When the Library is closed, the vending area will be locked and the alarm activated. Shortly after the Library closes, the security guard will check all student offices to see if any authorized students are working late. If no students are present, the building will be locked and the alarm activated. Students working late will be required to notify the guard when they are leaving so the building can be secured. Authorized students needing access to the building when the building is closed should contact the security guard who will deactivate the alarm and let them in. The security guards can be reached at 717-541-3948 (security desk); 717-903-0263 (cell) from 9:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m. Mon. thru Fri.; 717-773-6810 (cell) 5:00 p.m.—Midnight, Mon., Tues., Wed., Fri. and Saturday and Sunday or 717-657-3650 (cell) Thursday, 4:30 p.m.—Midnight.

CLASS CANCELLATIONS

Information regarding class cancellations may be obtained by calling the information line at 717-541-1939. Class cancellations will also be posted in the glass case on the second floor of the Library building and on the classroom doors. Information is updated as soon as it is available.

COUNSELING SERVICES

All students who are interested in discussing problems of any kind are encouraged to contact the Office of the Dean of Students to arrange for a mutually convenient time to meet. Many problems experienced by students can be dealt with quickly and effectively through this office. All conversations with students are kept strictly confidential.

The Dean of Students Office recognizes that students may be faced with problems that are best handled by a professional counselor. For that reason, counseling services are available to all students. These services are provided by a licensed psychologist who practices in Harrisburg. Because this program is designed to provide only short-term counseling services, the Law School has imposed a limit on the number of sessions available to each student. This program is not designed to deal with complex or long-term problems, but should address many of the problems experienced by students while enrolled in law school. These counseling services will be provided to students at no cost. All student who believe they would benefit from this program are encouraged to contact the Office of the Dean of Students.

DESIGNATED SMOKING AREAS

This is a reminder that there are designated smoking areas around campus. All of these areas have ash trays available. Please make sure that cigarettes are extinguished properly in the ashtrays.

THE DIGEST

The Digest is published online weekly at <http://law.widener.edu> and contains notices of events on campus, student organizations' meetings, deadlines, information from the administrative offices and other information of interest to students.

FACULTY ADVISORS

Faculty advisors will be contacting you in the next few weeks. Your advisors can be of great assistance in answering any questions you may have. A complete list of advisors and advisees will be posted on the academic bulletin board within the next few weeks.

LOST AND FOUND

A Lost & Found area is located in the Library.

PARKING PERMITS

All students will have their parking decals deposited in their student mailbox on or about the last week of August.

OFFICIAL UNDERGRADUATE TRANSCRIPTS

Official undergraduate transcripts are required for all incoming students. If you have not already submitted your official transcript, you must submit a copy to the Admissions Office no later than Friday, September 11, 2009.

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

The Student Bar Association, the official representative of the students of Widener Law School, Harrisburg Campus, is located in the Student Center. Your involvement with the SBA and the law school life outside of your classes is strongly encouraged. Involvement with one or more of our many student organizations will enhance your law school experience and provide you with exposure to the many aspects of the legal profession.

WIDENER NEWS PAGE

Be sure to visit the Widener news page at <http://law.widener.edu> for the latest information regarding the Law School.



Students may send questions, comments or concerns to ke-sealing@widener.edu. Only signed inquiries will receive a response.

STUDENT INFORMATION LINE
717-541-1939

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Jessica Schuller, Faculty Secretary
Bob Dolbin, Maintenance
Ed Sonnenberg, Library
Associate Dean Robert Power
Professor Tonya Evans
Diane Goltz, Library
Professor Susan Raeker-Jordan
Sharon Murphy, Bursar's Office

ADMISSIONS OFFICE

OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS

A reminder to any student whose file may be missing the official transcript showing award of your undergraduate degree. This official transcript from your undergraduate institution is required to be in your file for you to matriculate at Widener University Law School, Harrisburg Campus for the Fall 2009 academic year.

Please submit your transcripts to the Admissions Office located in the Administration Building no later than September 11, 2009.

STILL LOOKING FOR A PLACE TO LIVE?

Local housing information is available for Widener students at the Admissions Office. Stop by our office in the Administration Building if you are looking for a place to live or a roommate.

ALUMNI /DEVELOPMENT OFFICE



Do you need a job with hours flexible enough to suit your busy law school schedule? The Office of Alumni Relations and Development can meet your need for extra cash and your desire for a flexible schedule. We are now accepting applications for student phonathon callers. Our office realizes you bear a heavy workload as you train to become a successful attorney. Because of this, we offer flexible scheduling: daytime and evening hours, weekday and weekend hours are available for your convenience. All students are eligible to apply for the openings, including non-work study and first year students.

The primary responsibility of phonathon callers is telephoning alumni to update contact information and to solicit them for gifts to the Widener Law Fund. It is a great way to practice your persuasive skills and provide an invaluable service to your institution while friendraising and fundraising.

Are you interested in helping your school increase its profile? Contact Ashley Barton by calling 717-541-3974, emailing anbarton@widener.edu, or visiting room 109 in the Administration Building for more information. A training session will be held in early September.

BURSAR'S OFFICE

Bursar's Office 2009 Fall hours:

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday

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

*Tuesday 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

*If an ED student does not have class on Tuesday evening, please contact the Bursar's Office at 717-541-3905 or 717-541-3957 to make payment/refund arrangements. The fax number for the Bursar's Office is 717-541-1965. Please have your student or photo ID available when you come to the Bursar's Office for any check transactions.

Loan Checks and Electronic Fund Transfers (EFT)

Loan Checks: Students will be notified either by campus cruiser e-mail, a notice in the student's mailbox or a telephone call when checks have been received in the Bursar's Office. Please insure that your **local** telephone number and address are current.

Electronic Fund Transfers: Stafford loans may be electronically credited to the student's account. If there is a credit on the student's account after the funds are transferred, the student will receive a refund. Refunds are available after classes begin.

Please have your student or photo ID available when you come to the Bursar's Office for any check transactions.

In accordance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, (FERPA), student's account information will only be discussed with those persons authorized in writing by the student. This authorization form is available in the Financial Aid Office.

CAMPUS BOOKSTORE



The Harrisburg Campus Bookstore welcomes you to our school and to our store. We primarily provide your textbooks and school supplies. In addition, we offer a variety of clothing and gifts imprinted with the school name and crest, including some items for Moms and Dads. Our regular bookstore hours for fall and spring terms will begin on August 10, 2009, and

will be as follows:

Monday—Thursday

10:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

and 2:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m.

In addition, the Bookstore will offer extended and additional hours at the beginning of each term. Please check our website at www.widenerlawbookstore.com for current day/hour postings.

We accept cash, checks and all major credit cards for purchases. We buy back textbooks throughout the year as wholesale prices dictate, but at the end of fall and spring terms, during finals, we can offer up to 50% of the original cost for texts being used in the next term. See in-store and web announcements for dates of buyback and extended store hours.

The staff of the Bookstore looks forward to meeting and serving you. We welcome your input on other items or product lines you would like to have available.

CAREER DEVELOPMENT OFFICE



The Career Development Office is located in Room 121 of the Administration Building. You may utilize the resources and reference material of the Office from 9:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday and 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. on Friday while classes are in session. Other hours are available by appointment only. When classes are not in session, please call the office at 717-541-3958 for current office hours.

REGISTRAR'S NEWS

The Registrar's Office is located in the left wing of the Administration Building. Our regular office hours are Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. and 9:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday. Hours may be extended if necessary during the course of the semester. The office phone number is 717-541-3904.

EXAM ACCOMMODATIONS

Any student requiring special accommodations for midterm and/or final examinations must submit a Dean's Action Request Form and appropriate documentation to the Dean of Students. This should be done as soon as possible, but no later than October 9, 2009, in order to allow time to review the information. Dean's Action Request Forms are available in our office.

The Registrar frequently provides updates on our bulletin boards, on the Registrar's Information Line and via email. The bulletin boards are located outside our office and on the second floor of the Library Building. The phone number for the Information Line is 717-541-1941. Call this number for notices of school closings or delays, course cancellations, etc. Finally, please be sure to check your Widener email account frequently for information.

Best Wishes for a successful year!

CAMPUS SAFETY

Safety is a shared responsibility

We need your assistance and I encourage all of you to report anything that you may consider suspicious or out of place. Please acquaint yourself with our website for information on crime stats and other information on our services.

Site: www.law.widener.edu Path: Current students, Harrisburg, Campus Safety

Physical security of your car and personal property

Please keep your car locked at all times. I also ask that you not leave bags and personal items unattended in public places.

Campus Courtesy Phones

Campus house phones are located in our buildings. Please acquaint yourself with the location and use of these phones if you require our assistance.

Parking

Please ensure that you have a valid decal on your vehicle. Decals are available at our office at the Safety Desk in the Library. Vehicles without decals will be ticketed, and repeat offenders will be treated as suspicious and reported to the police for possible citations or removal. I ask that you drive slowly through our lots, as there is always a good bit of pedestrian traffic throughout our campus. I also request that you park only in authorized parking spots (that means between two yellow lines, or two blue, with proper handicap tag or decal). Please do not move cones or other markings that our Officer's use to designate reserved or special events parking locations.

Notification of Police

Please call us prior to or immediately after calling 911. Some students have called the local police in the past for complaints and other issues that are our responsibility. Please call us if you wish to speak to the local police for any reason.

Parking Decals

Parking decals are issued at the start of the school year. Decals are provided to all students via their on campus mail boxes / distribution slots. Please contact Sgt. Jumper if you need an additional decal, email: Lhjumper@widener.edu

Identification Cards

Students receive ID Cards from the Media Services Department on Campus. Please see the portion of the website devoted to this information.

CAMPUS SAFETY

Identification Card and Parking Decal Information for Widener School of Law Students (Harrisburg) School Year 2009/2010

Identification Cards:

New Law Students (RD/ ED): You will have an opportunity to get your ID card picture taken during orientation week. Media Services will be available to take pictures on the second floor of the Law Library Building. Cards will be printed by Campus Safety in Delaware and distributed at the Circulation Desk on the first floor of the Library Building, Harrisburg Campus.

Returning Law Students: Students needing replacement ID cards will have to go to the Bursar's Office. The cost of an ID card replacement will remain \$25. The Bursar's Office will give you a receipt. Please give the receipt to Brian Fearnbaugh of Media Services. Brian Fearnbaugh will email the information on the receipt to Campus Safety in Delaware for printing and activation of the ID card. Replacement ID cards will be available at the Circulation Desk on the first floor of the Library Building, Harrisburg Campus.

Parking Decals:

New Law Students (RD/ ED): New Law Students will receive their parking decals via their on-campus mail boxes during the week of August 25th. There is no requirement for you to complete any forms. Please review our parking regulations posted on our portion of the School of Law website.

Returning Law Students: Returning Law Students will receive their new decals via their on-campus mail boxes during the week of September 8th. Your current decal expires September 15th.

Additional Parking Decals:

All Law Students: Please request via email, (lhjumper@mail.widener.edu), include your full name and student number.

CAMPUS SAFETY

The Campus Safety Office is located in the lobby of the Library Building. The telephone number is 717-541-3948.

FINANCIAL AID OFFICE

The Financial Aid Office is located in the Administration Student Center, Room 143 in the Administration Building. Office hours are as follows:

Monday	9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Tuesday	9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday	9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Thursday	9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Friday	9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

A synopsis of available financial aid is located in the Law School Bulletin. If you have any questions, please contact the Financial Aid Office either in person, via email at jlallen@widener.edu or lawfinaidhb@mail.widener.edu or by telephone at 717-541-3961. Be sure to check The Digest, your student mailbox and the Financial Aid Bulletin Board on a regular basis for important notices. Read all forms carefully and keep copies of all paperwork in one place for easy access and reference.

Loan checks will be disbursed from the Business Office located in Room 148 in the Administration Building. Contact the Business Office about endorsing your checks and receiving loan proceeds. To defer payments on any prior loans, deferment forms must be submitted to the Registrar's Office for certification and submission to your lenders. Contact your lenders for correct paperwork.

The student employment program has very specific requirements and deadlines. If you are interested in student employment, consult the Financial Aid Office for job placement and payroll procedures. All required University paperwork must be on file before students may begin working and paychecks are issued.

The financial aid application process is done annually and begins early in the spring semester for the following year. Application packets will be placed in mailboxes early February. Please pay particular attention to financial aid notices and deadlines to ensure consideration for all desired funds.

For an additional list of outside scholarships, visit our website at <http://law.widener.edu/go/scholarships>. You will be prompted for a user name and password. User name: lawmoney. Password: widener



MEDIA SERVICES DEPARTMENT

The Media Services Department offers a variety of equipment and services to the faculty, students and student organizations. Overhead projectors, slide projectors, audio-cassette player/recorder, TV/VCR, camcorders, speaker phones, portable microphones and power point presentations as well as use of the Smartboards are available to students for lectures and student simulations. Operators are available for use in videotaping. Interactive video between the two campuses is also available for approved events.

Request forms are available by contacting Brian Fearnbaugh in the Media Services Office located on the second floor of the Library Building and by phone at 717-541-3963. They must be completed at least seven days in advance and submitted to the Media Services Office. **Student events must be approved by the Dean of Students.** Office hours are 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

LEGAL INFORMATION CENTER

INTRODUCTION TO LAW

AUGUST 17-18

August 17-18 8:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m.

REGULAR LIBRARY HOURS

BEGIN AUGUST 19

Mon. – Thurs.	8:00 a.m.-Midnight
Friday	8:00 a.m.-11:00 p.m.
Saturday	8:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.
Sunday	10:00 a.m.-Midnight

LABOR DAY HOURS

September 4	8:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.
September 5	9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
September 6	Noon—Midnight
September 7	9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

**Please remember to
use the recycling containers to
recycle here on
campus.**

**It is our responsibility to
preserve and protect
our natural resources
for future generations.**



HARRISBURG LAW NEWS

Submission information:

The ***NEXT*** issue of *The Digest* will be published on **August 24, 2009.**

All information should be submitted to ***Dorothy Koncar***,

(dakoncar@widener.edu), Administration Building by **NOON**,

Wednesday, August 19th, in order for the news to be published.

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS**OFFICERS FOR 2009/2010****WIDENER LAW JOURNAL**

Brianna Davidson	Editor in Chief
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Steve Matzura	Internal Managing Editor
Sam Farkas	PA Law Editor
Alaina Schroeder	Business/External Manag. Editor
Nicole Santo	Symposium Editor
Kyle Applegate	Internal Editor
Jennifer Malitsch	Internal Editor
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Krystle Jackson	VP Internal Membership
Bianca Smith	VP Academic Development
Fawn Smith	VP Internal Competitions

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WIDENER LAW JOURNAL

Law Review of the Widener University School of Law

Proudly Introduces

2009-2010

New Members

ASSOCIATE STAFF

Elizabeth Anzalone
Allison Eberle-Lindemuth
Peri Fluger
Jeffrey Gold
Ashley Gustitus
Joseph Holaska
James Hoppenjans
Curtis Irwin
Kristy Kirk
Amber Moll
Devon Myers
Katie Pilgren
Stefanie Pitcavage
Kara Scarboro
Martin Wade
Ulysses Wilson

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Shawn-Ryan White

International Law Institutes for Summer 2010

Study Abroad with Widener



Venice



Sydney



Nairobi



Lausanne

- 4 great programs: Sydney, Nairobi, Venice and Lausanne
- Each one is really different
- Each one provides amazing opportunities
 - ◆ Not just to *visit* foreign countries
 - ◆ But to *live* in one and to learn about different cultures
 - ◆ And to *learn* something about you...
- Add a law-related experience to your résumé that stands out to employers and may open opportunities in an increasingly global world of law practice
- Each program offers opportunities to take classes with foreign *and* Widener professors
- Each program offers opportunities to travel around the country and region
- All programs are organized to allow students to balance class work with time to explore and learn about the country
- Visit our website at www.law.widener.edu for more information about our summer programs and these fascinating cities.
- **CONTACT:** Arlene Trapuzzano at arttrapuzzano@widener.edu for more information

KEY CAMPUS CONTACTS

DEAN'S OFFICES

Linda L. Ammons 541-3902
Associate Provost & Dean

Robyn Meadows 541-3902
Vice Dean

Paula Heider 541-3902
Administrative Assistant

Keith Sealing 541-3952
Dean of Students

Dorothy Koncar 541-3952
Secretary

ACADEMIC SUPPORT PROGRAM

Ann Fruth 541-3978
Director

ADMISSIONS OFFICE

Eric Kniskern 541-3903
Director

Kyle Schaeffer 541-3903
Counselor

BOOKSTORE

Joan Zurcher 541-3909

BURSAR'S OFFICE

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Coordinator

Sondra Petrasic 541-3905
Cashier

CAREER DEVELOPMENT OFFICE

Karen Durkin 541-3958
Director

Kelly Arnold 541-3958
Secretary

CIVIL LAW CLINIC

Palmer Lockard 541-0320
Director

Monica Cliatt 541-0320

Mary Catherine Scott 541-0320
Staff Attorneys

DEVELOPMENT/ALUMNI RELATIONS

Ashley Barton 541-3974
Assistant Director

FACULTY SECRETARIES

Keith Heard 541-3947

Jessica Schuller 541-3949

FINANCIAL AID OFFICE

Jennifer Allen 541-3961
Assistant Director

Ginger McGarrity 541-3961
Secretary

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

SERVICES

Danny Akacki 541-3908
PC Support Specialist

ITS Reception 541-1979

Computer Lab 541-1927

LAW REVIEW

Brianna Davidson 541-3972
Editor In Chief, 09/10

Sandy Graeff 541-3965
Secretary

LEGAL INFORMATION CENTER

Patricia Fox 541-3935
Associate Director

Information Desk 541-3933
Computer Lab, 1st Floor

541-3985
Computer Lab, 2nd Floor

541-1927

REGISTRAR'S OFFICE

Molly Acri 541-3904
Assistant Registrar

Betty Ann Mortenson 541-3904
Office Coordinator

Holly Parrey 541-1956
Secretary

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

Moot Court Honor Society 541-3969

Trial Advocacy Honor Society 541-1989

Mary Lou Morin, Secretary 541-0320

Student Bar Association 541-3936

Sandy Graeff, Secretary 541-3965

KEY CAMPUS CONTACTS

ARA/Sidebar Café 541-3967

Duplicating & Media Services

Brian Fearnbaugh 541-3963

Campus Safety Desk 541-3948

Sgt. Les Jumper 773-6810

Robert Still 903-0263

Jeff Wood 657-3650

Maintenance

Robert Dolbin 541-3907

Mailroom

Dennis Carrigan 541-1960

MAILING ADDRESSES

Administrative Offices

Widener University School of Law
3800 Vartan Way
P.O. Box 69381
Harrisburg, PA 17106-9381

All Other Offices

Widener University School of Law
3800 Vartan Way
P.O. Box 69382
Harrisburg, PA 17106-9382

**REGISTRAR'S
INFORMATION
LINE
541-1941**



SIDEBAR CAFÉ

August 17-21, 2009

Breakfast from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Lunch from 11:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.



Monday

Kettle Classic

Montaque's Deli **CLOSED**

Café Feature

Itza Pizza

Tuesday

Kettle Classic

Montaque's Deli **CLOSED**

Café Feature

Itza Pizza

Wednesday

Kettle Classic

Chili Soup

Montaque's Deli **Grape Chicken Salad Sandwich**

Café Feature **Egg & Cheese with Tomato Sandwich**

Itza Pizza **Cheese Pizza by the Slice**

Thursday

Kettle Classic

French Onion Soup

Montaque's Deli **Chicken Cordon Bleu Sandwich**

Café Feature **Egg, Bacon & Cheese Muffin**

Itza Pizza **Seventh Heaven Pizza by the Slice**

Friday

Kettle Classic

Cream of Tomato Soup

Montaque's Deli **Horseradish Roast Beef Wrap**

Café Feature **Egg & Ham on a Muffin**

Itza Pizza **Chicken & Pineapple Pizza by the Slice**