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Monthly Highlights – June 2019

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Important Dates

June 4 – Summer Classes Begin

Faculty Highlights

Professor Vicente published her new chapter, *Defectiveness and Causation in Vaccine Liability Cases: The Jurisprudence of the Supreme Court of the United States and the Court of Justice of the European Union*, which she co-authored with Marco Rizzi from the University of Western Australia Law School. The link to the book is [here](#). Professor Vicente is also the manager of the project of translation of the Louisiana Civil Code into Portuguese and Spanish languages.

Professor Wasilczuk was selected by the LSU Internationalization Grants Committee for a Young International Scholar Research Award for her project “Juvenile Justice Collaboration: Developing Myanmar Juvenile Defense Practice and Performance Standards” in collaboration with International Legal Foundation. As part of this research, she will spend part of this summer in Myanmar conducting a baseline assessment and introductory training for Myanmar children and youth defense lawyers, identifying critical legal issues to address under the current Child Law, and beginning to work toward juvenile defense performance standards. She will be continuing this work with the juvenile defense clinic students in the fall.

Professor Bill Corbett accepted an offer to publish his article, “*You’re Fired!*”; *The Common Law Should Respond With the Refashioned Tort of Abusive Discharge*, in volume 40 of the Berkeley Journal of Employment & Labor Law.

On March 24, 2019, Professor Avalos presented a talk titled "Survivor Informed Rape Law: Rewriting Rape Law By Victims, For Victims," at the Fourth National People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference in Washington, D.C. On April 11, 2019, she presented "Reasonable Expectation of Privacy: Does It Still Exist?" at the Louisiana Judicial College's Spring Judges Conference, along with co-presenters David C. Joseph, U.S. Attorney for the Western District of Louisiana and Judge Brady O'Callaghan, 1st Judicial District Court. Professor Avalos is a contributing author to "[Raped, Then Jailed: The Risks of Prosecution for Falsely Reporting Sexual Assault](#)," a Training Bulletin issued by End Violence Against Women International (EVAWI) in May, 2019. EVAWI is an organization that trains thousands of law enforcement officers annually in best practices for investigating and prosecuting sexual assault. The Bulletin's principal authors are Joanne Archambault and Kimberly Lonsway, and it frequently cites Professor Avalos's research.

Professor Avalos was also selected by the LSU Internationalization Grants Committee for an LSU International Scholar Research/Arts & Performance Grant, which will support her collaborative research on rape crimes in London, England, a proposal titled "She must be lying to us! Rape, Disbelieved Victims, and the Politics of Charging Victims with False Reporting (England)."

Dean Galligan will speak at the Louisiana State Bar Association's 78th Annual Meeting and the LJC/LSBA Joint Summer School: "Evolution of the Profession." Dean Galligan will present "Expanding our Knowledge: Tom on Torts" and will participate in a panel titled "Insurance, Tort, Workers' Compensation and Admiralty Law."

Professor Keith Hall represented LSU at the Association of International Petroleum Negotiators' annual International Petroleum Summit in Houston, Texas on Texas May 22-23, 2019. He also spoke on the subject of Brent crude at an international petroleum scholars workshop on May 24 in Houston. In addition, Professor Hall recently served on a panel that discussed coastal land loss litigation at the LSU Center for Energy Study's annual oil and gas symposium.

Professor Christine A. Corcos has published *It All Started With "Columbo": Teaching Law With Popular Culture*, 68 Journal of Legal Education 122 (Autumn 2019), as part of the Symposium: Visual Images and Popular Culture in Legal Education, edited by Michael Asimow and Ticien Marie Sassoubre, both of Stanford Law School.

Professor Robert Lancaster moderated the opening plenary at the 2019 American Association of Law Schools Clinical Conference in San Francisco, California. The plenary was titled "America Polarized: What Drives Us Apart? What Brings Us Together?" and explored the causes of and solutions to the current political divisions in America and how law teachers can effectively engage students across the political spectrum. Professor Lancaster also moderated a discussion group at the New Clinician's Conference sponsored by the Clinical Legal Education Association.

Professor Olivier Moréteau will present *Two Centuries of Legal Translation in Louisiana, The Civil Law in English in the Making* (in French), at an international Law and Language Conference in Bordeaux, France, June 13-14. He will also present at an international and interdisciplinary colloquium on *The Sea and the Seashore as Commons*, University of South

Brittany, Lorient and Vannes, June 17 to 19. On June 17, he will co-chair a session with Prof. Michel Séjean (*How may law help move from what is needed to implementation: consensus or constraint?*). On June 18, he will present Louisiana and U.S. perspectives on the following panel: *May jurists contribute in the worldwide conversation on maritime and littoral commons?* Prof. Moréteau published *Louisiana Law as Gumbo, A Give and Take* (in French), in LA NOUVELLE-ORLEANS 1718-2018, REGARDS SUR TROIS SIECLES D'HISTOIRE PARTAGEE 389-405 (Dominique Barjot, Denis Vialou eds., Académie des sciences d'outre-mer Paris 2019).

Career Services

The Class of 2019 At-Graduation employment rate is 54%.

Melanie Anderson attended the 2019 Airforce JAG Corp Career Services Conference at Maxwell Air Force Base in Montgomery, Alabama. This conference was hosted by the U.S. Air Force JAG and was an opportunity to educate Career Services Offices on the benefits that the JAG has to offer students/alumni, and to provide information about what the Air Force JAG Corps is looking for in potential applicants. The conference included a review of the Air Force and the JAG Corps, and included tours of the base, Total Force Officer Training, and a legal office. There were informational panels, and CSOs had the opportunity to converse with a multitude of Air Force JAGs on subjects ranging from legal practice areas, to deployments, to quality of life.

CCLS & International Programs

The number of LL.M. applications reached an all-time high with thirty-two applicants. Twenty-three were admitted and sixteen have accepted. With more than eleven joining us in August, this will make it the largest LL.M. class in the program's history.

Experiential Learning Programs

The Field Placement Program (formerly known as the Externship Program) has 135 students participating in field placements for the Summer 2019 semester! This is the largest class since the summer placement program was created in 2011. Students are placed with judges, government agencies, and non-profit organizations in cities across the United States, with placements everywhere from Los Angeles, CA to Tampa, FL, to Washington, DC. This summer's largest host organizations are the Louisiana Attorney General's Office, the East Baton Rouge District Attorney's Office, and the East Baton Rouge Office of the Public Defender. Professors Jeff Brooks, Kathy Simino, and Annie Scardulla will be supervising this summer's student externs and working with our participating placement organizations.

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