Friday, August 17, 2018

10:30 – 3:00 p.m.  International Student Orientation for all international students, irrespective of degree program

All international students are welcome to attend this optional day of programming. You can find more information about this day here and on the general orientation website. RSVP required.

11:30 - 2:15 p.m.  Pre-Orientation Check-In/Tours

Our pre-orientation check-in affords new students extra time to take care of the administrative aspects of starting at a new school. This is not a mandatory event, but should you choose to attend, you will be able to:

- Check in and pick up your nametag and NLaw swag!
- Confer with Law School Departments including Admissions and Student Health
- Go to the bookstore (located in Abbott Hall) to purchase books and other materials
- Find a locker partner (limited lockers available so we all share #northwesternlawdifference) and register for your locker
- Get your Ventra Card from Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) representatives who will be on campus from 11:30 – 3:30 p.m. Your Ventra card will allow you free access to CTA buses and trains while school is in session!

Location: Thorne Lobby
Monday, August 20, 2018
#NLawProud Day!

8:30 - 9:15 a.m. Orientation Check-In

Location: Atrium

9:30 - 10:30 a.m. Welcome to Northwestern Pritzker Law (JD, LLM, MSL)

This session will include a brief welcome from incoming Dean Kimberly Yuracko, Dean of Students Susie Spies Roth, and Student Bar Association President Richard Minott.

Location: Thorne Auditorium

10:45 - 11:45 a.m. The Northwestern Law Difference (JD, LLM, MSL)

This panel discussion, moderated by SBA President Richard Minott, will feature administrators, faculty members, and students across degree programs discussing the “Northwestern Law Difference” – what makes our community so unique!

Location: Thorne Auditorium

12:00 - 1:30pm Taste of Northwestern Law! (JD, LLM, MSL)

***Come for the food, stay for the games, prizes, and conversation!
***Wear your Northwestern Pritzker School of Law shirt
***Stop by the photo booth and take photos with your new colleagues!
***Enjoy all the best Chitown foods: Chicago-style pizza, Chicago-style hot dogs (no ketchup!) Italian beef, ice cream, and more!
***Find the games including giant Connect Four, bags, and pop-a-shot basketball!
***Show your Law School pride! Click here to visit the online store to get your Northwestern Law gear today!

Location: Atrium, Courtyard, and Thorne Lobby
Monday, August 20, 2018
#NLawProud Day (cont’d)!

1:30 - 2:30 p.m.  Northwestern Law Support (JD, LLM)

Learn about the incredible resources and support available to Northwestern Law students!
This panel will include representatives from:

- Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS)
- Accessible NU
- Office of Financial Aid
- Office of the Registrar
- University Health Services
- University Police

Location: Thorne Auditorium

2:45 - 3:30 p.m.  Introduction to APEx (JD)

The Academic and Excellence Program (APEx) is a hallmark of the Northwestern Law Difference. It provides academic support to law students with a particular focus on first year. APEx Director Jocelyn Francoeur will provide a short overview to the program and introduce some of the 2L and 3L students serving as APEx Advisors during the 2018-19 school year.

Location: Lincoln Hall

3:45 - 4:30 p.m.  Introduction to Career Strategy

The Career Strategy office will provide a preliminary introduction to their services and the timing of your 1L job search! Student panelists will also discuss how and when they got their 1L summer jobs.

Location: Lincoln Hall

4:30 - ?  Social Events by Section (JD)

Get to know your section mates at a social event arranged by your APEx Advisor!

Locations will be announced
Tuesday, August 21, 2018
Law School Learning Part I: Theory

9:15 - 10:40 a.m.  Prof Talks (JD, LLM, MSL invited)

Yes, of course your professors are here to teach you, but they also do research of their own! Come learn about the scholarly enterprises of our faculty. You will receive an email asking you to select from among the Prof Talk sessions – and you’ll attend two. First session is from 9:15-9:50; second session is from 10:05-10:40.

Location: Prof Talk sessions and locations will be posted on the main orientation website

11:00 - 12:00 p.m.  Law School Learning: Intro to Law School Classes and the Legal System (JD)

Professor Erin Delaney will provide a brief overview of the U.S. legal system and help you understand the ins and outs of our common law tradition!

Location: Lincoln Hall

12:00 - 1:00 p.m.  Lunch on Your Own

12:00 - 4:00 p.m.  Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) Ventra Cards

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Location: Levy Mayer 101

1:00 - 2:30 p.m.  Law School Learning: Case Briefing and Beyond (JD)

What is a case brief? How do you start one? This session, conducted by APEx Director Jocelyn Francoeur, will walk through case briefing techniques (and we will brief a case together). It will also address important theoretical underpinnings for the first year of law school – including how to prepare for classes in the short term while keeping an eye on your long game (exams!).

Location: Lincoln Hall
Tuesday, August 21, 2018
Law School Learning Part I: Theory (cont’d)

2:30 - 4:30 p.m.   Open Office Hours (JD)

Jocelyn and APEX Advisors will hold open office hours to discuss mock classes, questions about today’s presentations, or anything else!

Location: Rubloff 175

2:45 - 4:00 p.m.   Public Interest Center Open Office Hours

Come learn more about Northwestern Law’s incredible Public Interest Center while enjoying some coffee and cookies!

Location: Rubloff 155 Parrillo Courtroom

7:10 p.m.   White Sox game! (JD, LLM, MSL)

Meet and mingle with fellow students, as well as faculty and staff, while enjoying Chicago delicacies and watching the Chicago White Sox take on the Minnesota Twins!
(A limited number of tickets will be available. Details on how to obtain a ticket to the game will be provided over the summer)
Wednesday, August 22, 2018
Law School Learning Part II: Practice

10:00 - 10:45 a.m. First Day of Your Professional Life in the Law (JD/LLM invited)

Professor Jim Lupo will kick off your first day of class with an insightful and inspirational discussion of the practice of law – in law school and beyond.

Location: Thorne Auditorium

11:00 - 12:30 p.m. Mock Classes/Debriefs (JD/LLM)

Learn what law school classes are all about! Please come prepared, having read your assigned case (all cases posted to the web by section) (incoming 1Ls will receive their section assignments prior to the start of Orientation week)

JD Section 1: Professor Emily Kadens – meet in Rubloff 180
JD Section 2: Professor Ellen Mulaney – meet in Rubloff 175
JD Section 3: Professor Jim Speta – meet in Rubloff 140
JD Section 4: Professor Bruce Markell – meet in McCormick 195

LLM CLR Sections 1 & 2: Professor Jide Nzeliwe – meet in Lincoln Hall
LLM CLR Sections 3 & 4: Professor Steve Reed – meet in Levy Mayer 204, Booth Hall
(Please note, IHR LLM Students do not attend Mock Class Debrief sessions)

12:30 - 1:30 p.m. Public Interest Center Information Session (lunch provided) (JD, LLM)

Northwestern has an incredible Pro Bono and Public Interest Program. Learn more about opportunities to engage in public service while at Northwestern Law and about the specific resources available to students with particular interest in public interest employment. A panel will include Cindy Wilson, Director of the Public Interest Center; Katie Shelton, Associate Director for Public Interest; Maureen Stratton, Director of the Pro Bono and Public Interest Program; Professor Len Rubinowitz; and students who have participated in a variety of pro bono and public service projects. The upcoming Days of Service will also be discussed.

Location: Thorne Auditorium

1:00 - 5:00 p.m. Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) Ventra Cards

Come get your CTA Ventra card!

Location: Levy Mayer 101
Wednesday, August 22, 2018
Law School Learning Part II: Practice (cont’d)

1:45 - 3:00 p.m.  Academic Freedom, Diversity of Opinion, and Tough Classroom Conversations (JD, LLM)

This panel discussion will explore the difficult balance of academic freedom vs. other core institutional values, and how to manage challenging conversations in the classroom. Professors Steven Calabresi, Destiny Peery, and Jason DeSanto will discuss the development of principled arguments and opinions, the importance of civil discourse, and the diversity of backgrounds and opinions that students bring to the classroom.

Location: Thorne Auditorium

3:00 - 4:00 p.m.  All Community Ice Cream Social

It’s been a long week and it’s only Wednesday! Come join your colleagues for a community-wide ice cream social to celebrate all you have learned so far and all the exciting things to come!

Location: Atrium/Courtyard
Thursday, August 23, 2018

10:25 - 11:50 a.m.  Communication & Legal Reasoning (Mandatory)

Location and Sections: To be announced

12:00 - 1:00 p.m.  JD/MBA Curriculum Meeting

Lunch will be provided

Location: Levy Mayer 101

1:00 - 5:00 p.m.  Diverse Student Orientation (Optional)

If you are interested in attending Diverse Student Orientation, please RSVP here!

Location: Rubloff 150

Friday, August 24, 2018

DAY OFF!

Saturday, August 25, 2018

Day of Service

Sunday, August 26, 2018

Day of Service