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UCI Law Alumni Establish Post-Graduate Racial Equity Fellowship

The fellowship will support one graduate pursuing racial justice work at eligible host organizations, and is open to 3L students graduating in 2023.

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UCI Law Professor David Kaye Testifies before European Parliament about the Impact of Spyware on Human Rights

Professor Kaye, Director of the International Justice Clinic at UCI Law, was joined by second-year clinic students, Tara Javadzadeh and Spencer Levitt (pictured left), for the hearing in Brussels, Belgium. The clinic's private surveillance project is monitoring the legality of invasive spyware technologies.

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UCI Law Professor Michele Goodwin Elected President of Law and Society Association (LSA)

She will begin her two-year term as President following the LSA annual meeting in June 2023.

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Laura Lively '17, and Legal Team Investigate and Report Abuse in Women’s Professional Soccer

As part of an all-women team of King & Spalding lawyers, led by former acting U.S. Attorney General Sally Yates, Lively helped conduct a year-long independent investigation into abuse and misconduct in women’s professional soccer.

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UCI Law 3L Jason Grimm Shares his Experience during the Washington, D.C. UCDC Program Semester

Jason Grimm is currently studying in Washington,
D.C., through UCI Law's UCDC program (pictured here with U.S. Attorney General Merrick Garland). His externship is with the Environment and Natural Resources Division at the Department of Justice.

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An extraordinary number of our alumni lead local, regional and national bar associations, affinity bar associations and public interest organizations.

Because of our history, UCI Law is unique in the emphasis we place on being leaders in myriad ways throughout the legal industry.

Read the list of Alumni Leadership

ALUMNI HIGHLIGHT

Honoring Our Veterans
Q&A with Chris Lawrence ’21
Associate at Sheppard Mullin Richter & Hampton LLP

Chris joined the Navy in August 2003 and volunteered for submarine duty. For the next 15 years he completed three submarine tours onboard USS Texas, USS Charlotte and USS Jefferson City. He also served on the staff of Submarine Squadron One as the Reactor Control Assistant, and a tour at Naval Nuclear Power Training Unit Ballston Spa as an instructor. In 2018, only ten days before starting law school, he separated from active duty and transitioned into the Navy Reserves where he currently drills with LCS Squadron One in San Diego.

Q: How did UCI Law prepare you for your legal practice?

UCI provided the academic foundation I needed to be successful outside of the classroom. For example, in my practice I still refer to my notes from my California
I always felt that I would leave UCI with the skills I needed to begin a successful legal practice.

Q: What do you like best about your work?

I like the opportunities to learn. Each case has a thread of the routine. But an opportunity to learn is inevitably scattered throughout each case. Whether a new area of law, or a business field I am unfamiliar with, each new case presents many opportunities to learn. By gaining a level of mastery in these new areas I add value for the partners I assist and the clients we ultimately serve.

Q: What was the best part about being a student at UCI Law?

I know it sounds cliché but I really enjoyed building friendships with my classmates. The first year of law school is very difficult. The friendships I built really helped make my time at UCI Law an overall great experience.

Q: How do you stay involved with the UCI Law community?

I make an effort every couple of months to grab coffee or a meal with some UCI friends. We often try to bring a current UCI student or two along. I also volunteer to serve as a judge for events like moot court or the Lawyering Skills oral arguments.

IN THE MEDIA

Prof. Sameer Ashar coauthored the article, "Law Clinics and Racial Capitalism," in the Law and Political Economy Project. READ

Prof. Swethaa Ballakrishnen's book Accidental Feminism featured on shortlist for New India Foundation’s annual Kamaladevi Chattopadhyay 2022 Book Prize. READ

Prof. Mehrsa Baradaran was quoted in the New York Times: "Where $30 Billion to Fix Systemic Racism Actually Goes." READ

Prof. Michele Goodwin delivered a keynote address at the 2022 ACLU SoCal Bill of Rights Awards (1:12:00). WATCH

Prof. Dalié Jiménez was quoted in The Wall Street Journal on legal challenges to President Biden's student loan forgiveness plan. READ

Prof. David Kaye discussed the consequences of the Twitter takeover in The New York Times. READ

Prof. Omri Marian was highlighted in Forbes on his guest appearance of Tax Policy Center's webcast, "The Prescription." READ

Prof. Carrie Menkel-Meadow's book "Negotiation: A Very Short Introduction" was released to UK audiences and is available for U.S. preorder. READ

Dean Austin Parrish wrote for the Law School Survey of Student Engagement, outlining its value as a critical tool for deans and faculty leaders. READ

Prof. Susan Seager was quoted in the Los Angeles Times on the leaked recordings of three Los Angeles City Council members. READ

Prof. Ken Simons' book chapter was "highly recommended" on Lawrence Solum's Legal Theory Blog. READ

Prof. Bob Solomon spoke to CNN about President Biden's pardon of people
Prof. Beth Loftus delivered a commencement address at Australian National University, and the address is printed here: READ

UCI Law’s Alumni Racial Equity Fellowship was highlighted on Law.com. READ

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CLASS NOTES

Samrah Mahmoud ’12 was nominated for an Inspirational Women Award by The Los Angeles Times.

Tracey Steele ’12 became Partner at Karavas Kiely Schloss & Whitman LLP.

Jenifer L. Swanson ’12 was included in the San Diego Business Journal Top 100 Leaders in Law.

Coral del Mar López ’15 was promoted to Partner at Stearns Weaver Miller.

Laura Lively ’17 joined the Los Angeles office of Morrison Foerster as a litigation associate.

Shirley Diaz ’18 was highlighted for National Hispanic Heritage Month by Skadden, Arps.

Sean Lobb ’18 was appointed to the Board of Directors for the Santa Ana Zoo and elected as the Chair of the Orange County Bar Association Young Lawyers Division.


Yalda Bahramian ’22 joined Tonkon Torp LLP as associate in its Business Department.

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EVENTS

November 10 » Environmental, Social and Governance Considerations in South Korea
  • The UCI Law Korea Law Center welcomes distinguished guests to offer insights and advice to students as they enter the legal career field. (Details)

November 16 » Reimagining the Latinx Experience in America
  • Tanya Hernández, Professor of Law at Fordham University School, discusses her book, Racial Innocence: Unmasking Latino Anti-Black Bias and the Struggle for Equality with Enid-Trucios-Haynes, Professor at Brandeis School of Law. (Details)
November 17 » Graduate Tax Program Information Session
  • Learn more about the UCI Law Graduate Tax Program from Professor Joshua Blank and Executive Director Natascha Fastabend. (Details)

November 18 » Competition, Antitrust Law, and Innovation Forum
  • Top antitrust scholars will present their work in progress. (Details)

November 18 » Initiative to End Family Violence & California Protective Parents Association
  • This full-day virtual conference offers multidisciplinary perspectives on protecting children from family violence in the context of child custody or divorce cases. (Details)

November 18 » Socio-Legal Studies Book Talk
  • Ann Southworth, Professor of Law at UCI Law, presents, Speech: The Campaign to Unleash Big Money in American Politics (forthcoming). (Details)

November 21 » Current Issues in Tax Law and Policy Colloquium
  • Susan Morse, Professor of Law at University of Texas, discusses her paper Out of Time? APA Challenges to Old Tax Guidance and the Six-Year Default Limitations Period. (Details)

November 28 » Current Issues in Tax Law and Policy Colloquium
  • John Vella, Professor of Law at University of Oxford, discusses his paper Pillar 2’s Impact on Tax Competition. (Details)

December 1 » Swearing in Ceremony
  • Alumni who have passed the July 2022 Bar exam and UCI Law community, family and friends come together to mark this important and joyous milestone in one's journey to becoming a licensed attorney. (Details)

December 2 » Socio-Legal Studies Book Talk
  • Joseph DiMento, Distinguished Professor of Law at UCI Law, will present, Polar Shift: The Arctic Sustained. (Details)

In Case You Missed it

Monica Eav Glicken, former UCI Law Adjunct Professor, selected as PLC’s next Executive Director and General Counsel

Miriham Antonio, UCI Law 2L, Pens an Op-Ed in The Los Angeles Times: "Nury Martinez says out loud the racism and colorism my vibrant Oaxacan community endures"

UCI Law Staff Promote Academic Excellence in Professional Leadership Roles
UCI Law Alumni Association’s Public Interest Committee Mentoring Program 2023

Students and alumni are invited to participate in the annual Public Interest Mentoring Program, which will match public interest students with public interest alums by December 4. Complete this form no later than Monday, November 21.

Contact Crystal Adams ’15 at crystalmagnoliaadams@gmail.com with any questions.

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