A New Era for UCI Law

Today marks the first day of Dean Austen Parrish's deanship! Please view the video above for a message from Dean Parrish as he officially joins the UCI Law community.

PLUS: Learn how Dean Parrish is "Continuing UCI Law's Trajectory of Excellence" in the latest issue of Orange County Lawyer Magazine.

Learn more about Dean Parrish

UCI Law Monthly brings the latest news and events at UCI Law directly to your inbox every month. Our mission is to ensure the UCI Law community stays informed, inspired and engaged.

UCI Law's 12th Annual Supreme Court Term in Review
Prof. Michele Goodwin hosted our 12th Annual Supreme Court Term in Review joined by an all-star panel on July 6 at the Irvine Barclay Theatre. Discussing cases affecting gun rights, reproductive justice and more, panelists engaged in a lively discussion to explore a Supreme Court term like few before it.

Watch here

UCI Law Welcomes Courtney Cahill

We are delighted to welcome Prof. Courtney Cahill to UCI Law! Cahill is breaking new ground in constitutional law, anti-discrimination law, reproductive rights, sex equality and LGBTQ equality.

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UCI Law Enriches Loan Repayment Assistance Program

Starting January 2023, a greater number of alumni will be eligible to receive financial assistance as the Law School enhances its Loan Repayment Assistance Program (LRAP).

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ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

Kristin Gomez, UCI Law '14, Receives Woman of the Year Award

The award was given by the National Hispanic Business Women Association for her contribution to corporate responsibility. Congratulations, Kristin!

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UCI Law Graduate Awarded Scholarship from Hispanic National Bar Association/Intellectual Property Law Institute

Congratulations to UCI Law graduate Jessica Michelle Santiago '22 for receiving a scholarship from the IPLI. Jessica will be joining the Newport Beach office of Stradling Yocca Carlson & Rauth as a Public Finance Associate in September.

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UCI Law Graduates Honored with the 2022 ADL's Marcus Kaufman Jurisprudence Award

UCI Law graduates Brooke Weitzman (pictured right), Co-Founder and CEO, Elder Law & Disability Rights Center (UCI Law '14), and Christina M. Zabat-Fran (pictured left), Global General Counsel, St. John (UCI Law '12), have been chosen by the Orange County/Long Beach region of the Anti-Defamation League to receive the 2022 ADL's Marcus Kaufman Jurisprudence Award. Phil Kohn, partner at Rutan & Tucker, LLP, will also receive the award.

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Alumni Champion UCI Law Pro Bono Program 2021-2022

Congratulations and thank you to the 33 alumni who significantly supported and contributed to the UCI Law Pro Bono Program.

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FACULTY ACCOLADES

Promotions

Prof. Rachel Moran has been promoted to Distinguished and Chancellor's Professor of Law.

Prof. Alejandro Camacho has been appointed Associate Dean for Faculty Research and Development.
Profs. Swethaa Ballakrishnen and Emily Taylor Poppe have been promoted to Professor of Law, and Prof. Alison Mikkor has been promoted to Professor of Lawyering Skills.

Thank you to Prof. Stephen Lee for serving as Associate Dean for Faculty Research and Development from 2017-2022.

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Honors

Profs. Carrie Menkel-Meadow, Dan Burk and Gregory Shaffer were ranked as top law professors in Brian Leiter’s Law School Reports listing by h-index (Google Scholar).

Prof. Swethaa Ballakrishnen received an Honorable Mention award for the LSA 2022 Herbert Jacob Book Prize for "Accidental Feminism." Additionally, Prof. Ballakrishnen was awarded the 2022-2023 Distinguished Early-Career Faculty Award for Research by the UCI Academic Senate.

Prof. Rachel Croskery-Roberts was elected to the Fellows of the American Bar Foundation, and also begins the term in August as the President-Elect for the Association of Legal Writing Directors.

Prof. Bryant Garth was appointed interim director of the American Bar Foundation.

Prof. Michele Goodwin will be honored on August 7 with the ABA's Margaret Brent Women Lawyers of Achievement Award.

Prof. Elizabeth Loftus received an honorary doctorate from Australian National University.

Prof. Susan Seager was honored by the LA Press Club with an award for contributions to press freedom.

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IN THE MEDIA

Prof. Mehrsa Baradaran discussed the racial wealth gap on Crooked Media podcast with Damon Young. MORE

Prof. Joshua Blank conducted a study for ACUS on automated legal guidance with Leigh Ososfky (UNC Law) that led to adoption of legal recommendations. MORE

Prof. Alejandro Camacho was profiled on the solutions needed to advance climate change law and policy by UCI Magazine. MORE

Prof. Elizabeth Loftus discussed the impact of her eyewitness memory research on the University of Virginia School of Law podcast, "Common Law." MORE

Prof. Omri Marian argued cryptocurrency tax payment programs don't solve problems for taxpayers in Bloomberg Tax. MORE

Prof. Carrie Menkel-Meadow was a featured presenter on "Anti-Racism" & "Cancel Culture": How Can the Legal Profession Fight Both Injustice and Illiberalism? at the Seventh Circuit Bar Association Conference. MORE
environmental lawsuit against developers in Orange County, Florida with Discover Magazine. MORE

Prof. Victor Fleischer was quoted in the Wall Street Journal on the proposed tax increase for carried-interest income. MORE

Prof. Michele Goodwin commented extensively on reproductive rights and racial inequalities following the SCOTUS Dobbs decision, including writing an opinion piece for The New York Times. MORE

Prof. Dalié Jiménez commented on the student loan debt crisis in The Guardian. MORE

Prof. David Kaye spoke with Politico about what the world can learn from Europe’s content rules. MORE

Prof. Jack Lerner discussed using rap lyrics as evidence in court on KCRW. MORE

Prof. Rachel Moran was quoted in Best Colleges on upcoming SCOTUS cases that challenge affirmative action in colleges. MORE

Prof. Trilby Robinson-Dorn discussed "Occupational Segregation and Equal Pay" at webinar event hosted by Equal Pay Today. MORE

Prof. Gregory Shaffer co-authored a piece in Truthout arguing that SCOTUS is violating the 10th amendment by not letting states enact gun control. MORE

Prof. Ji Seon Song commented in the Wisconsin Examiner on criminalization of abortion following the SCOTUS Dobbs decision. MORE

Prof. Jane Stoever was quoted in The Orange County Register on new law that says California judges can renew domestic violence protection orders. MORE

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CLASS NOTES

We invite all alumni to stay connected and to share their professional and personal milestones with the UCI Law community.

Share your updates

EVENTS

August 15 » Orientation (Details)
August 22 » Celebration in the Courtyard for Dean Parrish (Details)

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