

NALP Sections & Interest Groups 2020–2021

Canadian Section

For members with a particular interest in Canadian legal education, Canadian law school career services, and issues surrounding legal employment and admission to the bar in a Canadian setting.

Diversity and Inclusion Section

For members with a particular interest in advocating for diversity and inclusion in legal education and legal employment. Serves as a resource for all NALP members on matters of diversity and inclusion. Work Groups include the LGBTQ Work Group and a First Generation Work Group.

Experienced Professionals Section

Provides an opportunity for experienced NALPers to share with each other and to identify programming and resources helpful to experienced professionals.

International and Advanced Degree Advising and Recruiting Section

For law school professionals who support and advise domestic and international LLM students as well as students and alumni seeking international opportunities. Also for employer members who hire graduates with LLM degrees, who are involved in international recruiting, and who evaluate international experience for both international and domestic positions.

JD Career Advisors Section

For members who have an interest in or responsibility for career development of law students and alumni. Includes work groups on developing resources and conference programming on career development, and the CSO Employer Outreach Work Group.

Judicial Clerkship Section

For members who have responsibility for preparing law students for judicial clerkships or for managing the departure and return of associates who take judicial clerkships. This section is a clearing-house for information on judicial clerkships at all levels.

Law School Career Chief Officers Interest Group

For school members who serve as the head of the career services operation. Designed to facilitate information sharing and best practices, and to provide leadership and guidance to the association and its members about issues around industry change and evolution.

Law Student Professional Development Section

For members with an interest in the renewed efforts to educate law students about professional standards of behavior required for the practice of law.

Lawyer and Law Student Well-Being Interest Group

The topic of well-being for our lawyers and law students continues to be of great importance and interest. This group is for those working in this space to facilitate collaboration and support for one another and to share learning and best practices with one another and the rest of the NALP community.

Lawyer Professional Development Section

For members with an interest in or responsibility for a law firm or other legal employer's professional development programming.

Legal Employer Alumni Relations/Programs Section

For members who have an interest in or responsibility for alumni-related issues.

Legal Employer Chief Officers Interest Group

For legal employer members who hold a chief role of any sort, broadly defined. Designed to facilitate information sharing and best practices, and to provide leadership and guidance to the association and its members about issues around industry change and evolution.

Legal Master's Programs Interest Group

Designed to bring together those professionals who provide career services to graduate students in legal master's programs for non-lawyers (non LLM master's degree programs) – professionals who may or may not be staff members of the law school career development office. Provides opportunities for networking, resource sharing, and the development of best practices to support one another and to share with the rest of the NALP community.

Newer Professionals Section

For members who have been in the profession for four years or less, and who would like to build a resource network of similarly situated colleagues. This section will advise the organization on how best to serve its newest members.

Public Service Section

For members who share an interest in or responsibility for law school graduates whose career paths lead to public sector, public interest, and pro bono work. NALP's public sector and nonprofit members and those responsible for implementing or marketing a law school or law firm pro bono program are encouraged to join.

Recruiting Section

For members who have an interest in or responsibility for law school outreach, summer programs, lateral hiring, and lawyer recruiting. All law firm recruitment professionals are encouraged to take advantage of membership in this section.

Small/Solo CSO Section

For members working in career services offices with three or fewer career services professionals.