

# NALP International and Advanced Degree Advising and Recruiting Section

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## **Summary**

The Section held its first conference call of the year today, June 21, 2012, but has been very active behind the scenes since the transition in April. The migration to NALPConnect has been somewhat successful, however low attendance at the conference call suggests that communication via NALPConnect is challenging as people are still not accustomed to the new platform.

## **RFP Submissions**

The following proposals were submitted on behalf of the Section for the Annual Education Conference:

- Visa Update 2013 (Clara Solomon, Lesley Slater Stumphauzer, Scot Silzer)
- Best Practices in Advising on Careers in International Law (Stephanie Sanders, Georgia Emery Gray, Adriana Vito)
- Resume Drafting and Review for International Students (Kandice Thorn, Chia Kang)
- Landing a Job with the United Nations (Sara Rakita, Akua Akyea)

## **Bulletin Article Submissions**

- Integrating LLM/JD Programming (Adriana Vito) – accepted for September
- Study of University of Toronto LLMs (Ivana Kadic) – submitted jointly with Canadian Section

We are working to get a few more bulletin article ideas, with a goal that we will publish a total of four from our section throughout the year. Chia Kang is also still working on a blog post on Deciphering International CVs.

## **Work Groups**

- Annual Education Conference/Bulletin Article Planning (Danielle Braun)
  - See notes above re: RFP proposals and Bulletin article submissions
- International Career Twitter Feed (@nalplmintl) (Stephanie Sanders)
  - Stephanie has been tweeting regularly and we're looking to keep this going throughout the year.

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- Law Firm Outreach (Mary Schaus)
  - This work group will try to organize some webinars or another forum for representatives from law firm offices in various regions around the globe to discuss hiring trends for LL.M.s and J.D.s to educate career advising professionals.
- NALPConnect (Tibby Cail)
  - Tibby will add the Twitter information to the NALPConnect page and will consider other ways of building out the page.
- Careers in Public International Law
  - We are still seeking a volunteer to serve as Vice Chair for this group.
- Publications Review Workgroup
  - We are still seeking a volunteer to serve as Vice Chair for this group.

## **NALP Connect**

There may be some concern regarding communication on our NALPConnect page. People have joined the Section, and a few people have posted things there, but I'm still not sure people are really engaged with the site. Attendance on our conference call was very low, and a few people mentioned that they did not receive the announcement on June 15 regarding the date/time of the call, but they did receive the reminder announcement that was posted the morning of the call. Hopefully with time, as people become accustomed to the new platform, these issues will resolve and participation on the calls will return to normal levels.