

# NALP International and Advanced Degree Advising and Recruiting Section

Quarterly Report to the Board of Directors  
Wednesday, April 4, 2013

Submitted by: Kandice Thorn

## **Summary**

The Section held its fourth conference call of the year on April 4, 2013. There were nine participants on the call.

Clara Solomon from NYU has agreed to serve as Section Chair for 2013-2014. Clara and I, in consultation with our board liaison Michelle Gage, agree that the work groups and charges for the section should be scaled back in the coming year, given the low level of section participation and the recent departures of several of our more veteran colleagues.

We hope that the upcoming conference will reinvigorate the section and that we will be able to identify some newer colleagues who might wish to become more active with the section.

## **RFP Submissions**

We look forward to sponsoring the following panels at this month's Annual Education Conference:

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

We plan to discuss 2014 RFP submissions at our Section Meeting at the conference this month.

## **Bulletin Article Submissions**

The following articles were approved for publication or have already been published:

- "Can JD Students Benefit from Interacting with International LLM Students?" Adriana Vito, September 2012
- "Study of University of Toronto LLMs," Ivana Kadic, November 2012 (submitted jointly with Canadian Section)
- "Coming to America: Helping International LL.M. Students Achieve their Career Goals," Kandice Thorn, April 2013

We plan to discuss 2013-2014 bulletin article submissions at our Section Meeting at the conference this month.

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## **Work Groups**

Due to low participation, we recommend that the work groups and charges be scaled back in the coming year. Below are our recommendations.

- Annual Education Conference/Bulletin Article Planning (Danielle Braun—on maternity leave)
  - We recommend that this work group continue in the coming year.
- International Career Twitter Feed (@nalpllmintl) (taken over by Kandice Thorn and Jessica Dworkin after Stephanie Sanders resigned)
  - Our twitter feed has remained consistent. We recommend that this work group continue in the coming year.
- Law Firm Outreach (Mary Schaus)
  - This group never had sufficient volunteers to get off the ground. We recommend that it be discontinued in the coming year.
- NALPConnect (Tibby Cail—resigned)
  - Our understanding is that this group will be discontinued in the coming year.
- Careers in Public International Law
  - This group fulfilled its mandate for this year, though we never found a Vice Chair for the group. We recommend that it be discontinued in the coming year.
- Publications Review Workgroup
  - We never were able to find a Vice Chair for this group and recommend that it be discontinued in the coming year.

We may wish to add one work group dedicated to the issues that LL.M. students face with regard to New York's new 50 hour pro bono rule. Clara and I are working to come up with an appropriate charge for the group.

## **Collaboration with Public Service Section on Fact Sheet for LL.M.s**

The Public Service Section approached us with the idea of collaborating on a fact sheet for LL.M.s discussing New York State's new 50 hour pro bono requirement for bar admission. Clara Solomon has been working with Hillary Exter from the Public Service Section on an FAQ.

## **Presentation to RRC**

I reached out to Marilyn Drees several times regarding this presentation, however it appears that it was difficult to fit on the RRC agenda for this year.