

NALP Solo & Small CSO Section Quarterly Report

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Early in the new year, the Small and Solo CSO section continues to grow and engage. We have been doing outreach to new members of our section and inviting non-members who are in CSOs of 3 or fewer people to join. At the time of this report, we have 59 members!

Our section held its quarterly call on **Tuesday, January 29, 2019.**

As previously noted, Angela Cruseturner is serving as Vice-Chair for Articles and RFPs. Since the last call, we have been working on the following articles:

Updates to Department of Labor Policies Regarding Volunteer Internships

Type of Article: Periodic Column

Pub. Date: January 2019

Author(s): Joe Christian - christian@utk.edu

Out-of-State Job Search Tools

Type of Article: Periodic Column

Pub. Date: March 2019

Author(s): Alisa Benedict - ab139@uakron.edu

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Feature Articles:

Judicial Clerkship Advising

Type of Article: Feature Article

Pub. Date: November 2018

Author(s): Jennie Zwagerman - jennifer.zwagerman@drake.edu

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Benefits of Career Podcasts for Law Students

Type of Article: Feature Article

Pub. Date: February 2019

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We are also very excited for the 2019 annual conference. We noted on our call to utilize our section as a resource as presenters continue to prepare for the annual conference. We also encouraged section members to attend the conference if they have not already registered. Alisa noted that we will have a section meeting during the annual conference and time and location will be shared at a later time.

Maria Comas continues to serve as Vice-Chair of Environmental Scanning and Resources. She is working on updating our resource pool and has encouraged members to contribute to the shared resource pool and also to utilize this resource. Topics covered in the shared resource pool include:

- Interviewing Skills
- Cover Letters, Resumes, and Writing Samples
- Job Search
- Public Interest
- Networking
- Orientation
- CSO Employer Outreach
- LGBT Ameliorative Funding
- Miscellaneous

Maria also encouraged members to consider posting employer policies in the shared pool in light of the NALP Principles and Standards changes. Our resource pool is slowly growing, but we want to make a more concerted effort to promote the resource and encourage our membership to utilize it. This may be an area of opportunity to establish a work group.

Other News/New Business:

We briefly discussed the recent updates to the NALP principles as some section members have offered to share employer policies for interviews and posting jobs as they develop the same.

Lori from Gonzaga encouraged people to review the current list of section members, to reach out to local consortia, and to contact our NALP regional representatives to remind small/solo colleagues to join the section. This was an excellent suggestion and we will implement this outreach. We will hold our next quarterly call in March.