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University of Victoria Faculty of Law

25 Years of Law at UVic

On a warm September day, in 1975, seventy-two first year law students crammed into a small classroom in McPherson Library. Together, with seven faculty members, these students were the first class of the University of Victoria's new Faculty of Law. Despite the Faculty's humble beginnings, in only twenty-five years, it has risen to be one of the top law schools in Canada.

"Even from the start, UVic Law viewed itself as an innovative place of learning. Over the years, every member of faculty has made a significant contribution molding UVic Law into a first rate academic institution," said Jamie Cassels, the Dean of UVic Law.

"The law school has always been student centered, innovative, and committed to the excellence in education and the improvement of justice. Around that core philosophy, we have gradually introduced new programs that give students the advantages of the most modern and effective legal education. Examples include the Law Centre, and our other clinical offerings in business and environmental law, the co-op program, the career development and mentoring programs, summer terms, and initiatives in Asia-Pacific studies, dispute resolution, environmental law and intellectual property," continued Cassels.

Becoming the second law school in the Province was a formidable task. The University of British Columbia Faculty of Law cast a daunting shadow. However in 1974, the Government of British Columbia



The construction of the Law Building signified the permanence of legal education at UVic

responded to the initiatives of the Victoria Bar, UVic political science professor Ronald I. Cheffins and other proponents for a second law school, finally giving UVic the green light.

Fundamental to the development of the new law school was a sense that a new approach to legal education was needed, one that emphasized not only the importance of teaching *per se*, but also of teaching law as a human process that can not be understood apart from its social, economic, political, historical, and practical context.

The philosophy of the new law school was summed up by the keynote speaker for the first graduating class in 1978. Garde Gardom, then Attorney General, told the class that the Faculty's goal was not simply to produce lawyers, but to provide a legal

education for those "who view law not as an end in itself, but rather as part of the preparation of various careers in both the public and the private sectors."

This philosophy has seen almost two thousand graduates join the ranks of the bar, business, politics, and public service.

Although twenty-five years is a relatively short period of time for a law school to create a sense of tradition, UVic Law has succeeded in doing so because it has melded a strong teaching Faculty with enthusiastic and supportive students and alumni. Over the years many students have returned to not only support the Faculty with their generous financial contributions, but more importantly to provide continual feedback and guidance to the Dean and administration.

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The next 25 years of law at UVic

I am writing this column just as the new year begins. The date on my laptop has turned over to double zero, and the computer still seems to work. This year is also significant because the Faculty of Law is celebrating the twenty-fifth anniversary of its founding in 1975.

It seems appropriate that the school should be reflecting upon its mission as we begin the next quarter century. We have just completed a strategic plan for the next five years and this has provided us with the occasion to engage in that reflection.

Our strengths

In its first twenty-five years, the Faculty of Law has developed an outstanding reputation. This reputation is due to the calibre of its faculty, staff and students, the school's student-centered approach to its mission, and a shared sense of commitment to innovation, mutual respect and excellence in legal education. UVic graduates are proud of their school and have gone on to be successful in every area of society.

A changing landscape

As we face the next quarter century, the pace of legal, technological and social change is unrelenting. I think of myself as still being relatively young. But when I started teaching at UVic in 1981, there were no computers in the building. Profs and students relied exclusively on hard copy materials in the library, and wrote out their notes and papers longhand. There was no e-mail, and no information databases. There were no courses on computer law, telecommunications, or e-commerce. Intellectual property was an esoteric field, virtually untouched in law schools.

The technological transformation that we have experienced over the past two decades has been matched by political, social and economic change. Canada is increasingly diverse; both culturally and legally. Globalization has added an entirely new dimension to the range of problems (and solutions) we face.

Like it or not, law seems increasingly to be part of the fabric of social relations in every aspect of life. There is a massive increase in the sheer quantity of legal information. Law jobs are becoming increasingly specialized. And rapid change also means that both natural and social systems are increasingly under stress. When we add into the mix the fact of shrinking public resources for legal education, the task of preparing lawyers for tomorrow seems quite daunting.

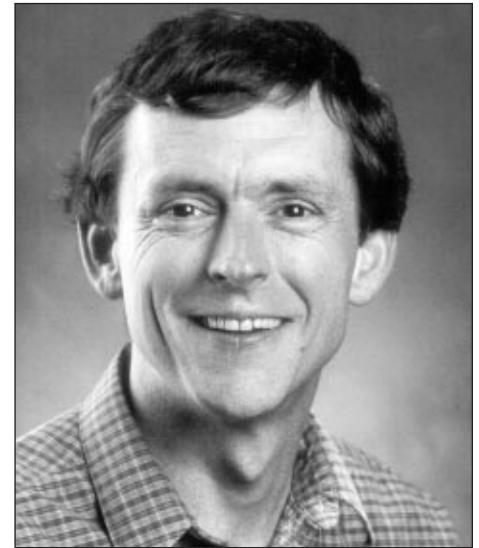
Responding to change

How do we respond to the challenge of change? The Faculty's primary goal has remained constant: to provide an outstanding legal education. This means teaching the substantive and theoretical knowledge, skills, and attitude that will equip students to function in a highly competent, ethical and humane manner in a wide variety of professional legal roles. But we must continuously adapt our program to achieve those goals, given new needs and demands.

The law school curriculum

We have added to the curriculum to respond to both technological and social change. Technological change has prompted new courses in Patent Law, Telecommunications Law, and Intellectual Property. It has also permitted the development of web-based and video courses uniting students with their peers across the country and around the world. Rapid technological and ecological change tests the sustainability of both natural and social systems. This has, of course, prompted us to enhance our already substantial focus on environmental law and dispute resolution. This summer, for example, we are offering a full term focus on environmental law, with ten courses in areas such as international environmental law, forest policy, and toxic torts.

Equally important are the cultural, demographic and political changes. Multiculturalism and legal pluralism are



Dean Jamie Cassels

significant forces, and underlie courses on the treaty process; Aboriginal lands and governance; race, culture and the law; and sexual orientation and the law. To respond to globalization we have created the Centre for Asia-Pacific Initiatives and enriched our international law curriculum with courses like Global Issues, International Human Rights and Dispute Resolution. The Faculty is also launching upon major initiatives in the areas of intellectual property and, Aboriginal justice, governance and economics.

The underlying values

A small school faces special challenges in responding to change. We can not simply add programs to suit the flavour of the month. We're not an all-you-can-eat law school. Instead, we have to identify and hone the essential skills, values and knowledge that underpin ethical and professional expertise. Whatever substantive areas of law we teach, we must remember that critical thinking, communication skills, research and information management, planning, problem solving, an ethical orientation, and a critical self-awareness underlie professional expertise. Law is a lifelong learning endeavour. Today's students will face issues and challenges that we

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Helping students and employers come together

On September 29, 1999, the University of Victoria's Faculty of Law held its annual Articling Wine and Cheese at the Royal BC Museum.

The event was attended by 58 legal employers from across Canada and was designed to give students a look at various employment options.

Few things instill the feelings of fear and dread in law students like the search for articles. In order to ease the stress of finding articles, many law schools now have full-time career development officers. At UVic, Yvonne Lawson assists students in preparing to find articles and assists firms in finding articling students.

"My role is to be a conduit between the profession and our students. One of the events I help organize is the Articling Wine and Cheese," said Lawson.

"The Articling Wine and Cheese allows students direct contact with the major Canadian firms. It gives students a first chance to see the people behind the firm surveys, websites and brochures. It is very important for the law firms to attend the Wine and Cheese. For many students this is their first interaction with their potential employers," continued Lawson.

"The Wine and Cheese event is made possible by the efforts of the Articling Committee, particularly the Chair Ena Ackerman.

The Committee consists of students who recognize the value of building strong contacts within the legal community. It



Members of the Articling Committee prepare to welcome over 58 potential employers to the annual Articling Wine and Cheese event.

is their hard work and dedication which makes the Wine and Cheese a continuing success," said Lawson.

Ena Ackerman, Chair of the Articling Committee, echoes Lawson's feelings.

"We all worked very hard over the summer to make this work," said Ackerman.

"I was very pleased with the record number of firms and students that attended. Especially since the feedback was so positive," said Ackerman.

Potential employers find the Wine and Cheese of great benefit.

Jeff Loenen, of the BC Ministry of the Attorney General has attended the last three receptions.

"It is a means for students to acquire information about opportunities from here and across the country," said Loenen.

"[Most articling] information is available elsewhere, but it can be sterile. At the Wine and Cheese, students can ask questions and meet people in a relaxed and informative atmosphere," continued Loenen.

If you, or your firm, has considered hiring an articling student and would like some information, please contact Yvonne Lawson, Career Development Officer, (250) 472-4719, ylawson@uvic.ca.



Swing Back To UVic

The year 2000 marks the 25th anniversary of the Faculty of Law. Plans are in the works for a homecoming celebration for all alumni on October 20 & 21, 2000.

We invite you to visit the Law website at www.law.uvic.ca or e-mail us at mlynch@uvic.ca. We also need volunteers to organize their class reunions.

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Graduating students earn clerkships

One of the measures of the academic strength of a law school is its' ability to provide the judiciary with law clerks. Since its inception, UVic Faculty of Law students have successfully served at the Supreme Court, Appeals Court, and Supreme Court of Canada.

In 2000, almost a fifth of UVic's graduating class will be assisting the judiciary of Canada.

"The competition for clerkships is extremely tough and having so many positions being filled by UVic grads reflect well on the school," said Professor Andrew Pirie, the 1998-99 clerkship faculty advisor.

"The credit really belongs to the students. The faculty and staff provide the environment in which to succeed, but it is ultimately the student who achieves. It is their hard work and their accomplishment," continued Pirie.

Students decide to clerk for a myriad of reasons. However, the most consistent reason given is that it provides the young lawyer with a clear understanding of how the judiciary works and how the common law evolves.

"I pursued a clerkship because I wanted to develop my research and argumentation skills. In some respects its like a further year of law school," said Constance Ladell, who will be clerking for the BC Court of Appeal.

"I have not chosen the area of law I wish to practice and the Appeals Court will give me exposure to a diverse range of legal issues," continued Ladell.

"I wanted an opportunity to work with the judiciary. For me it is the logical progression from law school," said Kristen Lozynsky, who will be clerking for the Alberta Court of Appeal and the Alberta Court of Queen's Bench (Trial Division).

"I am fascinated by the academic side of legal analysis and I'll get exposure to argument and theory at the Appeal Court level which I may not have the immediate opportunity to engage in during my early years of practice," said Lozynsky.

After her clerkship, Lozynsky will complete her articling requirements at Bennett Jones in Calgary.

Clerking provides the individual student with skills not ordinarily found in an articling position and will continue to play a major part in the legal education of UVic Law graduates.

25 Years of UVic Law continued from the cover

"In order to be innovative, the Faculty must remain at the forefront of legal thinking. At UVic, we work hard to maintain a relevant and meaningful curriculum. To do this we provide a balanced exposure to substantive law, legal skills, and theoretical perspectives placing law in context. We also offer specialized courses covering the most contemporary fields and problems. The alumni, the local bar, judiciary, and community, all play an important role in keeping our curriculum cutting edge," said Cassels, "we simply could not get anywhere without their help."

The importance of alumni is also echoed by Mel Lynch, the Faculty's Development Officer. "One of the most rewarding parts of my role here at the Faculty is getting to know the alumni. There is no doubt that students and alumni have truly shaped UVic Law into what it is today. Their continuing commitment will help ensure that UVic Law remains at the forefront of legal education."

As the class of 2000 approaches graduation, there is a strong sense of optimism for the future and gratitude towards UVic.

What can I do with a law degree?

The Workgroup would like to thank the Alternative Career Workshop panelists

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Director of Investigation
Forest Practices Board

A popular question amongst law school applicants and students is "What can I do with a law degree?"

On January 14, 2000, nine UVic Law alumni generously donated their Friday afternoons to participate in a panel discussion as part of the first annual Alternative Legal Career Workshop.

The workshop focused on the participants' legal careers outside of private practice. The guests described their career paths and encouraged questions on finding non-traditional legal careers.

Allison Bond received her LL.B. in 1990 and went on to do her LL.M. at McGill. She is now the Assistant Deputy Minister, Negotiations Division, Ministry of the Attorney General.

"I knew after first year law that I did not want to practice. I never articulated but that's not been a problem for me," said Bond.

"This sort of session is useful and informative. I think there is always an interest in alternatives and it is important to plant the seed and get people thinking," continued Bond.

The response from students was also positive. "The workshop was very well done. I'm really interested in exploring



Erin Shaw and Ben Van Drimmelen prepare to answer student questions



Allison Bond describes how she went from UVic law student to Assistant Deputy Minister

alternative careers and the event was definitely helpful," said first year student, Janna Cummings.

"In preparing for the workshop, the Alternative Career Workgroup sent out 400 surveys in November 1999 to alumni not currently associated with traditional private practice," said Yvonne Lawson, UVic Law Career Development Officer.

The responses of over 100 alumni have been condensed into a 36-page handout which has been circulated to students.

The response of UVic grads was impressive. "Professor John Kilcoyne, the Workgroup and I would like to thank the alumni who took the time to complete the surveys and share their histories with us. The responses are fascinating, and almost unanimously grads have agreed to act as contacts to current students," added Lawson.

The Alternative Career Workgroup

Deb Chan (Second Year)
Jenn Donnelly (Second Year)
Brendan McCombs (Second Year)
Krista Robertson (Second Year)
Aaron Welch (Second Year)

Jen Wispinski (Second Year)
Professor John Kilcoyne
Yvonne Lawson (Career Development Officer)

UVic Law Students' Society



Students having fun and raising money for charity at the SLIC Formal (L-R) Allison Fieldberg, Amber Elliot, Krista Hughes and Shannon Ramsay.



Students from all years eating and relaxing at the Dean's Barbecue. Events like this and many others underscore the Faculty's commitment to the student body. By working with the Law Students' Society and others, the Faculty gives students the support they need.

The LSS has had a very busy year. We started by hosting four Welcome Barbecues across Canada -- Toronto, Calgary, Vancouver and, of course, Victoria. These barbecues were held in August and were attended by over 70 new "first year" students.

Each year, the LSS and the Dean sponsor the Welcome Barbecues. Both upper year students and new students attend.

Our goal is for new students to arrive in September and be greeted by a few familiar faces. We realize that as such a large percentage of the student body comes from out of town, these barbecues are a great opportunity for first years to make some friends and to ask upper year students their burning questions about what is in store for them at law school.

Throughout September, the LSS Orientation Committee, led by Kate Jenkins, gave the first years an excellent introduction to UVic, the city, and fellow classmates.

Hikes were organized to the top of Mount Finlayson and Saltspring Island. Many of us also participated in softball, volleyball, and of course the annual "historic tour" of downtown Victoria.

The LSS wants to thank *Woodward and Company* and the Faculty for providing many students with the opportunity to attend the Aboriginal Awareness Camp for four days in October, 1999. A large group of first year and upper year students participated in the camp, experiencing the hospitality of our gracious hosts, the people of the Tsawout reserve. With open arms they welcomed us into their community, sharing their culture and history. Somewhere in between the singing, dancing, and playing of traditional games we found the time to make new friends and learn about a culture that many of us knew little about. Living for four days in a loghouse on the Tsawout reserve was an amazing opportunity, and the chill of the traditional early morning swim is one that few will soon forget!

On November 8, 1999, thanks to the generous support of the *Canadian Bar Association*, the 2nd Annual Mentor's Victoria Reception was a stunning success. Almost 90 students and their mentors attended the event at Santiago's Cafe. This year's Mentor Program is the largest one ever at the University of Victoria. It is clear that in two short years, Victoria's own Mentor Program has really caught on. The success of this program is largely attributable to the wonderful response we have received from the law community and the *Canadian Bar Association*. We received more than 40 responses to our request for mentors in the July copy of *Bar Talk*. Between August and October an additional 50 lawyers became involved. As a result, almost every first and second year student that requested a mentor was accommodated; there are more than 180 matches in Victoria, Vancouver, Duncan, Nanaimo and Courtenay. With the continued support of both the *Canadian Bar Association* and the law community, we are hoping this excellent program grows even more next year.

The LSS supports a variety of clubs, which have certainly been busy this year. In addition to keeping up with their school work and their home responsibilities, club members placed an extraordinary amount of

helps make law school fun

work into organizing services, events, and conferences for the benefit of not only law students but the community at large.

Here are some highlights of this year's club activities. The Business Law Club is putting on its 4th annual Business Law Conference. This year's topic is, "Starting and Growing Your Business." The Dean's Women's Advisory Committee is also planning a conference, titled "Women in Law" which will take place Spring 2000. The newly formed International Law Club is hosting a Speaker's Series on international law and legal careers. As a part of the series, the Club has brought prominent professionals from the field to make presentations to students and faculty.

Another new club, the French and Spanish Club, have brought a bit of culture to UVic Law through foreign films and a conversation club for students. The Environmental Law Centre will be continuing its work in providing excellent legal research to other environmental groups and non-profit societies. The Dean's Advisory Committee on Ethnicity and Culture plans to provide an outreach legal seminar for new immigrants.

The UVic Chapter of the National Association of Women and the Law is currently researching the maintenance assignment provisions of BC Benefits Regulations and its effects on women of lower income.

Finally, Students of Law Involved in the Community (SLIC) held their annual SLIC Formal on January 21st, 2000. The ever popular event was in support of the Upper Room, a local shelter and soup kitchen.

Law students were very active in intramural sports this term, participating in basketball, volleyball, outdoor soccer, ice hockey, ball hockey, inline hockey, softball and ultimate frisbee. Congratulations to Begbie's inline hockey team who started a great tradition by winning the T-shirts in their first ever season. We hope to see a continuation of greatness next term, boys. Congrats to all players and teams, especially



*The LSS Board of Directors: (back row) Clint Lee, Stacy McCausland, Jenny Millbank, Ena Ackerman, (front row) Kelsey Drozdowski, Christine Kowbel, Sarah Westwood, Kate Jenkins, Sarah Klinger
Missing: Kim Darling, Carolyn Wilton, Leo Caffaro, Ryan McCallion*

to the ultimate and soccer teams who made playoffs and braved the wet weather.

New additions for intramural teams next term include recreational level basketball and ice hockey teams, and possibly more volleyball teams if interest stays high.

When the weather starts getting less wet, remember that this fall the Faculty received a generous donation of beach volleyball nets identical to the ones used in the very successful beach volleyball tournament during orientation. These can be borrowed by any law student, providing you get permission from Athletics and Recreation to use a little bit of their grass.

Other special activities in the planning stages for next term (when the ground dries up) include a spring beach volleyball tournament and softball rematch. Unfortunately, the annual golf tournament was cancelled this fall due to a conflict with the Cancer Foundation's Run for the Cure, but we hope to reschedule this event in the spring.

Students from all three years were very busy planning UVic's second annual participation in Law Games. The games, held over the Christmas break, saw law students from across the country compete in various athletic and social events. The UVic team was made up of only twelve students. Despite being the smallest team, the "West is Best" team worked hard to defend their 1998 Spirit Award. This award is given to the team with the best attitude and sportsmanship during the five-day festivities. Vancouver's *Ladner Downs* and *Farris, Vaughan, Wills & Murphy* generously sponsored this year's Law Games initiative.

It has been a fantastic semester at UVic Law. We've learned so much, both inside and outside of class. We've worked hard, but we've also had a great time. It is a comfortable, confident and dedicated class that finds itself looking towards the future. Thanks everyone for your participation and your support.

Contributed by members of the LSS

The 1998/99 Year Books are here!

Are you a 1998/99 grad? If so, your year book is in.
If you would like a copy please contact the LSS at lss@uvic.ca

Making a legal education accessible

In the Dean's message, I reflected on some of the many ways in which the Faculty is responding to social change. Additional challenges facing all public institutions are, of course, reduced budgets and increased competition for resources, and talented students and faculty.

Government funding to universities is shrinking rapidly. The Faculty's budget has been cut by more than 20% over the past seven years. If we are to attract and retain the best faculty and students, maintain a superb core program, and adapt our curriculum to emerging needs, it is crucial that we find ways to put the law school on a sustainable basis.

Increasingly we need to rely on the financial support of foundations, law firms and individual donors in order to both deliver the core program, and develop new initiatives to keep the law school ahead of the curve.

Our efforts have been very successful to date, and we are particularly encouraged by the support of our alumni and other friends of the law school. We also rely on the in-kind contributions of members of the bar and judiciary who teach courses, judge moots and help us in so many other ways,

often on a completely *pro bono* basis. For their support we are very grateful.

Faculty renewal and access to education

There are two specific reasons why the issue of resources is important at this time: faculty renewal and access to education. The Faculty is at a demographic turning point. A quarter century is about one generation in the life of an institution and our founders have begun to retire. While retirements are an opportunity for renewal, unlike some institutions, we are saying goodbye to individuals who were extraordinarily productive and energetic, and very difficult to replace.

While the Faculty will be aggressively recruiting the very best young legal scholars in order to ensure our continuing excellence, there is substantial competition across the country. We must ensure that our facilities and resources make UVic an attractive place to make a career (and the Victoria factor helps too!).

One very positive aspect of demographic trends is the increasing need, in many sectors of society, for persons with a legal education. After rapid expansion in the sixties and early seventies, Canadian law schools stopped growing. In Canada, we only produce the

same number of graduates as we did 20 years ago, and with retirements, growth in the profession will soon be steady-state. Law is a wonderful education for an incredibly wide variety of careers, and there is every likelihood that there will be an increasing demand for legal education and lawyers in the knowledge and service-based economies.

However, it is crucial that we take steps to preserve access to education, and to the legal profession on as broad a base as possible. The trend across the country these days is to look to increased tuition fees to replace public funding. Tuition at other law schools is now as high as \$8700 (compared to \$3000 at UVic, by far the lowest in the country).

Our students come from all walks of life and are seeking a sound legal education. The Faculty of Law is committed to ensuring that its' graduates are representative of, and able to serve, the many communities in the province and the country. Through our proactive approach of strengthening our student financial aid (bursaries and scholarships), we are in a better position to ensure that legal education is accessible to any qualified person, regardless of need; and that we continue to attract outstanding students to our faculty.

Jamie Cassels, Dean of Law



UVIC FACULTY OF LAW

Clothing and Gift Items

AT THE UVIC BOOKSTORE

Through a collaborative project between the University of Victoria Law Students' Society and the UVic Bookstore, official University of Victoria Faculty of Law clothing and gift items are now available. A portion of the proceeds will go to the UVic LSS.

- A. UVic Law stadium jacket (top left) navy with gold and white applied letters – s-xl, \$69.95
- B. UVic Law T-Shirt (top middle) navy cotton with gold print – s-xl, \$19.95
- C. UVic Law T-Shirt (top right) gray Russel brand shirt with navy left chest embroidery – s-xl, \$24.95
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UVic Law's 4th annual Business Law Conference

On Monday, March 13, 2000, the Business Law Club of the UVic Faculty of Law will be holding its fourth annual Business Law Conference entitled, "*Starting and Growing a Business: Commercial and Legal Perspectives*". The Conference will be a full day event and will be held at the Victoria Conference Centre.

The event aims to provide prospective entrepreneurs and established small business owners with the business and legal advice they need to start or expand their commercial ventures.

This is a great opportunity for lawyers to network with potential small business clients and to improve their knowledge of the resources and areas of law related to business start-ups.

The Conference will feature a lecture on obtaining venture financing which will be hosted by the Business Development Bank of Canada (BDC) and the venture capital firm Ventures West of Vancouver. Seminars led by distinguished business persons, lawyers, academics and government agencies from across Canada will address a variety of topics relevant to both prospective and established entrepreneurs.

Current issues, such as intellectual property protection and e-commerce, will be discussed as well as more traditional issues such as creating an effective business plan and employment law. The Conference will conclude with an interactive case study and expert panel discussion.



Jenny Millbank and Sander Geising signing in the participants at last years Conference

This conference is made possible by the generous support of the law firms *Torys, Clark Wilson* and *Davies, Ward & Beck*.

The Business Law Club cordially invites alumni of the Faculty of Law to attend the Conference.

The team also invites entrepreneurs to submit their business plans to be considered for the case study. The person whose plan is selected will receive free admission to the Conference as well as free legal and business advice.

For more information, see our website at www.uvcs.uvic.ca/conf/buslaw/ or contact Alison Hayman at (250)361-4810 or ahayman@uvic.ca.

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cannot foresee. So it's illusory to think that we can educate competent lawyers except in an environment that encourages professional self-awareness, and continually examines and questions the presumptions of today.

Customizing legal education

An additional strategy, instead of being all things to all people, is to provide a "customized" legal education. This means helping students to set their own priorities, encouraging them to take responsibility for their own education. We now have three clinical programs (Community Law, Business Law and Environmental Law), as well as Co-op, which permit students to obtain a diverse range of experiences.

We offer joint degree programs with

Business (MBA), Public Administration (MPA) and Columbia University's School of International Affairs (MIA), and are exploring similar partnerships with other faculties and other universities. We have exchange agreements with a dozen law schools. We encourage students to develop their own independent study projects, either as individuals or in small groups. We offer specialized optional summer programs for our students and others with concentrations in intellectual property, environmental law, and dispute resolution. The "one size fits all" model of legal education seems a thing of the past.

Concluding thoughts

Navigating the social and legal terrain over the next quarter century is an exciting challenge. The ethic of innovation at

UVic has served us well as we adapt to the changing world around us. The challenge is compounded by the increased competition for scarce public resources, and for talented students and faculty. Adapting to change and increased competition does not, however, mean simply following the course of least resistance, or abandoning important values because they are "frills" when measured solely against financial indicators. Law is, after all, about social justice, not social Darwinism. In meeting the future, the Faculty has a special obligation to preserve the university law school as a place of critical inquiry, to strive towards equality, and to embrace measures of excellence that are socially, intellectually and ethically sound.

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Scholarships and a



Recipients of the Ladner Downs' (front) Andrea Bourk, Marcy McKee, Ena Ackerman and (back second from the left) Chris Elsner. Representatives from the Ladner Downs' (back) Nigel Cave, Deborah Overholt and Don MacDonald.



Former Dean Bill Neilson speaks (right) with Leonard Polsky, of Gowling, Strathy & Henderson (left) and Jholto Halbenton of McCarthy Tétrault (middle).

On September, 28th, 1999, the Faculty of Law held its 25th Annual Awards Night. Over one hundred recipients, donors and friends attended the evening, which is dedicated to recognizing academic excellence.

"The Awards Night not only recognizes the achievements of students and the generosity of donors," said Associate Dean Hamar Foster, "it is also an acknowledgment that many gifted students could not continue their legal careers without scholarship support. Getting a law degree - paying the tuition, buying the texts, arranging for living costs without the benefit of a salary - is expensive, and the generosity of our donors is crucial to the success of many students."

This year the monetary value of the awards and scholarships totalled over \$101,000 and directly benefited a third of UVic Law's students.

"I came from Alberta and had to set up my own apartment which was very expensive. To go to law school I've taken myself out of the labour market for a lot of years. These awards mean a great deal to me and help make my education possible," said Deirdre Sheehan who received two awards: *The Clifford S. Watt Memorial Book Prize* and *The John and Dora Wight Scholarship in Law*.

The need for money was also recognized by Jenny Millbank, but also the importance of recognition.

"I needed the money desperately," said Millbank. "It made a huge difference to me. [But] what was really nice was being recognized for both my academic work and my community service."

Millbank received *The Blake, Cassels & Graydon First Year Achievement Prize* which honors the first year student who excels both academically and in community service.

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Entrance Scholarships

Law Foundation of British Columbia Entrance Scholarships

Benjamin Berger
Motek Sherman
Jason Maksimow
Caroline Swerdlyk
Jess Hadley
Alan Perello
Greg Sitch
Jodi Cryderman

The Honourable J.G. Ruttan Memorial Entrance Scholarship

Heather Mahony

Winona Wood Native Women's Student Scholarships in Law

Arlene Anderson

Pamela Murray, Q.C., Entrance Scholarship

Julie Ong

British Columbia Automobile Dealers Association Entrance Scholarship

Beatrice McCutcheon

Guild Yule and Company Entrance Scholarship

Peter Blokmanis

Alexander Holburn Beaudin & Lang Entrance Scholarship

Janet Lennox

Russell & DuMoulin LLB/MBA Entrance Scholarship

Sherry Kerr

First Year Awards, Course Prizes and Scholarships

Acheson & Company Prize in Torts

Chris Massey

Lisa Glowacki

Annie Cadby Memorial Scholarship

Suzanne Cuschieri

Jeffrey Van Hinte

Canada Law Book Company Book Prize in First Year Law

Esther Van Nes

Allan Higenbottam Prize in Law, Legislation and Policy

Eli Gedalof

Ladner Downs Prize in Contracts

Marcy McKee

McCarthy Tétrault Prize in Contracts

Shannon Ramsay

McCarthy Tétrault Prize in Property

Chris Massey

Osler, Hoskin & Harcourt Prize in Contracts and Property

Jeffrey Van Hinte

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"It's very gratifying that firms recognize the importance of community service in awarding prizes. There are many very dedicated students who give up their precious spare time for the greater good. I'm very pleased *Blake Cassels* is able to recognize the importance of this service," continued Millbank.

Many first year students are directly helped by *The Law Foundation of British Columbia Entrance Scholarships*. This funding is specifically aimed at students who have combined academic excellence with community service.

"The key criteria for being awarded an Entrance Scholarship from the Law Foundation are academic achievement and community involvement," said Pat Pitsula, Executive Director of the *Law Foundation of BC*.

"These scholarships support one of the Foundation's primary objectives, which is to assist the legal profession to provide services of the highest quality to the diverse public of BC," continued Pitsula.

Many firms see providing awards as essential to encouraging students and developing the profession. "It is vital to support law students and it is incumbent on the profession to do so," said John Finlay of *Arvay Finlay*.

Finlay also points to the role that donors can fill in encouraging excellence in a particular field of law. "*Arvay Finlay* supports the training of advocates because we are advocates and want to encourage a practice in litigation with as much energy (and money) as possible," continued Finlay. *Arvay Finlay* supports mootings and advocacy directly with *The Arvay Finlay Shield*.

Each year the number of awards increases. Each year the need increases. On behalf of the students and faculty, we would like to thank all of the donors for their generosity. Your efforts really do make the difference.



Pat Pitsula (front left) with recipients of the Law Foundation of British Columbia Entrance Scholarships (front) Benjamin Berger, Jess Hadley, Jodi Cryderman, (back) Jason Maksimow, Alan Perello, Greg Sitch, Caroline Swerdllyk, Motek Sherman.

"What makes UVic law students so special is not only their academic excellence, but their character and contribution to the community."

Dean Jamie Cassels

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General Achievement Awards and Scholarships

Blake, Cassels & Graydon First Year Achievement Prize

Jennifer Millbank

British Columbia Superior Court Judges Scholarship

Chris Massey

Carswell Book Prize in First Year Law

Suzanne Cuschieri

Jeffrey Van Hinte

Cassels, Brock and Blackwell Scholarships in Law

Karyn Arter

Tim Sweeney

Davis & Company Scholarship

Karen Shields

Harper Grey Easton Scholarship

Bradley Procter

S.W. Jackman Trophy

Suzanne Cuschieri

Jeffrey Van Hinte

Ladner Downs Medal - 1st Year Award

Ena Ackerman

McMillan Binch First Year Achievement Award

Marcy McKee

President's Scholarships

Suzanne Cuschieri

Jeffrey Van Hinte

Russell & DuMoulin Scholarship

Shannon Ramsay

The University Publishers Award

Karen Dickenson

University Women's Club Scholarship in Honour of Bertha Wilson

Suzanne Cuschieri

Clifford S. Watt Memorial Book Prize

Deirdre Sheehan

John and Dora Wight Scholarships in Law

Esther Van Nes

Deirdre Sheehan

Wootton Scholarship in Law

Sanjit Sodhi

Karen Shields

Upper Year Awards

Course Prizes and Scholarships

Baker & McKenzie Prize in Asia-Pacific Comparative Law

Harry Djorgee

Blake, Cassels, & Graydon

Award in Corporate & Commercial Law

Michael Birch

Bryan Memorial Scholarship

Ros Salvador

Borden and Elliot Scholarship

Terrence Hudson

Michael Morton

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April Katz: Coordinator of co-operative education



April Katz and her assistant Wendy Shergold (seated) feverishly preparing for the next round of co-op interviews

April Katz came to the University of Victoria as the first Law Co-op Coordinator in the summer of 1989. Then Dean, Bill Neilson had convinced April that leaving Legal Services at the Ministry of the Attorney General to set up the Law Co-op Program would be part-time work. This was not entirely accurate. In fact, April has worked tirelessly, placing over 350 students in over 1100 positions since January 1990.

“Every term the program attracts more employment opportunities than there are students to fill the positions. Employers come from all five continents and every jurisdiction in Canada,” said April.

Bill Neilson selected April because her career exemplified the diverse opportunities open to a law graduate. After completing her LL.B. and undergraduate honours degree at the University of Manitoba, April joined the Legal Aid Services Society of Manitoba in its first year of operation. She was the Director of Research and Education, when she left to become the first Prairie Regional Director of the Canadian Human Rights Commission. There she gained extensive experience with lawyers in Ontario, Saskatchewan and Alberta. In private practice she became a partner in the first all women's law firm in Winnipeg. Despite moving to BC in 1981, she remained a partner thinking she would return home to Winnipeg.

In BC she became Chief of Compliance and then Director with the BC Human Rights Branch in the Ministry of Labour. In 1984, April was seconded to be a Secretary to Cabinet Committees with particular responsibilities for Legislation Committee and Social Policy Committee of the BC Cabinet.

April lived in Toronto while doing her LL.M. studies at Osgoode Hall in Clinical Legal Education. She supervised students at Parkdale and later the University of Manitoba Legal Aid Clinic where she

taught a new Clinical Family Law course at the Faculty of Law. Several of her 'students' are Law Co-op employers.

April has used her contacts in the private and public sectors and more particularly with lawyers in four provinces to assist her in maximizing the opportunities for law students in the Law Co-op Program.

In April's philosophy, “the only limitation on co-op work terms is imagination and creativity. Our students do excellent work wherever they go so the hard part is having enough students to meet the demand. In many terms, there are two positions for every student. Some of our most competitive positions include *Maliiganik Tukisiiniakvik*, the Legal Aid Clinic in Iqaluit, Nunavut, and *Bell Gully Buddle and Weir*, Wellington, New Zealand.”

When the Faculty adopted the proposal to set up a co-op program in March 1989, they had two primary objectives. The first objective was financial self sufficiency to improve accessibility. Co-op ensures students are not more than four months away from their next pay-cheque after completing first year. The second objective was to expose students to the wide array of career choices that are available to people with an LL.B.

The vast majority of students have met the requirements of one public law placement and one law office placement. Over 70% have also had placements with tribunals in Canada. Over 100 students have had offshore positions in Thailand (31), Malaysia (22), Singapore (16), Vietnam (3), Indonesia (5), Russia (1), New Zealand (9), South Africa (2), Ethiopia (1), Uganda (1), Kenya (1), Germany (1), United States (5), Australia (2) and India (2).

Co-op is part of the UVic difference. Positions with NGO's are as popular as any other type of placement. The NGO's can be anywhere in the world so long as there is a law graduate to act as a supervisor and the work place offers the English-speaking student an opportunity to learn and contribute. There are no limits on Law Co-op for the next ten years. There are growing opportunities with in-house counsel and every other type of law related work.

Over 80% of the student body consistently applies for a position in the Co-op Program. Over 70% of the first year students indicate that the co-op option is one of the reasons that they chose UVic for their LL.B. The only other law co-op program in North America has existed at Northeastern University in Boston since 1968. It was founded by five Harvard graduates who thought there had to be a different way to study law. Their program is mandatory for all law students. Thirty years of experience suggests the experiment is a success. It appears to be an effective learning cycle keeping students on a steep learning curve while productive for the employer.

Each term the returning students' enthusiasm about their experiences renews April's commitment to making the next year even better. As one graduate said, the UVic LL.B. is an appreciating asset. Co-op contributes to the experience.

To contact April or to find out more about the Co-op Education Program

**Call (250) 721-8196 or e-mail akatz@uvic.ca, or
consult the Co-op website at www.coop.uvic.ca/lawcoop/**

The very busy life of Professor Gerry Ferguson

Professor Gerry Ferguson, one of the founding members of the Law Faculty, says November 19, 1999, was one of those "good days!" After two months of planning on his part, a Workshop on the Law of Homicide, held on that date, was applauded as a great success by the more than fifty judges and criminal practitioners who attended from across the province.

The Workshop was sponsored by Professor Bill Neilson's Centre for Asia-Pacific Initiatives (CAPI). The presence of Professor Stanley Yeo, an Australian criminal law expert, as CAPI's Visiting Associate at the Law Faculty for the fall term, served as a catalyst for the Workshop. Murder, manslaughter, provocation and self-defense were selected as the topics for the four Workshop sessions, chaired by Justices Esson, Braidwood, Martinson and Melvin. Robert Mulligan, Richard Peck, Christine Boyle and Gerry Ferguson presented the principal papers on each topic, and Ian Donaldson, Greg Fitch, David Winkler and Gil McKinnon replied. Stanley Yeo followed by presenting an Australian and Asia-Pacific perspective on each topic. The Workshop papers and commentaries are being published by CAPI.

Professor Ferguson has been actively involved with the legal profession on a number of other fronts in addition to this Workshop. A new edition of *Canadian Criminal Jury Instructions* (CRIMJI), which he co-authored with Mr. Justice Bouck, was published by *Continuing Legal Education* (CLE) in December, 1999. Professor Ferguson's survey of recent criminal law developments, written for CLE's *Annual Review of Law and Practice* will be published in March, 2000. Professor Ferguson also sits on the Board of Directors of the CLE Society.

For many years Professor Ferguson has been an active member of the Law Society's Equity & Diversity Committee. He is currently chairing a Working Group and writing a report for that Committee on the treatment of Aboriginal lawyers and law students in the legal profession. The Law Commission of Canada has also come to rely upon his expertise as one of the members of their National Advisory Council. He recently participated in a Law Commission Study Panel session in Toronto on Abuse of Elders.

Closer to the law school, Professor Ferguson directed the full semester Criminal Law Term in the spring of 1999 which provided students with a unique opportunity to combine both academic and practical study of criminal law. More than 50 members of the bench



Professor Gerry Ferguson heading to class

and bar participated in the various activities of the Criminal Law Term. This spring, Professor Ferguson is supervising eight law students who are involved in a restorative justice research project.

Last summer, Professor Ferguson agreed to direct the Faculty's efforts to revamp its Legal Process course, which is the Faculty's flagship introductory law course. As a result, the Legal Process course offered this past September, was a newly designed and reinvigorated course which attempted to maintain all the successful elements from prior Legal Process courses, but to offer them in a more efficient, condensed format. The Legal Process course was shortened from three weeks to two weeks. All faculty members, in one way or another, participated in the course thereby helping to spread the workload across the entire Faculty, and instilling new energy and new expertise into the course. Both faculty and students had high praise for the newly designed course.

Professor Ferguson and his wife Sharon enjoy travelling (rumour has it Sharon will some day write a travel book). When not travelling, they enjoy spending time with their two daughters and one granddaughter.

Professor Ferguson can be contacted at gferguso@uvic.ca

Law Faculty welcomes back Professor Maureen Maloney

The Faculty of Law is pleased to welcome back to the Law School Maureen A. Maloney, Q.C. She returned following her appointment as Deputy Attorney General and Deputy Minister, Ministry of Attorney General (BC).

Professor Maloney received her Bachelor of Laws from the School of Law at Warwick University and her Master of Laws from the University of Toronto. Prior to her appointment with the Ministry of Attorney General in 1993, she served as Dean of Law here at UVic and president of the Canadian Council of Law Deans. Professor Maloney is a distinguished administrator and legal scholar published widely in the field of tax

law, tax policy, women and the law, and aspects of the law affecting disadvantaged groups.

Professor Maloney has been appointed Co-director, along with Stephen Owen, of the Institute for Dispute Resolution. She is teaching Dispute Resolution and International Human Rights, a new elective course in the Master of Arts in Dispute Resolution Program that will also be offered as a law course. She will be developing a course on the administration of justice for the fall term, and will teach Legal Process in the Faculty of Law.

Alumni Campaign \$6000 from goal

Back on November 15th, the Faculty of Law kicked off its annual Alumni Campaign with the hopes of increasing participation among law grads while trying to reach its goal of \$14,000. To date, Alumni have contributed over \$8000!

Three funds were highlighted this year including the *Murray and Anne Fraser Endowment*, the *Donovan Waters Library Trust* and the *Innovation Fund*. The Fraser's, who established the *Murray and Anne Fraser Endowment*, wanted to create a lasting fund that would provide ongoing support to a diversity of student, faculty and staff initiatives. As a result of their vision, last year an award for professional development was presented to two staff

people, giving them an opportunity to enhance their skills within their Faculty positions.

The *Donovan Waters Library Trust* was established with the purpose of holding funds that will be directed solely towards the acquisition of legal research resources at the Diana M. Priestly Law Library.

Quite often the Faculty is presented with unique projects and initiatives that require seed money to get them off the ground. The *Innovation Fund* enables the Faculty to do just that. Over the next number of months the Faculty hopes to be announcing two very exciting initiatives that will be receiving start up dollars from this fund.

With so many funds and projects

available for consideration, it is only possible to name a few in this small space. If you find that these funds do not match with your interests, please don't hesitate to contact Mel Lynch, the Faculty Development Officer, who can discuss other areas that might be more suitable to your interests.

If you would like to see which of your fellow classmates have given to the campaign, please visit the Faculty of Law website at www.law.uvic.ca. This site will be updated throughout the campaign until July 30th, 2000.

The Faculty wishes to thank all of you who have given to date and thanks, in advance, to those who will be contributing.

Mel Lynch can be reached at (250) 721-8025 or mlynch@uvic.ca

Endowments: an effective tool for the future

Planning for the future is never an easy task, whether you are planning for your retirement or planning the future of a law school. As cutbacks in education continually create new challenges for UVic Law, the Faculty is taking action through the enhancement of its endowment funds.

Building up endowment funds will be a critical tool while planning for the future success of the Faculty. In the past, most endowment funds were designated to a variety of student scholarships and bursaries. Over \$115,300 in revenue is generated through Faculty of Law endowed scholarships and bursaries. With increasing

education costs coupled with the rising cost of living, this amount will need to be doubled in the next five years.

As times change, the need to find funding for Faculty programs and initiatives is growing. So far endowment funds have enabled us to send students to compete at various moot competitions across the nation, to fund a variety of speakers' series, to offer our staff professional development opportunities, and to enhance our intellectual property program.

Recently, the *Law Foundation of British Columbia* granted \$165,000 towards endowments that will support a variety of

priority initiatives within the Faculty. The revenue generated by this generous gift will be used towards the First Nations Legal Studies Fund where it will allow us to expand our program by bringing in visitors and speakers to teach, and to provide academic and cultural support for Aboriginal students. In addition, funds will also be allocated towards the Donovan Waters Library Trust and the Innovation Fund.

Thank you *Law Foundation of British Columbia* for helping UVic Law plan for the future!

Blake, Cassels & Graydon LLP create national scholarships

According to Jim Christie, Managing Partner of *Blake, Cassels & Graydon LLP*, "Our law firm is committed to supporting legal education and legal talent in Canada. To that end, the firm has decided to commit itself to establishing a national scholarship programme across the country."

UVic Law students will be some of the direct beneficiaries of this programme. A \$5000 scholarship will be awarded to a second year student who has demonstrated outstanding academic achievement in their class. Some other criteria that will

be taken into account include financial need, involvement in the community and extra-curricular activities at the University or the Faculty. The student who receives this scholarship will be eligible to receive it the following year assuming that person continues to demonstrate outstanding academic achievement.

"With tuition fees rising across the country, financial aid is a priority for the Faculty. This programme will assist us in continuing to recruit and retain top students, and helps to ensure that talented individuals

have equal educational opportunity," said Jamie Cassels, Dean of Law at UVic.

Blakes has a long history of supporting Canada's law schools and recognizes the importance of legal education which is what motivated the Firm to establish this unique programme.

UVic Law extends a sincere thanks to *Blake, Cassels & Graydon LLP* for their generous support of our students and Faculty.



Making the most of your alumni network

The world wide web has created a wide range of opportunities and resources. Many professionals have signed on to these internet based services to improve efficiency and develop their networking. Unfortunately, most have found these resources are more hype than substance.

With these difficulties in mind and the desire to support their alumni, UVic has introduced their new On-line Community (OLC). The system is set up to provide alumni with a variety of services tailor made to their needs.

"OLC is a great way to connect with other UVic students, grads, faculty and staff. After only a little over a year on-line, the OLC is already 3000 members strong," said Dana Chamberlain, OLC Co-ordinator.

UVic Law grads have been particularly active in the new service. "Many of our members are UVic Law graduates and students. Feedback from members has been great. Students have connected with mentors who have helped them learn more about their chosen profession, and even helped them with contacts in their own area," continued Chamberlain.

A recent addition to OLC is Law Chat. This new forum has just been added to provide UVic Law students, alumni, faculty, staff and friends with a new place to refer others, discuss hot topics in the legal profession, and engage in class discussions. The service is available to all UVic alumni and students.

Alumni from all faculties have found the service useful. They have contacted old friends, arranged reunions and made new connections.

"Recently, one member thought she'd try contacting someone through the Travel/Relocation Advisory before travelling to a new city to visit. She was able to get the information she needed and was even invited to dinner," said Chamberlain.

The system is easy to access. Just go to the web address below and follow the simple sign up instructions. All you will need is your student number to enroll. It's that easy!

<http://alumni.uvic.ca/olc>

OLC Features

UVic's OLC Network™ On-line Community was developed by the Alumni Affairs office in concert with the UVic Alumni Association, Student Employment Centre, Counselling Services, and Student Alumni (Ambassadors) Association. It includes the following features:

1. **ALUMNI DIRECTORY:** List yourself or search for other UVic Law grads by grad year, residence on campus and hobbies. Alumni can include their photo in their profile.
2. **MENTORS ON-LINE:** A tremendous career development tool. Mentors complete comprehensive anonymous mentor profiles that answer many open-ended questions students identified as important in their career exploration processes. In most cases, mentors may be contacted for more information.
3. **PERMANENT EMAIL FORWARDING:** For alumni and graduating students. Choose a permanent address to which all your contacts may write. No more need to worry about losing contact with someone because they don't have your new email address.
4. **KEEPING IN TOUCH:** A section for Law alumni to share their personal news and a photograph with fellow grads.
5. **RELOCATION/TRAVEL ADVISORY:** Perfect for co-op students and alumni moving to a new city. Members volunteer to offer advice on their home city.
6. **CAMPUS WORKLINK:** A Canada-wide job/resume posting service offered through the UVic Student Employment Centre. This service is free to alumni through the On-line Community.
7. **OLC BULLETIN BOARDS:** Several bulletin boards, including "Law Chat," a specific UVic Faculty of Law bulletin board.
8. **BUSINESS CARD EXCHANGE:** A place for members to advertise their products/services to other members.

Donors and award recipients continued from page 11

Bull, Housser and Tupper Award in Commercial Law

Carole Aippersbach

Campney, Murphy Prize in Debtor-Creditor Relations

Alix Herber

Canada Law Book Company Book Prize in Second Year Law

Alisia Adams

Canada Law Book Company Book Prize in Third Year Law

Kimberly Henders-Miller

Chris Considine Prize in Evidence

Rahim Talib

Cook Roberts Prize in Civil Procedure

Christopher Elsner

Cook Roberts Prize in Indian Lands, Rights, and Government

James Nelson

Crease, Harman & Company Scholarship in Law

James Nelson

Davis & Company Prize in Administrative Law

Talha Syed

Andrea Bourke

Davis & Company Prize in Environmental Law

David Robbins

Dohm, Jaffer and Cashman Prize in Immigration and Refugee Law

Sean Vanderpol

Professor Jim Ellis Memorial Prize in Advanced Taxation

Michael Birch

Professor Jim Ellis Memorial Prize in International Law

Jonathan Strug

Professor Jim Ellis Memorial Prize in International Business and Trade Law

Jonathan Strug

Estate Planning Council of Victoria Douglas Gray Memorial Prize in Wills Drafting

Richard Garvin

Harper Grey Easton Prize in Insurance Law

Susanne Raab

G. Allan Higenbottam Prize in Legal and Legislative Drafting

Christopher Elsner

Horne Coupar Prize in Family Law

Kathryn Chapman

Lang, Michener, Lawrence & Shaw Prize in Securities Law

Shane Willoughby

Lawson, Lundell, Lawson & McIntosh Law Prizes in Business Associations

Peter MacPherson

Jonathan Strug

Lars Alfred Lindholm Memorial Scholarship

Sean Vanderpol

Maclsaac & Company Prize in Community Law - Legal Aid Clinic

John Horsfield

Ronald F. Maclsaac Prize

Karin MacArthur

Maclean Scholarships in Legal History and Criminal Law

Elaine Davies

Katherine Reiffenstein

Richard Overstall

John McAlpine Prize in Civil Liberties and Human Rights

David Robbins

National Trust - Donovan and Maryla Waters Award in Trusts and Estate Planning

Mark Davis

Oyen, Wiggs, Green & Mutala Prize in Intellectual Property

Robyn Campbell

Royal Trust Prize in Trusts

Mark Davis

Russell & DuMoulin Prize in Employment Law

Justine Austin-Olsen

Russell & DuMoulin Prize in Intellectual Property Law Research

Benjamin Authers

Russell & DuMoulin Prize in Real Property Transactions

Lesley Caswell

Murray Maduke

Russell & DuMoulin Prize for Research

Christopher Eagles

Smith Lyons Scholarship in Intellectual Property and Technology Law

Sarah Whitehead

Stikeman Elliott/Carswell Tax Award

Victoria Heasman

Thorsteinssons Prize in Taxation

Gregory Lindsey

Mokua Gichuru

J. Lyle Wilson Book Prize in Law

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Carswell Book Prize in Third Year Law

Craig Ash

Harper Grey Easton Scholarship

Jana McLean

Keith B. Jobson Award

Gary Campo

Christopher S. Johnson Scholarship

Melissa Atkinson

Betty and Gilbert Kennedy Scholarship in Law

Christie MacDonald

Rodney Fehr

Ladner Downs Medal - Second Year Award

Christopher Elsner

Jill Perry

Martlet Chapter I.O.D.E. Scholarship in Law

Jill Perry

Ronald S. Nairne Memorial Award

John Horsfield

Howard Petch Scholarships

James Nelson

President's Scholarships

Jonathan Strug

Christopher Elsner

President's Scholarships for Part-time Undergraduate Students

Mokua Gichuru

The David Roberts Prize in Legal Writing

Shannon Carson

Hilary Paterson

Robert Stack

Chief Michael A. Underwood Memorial Scholarship

Gary Campo

University Publishers Award

Melanie Cheesman

Advocacy and Mooting Awards

Arvay Finlay Shield

Justine Austin-Olsen

Rachel Curran

Rajan Dhami

Clint Lee

Davis & Company Shield and Book Prize

Tina-Marie Bradford

Lisa Chamzuk

Jim Ellis International Law Mooting Award

Farzana Mohamed

David Robbins

Shane Smith

Marc Spector

Guild Yule Advocacy Award

Suzanne Cuschieri

Karen Shields

Ladner Downs Prize in Appellate Advocacy

Andrea Bourke

Brock Martland

Ellen Sealey

Phillip Kennedy

Russell & DuMoulin Shield

Andrea Bourke

Brock Martland

Ellen Sealey

Phillip Kennedy

J.S.D. Tory Prize for Advocacy

Phillip Kennedy

Alumni hockey team rules



In its January 1998 edition, the Law News reported that the UVic Blades had won the annual Western Law School Hockey Tournament for the first time since 1983. I am pleased to inform you that UVic has once again accomplished this difficult feat. This time though, it was the UVic Law Alumni.

The players are: (Back Row, left to right): "Coach", Andrew Morrison, Jason Kitts, Michael Raven, Grant Smith, Mark "Corky" Sheardown; (Front Row, left to right): Mike Bennett, Craig McTavish, Roger Watts, Paul Swanson, Chris Hope.

The entire tournament was played on October 21-22 in Richmond, B.C. The UVic Alumni encountered the UVic Blades earlier in the tournament and were soundly outplayed by the youngsters, losing 4-1. Both teams won their other games, so they collided in the finals.

After three periods, the teams were deadlocked 2-2 in a hard-fought match. Overtime resolved nothing, so the teams engaged each other in a shoot-out. In two heroic efforts, goalie Roger Watts blocked every shot and Grant Smith notched the winner with a lovely deke. The UVic Alumni won the championship 3-2.

Special thanks to alumnus Paul Swanson for forwarding this story.

Alumni Needed

Swing Back To UVic



We need your help in organizing your class reunions during our 25th anniversary celebration.
October 20 & 21, 2000.

For more information, please contact Mel Lynch at (250) 721-8025 or mlynch@uvic.ca

to help organize class reunions

FACULTY OF LAW SEMINARS AND EVENTS 2000

Dr. George Williams, Faculty of Law, Australian National University

"Amicus Curiae Intervention in the High Court of Australia and the Supreme Court of Canada"

Friday, February 11, 12:30 p.m.
Faculty Workroom

Professor Wes Pue, Nemetz Professor of Legal History, UBC

"Lawyers, Politics and Culture in Canada, 1900-1930"

Wednesday, February 16, 12:30 p.m.
Faculty Workroom

The Second Annual Dinner in Honour of the Victoria Judiciary

Thursday, February 17, 6:00 p.m.

Faculty Club, Main Dining Room,

Contact Joanne Partridge at

(250) 721- 8147 or e-mail:joannep@uvic.ca

Dr. Dermot Walsh, Department of Law, University of Limerick

T.B.A.

Wednesday, March 8, 12:30 p.m.

Faculty Workroom

Dr. Dermot Walsh, Department of Law, University of Limerick

*"Excavating the Perversion of Justice:
The Rule of Law and Bloody Sunday,
Derry, N.I., 1971" (Tentative Title)*

Thursday, March 9, 7:00 p.m.

The F. Murray Fraser and MacLean

Annual Lecture

Law Building, Room 159

Also in March, Professor Cathy Bell, Faculty of Law, University of Alberta on

**"Protection and Repatriation of
Aboriginal Cultural Property"**

(Details to be announced)

Madame Justice Louise Arbour, Supreme Court of Canada,

April 6 & 7, University of Victoria

(Details to be announced)

**All in the Law Building
Faculty Workroom, 2nd Floor.
(Unless otherwise stated)**

Alumni: What are they doing now?

1983

Maria Dixon

This year I started a practice at Tousignant Young, Calgary AB, working in the areas of general practice family law and legal research.

Adjudication at the B.C. Labour Relations Board, effective July 2.

Married Paul Devine in 1990. Gave birth to Callum 1994.

1984

Terry Romaniuk

Terry Romaniuk took an appointment as an Ad Hoc Justice of the Peace in April of 1997. In February of 1999 he accepted an "upgrade" appointment as a Presiding Justice of the Peace. He wonders if he is the first in his class to take the Judicial Oath. Alberta has two types of judicially appointed Justices of the Peace – Sitting (Traffic Court), and Presiding (bail hearings, intrusive warrants, interim superior court restraining orders). The appointments allow the Justices to continue to practice law.

Terry is married to Mary-Jo and has three children – Lauren (11), Joe (10), and Paul (9). A sport oriented group. He maintains a general practice in Edmonton, with an emphasis on criminal law.

1986

John Roggeveen

I am currently carrying on a sole practice in association with 5 other lawyers under the moniker McConnell MacInnes Graham, in the suburbs of Calgary.

My practice is quite general, involving most of what a general practitioner lawyer would do in a suburban law practice (in Calgary, at least): some incorporations, some real estate transactions, some family law, some small business commercial deals, and a few Wills, but I prefer commercial and business litigation (which is less commonly found in suburbia).

Ainslie Tamboline

Married Tom Tamboline September 5, 1998.

1987

Dianne G. McDonald

Opened as a sole practitioner March 1995, specializing in young offenders defense work, matrimonial litigation and child apprehensions.

Dianne is also providing law students with the benefit of her experience through her part-time teaching at the UVic Clinical Term at the Law Centre.

1998

Mark Gillard

After a year of full-time study, I was granted a Masters of Laws degree (LL.M.) in 1998 through the University of Ottawa Faculty of Law Legislative Drafting Programme. On a part-time basis, I am currently completing requirements for Masters of Arts (M.A.) in War Studies from the Royal Military College of Canada in Kingston, through distance education at National Defense Headquarters, Ottawa. I will graduate in 2000.

Currently overseeing Canada's foreign policy involvement in various international initiatives designed to curb the excessive and destabilizing accumulation and proliferation of military small arms and light weapons (e.g., assault representative) on the United Nations Group of Government Experts on Small Arms.

1991

Garry Benson

I left the firm of Salloum Doak in August 1999 and joined the firm of Kendall Penty. I am practicing corporate/commercial, conveyancing and aboriginal law.

I married Liz Leinemann (B.Ed '85) and have 2 children – Jacqueline (age 7) and Alexandra (age 3).

Wade Jensen

Wade is currently practicing criminal law in Kelowna. He and his wife Sandra have two children, Madison and Rhys.

As much as they enjoy the wonderful city of Kelowna, they are always on the lookout

for an excuse to return to family and friends in beautiful Victoria!

E-mail Wade at sjenson@home.com

1995

Robert Meyer

After completing my articles at McCarthy Tetrault in Toronto and writing the New York Bar, I recuperated in that wonderful vacation playground, the Middle East, and spent the summer studying French in Montreal. I'm now in New York with Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson, practicing corporate/M&A law.

1997

Phillip Abraham

Phillip is beginning the LL.M. program at the University of Calgary, studying environmental and natural resources law.

Mark J. Gibson

Hired as in-house counsel, ICBC Litigation Department.

Julie D. Platz

Was practicing Labour and Employment law at Alexander Holburn Beaudin & Lang. Now practicing same at Ogilvy Renault (as of July 1, 1999).

1998

Laura McKay and Roger Watts

After graduating in May of 1998, Laura and Roger moved to Vancouver, where they were married in August 8, 1998. They were both called to the B.C. Bar on May 21, 1999.

Laura articulated at Bull, Housser & Tupper, and now practices as an associate of the new firm of Dives, Grauer & Harper, a small firm practicing primarily in health-care litigation. Roger split his articles between two firms – Richards Buell Sutton, a mid-size firm with a number of practice areas, and McEwen, Schmitt & Co., a small firm practicing almost exclusively in the area of maritime and admiralty litigation. He currently remains with McEwen, Schmitt & Co. as an associate.

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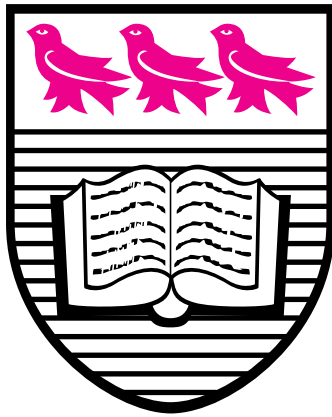
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