

## 2021 ORIENTATION

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**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18<sup>th</sup>**

***Preparing for the Profession: In the Classroom and Beyond***

- Attendance by All Incoming Students is Expected
  - Live on Zoom | Business or Business Casual Attire
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- 9:45 - 10:00 am    **Student Check-In**  
Links will be provided
- 10:00 - 10:25 am    **Dean's Welcome**  
Dean Vikram Amar
- 10:25 - 10:45 am    **Perspectives from the Bench and Professionalism Pledge**  
Illinois Supreme Court Justice Rita Garman
- 10:45 - 11:00 am    **Expectations for a Law Student**  
Associate Dean Verity Winship
- 11:00 - 11:15 am    **Expanding the Classroom through Scholarship & Research**  
Associate Dean Jennifer Robbennolt
- 11:15 - 12:00 pm    **Faculty Panel**  
Moderator: Matthew Petruszak  
Associate Dean Margareth Etienne  
Professor Andrew Leipold  
Professor Shannon Moritz  
Professor Jacob Sherkow
- 12:00 - 12:30 pm    **Lunch Break**
- 12:30 - 1:15 pm    **Reading and Preparing Like a Law Student**  
Professor Janice Pea

- 1:15 - 1:45 pm      Unlocking the Tools for Legal Research**  
Professor Faye Jones                      Professor Matthew Braun  
Professor Stephanie Davidson      Professor Pia Hunter  
Professor Barbara Kaplan              Professor Jeffrey Lambert  
Professor Travis McDade
- 1:45 - 2:00 pm      Break**
- 2:00 - 2:40 pm      Academic Academy: Experiential Skills Presentation**  
Professor Catherine Stahl and Selected Trial Team Members

## 2021 ORIENTATION

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 19<sup>th</sup>**

### *Caring for Yourself & Others – Wellness, Leadership, & Student Life*

- Attendance by All Incoming Students is Expected
- Live on Zoom | Business or Business Casual Attire

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| <b>9:30 - 10:00 am</b>  | <b>Leadership Through the Student Bar Association</b><br>Student Bar Association President Akshay Soman<br>Student Bar Association Executive Board Members   |
| <b>10:00 - 11:15 am</b> | <b>You Belong Here: How Law Students Can Defeat Bias and Build Inclusion</b><br>Michelle Silverthorn, Founder and CEO of Inclusion Nation  |
| <b>11:15 - 11:30 am</b> | <b>Break</b>   |
| <b>11:30 - 12:00 pm</b> | <b>Wellness: Resources for the Hidden Stresses of Law School</b><br>Dean of Students Virginia Vermillion<br>SBA Wellness Committee Members: Julia Jones and Glenna Siegel  |
| <b>12:00 - 12:30 pm</b> | <b>Lunch</b>   |
| <b>12:30 - 1:00 pm</b>  | <b>Public Interest Dialog: Overview of Public Interest Opportunities</b><br>Lawyers as Community Leaders & Problem Solving   |
| <b>1:30 - 2:00 pm</b>   | <b>Advice from the Experts</b><br>Moderated by Assistant Dean Rebecca Ray<br>Panel of Upper-Level Students for Expert Advice   |
| <b>2:00 - 2:45 pm</b>   | <b>Experiential Skills Presentation: ABA Client Counseling Competition</b><br>Professor James Noonan and Competitions Coordinator Deanna Shumard<br>College of Law's American Bar Association Client Counseling Student Team |

## 2021 ORIENTATION

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 20<sup>th</sup>**

### *Putting It Together – Your First Class & Meeting Your Classmates*

- **In-Person Attendance is Expected: Actual Class Attendance**
- **Business Casual or Casual Attire (Business Attire for Professional Head Shot)**

#### **In-Person Programming:**

The remainder of Orientation is designed to maximize in-person participation. To ensure a dynamic and safe experience for your in-person participation, this is based on your small section.

- Please bring Business Attire for your first Professional Photograph, which will be then used for your Directory Photo during law school. Students have also found these helpful for use throughout the three years as they engage in other professional activities and commitments. These photos will be a traditional directory “head shot,” showing only from the waist up.
- You *must* have **Access Granted** status on the Safer Illinois App to attend the required class sessions and the luncheon program. This requires two negative COVID-19 tests within a week of the event through the University of Illinois program or successfully uploading a vaccine card confirming full vaccination (complete vaccine sequence and 14-day period thereafter).

**9:30 - 10:30 am**      **Small Sections 1, 2, & 3**  
**In-person participation at the College of Law**

**Meet the Dean**

Personal Welcome from Dean Vikram Amar

**Strategic Leadership**

Executive Assistant Dean Greg Miarecki

**10:30 – 11:20 am**      **Small Section 1**

- Legal Writing & Analysis First Class with Professor Aylon Schulte

### **Small Section 2**

- Legal Writing & Analysis First Class with Professor Shannon Moritz

### **Small Section 3**

- Legal Writing & Analysis First Class with Professor Sean Anderson

### **SMALL SECTIONS 4, 5, & 6**

*During the morning sessions, Small Sections 4, 5, & 6 are free to navigate the College of Law and tour the building. Don't forget to pick up your Resource Bag and your first professional photograph!*

### **11:30 - 1:00 pm Meet the Class of 2024 in the Peer & Sarah Pedersen Pavilion - All Small Sections!**

This will be the first meet-and-greet with your classmates!  
Box lunches will be provided

### **1:30 - 2:30 pm Small Sections 4, 5, and 6 In-person participation at the College of Law**

#### **Meet the Dean**

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### **2:30 - 3:20 pm Small Section 4**

- Legal Writing & Analysis First Class with Professor Kari Sanderson

### **Small Section 5**

- Legal Writing & Analysis First Class with Professor Rummana Alam

### **Small Section 6**

- Legal Writing & Analysis First Class with Professor Janice Pea

### **SMALL SECTIONS 1, 2, & 3**

*Following the Class of 2024 Lunch in the Peer & Sarah Pedersen Pavilion, Small Sections 1, 2, & 3 are free to navigate the College of Law and tour the building. Don't forget to pick up your Resource Bag and your first professional photograph!*

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**Take advantage of the afternoon for a wide variety of opportunities:**

- ❖ Purchase/Pick up books
- ❖ Obtain I-Cards
- ❖ Familiarize yourself with McKinley Health Center
- ❖ Contact your classmates
- ❖ Explore the University & Champaign-Urbana Community

***Reminder: Classes begin on Monday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>!***