

Discover the Law 2019 Workshop Descriptions

A Day in the Life of a Civil Litigator Panel. Join us for a panel discussion with civil attorneys who will offer valuable insight to the question, “What does a law firm associate do all day anyway?” Topics such as civil litigation practice, transactional work, working at a law firm, handling cases, billable hours, and conducting trials will be discussed.

Before You Say “I Do”: Family Law. SLS attorney Mary Anan will discuss common family law issues that arise when a couple decides to get married, such as community property, divorce, prenuptial agreements, and domestic partnerships

Business Basics. Thinking of starting a small business? Or do you already have a side business? Come learn about some basic considerations one must make when conducting business in the state of California. *Note: because there are other workshops on intellectual property, this workshop will **not** address any intellectual property concerns for new businesses.*

Career Prospects for Law Grads. Come and chat with staff from the University of San Diego School of Law’s Office of Career and Professional Development about the current job market for law school graduates. This workshop is a must for those considering a career in law!

Celebrity Legal Issues from 2018. One of the most fun workshops of the series! Come review some of the largest celebrity gossip stories from 2018 and get insight into the legal complications behind celebrities’ crazy lives.

Children & the Law. There are lots of laws that affect children, but children didn’t always have the panoply of rights they do today. Find out how children’s rights have evolved in the U.S and get a crash course in many of the areas of the law that shape what it means to be a kid, including dependency, delinquency, family, immigration, education, and healthcare decision-making.

Criminal Court Behind the Scenes. Prosecutors from the San Diego County District Attorney’s Office will provide an inside look into criminal law and share what really happens in the process of resolving a criminal case.

Demystifying the LSAT. Come and learn about the Law School Admissions Test! Required for most accredited law schools in the U.S., the LSAT is a unique standardized test and unlike any other you might take. Come learn the basics of the test and learn tips on how to tackle the test from a professional LSAT prep instructor.

Employee Rights. SLS attorney Jon Carlos Senour will share basic information about rights that employees have. Curious if your boss can really do *that*? Join us and find out!

Evidence. Ever wondered what trial attorneys are objecting *about*? Find out! SLS attorney Jon Carlos Senour will explain why some evidence is admissible in court, why some is not, and why there are disagreements about what’s in and what’s out.

Free Speech & the First Amendment. Take part in what is surely to be a lively discussion about the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution and the right of free speech and expression. Learn what federal, state and local government and public officials can and cannot do – on and off campus - about what people say and when, where and how they say it!

Identity Theft & Credit Reports. SLS attorney Mary Anan will discuss identity theft and provide tips on how to prevent it and how to maintain your personal and financial security.

Immigration Law 101. Learn from local immigration attorney Aaron Giron about the different ways people can come to the United States and stay, whether through a visa program, asylum, as a refugee, through a family member, obtaining a green card, or by obtaining citizenship. Also discussed will be the latest news on Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA).

Job Interviews: Can They Ask You That? SLS attorney Jon Carlos Senour will discuss what issues employers can raise in a job interview and what questions are off limits. This workshop is a must for job seekers!

Know Your Rights: Police Encounters. A popular criminal defense attorney will discuss what a person's rights are when contacted by law enforcement and how, if arrested, to best preserve one's legal options.

Landlord - Tenant Jeopardy. Test your knowledge of renters' rights and responsibilities in this lively, interactive session. (It is suggested that you attend a "Living Off Campus" workshop first, but it is not required.) Did we mention there will be prizes??

Law School 101 for Undocumented Students. We will have a panel that consists of current undocumented law school students, undocumented practicing attorneys, and admissions/financial aid representative from a law school. Our panelists will discuss their experience applying to law school and finding financial resources to attend law school as well as their experience as a law student and/or admission to the bar as an undocumented individual.

Law School Admissions: Preparation & Application Process. Admissions professionals from California Western School of Law will discuss how to prepare for and ultimately apply for entry to law school. Learn about the application experience, taking the LSAT, and the resources to help you pick schools and write your application essay.

Legal Research. A research librarian at UC San Diego's Geisel Library will introduce participants to legal research tools available to UCSD students and discuss why good research skills are critical.

Legalese Made Easy. Learning legal terms can be all fun and games in this playful workshop. Add a little legal jargon to your vocabulary and have a good time doing it. There will be prizes for all participants! This workshop will be hosted by Student Legal Services' Legal Research & Writing Interns.

Living Off Campus. SLS attorney Jon Carlos Senour will help you maximize your chances of having a positive experience as a renter by sharing information about your rights and responsibilities. Get the scoop on deposits, repairs, roommates, habitability and more!

Party Time, Not Jail Time! SLS attorney Jon Carlos Senour will explain how to address alcohol and drug-related citations and will provide guidance on how to avoid receiving these types of citations.

Patent Law. A patent attorney and UC San Diego alumnus will provide an introduction to patent law and share how his background in science prepared him for a career in law.

Sex Crimes & Human Trafficking. Be part of a thought-provoking discussion about how the San Diego County District Attorney prosecutes sex crimes and human trafficking cases, presented by San Diego County Deputy District Attorney Aidee Brunner.

Social Media & the Law. Social Media is a popular and rapidly expanding presence in our lives. Come learn about how decades-old laws are now applying to our use of social media, as well as brand new laws being legislated to address issues that arise from social media use.

Student Loans: Know Your Rights as a Borrower. SLS attorney Mary Anan will explore the different types of student loans available to students, and the legal implications of each type. Also included will be a discussion of student loan forgiveness and the various options available to avoid obligations to repay.

The California Innocence Project. The California Innocence Project (CIP) is a law school clinical program at California Western School of Law dedicated to releasing wrongfully convicted inmates, seeking legal reforms to better the criminal justice system, and reduce the number of innocent people sent to prison. Come learn from CIP attorney Audrey McGinn about the amazing work done by the California Innocence Project and hear how she found herself working on some of the biggest exoneration cases of the last decade.

The Current State of Marijuana in California. On November 8, 2016, Californians voted to legalize adult recreational use of marijuana. And beginning on January 1, 2018 marijuana dispensaries were allowed to obtain permits to sell marijuana for adult recreational use. But Prop 64 included many other small details that are important for all Californians to know. Come learn which marijuana offenses are still on the books and how Prop 64 has changed California and UC San Diego.

The Law School Experience - Years 1, 2, and 3. The Assistant Dean for Law Student Affairs at USD School of Law will discuss all aspects of the law school experience including highlights from all three years, internships, externships, clerkships, working in legal clinics, on-campus interviews, finding your summer job, on-campus interviews, and more!

Torts Law. Not a delicious dessert, but an area of law that covers class action lawsuits, car accidents, medical malpractice, slip and fall accidents, product recalls, infliction of emotional distress claims, and other prevalent civil claims. This classic legal genre is a law school staple! Come learn from Student Legal Services attorney Jon Carlos Senour about these common tort claims and who can be found liable.

Traffic Troubles. This workshop might not get you out of a ticket, but SLS attorney Jon Carlos Senour will give you information on how to deal with one.

Wills and Living Wills. What is the difference between a Will and a Living Will? And where does "Power of Attorney" fit in with all of that? Learn from SLS attorney Mary Anan the difference between these basic but important estate planning documents that all people should have in place.

Working in the Legal Non-Profit Sector Panel. Come hear from a panel of attorneys currently working in the legal non-profit sector. Questions for the panelists will include what has their career path been since law school to bring them to the non-profit sector and comparing legal non-profit work to private law firm jobs. Bring your own questions to find out more!

"You Have the Right to an Attorney" & Gideon. Come hear from Shannon Sebeckis from the Alternate Public Defenders Office to learn about the vital role public defenders play in the criminal justice system and the landmark US Supreme Court case *Gideon v. Wainwright*. This workshop is especially encouraged for anyone thinking they may want a career in criminal justice or the public sector!

Your Right to Protest at UC San Diego. How well do you know your First Amendment rights? What does "freedom of speech" and the "right of the people to peacefully assemble" mean? In this workshop, you will learn about freedom of expression and your rights and responsibilities when participating in demonstrations from Student Legal Services director Jon Carlos Senour.

This workshop is part of the Student Legal Services "Discover the Law" series. Attend a total of four eligible workshops to receive your Certificate of Achievement! Visit the Student Legal Services website for more information.

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