

# The Risks & Rewards of Clinical Legal Education Programs:

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# Welcome

IJCLE's 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference



## **Welcome to the International Journal of Clinical Legal Education Conference**

Welcome to the 14<sup>th</sup> annual IJCLE conference and our first conference in Canada and on the North American continent. Following our successful second collaboration with GAJE in Turkey last year, we have now staged conferences on every continent other than North and South America. We are very grateful to the University of Toronto and the Association for Canadian Clinical Legal Education for collaborating with us in the hosting of this conference continuing our now well established tradition of working with clinical associations around the globe (so far in Europe, South Africa and Australia).

## **The Risks and Rewards of Clinical Legal Education**

As the Clinical movement continues to grow and prosper in so many regions and our discourse matures, the theme of this year's conference encourages reflection upon the nature of the rewards and risks inherent in clinical legal education. We have always asked questions about what we know about these risks and rewards but we are now seeing more debate on how we can explore these in ways which provide rich, diverse and reliable evidence. As ever, I expect to come away from the formal sessions inspired by new ideas and perspectives while gaining as much from simply meeting and conversing with so many colleagues from across the globe – sharing what we have in common and learning from the different contexts in which we work.

## **And Finally Thank You**

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Lisa Cirillo and Cheryl Milne our colleagues at the University of Toronto who have put so much effort into the hosting of this year's conference. As is always the case, it is the local hosts who work so hard to get the basic logistics right but who also succeed in providing wonderful venues, events and trips. From the conference theme through to the structure of the sessions and decisions about papers and keynotes, it has been a pleasure to collaborate with Lisa and Cheryl. Maureen Cooke, our professional support manager at Northumbria, has as always provided sterling administrative support. Thanks also to Dr. Elaine Hall who has led both the significant development of the journal over the last couple of years and the work for this year's conference.

Jonny Hall

Associate Dean Learning and Teaching, Faculty of Business and Law, Northumbria University

# Welcome

## ACCLE's 7th Annual Conference



On behalf of the Association for Canadian Clinical Legal Education and the Faculty of Law at the University of Toronto, I am delighted to welcome you to ACCLE's 7th Annual Conference.

This conference is our first foray into co-hosting and it has been our privilege and pleasure to join forces with the International Journal of Clinical Legal Education (IJCLE). This collaboration has allowed ACCLE to significantly expand our reach and our networks. With over 220 registrants at the time of writing, 2016 will be our biggest and most ambitious conference to date. We are very excited by the breadth and depth of the program, the tremendous diversity of participants, and the opportunities to form new and lasting connections with clinical colleagues around the globe.

A conference of this size and complexity is a long time in the making. For sixteen months, our Conference Steering Committee – Jonny Hall, Dr. Elaine Hall and Maureen Cooke, from Northumbria University and Cheryl Milne, Jennifer Tam and myself from the University of Toronto – met regularly by Skype and exchanged hundreds of emails on every detail of the conference, big and small. On behalf of the ACCLE Board, I want to extend my deep gratitude to this amazing group of people – each and every one worked so hard to pull this event together. In particular, I want to acknowledge Cheryl Milne, Director of the Asper Centre for Constitutional Rights, who first connected ACCLE with the IJCLE, and who has worked tirelessly on this conference.

Lastly, thanks so much to all of you for your participation in this event. We know that your time is precious and that many of you travelled thousands of kilometers to attend. We are honoured that you chose to join us.

I hope that each of you will come away from our time together renewed, challenged, inspired and eager to get back to the critically important work of clinical legal education.

Lisa Cirillo

President, ACCLE

Executive Director, Downtown Legal Services

# General Information

## CITY OF TORONTO

Welcome to Toronto!

Toronto is Canada's largest city, the fourth largest in North America, and home to a diverse population of about 2.8 million people. It's a global centre for business, finance, arts and culture and is consistently ranked as one of the world's most livable cities.

Toronto is one of the most multicultural cities in the world. Over 140 languages and dialects are spoken here, and just over 30 per cent of Toronto residents speak a language other than English or French at home.

For more information about Toronto, and to help you in planning your stay, we recommend you visit Tourism Toronto (<http://www.seetorontonow.com/>) or the City of Toronto's website (the Visiting Toronto page: <http://www1.toronto.ca/wps/portal/contentonly?vgnextoid=3a7132d0b6d1e310VgnVCM10000071d60f89RCRD>)

For more information about things to do and where to eat, see Toronto's top 10 lists at pages 75 - 77 at back of program.

## TRANSPORTATION

### Subway

The Faculty of Law is at the Museum Subway Station on the University Line.

### How to get from Pearson Airport to the University of Toronto

Union Pearson Express is a dedicated air-rail link that travels from Toronto Pearson International Airport to Union Station in the heart of downtown Toronto. The trip only takes 25 minutes, with trains leaving every 15 minutes, at a cost of \$12.00 one way for adults. There are also stops at Bloor and Weston subway stations. From Union Station you can take the University line subway to the Museum Stop. Taxis from Pearson Airport to the Faculty of Law will generally cost a flat rate fare of \$53.00 (ask for the flat rate); airport limos will cost slightly more.

### How to get from Billy Bishop Airport (Toronto Island) to the University of Toronto

There is a free Porter shuttle from the island airport to a stop just east of Union Station. From there you can walk to Union Station and take the University Line to the Museum Subway Station. Taxis from the island airport to the Faculty of Law can cost \$15.00 - \$20.00 depending upon the traffic.

### Getting around the city

TTC (subway, bus and streetcar) cash fare is \$3.25 one way for adults. You can save by purchasing tokens or a day or weekly pass depending upon the length of your stay and how frequently you intend to travel. The Faculty of Law is beside the Museum Subway Station. Taxis are generally available to be hailed on the major streets in Toronto.

## General Information continued

### CONFERENCE LOCATION and ROOM ASSIGNMENTS

All of the conference events will take place at the downtown campus of the University of Toronto and are within easy walking distance.

The conference breakfasts, lunches and concurrent sessions will be held at the the Faculty of Law, in the Jackman Law Building and Flavelle House (78 Queen's Park on the west side), or Falconer Hall (84 Queen's Park). Detailed information about the concurrent sessions, as well as room locations, can be found in this program. The two keynote addresses will be delivered in Isabel Bader Theatre, at Victoria College (93 Charles St W), which is across the road from the Faculty of Law. You can find a campus map online here: <http://map.utoronto.ca/#>

Note: The Jackman Law Building and Flavelle House is still in the final stages of construction. This is the first major event being held in the new space. Please excuse any minor imperfections in our beautiful new building.

### WIFI ACCESS

All conference attendees have access to the University of Toronto Wi-Fi service:

Username: **lawguest**

Password: **asdf1234**

### LOST AND FOUND

At registration table.

### SPEAKERS' GIFTS

The IJCLE and ACCLE wish to thank all of our presenters for their participation in this conference. In lieu of speaker gifts, and in appreciation for the contributions of our keynote speakers and all of our presenters, the organisers will be making a donation to the YWCA Toronto and YWCA Canada. The YWCA is an international organization dedicated to improving the lives of women and girls around the world.

### OUR SPONSORS

This conference is generously supported by the University of Toronto Faculty of Law. We also extend our thanks and appreciation to **Thompson Reuters** for sponsoring our lunch on Monday and for printing both the conference brochure and this program. Thompson Reuters has been a consistent supporter of ACCLE's conferences over the years.

### QUESTIONS?

If you have any questions or concerns, please speak to your local hosts, Lisa Cirillo ([lisa.cirillo@utoronto.ca](mailto:lisa.cirillo@utoronto.ca)) or Cheryl Milne ([cheryl.milne@utoronto.ca](mailto:cheryl.milne@utoronto.ca)).

# Keynote Speakers

IJLCE and ACCLE are delighted to welcome **Sarah Buhler**, Assistant Professor, University of Saskatchewan College of Law (Canada), and **Adrian Evans**, Professor, Monash University (Australia) as our keynote speakers for this conference.



DAY 1 KEYNOTE SPEAKER:

## Sarah Buhler

*Assistant Professor, University of Saskatchewan College of Law*

Sarah Buhler is an Assistant Professor at the University of Saskatchewan College of Law. Prior to joining the faculty at the College of Law, she served as the Executive Director and Supervising Lawyer at Community Legal Assistance Services for Saskatoon Inner City (CLASSIC) and worked in private practice in Saskatoon.

Sarah graduated from Osgoode Hall Law School in 2002 and was called to the Bar in Saskatchewan in 2003. She is the recipient of the University of Saskatchewan Award for Distinction in Outreach and Engagement and of the Provost's Award for Outstanding Teaching and Educational Leadership in the College of Law. She is a member of the Law Society of Saskatchewan.

Sarah teaches and researches in the area of clinical law, access to justice, and legal ethics and professional responsibility and is the co-author (with Sarah Marsden and Gemma Smyth) of *Clinical Law: Practice, Theory, and Social Justice Advocacy* (Emond, 2016).

## Keynote Speakers



DAY 2 KEYNOTE SPEAKER:

### Adrian Evans

*Professor, Monash University, Faculty of Law*

Adrian Evans has taught, practised law and consulted in a clinical legal education context for thirty-five years at LaTrobe and Monash Universities, Australia.

He was coordinator of *Springvale Legal Service Inc.* from 1988-2000, the largest Australian clinical site. He is both an academic and a lawyer, with teaching responsibilities in clinical case supervision, legal systems and legal ethics. Adrian supervises in one of the Monash general practice clinics and was the national project leader in the development and 2013 publication of *Best Practices: Australian Clinical Legal Education*. These best practices have since been adopted by the Council of Australian Law Deans.

Adrian has published in relation to clinical legal education, ethics for lawyers and law firms, 'quality' clinical-traditional links in law teaching, client attitudes to lawyers, the values of legal practitioners, monitoring and controlling lawyer corruption and the ethical environment in which lawyer's fidelity compensation is addressed locally and internationally.

Adrian is a recipient of the Monash Vice-Chancellor's Award for Distinguished Teaching. His latest book is *The Good Lawyer*, Cambridge University Press, Melbourne, 2014.

*Professor Evans will be joined in this keynote plenary by two colleagues, Ross Hyams and Kate Seear.*

## Keynote Speakers

**Ross Hyams** is a practising solicitor and Senior Lecturer in Law. He has been an integral member of the Faculty's clinical legal education program since 1990. In 2004, he was awarded the Law Institute of Victoria President's Inaugural Community Lawyers' Award in recognition of outstanding contributions made within the legal profession and beyond. In 2008, he was the recipient of the inaugural Law Faculty Award for Teaching Excellence.

Ross is the co-author of *Non-Adversarial Justice* (with King M, Freiberg A and Batagol B), (2<sup>nd</sup> ed, 2014) and *Practical Legal Skills* (4th ed, 2014). His teaching, research and publication expertise are in the areas of family law, non-adversarial justice, clinical legal practice and legal education.

**Dr. Kate Seear** is a Senior Lecturer in Law at Monash University, Australia. She is the Academic Director of Springvale Monash Legal Service – Australia's largest site for clinical legal education – and the Co-convenor of Legal Practice Programs in the Faculty. She holds a prestigious ARC DECRA Fellowship; through this fellowship she is currently undertaking a large-scale international comparative study into addiction and the law. This research combines insights from sociology and feminist theory with learnings from legal ethics, to consider the impact of legal processes and practices on disadvantaged and marginalised populations.

# Conference Program At a Glance

## Sunday, July 10th, 2016

10:30am-12:50pm	Registration
11:45am-12:50pm	Lunch
1-1:30pm	Welcome and Conference Opening
1:30-2:30pm	<b>OPENING KEYNOTE ADDRESS: <i>Clinics in a Dangerous Time</i></b> <b>Sarah Buhler</b> , University of Saskatchewan College of Law, Canada
2:30-2:45pm	Break
2:45-4:15pm	Concurrent Paper Presentations
4:15-4:30pm	Refreshment Break
4:30-6pm	Concurrent Paper Presentations
6-8pm	Conference Barbeque (pre-registration required)

## Monday, July 11th, 2016

8:30-9am	Breakfast
9-10:30am	Concurrent Paper Presentations
10:30-11am	Refreshment Break
11am-12:30pm	Concurrent Seminars
12:30-1:30pm	Lunch
1:30-3pm	<b>KEYNOTE ADDRESS: <i>Resolving the irresolvable? A controversial approach to reconciling client service with student learning inside live-client clinics</i></b> <b>Adrian Evans</b> , Monash University, Australia
3-3:30pm	Refreshment Break
3:30-5pm	Concurrent Seminars
6:30-10pm	Conference Dinner at Hart House (pre-registration is required)

## Conference Program at a Glance continued

### Tuesday, July 12th, 2016

8:30-9am	Breakfast
9-10:30am	Concurrent Paper Presentations
10:30-11am	Refreshment Break
11am-12:30pm	Concurrent Long Papers
12:30-1:30pm	Lunch
1:30-3pm	Concurrent Symposiums
3-5pm	Closing Reception

### Wednesday, July 13th, 2016 - Optional Events

9am-6pm	Optional Day Excursion to Niagara Falls (pre-registration required)
9-11am	ACCLE Membership Breakfast (pre-registration required)

# Programme de la Conférence

## Dimanche 10 juillet 2016

10 h 30 – 12 h 50	Inscription
11 h 45 – 12 h 50	Dîner
13 h – 13 h 30	Mot de bienvenue et ouverture de la conférence
13 h 30 – 14 h 30	<b>CONFÉRENCE D'OUVERTURE : <i>Les cliniques en situation périlleuse</i></b> <b>Sarah Buhler</b> , College of Law de l'Université de la Saskatchewan, Canada
14 h 30 – 14 h 45	Pause
14 h 45 – 16 h 15	Présentations d'exposés simultanés
16 h 15 – 16 h 30	Pause de rafraîchissement
16 h 30 – 18 h	Présentations d'exposés simultanés
18 h – 20 h	Barbecue de la conférence (préinscription obligatoire)

## Lundi 11 juillet 2016

8 h 30 – 9 h	Dejeûner
9 h – 10 h 30	Présentations d'exposés simultanés
10 h 30 – 11 h	Pause de rafraîchissement
11 h – 12 h 30	Séminaires simultanés
12 h 30 – 13 h 30	Dîner
13 h 30 – 15 h	<b>DISCOURS PRINCIPAL : <i>Résoudre l'insoluble? Une approche controversée pour réconcilier le service à la clientèle avec l'apprentissage des étudiants au sein de cliniques en contact direct avec les clients</i></b> <b>Adrian Evans</b> , Université Monash, Australie
15 h – 15 h 30	Pause de rafraîchissement
15 h 30 – 17 h	Séminaires simultanés
18 h 30 – 22 h	Souper conférence à Hart House (préinscription obligatoire)

## Programme de la Conférence

### Mardi 12 juillet 2016

8 h 30 - 9 h	Dejeuner
9 h - 10 h 30	Présentations d'exposés simultanés
10 h 30 - 11 h	Pause de rafraîchissement
11 h - 12 h 30	Longs exposés simultanés
12 h 30 - 13 h 30	Dîner
13 h 30 - 15 h	Symposiums simultanés
15 h - 17 h	Réception de fermeture

### Mercredi 13 juillet 2016 – Événements facultatifs

9 h - 18 h	Journée facultative d'excursion aux chutes Niagara (préinscription obligatoire)
9 h - 11 h	Déjeuner des membres de l'ACCLE (préinscription obligatoire)

# Detailed Conference Program

## Day One: **Sunday, July 10, 2016**

### 10:30 am – 12:50 pm **Registration**

Registration will take place in the atrium of the Jackman Law Building and Flavelle House, Faculty of Law (78 Queen's Park)

### 11:45 am – 12:50 pm **Lunch**

Lunch will be served buffet style in the atrium. Guests are invited to eat inside or take their lunch to the large tent that has been set up on the back lawn of the law school.

Following lunch, guests will need to cross Queen's Park to **Isabel Bader Theatre**, Victoria College, University of Toronto (93 Charles St W) for the opening ceremonies and first keynote address.

### 1:00 – 1:30 pm **Welcome & Conference Opening**

Lisa Cirillo, President of the Association of Canadian Clinical Legal Education and Executive Director of Downtown Legal Services and Cheryl Milne, Executive Director of the David Asper Centre for Constitutional Rights, will open the conference and offer a few words of welcome.

Jonny Hall, Board member of the International Journal of Clinical Legal Education will greet the conference and offer a few words about the purpose and values of clinic, clinical research and our partnerships.

We are honoured to invite Shannon Holmes, Aki Ikwe (Earth Woman), Traditional Teacher and Founder & Facilitator of Indigenous Learning Circle Guelph, to offer an Aboriginal welcome to our guests.

### 1:30 – 2:30 pm **Opening Keynote Address by Sarah Buhler, Assistant Professor**

(University of Saskatchewan College of Law)

#### ***Clinics in a Dangerous Time***

Our world seems increasingly defined by perpetual risk and crisis. The specters of environmental crises, economic collapse and endless wars hang heavy over all – with the risk to marginalized people increasing as a result.

**Day 1: Sunday, July 10, 2016 continued**

Where and how are legal clinics situated in this risk-filled world? Because they work directly with people affected by larger global forces and their local manifestations (police and carceral violence, homelessness, poverty), clinics can bear witness to the injustices flowing from our current order. But clinics can also be sites for actively imagining and practicing justice: this can be both a reward and challenge for law students, clinical lawyers and our community allies.

Professor Buhler will draw on a wealth of experiences, including: a community justice class hosted by Community Legal Assistance Services for Saskatoon Inner City (CLASSIC); CLASSIC's ongoing project for "decolonizing legal practice"; the University of Saskatchewan College of Law's legal clinic, and; a research project wherein community members shared their views on the role of clinics in achieving justice.

2:30 – 2:45 pm

**Break**

Participants will return to the Faculty of Law for the afternoon sessions.

2:45 – 4:15 pm

**CONCURRENT PAPER PRESENTATIONS 1**

SESSION A: **Clinic Governance**, Room J140

***Public interest law initiative – catalyzing clinic***

Kate Fischer Doherty, *University of Melbourne*; Claire Carroll, *Monash University, Australia*

The Public Interest Law Initiative (PILI) was launched at Melbourne Law School in 2012. Since then PILI has grown exponentially and has introduced a suite of seven clinical subjects including in-house clinics, internships (externships), agency clinics, a community education clinic and some innovative, new generation clinical models. In this session, we will introduce you to the umbrella structure which forms PILI's fundamental organizing principle. We will share what we consider to be the benefits of the structure in terms of clinical identity and literacy in the context of a young and rapidly evolving clinical program. We will also explore some of the challenges we have encountered in catalysing different clinics. We will specifically address issues of clinical governance, emphasising the importance of stakeholder management. The session will include a screening of the PILI video *Making a Difference*.

***The governance of clinics: what are the advantages and challenges for three alternative models?***

Ewelina Milan, *Lazarski University, Poland*

This presentation will seek to address the question of how different organisational structures of a legal clinic can be combined with the application of Learning Outcomes. We will discuss which of these structures is most satisfactory for the clients of the Legal Clinic and assess the issues possessed by the different structures to the host institution. This will be achieved through examining the experiences of the Coordinator and two students of a Legal Clinic based in Warsaw, Poland.

***The clinic as an 'access to justice laboratory': to what extent is the formation of an Alternative Business Structure consistent with the wider mission of a university?***

Nick Johnson, *Nottingham Trent University, UK*

The Legal Service Act 2007 ("the Act") gave non-lawyers offering legal services in England and Wales the opportunity to own and manage legal practices. The Act envisaged legal services being provided alongside other related services to members of the public. This regulatory regime expressly aimed to promote greater access to justice and legal services.

In response, a variety of bodies have set up practices outside of the traditional model with varying degrees of success. The creation of a University law school ABS was partly a reaction to potential regulatory threat created by the Act in regulating reserved business. However, this paper will explore the wider conceptual basis for establishing an ABS and how this fits with the wider research and education mission of a University.

SESSION B: **Unmet Need**, Room P115

***Legal Essex: mapping unmet legal need***

Richard Owen, *University of Essex, UK*

The Essex Law Clinic was launched in 2008 but recently a decision has been taken to expand it. The intention has been to involve the students fully in this expansion and they have been encouraged to think creatively about how the Clinic can most effectively deliver its services.

As a result, they have been involved in an ongoing project which will map legal need initially in the vicinity of the university but over time the exercise will include the whole of the county of Essex. The project draws on the fact that the students are 'digital natives' and will have the necessary creativity to devise new solutions for meeting currently unmet legal need.

Qualitative assessments will be made of the data which is produced to identify legal advice deserts. It also will provide information on the effect of civil legal aid cuts introduced in April 2013.

***A family court helpdesk: vital service or letting the government off the hook?***

Lucy Yeatman, *University of Greenwich, UK*

Following the removal of legal aid in England and Wales from private law disputes over children there has been an increase in the number of litigants in person accessing the courts. In partnership with the East London Family Court, we offer a support service to unrepresented litigants at the first hearing in child dispute cases. Students work in the court, assisting clients with filing paperwork, drafting statements and accompany them into court to take notes and provide a written summary of orders made following the hearing. Students work largely unsupervised but with a lecturer present to ask questions if needed.

In this paper I will consider:

- the risks of allowing young and inexperienced students to work in a busy and emotionally fraught court setting
- whether litigants benefit from support that falls short of legal advice and advocacy
- the educational benefits to students

***Street Law in the North of Russia***

Vera Gulina, *Northern Arctic Federal University, Russia*

The presentation will focus on Street Law activities in the North of Russia: normative regulation of this sphere, form and methods of working, problems and perspectives of Street Law in Russia.

SESSION C: **Pedagogy and Skills**, Room J125

***Vertically Integrated and Embedded Clinical Legal Education – using first-year clinic placements to assist students in making links with the realities of future practice***

Jocelyn Milne, *Flinders University, Australia*

Clinical legal education intentionally brings together students' academic, personal and professional identities, equipping them to manage their own responses to the challenges of legal practice. Supporting their development into empathetic, compassionate and resilient future practitioners is particularly important in light of the increasing evidence of the prevalence of mental distress and mental illness in the legal profession.

This presentation reports on an innovative pedagogical approach aimed at strengthening professional quality of life in clinic interns as emerging legal practitioners. In 2014, Flinders Legal Advice Clinic incorporated explicit training in dealing with difficult subject matter and clients, using concepts of 'emotional labor' and 'vicarious resilience'. The training includes a session entitled 'Professional Quality of Life: Building resilience' addressing both vicarious trauma and vicarious resilience. This approach has proved valuable not only to students but to staff who must manage their own emotional responses whilst simultaneously modelling appropriate emotional responses for students.

***What evidence is there of clinical legal education providing our students with the necessary skills and attributes for a legal career?***

Rachel Ann Dunn, *Northumbria University, UK*

Legal skills, attributes and knowledge are becoming increasingly important to provide our students with before they go on to practice law, allowing them to gain professional and practical skills as well as academic skills. My PhD focuses on live client clinics and their contribution to legal education, particularly the skills they can provide students with, collecting and exploring data within Europe.

This session explores the literature in this area, which was searched, analysed and synthesised, using the strict systematic review methodology. It will discuss the findings of my systematic review, particularly which skills and attributes are **both** seen as necessary in the literature for a lawyer to start practice competently **and** demonstrably provided

through clinical legal education. It will explore whether there is a coherent message in the clinical literature of what skills, attributes and knowledge are needed for our students and whether clinic provides them.

***“Legal Reasoning” to “Skill Training”: the andragogic evolution of clinical legal education and law clinics***

Supriyaa Aery and S. Lakhvir, *PAAJAF Foundation, Ghana*

The two parochial focused questions; ‘*How future lawyers are taught*’ and ‘*for what purpose lawyers are taught*’ have been shaping methods and techniques in legal education from its foundation. What I am interested in is identifying the boundaries of not so defined equilibrium of theory and practice perspective in indoctrinating clinical legal education from 2016 and onwards. What role does ‘choice’ plays in drafting curriculums? How far the choice does affect the ‘*idea content*’? In the next part, the paper discusses the relevance of thematic proprietaries of *Langdell or Keener or Harvard* method to explore the substantive equation of law for society and legal education to identify teaching methodology for the current Indian Clinical Legal Education. It’s argued that by following this substantive equation, ‘*legal reasoning*’ and ‘*skill training*’ shall have elements of theory and practice.

The paper concludes by exploring that above mentioned two parochial questions define forthcoming course of clinical legal education and relevance of law clinics in access to justice.

SESSION D: **Working with Communities**, Room J130

***Beyond reconciliation: decolonising and indigenising clinical legal education***

Patricia Barkaskas, *University of British Columbia, Canada*

Given the Truth and Reconciliation Committee’s Calls to Action directly addressing legal education in Canada, I propose we must confront the legacy of colonization by decolonizing and Indigenizing legal education. Discussing the Indigenous Community Legal Clinic program at the Peter A. Allard School of Law, University of British Columbia, I examine how integration of critical decolonial approaches in both the academic and practical aspects of the clinical legal program interrupts normative legal education and challenges colonial hegemony. The ICLC program promotes Indigenous clients’ needs as providing direction to students’ approaches to clients’ legal issues. Working with clients to include specific Indigenous legal

values in resolving their legal matters is a purposeful decolonial strategy that Indigenizes the legal system. Teaching students Indigenous legal theory and methodology and ensuring they listen to their clients assists in destabilizing established patterns of power in relations between Indigenous peoples and the Canadian legal system.

***The risks and rewards of establishing and running university-based law clinic programs in South Africa: some lessons for developing countries***

David McQuoid-Mason, *University of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa*

SESSION E: **Partnerships**, *Solarium, Falconer Hall*

***Partnerships in pro bono – students and lawyers – great alone but even better together!***

Victoria Speed, Jessica Austen and Tony Martin, *BPP University, UK*

University students can be a valuable resource for pro bono services in the community, particularly when working in partnership with qualified lawyers. We've surveyed lawyers, students and law centres involved in such partnerships and this session will explore their views on the effectiveness or otherwise of the project including risks, rewards and tips. Attendees will then work in groups to create a framework for how to develop such partnerships including preparing starter packs of documentation and rules for use by student pro bono providers (using BPP's own expertise and documentation as guidance).

***Finding our place – expanding access to justice through community partnerships***

Doug Ferguson, *The University of Western Ontario, Canada*

This presentation is intended to explore the process whereby Community Legal Services at Western University in London, Ontario, Canada has dramatically expanded its range of services (and thereby providing access to justice) over the past decade through a variety of community partnerships and consultations.

The addition of these new services was achieved by offering services that complemented or supplemented existing services, and through creative partnerships with community organizations. We will look in some detail at the development of areas of legal services where a partnership or complementary service were the key to success.

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Finally, we will discuss the essential concept how partnerships create leverage. Leverage allows law school clinics to significantly expand their ability to reach more people in need. There are many untapped sources of partnerships that will enable law school clinics to provide an expanded program and better access to justice.

***The risks and rewards of clinical partnerships***

Chris Smith, *Sunderland University, UK*

This paper will explore three partnership models employed at Sunderland Student Law Clinic:

- ‘Drop In’ Surgeries which see us facilitate weekly advice surgeries rotating between our offices and those of a local firm whose solicitors supervise the service
- Formal collaboration agreements under which a family law solicitor employed with a local law centre is based in our clinic providing advice and representation to client in our community whilst providing supervision to students in that area
- Outsourcing arrangements under which we support a small legal advice and representation charity in London which advises prisoners from across the UK, whereby we assist in responding to some of the 4000 letters that the charity receives from prisoners each year

The paper will explore the potential risks and rewards of these partnerships as perceived by staff of each organisation, students, clients and the Solicitors Regulation Authority.

4:15 – 4:30 pm

**Refreshment Break**

Please join us for snacks and beverages in the atrium of the Jackman Law Building.

4:30 – 6:00 pm

**CONCURRENT PAPER PRESENTATIONS 2**

SESSION A: **Rights & Protection**, *Room J140*

***Clinical legal education and effective consumer protection***

Dr. Laura Bugatti, *University of Brescia, Italy*

Faced with the increased complexity of markets and of the legal framework, Legal Clinics can play a key role ensuring the protection of the consumers at different levels and

stages. For this reason, part of the University of Brescia's legal clinical activities' have been recently devoted to Consumer Law. The Consumer Clinic works closely with local Consumer Associations in order to guarantee a high level of consumer protection to the local community, both in terms of prevention - providing information in order to avoid future legal problems - and in terms of remedies - ensuring that the Consumers' rights are properly enforced. Considering the Brescia CLE experience, the present paper aims at investigating: 1. how the different clinical activities may respond to specific consumers' needs and how we can combine them into a single clinical teaching; 2. the role of the Clinical Educators in improving global justice through individual consumer representation.

***Do you really get what you pay for? Quality and pro bono advice***

Tony Martin, Victoria Speed and Jessica Austen, *BPP University, UK*

Whilst it may be relatively easy to debunk the myth that high cost equals high quality, it is difficult to entirely escape from the perception that you get what you pay for.

As pressure grows to provide more pro bono advice in areas of need previously met by state funded lawyers, there is a risk that quality will fall or - which may be just as harmful - the perception that free legal advice means low quality will grow. We, therefore, need not only to maintain quality, but to demonstrate a commitment to quality.

Drawing on our experience of obtaining the Advice Quality Standard for our clinic, we will consider the benefits of quality assurance standards. We will open up the discussion on the use of such schemes elsewhere.

***Social enterprise legal clinic – less risk for more rewards?***

Victoria Gleason, *Northumbria University, UK*

In recent years there has been a rise in the number of clinics expanding their clinical provision, with some clinics now advising businesses, charities and social enterprises. Using the experiences of stakeholders of the Student Law Office (SLO) at Northumbria University as a case study, this paper will examine the perceived risks and rewards involved in charity and social enterprise clinic. Do stakeholders regard this type of work as being as rewarding as traditional clinical work? Much of what the legal advice charities and social enterprises require is non-contentious, diverging from the contentious focus of many clinics. Whether the participants view this type of clinic, generally without court

imposed deadlines and the threat of losing a case, as being less risky will be scrutinized. Is it a case of less risk for more rewards or do participants feel there is anything 'missing' in charity and social enterprise clinic?

SESSION B: **Women's Clinics**, Room J125

***Pains and Gains of a gender-based law clinic – the women's law clinic of the Faculty of Law, University of Ibadan as case study***

Omolade Olomola, *University of Ibadan, Nigeria*

This session highlights the challenges associated with law clinics generally and the peculiar challenges and benefits of a gender-based clinic. This paper seeks to identify the problems associated with the running of a gender-based law clinic of the Women's Law Clinic of the University of Ibadan, Nigeria. The essence of clinical legal education is to expose law students to the art and practice of law through engaging in real cases and helping the public receive a service they might not otherwise access. In a specialized clinic where the students are directly exposed to live clients, confidentiality may be compromised and bias against a particular gender may also occur in the minds of the populace. This makes the task of using clinic methodology to educate students onerous. This session therefore, will attempt to discuss the benefits of clinical model and challenges involved in a gender-based clinic.

***"I didn't think this happened anymore" – the student experience in discrimination law clinics***

Dianne Anagnos, *University of New South Wales, Australia*

Kingsford Legal Centre has been specialising in anti-discrimination and employment law for over a decade. Our clinical legal students are involved in all aspects of our anti-discrimination and employment advice and representation clinics. For our students their involvement in the clinic is often their first exposure to clients from marginalised groups or clients who have suffered from discrimination. Many students are shocked at the pervasiveness of discrimination, particularly in sexual harassment, pregnancy and race discrimination cases. This presentation will focus on the students' experiences of working with clients who have been discriminated against and how best to supervise students in these clinics, particularly in encouraging them to reflect on their experiences.

SESSION C: **Student & Teacher Performance**, *Solarium, Falconer Hall*

***Practice-based legal education and cognitive load theory – a marriage made in heaven?***

Caroline Gibby, *Northumbria University, UK*

This session looks at how Cognitive Load Theory could support affective learning in a practice based environment. Understanding how students can develop learning strategies to support the application of key principles to simulated / live client situations is important. I explore whether the application of CLT really does make it possible for students to scaffold their understanding of the law, practice and in many respects professionals behaviour, by creating schema which can be used for progression to clinical legal education practice and then practice itself.

There are some real concerns with this approach to learning: firstly, it creates significant cognitive load which students are not able to manage: secondly, there is a likelihood that overreliance on this may hamper the development of the more advanced learner and finally that the student may become so reliant on examples that they lose their ability to be creative with the law.

***Effective student supervision: insights from students and supervisors***

Jeff Giddings, *Griffith University, Australia*

This presentation will discuss findings from surveys of Australian law students and supervisors involved in placement programs. The surveys were conducted in 2014 as part of a National Teaching Fellowship project on enhancing law student placement experiences.

There were effective survey completions by 288 students and 94 supervisors. Arguably, the most significant results from the student surveys relate to the positive views of the supervision experience in clinic placements, where students are supervised by someone employed or engaged by the law school. Differences between placement types (clinics *cf* externships *cf* hybrids) were statistically significant.

Supervisors overwhelmingly referred to deriving satisfaction from their contribution to the development of future lawyers. The supervisor survey results highlighted an unexpected challenge related to attempting to work with students who lack the capacity to work effectively in a professional environment.

The project website is:

<http://www.griffith.edu.au/criminology-law/effective-law-student-supervision-project>

***Ethical and moral considerations of clinical evaluation***

Ketevan Iremashvili, *Carnegie Fellow, University of Georgia, Georgia*

One of the significant values of clinical teaching is the ability to conduct well-structured formative assessment of students. This is why, in fact, many teachers agree that clinical teaching focuses more on the process, rather than the outcome of teaching. This exacerbated meaning of teaching process involves closer student-faculty interaction and a need for in-depth assessment of skills. However, together with its benefits, skill-based teaching has its own risks. One of the most important factors in clinical teaching relates to ethical and moral considerations of clinical evaluation. Clinical evaluation, which includes assessment and feedback of students, is mostly based on the students' performance in the clinic, with simulations or with real clients. When evaluating a student's performance, the teacher has to approach the skills and personal abilities of each individual. This is where the problem may arise and in my presentation I raise the question of how a clinical teacher should balance the educational and ethical/moral goals in clinical evaluation.

SESSION D: **Philosophy of Clinic**, Room J130

***Our candle burns at both ends – the growing wealth gap and the crises of the legal profession***

Heath Smith, *University of Saskatchewan, Canada*

There have been many explanations proffered for causes of the access to justice crisis, but most seem to suggest that the effects can be ameliorated through shifts to practices within the profession. Even scholars who prescribe the most fundamental reconfigurations of legal education and practice seem primarily concerned with intra-professional modification.

Though global economic forces are sometimes implicated as exacerbating problems for access to justice, the examination is often constrained by recourse to familiar neo-liberal platitudes. Observing the vagaries of the nation's gross domestic product, for example, is insufficient to lift the veil shrouding more fundamental economic deficiencies. It should now be clear that, what appears a relatively new phenomenon, is actually the residual effect of economic forces that have been slowly eroding institutions for decades: the growing income and wealth gaps.

My presentation will begin to examine what the protracting income and wealth gaps mean for clinical legal education.

***Why should participation in clinics be referred to as risky? Given the current state of flux in legal training in England & Wales, is it a risk that needs to be taken?***

Lucy Blackburn and Vivienne Ivins, *University of Central Lancashire, UK*

As legal educators, we are constantly reminded of the rewards of engaging in clinic and Clinical Legal Education (CLE); from our students, our local community and our university. However, as clinicians we occupy the periphery when it comes to the delivery of core legal subjects. Could a reason for this be the backgrounds of those who deliver CLE – former or current legal practitioners? Yet given that the way in which legal education will possibly change as a result of the Legal Education and Training Review, higher education institutions are currently deciding how to develop a USP. Do they offer a ‘professional’ (applied) route through the degree or remain strictly ‘academic’? What role will clinic play in these – will clinic be ‘relegated’ to those degrees aiming to direct their students along a professional route, utilising the skills of the professionally qualified (former) LPC staff?

***Redefining the concept of a law clinic in the UN principles and guidelines on access to legal aid in criminal justice systems***

Mohamed Mattar, *Qatar University, Qatar*

SESSION E: **Resilience**, Room P115

***Enhancing emotional competencies in clinical legal education***

Dr. Colin James, *Australian National University, Australia*

Research was conducted at the University of Newcastle Legal Centre (Australia) over 2013 and 2014 involving an emotional intelligence training module designed to improve the emotional competencies of law students on placement in a legal centre working with real clients. An earlier paper (Wardhaugh & James, IJCLE 2014) described the project and preliminary findings of Stage One. This paper provides the findings and ultimate conclusions of Stage Two. Overall the statistical analysis of variance between Stage One (control group in 2013) and Stage Two (intervention group in 2014) was not significant, and several reasons are proposed including small size of participant groups. The qualitative research from Stage Two however

produced some valuable insights into the student experience of interviewing real clients in a clinic setting. Overall learnings from the project are summarised, including suggestions for further research.

***Law schools and clinics – enhancing the mental wellbeing of undergraduate law students***

Lydia Bleasdale-Hill, *University of Leeds, UK*

Research suggests that the wellbeing of law students is more likely to be adversely affected than that of students of other disciplines (Larcombe, Malkin and Nicholson, 2011; Sheldon and Krieger, 2007; Peterson and Peterson, 2009). Engagement in clinical legal education, or pro bono activities more broadly, has been suggested as one way of enhancing the wellbeing of law students (see e.g. James, 2008)

This paper draws upon two research projects conducted at the University of Leeds. The first study examined how clinic might enhance or undermine student wellbeing, and how it might inform students' future career choices. Results from a separate longitudinal study of law student wellbeing will also be reflected upon. Taken in combination, these results illustrate which factors help or hinder the student wellbeing, and which roles pro bono activities more broadly might play in enhancing the student experience.

***Dealing with difficult clients and subject matter – an Australian perspective on building vicarious resilience in clinic interns***

Jocelyn Milne, *Flinders University, Australia*

Clinical legal education intentionally brings together students' academic, personal and professional identities, equipping them to manage their own responses to the challenges of legal practice. Supporting their development into empathetic, compassionate and resilient future practitioners is particularly important in light of the increasing evidence of the prevalence of mental distress and mental illness in the legal profession.

This presentation reports on an innovative pedagogical approach aimed at strengthening professional quality of life in clinic interns as emerging legal practitioners. In 2014, Flinders Legal Advice Clinic incorporated explicit training in dealing with difficult subject matter and clients, using concepts of 'emotional labor' and 'vicarious resilience'. The training includes a session entitled 'Professional Quality of Life: Building resilience' addressing

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both vicarious trauma and vicarious resilience. This approach has proved valuable not only to students but to staff who must manage their own emotional responses whilst simultaneously modelling appropriate emotional responses for students.

6:00 – 8:00 pm

**Conference Barbeque** (*Flavelle House, back lawn, under tent*)

Join us for an informal barbecue on the conference opening night. This event is a great opportunity to meet and connect with colleagues at the outset of the conference, while sharing a meal and enjoying a summer evening. The barbecue will be held on the back lawn of the Faculty of Law, and will include a variety of vegan, vegetarian and non-vegetarian options. A cash bar will be available.

*Note: Pre-registration is required for this event.*

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8:30 – 9:00 am

### **Breakfast**

A continental breakfast will be available in the atrium of the Jackman Law Building and Flavelle House.

9:00 – 10:30 am

### **CONCURRENT PAPER PRESENTATIONS 3**

SESSION A: **Professionalism, Room J125**

#### ***Meanings of professionalism and their manifestation in clinical legal education***

Tuomas Tiittala, *University of Helsinki, Finland*

Students' professional development has been recognized as a key aim of clinical legal education. But what is legal professionalism?

Professionalism seems to consist of three components: knowledge, skills and ethics. This paper explores the ethical component of professionalism and its role in clinical legal education. More specifically, the paper compares the lawyerly ideals of 'zealous advocate', 'cause lawyer' and 'lawyer-statesman' discussed in prior scholarship against each other.

Each of these ideals understands lawyers' relations with colleagues, clients and the broader society in a distinct way based on different political outlooks. The paper argues that when establishing a law clinic, it is important to first come to terms with the various conceptions of professionalism, and second, to choose one of them as the clinic's educational aim. The paper draws partly from the author's experiences in establishing an all-round law clinic in Helsinki, Finland.

#### ***The impact of clinic on students' learning and careers in the first few years after graduation, from former students' perspectives***

Lourens Grové and Franciscus Haupt, *University of Pretoria, South Africa*

The paper is based on video interviews with students at the University of Pretoria Law Clinic. We investigate current and past students' perceptions regarding the risks and rewards of clinic legal education; their experience at the clinic and the broader impact this had on their approach to their studies and careers after university. We also consider the risks and rewards for staff at the clinic as well as for society in a broader sense, including clients, colleagues, the University and academic staff and the profession.

***Clinics: developing practical skills AND furthering the public interest?***

Lawrence Donnelly, *National University of Ireland, Ireland*

Among clinicians, there is a range of opinion as to the appropriate balance within clinical programmes between ensuring students acquire “real world know how” and equipping them with a social conscience. There is unanimity as to the centrality of the first. Some argue the second is less important. This seeming tension was apparent in the presenter’s 2015 report – *Clinical Legal Education in Ireland: Progress and Potential* – which examined a number of comparatively new, primarily externship-based clinical programmes. Yet it is surely not confined to Ireland. This paper outlines and reflects upon the opinions shared by clinical directors in Ireland and the UK interviewed for the report, and seeks to place these in the context of related scholarship. Although it concludes that clinical legal education is rightly and necessarily a “big tent,” the paper argues it is vital that clinics don’t stray too far from the roots of the early clinical movement.

SESSION B: **Reflection and Methods**, Room J140

***Self-reflection in clinical scholarship – a paradigm whose time (to go) has come***

Tribe Mkwebu, *University of Northumbria, UK*

The wide acceptance of autoethnography as an emerging qualitative research method, that seeks to describe and systematically analyse own personal experiences in order to understand phenomena, has not escaped clinicians. A wide array of dazzling clinical authors writes in personalised styles, drawing on their personal experiences and successes on the creation of clinical programmes. There is no doubt that diaries, portfolios and reflexive blogs can be useful research instruments in the collection of useful data about the field. However, the explosion in clinical scholarship, rich in descriptions of self-reflection and experiences of an emerging pool of writers makes it difficult to keep up with. This paper therefore seeks to argue that it is time we slow down on self-reflection and address other pertinent issues that require further exploration in the operation of the clinic if we are to say with certainty ... that clinical legal education has a global reach.

***Progress as a measure of reflection in action: valid, reliable and educationally impactful?***

Chris Smith, *Sunderland University, UK*

This paper will explore common methods employed for assessing the reflective practices of our students and will consider their perceived strengths and weaknesses.

We will consider the common criticism levelled at the assessment of reflective writing; namely, that it can be ‘faked’ by students clever enough to draft an account that goes through the various stages of reflection irrespective of whether it is an honest and truthful account of their experiences.

The hypothesis considers that ‘progress’ may be a valid, reliable and educationally impactful measure of reflection in action.

The paper will consider the Reflective Appraisal assessment strategy employed at Sunderland Student Law Clinic which apportions credit equally between attainment and progress and will consider the extent to which it meets the criteria of Cees Van der Vleuten who argues that assessment must be valid, reliable and educationally impactful.

***Making the case for autoethnography in clinical legal education: time for reflexivity 2.0***

Elaine Campbell, *Northumbria University, UK*

Clinicians frequently draw on their own experience when giving conference papers. Our published work tends to continue this trend, offering personal accounts of the clinics we work in and the experiences we have.

I do not wish to discourage clinicians’ inclination towards reflexivity. On the contrary, I’m all for it. Clinicians have important stories which should be heard. However, as we look to increase the rigour of our scholarship, we need to start linking our reflexive work to a methodological framework. Methodologies like autoethnography – which involves self-observation – provide us with an opportunity to look deeper into our stories and, through analysis, consciously explore the interplay of the self with the socio-cultural environment within which we exist.

Reflexivity is powerful. But we need to start connecting our work to qualitative methodologies. That way, we can build on our reflexive inclination and produce substantive, deeper insights into our clinical work, and our identities as clinicians.

SESSION C: **Human Rights, Room P115**

***Transnational human rights in partnership with community legal clinics – bringing international human rights home through clinical legal education***

Geraldine Sadoway, *York University, Canada*

This paper will describe a new model of clinical legal education in the area of international human rights law. Students enrolled in *Transnational Human Rights in Partnership with Community Legal Clinics* had the opportunity to engage in the international law aspects of human rights advocacy and litigation taking place in various community legal clinics in Toronto. In addition to attending weekly seminars and participating in reflective journaling, each student carried out a specific international law research project for one of the partnering clinics. The paper will provide an analysis and evaluation of the course, including reflections from the students and feedback from the partnering legal clinics, addressing the “risks and rewards of clinic” in the context of bringing international human rights home as an integral part of the work of the community legal clinics.

***Defending human rights through clinical legal research – why, how and with what results?***

Mirja Trilsch and Elise Hansbury, *University of Quebec at Montreal, Canada*

In this presentation, we will look at the impact of clinical legal research, undertaken in an academic setting, on human rights and their defenders, as well as on the law and the institutions created to protect them at the national, regional and international level. Based on two examples of recent clinical projects – a shadow report on violence against women in St Vincent and the Grenadines presented to the United Nations Committee for the Elimination of All Forms of Violence against Women and a request for provisional measures to the Inter-American Court for Human Rights – we will elaborate on the role assumed by Human Rights Clinics today, their relation with civil society and their position vis-à-vis national and international decision-makers.

***The asylum and immigration clinic of the University of Brescia facing the problem of immigration in Europe: new challenges to the effectiveness of migrants’ rights***

Patrizia De Cesari and Chiara Di Stasio, *University of Brescia, Italy*

The aim of the paper is to highlight the importance of a legal clinic course in the context of the European Union, and especially Italy. This context is characterized by a society that has

experienced an increase in migration flows and where human rights, including asylum, may be violated. The *Asylum and Immigration Clinic* of Brescia has introduced an innovative service for the Brescia community by developing a high-qualified free legal aid and advice to migrants who suffered a denial of their rights. The aim of this paper is to share the results of this new pattern of our migrants focused clinic. The intent is also to explain, with the support of videos and photos, the teaching methods adopted and the problems faced by the students in dealing with asylum applications. One of the most crucial problems, which arises from the cross-cultural communication, is the bias that can prejudice the interview with the asylum seeker.

SESSION D: **Students in Public**, Room J130

***Students standing up in public...and what happens next***

Natalie Ross, *University of New South Wales, Australia*

Some students at Kingsford Legal Centre (University of NSW, Australia) are given responsibilities that require them to leave the relative security of the Centre and be exposed at public forums: appearing on behalf of clients entering a guilty plea at the local court, or preparing and presenting legal education sessions to external groups of professionals such as social workers, counsellors, and mediators. The public and professional nature of these challenging opportunities usually leads to deep learning and significant skill development. The session will explain how we prepare students for these opportunities, and consider the benefits for the students, the clients, the Centre and the wider community. It will also include reflections from students on their experiences and their learning, and some cautionary tales.

***Does a clinical experience change our students' worlds?***

Anna Cody, *University of New South Wales, Australia*

Can a 6 hour experience interviewing clients really effect students' view of the world? In this workshop Anna Cody will present the findings from her empirical research surveying legal ethics students. The students have completed a clinical component of interviewing real clients as a part of their ethics course. While it is a short exposure, the findings demonstrate that even a short clinical experience enriches students' understanding of ethical issues. It's not clear whether it encourages students to commit more to social justice issues but it does increase their appreciation of the significance of empathy with

clients. This raises questions of how to provide as many students as possible with clinical experiences, early on in their degrees. The workshop will also provide opportunity to explore options within participants' law schools.

SESSION E: **Virtual and Actual Spaces**, *Solarium, Falconer Hall*

**Online clinical legal education – challenging the traditional model**

Les McCrimmon, *Charles Darwin University, Australia*

It has been suggested that the “Digital Age provides an opportunity to revitalize and modernize legal education and to make it more individualized, relevant, human, and accessible”. Delivery of law degree programs fully online is one way the internet has begun to change, if not (yet) revolutionise, legal education in the twenty-first century. In Australia, law students have been able to obtain their law degree online for a number of years. Online clinical legal education, however, is still in its infancy.

In this paper, the authors argue that the greater use of technology in legal education is inevitable, and law schools offering degrees fully online will continue to increase, at least in Australia. The rewards and risks of online legal education are considered from the perspective of a law school in which over 80% of its 855 students study law fully online. The development and implementation of clinical opportunities for students studying online also is discussed.

**New clinic, new space**

Kerry Trewern, *University of Edinburgh, UK*

This presentation will look at space in the context of the University of Edinburgh. Edinburgh Law School recently opened its new building, the Outreach Centre, which has a designated space for its expanding Free Legal Advice Centre and related projects. The presentation will compare and contrast the old space with the new and discuss any impact the new design has had on service delivery.

The session will be interactive, in order to encourage delegates to share best practice regarding utilisation of space and technology.

***Advancement of virtual legal training through incorporation of clinical legal education in the teaching of law to virtual students***

Evans Oduor Odhiambo, *University of London, USA*

10:30 – 11:00 am

**Refreshment Break**

Please join us for snacks and beverages in the atrium of the Jackman Law Building and Flavelle House.

11:00 – 12:30 pm

**CONCURRENT SEMINARS I**

***Ethical formation in legal clinics – are we responding to students’ necessities? Some notes from the legal clinic from Valencia and Brescia, Room P115***

Andres Gascon-Cuenca, *University of Valencia, Spain*; Francesca Malzani and Carla Ghitti, *University of Brescia, Italy*

Although empathy is generally observed as a value, generally enhanced as a moral attitude, it is almost irrelevant in lawyers’ ordinary course of business. Our proposal is to consider empathy as one of the core lawyering skills that we, as clinicians, should promote and enhance in our students.

Given this reality, empathetic communication might be critical, especially in hostile atmospheres. This is true in instances where students are assisting inmates that have been sentenced for especially reprehensible felonies or clients that use strong wording against the students in the interviewing. In these kinds of situations, we, as supervisors, should support our students during the whole process of empathy, which includes recognizing, sharing and comprehending the feelings these circumstances have arose on them.

For this purpose, and based on the clinical students’ experiences, we intend to give some suggestions on creating a suitable *set of tools* in order to provide the knowledge they need to face these situations and manage their empathy.

***The lawyer as a human being: risk and reward for stakeholders in self-represented coaching projects, Solarium, Falconer Hall***

Nikki Gershain, *University of Toronto*; Julie Macfarlane and Mackenzie Falk, *University of Windsor*; Heather de Berdt Romilly, *The Legal Information Society, Nova Scotia*; Jana Saracevic, *National SRL Support Network, Canada*

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This interactive seminar will explore legal coaching, a new approach to legal assistance. The goal of coaching is to empower self-represented litigants (SRLs) to make decisions and carry out essential tasks, by providing them with information on filling out forms and court processes, and offering personal support and meaningful referrals. The coaching model builds directly on the 2013 National Self Represented Litigants Study. Lawyers, law student volunteers and community members have been part of this change. The workshop will review the concept of legal coaching, identify the advantages as well as the challenges of the model, and explore how law student coaches can complement existing legal services. We will review the educational rewards experienced by the students and the benefits to SRLs and the legal system, the potential risks inherent in the model, and protocols for mitigating those risks.

***Proof beyond reasonable doubt? What can routine programme data tell us about the impact of clinics on student performance?* Room J140**

Cath Sylvester, Carol Boothby and Dr. Elaine Hall, *Northumbria University, UK*

Clinic is widely acknowledged as an effective bridge between legal education and legal practice with the emphasis being placed on preparation for legal work and development of legal skills. Less consideration has been given to its contribution to student performance and the development of transferable skills such as critical judgement, synthesis of information and application of knowledge. For those of us who teach in clinic, and see the transformative effects on students, we are confident that clinic works. But where is our evidence? What type of evidence could we bring together to demonstrate the value of clinical teaching, in response to potential barriers around resources required? This symposium will consider what might be relevant evidence for the purpose of establishing the value of clinic in the curriculum and will demonstrate, with reference to data generated at Northumbria, what sort of conclusions may be drawn from it.

***Building better lawyers: the benefits and challenges of multidisciplinary learning environments,* Room J125**

Karen Dyck & Leah Klassen, *Legal Help Centre of Winnipeg*; Karen Galldin, *Canadian Bar Association, Canada*

In a changing legal environment where lawyers are increasingly under pressure to work in multi-disciplinary teams, and where multi-disciplinary practice models are gaining traction,

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practical legal education needs to likewise offer opportunities for cross-training. Workshop leaders will explore the benefits and challenges associated with a cross-discipline clinical learning environment through facilitated small group conversations.

This workshop will be an interactive session focused on how providing multidisciplinary skills training to law students through participation in cross-disciplinary clinical experiences in the early resolution services sector (“ERSS”) benefits not only the students, but also their clients, ERSS organizations and the legal profession more broadly. Working and learning in multidisciplinary environments allows law students to conceptualise and situate their services within a full continuum of care for clients, allowing for better and earlier collaboration with other service providers.

***Grand Rounds – bringing together poverty law practice and the legal academy, Room J130***

Benjamin Ries, Lisa Cirillo and Claudia Pedrero, *University of Toronto, Canada*

Students and clinicians sometimes note a distinct gap between the legal issues examined in their law school curricula and those raised by clinic casework – especially in clinical programs that practice poverty law. As with internal case rounds, the Housing Division at Downtown Legal Services has borrowed another format from medical clinical practice: “Grand Rounds” in which select cases are anonymized and presented to a broader audience meant to include professors, non-clinical students, and practitioners in related fields. DLS staff lawyer Benjamin Ries, director Lisa Cirillo, and former student Claudia Pedrero will offer tips, reflections, and lessons learned on how Grand Rounds can serve as a productive bridge between the Faculty of Law, the clinic, and community partners. DLS students will then present a live, interactive “Housing Grand Rounds: International Edition” to demonstrate the benefits and challenges of this ever-evolving format.

12:30 – 1:30 pm

**Lunch**

Boxed lunches, courtesy of our generous conference sponsor, **Thompson Reuters**, will be served buffet style in the atrium. Guests are invited to eat inside, or take their lunch to the large tent that has been set up on the back lawn of the law school.

Following lunch, guests will need to cross Queen’s Park to **Isabel Bader Theatre**, Victoria College, University of Toronto (93 Charles St W) for our second keynote address.

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1:30 - 1:45 pm

**Welcome from the Faculty of Law, University of Toronto**

Edward Iacobucci, *Dean and* James M. Tory Professor of Law, *Faculty of Law* will welcome participants to the Faculty and its new space.

1:45 – 3:00 pm

**Day Two Keynote Address by Adrian Evans, Professor**

(Monash University)

***Resolving the irresolvable? A controversial approach to reconciling client service with student learning inside live-client clinics.***

This 3-person hypothetical presentation will roleplay a commonplace debate inside live-client clinics: what happens when a clinician and clinical director take very different approaches regarding the proper course of action in relation to court submissions on behalf of a client of the clinic? The roleplay will be followed by interactive discussion with the audience on the managerial, professional and ethical issues expressed in the disagreement. In so doing, the presentation will canvass some of the key issues at stake in live-client clinics, including how to balance the potential risks of embarking upon a certain course of action against the potential rewards of allowing students to be exposed to complex ethical terrain.

Professor Evans will be joined in this keynote plenary discussion by two colleagues, Ross Hyams and Kate Seear.

3:00 - 3:30 pm

**Refreshment Break**

Please join us for snacks and beverages in the atrium of the Jackman Law Building and Flavelle House

3:30 - 5:00 pm

**CONCURRENT SEMINARS II**

***Enhancing rewards from experiential courses – expanding our goals and teaching toolbox, Room J140***

Leah Wortham, *The Catholic University of America*; Alex Scherr, *University of Georgia*; Nancy Maurer, *Albany Law School*; Susan L. Brooks, *Drexel University, USA*

Experiential teaching faces several challenges in the current law school environment: limited teacher planning time; accreditation standards; perceived expectations of doctrinal

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faculty or students; or just inertia. These **risks** and constraints can lead us to envision externship courses too narrowly and emphasize limited opportunities, such as acquiring skills or obtaining a job. This session will focus on **rewards** of a widened frame of possible learning goals for experiential courses and will present a tool box of materials and methods directed toward these additional learning goals. Teachers, students, clients, and educational institutions stand to benefit from the broadening the goals of externships, in-house clinics, and other experiential opportunities. The interactive seminar will begin with a demonstration on teaching critical reflection, which can support a range of learning goals. The session also will review topics and methods in the newly published *Learning from Practice 3<sup>rd</sup> edition* and the soon-to-be-created publicly-available web resource.

***Developing clinical legal education 2.0 – the uOttawa ‘alternative’ clinical initiatives and access to justice clinical hub as case study (a discussion springboard), Room P115***

David Wiseman, Chantal Tie and Brad Yaeger, *University of Ottawa, Canada*

At uOttawa and other Canadian law schools, new clinical learning initiatives are gravitating to a common model that focuses on a particular type of legal problem or legal needs population and providing legal assistance through a partnership between community organizations, academics, law students and volunteer lawyers. The new initiatives seek to supplement and complement traditional clinic-based community legal services and the ‘new’ model that characterizes these initiatives both resembles and deviates from the traditional model of clinic-based experiential learning. New clinical initiatives at uOttawa include the Housing Justice Project, the Ticket Defense Program, the Refugee Sponsorship Support Program, a Free Law Project, and a Business Law Clinic. Using the uOttawa context as a starting point, this interactive seminar aims to share information from the perspectives of an academic, a lawyer/educator, and a law student, and to collaboratively address challenges and opportunities for the ‘New’ Clinical Legal Education.

***Practical, ethical and social justice learning in clinical exchange programs, Solarium, Falconer Hall***

JoNel Newman, Melissa Swain, Sarah Bujold, Fergus Lawrie and Lyndsay Monaghan, *University of Miami, USA*

Clinical students and teachers from both the University of Miami and the University of

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Strathclyde meet twice a year (January in Miami and May in Glasgow) to discuss four to eight topics of controversy or different perspective between the United States and Scotland relating to clinical and social justice issues. Students participate in both sessions and present in pairs on one topic. A clinical immersion experience is also arranged at each venue for the visiting students. Faculty engages in training at both venues around legal ethics and working with vulnerable clients.

Students demonstrated an insightful comparative understanding of the legal clinics. They benefitted from viewing cases through the lens of another country's values, laws, and ethical rules. One of the final presentations resulted in both clinics adopting a forum theatre-style training for client interviewing that will be demonstrated and will include audience participation.

***Legal Clinic – A Transformative Experience? (Outcomes of Pilot Empirical Study),  
Room J125***

Maxim Tomoszek and Veronika Tomoszkova, *Palacky University in Olomouc, Czech Republic*

The Centre for Clinical Legal Education of the Palacký University, Faculty of Law, has prepared a set of evaluation tools to assess the effect of clinical experience on students. The evaluation is based on empirical and qualitative methods, consisting of questionnaires, focus groups and interviews with the clinical students. The pilot phase of the evaluation has already been carried out, providing us with the first set of data to analyse. The interactive workshop session will first present the evaluation tools and analysis of the data gathered so far, followed by the discussion and feedback on both the method and outcomes. After this, the participants will discuss how the deeper understanding of students' learning outcomes can affect the methodology of clinical teaching. The results illustrate the transformative value of the clinical experience for students, which is not necessarily always positive, but even a negative experience has a significant teaching and transformative potential.

6:30 – 10:00 pm

**Conference Dinner at Hart House** (7 Hart House Circle)

The formal Conference Dinner will be held on Monday, July 11, 2016, at **Hart House**, the dramatic neo-gothic building located at the heart of the University's downtown campus. Enjoy a gourmet three-course meal while listening to live jazz music. A cash bar will be available.

*Note: Pre-registration is required for this event.*

## Day Three: **Tuesday, July 12, 2016**

8:30 – 9:00 am

### **Breakfast**

A continental breakfast will be available in the atrium of the Jackman Law Building and Flavelle House.

9:00 – 10:30 am

### **CONCURRENT PAPER PRESENTATIONS 4**

SESSION A: **Practice Rules**, *Room P115*

#### ***International variations in student practice rules***

Wallace Mlyniec, *Georgetown University, USA*; Beth Lyon, *Cornell University, USA*, Victoria Speed and Tony Martin, *BPP University, UK*

The advent of student practice rules supported the development of clinical legal education in the United States during the 20th Century, and they remain central to the work of clinical educators throughout the world today. Nonetheless, state, provincial, and national bar associations and governments around the world have attempted to limit students' ability to practice based not only on legitimate client concerns, but also for economic reasons and monopolistic concerns. This session will examine the relationship of student practice rules to the range of clients that can be served by law students and faculty while working with NGOs and Bar Associations. It will explore the ways that the Student Practice rules improve legal education, increase clients' access to legal services, improve law department/bar relationships, and further a university's mission to both create knowledge and contribute to civic society.

#### ***The importance of student practice certification***

Michael J Churgin, *University of Texas, USA*

Beginning with the decade of the 1960's in the United States, as clinical legal education began to emerge in law schools, a parallel development was occurring in the courts (both state and federal) and legislatures of the United States. Authorization was provided for law students to appear in state and federal courts under attorney supervision. These supervisors usually, but not always, were clinical faculty. The movement swept the nation. Operating under a student practice rule gave the law student legitimation. With the imprimatur of the court, opposing counsel often was compelled to recognize the law

student as a key participant in a case. I will describe the development of this movement, examine provisions, and describe my own personal experience. Finally, I would like to address the limitations on the participation of students in Canada and perhaps we can have a dialogue on how to expand participation of law students.

SESSION B: **Solidarity and Ethics**, Room J125

***University and Society – building intergenerational solidarity***

Angelo Maestroni, Paola Brambilla, Claudio Sardone, *University of Bergamo, Italy*

*A legal clinic dedicated to people with the dementia, cognitive impairment or Alzheimer's*

The presentation begins with the description of the project that intends to create a legal clinic capable to offer free legal advice to patients in the early stage of dementia, cognitive impairment or Alzheimer's. The patients would still be able to comprehend their problem and what awaits them, their families and associations who assist them.

The goal of the project is to elaborate the response/proposal/opinion/advice "in equipe" by discussing the case in a team with doctors- psychologists-social workers-lawyers, considering all the aspects involved: legal/social/medical. We like to instill in students a clinical sense of intergenerational solidarity as a useful element to overcome the stigma associated with old age in general and in particular dementia.

***Complimentary services – is it the role of student law clinics to maintain and support the delivery of legal services, or does it have a more foundational role for developing the lawyers of the future?***

Vinny Kennedy, *Sheffield Hallam University, UK*

In the UK the effects of the Legal Aid, Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act 2012 greatly reduced the scope of public funding available with a domino effect of an increase in litigants in persons. This is not ideal, potentially impacting on an individual's right to access to justice. Seeking an opportunity to assist the local community, the University formed the Court Helpdesk. This paper contends that CLE can be used to compliment, rather than compete or replace professional legal advice. Providing a useful insight on how this could be achieved whilst maintaining good relations amongst all stakeholders, this paper

will discuss the process of setting up the Court Helpdesk, the challenges we faced as well as the benefits. In addition, there will be a discussion on the impact of the service to our students, the local community and the local judiciary.

***The synergies of legal ethics, pro bono, justice education and legal aid as a means to achieve greater access to justice***

Bruce A. Lasky, Wendy Morrish, Nattakan Chomputhong, Hsar Moo Paw and Suphamat Phonphra, *BABSEACLE, Thailand*

This discussion will focus on the ways and means legal ethics, pro bono, justice education and legal aid can work together to achieve greater access to justice. There will be a focus on the deeper and wider impact achieved when this happens. The discussion will further discuss how this has not always been achieved, due to a type of siloed view of many engaged in the justice sector. The discussion will provide details on the work that BABSEACLE has been engaged in with a consortium of partners throughout the Asia region and globally in working to effectuate this goal. This includes the engagement of university CLE programs, pro bono and legal aid lawyers and others in the legal sector, legal ethics curriculum development, governmental advocacy and a variety of other actors. The discussion will then conclude with practical recommendations on how to make this synergy more possible.

SESSION C: **Access to Justice**, *Solarium, Falconer Hall*

***Reflecting on placement experiences – using clinical legal education to promote student engagement with the complexities of access to justice***

Lindsey Stevenson-Graf, *Bond University, Australia*

***Law clinics and access to justice in Kenya: bridging the legal divide***

Yohana Ouma, *Strathmore University, Kenya*

The paper discusses the state of access to justice in Kenya and the various approaches that law clinics have embraced in efforts to enhance access to justice in Kenya. The paper uses the University of Nairobi School of Law, Law Clinic as a case study to illustrate the contribution of law clinics to the realization of the ideal of access to justice.

In a broader context, the paper explores the dual themes of how clinics have contributed to civic society and social justice in Kenya and how the clinics have impacted on the employability of students.

***The exigencies of clinical legal education in Nigeria: the case of the Akungba Law Clinic***

Akintunde Adebayo, *Adekunle Ajasin University, Nigeria*

SESSION D: **Building up Clinic**, Room J140

***Building clinic on strong foundations in Canada***

Gemma Smyth and Neil Gold, *University of Windsor, Canada*

Clinical legal education programs face many of the same challenges they did twenty-five years ago. Intrigued by this phenomenon, the presenters reviewed materials from across Canada, then interviewed clinicians, deans and faculty members about their understanding of experiential and clinical legal education, program goals, and barriers to integration and expansion. This review shows that while Canada has been relatively slow to integrate clinical pedagogies into law curricula and to support formal programs of clinical legal education, nonetheless there is a strong foundation upon which to build. Using this information as background, the presenters will reflect on how clinics and law schools might progress the development of pedagogies, curriculums and hiring practices that would meaningfully integrate critical, experiential, reflective and community-based approaches to clinical legal education. The presenters will demonstrate the important role of clinical legal education in developing contextual, critical, and skills learning within a justice-centred program of legal education.

***From Zero to 60 – building belief, capacity and community in street law instructors in one weekend***

Melinda Cooperman, *American University Washington College of Law, USA*; Freda Greal, *Law Society of Ireland, Republic of Ireland*; Richard L. Roe, *Georgetown University, USA*

Street Law, where law students or lawyers teach about the law in local school, correctional and community settings, is the fastest growing and most popular type of legal clinic in the world-and with good reason. The Street Law methodology helps make the law more

relevant, more accessible, and more understandable to both participants in the program and lawyers delivering the programming. However, there has been little written guidance for how to best introduce and implement this methodology and even less empirical justification for it. We offer our experience of a unique weekend orientation program developed and field-tested by the seminal Georgetown Street Law program and delivered in partnership with the Law Societies of Ireland and Scotland. Over a period of one intense weekend orientation session, we build Belief, Capacity and Community in neophyte Street Law Instructors. During this interactive session we mirror elements of this orientation and discuss quantitative and qualitative data evidencing its powerful outcomes.

SESSION E: **Clinical Opportunities**, Room J130

***Building a Bespoke Clinic***

Genevieve Bolton, *Canberra Community Law, Australia*; Claire Carroll, *Monash University, Australia*; Tony Foley, *Australian National University, Australia*

Canberra Community Law is a community legal centre that has been providing legal services to people on low incomes for over 30 years, particularly in areas of social security and housing law. In 2003, Canberra Community Law established a partnership with the Australian National University to implement the Community Law Clinical Program. In a generation where clinics can be particularly challenging to sustain, it is relevant to examine in detail the features of robust, sustainable clinical models. During the session we will examine the elements of the customised design process that the staff at Canberra Community Law developed in order to establish the clinic. This will include a detailed examination of the design trajectory including research, modelling and implementation stages. The session will also include an examination of how some of the ubiquitous clinical contentions were anticipated and addressed during the design process in the context of a unique organisational culture.

***Why should we integrate policy clinics into legal education?***

Richard Glancey, *Northumbria University, UK*

***Friend or foe: bridging the gap between the academy and the profession***

Michelle Christopher, *University of Calgary, Canada*

Much has been written about the challenges faced by the legal profession today, yet law schools - and teaching the law - remains largely unchanged. I argue that together we should be prepared to confront the fundamental tension between the academy and the profession and make law schools the place where we create innovative ways to bridge the gap between rigorous doctrinal learning and practice-readiness. This session explores current attitudes of law faculty towards the place of clinical legal education and experiential learning in Canadian law schools as a way to bridge the gap.

10:30 – 11:00 am

**Refreshment Break**

Please join us for snacks and beverages in the atrium of the Jackman Law Building and Flavelle House.

11:00 am – 12:30 pm

**CONCURRENT LONG PAPERS AND INTERACTIVE SEMINARS**

***Student Research & Perspectives at PCLS, Room P115***

Sean Rehaag, Patricia Joseph, Natalie Schwarz, Krista Antonio, Jonathan Robinson, Tyler Fram and Leah Horzempa, *York University, Canada*

Each year, forty Osgoode Hall Law School students receive a full term of academic credit for providing legal assistance through Parkdale Community Legal Services (PCLS) in one of the clinic's four divisions: immigration; landlord and tenant; social assistance, violence, and health; and workers' rights. The program enhances student understandings of poverty and encourages critical analysis of the legal system's responses to poverty.

On this panel, recent PCLS students will present on the following topics:

- Patricia Joseph, *"Poverty Law Retention: Student Caseworker Experiences at PCLS"*
- Natalie Schwarz, *"Windows of Connection: An Exploration of Vicarious Trauma, Vicarious Resilience, and the Power of Narrative"*
- Krista Antonio, *"Making Space for Art: The Case for Community-Based Art Projects at PCLS"*
- Jonathan Robinson, *"Justice in Poverty or Poverty in Justice? Putting Poverty in its Place"*

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- Tyler Fram & Leah Horzempa, *“Union Certification and Negotiation of a First Collective Agreement for PCLS Summer Student Caseworkers”*

Sean Rehaag, a faculty member at Osgoode and the Academic Director at PCLS, will Chair.

***Our Stories: our client communities, our students and ours, Room J140***

Paula Galowitz, *New York University, USA*; Marzia Barbera, *University of Brescia, Italy*; Ernest Ojukwu, *Network of University Legal Aid Institutions, Nigeria*; Catherine Klein, *the Catholic University of America*; and Pilar Fernandez Artiach, *University of Valencia, Spain*

There has been attention about the value and power of stories in the law, with much of the focus on helping law students shape the stories of their clients and client communities. However, this session focuses on different and much broader uses of stories generally and of personal stories in particular. Stories can help us create a “bridge of empathy” that helps our students gain better understanding of their clients; it can also help students reflect on their core values, and assist in greater self-awareness. Storytelling has long been recognized as an important way to facilitate learning in other disciplines, including cognitive psychology, medicine, and adult learning theory.

The format of the session will be highly interactive. Together, we will reflect on the risks and rewards of sharing “our stories” and lessons we have learned from storytelling. We will suggest approaches to incorporating “our stories” into our existing clinics.

***Seeing the Need: Assessing Community Need through Visual and Participatory Methods, Room J125***

Christopher Simmonds, *Northumbria University, UK*

In the United Kingdom context, the global economic position has led to a programme of austerity measures that have included cuts to legal aid, reductions in the number of courts and increased court fees. A result of this is that people now face more barriers to access to justice than ever before.

If we accept the position that part of the role of university law clinics is to help increase access to justice, then the question becomes what are the needs of the communities that we serve and how can we meet those needs.

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This interactive session explores how visual and participatory research methods can be used by law clinics to identify unmet need in the communities that they serve while at the same time identifying the limitations on the organisation hosting the clinic.

***Clinical legal education: the Kenyan experience, Room J130***

Anne Kotonya and Yohanna Ouma, *Strathmore University, Kenya*

In certain countries, the adoption of clinical legal education exists across the board in almost all law schools. However, this is not the case in Kenya. This paper, therefore, seeks to present an overview of the extent to which clinical legal education has been embraced in Kenya and offer suggestions that can help Kenyan institutions rise above the challenges they face to join the ranks of law schools that are enjoying the benefits of clinical legal education. In embarking on this task, the paper adopts a collaborative research approach which involves key resource persons comprising both faculty and students drawn from purposively selected institutions that offer legal training. By involving diverse participants, the paper seeks to capture the varied experiences that each of the institutions has had in their endeavour to develop clinical legal education.

12:30 – 1:30 pm

**Lunch**

Lunch will be served buffet style in the atrium. Guests are invited to eat inside, or take their lunch to the large tent that has been set up on the back lawn of the law school.

1:30 – 3:00 pm

**CONCURRENT SYMPOSIA**

***Sharing Best Practices among Penitentiary Legal Clinics in Europe, Mexico and USA, Solarium, Falconer Hall***

Silvia Mondino and Cecilia Piera Blengino, *University of Torino, Italy*; Richard Roe, *Georgetown University, USA*; Jose Antonio Garcia Saez, *University of Coahuila, Mexico*

We propose a session with collaborative presentations from different countries (Mexico, Europe and USA) of different models of penitentiary legal clinics to find best practices to share.

This comparison of legal clinics focused on inmates will be designed to answer these questions about learning, teaching and social aims pursued:

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- What kind of rights do we defend as legal clinic (and what model of legal clinic do we use?)
- What kind of ‘clients’ do we help? Have our ‘clients’ another possibility to be helped if the clinic wasn’t there?
- Do we work with an association/NGO?
- What do our students learn?
- What issues do we teach in a penitentiary legal clinic?
- How does the total institution manage with our work?

***Increasing access to justice – exploring a new lawyering paradigm through clinical education and reflective practice, Room P115***

Michele M. Leering, *Queen’s University, Canada*; Dr. Liz Curran, *Australian National University, Australia*; Chris Casey and Mary Anne Noone, *La Trobe University, Australia*

In this interactive seminar we will discuss how reflective practice methods, clinical legal education programs and externships can help law students to question the current “hired gun” paradigm that dominates our professional ethos and to critically examine their own developing sense of legal professionalism.

The role of lawyer is being recast in the 21<sup>st</sup> century: research suggests enhancing access to justice demands new, responsive, creative and innovative practice roles. We will discuss some theory around emerging ways of lawyering and new approaches given significant disruptive change and access to justice gap. We will reflect on the following question: How do we engage and prepare law students for emerging new practice paradigms and for their role in increasing access to justice?

Seminar discussants bring a wealth of practical experience and perspectives from Canada and Australia in a range of externship and student clinic environments. We will share promising reflective practice methods we have experimented with including professional journals, professional oaths, philosophies of practice, and portfolios, and student feedback on these methods.

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***Risks and rewards of externships – exploring goals and methods, Room J140***

Jeff Giddings, *Griffith University, Australia*; Martina E. Cartwright, *Texas Southern University, USA*; Linda F. Smith, *University of Utah, USA*; Leah Wortham, *The Catholic University of America, USA*

Discussant: Emeritus Professor Neil Gold, *Faculty of Law, University of Windsor*

Externships of necessity involve a large number of stakeholders—at a minimum, students, academic and professional staff, clients, and professional colleagues—and ideally community groups, governments and the University. This panel will explore the range of goals that can be pursued in an extern-based program, the methodologies needed to effectively meet those goals, and the ways in which this range of stakeholders can be involved.

The speakers will discuss the goals they seek in their externship programs and the differing implications this has for three key aspects of externships:

- Sites – aligning site choices with program aims and student interests;
- Supervisors – fostering effective supervisor contributions through support and engagement; &
- The classroom component linked to the placements – enabling students to learn from their peers and integrating learning in academic and workplace settings.

***Training up family law lawyers – risks and rewards of family law clinics in Canada, Room J125***

Natasha Brown, *Legal Help Centre of Winnipeg*; Harpreet Burmy, *University of Windsor*; Susanne Litke, *Dalhousie University, Canada*

Moderated by Leah Klassen, *Barrister & Solicitor*

This seminar will take the form of a moderated panel of three lawyers who supervise family law clinical programming. After providing a brief explanation of their respective programs, the panel will address larger questions about the challenges faced in practicing family law in a clinical legal education setting. One of the objectives of the panel is to create an opportunity for discussion about overcoming challenges in order for our clinics to maximize both the law student and client experience. We will discuss the ethical and regulatory barriers that may impede

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the objectives of family law clinical legal education clinics. We hope to initiate a dialogue between Canadian clinics, as well as clinics from outside of Canada, with the goal of advancing our work.

***Measuring the impact of social justice teaching – research design and oversight,***  
*Room J130*

Sylvia Caley and Leslie E. Wolf, *Georgia State University, USA*

Clinical educators are committed to improving access to justice and seek to do so both through the development of students' professional values and educational experiences and through individual client representation and impact advocacy. Our understanding of the impact of these efforts typically relies on anecdotal information. Integrating research on the impact of educational, clinical, and community service endeavors can improve circumstances for all sectors. The presenters will outline the benefits and challenges of engaging in research in a law school clinic. Developing and implementing an effective and ethical research plan to measure the impact of clinical work will promote both incorporation and expansion of best practices in teaching and service delivery. Participants will be encouraged to think creatively about the work they do, the populations they serve, the scope of impact they desire, and to establish a methodical process for evaluating attainment of their goals.

3:00 – 5:00 pm

**Closing Reception**

All conference participants are invited to join us in the Rowell Room (Flavelle House) for some brief concluding remarks and our closing reception. Light refreshments will be served and a cash bar will be available.

## Optional Post-Conference Events: **Wednesday, July 13, 2016**

9:00 – 6:00 pm

### **Optional Day Excursion to Niagara Falls (Pre-registration required)**

For attendees who are able to stay on for a day after the conference closes, we have planned a full-day outing to the majestic Niagara Falls, one of the world's most impressive natural wonders.

This day trip to Niagara, Ontario includes return transportation on a luxury coach with free WiFi. An experienced tour guide will accompany the group on a number of stops including a visit to the majestic falls, with ample time to explore the city and, for those who wish, to take a waterfront tour of the falls. This tour also includes a stop in the picturesque town of Niagara-on-the-Lake, where you will visit one of the region's many local wineries and enjoy a free sampling.

This full-day trip will depart from the Faculty of Law at 9 am and will return at approximately 6 pm. The coach will pass Pearson airport on the trip home and drop-off there (approximately 5:30 pm) is also available.

9:00 – 11:00 am

### **ACCLE Membership Breakfast**

All ACCLE members are invited to join us for a relaxed, post-conference breakfast at Downtown Legal Services (655 Spadina Ave.) While you mingle and munch, the Board will take a few minutes to update you on some current ACCLE projects, plans for our fall AGM and 2017 Conference and most importantly, how you can get involved.

There is no cost for this event but *pre-registration is required* at <http://evite.me/guNS31YSWg>

## Presenter Biographies:

**Supriyaa Aery** works as a lawyer at Aery Law Associates, Hoshiarpur, Punjab, India. She completed her Masters in Laws with dissertation on Cyber Forensics in 2009. For her interests in legal philanthropy, she serves as Director, Legal Office at PAAJAF, Ghana. At PAAJAF along with team, she is process of establishing socio-legal aid clinics and community outreach programs. Formerly, she was Faculty Law and Deputy Coordinator - Directorate of Distant Education ( DODE) at Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab, Patiala.

**Akintunde Adebayo** is a Lecturer in the Commercial Law Department, Faculty of Law, Adekunle Ajasin University, Akungba-Akoko, Nigeria. He obtained a Masters Degree in International Commercial Law (LLM) from The Robert Gordon University, Aberdeen, United Kingdom. Before that, he obtained a Bachelors Degree in Common Law (LLB) Hons from University of Ilorin, Nigeria. He is currently a Ph.D Research student. Akintunde is a Barrister and Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Nigeria and has worked in several capacities; both legal and non-legal. His areas of interest include: Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR); Criminal Justice Administration; Restorative Justice; Clinical Legal Education and Practical Lawyering Skills.

**Dianne Anagnos** has worked as a solicitor and clinical legal supervisor at Kingsford Legal Centre, University of New South Wales, since 2010. Before that she worked as a solicitor at the Welfare Rights Centre in Sydney for 8 years, where she specialised in social security law and policy. At Kingsford Legal Centre she specialises in anti-discrimination law as well as working in the general legal practice and co-ordinating the Centre's community legal education work.

**Pilar Fernández Artiach** is an Associate Professor of Labor Law and Social Security at the University of Valencia. Several publications -articles in scientific journals, book chapters, and a monograph of 587 pages-. Visiting scholar in the Institute of Law and Society at NYU (USA); London School of Economics (Department of Industrial Relations); Institute of Advanced Legal Studies (IALS London); University of Paris X-Nanterre (France), or at ILO headquarters in Geneva, as well as teaching stays with the level of Maître de Conférences at the University of Rennes 1 (France). Director of the Immigration Clinic of the University of Valencia and member of ENCLE and GAJE.

**Jessica Austen** is Joint Director of the Pro Bono Centre at BPP University. The Centre facilitates the delivery of student pro bono through innovative partnerships and projects that improve access to justice. Jessica was a commercial and property litigation solicitor at Cripps Harries Hall LLP before joining the Pro Bono Centre in 2010. She is passionate about the benefits for students being involved in pro bono and is inspired by the idea that they will continue with pro bono through their working life.

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**Marzia Barbera** is a Professor of Law at the Department of Law of the University of Brescia, where she teaches Labour Law, Antidiscrimination Law, Legal Clinic. Member of the Steering Committee of GAJE (Global Alliance for Justice Education) and of ENCLE (European Network for Clinical Legal Education).

**Patricia Barkaskas** is a faculty member in the University of British Columbia Peter A. Allard School of Law and holds the following positions: Academic Director of the Indigenous Community Legal Clinic (ICLC), Coordinator of the Judicial Externship program and Lecturer. Patricia's research focuses on clinical legal education, decolonizing and Indigenizing legal education (including the value of Indigenous pedagogies) and experiential learning in law. She is particularly interested in Indigenous issues within the law and how legal processes can assist the advancement of Indigenous peoples in Canadian society. Patricia is Métis from the Lac Ste. Anne Cree/Métis and Red River communities.

**Lucy Blackburn** is a lecturer within Lancashire Law School and is also a solicitor, having spent nearly 10 years in private practice before joining University of Central Lancashire. She teaches on both the undergraduate Law degree and also to postgraduate students on the Legal Practice Course. She is the module leader for the undergraduate Law Clinic and is also undertaking a Professional Doctorate in Legal Practice focusing on the perceived marginalisation of academic staff who undertake Clinical Legal Education.

**Lydia Bleasdale-Hill** is an Associate Professor and Director of Clinics at the School of Law, University of Leeds (UK). In the 2016-17 academic year she will be a Fellow of the Leeds Institute for Teaching Excellence and Innovation, undertaking a research project concerning the enhancement of student resilience through curricular and co-curricular activities.

**Genevieve Bolton** is the Executive Director/Principal Solicitor of Canberra Community Law. She was awarded the Australian Human Rights Commission Law Award 2015 in recognition of her 20-year contribution to the community legal centre movement in Australia. Genevieve has led the ongoing development of the Centre's clinical program since its establishment in 2003. Genevieve is currently the chair of the ACT Community Legal Centre's Association and a member of the National Association of Community Legal Centre's (NACLCC) Advisory Council. On 24 July 2015, Genevieve was appointed as a Commissioner to the Australian Capital Territory's Legal Aid Commission.

**Carol Boothby** has been the Director of the Student Law Office at Northumbria University since 2010 during which time the law clinic has helped the law school and the University to achieve a number of awards, including

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the Attorney Generals Award, the National Training Awards, the Halsbury Legal Awards, and the Queens Anniversary Award, based on the work of the Student Law Office. Carol is a Principal Fellow of the Higher Education Academy, and a Teaching Fellow. Areas of interest are clinical supervision, assessment, feedback and the teaching of practical skills. She has a number of recent publications on clinic.

**Paola Brambilla**, Professor of Comparative and European Law in the Department of Law of the University of Bergamo. Lawyer. President of the association of Italian non-profit organisation WWF environmental protection (world wild life foundation)

**Susan L. Brooks** is the Associate Dean for Experiential Learning and a Professor of Law at Drexel University's Kline School of Law. She also teaches Family Law and directs courses on holistic representation, professional formation, effective communication and relational skills, and access to justice. Dean Brooks received her J.D. from New York University. Prior to attending law school, she practiced social work. She received an M.A. in clinical social work from the University of Chicago-School of Social Service Administration, and earlier earned a B.A. from the same university. She is a licensed attorney in Pennsylvania and maintains her social work certification.

**Natasha Brown** is the Legal Director of Legal Help Centre of Winnipeg, Inc. ("LHC"). Natasha received her Bachelor of Education in 2001 and her Bachelor of Laws in 2005. Natasha worked in private practice as a family law lawyer until fall of 2012, at which point she became LHC's Family Law Supervising Lawyer. In summer of 2014, Natasha became LHC's Legal Director. Natasha is a sessional instructor at the University of Manitoba, Faculty of Law, teaching Advocacy and acting as Supervising Lawyer for the LHC Internship program. Natasha sits on the Board of the Association for Canadian Clinical Legal Education.

**Sarah J. Bujold** is a Student Intern, University of Miami Health Rights Clinic. She holds Juris Doctor degrees from the University of Miami (US) and Bond University (Australia). In Miami, Ms. Bujold interned with several programs including the Health Rights Clinic and Street Law. She holds a Bachelor of Social Work with High Honours from Carleton University in Ottawa, Ontario. Ms. Bujold's anticipated Call to the Bar for the Law Society of Upper Canada is June 2016, and she is scheduled to take the Florida Bar Examination in July 2016. Ms. Bujold is the 2016 recipient of the Markus Award, which recognizes an individual student each year for outstanding clinical work.

**Dr. Laura Bugatti** is Ph.D. in Comparative Law and she is currently a Research Fellow at Brescia Law School – Italy. She works in collaboration with the chairs of Comparative Law, Private Law and Civil Law. She is a supervisor at Brescia Legal Clinic in the civil law sector. Her main fields of research are: professional liability -with a particular

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focus on legal profession; legal education. She has published several articles on these topics. Since several years, she has been involved in national/international research projects, mainly in collaboration with the Center of European and Comparative Studies and the Engineering Department (Brescia).

**Harpreet Burmy** is Review Counsel for the Family Law Practice Program at the University of Windsor's Community Legal Aid. Ms. Burmy obtained a B.Sc. from the University of British Columbia. She earned her LL.B. and J.D. at the University of Windsor and University of Detroit Mercy. Called to the Ontario Bar in 2008, Ms. Burmy worked in private practice primarily on Family Law, Civil and Estate Litigation. Ms. Burmy co-authored "Don't Forget to Lend an Ear" in *The CBA Small, Solo and General Practice Newsletter*. Additionally, she co-presented an Initial Interview Demonstration at the LSUC Intensive Child Protection Training Program.

**Sylvia Caley**, JD, MBA, RN is an associate clinical professor at Georgia State University College of Law teaching law students and other professional graduate students enrolled in the HeLP Legal Services Clinic. In addition, she teaches Health Legislation and Advocacy, a year-long course in which law students work with community partners to address health-related legislative and regulatory issues affecting the community. She is the director of the Health Law Partnership (HeLP), an interdisciplinary community collaboration among Children's Healthcare of Atlanta, the Atlanta Legal Aid Society, and the College of Law.

**Elaine Campbell** joined Northumbria University as a Solicitor Tutor in 2011. Elaine works exclusively in the Student Law Office, where she is Deputy Module Leader and the Solicitor Tutor responsible for the Business & Commercial Law Clinic. A member of Northumbria's Legal Education & Professional Skills research group (LEAPs), Elaine is currently undertaking a Professional Doctorate. Her thesis will explore her lived experience as a clinic supervisor through an autoethnographic lens. She regularly blogs about academic writing and clinic work. Her blog ([alawuntoherself.com](http://alawuntoherself.com)) was a shortlisted finalist in the Education category of the 2016 UK Blog Awards.

**Claire Carroll** is an Australian Lawyer. Over the last decade, she has practised as a solicitor in the community legal sector where her work has primarily focused on poverty law and its associated areas. Claire is also an academic with expertise in clinical legal education. In her most recent roles she acted as the Pro Bono Coordinator at the Australian Catholic University and the Director of the Public Interest Law Initiative and the Director of Clinical Programs at Melbourne Law School. Claire is currently a PhD candidate at Monash University and is researching the effects of clinical legal education.

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**Victoria Gleason** joined Northumbria University as a Senior Lecturer in 2013. Before joining academia Victoria completed a training contract with a leading North East commercial firm of solicitors and subsequently worked in their corporate team for a number of years. Victoria teaches on a range of undergraduate and postgraduate

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Social Issues, and has worked with Professors Gemma Smyth, Sujith Xavier, and Adam Vasey as a research assistant on projects pertaining to clinical legal education, reasonable apprehension of bias jurisprudence, and community university partnerships.

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**Fergus Lawrie** is a Student Advisor, University of Strathclyde Law Clinic. He is a Clinical LLB student at the University of Strathclyde, Glasgow, expecting to graduate with honours in 2017. He has been a Student Advisor at the Law Clinic since 2013. Last year he was responsible for overseeing a firm of 37 student advisors; establishing the clinic's Small Business Law Unit; developing training in client interviewing through 'forum theatre' and taking this to other clinics in Edinburgh and Hamburg. Fergus was awarded 'Overall Contribution by an Individual Student' at the 2016 LawWorks and Attorney General Student Pro-Bono Awards in London. He will assume the position of co-Student Director for 2016-2017.

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# Toronto Top 10 Lists

## Top Things to Do in Toronto:

1. CN Tower and dinner on the Harbour Front.
2. Take the ferry to Centre Island to enjoy views of the Toronto skyline, relax on the beach and dip your feet into Lake Ontario.
3. Queen West Walk. Start your walk at Nathan Phillips Square (Toronto's City Hall) and walk west until you reach Dufferin. This walk is sure to please café, art, and design lovers.
4. Casa Loma. Built between 1911- 1914 in the 18th-Century Gothic Revival Style, Casa Loma is Toronto's very own castle. Casa Loma features lavish marble and a beautiful 5 acre estate garden.
5. Museums. Visit the Royal Ontario Museum to experience a small slice of Canadian history. Particularly notable is the ROM's collection of Canadian art. Another museum that you will not want to miss is the Bata Shoe Museum, which features a collection of over 13 500 pairs of shoes.
6. Picnic in High Park. Featuring ponds, woods, and a small zoo, High Park is the perfect tranquil spot to enjoy a packed lunch.
7. Kensington Market. This area is a unique and vibrant neighbourhood in the heart of Toronto which has a vast array of small restaurants and shops. Tip: Don't miss on 7 Lives Tacos for toothsome Mexican food or Burgenator if you are craving a burger with deep fried cheese!
8. Watch a Toronto Blue Jays baseball game at the Rogers Centre. On **Sunday, July 10, 2016** the Blue Jays will be taking on the Tigers at 1:07pm. Tickets can be purchased at the gate or online ([http://toronto.bluejays.mlb.com/ticketing/index.jsp?c\\_id=tor](http://toronto.bluejays.mlb.com/ticketing/index.jsp?c_id=tor)).
9. Toronto Entertainment District. This area is a mecca for some of Toronto's best restaurants and bars, where you can indulge while having some of the best views of the CN Tower in the City.
10. Laugh and enjoy some of the best improve in the world at Toronto's Second City Theatre. Catch a show every night of the week from the company that produced greats like Tina Faye and Amy Poehler. Tickets can be purchased online.
11. Explore University of Toronto. Some highlights not to miss are Kings College Circle, Convocation Hall, and Hart House.

## Toronto Top 10 Lists continued

### Top Spots for Shopping

1. Toronto Eaton Centre [Major retailers]
2. Queen Street West [Eclectic, upscale boutiques]
3. Kensington Market [Vintage boutiques]
4. Dundas Street West (“the Junction”) [Hip homewares]
5. Queen Street East (“Leslieville”) [Chic boutiques and homeware stores]
6. Bloor Street West (“Canada’s Rodeo Drive”) [upscale stores, Holt Renfrew]

### Top 10 Restaurants in Toronto

1. Trattoria Nervosa (Italian, Pizza, \$\$) [Yorkville]
2. Sassafras (French) [\$\$\$ , Yorkville]
3. La Carnita (Mexican) [\$ , Entertainment District]
4. Scaramouche (Steak house, Sea Food) [\$\$\$ , Midtown]
5. The Elm Tree Restaurant (Mediterranean) [\$\$ , Downtown Core]
6. The Harbord Room (Canadian) [\$\$\$ , Annex]
7. Barreo Koreano (Mexican-Korean Fusion) [\$\$ , Annex]
8. Pizzeria Libretto (Italian, Pizza) [\$ , The Danforth]
9. Insomnia Restaurant and Lounge (American) [\$ , Annex]
10. Kinka Izakaya Bloor (Japanese) [\$\$ , Annex]

### Top Spots for Dessert

1. Dessert Lady Café [Yorkville]
2. Dolce Gelato [Little Italy]
3. Pancho’s Bakery [Kensington Market]
4. Uncle Tetsu’s Japanese Cheesecake [Downtown Core]
5. Greg’s Ice Cream [University /Annex]
6. Booyah Ice Cream [Midtown]
7. Millie Patisserie and Creamery [Entertainment District]
8. Cacao 70 [Distillery District]
9. Café Fiorentina [The Danforth]
10. Don’t Call me Cupcake! [Kensington Market]

## Toronto Top 10 Lists continued

### Top 10 Cheap Eats in Toronto

1. Kinton Ramen (Japanese) [51 Baldwin Street]
2. Bahn Mi Boys (Vietnamese) [392 Queen Street West]
3. The Burger's Priest (American) [406 Bloor Street West]
4. The Dirty Bird (American, Fried Chicken and Waffles) [79 Kensington Avenue]
5. Chantecler (Korean) [1320 Queen Street West]
6. Via Mercanti (Pizza) [87 Elm Street]
7. Fresh on Bloor (Vegan, Vegetarian) [326 Bloor Street West]
8. Fushimi (Sushi) [491 Church Street]
9. Rasta Pasta (Jamaican) [61 Kensington Avenue]
10. Saffron Spice Kitchen (Indian) [459 Queen Street West]

### Top Bars in Toronto

1. Bar Volo [587 Yonge Street]
2. Victory Café [581 Markham Street]
3. Bellwoods Brewery [124 Ossington Avenue]
4. Bar Raval [505 College Street]
5. The Drake Hotel [1150 Queen Street West]
6. The Wren [1382 Danforth Avenue]
7. House on Parliament [454 Parliament Street]
8. The Duke of York Pub [39 Prince Arthur Avenue]
9. The Pilot [22 Cumberland Street]
10. Momofuku [190 University Avenue]

### Top Spots for Coffee

1. The Common (cash only) [408 Bloor Street West]
2. Quantum Coffee [460 King Street West]
3. Dineen Coffee [140 Yonge Street]
4. Jet Fuel Coffee [519 Parliament Street]
5. Jimmy's Coffee [84 Gerrard Street West]
6. L'espresso bar Mercurio [321 Bloor Street West]
7. The Coffee Lab [333 Bloor Street West]
8. Moonbean Coffee [30 St. Andrew Street]
9. Almond Butterfly (vegan, gluten free food) [100 Harbord Street]
10. Sam James Coffee Bar [150 King Street West]

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