Profile:
Morris Takes the Lead as Director of Career Services

The School of Law welcomes Dana Morris as the new Director of Career Services. Morris brings two years’ expertise as the Director of the Career Planning Center at the University of Miami School of Law, several years’ prime experience in marketing communications and degrees from Boston University and the Syracuse University College of Law. In June she will be joined by the new Assistant Dean for Career Services, José Bahamonde-González, also from the University of Miami.

In the unstable ’90s, one maxim stands out: If all you do is react, you’ll never be very active. In other words—make some waves, because everybody’s watching. The legal field, once thought of as an absolute guarantee for job security and healthy paychecks, is no longer a “sure thing” proposition. Morris is actively pursuing dozens of new approaches in a fast-changing job market, and will not settle for only a reactive mode.

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“One important goal, and I know that José shares it, is to persuade employers to think of Career Services as a legal search firm—the place to call whether hiring a law clerk or an experienced attorney,” Morris explains. Another goal is to position the office as a professional development resource for students and alumni, creating ties with young and old who can act as mentors, mock interviewers and networks for students.”

In addition to relocating the office to the Cunningham Room in the Thurgood Marshall Law Library, Morris plans to hire an assistant director to focus on public interest opportunities and expand services. The team is working to create a computerized, confidential 24-hour job line so students and alumni can search for jobs at their convenience. There are also plans to advertise resumes to employers via the Internet. Expanding non-legal recruitment as well, Morris is talking to representatives from business and industry, such as banks and accounting firms.

“The good thing is, our students are equipped to compete with the best of them. I’d like them to know that we’re here for them.”

Chris Hart

Law Student Recognized for her Skill, Compassion to Clients

Tami J. Howie, a third-year day student at the School of Law, received the 1996 Geriatrics and Gerontology Education and Research (GGEAR) Program’s Student Award for Excellence in Clinical Service on May 28, 1996. The award is given annually to a student from each of UMAB’s professional schools who has, through their clinical work, demonstrated commitment to older persons.

Howie was recognized for exemplary skill, compassion and dedication to her elderly clients in her legal clinic work. She completed a one semester Health Law Clinic in the fall of 1995, and then returned as a Clinic II student in the spring semester, where she performed advanced case work and was a teaching assistant to newer students. In both roles she was a tireless advocate for her aged clients.

In addition, Howie participated in an interdisciplinary geriatric assessment program sponsored by GGEAR and the Western Maryland Health Education Center. There, along with others, she helped assess the needs of two patients at a free medical clinic in Hagerstown, Maryland. She also worked on other clinical projects relating to the elderly, particularly the preparation of a comprehensive guide for consumers and health care professionals on adult guardianship.

Chris Hart
Kaminetz Travels to South Africa

Third-year student, Lee Kaminetz, spent the fall semester of his last year in Johannesburg, South Africa, as part of the School of Law’s 13 credit South Africa Externship. He worked full-time at the Legal Resources Centre (LRC), which is one of the foremost public interest law firms in that country.

As part of his experience, he worked daily alongside President Nelson Mandela’s attorneys and was fortunate enough to meet Mandela, as well as several of South Africa’s Constitutional Court Justices. He also observed some of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission’s amnesty hearings, and traveled through much of South Africa and Zimbabwe, visiting LRC clients in several rural townships.

Three other third-year students, Jane O’Leary, Sanaka Samarasinha, and Stacie Broadwater also participated in the South Africa Externship.

Left to right: Sanaka Samarasinha (3D), Arthur Chaskalson (President of the Constitutional Court of the Republic of South Africa), and Lee Kaminetz (3D), at the LRC Library in Johannesburg.

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