Dear Incoming 1L students:

Welcome to Loyola! We are so pleased that you will be joining us this fall, and we look forward to meeting you during Orientation! Below, you will find some information about Orientation. In addition, attached to this email is a copy of the Orientation schedule, as well as a copy of our First Year Information booklet. Please take a few moments to review the FYI booklet, which is full of important and useful information from your administration.

Your Orientation will be held over the course of two days: Thursday, August 20th and Friday, August 21st at the Corboy Law Center (25 East Pearson Street). Our check-in time for both days will begin at 9:00 a.m. The Orientation schedule is attached, so please take a few moments to review our events. Both days of scheduled programs serve as an important introduction to your law school career – they are not to be missed! Be prepared to stay until approximately 5:00 p.m. each afternoon.

Orientation will begin with some important programming: you will receive an introduction to the study of law and learn how to read and brief cases (see attachments); you will have the opportunity to learn more about the clinics, institutes and special programs that make up the School of Law; you will have the opportunity to meet administrators and faculty; and you will become better acquainted with the community of which you will be a part for the next several years.

During Orientation’s Logistics and Exploration period, you will have the opportunity to take care of many of the organizational elements of the beginning of the semester, including having your Loyola ID photo taken, picking up your CTA Ventra UPass, receiving a locker assignment and combination, visiting the bookstore, and perhaps even purchasing a ticket to the Student Bar Association’s annual Boat Cruise. Just a quick note – if you are in the area, we advise that you stop by the Corboy Law Center and have your ID photo taken by August 19th – having your ID will expedite your entry through security on the mornings of Orientation and you will be able to avoid long lines waiting to get your ID. Just visit the first floor lobby of 25 East Pearson to have your ID issued – it only takes about 5 minutes.

We would ask that you limit the number of bags or belongings that you bring with you to Orientation – most programming will take place in the Power Rogers & Smith Ceremonial Courtroom (1040), and space is limited. To keep things comfortable, please leave your laptops and bookbags at home. Please note – you will not need your laptop at Orientation! You might want to bring a notebook and pen for taking a few notes, and you will receive copies of all presentation materials in your folders for later reference.

We ask you to please contact us if you have any dietary restrictions (i.e., vegetarian, vegan, gluten-free, etc.) so that we can make the appropriate accommodations. Please let us know of any restrictions by Friday, August 14th. If you have any questions, please contact Giselle Santibanez-Bania at gsantibanez@luc.edu.

News for the first few days of classes! Some of your professors have begun posting reading assignments for your first classes – you can find more information here: http://www.luc.edu/law/registrar/first_assignments/. Please note – some professors are still posting assignments, so check this link frequently for updates. For information on which books to order, you may also want to check with the Loyola Bookstore. You can find more information here: http://www.bkstr.com/loyolawatertowerstore/shop/textbooks-and-course-materials

We also wanted to let you know about Family Day, an annual tradition here at the School of Law – your friends and family are invited to visit us on Sunday, October 18th to tour the school and meet some of your deans and professors. For more information, please go here: http://www.luc.edu/law/fyi/familydayregistration/

Again, welcome to Loyola University Chicago School of Law! See you soon!

Very truly yours,

Administration and Staff
Loyola University Chicago School of Law