Message from the Director

It has been an exciting year for Loyola’s Dispute Resolution Program with many opportunities for students. New courses include an arbitration workshop where students gain practical experience through arbitration simulations, and a practicum where students are trained by the Center for Conflict Resolution to mediate small claim disputes in the Circuit Court of Cook County.

Loyola’s EEOC Mediation Advocacy Project continues to flourish. At the American Bar Association Section of Dispute Resolution meeting held in Chicago this past spring Loyola was honored to be highlighted as one of only a handful of law schools that offer a program where students advocate for live clients in a mediation—a trend in skills training that is growing in popularity.

Loyola hosted a number of events this past year including the regional Willem C. Vis Moot International Commercial Arbitration Competition, the Advanced e-Discovery Mediation Training for practicing mediators with a related judicial training attended by several federal magistrates, the Collaborative Law Institute of Illinois two-day training, the Association of Conflict Resolution program on Medical Malpractice Mediation, and the five-day Mediation Skills Training for Collaborative Practitioners.

Our faculty continue as active members of the legal community with their speaking engagements and scholarship, and Loyola’s dispute resolution teams fared well in national and international competitions.

Loyola will again cosponsor the International Academy of Dispute Resolution (INADR) international mediation competition March 5-8, 2014. Fifty teams from around the world are expected to compete.

Finally, our loyal and growing dispute resolution community of adjunct professors, alumni, practicing attorneys, arbitrators, and mediators continue to provide invaluable feedback, inspiration, and real-world practical advice for our students. We are truly grateful for all that you contribute, and look forward to welcoming you back to the School of Law this academic year.

Teresa F. Frisbie
Director, Dispute Resolution Program
2013 Willem C. Vis Moot International Commercial Arbitration Competition

Upcoming Events

Oct. 25-26, Nov. 1, 8-9
Mediation Skills Training for Collaborative Practitioners

Nov. 1-2, 8-9
Arbitration Workshop

Nov. 9-10
ABA Negotiation Competition, Region 6

Feb. 1-2
Mediation Weekend Workshop

Feb. 8-9
Client Counseling Weekend Workshop

Feb. 15
Client Counseling Competition

Feb. 15-16
Negotiation Weekend Workshop

March 1
Loyola Vis Moot Pre-Moot

March 5-8
INADR International Mediation Competition at Loyola

March 31-April 6
Vis Moot Competition, Hong Kong

April 13-17
Vis Moot Competition, Vienna

Vis Moot and Loyola Pre-Moot

Loyola continues to prepare students for the international legal environment by participating in the Willem C. Vis International Moot Commercial Arbitration Competitions in Vienna and Hong Kong, and by hosting an annual Vis Pre-Moot competition each spring cosponsored by the Chicago International Dispute Resolution Association (CIDRA), and the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators. The Pre-Moot, organized by Professor Margaret Moses, serves as a practice moot for student teams going to the international Vis competitions.

The spring 2013 Loyola Vis Moot teams performed well, with the Vienna Team placing in the top 32 out of 300 teams; David Yoshimura received an honorable mention for Oral Advocate. The Hong Kong team members were Erin Collins, Katie Smeenk, JT Luljak and Kyle Lennox, coached by John Calhoun.

Loyola’s 2012-13 Vis Moot Vienna team, from left: Professor Margaret Moses, Susan Lee, Ebony Smith, David Yoshimura, Natnael Moges, and Bill Davis, team coach.
Mediation Team International Semifinalists in Dublin

Loyola’s mediation team had a lot to be happy about at the International Academy of Dispute Resolution (INADR) International Law School Mediation Competition in Dublin, Ireland. Loyola was an international semifinalist for mediation skills. Tanya Woods took Second Place in individual mediation skills out of more than 100 students. The competition, which was hosted by the Law Society of Ireland (the organization governing Ireland’s solicitors), was held in March 2013. Highlights included Irish dancing lessons and an awards dinner at the Guinness Storehouse.

*Loyola’s Mediation team members (pictured below) posed in front of the Law Society of Ireland.*
*From left: Tim Love, Tanya Woods, Candace Moore, Giorie Mahn, Christine Dadourian, Charity Humphreys and Sabrina Shafer. The team is coached by Teresa Frisbie.*

INADR Competition Returns to Loyola University Chicago in March 2014

Loyola will again host the international round of the competition March 5-8, 2014, in Chicago. Fifty international teams are expected to compete. Loyola alumnus Fred Lane, along with other INADR founding board members, has been tirelessly promoting the competition around the world. New teams from Greece and Kenya are expected for the international competition; regional competitions are scheduled in Kiev, Glasgow, Nairobi, and Bhopal. The competition provides law students the opportunity to practice both mediation and mediation advocacy skills in a cross-cultural setting. *Experienced mediators interested in serving as a judge for the competition may contact Teresa Frisbie tfrisbie@luc.edu.*
Loyola Dispute Resolution Program publications and presentations

Professor Margaret Moses published a second edition of her book, *Principles and Practice of International Commercial Arbitration* (2d ed., Cambridge University Press, 2012) as well as “Ethics in International Arbitration: Traps for the Unwary,” 10 Loyola University Chicago International Law Review 73 (2012); “Reasoned Decisions in Arbitrator Challenges,” III International Yearbook of Arbitration 199 (2013); and “Is Good Faith in the IBA Evidence Rules Good?” Kluwer Arbitration Blog (November 15, 2012). She served on the selection committee for the Institute for Transnational Arbitration to review and select academic papers, which were presented at its Winter Forum in Miami. She gave a presentation on international arbitration at Legal Issues for Museum Attorneys Conference held in Chicago in April. She delivered the keynote address “Ethics in International Arbitration: Traps for the Unwary” at the Loyola University Chicago International Law Review Symposium. The article was published in the journal’s Fall/Winter 2012 issue. She also gave a presentation at the VIS Moot in Vienna on teaching materials prepared by the Institute for Transnational Arbitration. This past summer she served as a guest lecturer at the University of International Relations in Beijing and taught a course on international commercial arbitration in Loyola’s Study Law Abroad program in Beijing, China. Moses drafted an arbitration award for a book based on problems that were the focus of the Vis Moot International Moot Arbitration Competition. Eighteen arbitrators from around the world were selected to draft the awards in panels of three. The book, *Danubia Files*, which was published in 2013, received a favorable review in the Asian Dispute Review, noting that the featured awards are written by “18 arbitral luminaries.” Moses serves as a Board Member of the Vis East Foundation, which is the organization responsible for the Willem C. Vis Moot International Commercial Arbitration Competition in Hong Kong.

Program director Teresa Frisbie presented on *Practical Applications of Neuroscience in Mediation and Negotiation* for the Circuit Court of Cook County in December and the Association of Conflict Resolution in April. In April she was on the Teaching Mediation Advocacy Skills Inside and Outside the Classroom panel along with Adjunct Professor Liz Simon at the ABA Section of Dispute Resolution Legal Educator's Colloquium, highlighting Loyola's EEOC Mediation Advocacy Project, and on an ISBA Webinar panel Arbitration Under the Federal Arbitration Act. She is actively involved in promoting mediation at the Circuit Court of Cook County, serving on a committee for a new mediation program, providing training for the Association of Attorney Mediators in January regarding a proposed multi-door court house consulting program, and providing training for the Parentage and Child Support Court in October on negotiation. In February she received a scholarship to attend the de Bono Group *Course in Creativity* in Pennsylvania and was named a member of the National Academy of Distinguished Neutrals. Publications include “Ten Tips for a Successful Mediation,” in the Women’s Bar Association of Illinois Journal (Summer 2012), and “A Few Thoughts on Gender in the Practice of Mediation,” “What Your Client Needs to Know About Mediation Confidentiality, “Don’t Let Advocacy in Mediation Be As Futile as a Political Conversation,” and “How to Mediate Disputes Involving the Elderly,” all published in the Chicago Daily Law Bulletin (2013).

Spotlight on Rae Kyritsi (JD ’12)

Rae Kyritsi has joined the Dispute Resolution Program as a member of the adjunct faculty. She teaches Alternative Dispute Resolution and Mediation Weekend Seminar courses. Kyritsi, who was recently named mediation services director for the Center for Conflict Resolution (CCR) in Chicago, was focused on a career in dispute resolution even before she started law school. She started the Mediator Mentorship Program at CCR immediately upon completing her first year and continued to volunteer with CCR as a mediator throughout law school. Kyritsi participated in the Vis Moot International Commercial Arbitration Competition while at Loyola. She believes that mediation is not only an important alternative to court for the parties involved, but also requires that attorneys have an important alternative skill set. “As a law student it can be very challenging to approach problems from the viewpoint of a mediator because it is a fundamentally different way of approaching a conflict. It requires the mediator not to provide legal solutions, but to facilitate what each party feels is a good resolution,” says Kyritsi.
Mediation skills training for collaborative practitioners—Fall 2013

The Dispute Resolution Program is again cosponsoring a mediation skills training designed for collaborative law practitioners with Brigitte Schmidt Bell, P.C. This 40 hour mediations skills training course not only satisfies the Collaborative Law Institute of Illinois mediation training requirement, but also specifically teaches participants how to apply mediation skills in a collaborative practice. With a schedule of five days spread over three weeks the course is designed to minimize disruption to your work schedule. The training also provides ample opportunity to practice mediation skills with feedback from experienced mediators.

The training takes place at Loyola from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday October 25, Saturday, October 26, Friday, November 1, Friday, November 8 and Saturday, November 9, 2013. If you are interested in taking this training, please send an email to lawyers@bsbpc.com or call Jeryl Chico at 847-733-0933 for more information. The cost for the training is $1,500 which includes all of the required training materials.