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1. GAJE news and events

Event: GAJE, BABSEA, PLD and CMU LCC Co-Sponsored Vietnamese Study Visit of the Legal Consultation Center at Chiang Mai University, Thailand

Date: 17th August – 21st August 2009

The Global Alliance for Justice Education (GAJE) together with Bridges Across Borders Southeast Asia (BABSEA), the Institute for Policy and Law Development (PLD) and the Legal Consultation Center, Faculty of Law, Chiang Mai University (CMU LCC) will be co-organizing and sponsoring a study visit of the Legal Consultation Center at Chiang Mai University by rectors, deans and senior law faculty members from leading universities throughout Vietnam including Vietnam National University (Hanoi), Law Faculty Trade Union University, Vietnam National University (HCMC), Law Faculty, Vinh University, Law University HCMC, and the Law Faculty Trung Vuong College.

The CMU Legal Consultation Center teaches law students at CMU the underlying theories and the practical skills to provide free legal counseling and community legal education to socially vulnerable, marginalized persons and people of limited financial means with a focus on community empowerment initiatives. The Center also strives to develop a pro-bono, social justice natured ethic in the students enrolled in the program.

The CMU Center's programs are now both a credited course at the Faculty and a volunteer program, and serve as a model for the development CLE in Thailand and throughout the region.

Participants from Vietnam, all who are in the nascent stages of developing CLE programs, or have strong interest in doing so, will observe the CMU clinical program in action with the objective of developing a better understanding of how to develop and implement an accredited CLE courses at the university level.

For more information on:

1. BABSEA please visit www.babsea.org or contact Bruce Lasky blasky@babsea.org or Wendy Morrish wmorrish@babsea.org.
2. PLD please visit www.pldvietnam.org or contact Prof. Hoang Giao at hngiao2003@yahoo.com.
3. CMU Legal Clinic please visit www.cmulawclinic.com or contact Dr. Panarairat Srichaiyarat panarairat@hotmail.com

2. Other events and courses

Event: Conference on Interdisciplinary Collaborative Education: Partnerships between Law Schools and the Health Professionals

Date: 24 Sept 2009 until 25 Sept 2009

Theme: This conference explores the opportunities and challenges in interdisciplinary collaborations with law students and students and faculty in other professions, including medicine, social work, public health, nursing, mental health, and education. Educational settings include in-house clinics, externship programs, and interdisciplinary classrooms. Call for Posters: Poster presentations are invited. Poster submissions are due Friday, Aug. 7.

Details are available on the conference website at www.lawhealthconference.org or email Lisa Bliss at lbliss@gsu.edu

Event: Course

Theme: New York Law School is pleased to announce two new additions to the Online Mental Disability Law Program: a Master of Arts in Mental Disability Law Studies and a Certificate in Advanced Mental Disability Law Studies. We are now accepting applications for admission to the M.A. and the Certificate on a full and part-time basis. You may also take any of our 12 courses on an individual basis.

For more information about the M.A., the Certificate, and all the individual courses that we offer, visit www.nyls.edu/mdl or contact Liane Bass, Senior Administrator, at mdl@nyls.edu or 212.431.2125.

Event: Course

The University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law's Global Center for Business & Development launched a bilingual academic program this summer thought to be one of the first of its kind in the nation. Four students participated in the Sacramento law school's inaugural Inter-American Program, serving 10-week internships in Guatemala City,

Guatemala, while taking a Spanish-language international human rights course at Rafael Landivar University. Professor Raquel Aldana, who recently joined the Pacific McGeorge faculty from UNLV, plans to expand the program next year and eventually seek ABA accreditation.

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