

DEBORAH SUNDQUIST O'MALLEY

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Experience: Legal Education

Teaching

SAINT LOUIS UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW

St. Louis, MO

Associate Professor – Legal Analysis, Research, & Communication

July 2023 – Present

Teach legal research & writing for first-year J.D. students. Train, mentor, and offer feedback to upper class teaching assistants who complete 1L research and writing assignments in advance and offer advice and support to 1Ls enrolled in first-year research and writing course.

Courses

Legal Analysis, Research, & Communication I
Legal Analysis, Research, & Communication II
Legal Analysis, Research, & Communication T.A. course

SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF LAW

Syracuse, NY

Associate Teaching Professor

August 2018 – July 2022

Visiting Legal Writing Professor

August 2010 – May 2014

Legal educator with a demonstrated interest in teaching excellence and student engagement and well-being, primarily teaching legal research & writing for J.D. & LL.M. student populations. Experienced with both residential and on-line curriculum development and teaching. Co-developed and taught legal research & writing course for J.D. students within the first real-time, fully interactive, ABA-approved online law degree program in the country (“JDi”).

Courses Taught

Legal Communications & Research (residential & JDi)
Legal Communications & Research II (residential & JDi)
Legal Communication & Research III (Appellate Advocacy & Transactional Drafting) (JDi)
N.Y.C. & D.C. (Semesters “Away”) Externship Seminars
Legal Writing for International Students
Introduction to American Law (short course introducing international LL.M. students to American law)
Orange SLICE (professional development course for all first-year students)

Other Teaching/Topic Interests

Professional Responsibility. Property/Real Estate Transactions. Corporations. Contracts.
Multicultural Lawyering. Race/Gender & the Law.

Administration

SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF LAW

Syracuse, NY

Director, New York City Externship Program (NYCEx)

May 2020 – July 2022

Taught the externship seminar for student participants, exploring hot topics in the legal profession and of concern to new lawyers. Recruited students and employers to participate in the College of Law's ("COL") semester-long externship program in New York City ("NYCEx"). Offered support and guidance for students and employers. Facilitated externship placements for NYCEx students, communicating with both students and employers to ensure a good match.

Director of Student Affairs

May 2017 – July 2018

Supervised and guided full-time professional staff member responsible for academic programming and bar exam support initiatives. Provided leadership training, programmatic advice, and budget oversight for Student Bar Association, class leaders, student organizations, and law student journals and publications. Advised students who were experiencing academic, personal, or financial issues, and made referrals to campus and community resources as appropriate. Coordinated with campus Office of Disability Services to ensure proper implementation of all law student disability accommodations. Developed, planned, and implemented orientation program for incoming J.D. students.

Director for LL.M. Student Support

July 2015 – May 2017

Developed and taught legal writing & introductory orientation courses to LL.M. students. Oversaw all aspects of the student experience for international LL.M. students at the College of Law. Supervised seven J.D. students in their roles of tutoring, mentoring, and integrating the LL.M. student population into the law school and larger Syracuse communities.

Director of Professional Development

June 2014 – August 2015

Developed and implemented professional development programming for all students. Guided law student body to focus on early career readiness, encouraging and providing students with opportunities to enhance their professional personas and understand what it takes to compete in the rapidly-evolving legal marketplace. Developed and implemented a comprehensive professionalism series for first-year law students, including weekly workshops. Worked with law student leaders to create College of Law chapter of Toastmasters International.

Select University Leadership & Service

Saint Louis University School of Law Faculty Status Committee, 2022-Present

Syracuse University College of Law Student Mentoring Committee, Co-chair, 2020-2022

Syracuse University COL Inclusion Council, Member, 2018-2022

Mental Wellness Society Faculty Advisor, 2018-2022

Family Life Society Faculty Advisor, 2019-2022

Student note advisor, 2019-2022

Syracuse Univ. - Intergroup Dialogue Facilitator, 2019 – 2022

Faculty Student Learning Committee, Member, 2018-2020

LL.M. Student Orientation, Presenter, 2015-2019

Academic Standards Committee, Member, 2017-2018

Awards & Grants

Lex Lucet Mundum teaching award, Recipient – awarded by Syracuse University Masters of Law (LL.M.) class, May 2020

Syracuse Univ. Law Review Vol. 68 Award of Distinguished Service, Spring 2018

Syracuse Univ. Unsurpassed Student Experience Diversity & Inclusion Grant, Principal, May 2018

Select Presentations & Publications

“Intergroup Dialogue: Engaging Law Students in Transformative Conversations Around Race & Ethnicity,” *Proceedings* online journal, Univ. of Oregon - *publication forthcoming*

“Engaging Students in Purposeful Education on Race, Ethnicity, & the Law: Intergroup Dialogue,” Legal Writing Institute Diversity & Inclusion Committee Webinar – Presenter, March 2023

“Citation in Steps: A Methodical Approach to Building Case Cites,” Rocky Mountain Legal Writing Conference – Presenter, February 2023

“Adapting Externship Teaching for Asynchronous Content,” Lextern lightning rounds - Presenter; October 2021

“Sharing Our Stories, Coming Together: The Power of Intergroup Dialogue in Legal Education,” Applied Legal Storytelling Conference – Presenter, July 2019

“Developing a Course & Teaching in the JD*i* Program,” COL faculty brown bag lunch - Presenter, October 2019

“Legal Communication: An Introduction,” COL JD*i* residential week Presenter, January 2019

“Intergroup Dialogue in Legal Education,” COL Faculty Scholarship Lightning Round, October 2018

“Smooth Ride on the ‘Green’ Train: Construction Contract Issues Unique to Green Building,” *New York Real Estate Journal*, December 2007

Select Professional Development

Syracuse University (“S.U.”) Inclusive Teaching Workshop, Fall 2020; Spring 2021

S.U. Summer Institute for Technology-Enhanced Teaching & Learning (SITE*TL*), Summer 2020

S.U. Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, & Accessibility (DEIA) 2020 Midwinter Institute, Spring 2020

S.U. College of Law Creating Accessible Documents, Fall 2019

Leading Differently Across Difference Conference – Hofstra University, Fall 2019

S.U. College of Law Faculty Implicit Bias Workshop, Spring 2019

S.U. Speaking Up to Bias in the Academy & Interrupting Bias in the Workplace, Spring 2019

S.U. Inclusive Teaching Methods workshop, Fall 2018

S.U. Academic Diversity Leadership Institute, Fall 2018

S.U. Inclusive Teaching: Creating a Learning Climate in the Classroom and Beyond, Fall 2018

Professional & Community Affiliations

InterFaith Works of Central New York El-Hindi Center for Dialogue & Action, Community Dialogue Facilitator	2021 – 2022
Association of Legal Writing Directors (ALWD), Member	Spring 2020 – Present
American Bar Association, Member	2005 – Present
New York State Bar Association, Member	2007 – 2022
Central New York Women's Bar Association, Member	July 2007 – Spring 2020
<i>President</i>	June 2011 – May 2012
Onondaga County Bar Association, Member	Fall 2015 – Spring 2020
<i>Board of Directors, Representative of S.U. College of Law</i>	Spring 2015 – Fall 2016

Education

AMERICAN UNIVERSITY, WASHINGTON COLLEGE OF LAW (WCL) ♦ Juris Doctor
Cum laude ♦ May 2005

IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY ♦ Bachelor of Arts – Speech Communication
With Distinction, Phi Beta Kappa ♦ May 2000

Experience: Law Practice

GILBERTI, STINZIANO, HEINTZ & SMITH, P.C. Syracuse, NY
Associate Attorney July 2007 – August 2010

Prepared and filed incorporation documents for not-for-profit corporation and advised corporation on all matters related to formation and operation of organization. Advised chartered authority of Native American nation in areas of general corporate governance, business operations, and construction of capital improvement projects. Advised developer on labor issues and prevailing wage rates related to commercial construction. Advised not-for-profit corporation on development of internationally recognized building standards.

HOLDEN, KIDWELL, HAHN & CRAPO, P.L.L.C. Idaho Falls, ID
Associate Attorney June 2005 – June 2007

Performed research and drafted summary judgment memoranda relevant to real property, contract, and employment actions. Drafted documents relevant to multi-million-dollar commercial real estate acquisition and sales, including purchase and sale agreements, promissory notes, mortgages, and deeds of trust.

Bar Admissions

New York (Active)
Iowa (Affiliate)