



Welcome

The Grapevine is your weekly newsletter published by the SBA for law students. The Grapevine features a weekly calendar of events as well as news from the SBA, and announcements from various on campus clubs.

Submissions

The Grapevine is produced by your SBA Secretary. Submissions must be e-mailed to Kelly Watkins at KWatkins@scu.edu by Friday at 5:00 PM to be included in the following weeks newsletter.

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Special Announcements

Artificial Intelligence Tech Talk

For those that missed the event on Monday, October 2 the recording is available here:
<https://santaclarauiversity.hosted.panopto.com/Panopto/Pages/Viewer.aspx?id=de51397e-a421-41ad-82c4-ecc16b324d1b>

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
<p>*No School – Fall Recess*</p>	<p>*No School – Fall Recess*</p>	<p>*Administrative Monday*</p> <p>12:00 PM – The 2nd Amendment: A Legal Discussion @ B 142</p> <p>1:00 PM – SBA Town Hall: How Students Fail Out; Academic Policies on Disqualification & Scholarship Retention @ B 127</p>	<p>12:00 PM –Social Justice Coalition Judicial Recall @Bannan 142</p> <p>6:00 PM –Board of Governors Meeting @Bannan 236</p>	<p>12:00 – FYF: Introduction to Law School Essay Exams @ B 127</p>	<p>10:00 AM - ASP Practice Exam: Torts @ Bannan</p>	

Event Details

<p>Wednesday, October 11</p>	<p>The Second Amendment: A Legal Discussion 12:00 PM Bannan 142 Join Alan Gura, Second Amendment litigator and attorney in D.C. v. Heller and McDonald v. City of Chicago in a discussion on the legal role of the Second Amendment. Commentary by Professor Pratheepan Gulasekaram. Lunch provided by The Federalist Society.</p>
	<p>SBA Town Hall: How Students Fail Out; Academic Policies on Disqualification & Scholarship Retention 1:00 PM Bannan 127 We will discuss our school's academic policies, other institution's academic policies, and examine some proposed recommendations. We want you to participate. Your voice matters.</p>

	<p>After the Town Hall, we will have a formal comment period. We will provide the Council of Leaders with an initial report back on Wednesday October 18. We plan to write a report that will be voted on by the Board of Governors and Council of Leaders. After approval, we will submit the report to the Academic Affairs Committee made up of members of our faculty and administration for consideration.</p> <p>The SBA wants to best represent your voice.</p> <p>We hope to hear your input! Your SBA</p>
<p><i>Thursday, October 12</i></p>	<p>Judicial Recall 12:00 PM Bannan 142 Join the Center For Social Justice as well as Federal and State court judges in a discussion about the importance of judicial impartiality and the current judicial recall campaign. To be held at 12 PM in Bannan 142.</p> <p>Board of Governors Meeting 6:00 PM Bannan 236 The BOG is meeting to discuss the nominations of the full-time 3L and LLM class representative and vote on whether to approve the nomination. Per the School Constitution (Article 7, Section 8: Vacancies (Excluding Recall)) the elected Executive Officers shall nominate an Association Member who has submitted an application. We will also be discussing the approval of the budget. We welcome and encourage public attendance.</p>
<p><i>Friday, October 13</i></p>	<p>First Year Friday: Introduction to Law School Essay Exams 12:00 PM Bannan 127 This workshop focuses on writing classic essay questions, explaining "IRAC" and other organizing formats for exam answers. We'll emphasize spotting and prioritizing relevant issues, organizing the law, and developing analysis of pertinent facts to build successful answers.</p>
<p><i>Saturday, October 14</i></p>	<p>ASP Practice Exams: Torts 10:00 AM Bannan Studies show that those that take the ASP practice exam do better on their final. Please arrive by 9:45 AM. Those in Professor Ochoa's class will be in Bannan 142.</p>

Upcoming Events

Queen's Bench and Women & Law Mixer: October 12 at V Bar, Santana Row

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Council of Leaders Meeting

October 18 at 1:00 PM in Bannan 139

Speed Networking - October 17

[Hosted by the SCU Law Office of Career Management]

4:30-5:00 p.m. Networking Tips Session (Bannan 127)

5:00-7:00 p.m. Speed Networking Event with Local Attorneys and Reception (Mission Room: Benson Center)

> **FREE food and beverages provided by the Law Alumni Relations Office!**

> Business professional attire

Did you know that the best time to network with a potential employer is when the employer is not actively hiring? Come to Bannan 127 on Tuesday, October 17 at 4:30 p.m. to learn networking tips and strategy and then join us in the Mission Room in the Benson Center at 5:00 p.m. to practice your networking skills by "speed networking" with local attorneys! The event will conclude with a wine and cheese reception.

E-mail questions to Sarah MacDonald at smacdonald@scu.edu.
Please RSVP [here](#) for the Networking Tips Session and
[here](#) for the Speed Networking Event and Reception

OCM Open House

October 16 @ 9:00 – 10:30 AM | 11:45 – 1:00 PM | 5:00 – 6:00 PM

There will be a lot of fun things so you should stop by!

ACS and Women & Law – Trivia Night @ Blinky's

October 18 from 7:00 – 9:00 PM @ Blinky's on 1031 Monroe Street

Once again the American Constitution Society will be hosting Trivia Night at Blinky's! This time we're partnering with Women & Law to promote breast cancer awareness (October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month) and raise funds for Bay Area Cancer Connections.

Bay Area Cancer Connections is a local organization that provides support to breast cancer and ovarian cancer patients and survivors and promotes awareness and education of both types of cancer. We will be selling pink ribbons for \$2 (although you can certainly pay more!) to benefit Bay Area Cancer Connections.

So come out with your friends and play some trivia!

APALSA Student, Professor, & Alumni Mixer

October 18 from 4:30 – 6:30 PM @ Taplands, 1171 Homestead Road, Santa Clara

Come network with SCU Professors and alumni over drinks and snacks.

"Community Notes" - What's Happening Around the Bay Area?

Thursday, October 12, 2017



From Shadows: a ballet about homelessness
ODC Theater

https://odc.secure.force.com/ticket/#sections_a0F0a00000H1tAGEAZ

Difficult Dialogue: What is Domestic Terrorism

6-8 p.m.
Locatelli 209

https://www.scu.edu/events/#!/view/event/event_id/54059



The Oakland Poetry Slam & Wide Open Mic Featuring Team Oakland's IAMJones

7:30 p.m.
Awaken Café

<http://www.awakencafe.com/past/2016/10/13/20161013-oakland-poetry-slam-wide-open-mic-7-audience5-perfo.html>

Gendered Theologies for the Common Good

4- 5:30 p.m.
Recital Hall

https://www.scu.edu/events/#!/view/event/event_id/24695



Friday, October 13, 2017

A Stellar Experience: Star Gazing at Quail Hollow

6:30 p.m.-11:45 p.m.
800 Quail Hollow Rd, Felton, CA
<http://astronomy.santa-cruz.ca.us/newcalendar>



Saturday, October 14, 2017

Exploring Narratives

1-3p.m.
De Saisset Museum
https://www.scu.edu/events/#!/view/event/event_id/45423

Independence High School Clean Up

10 a.m.-12 p.m.
Corner of Educational Park Drive and Las Pumas Avenue
<http://www.sanjoseculture.org/Calendar.aspx?EID=5872&day=5&month=10&year=2017&calType=0>

Half Moon Bay Art & Pumpkin Festival

Oct 14-15
<http://pumpkinfest.miramarevents.com>

Harvest Festival

Oct. 15
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/harvest-festival-tickets-37926657654>



Pumpkins in the Park

10 a.m.-4 p.m.
Discovery Meadow
<http://www.grpg.org/events/pumpkins-in-the-park/>

Happy Birthday San Jose!

11 a.m.- 3 p.m.
History Park
<http://historysanjose.org/wp/event/hands-on-history-days-happy-birthday-san-jose/>

STUDENT SERVICES NOTES

October 9, 2017

Registration for Spring 2018 is next week!



Clear all your HOLDS to avoid being locked out of eCampus.

Council of Leaders Meeting

10/18/17

1:00—2:00 PM in Bannan 139



Health Tip:

You are stronger than you think!



February 2018 Bar Exam Application

The Application for the February 2018 Bar Exam is now available:

[https://www.calbarxap.com/applications/calbar/California Bar Exam/](https://www.calbarxap.com/applications/calbar/California%20Bar%20Exam/)

FYF: Live Smart: Healthy Tips to Manage Law School Stress

Fri. 10/27/17

12:00 PM in Bannan 127

All students are welcome!



Dear Rumor Mill,

As I sit here in my 10 pm Law of Sidewalk Repair class, I can't help but wonder why I keep getting such terrible registration appointments. Did I somehow offend the system manager? Maybe I cut her off one day while driving on campus? How can I remedy this situation? Do you accept bribes? Chocolates??

Sincerely,

Last Appointment Leslie

Dear Leslie,

Appointments are randomized by the computer and you, apparently, have been unlucky. Students register according to the number of units completed and their division. You have 2 appointments, which will hopefully give you the opportunity to get some classes that you want. In the meantime, register right at your appointment date and time, get the best schedule you can, put yourself on waitlists and if your schedule is absolutely horrible send us an email. We do a really good job of clearing waitlists and will keep trying. Sorry.

Fall Recess—October 9-10 No Classes and Student Services Office is closed.

October 11th is an Administrative Monday!

All Monday classes will meet in place of all Wednesday classes.

ATTENTION UPPER DIVISION STUDENTS

Spring 2018 Registration begins **next week!** To prepare:

- Check the Spring Schedule on the Law Student Services page and finalize your class choices (make sure to have a few back-ups!)
- Log onto eCampus and find your appointment day and time. You will have 2 appointments—the first for 6 units only (the classes that you really want), and the second for the rest.
- Make sure there are no holds on your account.
- Run a degree audit—especially if you are graduating!
- **First Year Students:** Don't worry! Student Services will register all 1Ls. Please make sure you have no holds on your account.

You Are Cordially Invited!

4th Annual San Francisco District Attorney's Office Law Student Symposium

Hosted by ADA Marisa Rodriguez



Come meet SFDA George Gascón

Hear from prosecutors, with diverse backgrounds, on their career path to the San Francisco District Attorney's Office.

Tuesday, October 17th @ 4:30

Location: Hall of Justice, 850 Bryant
Street San Francisco, CA, 94103

Room: 551 on the 5th Floor

Please RSVP to tyrene.l.labutan@sfgov.org by October 13th, 2011





Summer Abroad Info Session

Wednesday, October 18th

12:00—1:00 pm

Bannan 139

Can't make our first session?

The next session is November 15th!



**OFFICE OF ACADEMIC & BAR SUCCESS
FALL 2017 ASP PRACTICE EXAM INFORMATION**

DATE	COURSE	PROFESSOR	WHERE
Saturday, October 14 Exam starts at 10 a.m. (arrive by 9:45 am).	Torts §§ 1-3	Professor Ochoa	Bannan 142
Saturday, October 21 Exam starts at 10 a.m. (arrive by 9:45 am).	Criminal Law § 1 Criminal Law § 2 Criminal Law § 3 Criminal Law § 4 Criminal Law §§ 5-6	Professor Kreitzberg Professor Sloss Professor Ridolfi Professor Ball Professor Oberman	Bannan 135 Bannan 139 Bannan 238 Bannan 241 Bannan 142
Saturday, October 28 Exam starts at 10 a.m. (arrive by 9:45 am).	Contracts §§ 1-3 Contracts § 4-5 Contracts §§ 5-6 Contracts § 7	Professor Neustadter Professor Macintosh Professor Hammond Professor Sandoval	Bannan 142 Bannan 135 Bannan 139 Bannan 238
Saturday, November 11 Exam starts at 10 a.m. (arrive by 9:45 am).	Civil Procedure §§ 1-3 Civil Procedure §§ 4-6	Professor Jimenez Professor Mauer	Bannan 142 Bannan 135 & 139

STUDENTS ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO TAKE ALL OF THE PRACTICE EXAMS OFFERED FOR THEIR COURSES. Arrive 15 minutes early so that you are seated and ready at the 10am exam start time. All practice exams will be administered using ExamSoft; it must be installed on your computer by Friday, October 13. You will need your Access Card and Blind Grading Identification Number (BGID) for these practice exams. Your BGID can be accessed through eCampus. For assistance in installing ExamSoft on your computer, please visit the Student Computing Help Desk in the Bannan Student Lounge.

What are practice exams? Practice exams are mock exams written by your professors to give you a sense of what your actual exams will be like in December.

Are practice exams graded? Practice exams are not graded, and do not count in your law school GPA.

How will I know how I did? If the professor has made available a sample answer, that answer will be distributed after the exam. Students are encouraged to analyze their exams and compare their work to the answer provided. This is an essential skill that students will use throughout law school – testing their understanding of the law by writing hypotheticals or practice exams, and then checking that work against notes, outlines, and professor-provided materials.

Should I send/take my practice exam to my professor? Each professor has a different preference. Generally professors want their students to do their own diagnosis of how they did on practice exams, as this self-diagnosis is an important exam preparation skill. Professors who do talk to students about practice exams generally will address specific questions about points of law, but usually do not have the time to review and comment on full practice exams for students.

What if I don't feel ready to take a practice exam? Many students state that they don't feel ready for their law school exams, so working through that anxiety during a practice exam (which doesn't impact the GPA) is the best approach, instead of hoping it will just go away by the time your real exams come around in December. Our research shows that students who take practice exams do better on their actual exams than those students who don't. Even if you don't feel ready or haven't perfected your outline, taking a practice exam is an essential check-in on where you're at in terms of your preparation.

Disability Accommodations: To request accommodations for a disability, students must be registered with Disabilities Resources, located in Benson 216. To request disability accommodations for a practice exam, contact success@scu.edu before each practice exam.



SJ EARTHQUAKES GAME

OCT 22ND @ 1PM

AVAYA STADIUM

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KNOW IMPARTIALITY

KNOW JUSTICE

**A conversation about Judicial
Independence and Judicial Recall
Thursday Oct 12 12-1 Bannan 142**

**Judge Morrison C. England Jr., Chief Judge for the United States
District Court for the Eastern District of California**

**Justice Arthur G. Scotland, Retired, Court of Appeal, Third
Appellate District**

**Distinguished Professor of Law Emerita, Linda Carter, University
of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law**



OCM OPEN HOUSE

OCT. 16

9-10:30AM | 11:45AM-1PM |
5-6PM



Hosted by: Queen's Bench Bar Association

Women & Law and Queen's Bench Mixer



FALL HAPPY HOUR
OCT 12, 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM

V Bar at Hotel Valencia, 355 Santana Row San Jose

RSVP to Hana Hardy

hananhardy@gmail.com or 415-663-6510

The Second Amendment

Dead Letter? Relevant?



Alan Gura

Second Amendment
litigator and attorney in
D.C. v. Heller and McDonald
v. City of Chicago

Wednesday

12:00 - 1PM

October 11

Bannan Hall 142



Santa Clara Law

Commentary by:
Professor
Gulasekaram

Sponsored by The Federalist Society

Lunch Provided

IT'S THE ANNUAL

*STUDENT,
PROFESSOR,
& ALUMNI
MIXER*

NETWORK WITH SCU PROFESSORS
AND ALUMNI OVER DRINKS AND
SNACKS!

*TAPLANDS
1171 HOMESTEAD RD.
SANTA CLARA, CA 95050*

WEDS | 10.18 | 4:30-6:30PM

**Hosted by APALSA*
Questions? Contact Kelli at
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