September 2019 Newsletter

Paralegal Student Association

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Hello everyone!

When Gwen and I saw each other in Criminal Law class, we knew we had taken another class together. But what class? We realized we had both started the Paralegal Studies Program in 2017, but weren't connecting again until two years later. What a shame, we agreed, that the students don't have an opportunity to get to know each other better. We recalled hearing stories about a paralegal group that used to meet for this very purpose – to give paralegal students opportunities to connect with one another outside the classroom. Rumor had it the group also organized meet-and-greets with professionals in the legal field.

Gwen and I wanted in.

That's why we approached Professor McMillan about the mysterious "PSA." She disclosed the accurate name of the group, the Paralegal Student Association, and affirmed all the rumors were true – plus, there were newsletters and field trips and volunteering (oh my!) Professor McMillan said we could restart the group ASAP. But Gwen and I didn't want to proceed without YOU. That's right, YOU reading. YOU who put your name down on the sign-up sheet. YOU who just started "Intro to Law," and YOU who are getting ready to graduate. We invite ALL OF YOU to come out on Tuesday, September 24, and Tuesday, October 1, to make your voice heard and help us create a PSA geared towards your needs and interests as a Paralegal Studies student.

We look forward to seeing you,

Amie and Gwen



Upcoming PSA Events

Tuesday, September 24

Meet-And-Greet with your new PSA coordinators Gwen & Amie! Stop by any time to say hello, ask questions, offer ideas (or just snag some bagels & coffee).

2:00-6:00pm, Room AA-475

Tuesday, October 1

First PSA meeting! Join us to elect our Fall 2019 PSA officers, talk about the semester ahead, and eat some sweets.

5:30-6:30pm, Room AA-475

Important NVCC Dates

Tuesday, October 1
Last Day to apply for Fall
Graduation

Monday, October 14 and Tuesday, October 15 Columbus Day - No Classes

Tuesday, October 29

Last day to withdraw without grade penalty (16-week session)

Monday, November 4

Last day to withdraw without grade penalty (14-week session)

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PSA Student Officers

The first order of business at our October 1 meeting will be electing student officers. Each officer is expected to organize and attend monthly PSA meetings and events, as well as be a role model for other students. Whether you are a first-year or tenth-year Paralegal Studies student, anyone enrolled in the program is eligible.

President – Presides over monthly officer and PSA meetings; serves as the liaison for guests and vendors at PSA events; delegates duties to officers and students as needed.

Vice President – Coordinates and assembles the monthly PSA newsletter; assists the president during meetings and events; stands in for the president when absent.

Secretary – Documents and distributes detailed meeting notes, records attendance, and updates PSA calendar to reflect PSA-related activities and deadlines; maintains email correspondence between officers and members.

Treasurer – Purchases refreshments for meetings and events; authorizes PSA-related expenditures; records all financial transactions. (Pre-approved, reasonable expenses will be reimbursed.)

At the October 1 meeting, candidates will be asked to give a short 2-minute speech describing who they are and why they are interested in a particular role. Then everyone in attendance will vote!

>>>If you are interested in being an officer but cannot attend the first PSA meeting>>> Please email a short description about yourself and why you would be great for a particular role to psa.nvcc@gmail.com. We will read what you wrote to everyone at the meeting so you do not miss your chance to represent the PSA as a student officer.

Like to write? Have ideas for the newsletter?

GREAT! Please email psa.nvcc@gmail.com to voice your interest & stay in the loop of what's to come!



SCOTUS News

Fun Fact

SCOTUS" refers to the <u>Supreme</u> <u>Court of the United States</u>

Monday, October 7

The Justices are back in session to hear oral arguments.

Tuesday, October 8

R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Homes v. EEOC

SCOTUS will determine whether Title VII of the Civil Rights Act prohibits discrimination against transgender individuals.

Wednesday, October 16

Mathena v. Malvo

The juvenile sentenced to four terms of life imprisonment without parole for his part in the DC sniper attacks will get his day in court again. SCOTUS will decide whether the 2012 constitutional ruling, that no juveniles can serve life sentences without the possibility of parole, applies retroactively.

Learn more at supremecourt.gov