



Stewart Fellows working in nine countries this summer

Twenty-three law students are working summer in nine different countries -including, for the first time, Cambodia -as part of the Stewart Fellows Overseas Externship Program. The unique program is offered through the school's Milt and Judi Stewart Center on the Global Legal Profession. "While we started with just a handful of terrific students in India and China back in 2010, we have expanded to nine countries, including the key emerging market of Cambodia this summer," said Prof. Jay Krishnan, the center's director. "Our students have so many wonderful supporters, including, notably, the



The 2017 Stewart Fellows

Stewarts, and we are grateful to everyone who has helped make this program successful." Read more about this year's Stewart Fellows and where they're working.

Ochoa named director of IU's Latin American Gateway

Prof. **Christy Ochoa** has been named the director of Indiana University's newest Gateway, located in Mexico City. Ochoa, the Law School's associate dean for research and faculty affairs, has worked for a number of human rights and non-governmental organizations in Colombia, Brazil, and Nicaragua, and produced a documentary film on the complexities of gold mining in a small Colombian town. IU has

identified Mexico as one of 30 priority countries the university is seeking to enhance relations with as it carries out the mission of its international strategic plan. That plan calls for increasing academic and research collaborations -- including faculty and student exchanges -- with Latin America's leading educational and cultural institutions. Ochoa, Krishnan, and Dean **Austen Parrish**, among others, met with several alumni and academic partners during a trip to Mexico City in late June. Ochoa was also appointed associate dean this month, along with Prof. **Aviva Orenstein**, who was named associate dean for academic affairs.



Professor Christy Ochoa

Goff, '96, tapped for Indiana Supreme Court

For the first time since 1951, the majority of Indiana Supreme Court justices are alumni of the Maurer School of Law. That milestone comes after Indiana Gov. Eric Holcomb selected the Hon. **Christopher Goff**, '96, to fill the seat vacated by Justice Robert D. Rucker, who retired May 12. "To select a member of our state's highest court is a great responsibility, one I am humbled to make on behalf of Indiana's citizens," Gov. Holcomb said. "I am glad to share that we have an outstanding appointment in Christopher Goff. He has profound respect for the Constitution and the rights and principles embodied within it. What's more, he is a



Indiana Gov. Eric Holcomb, left, watches as the Hon. Christopher Goff makes remarks at an introductory press conference. Photo courtesy of the Indianapolis Star.

critical, forward thinker with the ability to relate to everyday Hoosiers. These qualities make him uniquely qualified to serve." Goff was appointed to the Wabash County Superior court in 2005, where he maintains a general civil and criminal docket. A date for Goff's robing ceremony will be determined by the Indiana Supreme Court soon. Goff joins Chief Justice **Loretta H. Rush**, '83, and Hon. **Geoffrey Slaughter**, '89, as the third Indiana Law alum on the bench.

New joint initiative on civil justice, legal aid space may be state's first

A joint initiative put forth by Prof. **Victor Quintanilla** will see the Law School's Center for Law, Society, and Culture partner with two other IU entities in an effort to assess and address the pressing and unmet legal needs of the state's low-income population. Quintanilla hopes the project will also examine the current legal services delivery system to determine rural and underserved communities' access to those services, determine ways to improve resource allocation, and review effective nationwide programs that will help address the most prevalent legal needs of low-income Hoosiers identified during the research process. The project, in collaboration with the IU Public Policy Institute and the IU Center for Urban and Regional Excellence, is believed to be the first statewide endeavor of its kind.

In brief...

- Prof. **Kevin Brown** appears in a <u>new documentary</u> airing on various PBS stations in Indiana. Check local listings for *And Justice for All: Indiana's Federal Courts*.
- IU McKinney School of Law Professor and former Indiana State Supreme Court Justice **Frank Sullivan**, **Jr.**, '82, was honored with the 2017 American Inns of Court Professionalism Award for the Seventh Circuit.
- Prof. **Jay Krishnan** delivered a keynote address at the Nigerian Bar Association's 11th annual Business Law Conference. Krishnan spoke on "Redefining the Provision of Cross-border Legal Services: Globalizing Your Practice."
- Prof. **Pamela Foohey** was quoted in an <u>American Bankruptcy Institute</u> article on attorney fees and chapter choice.
- **Jacy Rush**, '18, was chosen as a distinguished law student for the 2017 Midwest Regional Bankruptcy Seminar.
- Prof. **Bill Henderson** was part of the keynote interview at a Bloomberg BNA event on "Controlling Legal Costs." Henderson also authored "<u>The Legal Profession's 'Last Mile' Solution</u>" for Law.com.
- *The Economist* spoke with Prof. **David Gamage** about the increase in state government shutdowns.
- Prof. **Jeannine Bell** was quoted by the *Indianapolis Star* in a story on the investigation into fair housing complaints in two Indiana counties.
- Prof. **Steve Sanders** was quoted about new <u>SCOTUS birth certificate decision</u> and its potential impact on a challenge to a similar Indiana law.
- The *National Law Journal* talked to Prof. **Charlie Geyh** about judicial recusals.
- Prof. Feisal Istrabadi has appeared widely in the media, including an appearance on PBS' <u>NewsHour</u>, after coalition forces reclaimed the Iraqi city of Mosul from ISIS.
- Prof. **Jody Madeira** was quoted in a lengthy *New York Times Magazine* article on reproductive rights.

Upcoming alumni events

- Indianapolis -- Thursday, August 31. BLSA Happy Hour. 5:30 7:30 p.m. More details to come.
- **Evansville** -- Thursday, September 7. Annual Dean's Luncheon. Noon. <u>Just</u> Rennie's.
- **Bloomington** -- Saturday, September 16. Save the date for the annual BLSA and Latino alumni and student reception.
- **Crown Point/Merrillville** Dean's Reception -- Tuesday, September 26. 5:30 7:30 p.m. More details to come.
- Chicago -- Wednesday, September 27. 5:30 7:30 p.m. More details to come.
- **Indianapolis** -- Thursday, September 28. 5:45 6:45 p.m. Sheraton at Keystone Crossing.

Visit the <u>events calendar</u> for details as they become available and to RSVP. Contact lawalum@indiana.edu for further information.