

# WELCOME DAY March 7, 2021

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We are excited for you to join us for Welcome Day. This day is dedicated to providing you with all the information you need to discover if Queen's Law is the right fit for you.

Our faculty is enriched by the skills, knowledge and experience of students with inquiring minds who have excelled consistently in a broad range of academic disciplines, have been community leaders, excelled in extracurricular activities, and enjoyed success in careers prior to pursuit of legal education.



Mark Walters began his five-year term as Dean of Law on July 1, 2019. He is recognized as one of Canada's leading scholars in public and constitutional law, legal history and legal theory. Dean Walters has researched and published extensively in these areas, with a special emphasis on the rights of Indigenous peoples, institutional structures and the history of legal ideas. His work on the rights of Indigenous peoples, focused on treaty relations between the Crown and Canada's Indigenous nations, has been cited by the Supreme Court of Canada, as well as by courts in Australia and New Zealand.

He held the distinguished F.R. Scott Chair in Public and Constitutional Law at the McGill University Faculty of Law from July 1, 2016, until June 30, 2019. For the 17 years before that, he was a faculty member at Queen's Law, where he was appointed the school's the inaugural Associate Dean of Graduate Studies and Research, led the 2008 launch of its doctoral program and co-chaired the committee that developed its 2014–2019 strategic plan. Previously, he taught at Oxford University after practising law Toronto in the area of Aboriginal title and treaty rights.

Over his academic career, he has held a number of fellowships, including the H.L.A. Hart Fellowship (Oxford University, 2013), the Herbert Smith Fellowship (Cambridge University 2013 and 2005), the Sir Neil MacCormick Fellowship (University of Edinburgh, 2010), and the Jules and Gabrielle Léger Fellowship (Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council, 2002–2003). He received the Canadian Association of Law Teachers' Award for Academic Excellence in 2006.

Who are you going to meet?

### **Phillip Drew**

Weapons.

Assistant Dean-Juris Doctor and Graduate Legal Studies phillip.drew@queensu.ca

Dr. Phillip Drew has recently joined the faculty of Law as our Assistant Dean, Juris Doctor and Graduate Legal Studies. Phil is well known to Queen's Law. He is a graduate of Queen's Law (JD'00 & LL.M. '12), and has been teaching International Humanitarian Law for the Queen's Global Law Program since 2012. He is also the founding Director of the Queen's Specialized Program in International Law and Politics for undergrads at the Bader International Study Centre at Herstmonceux Castle.

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Phil served in the Canadian Armed Forces for 31 years before moving into academia. During the first half of his military career he was as an Intelligence Officer — serving in the Middle East during the first Gulf War, and in Rwanda in 1994-95. He spent the latter half of his military career as a lawyer in the Office of the Judge Advocate General, including a five-year assignment as the Legal Advisor to the Canadian Pacific Fleet. He is a senior consultant with the United Nations Office on Drugs

and Crime, where he works primarily in areas of Maritime Security and Counter-Piracy, and is currently the only lawyer in the world who is certified as a Qualified Expert by the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical

Phil joins us from the Australian National University College of Law, where he has been an Associate Professor since 2016. In 2018 he won the ANU College of Law's Award for Teaching Excellence, and was a finalist for the 2019 Australian Law Awards Academic of the Year.

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### **STUDENT SUPPORT**

The Education & Equity Services office has a longstanding commitment and record of success in providing advocacy, information and support to law students. Free and confidential tutorial services to support the academic efforts of all law students, particularly those in first year and students whose circumstances make the law school process uniquely difficult.

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### STUDENT SERVICES OFFICE

The Student Services Office staff are here to support students and help facilitate their success in the JD program. We want you to enjoy your time at Queen's Law and encourage you to explore all of the opportunities available to you, both academic and co-curricular while studying here.

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### **CAREER DEVELOPMENT OFFICE**

The Career Development Office (CDO) team has extensive experience in legal recruitment and professional development. We offer professional, relevant, responsive and timely services to help our students make informed career decisions and reach their individual goals. We help our students learn the practical skills necessary to make the transition to the practice of law and the professional job market.

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## **QUEEN'S LAW CLINICS**

Queen's Law is proud to offer students a unique opportunity to learn. Our downtown clinical space merges five pro bono clinics: Queen's Legal Aid, Business Law, Elder Law, Family Law and Prison Law. From helping local businesses develop to aiding the incarcerated, clinic students earn academic credit while getting hands-on exposure to some of the most dynamic aspects of the legal profession.

**Karla McGrath, Executive Director, Queen's Law Clinics** karla.mcgrath@queensu.ca



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## **INDIGENOUS SUPPORT**

Queen's Faculty of Law is committed to increasing Indigenous representation within the legal profession, and supporting the Indigenous students who choose Queen's. Four Directions provides programming, cultural events, services and resources for the entire university, helping Indigenous students studying with us connect with each other and celebrate their heritage. The Queen's Law Indigenous Law Students' Alliance meets law students' specific needs, and the university as a whole is also home to the Queen's Native Students' Association

Lauren Crawford (Law'21), Student Rep 17lkc1@queensu.ca



## **MOCK CLASS**

#### Learn what it's like to be in the classroom with Professor Noah Weisbord

#### **Noah Weisbord**

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Noah Weisbord is an Associate Professor at Queen's Law. His research focuses on the role of the criminal law in managing, reflecting or exacerbating intergroup conflict. A current project examines self-defence in Canadian criminal law from historical, comparative, and conceptual perspectives. Noah is a leading expert on the crime of aggression—individual criminal responsibility for aggressive war—and he assisted diplomatic delegations to define the crime. His monograph on the crime of aggression was published with Princeton University Press in June 2019.



Noah's scholarly articles have appeared in the Harvard International Law Journal, the Columbia Journal of Transnational Law, the Duke Journal of Comparative and International Law, Law and Contemporary Problems and other publications. Noah's opinion and editorial commentary has been published in the New York Times, the International Herald Tribune, the Globe and Mail and the National Post.

Noah received his S.J.D. from Harvard Law School under the supervision of Dean Martha Minow. In addition to an S.J.D., Noah holds LL.B. and B.C.L. degrees, a Master of Social Work (M.S.W.) as well as undergraduate degrees in Psychology (B.Sc.) and Social Work (B.S.W.) from McGill University. Prior to joining Queen's Law, Noah was an Associate Professor at Florida International University College of Law and a visiting Assistant Professor at Duke Law School.

## STUDENT LIFE PANEL

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### LAW STUDENTS' SOCIETY

The Law Students' Society (LSS) is a vital forum for discussion. Its representatives serve on University Governance Boards as well as on the executive of the Society of Graduate and Professional Students (SGPS). Representatives also sit on important committees, such as Faculty Board, setting policy and rendering decisions that have a significant impact on the life of Queen's Law.

All Queen's Law students are members of the LSS. Each year (1L, 2L, and 3L) is represented on the LSS, which is overseen by the LSS Core.

Ross Denny-Jiles (Law'21), Law Students' Society President Isspresident@queensu.ca

## **QUEEN'S LAW JOURNALS**

Queen's Law students play a central part in bringing out two fully refereed scholarly law reviews. Students who work on both journals receive hands-on training and experience in legal research and writing, in dealing with submissions from academics and scholarly practitioners, and in the planning and production of a major publication.

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## **MOOT COURT PROGRAM**

Our Moot Court Program is one of the largest at any Canadian law school. Each year, teams from Queen's Law compete in up to 20 mooting competitions in a wide range of legal areas, including constitutional law, Aboriginal law, criminal law, international law, tax, securities law, environmental law, trade law, commercial arbitration, IP, labour arbitration, trial advocacy and client counselling.

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### **PRO BONO STUDENTS CANADA**

The Queen's Law chapter of PBSC attracts student volunteers seeking valuable practical experience in legal research and representation, while looking to gain exposure to unique areas of law. Students are supervised by practising lawyers and are asked to volunteer three hours per week during the academic year up to the end of March. Students can select from an impressive array of engaging community service projects.

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### **BISC**

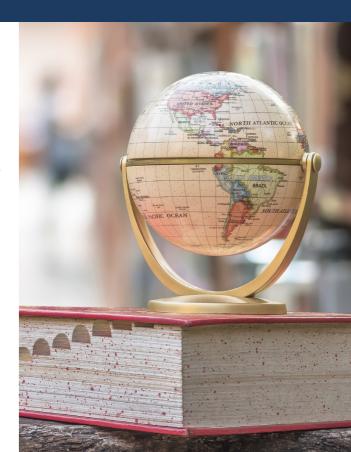
Only Queen's Law offers International Law Programs each May and June at the Bader International Study Centre at Herstmonceux Castle. Students will study and live at the 15th-century Herstmonceux Castle estate in East Sussex, 100 km southeast of London, England, and are immersed in a unique cultural learning experience. Students earn upper-year credits in an intensive and integrated academic program in International Business Law or Public International Law. Instructors and guests speakers, are key players in international law who bring practical experience to the classroom.

Gillian Ready, Director, International Law Programs gillian.ready@queensu.ca

### **INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGES**

Queen's Law continues to develop partnerships with leading law schools around the world, providing students with additional opportunities to gain international legal perspectives. Paying Queen's Law tuition fees, our students earn degree credits while studying at one of our exchange partner schools around the world!

Christina Ulian, Program Coordinator, Exchange christina.ulian@queensu.ca



# LAW SCHOOL 101 PANEL

Who are you going to meet?

This panel will be designed to bring all aspects of the day together and provide some guidance to students on the progression from prospective law students through to being an alum of Queen's law.

**Zach Rudge (Law'22)**Moderator, 2nd Year Student

Brandon Maracle (Law'21)

3rd Year Law Student

**Olivia Moon (Law'23)**1st Year Law Student

Matthew Taft Law'16)

Queen's Law Alumni

**Colin Grey** Assistant Professor, Queen's Law



