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## A new way of talking with Queen's Law alumni!

In response to your requests in the *Queen's Law Reports* 2014 survey (see page 2), we are pleased to present the first issue of *Queen's Law Reports Online*, a new e-publication for alumni to complement our annual print magazine.

We will deliver the latest news from Macdonald Hall and about alumni world-wide directly to your email inbox several times a year.

As this is our first time out of the gate with this new venture, we welcome your thoughts and comments... and your patience as we explore the best ways of presenting alumni, faculty and school news to you.

Even as we develop *Queen's Law Reports Online*, we are also making inroads in social media. We would like to issue a friendly reminder to our alumni that they can "Like" us on Facebook, follow us on Twitter, subscribe to our Tumblr and Instagram feeds, and join our private alumni group on LinkedIn.

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# Celebrate Queen's Law

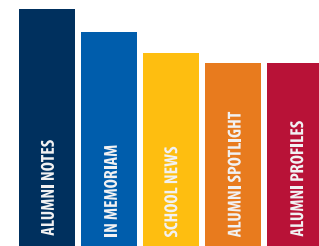
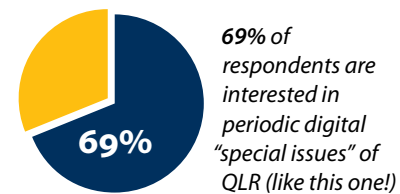
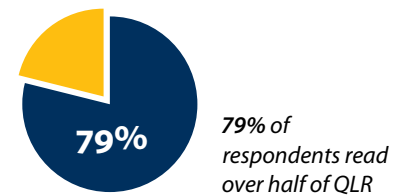
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## Queen's Law Reports Survey Results

After an amazing response from our alumni, we're making changes to how we communicate news. You're looking at one of our new initiatives – a periodic online "update" to *Queen's Law Reports* that covers alumni and school highlights every few weeks. Here are some key statistics from the data collected from over 500 responses:



Most-read sections: *Alumni Notes, In Memoriam, School News, Alumni Spotlights & Profiles*



Most appealing types of new content: *Faculty and alumni opinion pieces, statistics on Queen's Law, profiles of faculty members.*

# Homecoming 2015, Oct. 23–25

## Get ready to return to Queen's Law!

Alumni from class years ending in 0 and 5 will be celebrating milestone anniversaries this year. Members of the Class of Law'65 will mark their 50th anniversary by being welcomed into the distinguished Tricolour Guard.

### Friday, Oct. 23

**11:00 am–evening:** Play 18 holes of golf (and for the chance to win a car!) at Smuggler's Glen in Gananoque in a tournament named in memory of Fred Delaney, Law'75. Non-golfers are also invited to the 6:00 pm steak dinner and silent auction. **Read about details, fees and how to register.**

**8:00 pm:** Law grads meet at the Grad Club (cash bar).

### Saturday, Oct. 24

**10:00 am–12:00 pm:** Enjoy coffee and muffins with clinic directors and caseworkers at the new Queen's Law Clinics at 303 Bagot Street in downtown Kingston.

**1:00 pm kick-off:** Attention football fans! You can purchase tickets in the summer to watch the Queen's Gaels play the Laurier Golden Hawks at Richardson Stadium.

**4:30 pm:** Take a student-guided tour of Macdonald Hall

**5:30–7:00 pm:** Dean Flanagan hosts a cocktail reception for all alumni in the Lederman Law Library.

**After 7:00 pm:** Catch up with your classmates at your class' private dinner at one of Kingston's finest venues.

Watch our [Homecoming web page](#) for further details.



Anniversary years:

**1960**

**1965**

(Tricolour Guard)

**1970**

**1975**

**1980**

**1985**

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**2005**

**2010**

We'll see you in October!



(left) Goldring and Mantia at the Faculty of Law, following a guest appearance in Dean Flanagan's Business Associations class on December 5, 2014;  
(right) Samantha Horn, Law'91.

# Three Law alumnae on Canada's 100 Most Powerful Women list

## Repeat and threeppeat for Linda Mantia and Judy Goldring

When it comes to naming Canada's Most Powerful Women, two Queen's Law alumni are becoming familiar faces.

The annual listing by the Women's Executive Network, an organization based in both Canada and Ireland as a "leading organization dedicated to the advancement and recognition of women in management, executive, professional and board roles" names women from across Canada in a number of categories. Since it began its Top 100 Awards program in 2003, the organization has grown to nearly 20,000 members.

Judy Goldring Law '91, a winner in the Corporate Executive category in 2012 and 2013, and named to the 2014 Corporate Directors category, appreciates not only the award, but the potential for outreach and influence it brings.

"We both recognize that this is a great opportunity to be leaders within our respective communities, and it's really important for younger women to see what opportunities there are for women in business and women in law, to see what they can achieve."

Listmate Linda Mantia Law'92, named in the Corporate Executive category in 2013 and in the Trailblazers & Trendsetters category in 2014, agrees. "It's a privilege to win any award," she says, "It's really nice to meet younger women who read a little about you: they feel comfortable sharing their stories, their challenges. I'm not somebody who personally seeks the limelight, but it feels good to know you are changing things for the good."

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*- Judy Goldring, Law'91*

While on campus in December to provide a guest lecture in Dean Bill Flanagan's Business Associations course, both agreed that Queen's provided some fundamentals to set them on their award-winning paths.

"I got a ton out of all the experiential pieces that Queen's has to offer," Mantia says. "My two most powerful memories are the clinical correctional program and then the moot court. I don't believe I would have been hired to my first job if it weren't for these." The moot court, in particular, provided Mantia with valuable opportunities to make connections prior to graduation.

"Not to put too much pressure on people," she says, "but your first job sets your whole course, the way you learn, so for Queen's to be able to set you up so you can meet practitioners, and not just in the job interview, it really is very positive."

Goldring, by contrast, can testify that Queen's Law offers much more than experiential learning. "I didn't do as much experiential work," she explains, "but I do think that the learning that you get from a great foundational legal education, which is what Queen's Law offers, is just critical. It allows you to think differently. I think the legal profession itself is a great way to have an entry-level role, providing young women

with the opportunity to do a number of different things. Look where Linda's career has gone, and mine, and they've moved in such different directions. Those fundamentals really gave us the resources to do that."

"I was delighted to welcome both Linda and Judy back to Queen's Law in December as guest lecturers in my Business Associations course. We had a great discussion in the class about diversity on boards of directors and the challenges of recruiting and retaining more women to serve on Canada's leading boards," said Dean Flanagan.

As sources of inspiration to young women across the country – and as guests on-campus, working directly with students in the classroom – it's clear that both Goldring and Mantia are using both their lessons learned at Queen's and their status as some of Canada's most powerful women to not only be leaders at work, but in life as well.

## Stikeman partner Samantha Horn newest Queen's Law alumna on list

For Samantha Horn, Law'91, loyalty continues to pay steady dividends after more than two decades. The Women's Executive Network (WXN) has included her on the exclusive list of Canada's 100 Most Powerful Women

Named in the KPMG Professionals category, she is recognized for leadership within her organization – the one she has been exclusively with since graduation.

Horn, who started her 24-year career at Stikeman Elliott LLP as a summer student, has been a partner in the firm's Toronto office since January of 1999, and now co-heads its Mergers & Acquisitions and Private Equity Group. Her corporate and commercial law practice has also earned her such distinctions as inclusion in the 2014 Lexpert/American Lawyer Guide to the Leading 500 Lawyers in Canada and the 2015 edition of The Best Lawyers in Canada. Among her recent significant mandates were

OMERS Private Equity Inc.'s sale of Maxxam Analytics International Corporation to Bureau Veritas for CAD\$650 million and York Capital Management Inc.'s US\$126-million acquisition of the Canadian assets of Primus Telecommunications Group Incorporated.

Calling the WXN award a "great honour," Horn advises women interested in pursuing leadership positions to "seek out opportunities and take those that are offered to you."

In addition to being a trusted advisor to many leading Canadian and cross-border business organizations, she is one of the pillar partners leading Stikeman's Women's Initiative Committee and one of its most sought-after mentors by associates at all levels. An American Bar Foundation Fellow, she just completed her term on the ABA Business Law Section Council. Among her other professional, community, and philanthropic pursuits are the Canadian Venture Capital and Private Equity Association, the Canadian Women in Private Equity

(CWPE) Association (a founder and former chair), and KINSA (Kids and Internet Safety Alliance, former board chair).

"Find out what you enjoy and what you are good at and steer your career towards those goals," she says. "Try to focus more on the things that may distinguish you and that you excel at and less on the obstacles that might be in your path."

That's what Horn has done ever since her five years at Queen's, including two as an undergraduate economics student before she entered law. "So much of university and law school is about teaching a manner of thinking and the way to approach a problem," she says. "I most certainly would not be where I am today without my education from Queen's."

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Jim Parks, Law '71  
**2015 Winner**  
H.R.S. Ryan Award of Distinction



Kristin Muszynski, Law '05  
**2015 Winner**  
Dan Soberman Outstanding  
Young Alumni Award



Robert Frater, QC, Law '84  
**2015 Winner**  
Justice Thomas Cromwell  
Distinguished Public Service Award

## 2015 alumni award winners selected from strong group of nominees

With the introduction of two new awards along with the longstanding H.R.S. Ryan Award, 2015 has been a great year for Queen's Law alumni to honour their peers. From a broad slate of candidates, the Dean's Council Awards Committee has announced this year's winners: James "Jim" Parks, Law'71, Kristin Muszynski, Law'05, and Robert Frater, QC, Law'84.

Parks, counsel with Gardiner Roberts in Toronto, will receive the H.R.S. Ryan Award of Distinction for significant contributions to the Faculty, University and legal profession. Having practised for more than 40 years, he has been repeatedly recognized as a leading trusts and estates lawyer by Best Lawyers in Canada and by the Canadian Legal Expert Directory for charities/not-for-profit law. He has chaired the Canadian Bar Association's National and Ontario Charity Law sections, and continues to serve as chair of the Queen's University Gift Planning Advisory Committee. A seven-year member of the Queen's Law Dean's Council, he has been a valued strategic advisor and philanthropic leader.

Muszynski, a partner with Templeman Menninga LLP in Kingston, becomes the first winner of the Dan Soberman Outstanding Young Alumni Award for demonstrating promising future leadership. Having gained significant experience in complex insurance defence and family law matters at an early age with one of the largest regional firms in Central and Eastern Ontario, she was also recently appointed its student coordinator. She is VP of the Frontenac Law Association, an elected Ontario Bar Association-East Region representative and a member of Young Advocates' Standing Committee of The Advocates' Society.

At Queen's Law, she developed and teaches the Advocacy on Motions course.

Frater, Senior General Counsel with the Department of Justice Canada, is the inaugural recipient of the Justice Thomas Cromwell Distinguished Public Service Award for sustained outstanding service and significant contributions to the public. The Government of Canada recently recognized Frater as Queen's Counsel for his exemplary service to the Canadian justice system. He has appeared before the Supreme Court of Canada more than 50 times, acting for the federal government on notable cases, the most recent being the controversial Carter et al. v. Attorney General of Canada on assisted suicide. A teacher and lecturer on a myriad of subjects to diverse audiences, he has also written numerous articles and two books.

"We received some strong nominations and had difficult decisions to make," says Sheila Murray, Law'82, chair of the Dean's Council and its awards committee. "It's wonderful to hear of so many graduates doing such exceptional work. We're extremely pleased with this year's winners and hope fellow grads will join us to celebrate their accomplishments!"

The award presentations are to take place at the annual "Celebrate Queen's Law" gala in Toronto on April 29.

## More honours for two Law'84 alumni

### Grant Huscroft named to the Ontario Court of Appeal; Rob Frater appointed a QC

As Queen's Law prepares to present its annual Alumni Awards, one Alumni Award winner, along with a fellow member of the class of '84, have been recognized for their distinguished leadership in the legal profession.

Grant Huscroft, Law'84, was appointed to the Ontario Court of Appeal on December 17. An administrative and constitutional law scholar, Huscroft is also a co-editor, with Queen's Law professor Grégoire Webber, of *Proportionality and the Rule of Law: Rights, Justification, Reasoning*, published by Cambridge University Press in 2014.

"Grant Huscroft's public law research has been published by the best university presses and journals," Webber said. "I welcome the recognition of academic scholarship captured by his appointment to the Ontario Court of Appeal."

Justice Huscroft joins the Honourable Katherine van Rensburg, Law'81, the Honourable Jean L MacFarland, Law'71, and the Honourable David Watt, Law'70, as Queen's Law alumni on the Court.

In a second milestone for the class of '84, on December 11, the Government of Canada appointed Rob Frater, Law'84, to the Queen's Counsel (QC). The individuals who receive this honour are "are members of the federal public service who have demonstrated leadership in their professional lives, raised esteem for the legal profession, and made outstanding contributions to the development of the law", designated on the recommendation of the Minister of Justice and an advisory committee.

Frater's appointment was granted even more resonance by being conferred on the anniversary of the Statute of Westminster, which became law on December 11, 1931 and granted Canada greater legal and foreign policy autonomy.

This is just the latest in a series of distinctions for Frater. Following his academic career at Queen's, he served as counsel for the federal Crown before the Supreme Court of Canada on more than 50 cases. His federal work has included the Senate Reference, the Securities Regulator reference and the Harkat security certificate case.

"I'm delighted," Frater says. "The federal QCs were just reinstated last year, and it's nice to be acknowledged in this way."

## Introducing



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# Three grads among Lexpert's newest 'Rising Stars'

The stars are on the rise for a trio of alumni: Adam Grabowski, Law'01, Toronto, Yong-Jae Kim, Law'04, Vancouver, and Blair McCreadie, Law'99, also Toronto. They wrapped up 2014 as winners on Lexpert's annual list of "Leading Lawyers Under 40."



Grabowski, Senior Vice-President, Legal Affairs & Corporate Secretary of Shoppers Drug Mart Corporation, is known as an outstanding corporate and commercial lawyer and, says Lexpert, a skilled strategic business advisor.

He has worked on Shoppers' most critical business initiatives, most notably its merger with Loblaw Companies Limited. That deal, which produced a retail operation combining nearly 3,000 stores and 2,000 pharmacies across Canada, attracted the most intensive, complex, competition law review in Canadian retail merger history.

Asked what's most gratifying about his work, Grabowski says, "The legal team has an impact on the business, and we're brought in early to assist with high-level decisions. Any lawyer can tell you what the legal issues are, but taking those issues and applying them to the business reality to find a practical business solution – that's really rewarding."

He credits Queen's Law with providing the "top-notch" legal education that supports his success. "It's the foundation for where I am today," he says.

"That education and training, plus the people I met and the collegiality fostered by the school have been very helpful to me in my career."

Yong-Jae Kim, a partner at Gowling Lafleur Henderson LLP in Vancouver, has acted for prominent resource companies in corporate finance and major mergers and acquisitions, especially in the mining and energy sectors. He received Lexpert's nod as a leader for his entrepreneurial spirit and strong expertise in helping Canadian clients pursue business opportunities in South Korea and helping Korean clients wanting to do the same in Canada.



Adam Grabowski, Law'01, Blair McCreadie, Law'99, and Yong-Jae Kim, Law'04.

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- Yong-Jae Kim, Law'04

Kim is well known for advising on many significant Korean transactions, working extensively with the Korean government and a consortium of large Korean enterprises, for instance, including a series of recent restructuring transactions for the Boleo copper project in Mexico with capital expenditures in excess of US\$1.75 billion.

In addition to growing with his clients, Kim says that associating with bright and energetic professionals is what he likes best about his career. "I thrive when I work with clients and colleagues who I respect and can learn from. It's great to see the people you 'went to war' with when you were juniors all rising and getting recognition as leaders in their respective organizations."

He believes Queen's prepared him well for the future. "The time I spent at Queen's Law was not only formative, but I remember my experiences fondly and found that the students and faculty I met were all first-rate."

Blair McCreadie also credits the school for underpinning the career that put him on Lexpert's newest list. A partner in the Employment and Labour Group at Dentons Canada LLP in Toronto, he is considered one of his firm's future leaders. Among high-profile roles, he has been lead human resources (HR) counsel on many significant merger and acquisition transactions, including 10 separate acquisitions

by IBI Group and Premier Gold Mines' \$104-million acquisition of Goldstone Resources.

McCreadie enjoys the strong relationships he develops with HR professionals in his practice. "Because you get a direct understanding of each client's business and challenges, you become part of their human resources team as a trusted advisor." He likes his work's unpredictability, too. "I never know what HR issue I'm going to hear about when I pick up the phone." Litigation also appeals to him. "I was attracted to management-side HR law because it means working in a wide range of industries," McCreadie says, "and you can litigate in various settings, such as in the courts, at grievance arbitrations and a number of administrative tribunals."

"The HR bar is fairly small, so it's important to maintain good relationships with other lawyers – something I learned at Queen's. One of the law school's unique strengths is its collegiality, combined with academic excellence. My experience at Queen's Law provided a strong foundation that supports what I do today."

What all three alumni are "doing today" suggests these rising stars will be shining brightly well past 40.

- KIRSTEEN MACLEOD

## Law'81 grad appointed OSC's top legal advisor

**Jim Sinclair, Law'81, has a long track record in developing creative solutions to complex problems as a senior legal executive. Building on that trend, on Feb. 17 he started a new job – General Counsel of the Ontario Securities Commission.**



Jim Sinclair, Law'81

to its statutory mandate. The team he leads is a main contributor to the development of the Co-operative Capital Markets Regulatory regime (CCMR).

In this role, Sinclair gives the OSC legal and strategic advice on a wide variety of issues, including policy and legislative reforms, the management of organizational risk, operational and transactional initiatives, government relations and Commission governance. Working closely with the Commission's chair, he plays a key role in ensuring the OSC adheres

"I very much look forward to my role at the OSC as it clearly complements and leverages much of what I have already accomplished," says Sinclair. After beginning his career at Gowlings and its predecessor firms as a transactional lawyer, he became a pioneer in derivatives at the OSC. Following his first stint there, he went on to be a hedge fund and private equity lawyer at an investment management firm, where in addition to being Chief Legal Officer, he structured various investment vehicles, marketed alternative investments to institutional investors and acted as Chief Compliance Officer. Most recently, as Director of Legal Services for the Ontario Ministry of Finance, his all-encompassing practice included involvement in the 2010 Supreme Court Reference on the draft Canadian Securities Act and subsequent discussions on establishing a CCMR.

"I plan to use my experience to help the organization effectively transition to the CCMR, and to provide the Commission with the benefit of my understanding of derivatives, hedge funds and private equity to help them better understand an ever-evolving market," he says. "I also look forward to continuing to build the Commission's good relationship with the Ministry of Finance."

Sinclair credits Professors Michael Pickard and Mark Weisberg for providing him with an "inspirational" legal foundation. "They challenged me intellectually and their unique ways of presenting a problem, analyzing and explaining the legal issues very much resonated with me," he says. "Their imaginative approaches helped me throughout my career, particularly in looking at things from a wide variety of perspectives, managing complexity, looking more clearly at difficult situations, simplifying them and, on a good day, to see around corners – and that is what practising law is really all about."

## Law'88 alumna pens guide to solo practice

**Going It Alone is second edition of Wendy Oughtred's book**



Solo practice is the destination for many law school graduates whether because of where they choose to practice, their entrepreneurial spirit, or the field they practice in. While school prepares them for the legal concepts, learning the business is a whole other challenge. That's what *Going It Alone* aims to help with— a book by Wendy Oughtred, Law'88.

Two years after setting up her own practice in 1993, the first edition of *Going It Alone* came out. This year, amid her criminal law practice in Burlington, Ontario, she updated and revised the guide, adding sections on dealing with the stress of the job and new, more stringent legal considerations.

Topics like setting up your office and employer's obligations are covered as well as technology needs and marketing ideas. *Going It Alone* gets into the details of networking such as where to volunteer and how to renew old friendships, plus advocating that lawyers form a peer relationship so they have someone to turn to for advice or who can cover for them when needed.

Office considerations like location, equipment, shared spaces, layout, and leasing vs. buying are discussed alongside finding and negotiating the space, renovating, and even cleaning and aesthetic finishes.

Designed specifically for Canadians, this book gets into the details of financial matters like start-up costs, expenses and billings, choosing a bank and getting to know your account manager, and lines of credit and profit margins.

Whichever of the three tradition business structures a solo practitioner chooses (sole proprietorship, partnership or incorporation), they will benefit from Oughtred's exploration of the additional variables related to the home office, associate practice, or even buying an existing practice.

It even covers retiring, making this a full life-cycle guide to solo practice. *Going It Alone* is available from [Carswell](#).



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# Meet Law's new Associate Dean of Grad Studies and Research

Queen's Law Reports met with Associate Dean Michael Pratt to talk about his plans for each of his Law portfolios.

**P**rofessor Michael Pratt, who joined Queen's in 2003 as a Law professor cross-appointed to Philosophy, began a two-and-a-half-year appointment as Law's Associate Dean (Graduate Studies and Research) on Jan. 1. A graduate of the University of Toronto (BSc, LLM), Osgoode Hall Law School (LLB) and the University of Sydney (PhD, Philosophy), he has taught a range of private law subjects, including Torts, Contracts, Remedies and Advanced Contract Law. His research draws on philosophy to understand the law, and he has been particularly interested in understanding the role of intention and consent in the creation and extinction of legal and moral obligations. He has written widely on the philosophical foundations of voluntary obligations, as well as on the law of damages.

**QLR: As Associate Dean, what will you do first?**

**MP:** In the short term, my goal is to learn – learn the practices, procedures, and processes that already serve to make research and graduate studies such successful aspects of our law school. My predecessor, Sharry Aiken, served Queen's Law tirelessly in this role and has been very generous in supporting me as I learn the ropes.

**QLR: Which aspects of your research role do you look forward to most?**

**MP:** Queen's Law boasts some of the very best scholars in their fields in Canada, and in some cases in the world. I am tremendously proud of the scholarly calibre of our faculty, and it will be really fun to have this official platform from which to sing its praises – both to the wider scholarly community and to the powers-that-be here at Queen's.



Associate Dean Michael Pratt

On a more personal level, I'm looking forward to learning more about what my colleagues are writing, to helping junior colleagues find their feet in this fabulous profession, and to advocating for awards, prizes and grants for the school's very accomplished scholars.

**QLR: And what do you look forward to in your graduate studies role?**

**MP:** I am very excited about that, too. It's a delight to work with young people whose passion for research is robust enough to motivate them to put off earning a salary in order to pursue advanced studies, often in a foreign land far from home, sometimes for several years. There is a relationship between the reputation of a law school and the reputation of its graduate program, with the influence running in both directions. Graduate students form part of the scholarly community at Queen's Law. I will encourage them to see themselves that way, and I am excited about developing ways to further integrate them into the law school's intellectual life.

**QLR: What are your top priorities for research at the Faculty?**

**MP:** I see it as part of my job to stand guard, as it were, to make sure that the abundance of scholarly excellence we have at Queen's Law is allowed to flourish. Producing high-calibre scholarship is very time-consuming, and it is increasingly international, collaborative, and interdisciplinary. I will be advocating on behalf of my colleagues for the funds – and the freedom – necessary to permit them to thrive as scholars. I am fortunate to be working with a dean who is exceptionally supportive of research, but Dean Flanagan has to serve many stakeholders

with a variety of interests. My role is to promote the interests of our scholars, to the Dean and to the University.

I'm also committed to providing practical support for our researchers and to promoting the research culture at Queen's Law. My job will include assisting with grant applications, conference and publishing initiatives, the creation of research centres and research groups, and developing Law's links with other departments in the University. We have a flourishing visitors program, and in concert with that I want to develop a post-doctoral fellow program, bringing in talented scholars for sustained periods. Other priorities are to nurture research links with the judiciary, investigate the possibility of a judge-in-residence program, and help our JD students – and also practitioners – better appreciate the importance of research and scholarship to the development of law and to a well-balanced legal education.

**QLR: What are your goals for LLM and PhD studies?**

**MP:** I am committed to recruiting some of the very best students from around the world to come to Queen's to pursue graduate work in law. We have extraordinary scholars here, and I want to attract extraordinary graduate students to work with them. The relatively small size of Law's graduate program is one of its great strengths. It allows us to be selective. It also allows for a wonderful level of collegiality and cohesion among our graduate students, which is a very "Queen's" thing.

I also want to explore opportunities for creating new and distinctive graduate programs at the Faculty. I'm investigating ways in which Law might collaborate with other departments to design and offer a jointly-run cross-disciplinary PhD program. Our remarkable strength in legal theory and legal and political philosophy would, for example, situate us very well to offer a collaborative PhD in Law and Philosophy, perhaps with participation by the Department of Politics as well, which would be nothing short of world-class.

I'm very eager to explore ways in which to integrate graduate students more fully into the research and intellectual life of the law school. This may involve a modest cultural shift, which I hope to facilitate by bringing faculty members and graduate students together more frequently in seminars, workshops, and conferences – some of which will be designed with this goal in mind. I want law students to leave Queen's not just with a mastery of their field of study, but moreover with a sense of what it is like to work as part of a community of scholars.

Although his plans include more travel for research and recruiting, Michael Pratt, his two children and their pet Labradoodle continue to make Kingston their home.





Professors Cockfield and Brown received the Sherbaniuk award at a Vancouver ceremony.

## Queen's Law prof shares major tax writing prize

### Art Cockfield co-author of Douglas J. Sherbaniuk Distinguished Writing Award winning paper

When it comes to winning the Canadian Tax Foundation's Sherbaniuk Award, Professor Art Cockfield is proud of both the win – and its implications. Appearing in vol. 61 of the *Canadian Tax Journal*, "Rectifying Tax Mistakes versus Retroactive Taxes: Reconciling Competing Visions of the Rule of Law," a collaboration with Catherine Brown of the University of Calgary's Faculty of Law, was first conceived as Cockfield was visiting Brown in California in 2012.

"I've learned that only good things can come from drinking red wine," Cockfield jokes drily – the collaboration began when he and Brown were talking about retroactive taxation over a glass of Merlot. "We were discussing it, and thought it was fascinating that provincial courts are effectively acting differently than federal courts; the legal puzzle posed by the federal-provincial difference of vision when it comes to things like prospectivity and retroactivity and the rule of law."

Initially written and presented for a conference at Cornell University Law School, this paper on what Cockfield calls a normally "obscure topic" drew more attention as it was being authored thanks to then-current events in Canada. "As we were writing this, the PQ in Quebec drafted retroactive legislation on high-income earners," Cockfield explains. "It was so controversial that the government ultimately stepped back." The case, however, propelled retroactive taxation into a higher profile in national taxation discussion, and the paper ultimately went on to win the Sherbaniuk award, given by the Canadian Tax Foundation

and decided by a committee of experienced tax academics and professionals for the best writing undertaken for the Foundation in the previous year.

"It's a nice honour," Cockfield says. "I was privileged to attend the awards ceremony in Vancouver, at a conference of around a thousand tax lawyers and professionals."

The paper, which examines the potential conflict between provincial and federal governments as regards property rights and retroactive tax legislation, explores how "fairness" comes into play when retroactive legislation impacts taxpayers' prior planning. "People generally expect that laws will be prospective, looking forward, and not retroactive," Cockfield explains. "Retroactivity is used by governments to do things like close loopholes and reach back to amend the results of the loopholes, but on an individual level, fairness comes into question. A person can look at the law, deploy resources and time, but then have the government say "well, it was legal when you did it, but now we are reaching backwards in time to punish you."

Cockfield and Brown hope that this article may play a role in addressing these issues. "Part of why we wrote it is because there's a lot of litigation underway in provincial courts, where the courts are using their own equitable powers of rectification," he says. "I hope that our article can play a productive role in this."

## Queen's Faculty of Law unveils downtown clinic space

### Co-location of five clinics in LaSalle Mews building will enhance client service.

Queen's University officially opened the Queen's Law Clinics in the LaSalle Mews Building in downtown Kingston on January 29.

The Queen's Law Clinics co-locates five individual clinics: Queen's Legal Aid (QLA), the Prison Law Clinic, Queen's Business Law Clinic, the Elder Law Clinic, and Queen's Family Law Clinic – in a highly visible and central location.

"The new clinic space in downtown Kingston supports the law school's proud tradition of serving the local community," says Queen's Principal Daniel Woolf. "Housing the clinics in one location will allow students to share knowledge and best practices, ultimately strengthening the services they provide to individuals, businesses and organizations in the Kingston area."

The Queen's Law Clinics occupies the 6,000-square-foot top floor of the LaSalle Mews Building at 303 Bagot St. The space features 12 offices for lawyers and staff, four interview rooms, a meeting room that doubles as a classroom, and a bright area with 24 student workstations.

"Working under the close supervision of review counsel in a law office setting will prepare students for the challenges, and responsibility, of representing real clients with real legal problems while developing good judgment," says Dean Bill Flanagan.

The clinics, which give students a broad range of experiential learning opportunities, receive financial support from Legal Aid Ontario, the Law Foundation of Ontario, and private donors. In particular, the class gift from Law'81 provides annual funding to enhance programs and support special projects for the clinical programs.

Queen's Faculty of Law is a top-tier Canadian law school that develops outstanding and innovative legal professionals. Unique experiential learning opportunities allow students to immerse themselves in an environment that fosters not only learning but also the spirit of giving back.

The Clinics have already seen a fair amount of media attention in local and national media, with coverage in local newspapers, national papers, and even in the online versions of law magazines.

You can find out more about the Queen's Law Clinics at their Web site: [www.queenslawclinics.ca](http://www.queenslawclinics.ca).



Pictured (l-r) at the grand opening of the Queen's Law Clinics: Tanya Lee, Director, Policy and Programs, Law Foundation of Ontario; Christian Hurley, QBLC and QELC Director; Karla McGrath, QFLC Director; Dean Bill Flanagan; Principal Daniel Woolf; Randall Ellsworth, VP, Legal Aid Ontario, Northern, Central & Eastern Regions; Elizabeth Thomas, QPLC Director; and Jana Mills, QLA Acting Senior Review Counsel.



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Kevin Wiener, Law'15, and Ian Moore, MPA'14/Law'16

## Two Law students to receive Queen's University's top honour

**Kevin Wiener, Law'15, and Ian Moore, MPA'14/Law'16, are among seven Queen's students being inducted into the Tricolour Society this year for significant contributions to the university and to student life. The Agnes Benidickson Tricolour Award, the highest tribute given to students for extracurricular, non-athletic activities, is presented at Convocation.**

**“W**e received nominations that covered a diverse range of life-changing individuals from every corner of the campus,” says Rector Mike Young, ConEd'15, who chaired the selection committee. “Though each nominee’s contributions are incredibly diverse, there exists a common thread – each and every one of the individuals we interviewed has left an incredible imprint on Queen’s that will be seen, heard, and felt for generations of students to come.”

Kevin Wiener, who has worked with other Tricolour honorees since he first began undergraduate studies at Queen’s in 2008, calls the award a “fantastic honour.” He is “humbled” to be among their company and, with them, to be joining a group of past recipients who have gone on to lead distinguished careers. “Queen’s University provides so many opportunities for students to get involved in a way that leaves a lasting impact on this campus,” he says. “It’s only by giving back that we are able to maintain and improve that student experience for the next generation.”

That’s what he has done as President of the Society of Graduate and Professional Students. As a result of his drive

to expand Queen’s University’s anti-harassment policies to cover instances when harassment is neither discriminatory nor against a university employee, the university has created working group to draft policy changes and create new resources. Delegates of the Canadian Federation of Students, who represent more than 500,000 university and college students, unanimously endorsed his motion to draft an appeal guide that will help graduate research assistants apply for rights under employment standards, health and safety and labour legislation.

In 2013, when Kingston City Council decided to exclude post-secondary students from the ward boundary count, Wiener applied his training as a legal advocate to file an appeal with the Ontario Municipal Board. His appeal was successful. “It’s rewarding to put in that work knowing that the result will affect students for years after I’ve graduated.”

Ian Moore, elected Law’s Student Senator in 2014, began serving the Queen’s community in his first year of the combined MPA/JD degree program. “In many ways,” he says, “Queen’s giving me this award is more about recognizing the phenomenal teams I’ve had the privilege of working with than anything I’ve done.”

His peers certainly value the importance of his contributions. As Student Senator, he represents students by contributing to decision-making on a number of bodies, including the Queen’s Senate, the Law Students’ Society of Ontario, the Queen’s Law Students’ Society (LSS) Core and the Queen’s Law Faculty Board. The co-founder and publisher of the school’s student-run newspaper *Juris Diction*, he has helped develop relationships with stakeholders such as the Faculty’s administration and the Canadian Bar

Association in order to ensure long-term success. He is also founder and chair of the LSS Sustainability Committee, which is creating a toolkit to assess the social, economic and environmental impacts of the school’s operations and policies, and to make recommendations for improvements. Further, as a happiness advocate, his Open Door Brunch Club provides regular mental health breaks for Queen’s students looking to take a few hours off from their busy schedules.

A second-year student, Moore is looking forward to contributing further to the school in his final year. “I’d like to not only continue helping Queen’s Law students get engaged and have a platform for their opinions,” he says, “but also remind my classmates that being in law school and in university in general comes with a responsibility to give back to the communities we benefit from being a part of each and every day.”

## Past Tricolour Winners

Naheed Yaqubian, Law'14  
 Erin Smith, MBA'11/Law'12  
 Jillian Burford-Grinnell, Law'14 (Artsci'08)  
 Patrick Welsh, Law'10 (Artsci'06, MA'07)  
 Bindu Dhaliwal, Law'02  
 Lisa Stevenson, Law'02  
 Kathleen Cowick, Law'01  
 Maureen Brioux-Jollymore, Law'97  
 Malini Moorthy, Law'94  
 Bill Holder, Law'94 (Artsci'87, MA'93)  
 Lucy McSweeney, Law'93  
 David Pick, Law'92 (Artsci'89)  
 Charis Kelso, Law'91 (Artsci'87, Ed'06)  
 Ian McCowan, Law'91 (Com'88)  
 Ian Smith, Law'89 (Artsci'86)  
 Kelley McKinnon, Law'88 (Artsci'87)  
 Fred Singer, Law'88 (Com'85, Artsci'85)  
 Rick Powers, Law'86 (Artsci/PHE'78, MBA'83)  
 Mary Ann Higgs, Law'85 (Mus'73)  
 Carman Overholt, Law'84  
 Robert de Pencier, Law'84 (Sc'59)  
 Jeremy Freedman, Law'82  
 Sheila Murray, Law'82 (Com'79)  
 Hugh Christie, Law'81 (Artsci'78)  
 Paul Steep, Law'80 (Artsci'77)  
 John Koopman, Law'80 (Com'79)  
 John Ronson, Law'79 (Artsci'75)  
 Laurent (Larry) Rossignol, Law'79 (Artsci'75)  
 Patti Peppin, Law'78 (Arts'68, MA'73)  
 Morris Chochla, Law'78 (Sc'74)

Ian Nordheimer, Law'76 (Com'73)  
 Marvin Bloos, Law'75 (Arts'72)  
 Walter Palmer, Law'73 (Sc'70)  
 Rodney Follwell, Law'71 (Arts'65)  
 Brian Scully, Law'71 (Arts'68)  
 Robert S. Martin, Law'70  
 Gordon McCay, Law'70 (Sc'67)  
 Scott Wilson, Law'70  
 Rob Nelson, Law'69  
 Guy Potvin, Law'68 (Sc'65)  
 Douglas Belch, Law'67 (Arts'64)  
 Raymond Ostiguy, Law'66  
 Harry Thorsteinson, Law'66  
 Don Gordon, Law'65 (Arts'62)  
 David Hill, Law'65 (Arts'62)  
 Stanley Sadinsky, Law'63 (Arts'60)  
 Bernie Calder, Law'62 (Arts'59)  
 Donald Fraser, Law'62  
 Bob Little, Law'61 (Arts'58)  
 Doug Munro, Law'61 (Arts'59)  
 The late Merv Katzman, Law'60  
 Bob Sowden, Law'60 (Arts'57, Artsci'84)

**The Queen's community will celebrate this year's Tricolour Award recipients at a reception on March 28.**

## David Mullan to receive honorary LLD from Queen's

**You can contribute to a Queen's Law Reports celebration of this legendary professor**



Professor Emeritus David Mullan, LLM'73

At the Law Convocation this spring, Professor Emeritus David Mullan, LLM'73, will be awarded an honorary Doctor of Laws degree, the University Senate's highest honour. To commemorate the latest milestone in Mullan's remarkable career, *Queen's Law Reports 2015* will feature a story on his life and work.

Alumni can help. Do you have a favourite memory or anecdote involving Professor Mullan? Contact **Lisa Graham by email** or telephone at 613-533-6000, ext. 74259.



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## Keep up with Queen's Law Clinics

Our new downtown clinic site hosts all five of our clinics; a bold new initiative for our clinic programs and a fantastic resource for Kingston residents.

Find out all about it at

<http://queenslawclinics.ca>



## New Queen's Law Journal features a focus on "Crimmigration"

**Student editors planning future edition in memory of Bernie Adell**

"Crimmigration, Surveillance and 'Security Threats': A Multidisciplinary Dialogue" is the theme of the first issue in Volume 40 of the *Queen's Law Journal*. It was published at the end of December and is currently being studied, reviewed and debated by legal scholars around the world.

"It's exciting to publish a special issue on a topic that's receiving so much attention in the media and the academic community," says Journal co-Editor-in-Chief Ian Thompson, *Law*'15.

"Crimmigration" is a perfect portmanteau for the academic discussion that occurs in the new issue of the Journal – the convergence of criminal and immigration law in a climate where security and surveillance seem to dominate many conversations."

Four papers on the subject – which were presented as part of the November 2013 "Crime, Immigration and Surveillance Workshop" – occupy the first half of the *Queen's Law Journal*. The rest of the newest issue of the 44-year-old journal covers a wide array of topics, reflecting the Journal's long-standing commitment to academic diversity.

"As always, we're proud to feature some of the best Canadian legal writing of the last year," says co-Editor-in-Chief Stephanie Lalonde, *Law*'15.

This particular edition, however, is bittersweet: It is the first QLJ to be published in 20 years without the guiding pen of Professor Emeritus Bernie Adell, who passed away in the summer of 2014. "His presence is sorely missed," Lalonde says. "His guidance and memory will continue to shape the Journal for many years to come."

One immediate impact is the planning of a special tribute issue of the QLJ: a commemorative issue focusing on the life and work of Professor Adell, planned for the Spring 2016 edition. "We have already begun planning and soliciting material for it," Thompson says, "and the response has been overwhelming."



Justice Marshall Rothstein of the Supreme Court of Canada chats with students in Macdonald Hall during his two-day visit to Queen's Law.

## Two days with Supreme Court Justice Rothstein at Queen's Law

At a capacity-crowd lecture and in two small-group sessions, the Queen's Law Community gave a warm welcome to Justice Marshall Rothstein of the Supreme Court of Canada on Feb. 25 and 26. During his visit to Macdonald Hall, he spoke on "Twenty-three years of judging: some lessons learned" to an audience that filled a 150-seat lecture theatre, gave a seminar on "Buyer's Remorse and the need to Dissent" to faculty and doctoral students, and had an informal fireside chat with a small group of JD students.

He answered questions on a broad range of topics, including how young lawyers can improve Canada's judicial system, how he feels about the MacDonald Laurier Institute naming the Supreme Court as 2014's "policy-maker of the year," why the Courts have not fully recognized the duty of "good faith" in all categories of

contract, and how issues of justice affect his decision when they diverge from the issues of law that determine them.

"It was very insightful to discuss several Supreme Court cases with Justice Rothstein, as well as the delicate balance between promoting justice and interpreting the law," says Mandy Ng, *Law*'15, one of the students who participated in the fireside Q&A. "Our informal chat gave me a greater appreciation of the decision-making process at the Supreme Court, and made me realize that judges are not only very intelligent, but also have an incredible sense of humour."

# Law Library renovation improves study spaces

A major renovation to the Lederman Law Library this summer will improve study and service spaces for students.

The renovation will streamline the library to occupy two floors instead of three, with the main floor featuring new open study space, study rooms, adaptive technology space and a new washroom.

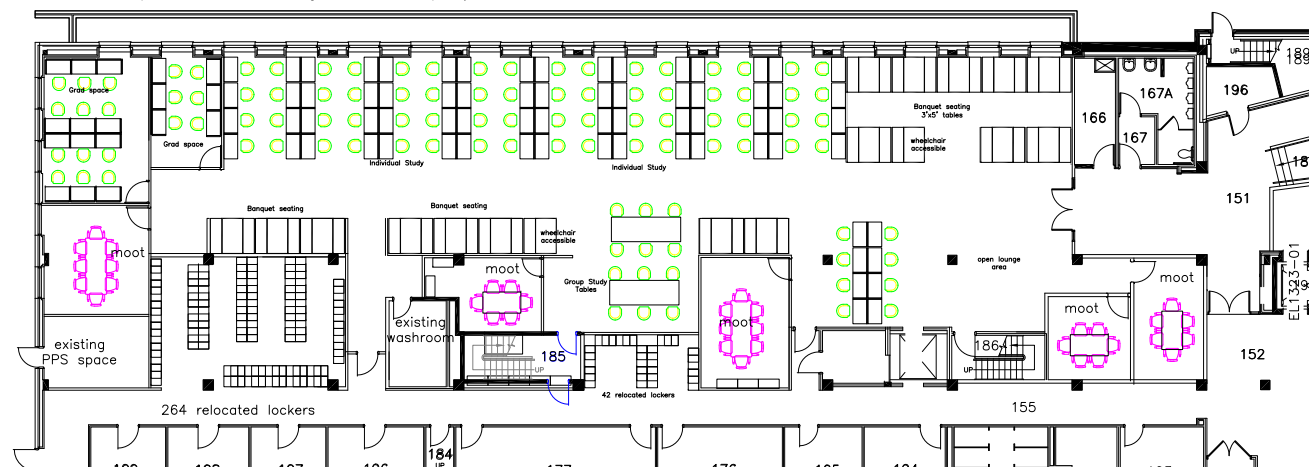
The Faculty of Law will take over the ground floor, which currently stores print journals that are to be relocated. The reconfigured space will combine individual study spaces and additional meeting rooms for law students.

“Expanding study spaces will support our growing enrolment,” says Dean Bill Flanagan. “Not only will students have more individual space for studying and conducting research, they will have additional meeting rooms to use for moot court program and other group work.”

Grad space: 18  
Banquet seating 72  
Individual Study 66  
Group Study 18

moot Rooms:  
(3) 6 people  
(2) 8 people

Total space: 174. Not including MOOT room capacity



Preliminary design for the future renovated and upgraded lower floor of Macdonald Hall.



Students study in the Lederman Library during the last exam sessions before renovations begin.

Other highlights of the renovation project include:

- Air conditioning and enhanced ventilation to accommodate increased capacity.
- Larger and improved space for graduate students.
- Improved lighting and light flow.
- Improved accessibility.

The project will also include a new bannister for the third floor of the Lederman Law Library, which was the graduating gift of the class of Law'14.

“We are excited to partner with the Faculty of Law on this project because the renovation supports the Library and Archives Master Plan (LAMP) recommendation of retaining and strengthening the library as a laboratory for legal research and a valued sanctuary for study,” says Amy Kaufman, Head, Lederman Law Library. “The law library will retain its well-loved reading room and gain some lovely redesigned space for all students to use.”

The consolidation will require relocating some of the law journals currently shelved on the first floor. High-use or core print-only journals will remain in the law library and will move to the main floor. Other journals, now available online, will move to the library’s existing storage space in the basement of Stauffer Library. Extremely low-use print journals are destined for remote storage.

Law library staff begun moving many of the journals destined for storage during reading week, Tuesday, Feb. 17-Friday, Feb. 20. The law library aims to have all of the material relocated from the first floor by the end of April 2015 so that construction can occur over the summer.

The main and upper floor of the Lederman Law Library should remain quiet during the move for students who want to study in the facility over reading week. All other campus libraries also remain open during reading week. If students can’t find material they require while materials are being moved, Lederman Law Library staff would be happy to provide assistance.

More information about LAMP, including concept plans for the redesigned main floor of the law library, can be found online.

If you have questions, contact Amy Kaufman.

– MARK KERR

# How to start a thriving legal career



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Dean Bill Flanagan (3rd right) with panelists Melissa Reiter, Jason Sonshine, Scott Southward, Emilie Nicholas, Captain Alexander Parker, Colleen Feehan, Jason Schmidt and Julie Lowe.

Students asked – and alumni answered! On Jan. 30, the Law Students' Society Alumni Relations Committee welcomed eight members of the class of Law'09 back to Macdonald Hall to speak to students about their diverse career paths.

The "Five Years out of Law School!" panel featured the following alumni:

- Colleen Feehan, Legal Counsel and Senior Compliance Officer with TD Bank (Toronto)
- Julie Lowe, PhD in Law candidate (University of Toronto) and LLM graduate (University of London) specializing in Islamic Law
- Emilie Nicholas, Legal Counsel with Maple Leafs Sports and Entertainment (Toronto)
- Captain Alexander Parker, Legal Officer with the Office of the Judge Advocate General in the Canadian Forces (Ottawa)
- Melissa Reiter, Counsel with AUM Law, a boutique corporate and securities firm (Toronto)
- Jason Schmidt, Lawyer with Mann McCracken Bebee and Schmidt, practising a broad range of civil litigation matters (Port Hope)
- Jason Sonshine, Counsel with Rothmans, Benson and Hedges (North York)
- Scott Southward, CEO of Benana, an affiliate of Benefits by Design (Toronto)

"The panelists spoke candidly about their experiences," says organizing committee member Aashima Singh, Law'16, a moderator at the jam-packed event. "They gave some really great advice to students who were concerned about the various recruitment processes and life after law school in general."

Calling it an "excellent informational experience," attendee Shalome Barrow, Law'17, especially liked learning about the variety of opportunities open to law graduates. "It is great to see that we can find a job that complements our individual personalities and passions – whether it's a love of sports, the nation or academics," she says.

Another key theme of the discussion was the importance of networking and maintaining relationships. "We repeatedly hear that we are going to be friends with our classmates for years to come," Barrow says, "but I don't think I ever really believed it until I saw the sense of camaraderie amongst the panelists. I really enjoyed knowing that the collegial environment of Queen's would carry out into the workforce."



JULIA LIM

Captain Alexander Parker, Law'09, speaks to students while his classmates and co-panelists Melissa Reiter, Jason Schmidt, Julie Lowe and Jason Sonshine look on.



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## Speakers

The Faculty was graced with a number of powerful and compelling guest speakers in the early months of 2015.

SCC Justice Rothstein visited the faculty for two days, with both large and small-group sessions for the faculty and students; Justice Stephen T. Goudge, presenting the annual McCarthy Tétrault lecture, and visitors such as Dr. Mark Dockstator (First Nations University of Canada), Luc Tremblay and Jean Leclair (Université de Montréal), and David Plunkett (Dartmouth University).





JENNIFER DUMOULIN



Students talk to alumni about living working and living in New York City during a special event at Baker & McKenzie.

## 'Welcome to New York!' Queen's Law

**In the early hours of Jan. 22, about 130 Queen's Law students travelled from Macdonald Hall to wake up in the city that never sleeps. There they enjoyed all that New York City has to offer, including a special opportunity to meet alumni and friends representing a wide a range of careers in the Big Apple.**

At the Manhattan office of Baker & McKenzie, seven Queen's Law community members talked about their career paths and offered advice in a panel discussion:

- Jason Biafore, Law'05, Supervising Attorney, Legal Health Division, New York Legal Assistance Group
- Hugh Macdonnell, Law'91, Managing Director, Head of Client Capital Management
- Joon Park, Law'99, Park Legal Counsel Group PLLC
- Judge Kimberly Prost, Ombudsperson, UN Security Council 1267 Al Qaida/Taliban Sanctions Committee, and Public International Law program instructor at the Bader International Study Centre
- Michelle Roberts, Law'07, in-house counsel, S&P Dow Jones Indices LLC
- Kevin Thomson, Law'06, Bad Boy Entertainment
- Emily Kidd White, Law'06, JSD Candidate, New York University School of Law

Afterward, they chatted with students during a reception.

"Take advantage of opportunities" was the main message Madeleine Tyber, Law'17, took away from the discussion. "All of the alumni emphasized how helpful the Queen's community can be but that it's up to us to seek out and pursue those connections.

"There was also a sense that you never really know where you're going to end up," she adds, "and to keep your mind open while chasing after things that you find exciting or worthy of further attention and scholarship."

For the rest of the four-day annual visit, students crammed in a multitude of activities. "It was great spending time together, taking in Broadway musicals, world-class museums and Central Park," says Jennifer Dumoulin, Law'15. "Top that off with surprise run-ins with celebrities and more shopping than a law student's wallet can handle and it's safe to say that we had a wonderful time in NYC!"

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