



DAVID LAW

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Public law, constitutional theory, transnational law, and the law's intersection with political science form the core of Professor **DAVID LAW'S** scholarly interests. Law will join the faculty this winter, with appointments both at the law school and in the Department of Political Science in Arts & Sciences. Among many irons currently in the fire, he is working on a major article on the ways in which judicial review bolsters popular sovereignty, an empirical analysis of the Supreme Court's use of legislative history in statutory interpretation cases, a critical examination of the ways

in which scholars measure judicial ideology, and an investigation of the Japanese Supreme Court's renowned reluctance to strike down legislation. He is conducting the latter project in Tokyo with the support of a fellowship from the Council on Foreign Relations and sponsorship from Hitachi.

A year of

study at the University of Oxford sparked Law's interest in comparative and transnational law. A graduate of Stanford University with a bachelor's in public policy and of Harvard Law School, he clerked for a federal appeals court judge in Los Angeles then practiced there as an attorney for another year before returning to Stanford to study political science as a PhD student. He had a keen interest in political theory, but with key members of Stanford's political theory faculty on leave, he took advantage of a scholarship to attend Oxford's distinguished jurisprudence

and political theory seminar. To qualify for a graduate degree in European and comparative law, he filled out his schedule with several comparative law courses, and was hooked.

According to Law, scholars differ considerably about what can be accomplished by studying comparative law. His own goal is to move beyond comparison to framework-building that will enable public law to be taught as a single coherent subject on a global basis. Traditional subjects such as tort law and criminal law, he observes, "vary significantly from state to state, and yet national law schools teach a framework of general principles within which differences between states can be understood."

Law believes that, to a significant degree, the same can be done with constitutional law on an international scale by developing a theoretical, doctrinal, and practical framework that applies across different countries. Such a framework would give law schools a way to equip their students with a "substantive and analytical tool kit" for "approaching public law issues in any jurisdiction they come across."

He comes to the law school from the University of San Diego law school and the University of California-San Diego political science department.

Carl Minzner

Associate Professor of Law

Professor Minzner specializes in Chinese law and politics. Before joining the law faculty, he served as senior counsel on the Congressional-Executive Commission on China and was an international affairs fellow at the Council on Foreign Relations. He also served as a Yale-China Legal Education Fellow at the Xibei Institute of Politics and Law in Xi'an. At Washington University, Minzner teaches both Property and Introduction to Chinese Law.



Adam Rosenzweig

Associate Professor of Law

Professor Rosenzweig concentrates his research and teaching in the area of tax law and policy. He previously was a visiting assistant professor at Northwestern University. He also worked in private practice in New York, where he focused on federal income tax law and specialized in private equity, hedge funds, equity derivatives, and cross-border capital markets. He teaches Federal Income Tax; International Business Transactions; and International Tax.

By Ann Nicholson



He currently is serving as a visiting professor at Keio University in Tokyo, for the purpose of conducting his research on the Japanese Supreme Court. At Washington University, he will teach Constitutional Law; Administrative Law; and courses in the areas of law and political science, and comparative public law.



MELISSA WATERS

Professor **MELISSA WATERS**, who

joins the faculty from Washington and Lee University, specializes in international law. In particular, she's interested in the relationship between international and domestic law. When the United States signs an international treaty, how do its obligations become incorporated into domestic law? One camp argues that the treaty obligations automatically become part of domestic law. Others assert that the legislature must enact them to incorporate them into domestic law.

Waters believes that judges have a critical role. "It's really important that American judges begin to learn to play that role as mediators between domestic and international law," she says. So currently she's working on research into the dialogic relationship between U.S. and international courts, and into the transnational judicial dialog among judges around the world as they confer with one another in an effort to grow into this role.

Waters grew up around the law in Elm Springs, Arkansas, where her father, H. Franklin Waters, was a lawyer and a judge. She earned both bachelor's and law degrees at Yale. She first taught at Case Western Reserve University and has been a visiting professor at Vanderbilt University and Guatemala's

Universidad Francisco Marroquin. She has presented papers and lectures across the country and abroad.

Her professional and scholarly experience goes well beyond teaching and research. Consulting with the Soros Foundation, she helped develop a program to build human rights legal capacity in Angola and Mozambique. At the State Department's Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor, she advanced efforts to intensify sanctions against Burma in response to its human rights abuses. Working with the American and the International Bar Associations, she has trained judges in Central Asia and Iraq. Iraq, she says, has a strong tradition of the rule of law. "There is so much to work within Iraq," she observes. "They could really become a wonderful example for the Middle East, a strong but uniquely Middle Eastern legal system."

At Washington University, Waters will teach Conflict of Laws; Foreign Relations Law of the United States; and International Law. She observes: "I love teaching. I find that the better my teaching is going, the more excited I am about my research, and vice versa." ■■■

The following faculty also will be teaching at the law school in 2008–09.

Ambassador-in-Residence

Thomas A. Schweich

Special Representative, U.N. Office of Drugs and Crime, and of counsel, Bryan Cave LLP
Teaching: Afghanistan: Microcosm of International Crisis; The United Nations: An Evolving Approach to International Law & Crisis Resolution
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Visiting Professors

Peter Alces

Rita Anne Rollins Professor of Law, The College of William and Mary
Teaching: Payment Systems; Secured Transactions; UCC: Article 2

Charles Burson

Former Executive Vice President and General Counsel, Monsanto; now of counsel, Bryan Cave LLP
Teaching: Lawyer's Role in Corporate Crisis Management; Supreme Court & Presidential Elections

Adele Morrison

Associate Professor, Northern Illinois University
Teaching: Civil Justice Clinic; Domestic Violence Law

Camille Nelson

Professor, Saint Louis University
Teaching: Contracts; Criminal Law

Michael Siebecker

Professor, University of Florida
Teaching: Agency, Partnership & LLCs; Corporations

David Stras

Professor, University of Minnesota
Teaching: Federal Jurisdiction

Visiting Lecturer

Leah Theriault

Former Lecturer/Adjunct, University of Toronto
Teaching: Copyright & Related Rights; Theory of Property Rights II: Intellectual Property

Fellows

Maggi Carfield, JD/MSW '05

Former public interest lawyer, Law Offices of Thomas E. Kennedy, III
Teaching: Law & Social Work; Property

Jennifer Carter-Johnson

Former intellectual property lawyer, Perkins Coie LLP
Teaching: Biotechnology & the Law; Property