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TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Northeastern University School of Law

Teaching Professor 2017-Present

Associate Teaching Professor

- Teach two sections of mandatory year-long legal research and writing course to first-year students, encompassing instruction in objective, persuasive, and advisory modes of writing, and oral presentation of various forms. Establish course structure and determine student competencies, design student assessment tools, and create course syllabi and materials. Devise writing assignments, drafting exercises, and experiential simulations, including client interviews, supervisor meetings, and oral argument.
- Supervise and teach first-year students working with non-profit community-based or advocacy organizations on social justice matters in a clinic-based program ("SJ Program"). Oversee and supervise second and third-year Lawyering Fellows in the SJ Program. Engage students in analysis of professionalism and legal ethics issues that arise during course of legal representation. Meet with students regularly to assess development and promote self-critique.
- Taught upper-level Advanced Legal Writing Seminar (Summer quarter 2020)
- Taught Introduction to Civil Procedure to international students in LL.M. Program to prepare students for U.S. bar exams. Created syllabus, designed curriculum, and devised assessment strategies and tools. (Summer quarter 2016, 2017)
- Service Award: Faculty Service Award (2019)
- Teaching Award: NUSL American Association of Law Schools Professor of the Year (2017)
 Selected as 2017 NUSL Commencement Speaker

Professor of Legal Skills

2013 - 2014

- Taught three sections of Legal Research and Writing. Established course goals and objectives, and created course syllabus, assignments, supporting materials, and assessment tools.
- Taught Advanced Legal Writing workshop to upper-level students, concentrating on civil litigation. Established curriculum, course goals, and assignments with focus on advancing co-op and post-graduate employment preparedness. Assignment topics included constitutional law, employment law, and contracts. Conducted individual conferences with students to review assignments and teach self-assessment skills.

Adjunct Professor of Law Legal Research and Writing

2008 - 2013

- Taught legal research and writing to first-year students, covering advisory, predictive and
 persuasive writing. Assisted with syllabus creation, designed in-class exercises, and held
 student conferences to evaluate work and foster self-editing skills.
- Taught Advanced Legal Writing workshop to upper-level students, concentrating on civil litigation. Created all course materials covering wide array of civil litigation documents, including pleadings, client letters, discovery requests, pre-trial motions, settlement agreements, and appellate briefs. Held multiple conferences with students to assess development and promote self-critique.

Writing Specialist 2009 - 2013

Met with students individually to provide additional writing guidance and instruction.

Boston University School of Law

Adjunct Instructor of Law

2008 - 2010

Taught first-year legal writing and research course. Created assignments and exercises for interoffice memoranda and other litigation documents. Prepared students for moot court. Conducted regular conferences with students to review their work and train them in self-evaluation.

Brooklyn Law School

Adjunct Instructor of Law

2003 - 2007

Taught advanced fundamentals of drafting to upper-class students. Designed wide variety of writing exercises involving civil litigation and public and private legislation. Met with students individually to review their work and enhance self-editing skills.

Instructor of Law 2000 - 2003

Taught upper-level civil litigation drafting course and two sections of mandatory legal writing and research course to first-year students. Created curriculum and all writing assignments, and devised various lawyering exercises, including client interviews, negotiations, and mock oral argument. Engaged students in conferences to stimulate self-critique. Served on faculty clerkship committee. Acted as mentor for Asian law students group.

New York University School of Law

1997 - 2000

Acting Assistant Professor – The Lawyering Program

Taught required course for first-year students in legal analysis, writing and research. Developed writing assignments and simulation exercises. Reviewed and critiqued students' written work and conducted individual and group conferences with students to evaluate their performance. Fostered critical thinking about legal methodology and ethics through discussion and simulation.

Fordham University School of Law

Adjunct Professor - LL.M. Program

Fall 2004

Taught introduction to American law and legal research and writing to LL.M. students from diverse backgrounds.

Taught year-long class in basic and advanced legal research and writing techniques and skills.

New York University School of Continuing and Professional Education

Adjunct Professor Fall 1999

Taught introductory course on American law and the American legal system. Devised course curriculum and goals, assembled relevant readings and materials, and graded students' performance.

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

Honorable Denny Chin

1994 - 1995

United States District Court - Southern District of New York

Law Clerk.

Researched and drafted opinions, orders, bench memoranda and jury instructions. Supervised all work of six law student interns.

Shearman & Sterling

1991 - 1994;

Litigation Associate

1995 - 1997

Handled wide array of legal matters, including bankruptcy, contract, employment and securities. Engaged in all aspects of litigation, including client and witness interviews, motions practice, discovery and appellate work. Wrote amicus brief to the United States Supreme Court for a case involving the national decennial census, and assisted on brief to the United States Supreme Court on an issue involving national banking practices. Assisted in obtaining a life sentence for death-row inmate, secured political asylum for Afghan refugee, and represented labor union in employment dispute. Served on firm's diversity committee.

EDUCATION

Georgetown University Law Center

Juris Doctor, cum laude – May 1991

Activities: Georgetown Journal of Legal Ethics, Senior Notes Editor; Equal Justice

Foundation: Co-Chair; Asian Pacific American Law Students Association: Secretary

University of Pennsylvania

Bachelor of Arts Degree in English and Psychology - August 1987

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

Association of Legal Writing Directors Biennial Conference

June 2021

The "Back-Story" of Law: Teaching Students to View Law Critically in the Pursuit of Social Justice
Association of American Law Schools

May 2021

Ensuring Equality in Legal Acaademia: Strategies to Dismantle Caste (closing remarks)

Legal Writing Institute – National Conference

July 2018

Invasions, Scourges, and Swindlers – The Role of Metaphor in Law

Northeastern University Law School and Department of Linguistics	March 2017
Syntax and Justice — The Intersection of Law and Linguistics	
Society of American Law Teachers	October 2016
NUSL's Legal Skills in Social Context Program: A Model for Experiential Education	
Legal Writing Institute - National Conference	July 2016
Learning Well by Doing Good — Using Social Justice Partnerships	
to Advance Legal Writing Pedagogy	
Legal Writing Institute - Regional Conference (New England)	October 2015
Changing the Game – New Approaches to Teaching Legal Research	
Legal Writing Institute - Regional Conference (New England)	December
2014	
Teaching Self-Evaluation and Reflection to Improve Legal Writing	
Legal Writing Institute - National Conference	July 2014
Feet to the Fire — New Approaches to Teaching Legal Research	
LegalEd Conference – Igniting Law Teaching	April 2014
Learning Through Reflection and Self-Assessment	
Legal Writing Institute Regional Conference (New England)	December
2013	
Taking a Second Look – Teaching the Art of Self-Editing	
New England Consortium of Legal Writing Teachers Conference	December
2011	

Everybody in the Pool – Exercises to get Students Involved and Engaged in the Classroom

SERVICE

Law School Service

- Promotion and Faculty Development Committee (FTNTT Chair: 2020-2022; Member: 2018-2020)
- Merit Committee (Chair: 2020-2021; Member: 2019-2021)
- Legal Skills in Social Context Program Administrator (2017-2019)
- Legal Skills in Social Context Hiring Committee (Chair: 2017-2019; Member: 2021)
- Academic and Student Life Committee (Chair: 2015-2017; Member: 2017-2018)
- Apprenticeship Task Force (2017-2018)
- Legal Skills in Social Context Merger Committee Member (2013-present)
- 1L Orientation Planning Committee Member (2015-present)
- 1L Orientation Presenter (Fall 2015-2021)
- Asian Pacific American Law Students Association Co-Faculty Advisor (2014-present)
- Curriculum Committee Member (2014-2016)
 - o 1L Implementation Sub-committee Member (2014-2016)
 - o Calendar Sub-committee Member (2015-2016)
 - o Legal Fundamentals Sub-committee Co-Chair (2014-2015)
- Bar Exam and Review Task Force Member (2015-2016)

- o Bar Exam Workshop Presenter (2015-2016)
- Moot Court, Thomas Tang Moot Court Competition Coach (2014-Present (two teams))
- Student Trial Advocacy Competition Co-Coach (Winter 2017)
- Moot Court, Cardozo/BMI Entertainment Law Moot Court Competition Coach (Winter 2016)
- DiscoverLaw Program Panelist (March 2016)
- CAIR Committee Member (2014-2015)
 - o Diversity Workshop Sub-committee Chair (2014-2015)
- Admissions Office Outreach Volunteer (Summer 2015; Summer 2016)
- LL.M. Orientation Presenter (Fall 2016-2017)
- Civil Rights Restorative Justice Clinic Student Presentations Guest Commenter (August 2015)
- Independent Study Advisor (Spring 2015 two students)
- Black Law Students Association Discussion Facilitator (February 2015)
- Rights of Non-Citizens Seminar Guest speaker (February 2014; February 2015)
- Center for Co-op and Professional Advancement Volunteer Counselor (Summer 2014)
- Upper-level Writing Requirement Committee Member (2013-2014)
- Writing Sample Committee Member (2013-2014)
- Clerkship Committee Panelist (Fall 2013)

Community Service

- Greater Boston Legal Services/Asian Outreach Unit (2016-2017)

 Created a Social Justice project for the Asian Outreach Unit to assist the organization with its efforts to combat displacement of long-time residents through gentrification.
- Greater Boston APALSA Professional Development Event Mentor (December 2015)
 Invited by umbrella organization of Boston-area APALSAs to participate as a mentor.
 Engaged in discussions with over a dozen students about career paths and academic goals.
- Consortium of Asian Pacific American Law Faculty (March 2015)
 Organized and moderated panel discussion on the unique experiences of, and difficulties faced by, Asian faculty in the legal academy.
- Greater Boston APALSA Professional Development Event Panelist (December 2014)
 Invited to speak on Alternative Careers panel to the Greater Boston APALSA. Participated in a speed-networking session that served approximately 60 students.
- National Asian/Pacific American Bar Association National Convention Panelist (November 2014)
 - Spoke on a panel concerning the experiences of Asian women in the legal profession; over 150 attorneys were in attendance.

Service to the Profession

Society of American Law Teachers - Board Member (2021)

AALS LWRR Diversity Committee - Co-Chair (2019-2020), Member (2018-2019) Legal Writing Institute, Pro Bono Committee - Chair (2020) Legal Writing Institute Biennial Conference Planning Committee - Member (2016-2018)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Legal Writing Institute – Member Association of Legal Writing Directors – Member Society of American Law Teachers - Member