

[CDO] Important Dates and Deadlines -- Please Read After Your Last Final!

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Dear 2Ls:

Congratulations on completing your finals!

We hate to get between you and your well-deserved winter break, but we urge you to review this email in its entirety now and calendar the key deadlines laid out for upcoming interview/job opportunities to be sure you don't miss out on anything.

Winter Break Hours

The CDO will be open throughout the break except for the period between December 23 and January 1. Our regular drop-in hours will be suspended until the Spring semester begins on January 19.

We will be emailing you over the break about events and deadlines that may be happening during the break or soon thereafter, so do not completely unplug from your Berkeley Law emails.

You can schedule appointments <u>online</u>. If you are having difficulty finding a time that works well for you, feel free to email a <u>CDO Attorney-Counselor</u>.

Attention 2Ls with WIP bids - WIP-related communications/updates will be sent *only* via b-Line and not the 2L class email list (to which we addressed this email). It's critical, therefore, that you review the email address contained in your b-Line profile to insure it is current. Click on "My Account" on the left side-bar menu of b-Line and then on "Personal" to check/update your profile email address.

Berkeley Law's Spring Interview Program (SIP)

The CDO is expecting both public and private sector employers to participate in our virtual Spring Interview Program (SIP) which will be taking place *Monday*, *February 1 - Friday*, *February 12*, *2021*. Students will be able to submit applications for participating employers on b-Line. Employers who are conducting interview schedules are permitted to pre-screen applicants and invite only those students they are interested in interviewing. Employers who have a resume collect schedule will reach out to students directly to schedule interviews.

Employers have started to register and will continue to do so through early January. You can <u>login to b-Line</u> now to see who has registered so far. Please review our <u>SIP</u> <u>web page</u>, which includes <u>instructions</u> on how to view employers and upload your application materials and apply for positions within SIP. You will be able to begin applying on Monday, December 28 at 9:00 am PT, and you will need to complete your applications by 5:00 pm PT on Thursday, January 14. Please note there is no advantage to applying early in that window, as employers do not see the applications until after the period closes on January 14. However, please do not wait until the last minute, in case you encounter technical difficulties.

Remember, once you have accepted an offer, you must stop applying for jobs and notify the employers with whom you have an outstanding job application that you have accepted a position. Rescinding your acceptance to "trade up" for what you perceive to be a better opportunity is unprofessional and can have lasting repercussions for your legal career.

Public Interest/Public Sector ("PIPS Day") Day is scheduled to take place on **Saturday, February 27, 2021**, on the Virtual platform FloRecruit (The same platform used for our fall career fairs.)

Sponsored by the 9 Northern California law schools, this is an incredible opportunity to meet and apply for interviews with over 100 public interest and government organizations.

You should consult this page for information on how PI/PS Day and Berkeley Law's Spring Interview Program (SIP) work. The webpage includes links to lists of employers who registered in past years (and who are likely to participate again this year).

You will receive an email from PIPS Day coordinators with information about how to register for its online application system, including a username and password, instructions for accessing the online system, and deadlines.

Students who want to interview with employers participating in PI/PS Day will be required to submit their applications online by 5:00 pm on Tuesday, February 9, 2021. (NOTE: the PI/PS Day Symplicity portal will begin accepting online applications on January 27, 2021.)

Wishing you a happy and safe holiday season!
We look forward to supporting you in 2021!
Warm regards,
The CDO



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