



# Orientation

**August 20 to 24, 2014**

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<b>Rutgers School of Law at Camden Orientation overview</b>				
<b>Wednesday August 20</b>	<b>Thursday August 21</b>	<b>Friday August 22</b>	<b>Sunday August 24</b>	<b>Wednesday August 27</b>
First-year evening students Orientation 5:00 to 8:30 pm, Room E-108	Orientation required for all first-year students including Summer Jumpstarts 9:30 am to 4:00 pm, Room 106	Orientation required only for those first-year students who were <b>not</b> Summer Jumpstarts 10:00 am to 1:00 pm, Room 106	Reception on the Clark Commons on the Law Bridge, 5:00 pm and Ceremony in the Gordon Theater 6:00 pm	Transfer Student Orientation 12:30 to 2:20 pm, Room E-108

Attendance at Orientation is **required** for all First-year students, full time and part time. Portions of Orientation are required for Transfer Students and Summer Jumpstarts students. Please see the last column in the following pages. Those who are unable to attend their portions of Orientation must contact Student Affairs: [lawstudentaffairs@camlaw.rutgers.edu](mailto:lawstudentaffairs@camlaw.rutgers.edu)

**All full-time first-year students** who did **not** attend the Summer Jumpstart program are **required** to attend: Thursday August 21, 9:30 am to 4:00 pm Friday August 22, 10:00 am to 4:00 pm and Sunday, August 24, 5:30 to 7:30 pm. **Summer Jumpstart students** are **required** to attend these portions of Orientation: Thursday, August 21, 9:30 to 4:00 pm and Sunday, August 24, 5:00 to 7:00 pm. Attendance is not required for Summer Jumpstarts Friday, August 22.

**Evening first-year students** are welcome to attend the Day Orientation if they are able to do so. **Evening students who cannot attend the Day Orientation must register for Evening Orientation by emailing [lawstudentaffairs@camlaw.rutgers.edu](mailto:lawstudentaffairs@camlaw.rutgers.edu)** with the subject line “Register for Evening Orientation.” The Evening Orientation program will take place Wednesday August 20, 5:00 pm to 8:30 pm (includes dinner). Evening Students must also attend Sunday, August 24, 5:00 to 7:00 pm. Other portions of Orientation will be taped for evening students.

**Transfer students** are welcome to all Orientation events, especially the **Social events** listed below. The **Transfer Orientation** is Wednesday, August 27 at 12:30 pm in Law School Room 103 and will feature representatives of the three journals and professors from the Lawyering, Clinic, Externship and Pro Bono programs. Transfers should also attend the meeting regarding Character and

Fitness to be an Attorney with Sahbra Smook Jacobs, Counsel, Committee on Character, NJ Supreme Court, date and time TBA. See the Form on page 10.

**Social events and service opportunity:** All first year and transfer students are welcome to the **Lunch** on Thursday, August 21 (see page 4), and are welcome to participate in the **service opportunity** (see page 5, registration required). All incoming students are required to attend the **reception and ceremony** on Sunday, August 24 at 5:00 pm (see page 5-6), to which families and friends are welcome.

**Dress for Orientation:** casual for all events, except professional attire is required Sunday August 24, reception and ceremony.

**Free time during Orientation days:** see below for University Bookstore hours, assignments for first class, photo ids, and law school directory photos.

Where	When	Orientation Events Wed. Aug. 20	Who must attend
Law School Room E-112		<b>Evening Students Orientation: registration required; email <a href="mailto:lawstudentaffairs@camlaw.rutgers.edu">lawstudentaffairs@camlaw.rutgers.edu</a> to register</b>	Required for all first-year <b>Evening</b> students who are not able to attend Day Orientation
	5:00 to 5:30 pm	Rutgers Law School Directory Pictures; required for all students, these photos are in addition to the University-required photos. All photos will be taken outside of Room 211 in the Law School West Building	
	5:30 pm	Light dinner	
	6:00 pm	Welcome by Dean John Oberdiek	
	6:20 pm	Welcome from the Faculty, Prof. TBA	
	6:40 pm	Pro Bono Opportunities by Assistant Dean Jill Friedman	
	6:50 pm	Evening student panel	
7:20 pm	Honor Code; attendance and character and fitness to be an attorney; Career Planning by Associate Dean Angela Baker		

Where	When	Day Orientation Event Thu. Aug 21  Breakfast on your own	Who must attend
Law School Room 106	9:30 am	Welcome by Dean John Oberdiek	Required for all First Year students, including Summer Jumpstart students. Transfer students are welcome.
	9:45 am	Welcome from the Faculty, Prof. TBA	
	10:05 am	Lawyering Programs Presentation by Profs. Cohen and Chase	
	10:25 am	Law Library Presentation by Anne Dalesandro, Director	
		Break	
	10:45 am	Career Planning and Professional Development Presentation by Rebekah Verona, Director	
	10:55 am	Pro Bono Opportunities by Assistant Dean Jill Friedman, Associate Director of Pro Bono Programs and Public Interest Programs Pam Mertsock-Wolfe	
	11:15 am	University Health Insurance Information	
MPR	12:30 pm	Lunch in the Multi-Purpose Room in the Campus Center	
	1:45	ABA and Camden County Bar representatives	
Law School Room 106	2:00 pm	Honor Code and attendance issues by Assistant Dean Ed Rentzelas; Character and Fitness to be an attorney by Associate Dean Angela Baker	
	2:15 pm	Upper Class Student Panel – Get answers to all of your questions.	
	3:00 pm	<b>Student Organizations, Bar Associations and Vendor Fair</b> , Clark Commons on the Law Bridge. <b>SBA Locker Rentals:</b> Room E-404 (Check or cash required; see page 9). <b>Lexis Password Distribution:</b> Room 323 and <b>Westlaw Password Distribution:</b> Room 325 (both rooms are on the West Building behind the Cafe). <b>Bloomberg Password Distribution:</b> Faculty Lounge, Room E-403.	
free time	Thurs. pm	See Bookstore, ID Card hours, Law School directory photo hours, directions for obtaining Assignments for First Class, pages 12-15.	

<b>Where</b>	<b>When</b>	<b>Day Orientation Event Fri. Aug 22</b> <i>Breakfast on your own</i>	<b>Who must attend</b>
Law School Room 106	10:00 am	Academic Orientation by Prof. Alison M. Nissen, Director of the Academic Success Program	Required for all First Year students, who were not Summer Jumpstarts. Transfer students are welcome.
	11:15 am	Student Health Services, Dr. Maria Serra	
	11:30 am	Campus Police, Chief Guy Still and Parking Department, Margaret Stridick	
	11:45 am	Financial Aid Presentation by Assistant Managers Heather Hunsberger and Rebekka Howell	
	12:15 pm	Director of Information Technology, Tom Ryan	
Law School Room 211	12:30 pm	Rutgers Law School Directory Pictures; required for all students, these photos are in addition to the University-required photos. All photos will be taken outside of Law School Law School Room 211 in the Law School West Building	
	Fri. pm free time	See Bookstore, ID Card hours, Law School directory photo hours, directions for obtaining Assignments for First Class, pages 12-15	
<b>TBA</b>	<b>Sat. Aug. 24 9:30 am</b>	<b>Registration Required for Service Opportunity: Project TBA</b> For more information and to sign up, please send an email to Pam Mertsock-Wolfe, Associate Director of Pro Bono/Public Service Program, <a href="mailto:pmertsoc@camden.rutgers.edu">pmertsoc@camden.rutgers.edu</a> by August 12	<b>Service Opty. for all students</b>
Clark Commons on the Law Bridge	Sun. Aug. 24 5:00 pm	<b>Dean's reception Sun. Aug 24</b> Families and friends are welcome.	Required for all incoming students.
	Walter Gordon Theatre	6:00 pm <b>Welcoming Ceremony:</b> Dean John Oberdiek and speakers Families and friends are welcome.	
<b>THE LAWYERS' PLEDGE for Program on Sunday, August 25 in the Gordon Theatre</b>			
<b>In accepting the honor and responsibility of life in the profession of law, I will strive, as best I can:</b>			

- to work always with care, and with a whole heart and with good faith;
  - to weigh my conflicting loyalties and guide my work with an eye to the good, acting less for myself than for justice and the people;
  - to be at all times, even at personal sacrifice, a champion of fairness and due process, in court or not, for all persons, whether the powerful or envied, or my neighbors, or the helpless or the hated or the oppressed; and
  - to serve, protect, foster and promote the fair and impartial administration of justice.
- New Jersey Commission on Professionalism in the Law, 1997; adapted from an oath devised by Professor Karl Llewellyn of the University of Chicago.

Where	When	Orientation Events Wed. Aug. 27	Who must attend
Law School Rm E-112	11:50-1:05 pm	<b>Transfer Students Orientation</b> Assistant Dean Jill Friedman, Professors Jason Cohen, Harriet Katz and Victoria Chase, and representatives from the Journals	Required for all transfer students

## Information for Incoming Students

### About Classes and Exams:

Academic Calendar: <https://camlaw.rutgers.edu/cgi-bin/academic-calendar.cgi>

Class schedule: Your class schedule is posted at <https://camlaw.rutgers.edu/cgi-bin/students/showroster.cgi>

For the complete class schedule, see <https://camlaw.rutgers.edu/students/schedules/>

Attendance rule: see page 21

Exam Schedule: <https://camlaw.rutgers.edu/worldcourse/files/900-11-9/F13-ExamSchedule.pdf>

Exam Rule: see page 21

**About Rutgers-Camden School of Law:** see Help at a Glance: <https://camlaw.rutgers.edu/help-glance>

**Accommodations for Disabilities:** The Office of Student Affairs serves students with special needs. If you have learning or physical or other disabilities, please contact Associate Dean Angela Baker so that appropriate accommodations can be arranged for you: [angbaker@camden.rutgers.edu](mailto:angbaker@camden.rutgers.edu) Setting up accommodations requires recent detailed medical documentation, and approval from a University Committee in New Brunswick. Therefore, it is imperative that you start this process as soon as possible after admission. Please note that you must not discuss accommodations with your professors. Law school exams are anonymous, and accommodations are not disclosed to professors.

**Assignments for the first class of each course** will be posted on the Student Information webpage, under “Important News for Students” <https://camlaw.rutgers.edu/student-information-services> or in the course webpage, <https://camlaw.rutgers.edu/course/> under Welcome, Syllabus or Materials. Professors will expect you to be prepared for your first class.

**Bookstore, University District** Camden Technology Center, 601 Cooper Street, Camden. Textbooks can also be purchased online via the Bookstore's website. Call 856-968-1200 or see [www.udb.bkstr.com](http://www.udb.bkstr.com)

**Creating an email account:** Go to Rutgers Homepage, <http://www.camlaw.rutgers.edu/> Then Intranet, then Creating an Account.

**Employment Affidavit:** Each semester, all students registered for 12 credits or more must complete the employment affidavit pursuant to Law School Academic Rule 8.1(B), which prohibits full-time students from being employed in excess of 20 hours per week. If you fail to complete the required employment affidavit, your access to the Law School's website will be limited. To submit your online employment affidavit, please visit the following website: <https://camlaw.rutgers.edu/cgi-bin/exams/affidavit.cgi>

**Locker rentals:** Lockers are located on the 3rd floor of the West building. Lockers are a must have, especially for commuters. Student locker rentals will take place during the Student Organization Fair. Contact Jen Houghton [jennifer.houghton@rutgers.edu](mailto:jennifer.houghton@rutgers.edu)

**Mailfolders** are located in the lobby of the Second Floor West.

**Rutgers University Pictures for ID cards; required for all students**

Rutgers University ID photos will be taken at the IMPACT BOOTH located on the first floor of the Campus Center.  
Hours during Orientation: TBA Regular hours see [http://campuscenter.camden.rutgers.edu/impact\\_booth.html](http://campuscenter.camden.rutgers.edu/impact_booth.html)

**Parking during Orientation:** Ticketing will be suspended in all campus lots during Orientation. Please be advised that parking meters belong to the City of Camden, not Rutgers University. Beginning Monday, August 26, student parking is permitted only at City/Rutgers Lot 11 in front of Campbell's Field at the waterfront. Shuttles will be available to bring students to campus. Ticketing at the waterfront lot will be suspended until September 6. For information about parking at Rutgers, see <http://parking.camden.rutgers.edu/students.html> **Campus Map:** <http://maps.rutgers.edu/maps/camdenmaps.html>

**Parking permits for the Camden County College Deck:** 6<sup>th</sup> and Penn Streets; for information call 856-968-1393.

**For the complete Academic Rules, see <https://camlaw.rutgers.edu/rutgers-law-school-rules-regulations-and-policies>**

**Rule 3.8: Class Attendance.**

- (a) A student must attend regularly to receive credit for courses.
- (b) A professor may consider a student not to be attending regularly if the student misses a number of class hours exceeding the number of units for which the course is offered.
- (c) A professor shall excuse without penalty students who are absent because of religious observance and allow the make-up of work missed on account of such absence.
- (d) If a student is not attending regularly, the professor may exclude the student from the examination (or, in the case of a seminar, deny the student the opportunity to submit a seminar paper) in which case the student shall be awarded a grade of F.
- (e) Students may not register for a course which is scheduled in such a way that attendance at each and every class hour is impossible because of a conflict with another course or activity for which the student is registered.

**Rule 13.3: Course Requirement of Taking a Final Exam.**

- (a) If the course requires the student to take and pass a final examination, the student may be excused in advance of the examination for good cause by the Dean of Students. If a student receives such permission, the grade of INC will be given.



(b) "Good cause", as used in (a), means an incapacitating medical condition (as documented by a physician according to the requirements of the Dean of Students), family emergency or religious observance. The Administration may publish procedures for establishing "good cause."

(c) A student who fails without excuse to take a final examination shall be considered to have earned an F on the examination, and may be given an F for the course.

**Academic Integrity Policy** – see <http://academicintegrity.rutgers.edu/policy-on-academic-integrity>

**Electronic Research Training (Attendance Required):**

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**Lexis – Melissa Gorsline**

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**Password Distribution: Representatives will distribute passwords to first-year and transfer students at the Student Organizations/Vendors Fair on Thursday, August 21, 3:00 pm Lexis, Westlaw and Bloomberg: Faculty Lounge, Room E-403.**

**Training for first-year full time students -- All sessions are in room 106 - STUDENTS MUST BRING LAPTOPS**

**Dates and times TBA**

**Evening students: Your LAWR Professor will give instructions on password distribution and training.**

**For activities in the area**, see <http://www.camdenwaterfront.com/> Discounted tickets for Camden Waterfront attractions like the Aquarium, The Susquehanna Center concerts and the Riversharks baseball games are available at the Impact Booth in the Camden Student Center. [http://campuscenter.camden.rutgers.edu/impact\\_booth.html](http://campuscenter.camden.rutgers.edu/impact_booth.html)

**New Jersey information:**

<http://www.new-jersey-leisure-guide.com/new-jersey-entertainment.html>

[http://www.aclink.org/webadmin/MainPages/Rec\\_links.asp](http://www.aclink.org/webadmin/MainPages/Rec_links.asp) (Atlantic County, NJ)

<http://www.newjerseyvisitorsnetwork.com/users/newjersey-cgi/page2.cgi?dir=capemay&what=do> (Cape May County, NJ)

**Philadelphia information:**

<http://www.riverlinkferry.org/> (Ferry from Camden to Philadelphia); <http://www.campusphilly.com/entertainment/>

<http://www.digphilly.com/> <http://www.philly.com/philly/calendar/>

## Character and Fitness to be an Attorney

Rutgers School of Law at Camden is required to report Character and Fitness information to the bar examiners, and asked the questions below at the time of your application to the law school. To find out what kind of information is sought by the bar examiners of the jurisdictions to which you plan to apply, see <http://www.ncbex.org/bar-admissions/offices/> which has links to every jurisdiction. **Acceptance by the law school does not guarantee certification by the state bar examiners.** If you have any doubts about the information in your application, you should obtain criminal records and/or motor vehicles check as soon as possible, or check with your undergraduate institution for records regarding any infraction. Amend your file if necessary. The following questions were part of the application you submitted to Rutgers School of Law at Camden. Please review them and the bold portion below carefully.

*\*Have you ever been dismissed, expelled, suspended, placed on probation, given an academic warning, or disciplined by any secondary school, college, university, graduate or professional school (including Law School) for academic or any other reasons?*

*\* Has your academic career ever been interrupted one or more terms? If so, explain the circumstances, including relevant dates. (Does not include breaks between college and graduate school).*

*\* Have you ever been dishonorably discharged from the armed forces of the United States or any other nation?*

*\*Have you ever been charged with, arrested for, or convicted of the violation of any law or ordinance (other than minor traffic violations)? The entry of an expungement or sealing order does not relieve you of the duty to disclose the matter on this statement. This includes any juvenile record. If yes, please include an official statement of charges and dispositions.*

*\* Are there any criminal or disciplinary charges pending or expected to be brought against you?*

**I have reviewed the law school application questions above. I understand that if I need to supplement the answers that I submitted on my law school application, I must prepare a signed, hard copy description of the incident and submit it to the Dean of Students attached to this form, explaining why the incident was not disclosed in the Admissions application. I understand that while the law school does not require copies of court documents or other disciplinary records, the bar examiners will. Therefore, I will obtain copies of all relevant documents as soon as possible. I also understand that, during law school, I have a continuing obligation to report any new criminal or disciplinary matters to the Dean of Students for inclusion in my files. I understand that findings of violations of the Law School Code of Student Conduct or the University Code of Student Conduct will also be included in student files. I further understand that the law school has a duty to respond to questions regarding any of the above issues to the bar examiners of every jurisdiction to which I apply in the future.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

A copy of this form will be distributed separately at the meeting regarding Character and Fitness issues **with the Sahbra Smook Jacobs, Counsel, Committee on Character, NJ Supreme Court** (Date and time TBA). A copy of the form with your original signature is due by **October 15**. You may bring the signed form to Law School Room E-304 or place it in Assoc. Dean Angela Baker's mailbox in Law School Room 609. This copy is for your records.

## Academic Success Program Professor Alison M. Nissen

### Fall 2014 Workshop Series for First-Year Students

The Academic Success Workshops are held on Wednesdays from 1:05 to 2:20 p.m. in Room E112. There will be a series of at least eight ASP workshops. Attendance at the workshops is **mandatory** for all first-year students.

ASP Workshop 1      Wednesday, August 27, 2014      1:05 to 2:20 p.m.      Room 106

“Reading and Briefing Cases, Note-Taking and Learning Styles: Learn How to Get Off To a Great Start in Your First Two Weeks of Law School”

ASP Workshop 2      Wednesday, September 3, 2014      1:05 to 2:20 p.m.      Room 106

“Take Time to Make Time: Time Management for Law School.”

ASP Workshop 3      Wednesday, September 17, 2014      1:05 to 2:20 p.m.      Room 106

“Outlining: How to Create Your Own Effective Course Outline.”

ASP Workshop 4      Wednesday, September 24, 2014      1:05 to 2:20 p.m.      Room E112

“Outlining Lab: Create Your Own Outlines, Part One.”

ASP Workshop 5      Wednesday, October 1, 2014      1:05 to 2:20 p.m.      Room E112

“Outlining Lab: Create Your Own Outlines, Part Two.”

ASP Workshop 6      Wednesday, October 15, 2014 1:05 to 2:20 p.m.      Room E112

“Exam Writing: Why You Need a Game Plan for Essay Exams.”

ASP Workshop 7      Wednesday, October 22, 2014      1:05 to 2:20 p.m.      Room E112

“Exam Taking: How to Answer Multiple Choice Exam Questions.”

ASP Workshop 8      Wednesday, October 29, 2014      1:05 to 2:20 p.m.      Room E112

Exam Period Time Management: How to Maximize Your Remaining Time to Get Ready for Exams.”

First Year Professor Panel      Wednesday, November 5, 2014 (tentative date)      1:05 to 2:20 p.m.      Room 106

Various 1L professors answer your questions about exams. Do not miss this opportunity to hear professors discuss general study methods, preparing for examinations and their expectations for successful exam answers. For the past several years, this session has been standing room only, lively, entertaining and informative.

Individual Conferences:      Professor Nissen is available to all first year students for individual conferences.

Feeling overwhelmed? Just can't get all of the reading done for your courses, concerned about how to take notes or are you worried about getting called on during class? Please make an appointment to see me: [anissen@camden.rutgers.edu](mailto:anissen@camden.rutgers.edu).

**Alison M. Nissen, Clinical Associate Professor of Law and Director of Academic Success**

**Rutgers School of Law – Camden**

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## Career Planning and Professional Development Office

<http://www.camlaw.rutgers.edu>

<http://camlaw.rutgers.edu/career-planning>

[careerplanning@camlaw.rutgers.edu](mailto:careerplanning@camlaw.rutgers.edu)

Blog: <http://rutgerscamlawcpo.blogspot.com/>

856-225-6178

**There will be a few MANDATORY Career Planning meetings in the fall semester. Schedule TBA.**

### Suggested 1L Career Planning Timeline

August – Mid-October

- Focus on academics and adjusting to law school. Law School Career Planning Offices may not begin offering one-on-one career counseling or application document reviews to first-year students before October 15 and Legal Employers may not consider applications from 1L students for summer positions until December 1st of the first year.
- Attend mandatory 1L career panels and programs: Public Service Panel, Private Practice Panel, Networking Workshop, Working for the Judiciary Panel, 1L Career Planning Workshop
- Continue attending career programs throughout the year to learn about various practice areas.
- Join student groups and learn about pro bono projects.
- Consider registering for the Equal Justice Works Career Fair and Conference in Washington, DC. 1L's may not interview for positions, but may attend the conference.

Mid-Late October

- Prepare draft resume and cover letter.
- Schedule an appointment for *individual counseling session between October 15 and February 1<sup>st</sup>* to review your resume and cover letter and to begin planning your search for a summer legal position.
- Login to Symplicity (our on-line Career Center) and become familiar with its features. Browse job postings.
- Become familiar with the Career Planning page on the Law School website.
- Begin researching employers based on information provided in the 1L workshop and resources on the website.

## November – December

- Apply for positions that are out of the area.
- Apply for judicial internships in federal courts, internships at some federal agencies and summer associate positions at large firms in December. Most other employers will not expect applications until the second semester when your fall grades are available.
- Apply for public service and public interest positions via the PIPS job fair.

## January – April

- Schedule an appointment with your counselor if you did not already do so.
- Attend Summer 1L Experience Panel Discussion to hear about what upper class students did in their 1L summer.
- Apply for most summer positions, including judicial internships in state courts, government offices, public interest organizations and small to mid-sized law firms.
- Participate in the Speed Networking Program in February to begin developing professional contacts.
- Participate in Mock Interview Program in February in preparation for your 2L summer job search.
- Apply for summer funding through APIL for those working in Public Interest/Public Service positions (March).
- Attend Clinic and Externship Program information sessions.



## **PRO BONO: A PROUD TRADITION AT RUTGERS-CAMDEN LAW SCHOOL**

Membership in the legal profession carries with it ethical obligations to promote access to justice and to provide free legal service to the poor. Through its pro bono and public interest programs, along with its other lawyering programs, the law school teaches its students how to fulfill their ethical obligations. Pro bono service can and should be woven into every legal career.

As early as their first year in law school, students can become involved in pro bono projects based at the law school or, with pre-approval, at external public interest organizations. This early involvement, which enables students to develop their legal skills and professional networks, is often an introduction to the credit-bearing lawyering opportunities at the law school, such as the various clinics, the Externship Program, or the Marshall-Brennan Fellowship.

Through pro bono and public interest involvement, Rutgers law students have the opportunity to share in the satisfaction of helping clients who have nowhere else to turn.

## **PROJECTS**

Our in-house projects and external opportunities have been developed in response to community needs, educational value and student interest. For all pro bono projects students receive extensive training and expert supervision. The current roster of projects includes:

**501(c)(3) Project**      Supervised students assist community groups seeking or resolving issues with their nonprofit status.

**Bankruptcy Project**      Student/attorney teams assist clients seeking Chapter 7 Bankruptcy relief.

**Domestic Violence Project**      Students assist victims of domestic violence in the process of completing complaints and obtaining temporary restraining orders.

**Financial Literacy Project (FLiP)** Students teach Camden youth about credit, budgeting, and identity theft.

**Guardianship Project** Students assist with guardianship petitions for incapacitated Cooper Hospital patients

**Hurricane Sandy Project** Students assist Legal Services lawyers with Sandy-related legal issues (mostly during spring break)

**Mediation Project** In a court-connected program, students help parties resolve small claims matters without litigation.

**Planning Estates Project** Students assist clients with preparation of wills, powers of attorney and advance directives.

**Pro Bono Research Project** Students provide legal research to public interest law practitioners, government attorneys, and private attorneys handling pro bono cases.

**Supervision to Aid Reentry (STAR) Eastern District Prisoner Reentry Project** Students assist with intake for federal probationers with civil legal problems and represent some probationers in traffic court (by application only)

**Street Law Project** Students make presentations to Camden area youth in schools, detention centers, and other settings about practical law as it affects their lives.

**Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA)** Students assist low income NJ residents with their tax returns, including Earned Income Tax Credit.

**Voters' Rights Project** Students monitor election activities to insure that all qualified registered voters are able to vote, and they participate in voter registration drives.

**For further information, contact:** Dean Jill Friedman 856-225-6263 [jill.friedman@rutgers.edu](mailto:jill.friedman@rutgers.edu)

Associate Director Pam Mertsock-Wolfe 856-225-6406 [pmertsoc@camden.rutgers.edu](mailto:pmertsoc@camden.rutgers.edu)

Note: Applicants to the NY Bar who seek admission after January 1, 2015 must have completed 50 hours of pro bono service:

<http://rutgerscamlawcpo.blogspot.com/2012/12/important-information-for-1ls-and-2ls.html>



<b>Upcoming events for Fall 2014</b>			
Law School Room 207	Wed. Sept. 10, 1:05 to 2:20 pm	<p><b>Presentation on Pro Bono Projects</b></p> <p>Pro bono projects enable students to help real clients with real legal problems. Join the pro bono professionals and student leaders of our 15+ projects for lunch and nuts-and-bolts information about how each project can help you build your own credentials while helping others. Projects include Bankruptcy, Domestic Violence, Financial Literacy, Mediation, Street Law and many others. The law school recognizes those students who perform 50 hours of pro bono service during law school, and the Dean confers a special award to those who perform 100 hours. Orientation for all students (1L, 2L, 3L, 4L, F/T, P/T). Pizza will be served!!!</p>	All students are welcome.
Campus Center MPR	Wed. Oct. 1, 6:00 to 9:00 pm	<p><b>Mary Philbrook Public Interest Celebration.</b> Don't miss the social and social justice event of the season. This year's honoree will be announced at <a href="http://camlaw.rutgers.edu/mary-philbrook-awards">http://camlaw.rutgers.edu/mary-philbrook-awards</a></p>	