

Stanford Law School

2L Public Interest Mentors

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Each year, the Levin Center at Stanford Law School recruits second-year public interest students to mentor first-year students to help ease the transition to law school and provide personalized advice and support. First-year students can choose to join specific practice area groups (e.g., criminal prosecution, international human rights, or environmental law) or a general public interest group for students with niche interests not covered by existing groups (e.g., animal law) or students who have not yet narrowed their interests.



Denise Ballesteros

Denise was born and raised in Los Angeles, CA. She attended UCLA, where she studied Chicana/o Studies and International Development Studies, with minors in Political Science and Latin American Studies. She spent one semester studying politics of Southeast Asia at the National University of Singapore. During her last quarter at UCLA, she interned at the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law in Washington, D.C. Before law school, she spent a few months as a teaching assistant in Madrid. She then worked as a paralegal for a few years at Hadsell, Stormer, Richardson & Renick, LLP, a public interest law firm in Pasadena, CA. At SLS, she is a board member of the Stanford Latino Law Students Association and the Events and Symposium Editor for the Stanford Journal of Civil Rights and Civil Liberties. She is also a coordinator for the Immigration Pro Bono and a Munger CA. She spent her 1L summer as a Ford Foundation Fellow at Women's Link Worldwide, a women's rights organization in Madrid. Denise is excited to participate in the Organizations and Transactions Clinic this spring.



Erin Cho

Erin is from Los Angeles, CA and graduated from the University of Pennsylvania where she studied History, Environmental Studies, and East Asian Languages & Civilizations. After college, Erin taught sixth grade at a middle school in Los Angeles through Teach For America and the Los Angeles Unified School District. While teaching, she concurrently earned an MA in Elementary Education from Loyola Marymount University. Wishing to experience life abroad, Erin then moved to Seoul, South Korea to teach English at a public elementary school and wisely used her vacation time to travel throughout Asia. After returning home to L.A., she served as a volunteer intern at The Alliance for Children's Rights, a legal nonprofit that represents foster and abused children. At SLS, Erin is Co-President of the Asian Pacific Islander Law Students Association, a member editor of the Stanford Law Review, and the Managing Editor for Online for the Stanford Journal of Civil Rights & Civil Liberties. She is

also involved with the Social Security Disability Project and Youth and Education Advocates at Stanford. During her 1L summer, Erin externed for a judge on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit in Pasadena, CA.



Connie Dang

Connie is from Los Angeles and studied Political Science and Philosophy at Stanford University. During her undergraduate years, she was the co-president of the Stanford Association for International Development. Prior to beginning law school, she worked as an Account Manager at Google for several years in the Boston, Mountain View, and Sydney offices. This past summer, Connie was an intern at the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York in the Terrorism and International Narcotics, Complex Frauds, and Asset Forfeiture units. At Stanford Law, she is active in the Stanford Law and Policy Review and the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals Pro Bono.



Jessica Dragonetti

Jessica grew up around the South, with the most important stints in Tennessee and North Carolina, and then moved to the big city. She graduated from the University of Chicago in 2009 with a B.A. in Anthropology and Near Eastern Languages & Civilizations. After college, she worked in rural and urban South Africa, at a social-justice-oriented seminary in Chicago, and at a newly founded Turkish university. At Stanford, she is involved with the Social Security Disability Project, the Iraqi Legal Education Initiative, Shaking the Foundations, and the Board on Judicial Affairs. Jessica spent her 1L summer at the Federal Public Defender for the Middle District of Tennessee and is thrilled to participate in the Community Law Clinic this year.



Jon Erwin-Frank

Jon grew up in Milwaukee Wisconsin and spent a year in Hsin Chu, Taiwan, before attending Swarthmore College where he studied political science and history and was

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very involved in the College Democrats. After graduating he taught English to middle school students for a year in Madrid, Spain. At SLS he is on the board of the American Constitution Society, OUTLAW and the Criminal Law Society and is a co-coordinator of the Housing Pro Bono Program. He spent his 1L summer at the ACLU Criminal Law Reform project, which focuses on creating a more just, less punitive criminal justice system through law and policy reforms. He is looking forward to participating in the Criminal Defense Clinic.



Kate Falkenstien

Kate grew up in Lawrence, Kansas and then moved to the East Coast for college. She graduated from Yale with a degree in psychology in 2012, and came straight to Stanford afterwards. In law school, she has been involved in the mock trial team,

the Parallel Justice pro bono project, and the Journal of Complex Litigation. She is interested in criminal law and spent her 1L summer at the San Jose US Attorney's office. Kate looks forward to participating in moot court and the religious liberties clinic during 2L year. In her spare time, she enjoys watching college basketball, hunting for deals at local garage sales, and coaching the Stanford debate team.



Farbod Faraji

Farbod was born in Iran, but raised in San Diego, CA. He attended Stanford University, where he majored in Political Science with a focus on U.S.-Iran relations. After college, Farbod worked for a year at the ACLU's National Security Project in New York. At

SLS, he is the Public Interest Liaison for the Student Law Association, Co-Chair of Shaking the Foundations, Vice President of the American Constitution Society, and an Associate Editor of the Stanford Law and Policy Review. During his 1L summer, Farbod worked at Bay Area Legal Aid's Youth Justice Project and the Legal Aid Society of the District of Columbia. Farbod loves talking about public interest law and does slam poetry in his free time.



Lauren Finkelstein

Lauren is from Philadelphia, PA. She went to college at Washington University in St. Louis where she studied Anthropology, Women and Gender Studies and French. During her time there, she lived in Senegal and Morocco where she did field work with Cameroonian

immigrants. After graduation, she worked at the Immigrant Women's Program at Legal Momentum in DC and then moved to Toulouse, France where she taught English in

primary schools. At SLS, Lauren is the co-president of the Law Students for Reproductive Justice, Chair of Alumni Relations for WSL, and a member of the Iraqi Refugee Program's policy team, the naturalization pro bono and project Remade.



Lizzy Foydel

Lizzy is from Evanston, Illinois. She attended Columbia College at Columbia University, where she double majored in Political Science and French Literature, graduating in 2012. While in college, she interned for Amnesty International and the International

Center for Transitional Justice. She came straight through to Stanford, where she works on the Rwanda Legal Development Project, the Stanford Journal of International Law, and the International Human Rights Pro Bono Project. For her 1L summer she interned at the Human Rights Institute in New York, researching treaty implementation and human rights application in the domestic context. She is interested in international humanitarian and human rights law, transitional justice, and treaty design and implementation. In her free time she is a news junkie and also loves live music and foreign languages.



Richard Freeman

Richard grew up in Miami, FL, and studied Russian Literature at Harvard University. He is currently pursuing a joint degree in public policy at the Harvard Kennedy School. Prior to SLS, Richard worked as a global health

professional. He served as an advisor to governments in 20 countries in Africa and Latin America, as part of the Clinton Foundation's effort to scale up free treatment for patients living with HIV/AIDS. He also worked with the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation on grant-making strategies for medical technology innovations designed to improve health services in developing countries. He lived in Ethiopia for four years, where he served as an embedded consultant within the government and supported the expansion of public HIV treatment services. At the global level, he served as co-chair of a UN working group to coordinate improved standards for pediatric HIV care across international agencies and African ministries of health. In the private sector, Richard worked for a private equity firm investing in Sub-Saharan Africa and was a management consultant at Oliver Wyman. At SLS, Richard is on the executive board of the Stanford Journal of International Law and is a member of the Rwanda Legal Development Project. He spent his 1L summer at the Public International Law & Policy Group, providing legal services for the Syrian opposition and the Libyan government.

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Amelia Green

Amelia was born and raised in North Carolina. She graduated from Columbia University, where she studied Political Science and Latin American and Iberian Cultures. During college, Amelia coordinated a mentoring program for immigrant youth and interned in the Juvenile Rights Practice of the Legal Aid Society of New York. At SLS, Amelia is a Managing Editor of Submissions of the Stanford Journal of Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, Co-Coordinator of the Housing Pro Bono, Academic Development Co-Chair of the Black Law Students Association, and Programming Co-Chair of the 2013 Shaking the Foundations Progressive Lawyering Conference. Amelia is interested in civil rights and poverty law. She spent her 1L summer working with low-income tenants at the Housing and Impact Litigation Unit of Bet Tzedek Legal Services in Los Angeles and is excited to participate in the Community Law Clinic this spring.



Marisol Guttman

Mari is from Chicago and graduated from Grinnell College in 2009, where she double majored in Anthropology and Political Science. After graduation, she moved to Macau for a year, where she was an English-language teaching fellow at Macau University of Science and Technology. After completing her fellowship, she returned Chicago and worked as a legal assistant at Kempster, Keller, and Lenz-Calvo, an immigration law firm. At Stanford, Mari is the Communications Chair for American Constitution Society as well as the Legal Resources Director for the Iraqi Refugee Assistance Project. Mari is also a member of SLS's Rule of Law program, Women of Stanford Law, Stanford Latino Law Students Association, and Stanford Law and Policy Review. She spent her summer at the International Law and Policy Institute, a Norwegian law firm and think tank that focuses on rule of law and international human rights. Mari will be participating in the Organizations and Transactions Clinic this spring.



Matt Henry

Matt is originally from Ithaca, New York. He moved to the Bay Area in 2009, after graduating from Cornell University, and has slowly gotten used to the lack of real seasons here. Matt worked for two years as an investigator on capital habeas corpus petitions, and then worked for a year in a small plaintiff's side civil litigation firm before coming to Stanford. Last spring, Matt joined the Stanford Three Strikes Project, and wrote a petition for re-sentencing for an

inmate serving a life term for possession of methamphetamine. Over the summer, Matt worked at the San Francisco Public Defender's Office, and is looking forward to working in the Criminal Defense Clinic in the Fall. In his spare time, Matt enjoys going for hikes with his Belgian Shepard, Salem, and playing basketball.



Kip Hustace

Born in Honolulu and brought up on the Big Island of Hawai'i, Kip graduated from Stanford in 2011, having studied literature and ethics. He performed during college with Ram's Head Theatrical Society and studied in the UK and in Italy; he worked after college as an editorial assistant at Boston Review. Serving on the boards of the Native American Law Students Association and the American Constitution Society, Kip spent his first-year summer in the civil division at the U.S. Attorney's Office in San Jose and will join the Youth and Education Law Project in winter. When not reading cases he cooks, runs trails, writes, swims, and appreciates music and movies.



Per Jansen

Born and raised a Midwesterner, Per earned a B.A. in political science, and a Master's degree in community planning, from the University of Cincinnati. During his time at UC Per volunteered with the Office of the Mayor of Cincinnati, the Cincinnati Interfaith Workers Center, and the Ohio Justice and Policy Center (a nonprofit criminal defense law firm). After graduating, he worked at the Legal Aid Society of Southwest Ohio, conducting research for foreclosure litigation and handling landlord/tenant disputes. At Stanford he volunteers with the Iraqi Refugee Assistance Project and the San Francisco Access to Civil Justice Pro Bono Project, and serves as a lead article editor for the Stanford Journal of Civil Rights & Civil Liberties and as a member editor for the Stanford Law Review. He also serves on the board of the Stanford chapter of the American Constitution Society. During his 1L summer he worked as an extern for the Honorable Susan Dlott, Chief Judge of the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Ohio. He looks forward to working for the Community Law Clinic this winter.



Mansi Kothari

Mansi is from Scarsdale, NY. She graduated from the University of Pennsylvania in 2012, where she majored in Global Health and World History and minored in Anthropology and South Asia Studies. As an

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undergraduate, she was involved in numerous organizations on campus, including the Race Dialogue Project, the Urban Nutrition Initiative, the West Philadelphia Tutoring Project, and the Asian American Studies Undergraduate Advisory Board. Her campus involvement continues at Stanford Law School, where she is actively involved in All Our Nephews, Street Law, the Iraqi Refugee Assistance Project, the Afghanistan Legal Education Project, the Stanford Critical Law Society, and the Asian Pacific Islander Law Students Association. This past summer, she interned with the New York State Office of the Attorney General. Beginning this year, Mansi is pursuing a dual degree with the Management Science and Engineering Department at Stanford. She is looking forward to participating in the Organization and Transactions Clinic this coming spring.



Andrew Kushner

Andrew grew up in Portland, Oregon. He studied English and French at Pomona College, graduating in 2009. After college, Andrew taught English in Brittany, France for a year and then worked as a paralegal for the Federal Trade Commission for two years. At Stanford, he is involved in the mock trial team and the Immigration Deferred Action and Election Protection pro bono projects. This summer, Andrew worked for the Criminal Division of the U.S. Attorney's Office in Los Angeles. He is looking forward to participating in the Supreme Court Litigation Clinic in the spring.



Neel Lalchandani

Neel grew up in Oakland, California and graduated from Penn in 2010 with a degree in Political Science. After graduation, Neel delayed the real world by taking part in a series of fellowship programs. He spent a summer in Lyon, France as a Humanity in Action fellow, served as a teaching fellow at an all-boys high school in Chicago, and participated in the Coro Fellows Program in Public Affairs in San Francisco. At Stanford, Neel is on the board of the American Constitution Society and part of the Iraq Legal Education Initiative team. This past summer, Neel worked at the intersection of civil liberties and national security as a Ford Fellow at Human Rights First. He looks forward to participating in Moot Court during this upcoming year.



Chris Lewis

Chris was born and raised in Boston, MA, and attended South Boston High School. Before enrolling in college, he worked as a carpenter, limousine driver, barber, butcher, line chef, furniture salesman,

cheese monger, histo-pathology technician, and demolition specialist. He failed his real estate licensure exams in 2006, which naturally led to him pursuing a career as a professional political philosopher. He graduated from UMass-Boston in 2008, where he accidentally majored in Africana Studies after attempting to become an accountant, and earned an M.A in philosophy at Columbia in 2010. Before starting the joint programme in Law and Philosophy at Stanford, he spent two years at Balliol College, Oxford. He prefers to spell words the English way now. He has taught in various prison education programs. He participated in the Prison University Project at San Quentin State Prison during his 1L year and hopes to do so again this year. He spent his 1L summer as a Ford Foundation Fellow at The Sentencing Project in Washington D.C., working on policy research and advocacy. He has a one year-old son called Lawrence and enjoys watching Daniel Tiger and British soap operas.



Lisa Li

Lisa grew up in China, New Zealand, and Missouri. She graduated from Williams College in 2011 with a degree in Political Science, Legal Studies, and French. Lisa deferred SLS one year to work as a legal assistant at White & Case in Washington, D.C. At SLS, Lisa is the co-president of International Law Society and Stanford Law and Technology Association. She is also involved with the Iraqi Refugee Assistance Project, Stanford Intellectual Property Association, and Asian-Pacific Islander Law Students' Association. Lisa is interested in litigation and hopes to specialize in either international or intellectual property litigation. She spent her 1L summer in Legrainia, Greece working at the European Public Law Organization, an international organization that performs institution-building projects for candidate nations of the European Union.



Kori Lorick

Kori is from South Carolina and graduated from the College of William and Mary. Before coming to Stanford, she worked with the federal government in D.C., a domestic violence shelter in NM, and an international organization in Geneva, Switzerland. She participates with NALSA, ELS, ELJ, the Mock Trial team, and Street Law. This past summer she worked with the State of Alaska's Environmental Section.



Nikki Marquez

Nikki is originally from Los Angeles, CA. She majored in Public Policy at Stanford, and then earned her MA in International

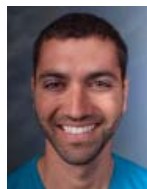
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Relations and International Economics from The Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies. Prior to law school, Nikki worked on anti-human trafficking legislation and policy in Washington, DC. In her 1L year, Nikki worked as a client advocate and Policy Co-Director for the Iraqi Refugee Assistance Project (IRAP), was a board member of the Stanford International Human Rights Law Association (SIHRLA) and Law Students for Reproductive Justice (LSRJ), and was involved in the international human rights and the immigration pro bono projects. This summer, Nikki worked on women's rights and public interest law in Beijing as a Ford Fellow. Next year, Nikki will be the Co-President of IRAP, President of SIHRLA, a member of the Timor-Leste Legal Education Project, and will continue to work with LSRJ and the immigration pro bono. She is also looking forward to participating in the Immigrants' Right Clinic.

for public assistance as required by state law. He is also interested in criminal justice, poverty, and environmental issues.



Yonatan Moskowitz

Yonatan grew up in Los Osos, California before attending Georgetown University for his undergraduate education. At Georgetown he double majored in Philosophy and Economics, minored in Arabic, and spent a semester abroad in Egypt. After his undergraduate education he then spent a year in Europe. While there he travelled extensively, and received an M.Sc. in Social Science of the Internet from Oxford University. At SLS Yonatan is incoming Co-President of the Criminal Law Society, where he participated as a 1L representative last year. Yonatan also participated in the San Francisco Civil Access to Justice Pro Bono last year, and worked for the Stanford Law and Policy Review where he published a Legislative Note last spring. He spent his first summer interning for the Santa Barbara County District Attorney, and is interested in prosecution, antitrust, and federal policy/agency work. He plays the ukulele and surfs poorly in his free time.



Cary McClelland

Cary is an artist and human rights advocate. Born and raised in New York, NY, he has used the arts to support conflict resolution projects and human rights awareness across various areas of Africa, the Middle East, and Asia. He has trained former child soldiers

to be television journalists in the Eastern Congo, directed conflict transformation programs in liberated Timor-Leste, and worked alongside opposition activists in Zimbabwe. Before Stanford, he worked with Google and WITNESS to launch YouTube's Human Rights Channel, dedicated to giving voice to citizen journalists around the world. Cary spent his 1L summer preparing the release of his feature documentary, WITHOUT SHEPHERDS, which premiered at the Slamdance Film Festival will arrive in theatres and online this fall. The film is the product of the two years he lived and worked in Pakistan, along-side a team of local filmmakers, chronicling the lives of six people working to build progressive change. At Stanford, Cary is the Co-President of the International Law Society, the Iraqi Refugee Assistance Project, and the First Person Project.



Tucker Page

Tucker was born and raised in sunny Portland, Oregon. He graduated from Duke University in 2008 with a degree in Public Policy. After college, he spent two years producing and engineering music at a recording studio in New York City and two more years researching health care policy at the Brookings Institution in Washington, D.C. At Stanford, Tucker participates in the Housing Pro Bono Project, the Stanford Critical Law Society, and the Stanford Law & Policy Review. He spent his 1L summer at the National Housing Law Project in San Francisco. In his spare time, Tucker enjoys backpacking, playing soccer with his classmates, and talking about music with anyone who will listen.



Jake McMahon

Jake grew up in Littleton, CO, and attended Colorado State University in Fort Collins. Graduating in 2011, he majored in History and Political Science. During his undergraduate years, he worked as a legislative intern in Washington, D.C., and London. He also spent a summer in New York researching and working on an Abraham Lincoln project. Before coming to Stanford he worked at a retirement facility in Fort Collins. Jake spent his 1L summer at Colorado Legal Services helping low-income individuals secure identity documents so they could qualify



Ashlee Pinto

Ashlee is from Chicago, Illinois and is a 2011 graduate from DePaul University. After earning her bachelors in Political Science and in Public Relations, Ashlee worked at the Jewish Council for Youth Services, a summer pre-school, and then moved to Washington, D.C. to serve as the Program Specialist for the Native American Political Leadership Program. At Stanford, Ashlee is the Co-President of the Native American Law Student Association, a Features Committee Editor on the Stanford Law and Policy Review, a 2L General Representative in the Stanford

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Law Association and a participant in the Rule of Law, Timor Leste project. She is also the student leader of the Native Amicus Briefing Project Pro Bono. As a 2013 Graduate of Public Service Fellow, she is interested in researching the intersections of identity, socialization and political and economic oppression in relation to the law. Ultimately, Ashlee is interested in all things indigenous, including domestic and international policy, economic development and education. She spent her 1L summer as a Ford Fellow at the Indian Law Resource Center in Washington, D.C., researching the World Bank's safeguard policies, other multi-lateral development banks' policies, international justice systems and preparing for the UN World Conference on Indigenous Peoples in 2014.



Amanda Prasuhn

Amanda grew up in St. Louis, Missouri and graduated from the University of Missouri-Columbia in 2012 with a degree in Biological Sciences. She came to SLS right after graduating to pursue a career in environmental law. During her 1L year, she was a Member Editor of the Environmental Law Journal (ELJ), a member of the Environmental Law Society (ELS), and participated in the Animal Legal Defense Fund Pro Bono. This summer, Amanda worked at Environmental Defense Fund in New York City focusing on Mississippi River Delta Restoration with EDF's Land, Water, and Wildlife team. As a 2L, she will begin her joint MS program in Environment and Resources (E-IPER), participate in the Fall Quarter Environmental Law Clinic, be an ELS Co-President, an ELJ Lead Article Editor and Executive Editor, and the Conference Manager of Shaking the Foundations Progressive Lawyering Conference.



Stephany Reaves

Stephany grew up in Woodbridge, VA - a suburb of Washington, DC. She graduated from Yale University, where she majored in political science and ran varsity track and cross country. After college she spent two years teaching Algebra to high school students in Washington, DC. Stephany is an editor-in-chief of the Stanford Journal of Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, a co-president of the Criminal Law Society, a StreetLaw teacher, and an advocate through the Lifer Parole Project. She spent her 1L summer at the Public Defender Service for DC in the trial division. She is looking forward to the Criminal Defense Clinic this winter.



Natalia Renta

Natalia is from San Juan, Puerto Rico. She attended Harvard University, where she majored in Gender Studies and minored

in Government. After college, Natalia worked as an immigration paralegal at a New York City nonprofit. At SLS, she is programming co-chair for Shaking the Foundations, Stanford Critical Law Society co-president, Outlaw co-president, and co-director for the DACA/Citizenship immigration pro-bono in Redwood City. During her 1L summer, Natalia worked on California Rural Legal Assistance's LGBT initiatives.



Lucia Roibal

Lucia is from Albuquerque, New Mexico. She graduated from Barnard College in 2009, majoring in Spanish and Latin American Culture with a minor Environmental Science. After graduating, she stayed in New York and worked as a paralegal at a personal injury firm for a year, then moved on to work with the Natural Resources Defense Council for two years. At Stanford, she is the Co-President of the Environmental Law Society, the Lead Article Editor and Submissions Board Member of the Environmental Law Journal, and the Outreach Director of Shaking the Foundations Progressive Lawyering Conference. She also participated in the Animal Law and Street Law pro bono projects. This past summer, she interned at the Department of Justice, Environmental Crimes Section. This winter, she will be enrolling in the Criminal Defense Clinic. She plans to clerk after graduation and eventual pursue a career in criminal law.



Melissa Runsten

Melissa moved every few years as a kid but now calls Rehoboth Beach, Delaware, home. She attended Stanford for undergrad and received a degree in Human Biology with a minor in Creative Writing. She loved it so much that she came back to SLS for three more years. In between, she worked for a couple years in DC as a paralegal at Oceana, the largest international non-profit that focuses solely on ocean conservation. At SLS, Melissa serves as the vice president of the annual SPILF auction, a member editor of the Stanford Law Review, article review board co-chair of the Environmental Law Journal, and treasurer of the Environmental Law Society. Co-chairing the auction, which raises money to benefit the public interest community here at SLS, was the highlight of her 1L year. Melissa spent her 1L summer at the Department of Justice Environment and Natural Resources Division in DC, and looks forward to participating in the Community Law Clinic this winter. You'll find her at every Stanford football home game this fall or relaxing with a novel on Neukom Terrace.

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Kristin Saetveit

Kristin grew up in Buffalo, New York and graduated from Yale University in 2010 with a B.A. in History. After graduation, Kristin spent two years working in public interest law, first in legal aid at the Legal Assistance Foundation of Chicago and then at a plaintiff-side civil rights litigation firm in D.C. At Stanford, Kristin is involved with the Immigration Pro Bono Project, Stanford Law Review, and the Stanford Law and Policy Review and serves as Academic Committee Co-Chair on SLA. During her 1L summer, Kristin interned with the U.S. State Department's delegation to the U.N. in Geneva, Switzerland. She looks forward to participating in the Supreme Court Litigation Clinic this coming spring.



Nick Scheiner

Nick is from Tallahassee, Florida. He graduated from the University of Florida in 2004 with degrees in Math and Chinese. After graduation, he lived in Xi'an, China for a year, before going to UCLA to earn a master's degree in East Asian Studies. He was hired by the FBI in 2008, and worked as a Special Agent for just over three years in New York before coming to SLS. At SLS Nick is one of the co-presidents of the Criminal Law Society for 2013-2014, and has recently gotten approval to start a new criminal law journal at SLS, the Stanford Journal of Criminal Law and Policy. He spent his 1L summer at the United States Attorney's Office in San Jose working on criminal matters, and will be participating in the Criminal Defense Clinic in Winter Quarter 2014.



Alec Schierenbeck

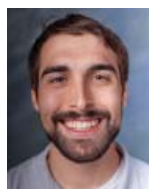
Alec is from Brooklyn, New York. He attended Grinnell College in Iowa, where he majored in political science. Upon graduation he moved to Ireland to study at University College Dublin. Eventually he returned to New York to become the Manhattan Borough President's liaison to Lower Manhattan. This summer he worked as a summer intern with the Appeals Division of the New York City Law Department. At SLS, Alec is a member of the American Constitution Society and the Stanford Law and Policy Review. He also volunteers with Street Law.



Swain Uber

Swain was born and raised in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He graduated from University of Pittsburgh with a degree in Politics, Philosophy, and Economics after a transient college career involving three universities (Northwestern University, The New School,

and Pitt), and two study abroad programs (Semester At Sea and Buenos Aires). After graduating, he joined the Peace Corps, serving for over two years in Bulgaria. He came to Stanford not entirely sure of what he wanted to do with a law degree, but 100% sure he wanted to continue a life of public service. In his first year, he had the opportunity to help the team bringing the currently-pending case *Ashker v. Brown* challenging solitary confinement in California prisons, work on an amicus curiae brief focused on the Treaty Power, and help bring back the progressive lawyering conference *Shaking the Foundations* as co-director. Swain spent his summer in Bogota, Colombia with DeJusticia, a Colombian human rights organization, and is excited to participate in the International Human Rights and Conflict Resolution Clinic this fall.



Cody Venzke

Cody grew up around the Midwest, splitting his time between Iowa and Minnesota, with an extended stay Missouri. He attended St. Olaf College in Northfield, MN, where he majored in Religion. During his time at St. Olaf, Cody studied Islamic philosophy and history at the American University in Cairo and served as the student representative to the college's Board of Regents as well as the head of the student newspaper. After graduation, Cody moved to Houston, TX, where he taught high school math for two years. At SLS, Cody is a senior editor and a member of the features committee for the Stanford Law and Policy Review. He also serves as the Secretary on the Stanford Public Interest Law Foundation Board. He intered at the Department of Justice's Corporate Litigation section in Washington, DC this summer, including on one Thirteenth Amendment case.



Nida Vidutis

Nida is from Takoma Park, Maryland. She graduated from Columbia University in 2012, with a B.A. in Political Theory and Anthropology. While there, she interned for Congressman Chris Van Hollen, the Womens Foreign Policy Group, and the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum. On campus, she was active in Amnesty International and served as President of the Political Science Student Association. At SLS, Nida is Co-President of the Women of Stanford Law and of Stanford Law Democrats. She is also Associate Editor for the Stanford Journal of Civil Rights & Civil Liberties, and participates in the Parallel Justice Project Pro Bono. Nida worked in the Felony General Crimes Division of the D.C. U.S. Attorney's Office during her 1L summer. She is thrilled to be participating in the Stanford Criminal Defense Clinic this year.

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Comparative Literature. Prior to law school, she provided direct service in housing and family law as a JusticeCorps volunteer and also taught English and worked with North Korean refugees as a Fulbright grantee in South Korea. At Stanford, Tiffany works with the Three Strikes Project, leads the Stanford Law & Visual Media Project, co-founded the Stanford Critical Law Society, and participates in the Deferred Action for Immigrant Youth Project. She spent her 1L summer with Planned Parenthood's Litigation & Law department, and is excited to participate in the Immigrants' Rights Clinic this fall.



Stacy Villalobos

Stacy is originally from Claremont, CA. At SLS, she serves as an Associate Editor of the Stanford Journal for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, volunteers for the Immigration Pro Bono Project and Voting Rights Pro Bono Project, and is an active member of the Stanford Latino Law Students Association and the American Constitution Society. Stacy's interest in immigration is very personal, as she comes from an immigrant family. Both of her parents came to the United States from Chihuahua, Mexico. Stacy received her undergraduate degree in Political Science and Education from Stanford University. As an undergraduate, she helped found the Stanford Immigrant Rights Project, a group involved with activism, community service, and education around immigration issues. She was also part of Stanford Labor Action Coalition, which partnered with Stanford workers to advocate for improved working conditions for on-campus workers. Stacy additionally designed and co-taught a course on immigration, and led a week-long alternative spring break trip to Arizona. She also had the opportunity to intern at the Department of Justice, in the office that handles immigration-related unfair employment practices, as well as the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. In the future, she is interested in practicing law that advances the rights of low-wage immigrant workers.



Emily Zhang

Emily grew up in Hong Kong and went to college at Cornell University, where she helped start the Prison Debate Program at a nearby maximum security juvenile detention facility. Before coming to law school, she spent the year in Beijing working for a national survey research centre. She is also doing a Phd in Political Science at Stanford. She participates in the Iraqi Legal Education Initiative, the Journal of Complex Litigation and the Program in Law and Society. She spent her 1L summer working at the Ministry of Finance in Chile.



Krisina Zuñiga

Krisina is from Laredo, Texas and graduated from Rice University in 2012 with a degree in Philosophy and Policy Studies and a minor in Poverty, Justice and Human Capabilities. During her time at Rice, Krisina took on a number of leadership roles, including positions as a student ambassador and co-captain of the cheerleading squad, and participated in several research projects, including independent research on the digital divide in a low-income Houston neighborhood. Krisina spent her summers working for the Honorable Judge George P. Kazen, United States District Judge for the Southern District of Texas, interning at the Houston Interfaith Worker Justice Center, and studying abroad in Rome, Italy. Coming straight through to SLS, Krisina now serves as a member editor of the Stanford Law Review, board member of the Stanford Latino Law Students Association, committee member of the Naturalization Pro Bono Project, 2L general representative of the Stanford Law Association, outreach chair of the Federalist Society, and academic chair of the Criminal Law Society. During her 1L summer, Krisina worked at the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York and is excited to switch sides and get a new perspective by participating in the Criminal Defense Clinic this fall.



Rebecca Vogel

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