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Denver Law continues climb in U.S. News rankings; four specialty programs in top 20

U.S. News & World Report released their 2013 rankings, and it is another good year for Denver Law. Some highlights:

- Our overall ranking is #64, up from #69 last year, #77 the year before, and #80 the prior year. In three years, we have moved up 16 spots. And in five years, we have moved up 24 spots.
- Four of our specialty programs were nationally ranked: Clinical Programs (#15), Environmental (#17), Advocacy (#9, up two spots from last year), and Legal Writing (#11, up five spots from last year).
- Our part time program was ranked #12, up one spot from last year.

While it is important to keep rankings such as this in perspective, our consistent upward movement suggests that people are noticing all of the great work that we are doing in implementing our strategic plan. We also have seen the benefit of adding faculty and improving student-faculty ratios, and have seen innovative new bar passage programs pay off with a steady climb in passage rates. This year, we saw an increase in our peer assessment score, which is the measure that is notoriously hardest to move, a testament to our growing reputation among law schools across the country for our academic excellence and cutting-edge programming.

These rankings reflect an ongoing commitment to providing relevant, rigorous programs for Denver Law students. The best measure of our success is illustrated in large part by our ability to produce graduates who are increasingly well-prepared—practice-ready, client-ready, and ready to make a difference in their communities and in the world. As our implementation efforts reap rewards, Denver Law will continue to increase its stature as a leader in educating tomorrow's lawyers.

[Read more](#) about this year's rankings.

Announcing our 2013 DU Law Stars!



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Michael S. Burg, JD'75 and **Peter W. Burg, JD'80**
Outstanding Alumni Award

Hon. John P. Leopold, JD'74
Alumni Professionalism Award

Professor J. Robert Brown, Jr.
Robert B. Yegge Excellence in Teaching Award

The 2013 DU Law Stars dinner will take place on **Tuesday, October 22, 2013** at the **Sheraton Denver Downtown**. Please join us to celebrate our honorees and raise funds for the Student Law Office and the Judicial Fellows Program. Visit the [Law Stars website](#) for more information.

Veterans Scholarship Reception and Fundraiser

Wednesday, March 13, 2013

6:00 p.m. Reception

7:00 p.m. Program

First Floor Forum



We are pleased to announce the first annual University of Denver Student Veteran Scholarship Fundraiser to be held on March 13th at 6:00 p.m. Scholarship funds are a vital part of our veterans' ability to attend law school, which is all the more important at DU where even those with maximum VA funding levels find themselves with heavy out-of-pocket expenses. With the outstanding education, focus on experiential learning, and commitment to public service espoused at the Sturm College of Law, current veteran students understand the need to foster a large and active veteran presence at the law school. ***All funds raised will be used solely to provide scholarships to veterans of the armed forces attending Denver Law.*** Please help us ensure the University of Denver is a leader in the veteran community for years to come. Forward this to all your personal and business contacts to join us for a great event, and to support our nation's veterans seeking a legal education right here in Denver. RSVP to Mike Shay at mshay14@law.du.edu. If you are unable to attend the event but would still like to make a gift, please visit the [SVA website](#).

The Privacy Foundation presents "Mobile App" Privacy

Friday, March 15, 2013

11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., lunch to follow

Room 190

3 CLE Credits (*pending*)

Denver Law's [Privacy Foundation](#), in conjunction with the International Technology Law Association, presents "**Mobile App" Privacy**. The seminar with lunch is free for all DU faculty, alumni and students. All others are \$20 for the seminar and CLE, and \$40 for the seminar, CLE and lunch. To register, please contact Cindy Goldberg at cgoldberg@law.du.edu or 303-871-6628.

Apply now for the American Constitution Society David Carliner Public Interest Award

The American Constitution Society's David Carliner Public Interest Award was established in memory of one of the great public interest lawyers of the 20th Century, David Carliner (1918-2007), a champion of justice in his native Washington, D.C. and on the national stage. This award recognizes outstanding public interest lawyers whose work best exemplifies its namesake's legacy of fearless, uncompromising and creative advocacy on behalf of marginalized people. [Apply online](#). The deadline to apply is March 15, 2013.

Westminster Law Library: New Legal Research Skills Certificate

The [Westminster Law Library](#) is offering a Certification Program in Legal Research Skills this spring. This **free** program is designed to provide students and recent graduates with the research tools necessary for success in internships, externships, summer associate positions, or for their first positions as newly-minted attorneys. Visit us [online](#) for more information.

On Having Fun & Raising Hell: Symposium Honoring the Work of Professor Ann Scales

Saturday, March 30, 2013

8:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Room TBD

Approved for 8 CLE Credits, including 2.4 Ethics Credits

Join the University of Denver Sturm College of Law in honoring the life and work of Professor Ann Scales (1952-2012), author of many influential works including "Towards a Feminist Jurisprudence," "The Emergence of Feminist Jurisprudence" and *Legal Feminism: Activism, Lawyering and Legal Theory*. The event is open to the community.

Keynote Speakers: **Kathryn Abrams**, UC Berkeley School of Law and **Katherine Franke**, Columbia School of Law.

VIEW THE [FULL AGENDA](#) AND [REGISTER NOW](#). Complimentary parking will be available in Lot L.

Please contact Stefanie Carroll at scarroll@law.du.edu or 303-871-6076 with any questions.

Roche IBT LLM Reception

Tuesday, April 2, 2013

5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Moye Faculty Library, Room 412

The **Roche LLM in International Business Transactions** and Program Director and Professor Phoenix Cai cordially invite you to a reception honoring **Stephen E. Smith**, the program's inaugural Practitioner in Residence. Currently a member of Sherman & Howard, LLC office in Denver, Smith specializes in areas of commercial litigation, government contracts, space law and alternative dispute resolution. He is a former vice president and general counsel of Lockheed Martin Space Systems Company and is currently the U.S. Representative for the Commission on Arbitration of the International Chamber of Commerce. We hope you can join us to toast our guest of honor as well as the IBT LLM's first successful year! RSVP to Marina Logachev at mlogachev@law.du.edu by Tuesday, March 26th.

ENRLP LLM Adds New Oil and Gas Specialization

The Environmental and Natural Resources Law and Policy (ENRLP) LLM Program provides graduate education focused, in part, on the development, use and preservation of natural resources. Its strong list of specialization options include mining, renewable energy, sustainable development, land use and international resources transactions, and now a new Oil and Gas Law and Policy specialization.

The ENRLP LLM is now accepting applications for the 2013-2014 school year, and will **waive the application fee for Sturm College of Law alumni**. For more information, visit the ENRLP [website](#).

Water Law Review Annual Symposium

Friday, April 12, 2013

The University of Denver **Water Law Review** will hold its annual symposium, focusing on the groundbreaking *Colorado River Basin Supply and Demand Study*, on Friday, April 12, 2013. The study, jointly funded and prepared by the United States Bureau of Reclamation and the seven Colorado River basin states, projects startling supply and demand imbalances throughout the basin and its adjacent areas over the next 50 years. Water law and policy experts from around the nation will discuss implications of the study, as well as a broad range of proposed adaptation strategies as the West continues to exponentially grow into the 21st century. The symposium keynote speaker will be Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Water and Science Anne Castle. The *Water Law Review* invites lawyers, policy makers, concerned citizens and water professionals to join us for a wide-ranging analysis concerning one of the West's biggest future challenges. For questions, please contact Jonathan King at jking13@law.du.edu. Visit the [symposium website](#) for more information.

RAH! Calling All Recent Law Alumni

The Recent Alumni Hub (RAH) is a group of Denver Law alumni who **graduated within the last 10 years**. The group

was recently created in response to the large number of recent graduates who have expressed interest in staying involved at the law school through the Alumni Council or other volunteer activities. Members of the RAH plan and coordinate events revolving around networking and professional development, often partnering with the Young Lawyers Divisions of the bar and other bar-related groups. RAH membership is open to any Denver Law alumna/us who graduated in the last 10 years (Class of 2003 and later). If you would like to join the RAH, please contact Meg Satrom, JD'10, at meg@circuitmedia.com.

Save the Date: International Law Gala Dinner

Thursday, April 18, 2013

6:00 p.m. Reception

7:00 p.m. Dinner

Moye Faculty Library/Room 412

The International Legal Studies Program, in collaboration with the *Denver Journal of International Law and Policy* (DJILP) and the Ved Nanda Center for International and Comparative Law, cordially invites you to our **International Law Gala Dinner** as we honor distinguished DJILP alumna Ms. Lisa Helling, JD'80, (U.S. Department of State) and Mr. Robert A Swift (Kohn Swift & Graf, P.C.), recipient of the Cox Price Human Rights Award. The reception begins promptly at 6:30 p.m. in the Moye Faculty Library (Room 412) followed immediately by dinner at 7:00 p.m. Cocktail attire required. Prices are \$30 for alumni and friends and \$20 for students. [Register online now!](#) Please contact Victoria Kelley at vkelly13@law.du.edu with questions.

MSLA/MSJA 40th Anniversary Celebration—Special Early Registration Rate of \$60

Friday & Saturday, April 19 & 20, 2013

MSLA/MSJA alumni, faculty, friends will gather Friday & Saturday, April 19 & 20 to celebrate **40 years of the Master of Science in Legal Administration** (formerly Master of Science in Judicial Administration) at the Sturm College of Law. The anniversary will begin with a traditional "Steakbustler" dinner in the law school's Yegge Commons on Friday evening. The celebration continues on Saturday morning with an educational series, and we'll cap the event with dinner at the Hotel Monaco, catered by Panzanos, on Saturday night. All MSLA/MSJA alumni, faculty and friends are welcome. **Early registration is \$60 per person and includes meals, educational series and materials. [Register now!](#)**

LIVE EVENT & WEBINAR: Looking Ahead at Water in the Metropolitan Area: Will Water Limits Effectively 'Douse' Economic and Agricultural Growth?

Tuesday, April 23, 2013

3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. (Panel)

4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. (Reception)

Room 165 & First Floor Forum

2 General CLE Credits

Sponsored by [Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck](#) in conjunction with Denver Law's [Environmental and Natural Resources Law Program](#). **Looking Ahead at Water in the Metropolitan Area: Will Water Limits Effectively 'Douse' Economic and Agricultural Growth?** will be held as a live event and webinar.

Panelists: **James Lochhead**, CEO/Manager, Denver Water; **Bart Miller**, Water Program Director, Western Resource Advocates; **John Salazar**, Commissioner, Colorado Department of Agriculture.

Moderator: **Michelle Kales**, Shareholder, Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck.

The panel will address the following topics:

- The impact of water supply constraints on economic growth in the Denver metropolitan area and throughout the state.
- What is the role of water conservation in managing these constraints in the future?
- Are urban and agricultural interests necessarily in conflict?

The event is free and open to the community and is approved for 2 General CLE Credits. Complimentary parking will be available in Lot L.

CLICK [HERE](#) TO REGISTER FOR THE LIVE EVENT.

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CLICK [HERE](#) TO REGISTER FOR THE WEBINAR.

This event is the fourth in a series of four sponsored by Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck in conjunction with the Environmental and Natural Resources Law Program at the University of Denver Sturm College of Law. Please contact Stefanie Carroll at scarroll@law.du.edu or 303-871-6076 with any questions.

Volunteer Appreciation Reception

Thursday, April 25, 2013

5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

First Floor Forum

Denver Law extends its gratitude to all law school volunteers by hosting a Volunteer Appreciation Reception on Thursday, April 25, 2013. All law school volunteers are invited to join students, faculty, staff and alumni for a reception to celebrate all that our volunteers do for the law school. The reception will be held in the Forum from 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. If you're a **mentor** please contact Natasha Schissler at lpmentor@law.du.edu to RSVP. If you **volunteered for the alumni office**, please RSVP to Laura Dean at ldean@law.du.edu.

Key Issues Facing Boards of Directors: New SEC Enforcement Initiatives and Corporate Governance Risks

Thursday, April 25, 2013

8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. (Registration opens at 8:00 a.m.)

Room 165

CLE Credit (*pending*)

On April 25, join local and national experts in the field for a discussion of the SEC's current views regarding enforcement and disclosure issues. Topics will include compliance, internal corporate investigations, whistleblowers, insider trading, audit committee best practices, shareholder activism, governance, white collar defense and the personal liability of directors and officers. Speakers will also analyze what actions companies and their boards should take to address these key issues. Approval for CLE credit is pending. Free and open to the community. Breakfast will be provided.

Speakers: **J. Robert Brown, Jr.**, professor and director, Corporate and Commercial Law Program, Denver Law; **Phyllis Deiso**, partner & National SEC Practice Leader, McGladrey LLP; **Donald Hoerl**, regional director (Denver), U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission; **Michael MacPhail**, partner, Faegre Baker Daniels LLP; **Douglas Wright**, partner, Faegre Baker Daniels LLP.

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER NOW.](#) Sponsored by [The Directors Roundtable Institute](#) and the [Corporate and Commercial Law Program](#) at Denver Law.

Please contact Stefanie Carroll at scarroll@law.du.edu or 303-871-6076 with any questions.

Golden Barristers Reunion

Friday, April 26, 2013

11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

\$10.00 per person

The 2013 Golden Barristers Reunion **featuring the return of the Burden of Spooft** will be held Friday, April 26, 2013. Join us from 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. for a fun lunch with friends and hilarious political satire as the Burden of Spooft once again pokes fun at politics and current events. Cost: \$10 per person. For more information or to register, please contact Laura Dean at ldean@law.du.edu or 303-871-6122.

Clinical Education Program/SLO 110th Anniversary & Retirement of Professor Howard

Rosenberg

Attention alumni of the Student Law Office, formerly known as the Clinical Education Program, formerly known as the Student Practice Program! Whatever you called it while in law school, **we want to hear about your experiences**. We will be celebrating the 110th anniversary of the clinical program and the retirement of Howard Rosenberg in April of 2014. What did the clinic program mean to you as a student, staff or faculty member? Visit us online and **share your memories** with us. If you would like to help with the reunion, please contact Laura Dean at ldean@law.du.edu or 303-871-6122.

Alumni Resources

CDO Hiring Assistance: Recent Grads Available for Contract/Permanent Work

Need to hire a new attorney or contract staff for a special project but don't have time to wade through hundreds of resumes? The **Office of Career Development & Opportunities** (CDO) is in contact with recent grads who are immediately available to meet your needs. We understand how busy you are, so we make it easy to hire Denver Law grads. Whether you are looking for a permanent or contract attorney or a law clerk, full or part-time, we can help you find qualified graduates who meet your hiring needs and save you time in the process. Please contact Assistant Dean for Career Opportunities Eric Bono at 303.871.6478 or ebono@law.du.edu for questions or assistance.

Educating Tomorrow's Lawyers

Last August, DU's **Institute for the Advancement of the American Legal System** (IAALS) and the Sturm College of Law launched **Educating Tomorrow's Lawyers**, (ETL) an initiative which leverages the Carnegie Model (see the Carnegie Foundation's 2007 Report, **Educating Lawyers**) and the work of law schools and professors committed to legal education reform to align legal education with the needs of an evolving profession. By providing a supported platform for shared learning, experimentation, ongoing measurement and collective implementation, ETL is putting knowledge into practice. Check out the ETL site for engaging videos, including one from LP Professor David Thomson, which details a "whole course simulation" of his design, the **Discovery Practicum**.

New Legal Career Employment Guides from the Westminster Law Library

Denver Law's Westminster Law Library has new legal career research guides available online: **Career Resources for Law Students & New Attorneys**, **Law Librarianship** and **Starting Your Own Law Practice**.

Legal Externship Program

With more than 400 placements a year, the Denver Law's Legal Externship Program is an effective and comprehensive bridge to take students from law student to lawyer. Externs work with corporate in-house counsel, private firms, government and non-profit agencies, as well as with judges at all levels. As a member of the Denver Law alumni network, you can play an important role in the development of future practicing lawyers. For more information, please visit the Legal Externship Program [website](#).

Join the Professional Mentoring Program

Participants in Denver Law's nationally recognized **Professional Mentoring Program** spend approximately 13 hours during an academic year mentoring first and second year law students about practical legal skills. Visit us [online](#) for more information or to apply to be a mentor.

Colorado Law Project at the University of Denver

In Colorado, as in most states, direct access to legal information is limited by a number of factors. Some of those

factors include the location of law libraries, access to legal collections and databases, ability to pay for fee based services, the sophistication of the information seeker's searching ability, and familiarity and understanding of legal information and processes. Because of these barriers and the nature of today's e-society, many people turn to the Internet for answers. Responding to this need, the University of Denver launched the [Colorado Law Project](#), the premier online gateway to Colorado's legal information and resources for use by the general public.

The Alumni Volunteer Network Online

The [Alumni Volunteer Network](#) (AVN) program enables students to contact participating alumni and discuss specific practice areas, the legal profession in other cities and the overall benefits (and drawbacks) of a career in law. This program is a wonderful way to assist the next generation of DU Law alumni. Please visit us [online](#) to register.

Keep up with DU Law Faculty Research

The Sturm College of Law recently joined the [Social Science Research Network](#) (SSRN), an on-line network of research databases that distributes information about scholarly research throughout the world. Subscribers to the DU Law Legal Studies Research Paper Series receive periodic email updates with the titles and abstracts of both finished articles and draft articles written by DU Law faculty. This is a quick and easy way to keep up to date on the most current research being conducted and disseminated by our faculty scholars. If you would like to subscribe to this FREE service, please visit the [SSRN website](#). If you have any questions about subscribing, please contact the Manager of Educational Technology, [Jessica Hogan](#).

Stay connected with your classmates and other DU alumni

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