

The background of the entire slide is a soft-focus photograph of several hands of different skin tones gently cupping a small globe of the Earth. The hands are positioned in a way that suggests care, support, and global unity. The lighting is natural and soft, creating a warm and inclusive atmosphere.

**University of California  
College of the Law San Francisco**

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**Social Justice Celebration**

Friday, May 10, 2024

## WELCOME & LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Associate Dean for Experiential Learning and  
Clinical Professor of Law **Gail Silverstein**

## CHANCELLOR & DEAN'S WELCOME

Chancellor & Dean **David Faigman**

## DEAN OF STUDENTS' WELCOME

**Tiffany Gabrielson**

## STUDENT SPEAKERS

**Savannah Carter**

**Suzanne Edouni**

**Megan Wilhelm**

**Tussanee Reedboon**

# Land Acknowledgment

UC Law San Francisco is located on the unceded, ancestral homeland of the Ramaytush Ohlone, who are the original inhabitants of the San Francisco Peninsula and who remain, un-erased, in the Bay Area.

As the indigenous stewards of this land, and in accordance with their traditions, the Ramaytush Ohlone have never ceded, lost, nor forgotten their responsibilities as caretakers of this place for all beings who reside here.

We offer this Acknowledgement to build mindfulness of our present participation in a legacy of racist, settler colonialism and of the role that law has played in promoting and legitimizing it.

As uninvited guests, we recognize how we benefit from living and working on the Ramaytush Ohlone's traditional homeland.

We wish to pay our respects by acknowledging the ancestors, elders and members of the Ramaytush community and by affirming their sovereign rights as First Peoples.

# PRO BONO RECOGNITION

## AT&T PRO BONO AWARD

**Tussanee Reedboon**

## WILEY W. MANUEL HONOREES

### Class of 2024

Bhandal, Manpreet	Maggin, Alyosha
Boling, Marissa	Mehta, Kshitij
Carter, Savannah	Meyer, Haley
Deckyi Khangsar, Khando	Molina, Zury
DeSousa, Elizabeth	Pieters, Miriam
Fasih, Muhammad (LLM)	Qamer, Amna
Ferreira Alves, Carolina	Reedboon, Tussanee
Figuerola, Andrew	Reynes, Celina
Gonzalez, Fernanda	Ross, Gabriel
Han, Jenna	Smith, Mahina
Hoffmann, Callie	Tucker, Dashiell
Holmberg, Victoria	Vas, Audrey
Johnson, Ashley	Whistler, Alexander
Kahn, Allegra	
Kim, Gawon	
Lam, Kristie	
Lin, Christina	
Lopez Rodriguez, Alexander	

### Class of 2025

Abarca, April	Sayre, Thomas
Alchokhachi, Zeena	Sheng, Tianjiao
Alcontin, Kaitlin	Slatkin, Ellen
Aromin, Theresa	Slauson, Hilary
Cheung, Coco	Tinney, Michael
Costelli, William	Tomcho, Magdalene
Duyan, Aaron	Yekikian, Rain
Espindola, Janice	
Hawes, Michael	
Herzog, Rachel	
Luciano, Jonathan	
Lyons, Addison	
Pedroso, Justin	
Prado, Vivyana	
Ribeiro Siqueira, Maria Clara	
Salerno, Andres	
Sanchez, Noemi	

### Class of 2026

Bendezu, Kellie  
Bounds, Alexis  
Nichols, Madeline  
Strawn III, Raymond

### Faculty/Staff

Aviram, Hadar  
Vall, Alina  
Baporia, Hanifa  
Boswell, Richard  
Creitz, Joseph  
Glidden, Brittany  
Little, Rory  
Murphy, Emily

# PRO BONO RECOGNITION

## Pro Bono Society

45 hours during three years of law school or 15 hours for LLMs

Abassi, Andre	Haller, Lianne	Qiu, Victor
Abhasakun, Narisa	Hambly, Kait	Reedboon, Tussanee
Alcaraz Arreola, Nancy	Han, Jenna	Romero, Micaela (LLM)
Arruda, Juliana	Hoffman, Callie	Sager, Jil Lina (LLM)
Bazin, Elina (LLM)	Holmberg, Victoria	Salazar Kitner, Gabriela
Beatriz, Alexia	Johnson, Ashley	Savage, John
Bohorquez, Jeffrey	Kahn, Allegra	Scher, Madeline
Boling, Marissa	Kallenberger, Miquela	Schlesinger, Divya
Carter, Savannah	Kim, Gawon	Sha, Hanshi
Chan, Bob	Lin, Christina	Silvan-Recht, Simon
Chen, Annan	Lomas, Marie	Teramae, Keri
Cowles, Mackenzie	Lopez Rodriguez, Alexander	Tucker, Dashiell
Cueva, Catherine	Luong, Nicholas	Vas, Audrey
Decki Khangsar, Khando	Maggin, Alyosha	Velez, Isabel
Do, Wendy	Mardemootoo, Dipa	Wilhelm, Megan
Edouni, Suzanne	Marks, Taryn	Winston, Grace
Fasih, Muhammad (LLM)	Martel, William	Wynn, Evelyn
Ferreira Alves, Carolina	Meyer, Haley	Yang, Jason
Figueroa, Andrew	Montalvo-Telford, Emily	Zaccardi, Greta (LLM)
Figueroa, Luis (MSL)	O'Hair, Joseph	
Gonzalez, Fernanda	Payton, Margaux	
Gravador, Mark	Penta, Tyler	
Grimaldi, Zoe	Qamer, Amna	

## Outstanding Achievement in Pro Bono

150 hours in three years or 50 hours in one year for LLMs

Alcaraz Arreola, Nancy
Arruda, Juliana
Carter, Savannah
Edouni, Suzanne
Fasih, Muhammad (LLM)
Ferreira Alves, Carolina
Figueroa, Andrew
Gonzalez, Fernanda
Han, Jenna
Hoffmann, Callie
Holmberg, Victoria
Johnson, Ashley
Lin, Christina
Lopez Rodriguez, Alexander
Luong, Nicholas
Maggin, Alyosha
Reedboon, Tussanee
Romero, Micaela (LLM)
Teramae, Keri
Tucker, Dashiell
Vas, Audrey
Winston, Grace
Wynn, Evelyn

## CLINICAL PROGRAMS HONOREES

### Outstanding Performance in the Community Group Advocacy Clinic

- **Addison Lyons** and **Alyssa Scott** did exceptional work with the Ella Baker Center for Human Rights to create support spaces and community education materials to help incarcerated people, their families, and advocates learn to use California's Racial Justice Act to challenge and remedy racial discrimination in arrests, convictions, or sentences.

### Outstanding Performance in the Criminal Practice Clinic

- **Corey Jollie** stood side by side with his clients at the San Francisco Public Defender's Office through every hard-fought victory and defeat. His enthusiasm, intellectual curiosity and conscientiousness are only outmatched by his empathy and kindness.
- **Gloria Nunez** exemplifies the hard work, intellect, perseverance, and compassion that make an outstanding public defender. She was tireless in her advocacy on behalf of her clients at the Marin Public Defender's Office.

## CLINICAL PROGRAMS HONOREES

### Outstanding Performance in the Immigrants' Rights Clinic

- **Alyosha Maggin**, after completing a wide range of projects at his placement throughout the semester, continued working the next semester for no credit to make sure one of his clients received the assistance they needed to prepare for their adversarial hearing in Immigration Court.

### Outstanding Performance in the Individual Representation Clinic

- **Fernanda Gonzalez** and **Alexander Lopez Rodriguez** were stalwart participants in seminar discussions and provided excellent representation to help one client obtain Social Security disability benefits and another to have her past conviction reduced from a felony to a misdemeanor and dismissed. Committed to seeing their cases to completion despite delays beyond their control, they worked on their cases from September 2023 until the last week of spring semester.
- **Mayeli Soto** brought so much to IR: excellent client skills; keen insight; strong yet humble leadership, and an unparalleled work ethic. She is a wonderful community-builder too; as one classmate put it, “If you can’t get along with Mayeli, there’s something wrong with you.”
- **Hailey Zanutto** was a powerhouse IR student from day one, facing every new (and often daunting) task without fear. She is amazingly productive, eager to learn, and thoughtful in everything she does.

# CLINICAL PROGRAMS HONOREES

## Outstanding Performance in the Legal Externship Program

- **Joshua Arrayeles** was a dynamic participant in class discussions, consistently offering insightful perspectives. He diligently refined his oral communication skills, culminating in an outstanding educational session for 40 healthcare providers in the ethics field.
- **Justin Ross** demonstrated exceptional commitment in managing two remote externships, skillfully overcoming the challenges of working across time zones. Throughout the year, he maintained a high level of engagement and enthusiasm in both placements, where he tackled cutting-edge copyright issues.

## Outstanding Performance in the Mediation Clinic

- **Justine Magowan** took the TA role to a new level, helping the Clinic get more organized on record-keeping and adeptly collaborating with our partners. Through her example, students rose to meet Justine's high expectations of them, appreciating her client-centered approach to mediation and specific feedback on trying new interventions with clients.
- **Michael Saito**, a Clinic student in Spring 2023, returned in Spring 2024 as a Teaching Assistant. As both a student and TA, Michael took his responsibilities seriously and thoughtfully and went above and beyond by producing weekly shadow dockets as a TA. His work with parties and students was done with kindness, respect, and humility.

## CLINICAL PROGRAMS HONOREES

### Outstanding Performance in the Medical Legal Partnership for Seniors Clinic

- **Andrew Figueroa** distinguished himself as a fearless advocate, tackling complex problems with good cheer and tirelessness and leaving no stone unturned.
- **Max Joachim** stood out for his calmness and courage in launching into unfamiliar and complicated areas of law with consummate professionalism and excellent teamwork.
- **Dipa Mardemootoo** displayed excellence through her diligence, thoughtfulness, and professionalism as a trusted member of the MLPS team.
- **Mary Mitchell** excelled through her skilled organization, efficiency, and sharp legal mind.

### Outstanding Performance in the Refugee & Human Rights Clinic

- **Savannah Carter**'s work was exceptional. She displayed immense sensitivity in interviews, impressive creativity in her legal arguments, and went above and beyond in supporting her client throughout the difficult process of applying for asylum.

### Outstanding Performance in the Social Enterprise & Economic Empowerment Clinic

- **Candice Denny** and **Raquel Grande** represented their joint clients with extraordinary thoughtfulness and dedication. They flexibly responded to unexpected circumstances and were consistently equity-centered in their interactions with clients, classmates, and staff. Their can-do attitude propelled client representations forward and achieved tangible outcomes for their clients.



# CLINICAL PROGRAMS HONOREES

## Excellence in Multiple Clinics or Field Placements

**Sierra Burgon** (MLPS & Legal Externship) exhibited deep engagement with class assignments and diligently tackled complicated and compelling bioethical issues in her Legal Externship. In the MLPS Clinic, she excelled in handling the complex issues in clients' cases and displayed impressive organizational skills and adaptability.

## CLEA Outstanding Clinical Student

**Jessica “Mali” Gillespie** participated in the Refugee & Human Rights Clinic, Lawyering for Children Practicum, Haiti Justice Partnership, and Immigrant Rights Clinic. All her professors agree she is one of the most dedicated students with whom we've ever worked. She is bright and hard-working, an excellent colleague, and a creative advocate for clients. She goes above and beyond, from learning Haitian Creole, to preparing green card applications for her asylum client and her husband, to serving as a Teaching Assistant to mentor other clinic students.

## CLEA Outstanding Externship Student

**Gracie Winston** (Community Group Advocacy & Criminal Practice Clinic) was an outstanding seminar participant and community-builder in the CGA Clinic as a 2L, working with the Immigrant Legal Resource Center to create superb community education materials and presentations on immigration law developments for immigrants, activists, and attorneys. In the Criminal Practice Clinic, they did excellent work with the Marin Public Defender's Office and reflected insightfully on their experiences.

# **SOCIAL JUSTICE LAWYERING CONCENTRATION - 2024 GRADUATES**

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**Delphine Burns  
Sonja Chen  
Katie Cox  
Suzanne Edouni  
Briana Fluhrer  
Fernanda Gonzalez  
Charlotte Halifax  
Ashley Johnson  
Miquela Kallenberger  
Will Martel  
Sasha Nasir  
Chrystalle Navarro  
Ryan Orkisz  
Margaux Payton  
Clavey Robertson  
Sophia Tarantino  
Isa Velez  
Kate Wetterstrand  
Megan Wilhelm  
Gracie Winston**



## SOCIAL JUSTICE ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

The Social Justice Achievement Awards recognize students for their efforts to advance social justice and serve the public interest. The students receiving these awards were nominated for this honor by their peers, faculty, or other members of the UC Law SF community.

**Kellie Bendezu** was a zealous advocate and fearless leader, and took impressive initiative during the Tijuana Alternative Spring Break trip volunteering with Al Otro Lado. We assisted 800+ asylum seekers in 2 days—an overwhelming feat. Kelly utilized her humor, Spanish language skills, and compassion to guide and lead our group. It would have been impossible to succeed without her!

**Alexis Bounds** brings a light to the class that can't be dulled by stress or cold calls. They have made the first-year of law school so much friendlier and warmer. Their positivity and genuine compassion for their fellow students is much admired.

**Delphine Burns** applied her experience supporting and advocating for survivors of sexual violence to UC Law SF to help create a safer and more supportive community. She piloted a Space for Survivors to enable survivors of sexual violence to safely share their experience with other survivors, tap into a network of students with similar experiences, and build a system of mutual support. She also introduced a Trauma-Informed Lawyering workshop that brought in legal professionals to offer case examples and tools to implement. She is leaving the UC Law SF community better than she found it.

## SOCIAL JUSTICE ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

**Savannah Carter** made her mark on this institution, pouring her time, energy, talents and passion into many student organizations. As President of the Haiti Justice Partnership, she helped organize a delegation of students to investigate conditions for Haitian migrants in Mexico and raised money to support our partner facing dire circumstances in Haiti. All the while, she inspired other students to join her in making the world a little more just.

**Katie Cox** has been a trail-blazing force on campus. Her passion for advocating for students with disabilities is awe-inspiring. Despite her demanding roles as a journal editor, moot court participant, and exemplary student, she dedicated herself wholeheartedly to founding and nurturing the first disability rights student group on campus, ensuring that every voice was heard and valued.

**Brooke Harris** has contributed tremendously to the LGBTQIA+ community on campus through her work with OUTLaw. She created a new clinic for advanced health care directives for LGBTQIA+ individuals after securing pro bono status for OUTlaw. Additionally, she has successfully continued the Trans Name and Gender Marker Change clinic and expanded its reach. She is *amazing* and her hard work deserves to be recognized!

## SOCIAL JUSTICE ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

**Christina Lin** served as lead student coordinator for the Legal Advice and Referral Clinic (LARC) for most of the 2023-24 school year, working adeptly with the Justice & Diversity Center of the SF Bar Association, Pro Bono Program, and a host of 2L student coordinators. LARC's successes and smoothness are due in large part to her passion and organization, which included creating new policies and trainings for student volunteers.

**Julie Mendoza** is a social justice star! This year, she founded the Education Law Society, which organized thought-provoking events and provided a community for many former educators. She diligently worked in her clinic and successfully represented two clients. And she always makes time to mentor other students and be a listening ear.

**Sasha Nasir** embodies the essence of a compassionate yet formidable leader, whose kindness, vulnerability, and inspiration resonate deeply with all who encounter her. Her tenure in student government is marked by her tireless dedication to bettering campus life, rooted in her determination to understand complex systems and ensure equitable treatment for all affected by them.

## SOCIAL JUSTICE ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

**Madeline Paoli** is a true leader. She is on the CARE Board, a WLS 1L Rep, an NLG 1L Rep, and a LIPA 1L Rep while also being a Barbri Student Ambassador. When not actively involved in her computer and empowering her classmates, she volunteers with high school youth, coaching speech and debate, and in her community through pro bono legal work.

**Vivyana Prado** is a committed advocate for environmental, economic, and racial justice inside and outside the classroom. Her profound leadership in INALSA, ELSA, and CREJ is amplified by her passion for encouraging classmates to step into power. She ably builds coalitions and community power around collective needs. She is unafraid to advance creative goals and brings opportunities to the student body and community, facilitating critical conversations on campus for CREJ and working to bring the Representing Non-English Speaking Clients lecture series to campus.

**Maria Clara Ribeiro Siqueira** has selflessly given her time and effort over to multiple organizations including: LLSA as the President; LARC as a Student Coordinator; and has organized Spring Break pro-bono trips to the border two years in a row. She's a Public Interest Queen!

## SOCIAL JUSTICE ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

**Charlie Rosgen** spent her first year at UC Law SF demonstrating a strong commitment to social justice values and practices through her prolific pro bono work and her valuable insights as a part of the Center for Social Justice's student advisory board. She is dedicated to cultivating an inclusive and empathetic community, and the next two years promise to see a continuation of her admirable enthusiasm and leadership.

**Valeria Vera** is a strong social justice advocate, excellent pro bono student leader, and caring mentor to other students. On the alternative spring break trip to Tijuana, she booked travel and housing for seven students and engaged in moment-to-moment problem-solving for the organizations with which the students volunteered and the students themselves. She zealously advocates for herself, her fellow students, and her community, and she does so with empathy and dedication.

**Megan Wilhelm** is a passionate advocate for social justice and racial equity. Her presence on campus is akin to a radiant beacon, infusing every space with warmth, vitality, and an unyielding dedication to challenging oppressive systems. As a dynamic student leader, she seamlessly merges academic excellence with passionate advocacy, inspiring her peers to join her in the pursuit of transformative change.

## **SOCIAL JUSTICE ACHIEVEMENT AWARD NOMINEES**

The following students were also nominated for Social Justice Achievement Awards by their peers, faculty, or other members of the UC Law SF community for their efforts to advance social justice and serve the public interest.

**April Abarca**

**Elina Bazen**

**Jeffrey Bohórquez**

**Justine Caedo**

**Suzanne Edouni**

**Andrew Figueroa**

**Laurette Hanna**

**Valerie Khau**

**Taylor Yun Kim**

**Jessie LaRoche**

**Olivia Lassa**

**Addison Lyons**

**Dipa Mardemootoo**

**Siphosihle Nkos Mbuli**

**Nicholas Medellin**

**Lauren Murphy**

**Amna Qamer**

**Ashley Schultz**

**Marco Schwientek**

**Alyssa Scott**

**Westley Shaw**

**Ellen Slatkin**

**Dashiell Tucker**

**Michael Wambach**

**Gracie Winston**



# POST-GRADUATE FELLOWSHIPS

## Equal Justice Works

- **Alyosha Maggin**, Centro Legal de la Raza

## Immigrant Justice Corps

- **Jonathan Escobar Valencia**, Esperanza Immigrant Rights Project

## Lawyers for America

- **Ivan Ditmars**, Center for Biological Diversity
- **Madeline Scher**, Eviction Defense Center
- **Sophia Ureta-Fulan**, Eviction Defense Center

## Legal Services Funding Network

- **Diego Mulato Castillo**, Open Door Legal
- **Max Moyer**, International Institute of the Bay Area
- **Rachel Pyle**, AIDS Legal Referral Panel
- **Sasha Nasir**, Center for Work/Life Law

## Michael P. Murphy Public Law Fellowship

- **Savannah Eldridge**, San Mateo County

## **NANCY STUART PUBLIC INTEREST AWARDS**

The Nancy Stuart Public Interest Fund was established to continue the work of former Associate Dean and UC Law SF alumna, Nancy Stuart. It aims to advance social justice work within the UC Law SF community and support students committed to closing the access-to-justice gap for marginalized communities. The Award supports outstanding graduating students with significant economic need while they study for the bar exam.

**Nancy Alcaraz Arreola**

**Juliana Arruda**

**Bradly deMoll**

**Alyosha Maggin**

**Ana Sofia Mello**

**Tussanee Reedboon**