

LOUIS F. BARTELT, JR., PROFESSIONALISM SERIES













The Professionalism Series is named for Louis F. Bartelt, Jr., who was associated with the Law School for over 40 years as a graduate, faculty member, and dean. Dean Bartelt was a model of dignity and integrity to generations of law students and had the highest expectations of them, both inside and outside the classroom.

The Louis F. Bartelt, Jr., Professionalism Series is designed to communicate the values and ideals of the legal profession to students as well as equip them with the skills and attitudes that will be expected of them upon graduation. Although the programs are open to everyone, all J.D. students are required to attend at least one program in the Professionalism Series each semester they are enrolled.

All J.D. students at Valparaiso University Law School are subject to a professionalism education requirement, similar to the continuing legal education requirements they will encounter in practice. The purpose of this requirement is to build upon classroom efforts to communicate the values and ideals of the legal profession to students during the formation of their professional identities.

The Office of Student Services has established the Professionalism Series of programs. General topics for these programs will include, but are not limited to: legal ethics, professional judgment, the practice of law, wellness, substance abuse, diversity, communication skills, and networking.

To meet the professionalism education requirement, both full and part-time students must attend at least one (1) program of their choice from the Professionalism Series each semester they are enrolled at the Law School until they have attended six (6) Professionalism Series events. Students in the accelerated J.D. program must attend two (2) Professionalism Series events during their last semester in order to satisfy this requirement. Part-time students are only required to attend Professionalism Series events during the first six (6) semesters they are enrolled, though they are encouraged to continue attending these events until graduating.



FALL 2017 PROFESSIONALISM SERIES SCHEDULE

MONDAY, AUGUST 21 | 4:30 P.M.

PELZER

Authenticity: Who Are You? And Why it Matters
Dino Pollock (Valparaiso University Law School '08)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7 | 3:30 P.M.

BENSON

Drugs & Alcohol and Your Career
Terry L. Harrell & Loretta Oleksy
Indiana Judges & Lawyers Assistance Program

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 | 4:30 - 6:30 P.M.

TABOR

Movie Screening: Documented

The film will be followed by an expert panel discussing, "Immigration Law and Enforcement: A Dialogue Concerning Borders, Sanctuary and Legalization."

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 | 3:30 P.M.

BENSON

Wellness in the Legal Profession

Michael Tolbert (Valparaiso University Law School '00) Indiana State Bar Association Wellness Committee

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28 | 5:30 P.M.

BENSON

Dissent in the Classroom - Part II

Valparaiso University Law School Diversity and Inclusion Committee

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12 | 4:00 P.M.

BENSON

Justice Robert D. Rucker Lecture

Larry Albrecht (Valparaiso University Law School '73)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25 | 3:30 P.M.

BENSON

Developing a Reputation for Trustworthiness

Christopher Hammer (Valparaiso University Law School '14)

Deputy Prosecutor, Porter County, Indiana

Presented by the Career Planning Center

MOCK INTERVIEWS

The Mock Interview Program, coordinated by the Career Planning Center, enables you to strengthen interviewing skills through practice interviews and constructive feedback from practicing attorneys in one-on-one interviews. Successful completion of a mock interview, scheduled at your convenience, will fulfill your professionalism education requirement for the semester. Contact the Career Planning Center to schedule your mock interview.







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