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With the end of the Spring semester fast approaching, everyone is thinking about endings and beginnings. For those who have been admitted to law school for next year, it's time to think about ending life as an undergraduate and beginning life as a law student. For juniors applying next year, it's time to think about ending your courses strong and beginning your summer LSAT prep. Others are somewhere in between. Wherever you find yourself, here is some final information to guide you between now and the time the newsletter comes back online for the Fall.

Obtaining Prelaw Advising and Resources

- **Summer Break for Prelaw Advising.** From the end of the Spring classes on May 12 until the day after Labor Day, Sep. 5, there will **no prelaw advising appointments**. So if you really need to speak to someone about applying to law school, make sure to do it in the next week or so. All the formal appointments are booked up, but email Jason.Whitehead@csulb.edu and I will do my best to fit you in.
- **Online Prelaw Resources.** Over the summer, remember that you can still find tons of helpful links and information on the [Pre-Law Resources page](#). Lots of internet and other resources are collected there to answer pretty much any question you might have about law school, the legal profession, or applying to law school.
- **Prelaw Preparation Course.** If you are a current CSULB student and you're not graduating this year, you might be interested in the [Prelaw Preparation Course \(C/LA 302\)](#). This course is open to students of any major and it is offered every semester. The first 5 weeks of the course cover legal careers, the realities of law school, and how to make yourself a good candidate for law school, including the LSAT. The second 5 weeks cover all the details of the application process, including writing a personal statement, getting letters of recommendation, etc. The final 5 weeks cover

law school admissions decisions, financial aid, and negotiating with law schools. Seats are still available for the [Fall semester](#), so please plan on it!

- **Archive of Beach Prelaw Emails.** If you've just recently subscribed to this email list, or if you've been around for a while but maybe deleted a prior email with some crucial information, you can access the archive [here](#).

Summer Prelaw Opportunities



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[ASAP – Achieving Success in the Application Process](#) is a two-day summer seminar focusing on the law school application process. It will be held from **June 17-18, 2017**, at

USC Gould School of Law. Participants can be current college students or alumni, as long as they are intending to apply to law school in the fall semester after attending the program. The primary goal of **ASAP** is to help prospective law school applicants understand the importance of factors in the admission process that are often overlooked or undervalued. Topics covered are:

- Selecting a law school,
- Writing an effective personal statement,
- Choosing sources for letters of recommendations,
- Preparing strategies for the Law School Admission Test (LSAT) and understanding the impact of LSAT scores and Grade Point Averages (GPA) in the selection process,
- Understanding the significance of the early application process offered by many law schools
- Managing Debt and developing credit worthiness
- Common errors committed by law school applicants.

The cost of the program (which includes meals) is \$100. If you are interested, though, get right on it because the application deadline is next week, **May 8!** Apply [here](#).



[The Duke D.C. Summer Institute](#) offers short courses taught by Duke Law faculty on topics of broad interest to college and graduate students, as well as professionals working in D.C. Launched in 2013, the Institute is designed for individuals considering law school or careers in the public sector and others interested in how the law shapes policy and regulation in the United States. If you're planning on working or interning in the D.C. area this summer, this would be a wonderful add-on.

[Session One: July 10-20, 2017](#)

[Session Two: July 24-August 3, 2017](#)

Registration is open until the courses fill up, so apply [here](#) soon!

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Fellowship for Advancement and Resources

Diverse individuals with a financial need and who are interested in attending law school are invited to apply for Snell & Wilmer's FAR Fellowship. Two FAR Fellows are chosen annually and receive:

- An LSAT preparation course
- \$300 per semester book Scholarship
- An audio course to prepare for the first year of law school
- \$750 technology stipend
- A Snell & Wilmer mentor

The following law schools will waive application fees and will match the \$300 book Scholarship if a Snell & Wilmer FAR Fellow ultimately attends their law school:

- Arizona State University
- Brigham Young University
- The Ohio State University
- University of Arizona
- University of California Irvine
- University of Colorado
- University of Iowa
- University of Kansas
- University of Notre Dame
- Washington University at St. Louis

* Several other law schools have also agreed to waive application fees.

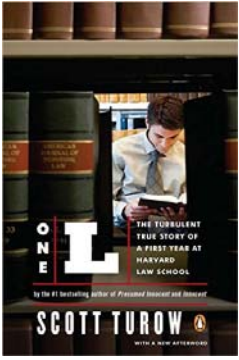
Please apply online at <https://www.swlaw.com/diversity/go-far> by June 1, 2017.



J. ANTONIO TRAMONTANA
ATTORNEY AT LAW

[Magna Carta Scholarship](#). To honor the important principles of justice and equal rights espoused in the Magna Carta, the office of J. Antonio Tramontana has created a scholarship to assist a student currently pursuing higher education. The scholarship, in the amount of \$1,215 — for the year the Magna Carta was created — is open to university and law students throughout the United States. The Magna Carta Scholarship will be awarded to one U.S. undergraduate or law student who submits the application materials by **July 31, 2017**. Application materials and information available [here](#).

Summer Reading Recommendations

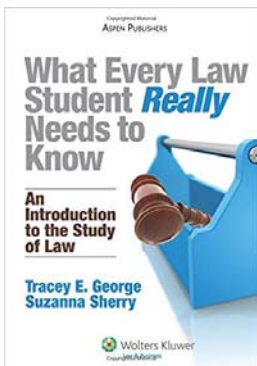


Wherever you are in your journey to law school – but especially if you are headed to law school in the Fall – here are a couple books that are essential reading:

[One-L, by Scott Turow.](#)

“It was a year of terrors and triumphs, of depressions and elations, of compulsive work, pitiless competition, and, finally, mass hysteria. It was Scott Turow's first year at the oldest, biggest, most esteemed center of legal

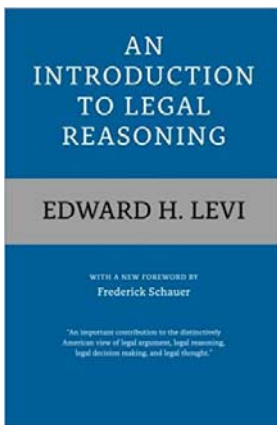
education in the United States. Turow's experiences at Harvard Law School, where freshmen are dubbed One Ls, parallel those of first-year law students everywhere. His gripping account of this critical, formative year in the life of a lawyer is as suspenseful, said *The New York Times*, as ‘the most absorbing of thrillers.’” (Amazon.com)



[What Every Law Student Really Needs to Know, by Tracey George and Suzanna Sherry.](#)

“This brief book is designed to prepare students for their first year of law school, thereby decreasing their anxiety and increasing their chances of achieving academic success. Also appropriate for non-J.D. students, including LLM students from foreign countries and graduate students outside law school.

- Gives student basic grounding in discrete non-legal topics that are important to the contemporary study of law
- Includes Test Your Understanding boxes to allow students to use what they are learning
- Friendly writing style
- Images and graphics help students remember material” (Amazon.com)



[An Introduction to Legal Reasoning, by Edward H. Levi.](#) “Originally published in 1949, *An Introduction to Legal Reasoning* is widely acknowledged as a classic text. As its opening sentence states, ‘This is an attempt to describe generally the process of legal reasoning in the field of case law and in the interpretation of statutes and of the Constitution.’ In elegant and lucid prose, Edward H. Levi does just that in a concise manner, providing an intellectual foundation for generations of students as well as general readers.” (Amazon.com)

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