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Dear Students,

Congratulations on graduating law school! It is a tremendous achievement and you should all be very proud.

Now let's get back to work!

BAR PREP CANVAS PAGE

The "[Law School Bar Prep July 2023](#)" page on Canvas is up and running! You should have received an invitation to the course so once you accept it, you will be able to access all materials and recordings from the workshops we host on campus, as well as all study and wellness resources.

I have also created a module for all previously sent Bridge to the Bar emails in case there is information you missed that does not repeat in subsequent messages.

DINNER!

Just a reminder, starting Monday, May 22, we will be serving dinner on campus each night school is open Mon-Thurs beginning at **6:00pm until approximately 7:15pm** for anyone who would like to take a break and get something to eat.

Location: **The Private Dining Room**

SUMMER LIBRARY ACCESS

Please note that, in addition to the classrooms we have set aside for quiet study space (2-01C, 2-12, 2-16, 2-21, 2-25, 2M-08, and 2M-11), your library swipe card access will continue through the end of the bar exam.

ADJUNCTS FOR ESSAY AND MPT PRACTICE

I am pleased to let you know that we will have three dedicated adjuncts available to you over the summer to help you with essay and MPT writing: Profs. Kathy Simone, Kelly Alexander, and Violet Cole.

They will be assigned as follows so feel free to reach out to your assigned adjunct at any point:

JD Students by last name:

A - L Prof. Alexander alexandk@stjohns.edu

M – Z Prof. Simone simonek@stjohns.edu

All LL.M. Students:

 Prof. Cole colec@stjohns.edu

OFFICE HOURS

Beginning the week of May 22, I will open office hours every Wednesday 12:00 – 3:00 p.m. for anyone who wants to ask any bar-related questions. You can schedule times individually or in small groups up to four students at one time [here](#).

While it is always best if you make an appointment, you can pop by, and I'll be happy to help you if I am free.

SUMMER WELLNESS SUPPORT RESOURCES

As much as we want to see you pass the bar exam, we are also invested in your mental health and wellness. **While access to the Counseling Center on campus ends once a student graduates**, there are many resources available to you both on campus and off should you need them.

To that end, I have created a “Wellness Support Resources” module on the Summer 2023 Bar Prep page, where I have uploaded information and which I will update as necessary. There is also a lot of valuable information on the Online Student Page here: <https://stjlawstudent.com/remote-learning-and-wellness-support/>

WELLNESS WEDNESDAYS WITH TANYA

Starting Wednesday, May 24, Tanya Weekes will be hosting “Wellness Wednesdays” which will feature several wellness offerings, from cognitive behavioral therapy to fitness to sleep and nutrition with the aim to give students a taste of many of the wellness techniques and resources available to them. To Kickoff Wellness Wednesdays with Tanya, she will lead a naturalist walk around the campus so meet her at her office at noon on May 24, room 1-19, for a one-hour walk to decompress. **Feel free to reach out to Tanya directly by email if you have any questions:** weekest@stjohns.edu

Following the Wellness Walk on May 24th, you will need to hydrate. Student Services will have its First BAR PREP Lemonade Stand! You can make your own flavor of lemonade and if lemonade is not for you can make Iced Tea.

Location: Student Services (Hallway)

Time: May 24th after Wellness Walk

****BELOW IS IMPORTANT INFORMATION THAT APPEARED IN A PREVIOUS BRIDGE-TO-THE-BAR EMAIL BUT BEARS REPEATING****

BAR REVIEW WORKSHOPS WITH PROFESSOR PARAS

Beginning June 1 and for the four subsequent Thursdays (June 8, 15, 22, and 29), I will be teaching the five MEE subjects at 2:00-4:00 p.m. in Room LL-03. All are welcome to attend, and the schedule of subjects is as follows:

Week 1: Wills & Trusts

Week 2: Family Law

Week 3: Business Organizations

Week 4: Secured Transactions

Week 5: Agency & Conflicts of Laws

BAR REVIEW WORKSHOPS WITH PROFESSORS PARAS AND RUESCHER

Prof. Ruescher and I will teach a two-week “Bar Exam Bootcamp” for the MBE subjects and MPT beginning July 10 through July 20, 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., in Room LL-01, 03, and

07, and again, all are welcome. During these two weeks, we will serve lunch as well as dinner. I will email a schedule of subjects once it has been finalized.

QUIET ROOM NOT FOR STUDYING

Tanya Weekes has set aside room 1-08 (behind the library) as a “quiet room” every day from 9:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. for anyone who would like to decompress and take a break from studying. **Please reach out to Tanya directly by email at weekest@stjohns.edu for information about how to reserve the quiet room.**

I will send reminders and write with updates as bar prep progresses but feel free to reach out to me anytime by email: parasr@stjohns.edu.

Keep working hard and know that we are rooting for you!

Best,

Prof. Paras



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