








Student Bar Association

Introductions from SBA members 2013-2014

Public Interest Student Concerns

- Follow up from last meeting, on student concerns relating to:
 -  Counseling for certain areas, such as government jobs
 -  Communication and how information is distributed
- The SBA organized and collected the results from a student online survey on PILC services. Over 90 responses have been recorded, and these will be shared with Dean Revesz, Dean Fama and PILC administration to guide the Town Hall Meeting scheduled for April 23, 2013.
- A task force of 1Ls and 2Ls from the public interest community and administration will review thoroughly the results and follow up with the issues brought up during the Town Hall Meeting.

Admissions Update



- Although the admissions process is still in progress, how are we doing with recruiting the class of 2016? Specifically, we would like to get a sense for where we stand in terms of diversity and gender parity.
 -  The admission cycle is finishing up and the scholarship programs are concluding their selections, as well. There has been significant progress in communicating the opportunities available to diverse students, and the sense of community fostered at NYU for both men and women.
 -  The student Ambassador Program and alumni development have been very active this year.
 -  Admitted Students days have been greatly attended, with the final one on April 25-26, 2013.
- What can the SBA do as a board next year to help the Admissions team?
 -  With being in NYC and asking admitted students to come from afar, the Admissions office has received requests for hosts for the Admitted Student days. We do not have a host program in place, but this would be a priority for next year.
 -  We would need volunteers to host or organize housing in the resident halls. Admissions, Housing and SBA will discuss offline more of the details.

Clerkships

- Current 2Ls are concerned about what are the changes to the federal hiring timeline and how this information will be shared with students.

- The Clerkship Office has been working closely with the 2L students to adjust to the cycle and the June deadline. There is a meeting scheduled for April 17 to address any questions and provide guidance.
- The 2013 season has already been highly successful with a high percentage of 3Ls and alumni receiving clerkship offers.

Cost of Graduation

- Although we would like to reduce costs this year, we would also like to know what options we can consider for next year?
 -  SBA will work with Student Affairs to possibly include some of the graduation costs as part of the student fees paid annually. The goal will be to gradually pay the graduation costs, rather than all at once at the end. Dean Revesz and financial management will look into the option.
 -  Student Affairs looked into the general costs of cap and gown rentals, as compared to peer schools, and our costs are at par.

Facilities

- A big thank you for the new water fountain on the second floor of Vanderbilt Hall and all the facility updates throughout the year. There was been substantial positive feedback from students.

Final remarks from outgoing Dean Revesz