

New faculty members deepen, enrich Michigan Law's teaching, research

Michigan Law always has enjoyed the scholarship, pedagogy, and collegiality of outstanding faculty members. The Law School community benefits immensely from its professors' research, writing, and professional and public service activities, and the School is known worldwide as the home of active, involved, and dedicated legal scholars.

This year, the Law School welcomes six new faculty members, and also recognizes two additional professors who will join the active teaching ranks next fall. The addition of these scholars to the ranks of the faculty enhances Michigan Law's depth in issues like criminal law and employment law, and brings to Michigan a widely known expert on the law of remedies and the law of religious liberty. In addition, two of the new professors will add to the School's already high renown in the field of intellectual property.

Here are the new faculty members:



Alicia Alvarez joins the faculty as a clinical professor. She has developed numerous clinics as a faculty member at De Paul University College of Law in Chicago and in El Salvador as a consultant for the National Center for State Courts and DPK Consulting Inc.

Alvarez was a Fulbright Scholar and Visiting Professor at the University of El Salvador, where she co-coordinated a Central American clinical conference. She was also a visiting professor of clinical education at Boston College. She has worked with Business and Professional People for the Public Interest and the Legal Assistance Foundation of Chicago. She was on the National Steering Committee of the Association of American Law Schools' conference on law schools and equal justice issues as well as the chair of the poverty law section.

In addition, she is a member of the Chicago Bar Association and was on the Board of Directors for the Society of American Law Teachers. Alvarez received her B.A., *magna cum laude*, from Loyola University of Chicago and her J.D., *cum laude*, from Boston College Law School.



Eve L. Brensike, '01, joins the faculty as an assistant professor of law. She earned her B.A., *magna cum laude*, from Brown University, and, before entering law school, worked as a criminal investigator for the Public Defender Service in Washington, D.C., as well as a property subrogation paralegal for the Law Offices of White and Williams in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

At Michigan Law, where she earned her J.D. *summa cum laude*, she was an articles editor on the *Michigan Law Review* as well as a board member on the Henry M. Campbell Moot Court Board. During law school, she volunteered at a number of public defender and capital defense organizations in addition to working in the Civil Rights Division of the United States Department of Justice.

After law school, Brensike clerked for the Hon. Stephen Reinhardt on the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals and worked in both the trial and appellate divisions of the Maryland Office of the Public Defender.

Brensike's research and teaching interests include criminal law, criminal procedure, evidence, and *habeas corpus*. Her article "Structural Reform in Criminal Defense Representation" is forthcoming. Her article "Saying Goodbye to a Legend: A Tribute to Yale Kamisar—My Mentor, Teacher, and Friend," appeared in *Michigan Law Review* (2004).