Michigan Law is fortunate to include among its teachers three Affiliated Overseas Faculty members who come to the School to teach special, concentrated courses, present lectures, and participate in other activities. These scholars are renowned within and beyond their home countries and universities.

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Affiliated Overseas Faculty scholars, who are renowned within and beyond their home countries and universities, are:

Christine M. Chinkin, a professor of international law at the London School of Economics and Political Science, University of London. She is an internationally respected scholar of public international law, alternative dispute resolution, international criminal law, human rights (especially women’s human rights), and the intersection of feminist jurisprudence and international law. She holds an LL.B. with honors and an LL.M. from the University of London, a second LL.M. from Yale University, and a Ph.D. from the University of Sydney.

J. Christopher JcCrudden is Fellow and Tutor in Law at Lincoln College, Oxford, and Professor of Human Rights Law at the University of Oxford. He holds an LL.B. from Queen’s University, Belfast, an LL.M. from Yale, and a D. Phil. from Oxford. He specializes in human rights and currently concentrates on issues of equality and discrimination and the relationship between international economic law and human rights.

Bruno Simma, a judge on the International Court of Justice, has served as dean of the Munich Faculty of Law and director of the Institute of International Law at the University of Munich. He is a member of the Court of Arbitration in Sports of the International Olympic Committee, is co-founder of the European Society of International Law, and is co-founder and co-editor of the European Journal of International Law.

Affiliated Overseas Faculty members combine academic research and scholarship with significant activity in legal, human rights, and other fields. Asked about her recent international activities, for example, Chinkin reported that “I am a member of a study group on the Human Security doctrine. This led to a report on a human security doctrine for Europe, which was presented to the European Parliament in 2005 and [resulted in] a book by the same name (Routledge, 2006). I have a chapter in the book on an International Legal Framework for Peace and Security. The study group is now continuing its work at the behest of the Finnish government. “And I am working on a project for the UN Development Program evaluating their post-conflict programs in light of human security criteria.”
She also is co-author of the book, *How International Law is Made*, which will be published by Oxford University Press in 2007, and has contributed to the UN Secretary-General’s study on violence against women, which will be submitted to the General Assembly.


She also is director of studies for the International Law Association.

Earlier this year, Queen’s University in Belfast, where McCrudden grew up and earned his first university degree, awarded him an honorary doctorate of laws, noting that “he has had, and continues to have, considerable influence on official thinking and practice, having served on several government committees including the Northern Ireland Standing Advisory Commission on Human Rights and the European Commission’s group of legal experts on equality law.”

McCrudden “helped to ensure that the human rights and equality commitments contained in the Belfast Agreement were accurately reflected in the Northern Ireland act [of] 1998,” Professor Colin Harvey said in his delivery of the honorary degree citation. “As a graduate of this university who has gone on to establish a global reputation for his outstanding work on equality, discrimination, and human rights law, it is only right that this, his home institution, honors him,” Harvey added.

McCrudden serves as a specialist advisor to the British House of Commons’ Northern Ireland Affairs Committee, is a member of the Procurement Board for Northern Ireland, is a member of the editorial boards for several journals, and serves on the European Commission’s Expert Network on the Application of the Gender Equality Directives. He is the first scholar to be named Professor of Human Rights Law at Oxford.

For Simma, “as a judge of the International Court of Justice, I am of course limited in what I do ‘on the side,’ as it were. . . but I regularly act as an arbitrator at the Court of Arbitration for Sports in Lausanne and have also served as an arbitrator in a recent arbitration between Belgium and The Netherlands concerning the so-called Iron Rhine case.”

He recently received an honorary doctorate from the University of Macerate (Italy) and was elected an associate member of the renowned Institut de Droit International.

In addition, he is continuing international legal research and writing, among other issues about the consequences of the LaGrand and Avena judgments [involving foreign nationals’ access to their countries’ consulates if charged with an offense] for the U.S. judiciary, and frequently lectures in various European countries and receives student groups from a variety of countries at The Hague.

Simma lectured on “The International Court of Justice: An Insider’s View” as part of the Law School’s International Law Workshop speakers series in October.