

Post-Graduate Fellow 2009 - 2010

Department of Legal Studies

The Legal Studies Department at UMass Amherst welcomes applications for a Post-Graduate Fellow to contribute new offerings to our established curriculum and to actively participate in the interdisciplinary intellectual life of the Department in the 2009 academic year.

Eligibility: Scholars in all disciplines who have interests in theoretical and empirical studies of law; applicants with Ph.D.s, J.D.s and experience in socio-legal practice are welcome. Applicants should propose to teach a course of their own design. Each Fellow will teach one course per semester for the 2009 -2010 year, participate in departmental scholarship and contribute to ongoing multidisciplinary engagements in the Law and Society Initiative. Please see the department website (<http://www.umass.edu/legal/>) for a complete list of current and recent courses and activities.

About the Department: The Legal Studies Department is multidisciplinary and interdisciplinary in its critical approach to law, and consists of faculty trained in law, history, education, anthropology, political science, and sociology. The Department serves a large number of undergraduate students, has an active group of Law and Society Graduate Fellows, and a community of scholars and practitioners who work closely with faculty. It is a center for the campus-wide Law and Society Initiative, home to the National Center for Technology and Dispute Resolution, and hosts the Law and Society Association. Building on its established strengths, the department is at an exciting stage of transition to a more widely interdisciplinary curriculum and further opportunities for graduate study.

Fellowship Description: Each Post-Graduate Fellow will develop one or two courses, to be taught in Fall 2009 and Spring 2010 semesters (one course a semester). Each class will consist of 40 students. The Fellowship carries a monetary value of \$14,000 for the academic year. Fellows will serve officially as adjunct faculty in the department, will have office space, library privileges, and will be welcome to participate in intellectual life at Legal Studies, in the Law and Society Initiative and the Five Colleges. Fellows whose course proposals are related to their ongoing scholarly projects will be welcome to contribute to varied departmental opportunities for intellectual engagement and support, including the Faculty and Fellows Colloquia, writing and research workshops.

Application Deadline: March 1, 2009

Application Procedure: Please submit the following:

- The attached cover sheet
- 1 page statement of interest, including how your research interests intersect with interdisciplinary legal studies
- 1-2 page description of the course you propose to teach: include the level of the course (introductory/mixed/advanced), potential readings and materials, teaching approaches and the times you will be available to teach the course (eg. weekdays 9-5, or evenings only)
- Curriculum vitae
- Name and contact information of one person who can be asked to submit a letter of recommendation

Please submit applications (applications by email or mail are acceptable) to Professor Iza Hussin, Department of Legal Studies, Gordon Hall, University of Massachusetts, 418 N. Pleasant Street, Amherst, MA 01002. Questions about the post-graduate teaching opportunity should be directed to Professor Hussin at hussin@legal.umass.edu.

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Application Coversheet

Name: _____

Contact Information (please circle preferred method of contact):

- Email: _____
- Telephone: _____
- Mailing address: _____

Please attach to this cover sheet the following materials:

- 1 page statement of research interests
- 1-2 page course proposal
- Curriculum vitae
- Name and contact for referee

Submit your application in hardcopy (no email, please) to Professor Iza Hussin, Department of Legal Studies, Gordon Hall, University of Massachusetts, 418 N. Pleasant Street, Amherst, MA 01002 by **March 1, 2009**.