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Legal Beagle's Posts

April 6, 2017

Love your Library!
Posted by Library Blog on 04/06/2017 at 02:51 PM

The week of April 9-15 is National Library Week!

National Library Week is the one week a year that we stop and appreciate all things library-related. Here at the RWU Law Library we will be taking time out to express gratitude to our dedicated student library workers, our amazing full-time library staff, and our awesome patrons. Thank you all!

To celebrate National Library Week 2017, the RWU Law Library hopes you all take time to stop by and enjoy the following festivities:

- Monday, April 10th is Patron Appreciation Day! Stop by the Library and enjoy a nutritious snack provided by the library staff.
- Tuesday, April 11th is Law Library Student Worker Appreciation Day! If you see a student worker, be sure to thank them for all that they do.
- Wednesday, April 12th is Go Fish! Stop by the Circulation Desk and go fishing in the RWU Law Library pond for a chance to win a prize! This fun event is sponsored in part by Lexis Advance.
- There will also be a flashcard-making event in the Kent Law Library Student Lounge from 11:30am-12:30pm. Stop by to get flashcard making tips and learn about alternatives to traditional flashcards. Demonstrations and supplies will be provided.
- Thursday, April 13th is our Study Kit give away! Stop by the Circulation Desk to pick up a handcrafted bag of study goodies.
- Also, drop by the library in the afternoon 1-4pm to learn how to maximize your use of the study aids in the RWU Law Digital Library

Happy National Library Week!
April 13, 2017

Legal Job Interviewing
Posted by Library Blog on 04/13/2017 at 04:07 PM

According to Natalie Prescott and Oleg Cross, authors of *Nail Your Law Job Interview*, “An interview is the most important part of the job-search process. It is also the most difficult part.” The best resource for information about the interview process is the Office of Career Development. To supplement the work of that department, the library has prepared a book display for your consideration.

The featured collection of books displayed on the Reference shelves in the law library contain titles to consult when planning and preparing for legal job interviews. This display will help you discover resources in the library’s collection about all things related to interviewing, like how to answer difficult questions or what to wear. The library also has more general books about career planning.

The library’s LawGuide titled “Legal Job Interviewing: A Bibliography” contains not just a list of the books in display, but additional books and ebooks on legal interviewing. In addition to the LawGuide, the library has a Pinterest page which features the collection.

April 21, 2017

Immigration Law Research with AILALink
Posted by Library Blog on 04/20/2017 at 04:37 PM

AILALink is a digital research database which specializes in immigration law information and guidance.

Created and maintained by the American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA), this database contains fully searchable resources essential for practicing immigration law including:

- Kurzban’s Immigration Law Sourcebook;
- More than 280 immigration forms;
- Immigration-related statutes, regulations, and case law;
- Agency correspondence and manuals, including the USCIS Adjudicator’s Field Manual;
- AILA/government liaison minutes; and
- A wide selection of AILA publications beyond Kurzban.
For information on accessing AILALink or other resources at home, see our Off-Campus Digital Resources Page.

If you have questions about AILALink or are looking for more information about how best to use it, stop by the reference desk and speak with a librarian or contact us via Ask a Librarian, by email at LawLibraryHelp@rwu.edu, or by calling 401-254-4547.

April 28, 2017

Stress Management & Mindfulness

Posted by Library Blog on 04/28/2017 at 09:03 AM

Good news: you have made it to exam time!

Bad news: sometimes exam time can be stressful.

The library’s collection contains resources in print and online that provide information on how to help manage exam stress. For example, The Zen of Law School Success discusses how to achieve and maintain balance in law school and includes selections on doing well on final exams, including specific strategies and tips for both essay and multiple choice exams. If you prefer a more straightforward (and less law school-related) resource, the library’s e-book collection includes Stress Management for Dummies which includes sections about breathing, posture, imagery and meditation.

Last year we released an online LawGuide about Stress Management, Mindfulness and Wellness. This guide features resources in the library and outside the library to encourage mental wellness. The last page of the LawGuide is a photo tour of reflective spaces on the RWU Campus (pictures by the library’s own Kathleen MacAndrew!).

Finally, we have a well-stocked coloring book collection. While there are some colored pencils and coloring pages in the stacks, there are also crayons, doodling books, and other coloring supplies, which can be borrowed at the circulation desk.

Breathe deeply, think positive thoughts, and good luck on exams!