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Brittany Raposa: Professor of the Year 2021

[Brittany L. Raposa](#), RWU Law Associate Director & Professor of Bar Support, has been voted by the Class of 2021 as Professor of the Year!

“Professor Raposa has been a transformational force for our law school,” said Dean Gregory W. Bowman. “Her teaching is excellent, and she knows that teaching and learning are not limited to the traditional classroom setting. Her work preparing our students for success in their legal careers has enriched our law school’s curriculum and our students’ learning experiences. Her scholarly research on law school pedagogy is also gaining well-deserved national recognition. Professor Raposa is an ideal colleague, and I am so pleased that our graduating students selected her for this singular honor.”

Raposa noted, however, that it is the Class of 2021 themselves who truly deserve special recognition.

“I will always carry this class with me because of their courage in getting through their law school journey during these trying times,” she said. “Courage isn’t always loud. Sometimes it’s that quiet voice at the end of the day saying, ‘I will move forward.’”

Professor Raposa graduated at the top of her class from UMass Law, where she was the Executive Notes Editor of the Law Review and Secretary of the Student Bar Association (SBA). She currently serves as the first female President of the UMass Law Alumni Association. After law school, Professor Raposa pursued her LL.M in Health Law and Policy, focusing her academic study and research on reproductive health and justice. She worked in private practice in the areas of family law litigation and estate planning.

While in practice, Professor Raposa also was a private bar exam tutor independently and for many different tutoring companies. She was a professor for Seizing Every Opportunity’s Law Fellowship program, where she taught first generation and underrepresented law students legal academic skills and writing prior to beginning law school. She currently is a guest bar exam lecturer for companies across the country and is working on her book, *The Ultimate Visual Guide to the Multistate Bar Exam*, which will be published by Wolters Kluwer in 2022.

Professor Raposa’s academic research and presentations focus on learning and teaching in law schools, as well as reproductive justice issues. Professor Raposa is the Associate Director of the bar exam program at RWU Law, and she currently teaches Applied Legal Reasoning, Legal Reasoning, Reproductive Justice, and Family Law.