Dean Logan's Blog: Cool Summer Jobs

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As students return to RWU for the beginning of fall classes, I thought I would provide snapshots of a couple of rising 3Ls who had unique summer experiences.

**Jay Resmini**

Jay Resmini spent his summer in Los Angeles, working in the Worldwide TV Distribution Legal Department of MGM studios. He was immersed in entertainment law, with projects changing almost daily. The highlight: a project for the Vice President involving a 64 picture agreement with French television. Jay: “I had to regularly communicate with the many players involved. At first I was a bit intimidated, especially because of the language barrier, but I ended up with significant responsibility for a project worth tens of millions of dollars.” Jay researched and wrote memos, communicated with opposing counsel, and even had a hand in drafting the contracts. “The skill set that Professor John Chung provided, as well as the training I received from the legal drafting professors, gave me what I needed to hit the ground running on day one. I found that the ‘gap’ between law school and practice wasn’t all that wide and I attribute that to the amazing faculty at RWU Law.”

**Gavin Black**

Gavin Black, one of our many strong Marine Affairs students, was at the International Maritime Organization in London. Gavin conducted research on issues related to international port safety and security, and got to participate in IMO’s Maritime Safety Committee meetings, where the focus was on the implementation of the Long-Range Identification and Tracking system, the development of goal-based standards for new ship construction, and the adoption of amendments to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea. The hottest topic though was, unsurprisingly, piracy, and the attendees considered best practices in cases where seafarers, fishermen, and other mariners are kidnapped or held hostage for ransom. Gavin was responsible for reviewing the latest statistics on piracy and armed robbery against ships, focusing on situations in the Gulf of Aden.