Dean Logan's Blog: Prof. Teitz Helps RWU Law Students “Learn to Bridge the World”

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The motto of Roger Williams University is “Learning to Bridge the World,” and the School of Law takes that aspect of our mission very seriously. In previous posts, I have highlighted faculty (Prof. Ed Eberle and Prof. Jonathan Gutoff, for example) experts on various aspects of International Law, who are respected for their expertise, but we also incorporate this expertise into the classroom experience for our students. One example is a course developed and taught by Prof. Louise Ellen Teitz (an offering from our distinctive “Perspectives” curriculum), titled “Current Issues in Private International Law.”

Prof. Teitz has worked with leading actors in private international law, including the United States Department of State, The Hague Conference, the United Nations, and International Institute for the Unification of Private Law, so she brought her deep and broad knowledge to a survey of such topics as “libel tourism,” international family law, cross-border consumer redress, international choice of law, and enforcing transnational civil judgments. As a bonus for the students, she used teleconferencing to bring to class the lawyers from the US State Department who are currently negotiating the treaties with the UN Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL), The Hague Conference, and the Organization of American States.