Interdisciplinary Curricular Roundtable: Using the Arts to Teach
Participants Bios for “The Play’s the Thing,” Sept. 15, 2009

Leigh Anenson is an associate professor of business law at the Robert H. Smith School of Business at the University of Maryland. She was recently selected for the Smith School Top 15 Percent Teaching Award. The international Academy of Legal Studies in Business also honored Professor Anenson with its Early Career Achievement Award. Her current research involves developing a model for incorporating business ethics into legal decision-making through the use of ancient equity. In addition to law review articles, she has published poetry and short stories.

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Geoffrey Greif is a professor at the University of Maryland School of Social Work. From 1996 to 2007, he was associate dean at the School of Social Work. His current research, teaching and practice interests include child abduction, family therapy, parenting issues and adult male friendships. In 2007, the Maryland Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers named him Educator of the Year.

Christopher Hanson is an associate professor of journalism at the Philip Merrill College of Journalism at the University of Maryland. He worked for over twenty years as a reporter for Time, The Washington Star, Reuters and the Seattle Post-Intelligencer. His research interests include journalism ethics, the role of master narratives and stereotypes in shaping news content and media-military relations.

Deborah Hellman is a professor at the University of Maryland School of Law. Her newest book, When is Discrimination Wrong?, was just released by the Harvard University Press in June 2008. She writes in the field of bioethics and focuses on the ethical issues arising from clinical medical research. In 2004-2005, she was the Eugene P. Beard Faculty Fellow in Ethics at the Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics at Harvard University.

Associate Dean and Professor Diane Hoffmann was instrumental in developing the LEAD Initiative and in her role as Associate Dean of Academic Programs oversees all new Programs and Initiatives at the School of Law. She also directs the Law School’s Law & Health Care Program and has taught a number of interdisciplinary courses. Her research interests include issues at the intersection of law, health care, ethics and public policy such as advance directives, pain treatment, termination of life support, genetics, regulation of research, and managed care.
Alan Hornstein is a Professor Emeritus at the University of Maryland School of Law. For over thirty-five years, he has served the School of Law in numerous capacities, including as associate dean and acting dean. Passionate about drama, he has taught numerous seminars designed to facilitate interdisciplinary understanding and explore ethical issues using theatrical works.

Diana Huffman is the Baltimore Sun Distinguished Lecturer at the Philip Merrill College of Journalism at the University of Maryland. She teaches journalism ethics and has been managing editor of National Journal and editor of Legal Times. For over ten years, she was a senior aide in the United States Senate. She also was staff director of the Senate Judiciary Committee and legislative director for Senator Chris Dodd. She also holds a law degree. (http://www.merrill.umd.edu/directory/details.cfm?id=78)

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Patricia Meehan is an assistant dean and assistant professor at the University of Maryland Dental School. Prior to assuming her current role as Assistant Dean for Admissions and Recruitment, she taught full time in the Department of Periodontics, served as an attending dentist at University Hospital’s General Practice Residency, and co-directed the dental school’s ethics courses. Before attending dental school, she was a registered nurse, working in several clinical areas including pediatric oncology, medical ICU and hospital epidemiology at the National Institutes of Health.

Brian Nelson is the Tyser Teaching Fellow at the Robert H. Smith School of Business at the University of Maryland. He teaches an undergraduate course entitled “Business Ethics and Society” and a graduate course entitled “Corporate Social Responsibility.” He is the author of *Law and Ethics in Global Business: Integrating Law and Ethics into*
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Frank Palumbo is the co-founder of the Center on Drugs and Public Policy at the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy. The Center focuses on providing unbiased and pragmatic solutions for government, industry and others for public health issues and practices involving medication use. For over twenty-five years, he has served the School of Pharmacy in numerous capacities, including as a full professor, department chair and interim associate dean for administration.

Karen Rothenberg is the Marjorie Cook Professor of Law at the University of Maryland School of Law. After ten years of service, she recently stepped down as Dean of the School of Law, but continues as a full-time member of the Law & Health Care faculty. She was the founding director of the nationally recognized Law & Health Care Program at the School of Law. This September, she is serving as co-chair of the World Stem Cell Summit.

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Robert Sprinkle is an associate professor of public policy at the University of Maryland School of Public Policy and a physician. He is the author or coauthor of papers in clinical medicine, bioethics, health policy, bioengineering, environmental policy, political theory and biosecurity and a book entitled Profession of Conscience: The Making and Meaning of Life-Sciences Liberalism.

John Talbott is a clinical professor of psychiatry and the project director for HELPERS-PRO Professionalism Project at the University of Maryland School of Medicine. The Professionalism Project is dedicated to improving the professionalism of the School of Medicine’s faculty, students, and staff at all levels of education, practice and research.

Alec Walen is a research scholar at the Institute for Philosophy and Public Policy and the School of Public Policy at the University of Maryland. His research focuses on moral, political and legal philosophy and United States Constitutional law. He has taught in his areas of expertise at the University of Aachen and the University of Heidelberg, both in Germany, and at Harvard University.

Margaret Wilson is an associate professor at the University of Maryland Dental School. From 1993 through 2008 she served as associate dean. She is currently full-time faculty in the Dental School’s Department of Health Promotion and Policy, and directs one of
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