POVERTY LAW: ACADEMIC ACTIVISM
SEATTLE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW
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Call for Proposals:

We invite proposals for presentations at a Spring 2016 conference, “Poverty Law: Academic Activism” to be held on Feb. 19-20, 2016, hosted by Seattle University School of Law. The conference will focus on the connection between academics and activism, broadly understood. Just as “poverty law” is a broad category that includes everything from welfare and education programs to immigration and tax policy, so too, “academic activism” includes a wide range of activities. This conference will explore how members of the legal community directly engage with activists to effect social, legal, and policy changes; how scholarship can help improve the lives of the poor; and how to educate the next generation of poverty warriors.

The conference is organized around these three tracks – direct engagement, scholarship, and teaching – and the hope that the conference will be a large gathering of those whose work (including direct involvement as well as scholarship) focuses on or relates to poverty law. The extended deadline for proposals is Wednesday, July 1, 2015. Please submit the title of your presentation with an abstract or overview of no more than 300 words to erosser@wcl.american.edu. To submit a full panel presentation, include the above information for all panelists.

Additionally, for those who are interested (though this is not a requirement for participation in the conference), conference participants may have publication opportunities with both the Seattle Journal for Social Justice and the Seattle Law Review. Registration is free, but conference attendees will be responsible for their own travel expenses. We look forward to seeing you in Seattle in February 2016!

If you have any questions, please contact the conference organizers:

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