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The Annual Report 2006 From the Director

At the outset, I congratulate Professor Heinz Klug and the Global Legal Studies Center which received final approval in the fall, 2006. The Law School is more and more active in international and comparative legal education, so the establishment of the GLSC is particularly important. I look forward to working with Professor Klug, the Founding Director of GLSC, and Sumudu Atapattu, the GLSC's Associate Director.

Congratulations are also in order for the East Asian Legal Studies Center's Dean's Scholars chosen from the MLI class of 2005-06 on the basis of academic achievement and contribution to the Law School community. They are Chen Jian, Hsieh Kung-Feng, and Liu Tian. Congratulations to all three.

One of the East Asian Legal Studies Center's principal tasks is to provide high quality legal education in the Law School's Masters in Legal Institutions (MLI) program. The core of the program is the fall curriculum which is designed to assist the international students in the transition from civil law systems and an education dominated by a lecture format to the American common law and the interactive classroom that is an important part of American legal education. During the 16 years of the Center's existence, we have monitored the fall classes and adjusted them in order to maintain quality and relevance for the MLI students. In the fall 2006, for example, we offered a new course, "An Introduction to American Business Law," taught by Adjunct Professor S. Richard Heymann. In response to high student demand, we also are adding an oral communication skills course for the spring of 2007, taught by Adjunct Professor Christina Plum. This non-credit course is designed to improve participants' English speaking abilities in settings commonly encountered in the legal profession.

The Center also plays an important role in adding greater international and comparative elements in the Law School's regular curriculum. In 2006, the Cross

Cultural Negotiations class was notable because we taught it jointly through live Internet videoconferencing with Nagoya University (Nagoya, Japan). Professor Susan Steingass and I were the principal teachers on the Madison side, with Dean Yoshiharu Matsuura and Professor Ikuo Sugarawa leading the Nagoya side. In September, the Nagoya students visited Madison where we had several joint class sessions (and at least one karaoke session). In October through December, classes were conducted by videoconferencing -- 9:30 Thursday morning in Nagoya, 6:30 Wednesday evening in Madison. For the final classes, the Madison students traveled to Nagoya where there were several concluding exercises, including a negotiation conducted principally in Japanese.



(pictured above, the UW law students with Professor Sugawara and Professor Steingass in Nagoya, January 2007)

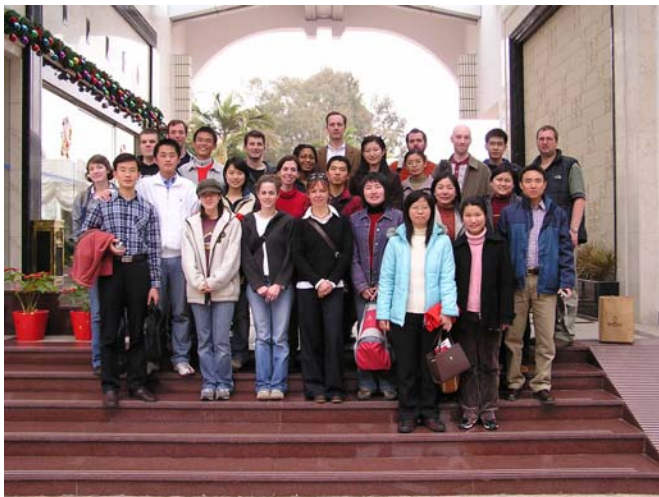
In 2006, we were pleased to welcome many visitors to the Law School. These included Tahirih Lee; Lee Chang Hee; Shen Sibao, Ding Ding, and Lin Min; Takeshi Fujitani and four students from Hokkaido University's Graduate Student Research Board; Yoshiharu Matsuura, Ikuo Sugarawa, Shintaro Suzuki, and many students from Nagoya University; Colin P.A.

Jones; Masayuki Tamaruya, Hisashi Okuno, and Masakazu Harada; Yoshinori Nakanome; and Han Choong Soo and Lee Jaemin.

We were happy to welcome back alumnus Won Seog Park (MLI, LLM, SJD) as a visiting scholar, as well as Bung-Hoi Kim (MLI). Other alumni who returned to the Law School were Sang-Jick Yoon (MLI, LLM) in the SJD program and Sung Jin Kim (MLI) in the LLM program.

Here are highlights of the Center's activities in 2006:

- January: Professor Susan Steingass lead a group of UW law students to Bangkok for a short course in cross-cultural negotiations held at Chulalongkorn University with Chula law students.
- January: the Center's Assistant Director, Assistant Professor John Ohnesorge taught a short course in Law and Development in Asia to a group of eight UW law students and a comparable number of Xiamen University students (*pictured below*) in Xiamen, China.



- April: The Wisconsin International Corporate Governance Initiative ("WICGI"), which is supported by the Center, co-sponsored a conference in Taipei on Corporate Governance and Taiwan's Capital Markets. The other co-sponsors were the Taiwan Securities Association and the Fuhwa Cultural and Educational Foundation. WICGI was represented by Dean Kenneth B. Davis, who gave the Conference's keynote address, Adjunct Professor Keith Johnson, and me.
- Summer: The Center, with extensive assistance from the state and federal judiciaries, again hosted the Seminar on Judicial Skills Development for judges from Shanghai, China.

This was the fourth annual seminar in what is increasingly recognized as the most substantial and substantive interaction between the Chinese and American judiciaries.



(pictured above, Charles Irish, Kenneth Davis, C.C. Yen; photo courtesy of Fuhwa Financial group)

- July and August: The Thai internship program was expanded from three to four JD students. Under the internship program, which is jointly sponsored by the Center and Thammasat University in Bangkok, the Wisconsin students are first introduced to Thai law and culture in formal sessions organized by Professor Tipchanok at Thammasat University. The interns then work for six weeks in international law firms in Bangkok. The four participating law firms providing exceptionally rich experiences for the Wisconsin students were Seri Manop & Doyle, International Legal Counsellors, Satyapon & Partners, and Dej-Udom & Associates.
- October 13: The Center co-sponsored the Workshop on Nuclear Security in Northeast Asia that was held at the Law School. Assistant Professor John Ohnesorge moderated a panel on Japan, Russia, and the United States.

Also during 2006, Professor Ohnesorge was a featured speaker at the International Forum on Korean Studies organized by Korea University's International Center for Korean Studies (July 6 and 7). The title of his talk was "Impeachments Compared: Presidents Roh and Clinton in Law and Politics." In December, Professor Ohnesorge was one of four participants in a video-linked debate among World University Network members on the topic "The Role of Law in Economic Development in East Asia: Will China Follow the Path of its East Asian Neighbors Taiwan, Korea, or Japan?"

Last year, I was able to give talks or present papers at conferences and universities in East or Southeast Asia; among these were:

- “Strengthening Legal Education in Vietnam” at the International Conference on Post-Graduate Legal Education in Hanoi (February)
- “The Maturing of the Economic Relationship between Korea and the US: Implications for Lawyers and Legal Education” at a conference on Globalization and the Law at Dong-A University, in Busan (May). I made similar presentations at Seoul National University (in May) and Hanyang University (in December).
- “Trilateral Economic Relations and the Effects on the Legal Profession and Legal Education,” presented at National Taipei University (September).

In December, the Center was notified that we would receive a \$488,000 grant from the US State Department to support continuing education programs in China. For 2007, I expect that this grant will consume a great deal of the Center’s professional attention. John Ohnesorge and I are planning to play leading roles in implementing the continuing education programs. It also is very likely that Vietnam will become a much more prominent part of the Center’s involvement in East and Southeast Asia. During 2006, I made several trips to Hanoi and Ho Chi Minh City and with each trip I found more ways for the Center to become engaged in Vietnam’s efforts to develop a more modern legal environment to support its transition to a market based economy.

~ Charles Irish

Summer Internship in Bangkok



(from l. to r., Ass’t. Prof. Sutitluk - Thammasat University, Dr. Pornchai Danvivathana, Assistant, Chad Sullivan, Maureen Atwell, Dr. Sutharm Valaisathien - International Legal Counselors Thailand, Prof. Dr. Jumphot Saisoonthorn - Thammasat University, Assoc. Prof. Tipchanok Ratanosoth -Thammasat University, Mia Haessey, David Warning)

Four JD students were selected to participate in the 2006 Summer Internship in Bangkok administered by the Thammasat University and the UW Law School. The Center thanks Professor Tipchanok of Thammasat University for coordinating the internship placements, overseeing the internship program, and for providing great hospitality to the UW interns. Professor Tipchanok organized a cultural tour of Ayuthaya, the ancient capital, and other natural and cultural sights, and hosted the interns at a wonderful dinner at her home. All of the interns mentioned this “memorable weekend” in their reflection reports. Other excerpts are given here:

David Warning

When I first arrived in Bangkok, I really had no idea what to expect. Not just the city and buildings, but the people were a complete mystery to me, as I had never been to Bangkok before. I was greeted at the airport by one of the attorneys from the firm that I would be working at for the next six weeks. Tum was my age, and he had already earned two LLM degrees, one in England and one in the US. He drove me to my apartment, which was only about 20 min from the airport.

The next day I was to begin orientation. At orientation we had the pleasure of listening to several distinguished guests including some of the partners of the firms we would be working at. Also, we had the opportunity to ask all

sorts of questions concerning their lectures, and we were encouraged to give our own opinions on certain matters of the law that the speaker was addressing. It was quite an educational experience and it really gave me an excellent introduction into the Thai legal system.

On Wednesday I began working for Seri Manop & Doyle. The firm specializes in business and tax law, and the clients range from individuals to large multinational corporations. My assignments varied, but generally I looked over contracts, discussed litigation matters, and addressed potential litigation issues. I was even given the opportunity to draft a contract, which was

scary yet incredibly interesting and educational.

The firm focused a lot of energy on creating a community atmosphere, and going out to lunch as a group was an everyday event. Additionally, the firm puts on some after-hours activities which everyone participated in. I was really impressed with the way the firm created such a close-knit community of employees. It was a very heart-warming experience and it is one that I shall not soon forget. The professors at Thammasat were incredibly nice and their kindness is something I shall

always cherish. In all, it was a truly incredible experience!

Mia Haessly

The Bangkok internship program, coordinated between the Law School's East Asian Legal Studies Center and Thammasat University in Bangkok, was, quite simply, the best way to spend my 1L summer. I gained substantive legal experience in an established, full-service law firm and lived in a vibrant Southeast Asian city.

I worked at International Legal Counsellors, Thailand, a corporate law firm located in Bangkok's financial district. Before starting work, I participated in a two-day orientation program coordinated by Thammasat, which included a thorough introduction to Thai business, trade and intellectual property law and tours of local courts. At the intellectual property court, we sat in on a cross-examination, with an English translator, and attended a de-briefing discussion session with one of the judges afterwards. This provided an illuminating glimpse into Thai courtroom etiquette and legal culture.

My work at ILCT was concentrated in its transactional practice. One of the firm's major clients was implementing the security system at the new Bangkok airport, which involved companies of various nationalities. I drafted several contracts, including subcontracts and sublease agreements. I also assisted in the firm's revision of its business law handbook, requiring research into Thai statutory law on foreign property ownership, expatriate labor issues and other cross-border legal matters.

The firm culture was open and friendly. I attended labor court, the trademark registration office and an international law symposium with the firm's attorneys. Everybody, from the office administrator to the senior partners, was extremely helpful and gracious, making my initial adjustment to Bangkok life seamless.

Additionally, the professors at Thammasat were open and helpful. Thailand deserves its reputation as one of the world's premier travel destinations. Besides its natural beauty and amazing cuisine, it boasts one of the world's friendliest and most easy-going people.

Chadwick Sullivan

My trip to Bangkok started off well. As my wife and I arrived in the airport, we were met by a professor from Thammasat University. The professor gave us our information regarding our accommodations, the information for the meetings at Thammasat, and then arranged a cab to take us on our way.

When we arrived at the Alta House, the apartment manager greeted us while wearing a University of Wisconsin Law School T-Shirt (a gift from Stuart Bray, one of the UW students from the 2005 program). My firm, Satyapon & Partners, had set me up with a very nice furnished studio apartment that was perfect for our time there.

Working at Satyapon & Partners was a great experience. The people I worked with all spoke English (for the most part) and were all interested in meeting me and speaking with me.

My work at the firm was challenging. My first assignment was editing and adding to an article describing the intricacies of Thai Intellectual property law. That assignment ended being useful for most of my later assignments: writing letters to clients explaining how the Thai IP laws worked. While many of my assignments included detailing the various workings of IP law, I enjoyed the time I spent in trademark enforcement (investigating trademark violations at established shopping areas, etc) and trademark analysis.

Overall, Thailand was a great experience. Both the cultural exposure and the work experience were priceless.

Maureen Atwell

Thanks to the East Asian Legal Studies Center and the faculty of Thammasat University, I had the opportunity to work at a law firm in Bangkok last summer. My internship was both an invaluable addition to my legal education and a great cultural learning experience.

One of the reasons I chose to go to UW Law School was the summer program in Bangkok. I first visited Wisconsin on a dark day in January when the wind-chill was 20 degrees below zero. Coming up Bascom Hill with snow blowing in my face, I decided that there was absolutely no chance I was coming to school here. But on a tour of the Law building, I saw the bulletin board for the East Asian Legal Studies Center and changed my mind. Having been to Thailand several times as a tourist, I was thrilled at the idea of experiencing Bangkok from a different perspective.

In Bangkok, after a very informative orientation to Thai law at Thammasat University, I started working at Dej-Udom & Associates. At Dej-Udom, I was encouraged to rotate between departments and was given a high degree of responsibility. The partners had a great deal of confidence in me from the beginning and trusted me to draft complex documents, correspond directly with clients, and analyze in-depth legal issues. I even had the opportunity to help several attorneys prepare for and attend trials at the Intellectual Property court. I believe that the confidence the partners had in me from my very first day stems from the excellent job UW interns did in past years.

My job at Dej-Udom & Associates gave me the opportunity to do a level of work I'm certain I would never have been trusted with in an American firm as a first-year law student, and my time in Bangkok was incredibly rewarding. I feel that this internship is one of the best things the University of Wisconsin Law School has to offer.

Summer Internship in Shanghai

Two students fluent in Mandarin were selected to participate in short internships in Shanghai during the summer of 2007. These are summaries of their reports.

Adam Holland

I interned at M&A Law Firm (Hui Ye Lv Shi Shi Wu Suo), a medium-sized law firm with around 50 attorneys located on the 20th floor of an office building. Most of my time was spent going through a contract in Chinese, developing my legal and business vocabulary, and editing

letters in English that the attorneys sent to their clients.

I discovered that a Chinese firm is much different from an American firm. Each attorney works independently from the other attorneys as he or she sets his or her own schedule, hours and fees and pays the firm a periodic fee for use of the firm's name and office space.

Being away from my family for 4 weeks was difficult but the knowledge and experiences I gained while in Shanghai are invaluable and well worth the sacrifice.

Lisa Lin

I was fortunate to have the opportunity to spend four wonderful weeks in Shanghai, China. I spent my time there

interning at a small local Chinese law firm, JC Master Law Office, in the Xuhui District, which is located in the south side of Shanghai. Both the Xuhui District People's Government and the law firm were very welcoming and helpful throughout my entire stay in Shanghai.

During my four week internship, one especially interesting assignment I was given was researching an international arbitration clause in a special contract and then discussing my findings with the lead attorney.

In addition to the work, I made great friendships with people in the office. Overall, my trip was an unforgettable experience. Through this internship, I was able to gain valuable legal as well as the practical experience of living and working in a Shanghai law firm.

Travel Research Grant Report

The Center offers JD students travel research grants for students who design a research project that involves short-term field work in a country in East Asia or Southeast Asia. In 2006, Maureen Atwell was awarded a travel research grant by the Center based on her proposal to do a research project in Cambodia. Here she reports on her experience.

I was awarded a grant from the East Asian Legal Studies Center to research the child sex tourism industry in Cambodia. I first became interested in the problem of child sex tourism in 2001, while on vacation in Southeast Asia. Riding a tour bus in Angkor Wat, I heard an American man brag loudly about having sex with a ten-year-old girl the night before. He went on to say that he had a different girl every night of his vacation, some as young as five or six. Although I knew this type of thing happened all over the world, I was unprepared to see it first-hand, and this event helped inspire me to return to college after an absence of eight years, get my degree and come to law school.

In 2003, President Bush signed the U.S. Protect Act [18 U.S.C. § 2423; "Protect" is shorthand for "Prosecutorial Remedies and Other Tools to end the Exploitation of Children Today."], which provides for the

prosecution of Americans who travel to foreign countries and have sex with minors. Since I was in Cambodia before 2003, I was curious to see how effective the Protect Act was. I started doing preliminary research in January 2006, was awarded the grant in March, and left for Phnom Penh, Cambodia at the beginning of June.

Upon arriving in Phnom Penh I started visiting non-governmental organizations devoted to stopping child sex tourism. Not only were most of them willing to sit with me for an hour or more discussing the problem and their role in solving it, but many of them gave me the names and phone numbers of more people to contact. Before I knew it, I was running all over Phnom Penh, sometimes interviewing people ten hours a day. The U.S. Embassy was particularly helpful and connected me with U.S. investigators and

prosecutors who were incredibly generous with their time and even obtained permission for me to attend the trial of a sex offender.

Through my research I found that the Protect Act has been very effective in controlling the problem, and that many offenders have been apprehended and prosecuted. U.S. investigators and non-governmental organizations throughout Southeast Asia are putting forth a spectacular effort to stop the problem, and the changes in Cambodia are apparent. For these reasons, my project was incredibly gratifying and I look forward to continuing my research. Traveling to Cambodia to conduct this research was a once in a lifetime opportunity and I am deeply grateful to the Center for making it possible.

New Graduate Program Students at the Law School

The following students entered the Master of Legal Institutions program in the fall of 2006:

Einar Baldvin Arnason

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I have practiced law in Iceland for the last six years and really enjoy my work, which is mostly business law. Most of my free time I spend with my wife and 3-year-old daughter, but apart from that I like to play and watch soccer with my friends – and going to the pub afterwards and having a couple of beers.

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LLB, East China University of Politics and Law (ECUPL)

While I was pursuing my LLM degree at ECUPL, a chance came to study at the UW Law School as an MLI student. With opportunities to enrich my legal knowledge, improve my English and make friends with people from all around the world, I am sure that one year's study in Madison will be an excellent and memorable experience in my life.

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It's a challenge for me to study at the UW Law School. My major is International Economic Law and my

dream is to be an international business lawyer. I will study to know how U.S. companies conduct international transactions and resolve business issues. I like swimming and running, Tai Ji, and different kinds of music, from Johann Strauss to Chinese Folk Opera.

Xiaolan (Rachel) Chen

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LLB, East China University of Politics and Law (ECUPL)

I was born and raised in Shanghai, a cosmopolitan city in China. After I got my LLB degree in International Economic Law at ECUPL in 2005, I began my master's study there. I came to UW-Madison as a student in the UWLS-ECUPL dual degree

program. I believe that the one year MLI study will enrich and broaden my knowledge and life experience. In my spare time, I enjoy swimming, traveling, cooking, and music.

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BA (Sociology), National Taipei University; LLB, National Taipei University

My majors were sociology and law at National Taipei University. I am interested in the relation between law and society. I hope to find effective solutions through law by analyzing problems via sociology. I enjoy reading, watching movies, and hiking.

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LLB, National Chung Cheng University

I graduated from National Chung Cheng University, Taiwan. I have had a passion for journalism since high school. My dream is to be a news reporter who has a strong background in international law.

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I think going abroad to continue my law study, especially at such a beautiful and prestigious university, can add much to my whole life. Business law is my interest area. I like sports, dancing, singing, drawing, movies, and music.

Jun (Gracie) Ge

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In my pursuit of a higher degree, I am delighted to be on this beautiful and vibrant campus. Though the MLI program is only a one-year course, I believe that I will experience and benefit a lot from it. Legal areas relating to business are my interests. In my spare time, I enjoy traveling, swimming and listening to music.

Wenjing Guan

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I am glad to be an MLI student at the UW-Madison with other international students to pursue an advanced law degree. I am interested in international business law. I believe this one-year study will improve my English ability. Living abroad will also be a wonderful memory in my life. I like watching movies and traveling.

Mengqiu (Rachel) Guo

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LLB, University of Int'l Business and Economics (UIBE)

Four years of legal learning at UIBE not only provided me the comprehensive basic knowledge of



law but also shaped my legal interests. I began to focus on international business law and interned at HuaMao & GuiGu law firm and China National Petroleum Corporation. I hope to enhance my legal knowledge and lawyering skills and contribute to Sino-U.S. business and trade in the future.

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My interests in law are Civil and Commercial Law. In my spare time, I like reading and swimming. I hope I will make friends with all of you.

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After graduating from the university, I worked as in-house counsel at the National Property Bureau in Taiwan. My area of interest is intellectual property law. I am glad to be at the UW-Madison to pursue further legal studies. I like to play softball in my free time. I think I will enjoy life here this year.

Ming-Hui (Ed) Huang

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Lecturing on constitutional and administrative law in Taiwan inspired me to go abroad to further my

knowledge of American public law and to engage in research from a comparative perspective. I also look forward to pushing ahead with jurisprudential communication between Taiwan and the U.S. in the future. As for my leisure activities, Jazz and Rock are both my favorites.

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Sawasdee [hello] everyone! I am from Bangkok, Thailand. In addition to my undergraduate and graduate degrees from universities in Thailand, I also passed the Thai Bar exam. I have been in practice as a business lawyer for a few years. After graduating from the M.L.I. program, I expect to take the New York Bar exam.

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I was born and grew up in Seoul, South Korea. Before joining the MLI program at the UW Law School, I gained a wide range of academic and industry experience as a research/project assistant. Being inspired by my professor as a role model, I became interested in intellectual property and am pursuing a higher degree in this area. In my free time, I play basketball and watch movies.

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I am interested in international and business law. I dream that one day I will be a prominent diplomat in Taiwan. In order to fulfill my dream, I came to the UW Law School because I deeply believe I can broaden my knowledge of international laws and make international friends and experience other cultures here. In addition, I hope I can also introduce Taiwan to international students. That is the first step to achieve my goal.

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LLB, LLM, Assumption University

I was born in Bangkok, Thailand. After receiving an LLB and my lawyer license, I worked as a paralegal and lawyer, each for one year. Afterwards, I was offered a scholarship from Assumption University to continue studying towards an LLM degree as well as invited to join the Law Faculty as a lecturer on Constitutional Law. My areas of legal interest are Constitutional Law and others regarding Public Law.

Chao-Lun Liu

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LLB, Chung Yuan Christian University

After working for three years in Taiwan Shilin District Court as a law clerk before coming to the U.S., I decided to devote myself to common law systems for my further studies. My areas of legal interest are securities law, commercial law, and intellectual property law. I hope to have diverse legal experiences from law school professors and my classmates who come from different countries.

Jui-Bin Liu

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I am interested in international business law and commercial law. In addition to being a lawyer, I also want to be a professor in Taiwan because I like to teach. I like to play basketball and baseball and go to movies.

Ruijie (Rae) Liu

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LLB, LLM, University of Int'l Business and Economics (UIBE)

To be a successful lawyer in China who mainly deals with foreign-related issues is my career goal, so I spent six years studying international business law at UIBE before coming to Wisconsin. What I want to get from the UW Law School is an understanding of the American legal system, especially the developed business laws, as well as a different experience of culture. I am crazy about listening to pop music and seeing movies from Hollywood.

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After graduating from Thammasat University, I worked for almost four years as a legal official in the Litigation and Investigation Unit of the Department of Revenue in the Ministry of Finance. Also, I passed the Thai Bar Association examination to be a Barrister at Law. My areas of legal interest are intellectual property law and commercial law. My goal is to become a judge like my father.

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Bangkok, Thailand

LLB, Chulalongkorn University

I graduated from Chulalongkorn University and passed the examination of the Thai Bar Association. Following my graduation, I worked at the Revenue Department of Thailand in the position of legal official for four years. My areas of legal interest are intellectual property and international trade law. After obtaining my master's degree, I intend to return to Thailand to serve my country.

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As a student who just finished undergraduate study, I am delighted to have a chance to study at the UW Law School. This will be a milestone in my personal and professional

development. I am interested in Intellectual Property. My dream is to become a prestigious lawyer in this field. Even though I know that is a long way off, I will spare no effort to pursue this goal.

Jian (Garfield) Shen

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BS (English of Science and Technology), Beijing Union University; LLM, University of Int'l Business and Economics (UIBE)

When I made a decision to devote myself to legal affairs, I had no idea of what I would do in law. The LLM program at UIBE firmed up the relationship between law, including but not limited to business law and international investment, and me. Now it is a great opportunity for me to continue my legal education at the UW Law School. During my spare time, I play tennis, play PC games, listen to music, and watch movies.

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After graduation from the Faculty of Law, Thammasat University, I served as a government official in the Legal Execution Department, Ministry of Justice, Thailand, for four years. I focused on business law, especially bankruptcy law. My ultimate goal is to become a judge in Thailand. In my spare time, I like listening to music and traveling.

Rattiya (Tan) Skulthai

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Bangkok, Thailand

LLB, Chulalongkorn University

I have wanted to be an international legal consultant since I was in high school. During my undergraduate years, I did very well and I graduated with second class honors. I also took a lawyer license in Thailand during my senior year. The M.L.I. program provides a wide range of course offerings for me. Moreover, studying in the USA helps me to improve my English skills and this will help me be an effective international legal consultant in the future.

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Bangkok, Thailand

LLB, Chulalongkorn University

Studying abroad will enhance my knowledge in a variety of areas. That is why I chose to pursue my master's degree in the U.S. The UW Law

School is the best decision that I have made. Madison is a nice, friendly, and peaceful city for international students like me. After finishing my studies, my aim is to practice in a law firm concentrating in corporate and commercial laws. Besides my studies, I like playing sports, shopping, and traveling.

Masanori Tanabe

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Nagoya, Japan

LLB, Nagoya University

I had been a practicing lawyer in Japan since 1997. From 2004 to 2006, I lived in Mongolia to support its legal reform project as an expert of the Japan International Cooperation Agency, so I am interested in Law and Development. I like soccer, skiing, snowboarding, and wind-surfing, as well as traveling abroad, especially in unfamiliar countries.

Xiaolin (Lynn) Teng

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Liaoning, China

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I am interested in international business law. The MLI program shows me another version of business rules. Everything here is fresh for me, and I am really excited to experience a different life style this year. In the MLI program, I hope to deepen my understanding of international business law and improve my legal English. I believe this year will be a treasure in my life.

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After working for a law firm in Taiwan for two years, I found my interest in business and commercial law. The excellent academic reputation of UW-Madison and the stunning scenery in Madison attracted me to come here for further legal study. It is a pleasure to study and live in this fantastic environment. In addition to learning English and American law, I would like to explore this city and the United States.

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LLB, LLM, Chulalongkorn University

After I graduated with my LLM degree in business law from Chulalongkorn University, I really wanted to have new experiences, so I

chose to come here. Fortunately, the UW is a great university.

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LLB, Universidad Diego Portales

I studied Law at Diego Portales University Law School, and was admitted to the Chilean Bar, Santiago, in 2002. Since then, I have focused my practice mostly on commercial and business law issues. I currently work for Banco de Chile's Legal Department, in Santiago. I have worked there for almost three years. I have been a Teacher's Assistant for the Commercial Law Department's Director of Diego Portales University in the courses Institutions of Commercial Law, Corporate Law and Commercial Contracts. I really like music and tennis.

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LLB, Beijing University of Chemical Technology; LLM, Renmin University

I was certified to be a lawyer in 2002. Then I worked as a government employee of the Science and Technology Committee, Changping District, Beijing, before I came to Madison. My dream is to be an excellent lawyer, dealing with legal problems related to international business.

Wei-Ning (Winnie) Yeh

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LLB, National Chung-Cheng University

My goal at the UW is not only to pursue a deeper understanding of business law, which is my interest, but also to share experiences with classmates who are from different countries. Academic study is not enough. I am eager to learn about American culture and practice English.

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LLB, East China University of Politics and Law (ECUPL)

I studied civil and business law and have passed the Chinese bar examination. I have great interest in contract law, company law, and real estate law. Study in the MLI program will promote my understanding of the American legal system and help my future work in international legal affairs. Life here is really wonderful. I

like traveling, watching football, hiking, bike riding, and playing electronic games. I also want to become a good skier in Madison.

Entering the LLM (Research) Program:

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LLB, Niigata University; LLM, Indiana University-Bloomington

I began my LLM program at the UW Law School in the spring of 2006. My research topic is "free speech theories" in Japan, Germany, and the U.S. I enjoy cooking. I love the UW campus.

Entering the SJD (Research) Program:

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LLB, China University of Political Science and Law; LLM, Beijing University; LLM, Harvard University

Before coming to the U.S., I was a teacher at China University of Political Science and Law and an adviser to the Beijing Bureau of the New York Times. I was appointed as a Nieman Fellow in 1997 at Harvard, and studied and worked at Harvard Law School, the Fairbank Center of Harvard University, and at an NGO

based in Boston from 1998-2005. My academic interest is public law. I began my SJD studies here in the spring 2006 semester. My SJD dissertation will focus on comparative federalism.

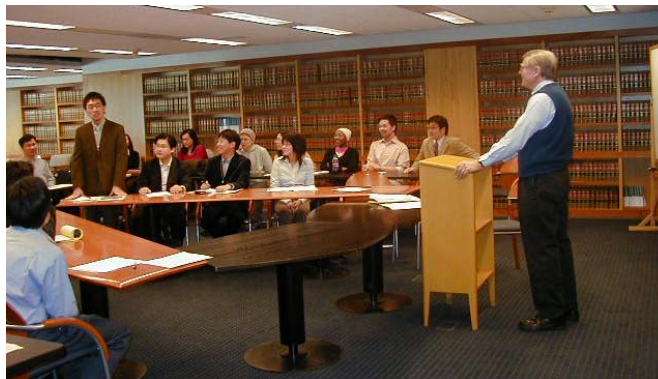
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Studying is a lifelong task. I am always thinking of myself as a student, living and learning something new. After finishing my first chapter of law

studies, I served as a commercial lawyer for three years. My recent assignment involved giving partial support to a Thai trade-negotiation team on the proposed Free Trade Agreement (FTA) with the U.S. This work triggered my desire to pursue an in-depth understanding of the relationship between trade and investment, which is now a focal part of my LLM research, which I began in the spring of 2006 here, and which will be my SJD topic.

(Pictured at right: Professors Gerald Thain and Takeshi Fujitani with students from Hokkaido University and UW Law School LLM and SJD students.)



Scenes from the Lunar New Year Party!

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Jian "Joe" Zhou (MLI 98, LLM 99, SJD 04) sent a photo (at right) and the following news: My family relocated to New York and I am still practicing with Zhang & Associates, PC, at its Manhattan office. My son, Dean, and daughter, Ellen, enjoyed the Macy's parade from their dad's midtown office window on Thanksgiving Day. In 2006, two articles on international arbitration based on my SJD dissertation were published in law reviews, one in Europe and the other in the U.S. Most exciting moment of the year: I met Prof. Irish and Dean Davis in Shanghai at my alma mater during a business trip to China. Please drop by when you visit Manhattan. Email: jzhou@hooyou.com.

