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- 9:30 – 10:30** **REGISTRATION AND COFFEE/CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST – FACULTY TERRACE**
- 10:30 – 10:45** **WELCOME – LECTURE ROOM 3**
José Roberto (Beto) Juárez, Jr., Dean, *Nova Southeastern University, Shepard Broad College of Law*
- PANEL PRESENTATIONS – LECTURE ROOM 3**
- 10:50 – 11:15** **REDUCING STRESS AND FOSTERING COMMUNITY THROUGH ZOOM CONFERENCES AND OFFICE HOURS**
Amy Stein, *Maurice A. Deane School of Law at Hofstra University*– **LECTURE ROOM 3**
- 11:20 – 11:45** **PEDAGOGICAL CARING IN THE LRW CLASSROOM**
Olympia Duhart, *Nova Southeastern University, Shepard Broad College of Law*
- 11:50 – 12:15** **IMPLEMENTING VALUE-BASED PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE FIRST YEAR LEGAL WRITING COURSE**
Colin Black, *Suffolk University*
- 12:20 – 1:15** **LUNCH – FACULTY TERRACE**
- 1:15 – 2:05** **FEEDBACK IN THE MODERN LRW CLASSROOM**
Heather Baxter, *Nova Southeastern University, Shepard Broad College of Law*
- 2:10 – 2:40** **THE POWER OF RITUAL IN CLASSROOM TEACHING**
Andrew Haile, *Northeastern University*
- 2:45 – 3:00** **BREAK – LIGHT SNACKS WILL BE SERVED IN THE FACULTY TERRACE**
- 3:05 – 3:30** **INCORPORATING INCLUSION, DISCRIMINATION, AND BIAS IN LRW**
Jani Maurer, *Nova Southeastern University, Shepard Broad College of Law*
- 3:35 – 4:00** **CLOSING REMARKS – LECTURE ROOM 3**
Heather Baxter, Director of Legal Research and Writing, *Nova Southeastern University, Shepard Broad College of Law*

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Panelists

Heather Baxter

Heather Baxter is a Professor of Law and Director of Legal Research and Writing at Nova Southeastern University, Shepard Broad College of Law, where she teaches Legal Research and Writing I and II, Criminal Procedure, and Appellate Advocacy for Moot Court. She is also the Moot Court Faculty Advisor and coaches several Moot Court teams. Professor Baxter was the recipient of the Stephanie Aleong Impact Award in 2011 and 2018. She was also a Student Life Achievement Award (STUEY) finalist for Advisor of the Year in 2018 and 2021.

Before joining the faculty at Nova, Professor Baxter was a judicial law clerk for the Honorable Janet Stumbo, Supreme Court of Kentucky, and a trial court staff attorney in the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit, Broward County, Florida. Professor Baxter graduated from the University of Kentucky with a B.A. in English and obtained her Juris Doctor, magna cum laude, from Nova Southeastern University, where she served as Executive Editor of the Nova Law Review. Professor Baxter is a member of both the Kentucky and Florida Bars.

Colin Black

Colin Black teaches Legal Practice Skills at Suffolk University Law School. He graduated, cum laude, from Suffolk University Law School and received his BA, cum laude, from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst. As a law student, Colin served as Vice President of the Moot Court Honor Board and the Journal of Trial & Appellate Advocacy. He was also a member of the National Trial Team and National Moot Court Team. Prior to law school, Colin served as an Intelligence Analyst for the United States Air Force.

Before joining the faculty at Suffolk Law School, Colin clerked for the Honorable James F. McHugh, III of the Massachusetts Appeals Court. Colin also acquired significant trial and appellate experience as an associate in the litigation departments of Sullivan & Worcester LLP and Drohan Tocchio & Morgan, P.C. Thereafter, he was appointed as a Partner and Director of Professional Development at Donovan Hatem LLP.

Olympia Duhart

Olympia Duhart studies teaching, learning, and vulnerable populations. As a full-time faculty member at Nova Southeastern University (NSU) Shepard Broad College of Law, Professor Duhart teaches Legal Research and Writing, Constitutional Law, and First Amendment Law. She is a tenured Professor of Law, Associate Dean for Faculty Development, and former Director of the nationally ranked Legal Research & Writing Program at NSU. Duhart also taught a short course on American Constitutional Law for the Universitat de Barcelona in Summer 2020. She also served as a 2021 Visiting Professor in the Lawyering Skills Program at UC Irvine School of Law.

She serves as Co-President of the Society of American Law Teachers (SALT), a position she also held from 2014 to 2016. She volunteers with several professional organizations, including the Legal Writing Institute, the Association of American Law Schools, the Southeastern Association of Law Schools, and the National People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference. She is also an elected Board Member for the Association of Legal Writing Directors and the Florida Humanities Council.

Before joining NSU, Duhart worked at Ruden McClosky and volunteered with the Florida Innocence Project. She also taught English and Creative Writing at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland. In addition, Duhart worked as a staff reporter for The Miami Herald. She is a co-author of *Persuasive Legal Writing: A Storytelling Approach* and a producer for the “SALT Teaching Social Justice Podcast.” Her work has appeared in the *Wake Forest Law Review*, the *Gonzaga Journal of International Law*, the *Journal of Legal Education*, the *Berkeley Journal of African-American Law & Policy*, *Harvard Business Review* and *The New York Times*. She has also received numerous awards for teaching, scholarship, and service. She was born and raised in Miami. Duhart is a proud First-Generation Law School Graduate.

Andrew Haile

Professor Haile is an assistant teaching professor in the Legal Skills in Social Context program at Northeastern University School of Law. Prior to joining Northeastern, Professor Haile was an assistant attorney general in the constitutional and administrative law division of the Office of Massachusetts Attorney General Maura Healey. In that capacity, he litigated appeals in state and federal court on behalf of Massachusetts state agencies in a variety of subject areas. He first joined the Attorney General’s Office through its Honors Fellowship Program.

Professor Haile received his JD magna cum laude from Boston College Law School and his BA from Middlebury College. He clerked for Hon. Paul Barbadoro in the U.S. District Court for New Hampshire. Prior to law school, he worked as a peace corps volunteer in Guinea, West Africa, and was an immigration counselor for immigrants and refugees at Elon Law School in Greensboro, North Carolina.

Jani Maurer

Professor Jani E. Maurer joined the full-time faculty at Nova Southeastern University, Shepard Broad College of Law in 1986. Her teaching responsibilities regularly include the first year Legal Research and Writing course. Upper class courses taught by Professor Maurer include Income Tax, Wills & Trusts, Probate Workshop and Judicial Administration. In a prior year Professor Maurer served as Acting Director of the LRW Program. For the past thirty years, she has been a director and college of law liaison for the Craig S. Barnard Inn of Court in Palm Beach County, Florida. Professor Maurer facilitates admission of students as Inn members and strives to assure that the student members share a rewarding experience. During the 2016-17 academic year, Professor Maurer coached the tax moot court team for the college of law. Professor Maurer has also represented the college of law by serving on The Florida Bar Continuing Legal Education Committee and as a member and prior Chair of a Florida Bar Grievance Committee in Palm Beach County.

Amy Stein

Professor Stein came to Hofstra Law in 2000 and has been teaching Legal Analysis, Writing and Research since then. Professor Stein also teaches Civil Procedure and Pretrial Skills courses, where she draws on her experience in complex civil litigation. Professor Stein is particularly interested in the areas of law school teaching and learning. She has written articles on these topics, as well as presenting at workshops and conferences at both the regional and national level. In her role as Assistant Dean for Legal Writing and Adjunct Instruction, she works with Legal Writing and Adjunct faculty to assist them in becoming effective classroom teachers. She created a module for Interactive Legal Research & Writing Lessons: A Modular Approach published by West; she is also a co-author of the Best Practices for Adjunct Teaching manual published by the ABA and has authored several legal research guides for Hein Publishing.