The Boston University Health Law Program announces its Health Law Scholars Program

PURPOSE: The BU Health Law Program is an interdisciplinary research and teaching program at Boston University, including the School of Law and the Department of Health Law, Bioethics & Human Rights at the School of Public Health. The Health Law Program is dedicated to scholarly research at the intersection of law and health policy, broadly conceived. Topical areas include, but are not limited to: health care financing and organization; insurance; global health; public health; emergency preparedness; bioethics; health & human rights; cost, quality and access; health care markets; food & drug law; biomedical research; innovation; and health disparities.

The Health Law Scholars Program is a post-JD experience designed to prepare candidates for tenure-track faculty positions in law schools.

PROGRAM: Scholars will hold a full-time, one-year appointment in the School of Law as a visiting assistant professor. Scholars teach one seminar per semester (six credits per year) and devote the balance of their time to research and writing. Scholars also participate in faculty workshops at BU and can observe health policy and research in practice at Boston Medical Center. The program is led by Professor Wendy Mariner and Associate Professor Kevin Outterson. Other faculty members of the program include Professor George Annas, Professor Leonard Glantz, Professor Fran Miller, and Associate Professor Abigail Moncrieff.

The Program builds on the unique strengths of BU programs in Law and Public Health, giving the candidate multi-disciplinary exposure to the richness of health law, with support from BU faculty mentors. Scholars will also want to take advantage of the wealth of educational and cultural opportunities available in the city of Boston.

STIPEND AND BENEFITS: Each Scholar is provided with an office, library privileges, health benefits, and a stipend of approximately $40,000. Depending on your interests and our resources, you may be able to spend time in other supporting BU Schools.

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must hold a JD or other similar degree in law. Outstanding academic credentials and an excellent research proposal will be required. Preference will be given to candidates who have a strong draft article in health law that has potential for development and publication.

APPLICATION: Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis starting December 1, 2009. Applications are due by March 15, 2010. Include the following materials as pdf files:
- Curriculum Vitae;
- University transcripts;
- Research proposal in health law of not more than 2000 words;
- Writing sample, in draft form; and
- Three letters of recommendation, emailed directly from the recommender.

All application materials should be e-mailed to: Rachel Wilson, Administrative Assistant wilsonrr@bu.edu. Questions may be directed to Professor Mariner (wmariner@bu.edu) or Associate Professor Outterson (mko@bu.edu).