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## SCU Law Oxford Summer Program

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Dear Students Enrolled in Santa Clara Law School's 2018 Summer Law Program in Oxford

Welcome to the 2018 Santa Clara Law (SCU Law) School Summer Law Program at Oxford University. I am delighted to serve as the Program Director and look forward to meeting each of you this summer. I am writing to welcome you to the program, introduce myself, and offer some important information about our program and study cohort.

Note that we will be sending you group emails, such as this one, by blind copying you. We do this to preserve the confidentiality of your email address in case that is important to you.

First, please reply to this email as soon as possible with an acknowledgment that you have received it. If you would rather receive email at another email address, please identify that email address in your reply. This is critical because it is the method through which we will maintain contact with you from now through the end of the program. Formal communications about the program will be made to you through email, not through the Facebook group available to program participants. We will get your room telephone number or cell phone number when you are situated in Magdalen College but email and in person conversations at Oxford, will be our primary means of contact.

**For any emails you send me about the program please put in the heading: SCU Law Oxford Summer Program.** This will help me give your emails first priority and help us with program coordination.

Most of you have likely seen the materials about the SCU Law Oxford summer program posted on the program website. Please read the attached documents "2018 Oxford Summer Program Details" and "2018 Program Schedule." They include information about the schedule and arrival at Oxford after your trip to the United Kingdom, including information relevant to immigration and customs. Please read these documents as soon as possible so you can plan your flights to participate in our summer law program.

**I'd like to share some preliminary information about our summer law study group:** We have accepted ten students to participate in the SCU Law Oxford Summer Law Program. You come from several law schools: Santa Clara, Golden Gate, Western State, and North Carolina Central. You are registered in a variety of tutorial subjects: International Refugee Law, International Criminal Law, Comparative Property Law, Comparative Environmental Law, and Jurisprudence.

**Here's a bit of information about me, your Program Director:** This is my first year directing SCU Law's Summer Program at Oxford, though I spent three years at Oxford where I earned my Master of Letters degree in Politics (Political Science) when I studied there as a Rhodes Scholar. I last visited Oxford in fall 2017 for the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Women Rhodes Scholars. Oxford is a wonderful and diverse university and city, full of history, resources, and a wide range of opportunities. It was a great place to study and is a beautiful place known as the City of Dreaming Spires. I am truly excited to return to Oxford with you and will also be conducting research during our program. I previously directed SCU Law's Summer Programs in Human Rights Law in San Jose, Costa Rica in 2008 and 2010, and have greatly enjoyed our summer law programs.

I am a tenured Professor at Santa Clara University School of Law where I teach Energy Law, Communications and Internet Law, Antitrust Law, and Contracts. I joined the SCU Law faculty in 2004. From 2011 through January 2017, I served a six year term as a Commissioner of the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) while I continued to teach law courses in the evening program at SCU Law, and taught Communications Law at U.C. Berkeley School of Law (formerly Boalt Hall). My article, "Net Neutrality Powers Energy and Forestalls Climate Change," will be published shortly in the San Diego Journal of Climate and Energy. My book chapter, "Energy Access is Energy Justice; The Yurok Tribe's Trailblazing Work to Close the Native American Reservation Electricity Gap," will be published in the book to be released by summer, "Energy Justice, U.S. and International Perspectives." I am pleased to have the opportunity to give a lecture in our program entitled "Internet Neutrality Regulation to Protect Democracy, Critical Infrastructure, and the Economy, in the Cybertroup Era." You can read more about my work at my SCU Law Faculty page: <http://law.scu.edu/faculty/profile/sandoval-catherine/>. I am a first generation college student. I was the first person in my family to earn a Bachelor's degree, and hail from East Los Angeles and then Montebello, California. I was the first Latina to win a Rhodes Scholarship, and the first Latino/a to be appointed to serve as a CPUC Commissioner. I live in the Silicon Valley with my husband, Steve Smith. Steve and I will celebrate our fifteenth wedding anniversary during our holiday in the United Kingdom before our program begins. You'll meet Steve on June 27 as you check-in for the program, though he has to return home to California on June 28. We'll stay in touch through WhatsApp and email while I remain with you in Oxford throughout our program. Our daughters Kristina and Hanna (technically my step-daughters, but we prefer to drop the "step") work as a teacher and a librarian, respectively, in Sacramento.

I will be living at Magdalen College, the same college at which you will be living, for the duration of the program. Upon your arrival at Magdalen I look forward to meeting you at check-in and will check you out on July 27 for your departure. I will be available to you in person and by email, text, or WhatsApp throughout the program to help you learn about and enjoy Oxford, and to share insights into the Oxford tutorial process and research work at Oxford. I look forward to introducing you to people, places, and services, to answering your questions and responding to your concerns, to arranging for and joining you at some special events, and to facilitating a great learning experience.

**Here's some information about our Summer Law Program at Oxford University's Magdalen College:**

Each of you will take a tutorial, conducted in the Oxford tradition, where you will meet with a tutor (Professor or "Don") in groups of two students or one-to-one, depending on the enrollment in your subject and your tutor's preference. Tutorials will meet five times during the 4 1/2 week program. For each tutorial, the tutor will assign reading and pose a question or topic for you to address in a paper (approximately 2,000 words, about five pages) that you will prepare and discuss during subsequent tutorials. I highly recommend that you do the required reading for the first tutorial (and perhaps prepare an outline of your first five page paper) prior to your arrival in Oxford. I will send you the assigned reading and question/topic for the first tutorial as soon as I receive it from your tutor. I will post reading material for your tutorials as the tutors provide that reading to me. Some reading material will be available only through the Oxford libraries. Your program includes privileges to study and conduct research at Oxford University's libraries including its law library. Oxford libraries host magnificent collections, though they are not lending libraries, so you will need to read the library material there. Your tutors will assign you a final grade for your tutorial. Students who successfully complete the tutorial will earn three credits/units. We expect all of you to successfully complete the tutorials and seminar.

All of you are also registered in the two unit English Legal Institutions Seminar, which consists of a series of lectures on a variety of topics and field trips to the Oxford Criminal Court and to "Legal London." The attached Detailed Schedule lists the lecturers and topics each will address in the Seminar. You will each write a 20-page paper (approximately 6,500 to 7,000 words) regarding a topic or theme discussed in the seminars. I am pleased to serve as your Professor for our Seminar series, will provide you with feedback during the paper writing process, and will evaluate and grade your papers. Students who successfully complete the Seminar including the paper will earn two credits/units for the seminar.

Our program will also feature four special events. On Sunday, August 1, you are invited to join me in a walk from Magdalen College, Oxford to lunch at the Perch, a wonderful pub on the banks of the Thames in Oxford's Port Meadow. Port Meadow has been held and managed in common by the people of the City of Oxford since the 10<sup>th</sup> Century. I think of Port Meadow as the counterpoint to the "tragedy of the commons" you read about in property law. It is a beautiful and peaceful place, and was an inspiration to Alice in Wonderland author Lewis Carroll. It was my favorite pub for a Sunday walk when I was a graduate student at Oxford. My husband and I went to the Perch on our honeymoon and enjoyed its food and special ambiance. On July 19 we will host and toast you at a formal dinner at Magdalen College, joined by as many of your tutors and lecturers as are free for the evening.

Solicitor Lucy Tapper will give a lecture to us about English criminal law and procedure and take us to observe an English Criminal Law case in Oxford. I'm working with one of my Rhodes Scholar colleagues to arrange a tour to visit the High Court in London and a London law firm where we will hear from lawyers about their international sanctions law practice. We're working on the details of our London visit and will update you soon.

**Welcome:** We anticipate that you will enjoy this learning opportunity and access to Oxford, a world-class university. My studies at Oxford enlarged my worldview and introduced me to new people, ideas, and places. I am fortunate to have the opportunity to return to Oxford with you and am excited about our program. You will be hearing from Carly Koebel and me before the program begins with updates or reminders.

Again, welcome. I look forward to meeting each of you in person and to assisting you in making your experience enjoyable, productive, memorable, and intellectually rewarding. Please contact me, Professor Catherine Sandoval, at [Csandoval@scu.edu](mailto:Csandoval@scu.edu) if you have additional questions. **Please put in the heading of your emails to me: SCU Law Oxford Summer Program.** You can also contact SCU Law's Center for Global Law and Policy (CGLP) Assistant Director, Carly Koebel at [Ckoebel@scu.edu](mailto:Ckoebel@scu.edu).

Sincerely,

*//s// Catherine J.K. Sandoval*

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**2018 Oxford Summer Program  
Schedule**

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