

# SGJP GLOBAL REPORT

JULY 2018



# SPEAKERS



**Sister Rosemary Nyirumbe**



**Martin Witteveen**



**Ambassador Louis C. deBaca**

In the Fall of 2017, the Sudreau Global Justice Program hosted Sister Rosemary Nyirumbe from Uganda. Sister Rosemary has been instrumental in restoring war-torn northern Uganda. She trains young women that were abducted during the war in practical business skills and helps re-integrate them into the community. In the Spring of 2018, we hosted Ambassador deBaca and Martin Witteveen. Ambassador deBaca spoke about his involvement in the development of the Trafficking in Persons (TIP) Report developed by the U.S. State Department. Martin Witteveen shared his experiences as a war crimes prosecutor in the Netherlands. Martin also traveled with us to Uganda in June 2017 to assist with plea bargaining training in Uganda's prisons.

# CLASSES



## **John Cotton Richmond** **Human Trafficking: Law, Policy, and Litigation**

For the first year, **John Cotton Richmond**, founder and director of the Human Trafficking Institute (HTI), came to Pepperdine to teach a class on Human Trafficking. John has incredible experience serving as a federal prosecutor in the U.S. Department of Justice's Human Trafficking Prosecution Unit and as a Field Office Director in India for International Justice Mission.

We have also partnered with HTI and the Ugandan Judiciary assisting them with Anti-Trafficking training for members of the Judiciary in Kampala, Uganda.



## **Gary Haugen** **Human Rights and the Rule of Law in the Developing World**

**Gary Haugen**, founder and CEO of International Justice Mission, has taught at Pepperdine for many years. His class surrounds his book, the Locust Effect, and challenges students to understand the roots of poverty and violence in the developing world. Our students continue to love his one-week intensive and this year we had the largest enrollment yet.

# SPRING BREAK 2018



Jenna King (JD '18) interviewing a prisoner on remand in Jinja, Uganda

For the first time, our program traveled to Uganda for our annual Spring Break trip. Our team of 17 Pepperdine Law students and many of our Ugandan friends spent two days in Uganda's Jinja Prison working on plea bargaining. We also spent two days co-hosting for the second straight year an Anti-Human Trafficking conference in partnership with the Human Trafficking Institute and Willow International, and one day co-hosting our second Women in Leadership conference in partnership with Pepperdine's Center for Women in Leadership and Uganda's Judiciary.

# JUNE 2018



Dean DeWalt sitting alongside Lady Justice Stella Arach Amoko of Uganda's Supreme Court, The First Lady of Uganda, Janet Museveni, the Deputy Chief Justice, Alfonse Owiny-Dollo, and Bob Trierweiler, Senior Legal Counsel and Director of Legal Ministries at CRU.

We recently returned from our annual Prison Project trip in Uganda. Our team traveled to northern Uganda and spent two days in the Gulu prison followed by one day spent in Masindi prison and one day in Hoima prison. Together, we handled 200 cases, 154 of those were successful plea agreements. We partnered with Uganda's Judiciary to continue training lawyers and judges on the plea bargaining process at our 4th Annual Plea Bargaining Conference. We also gathered with Ugandan lawyers and judges for a Christian Lawyers' Conference hosted by Pepperdine in partnership with Campus Crusade for Christ (CRU).

For a full report on the trip visit our website [here](#).

# THE ENDOWMENT



In November of 2017, Pepperdine Law received its largest single endowment gift in history from alumnus, Laure Sudreau. This endowment supports the work of the Global Justice Program around the world.

We are so thankful for this generous gift and are looking forward to expanding our program and supporting our friends around the world who are working to better the lives of their neighbors.

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# COUNTRY UPDATES

**UGANDA** - In Uganda, we continue to work under our 2015 MOU with the Ugandan Judiciary. Our projects include Mediation training, Plea Bargaining training, Anti-Human Trafficking trainings in partnership with The Human Trafficking Institute, and Women in Leadership conferences.

**RWANDA** - Conversations continue to take place between Uganda, Rwanda, and Pepperdine looking at integrating plea bargaining into Rwanda's criminal justice system.

**NEW COUNTRIES** - In the wake of the growing success of Uganda's efforts to improve their people's access to justice, Pepperdine has received interest from other countries for similar trainings. We are exploring a few potential partnerships and hope to expand into other countries over the next few years.

**STUDENT INTERNSHIPS** - We continue to send students abroad every summer for legal internships in developing countries. This year we have students in Rwanda, Uganda, and Indonesia.

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experiences abroad:**

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