

Asian Law Schools Association (ALSA) Symposium: New Challenges and New Opportunities in Legal Education on 27-28 April 2021

In the first ALSA symposium, the School of Law, Jilin University, and the School of Law, City University of Hong Kong, will be co-hosting a symposium on legal education via Zoom on 27-28 April 2021 entitled, *New Challenges and New Opportunities in Legal Education*.

The symposium will, in particular, provide an opportunity for law schools and faculties for law teachers in the ALSA group to explore challenges to teaching in the current COVID-19 world and opportunities for lasting improvements that will flow from the use of innovative teaching methods developed during the COVID-19 period. However, presenters are not limited to addressing this theme, and relevant issues that will lead to progress in legal education in the ALSA region are also welcome.

Potential topics for this symposium could include:

- The use of IT methods to enhance learning in law in real time, such as:
 - Software platforms to collaboratively draft litigious and non-litigious documents
 - Zoom lectures and tutorials
 - Discussion Boards
 - Surveys and Quizzes.
- “Flipping the classroom” through innovative methods, such as:
 - Pre-recorded lectures
 - Instructional DVDs.
- Discovery based learning such as:
 - Court visits and court reports
 - Case studies involving recent decisions in appellate courts that change existing law
 - Mooting competitions.
- Identifying and redressing gender inequality in legal education
- Student exchanges in the COVID-19 era
- Virtual and conventional internships
- Hybrid teaching to simultaneously teach remote and physically present learners
- Exploring educational teaching methods from an interdisciplinary learning perspective
- Research opportunities to explore the efficacy of current and future teaching methods in law schools
- Clinical legal education
- Teaching legal ethics discretely and pervasively.

Abstracts, biographies and draft papers should be submitted to Ms Anna Lui at annalui@cityu.edu.hk no later than 15 March 2021. Due to the abbreviated time frame, presentations can be made on the basis of accepted draft papers.

No registration fee is required for attendees, whether for ALSA members or otherwise. Please complete the [registration form](#) at the end of the [event flyer](#) and send it to Ms Judy Xu at lwalsa@cityu.edu.hk no later than 31 January 2021.

All interested academics are welcome to apply, particularly those from Asia.

Further details concerning this symposium will be circulated to ALSA members shortly.

About the Asian Law Schools Association

ALSA is a new Association of Asian law schools that will be inaugurated in January 2021. It will comprise initially of close to 30 founding members that are leading Asian law schools from China, India, Japan, Hong Kong, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, South Korea, Taiwan, and Thailand.