### Congratulations, Graduates!
The Office of International Law and Policy would like to congratulate the 28 LL.M. students who graduated in December. We wish you good luck in all your future endeavors, and hope you will stay in touch with the law school by joining the online community at [http://www.alumni.kentlaw.edu/s/815/index.aspx](http://www.alumni.kentlaw.edu/s/815/index.aspx).

### Welcome Back, Exchange and LL.M. Students!
We are pleased to welcome back our exchange and LL.M. Students from the holiday break and to welcome 8 new students to our program. Newcomers include students from partner schools in Denmark, Norway, Poland, and China. On January 20th the OILP hosted a happy hour for the new students. Please help us wish our new students a warm welcome!

### The Goldstone Report and Israel’s Right to Self Defense
On Tuesday March 2 from 12-1:30pm in the 10th floor Event Room please come hear Professor Amos Guiora from the University of Utah’s S.J. Quinney College of Law speak about the defense of human rights in Israel, the evolution of the rules of war and international law, and the political and legal impact of the recent Goldstone report. Assistant Dean Lazar will moderate the discussion, which will also feature Professor Bart Brown. Professor Guiora is a widely-cited expert on the legal aspects of counterterrorism, terror financing, international law and morality in armed conflict, and he served for 19 years in the Israel Defense Forces Judge Advocate General’s Corps, where he held a number of senior command positions, including Commander of the IDF School of Military Law, Judge Advocate for the Navy and Home Front Command, and the Legal Advisor to the Gaza Strip. Professor Guiora will be signing copies of his book: Freedom from Religion: Rights and National Security (Oxford University Press, 2009) which will be available for sale after the talk. The event is free and open to the public, however RSVP’s are required; Please email Lauren Reinhalter at lreinhalter@kentlaw.edu and let her know if you would like a box lunch (meat or vegetarian).
INTERNATIONAL LL.M. HOLIDAY PARTY

On December 8th, the office of International Law and Policy threw a party to celebrate the Holidays and the success of the December LL.M. Graduates!
The Office of International Law and Policy Development in coordination with the Language Loop, offers foreign language courses at Chicago-Kent for students, staff and faculty who want to brush up on their language skills or try a new language.

In Fall, 2009, a beginner course in Chinese was taught by Jia Wang-Elliott and met for 10 weeks throughout the semester. Student Nina Mohseni loves the challenge of learning a new language but also took the class to develop a practical skill. “Chinese seems like one of the most practical languages to learn these days,” says Nina. Another class member, Professor Mary Rose Strubbe, said she planned to put this practical skill to work during her annual visit to China as part of Chicago-Kent’s Overseas Training Program (please see page 4 for more information on the Overseas Training Program).

The Language Loop is a Chicago-based language school located in the west loop. Languages offered at Language Loop include English, Spanish, French, Italian, German, Russian, Portuguese, Chinese, Japanese, Vietnamese, Polish, Dutch, Arabic, Farsi and Turkish—15 languages in all! The classes are offered in a variety of formats ranging from private instruction to small groups of 4-6 and are taught by highly-educated native speakers. The Language Loop staff are focused on listening comprehension, speaking, reading, writing and cultural awareness. Of cultural awareness, the Language Loop says, “Cultural understanding is a key component in today’s global business efforts. Our trainers bring all their experience and knowledge in cultural awareness to ensure success in your company’s assignments abroad.”

In today’s tough job market, students who can speak, read and write in more than one language may be at an advantage when firms look for new talent. Why not consider adding an intermediate or beginner class in the language of your choice to your spring schedule?

Please join Johanna from the Language Loop for an Information Session on Wednesday, January 27th at 3:00 p.m. in room 547. If you are interested in participating in a Language Loop class hosted at Chicago-Kent, please contact Lauren Reinhalter at lreinhalter@kentlaw.edu. Classes are offered in response to demand and are scheduled at the DTC.

For more information about the Language Loop please visit their website at www.languageloopllc.com.
This Spring, Chicago-Kent continues its partnership with different institutions in China by offering courses for potential LL.M. students to attend Chicago-Kent law classes while still in their home country. Chinese lawyers who complete the program and are subsequently admitted to the LL.M. program can earn their LL.M. in International and Comparative Law in one semester at Chicago-Kent.

**China University of Political Science and Law Beijing**

Chicago-Kent will send four professors to teach at CUPL, the Chinese University of Political Science and Law: Professor Susan Adams taught Introduction to Legal Writing and Research, Adjunct Professor Gary Chodorow will teach Introduction to the American Legal System, Professor Richard Warner will teach Contracts, and Professor Felice Batlan will teach Business Organizations.

**Beijing Lawyers Association**

Four professors will teach at the BLA this Spring. Professor Edward Harris taught Introduction to Legal Writing and Research, Adjunct Professor Gary Chodorow will teach Introduction to the American Legal System, Professor Bart Brown will teach Business Contracts, and Professor Jackie Leimer will teach Introduction to Intellectual Property Law.

**Shanghai Bar Association**

In Shanghai, Professors Mary Rose Strubbe taught Introduction to Legal Writing and Research, Adjunct Professor Carson Block is teaching Introduction to the American Legal System, Professor Phil Hablutzel will teach International Capital Markets, and Professor Ed Harris will teach Business Contracts.

**Eva Hartman**

Eva joined us in January as a visiting scholar from Germany. After having passed the German First Legal State Exam (*J.D. equivalent*) in December 2008 at the University of Osnabrueck Law School (Germany), Eva is now working on her doctoral thesis entitled, *Patent Ambush Strategies in Private Standard-Setting Organizations from a Competition Law Perspective. A Comparative Analysis of U.S. Antitrust Law, European and German Competition Law.*” The central goal of her comparative research project is to emphasize the different legal approach dealing with *patent ambush* situations in U.S. antitrust law and otherwise in European and German competition law. Before coming to Chicago, she worked as a research assistant to her doctoral thesis supervisor, Professor Dr. Andreas Fuchs, LL.M., in Osnabrueck.
CONGRATULATIONS to Zhen Qin and her family on the birth of her daughter, Joanna!

Aashit and Parveen Shah, both graduates of 2003 with their son, Jehaan!

Chicago Botanic Garden