



New Leader Scholarship Announcement September 1, 2007

Arezo Yazd New Executive Editor of Berkeley Journal of International Law

Arezo Yazd was selected to be the Executive Editor of the Berkeley Journal of International Law after finishing her first year at (Boalt) Berkeley Law School.

The Berkeley Journal of International Law (BJIL) is edited and produced by students at the University of California, Berkeley School of Law (Boalt Hall). BJIL currently publishes three issues per year. Issues are comprised of articles, case notes and book reviews addressing various issues of international law.

BJIL strives to publish a broad array of scholarship that spans the whole of the public and private international law disciplines. Thier central mission is to publish a diverse spectrum of viewpoints, perspectives, and approaches to international legal issues. Articles range from broad theoretical and general policy pieces to those narrow in scope and practical in application.

In addition to publication, BJIL organizes an annual Stefan A. Riesenfeld Lecture and a biennial Riesenfeld Symposium, for which scholars and practitioners the world over come to speak on a chosen topic. Past topics include World War II Reparations and Restitution Claims, and International Money Laundering.

Ms. Yazd is entering her second year of law school at U.C., Berkeley. Born in Iran, she immigrated to the United States with her family in 1984. Arezo is the first woman in her family to attend college and as a Muslim Kurd woman; she is deeply involved helping recent immigrants. She has volunteered for Survivors International, the East Bay Sanctuary and has worked with the Kurdish Youth Forum. She served as a Communications Fellow for the U.S. Women without Borders Campaign under the Women's Funding Network and helped build support for women who were the victims of sex trafficking and seeking asylum. In addition to serving as the executive editor of the Berkeley Journal of International Law, she is also Editor-In-chief of the Middle East and Islamic Law Journal and serves on a number of student boards.