

**Family as the Crucible of Culture and Society:  
Inequality, Vulnerability, and Justice within the Family**  
ISFL North American Regional Conference | Thursday & Friday, June 13-14, 2019  
**University of Illinois Discovery Partners Institute | Chicago, IL**

This conference takes place at an important cultural moment in which the status of women in the United States and elsewhere are getting renewed attention. We stand at the cusp of the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of CEDAW, the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women, and we are nearing the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the International Society of Family Law.

This conference will focus on revisiting and reimagining the status of women and vulnerable persons in the family, the setting that often shapes our lives more than any other. This conference will consciously straddle empirical research on the family, innovative thinking about family law policy, and efforts at engaged policy making. In particular, the Family Law and Policy Program will provide scholarships to policy makers who will participate in rich engaged conversations.

This is an exciting time to explore recent innovations in the regulation of families that may promote human flourishing and child welfare, including Illinois' recent innovations on alimony, the Uniform Law Commission's recent proposals for parentage, the ongoing discussions about support for nonmarital families, and the question of what the inclusion of LGBT families has meant for human flourishing.

The conference theme is intended to be inclusive, extending to both public and private law, doctrinal and clinical family law approaches, and those from the social sciences. International and comparative approaches are strongly encouraged but not required. Participants will be welcome to propose panels or individual presentations. **Participants may participate in multiple formats.**

This conference will have a number of innovations:

- **Co-Creative Conversations** on policy in which we collect thoughtful voices on a specific topic. These may be organized around a "What if...". For example, what if . . . support for families was not defined by conjugality, or we meaningfully rewarded child care in the family, or we were to approach alimony in innovative ways, or we assigned parentage in entirely new ways? Participants can propose a "What if..." topic and names of participants. We may also loosely arrange participants on topics.
- **Conversations with the Author Roundtables** may also be proposed for books published in the last three years. Authors may suggest pre-packaged panels of speakers about the book.
- **Public Engagement Workshops** on topics such as what needs to be done to connect yourself as a scholar to lawmakers, how to interact with international bodies, or how to pursue public engagement on the family. These **workshops** will describe what scholars need to do to connect themselves to lawmakers, how to connect themselves to organizations like international public policy bodies like CEDAW, and other ways to make one's work relevant to policy makers.

The panels will involve organic discussions led by a strong moderator and organized by themes as described above.

Presentations can be in Spanish, French or English but the conference will not be able to provide translators.

Proposals to participate in the conference should be submitted through this website: <https://www.familylawprogram.com/isfl-conference>, no later than **Monday, April 15, 2019**. The proposals should include the participant's name, affiliation, indication of whether the proposal is for an individual presentation, panel, co-creative conversation, workshop or Author Meets Reader roundtable, and abstract describing the content of the proposal. If the proposal is for a panel or roundtable, it should include the name and affiliation of all of the proposed participants. Abstracts should not exceed a single page for each presentation. Accepted paper presenters will be notified by **May 1**. Proposals may be submitted at any time. Please indicate if you need an earlier acceptance date in order to arrange travel or funding.

Co-Conveners: Professor Robin Fretwell Wilson, University of Illinois, Director of the Family Law and Policy Program, and Professor Margaret Brinig, University of Notre Dame

Scientific committee: Professor Ruth Halperin-Kaddari, Bar-Ilan University; Margaret J. Brinig, University of Notre Dame; Robin Fretwell Wilson, University of Illinois

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Cost:

- Early Registration (Before April 15): \$100 (ISFL members), \$125 (nonmembers)
- After April 15: \$125 (ISFL members), \$150 (nonmembers)

To become an ISFL member, see this link: <https://www.isflhome.org/membership>.

Registration for non-presenters will open Friday, February 1, 2019. For registration, visit: <https://www.familylawprogram.com/isfl-conference>.

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## 2019 Workshop Committee



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## Harry Krause Emerging Family Law Scholars Workshop

University of Illinois, Discovery Partners Institute  
Chicago, IL  
Saturday, June 15, 2019

In conjunction with the International Society of Family Law North American Regional Conference, the Family Law and Policy Program at the University of Illinois College of Law—in conjunction with Notre Dame Law School and the Rackman Center, Bar-Ilan University—is pleased to invite paper proposals for the 2019 HARRY KRAUSE EMERGING FAMILY LAW SCHOLARS WORKSHOP. The workshop is named for Professor Krause, who as a member of the Illinois law faculty, mentored many budding family law scholars across a half century of teaching.

The Workshop will take place on Saturday, June 15, 2019 at the University of Illinois Discovery Partners Institute in Chicago, IL, at the conclusion of the International Society of Family Law North American Regional Conference. The Workshop is designed to assist and mentor emerging scholars in family law and related fields – such as reproductive rights, biomedical ethics, children and the law, law and gender, and law and sexuality – to hone draft papers and works in progress for submission to journals for publication. The Workshop provides not only a mechanism for senior scholars to mentor emerging scholars, but also is an opportunity for emerging scholars writing in these fields to connect with one another.

The Workshop is designed for emerging scholars who have been in tenure track positions for seven years or less. Visiting Assistant Professors, Fellows, Adjunct Professors and lecturers seeking full-time positions as law teachers may also apply. (For purposes of calculating “seven years or less” of teaching, fellowships, adjunct positions, and lectureships do not count against the total.)

Working accepted papers not yet finalized for publication may be submitted, as well as earlier drafts where guidance from senior scholars in the field can assist the author. Co-authored papers will be considered as long as one of the authors has been involved in teaching for seven years or less or is seeking law teaching positions.

The Workshop Committee will consist of Illinois Law Professor Robin Fretwell Wilson, who directs the law school’s Program in Family Law and Policy, and Professors Margaret Brinig, Ruth Halperin-Kaddari, and Marsha Garrison.

The Workshop can accommodate three scholars. One slot will give preference to an international emerging scholar and one to individuals seeking law teaching positions.

Proposals should be no more than two pages or 1000 words in length and sent to Professor Wilson at [wils@illinois.edu](mailto:wils@illinois.edu) before Wednesday, May 1, 2019. The Workshop Committee will notify selected Scholars by Wednesday, May 15, 2019.

If accepted, the Family Law Program will provide accommodations and meals for the Workshop. Invited scholars are expected to pay their own travel to the University of Illinois, although “modest” scholarships for travel support will be available to scholars who have no funds from their home institution.



### Harry D. Krause

Max L. Rowe Professor Emeritus

Harry D. Krause joined the University of Illinois Law Faculty in 1963 as an Assistant Professor and rose to become the Max. L. Rowe Professor of Law at the College of Law where he continued teaching until 2007. Before joining the academy, Professor Krause practiced tax law with Covington & Burling and international business law with Ford Motor Co.

During his still active career, Prof. Krause served as U.S. State Department delegate to The Hague Conference on Private International Law developing the Treaty on International Adoptions. As a Commissioner on Uniform State Laws, he served as Reporter for the Uniform Parentage Act and the Uniform Putative Fathers Act. As a member of the Academie Internationale de Droit Compare, he served as rapporteur on U.S. Law at Congresses all over the world. Professor Krause was appointed an Illinois Commissioner on Uniform Laws and is a life member of the American Law Institute. Professor Krause served as the Vice President of the International Society of Family Law and on ISFL’s Executive Council for over 2 decades. Professor Krause received the Alexander von Humboldt Research Prize in 1992. Professor Krause’s academic work lead to the recognition that non-marital children cannot be denied rights extended to other children, in *Levy vs. Louisiana*, 391 US 68 (1968).

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