

- ◇ THE UNITED STATES HAS THE HIGHEST INCARCERATION RATE IN THE WORLD
- ◇ 7.3 MILLION INDIVIDUALS IN THE U.S. -- 1 IN EVERY 31 ADULTS -- IS IN JAIL, IN PRISON, ON PROBATION, OR ON PAROLE
  - ◇ AT LEAST ONE THIRD OF THOSE IN PRISON SUFFER FROM SOME FORM OF MENTAL ILLNESS
  - ◇ CORRECTIONS ACCOUNTS FOR INCREASING LARGE PORTIONS OF STATE AND FEDERAL BUDGETS

**THE UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING COLLEGE OF LAW**

**AND**

**WYOMING LAW STUDENTS FOR EQUAL JUSTICE**

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## **CURRENT ISSUES IN SENTENCING AND PUNISHMENT**

Tuesday, September 22, 2009, 6:30p.m.

College of Law, Room 178

WITH

**Prof. Bob Schopp – “Proportionality – Finding the Right Fit”**

Robert Schopp is the Robert J. Kutak Professor of Law and Psychology at the University of Nebraska College of Law. He teaches and writes in the areas of criminal law, capital punishment, and mental health law. He is spending the fall semester here at the University of Wyoming College of Law.

**Prof. Michael Vitiello – “Special Problems of Incarcerating the Mentally Ill”**

Michael Vitiello is a Distinguished Professor and Scholar and Professor of Law, and the Director of the Center for Advocacy and Dispute Resolution at the University of the Pacific McGeorge School of Law. He teaches and writes extensively about crime and punishment, and has been an active sentencing reform advocate in California.

**Prof. Diane Courselle – “Lessons from Ireland and Other Common Law Jurisdictions”**

Diane Courselle is a Professor of Law and Director of the Defender Aid Program at the University of Wyoming College of Law. She teaches in the areas of criminal law, criminal procedure, and federal courts. She spent the spring of 2008 in Limerick, Ireland studying alternative approaches to sentencing and punishment.

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