Judicial Seminar on Emerging Issues in Neuroscience

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Hosted by the University of Washington School of Medicine
October 24-25, 2016

AGENDA

DAY 1, October 24

8:00 a.m. Meet in hotel lobby

8:15 a.m. Continental Breakfast (HUB 332)

8:45 a.m. Welcome and Introductions
Deborah Runkle, AAAS, and Bruce R. Ransom, M.D., Ph.D, Magnuson Professor and Chair, Department of Neurology and Kellye Y. Testy, Toni Rembe Dean & Professor of Law, School of Law, University of Washington

9:00 a.m. Neuroanatomy, Neuroscience Methods and Technology
Michael Rafii, University of California, San Diego will provide an overview of the anatomy and function of the brain and the technologies used in brain research.

10:30 a.m. Break

11:00 a.m. The Aging Brain and the Dementias
Thomas Grabowski, University of Washington, will discuss the changes that occur in the brain with age and with degenerative diseases, such as Alzheimer’s.

12:15 p.m. Lunch (HUB 334)

1:15 p.m. The Neuroscience of Memory
Craig Stark, University of California, Irvine, will discuss the formation of memory and whether it may be possible to distinguish “true” memories from “false” ones and whether deception can be detected using imaging technology.

2:30 p.m. Break

3:00 p.m. The Neuroscience of Pain
David Tauben, University of Washington, will discuss what happens in the brain when a person experiences pain.
4:15 p.m.  Adjourn for the day

6:15 p.m.  Meet in hotel lobby for shuttle to dinner

6:45 p.m.  Group Dinner at Tavolàta

DAY 2, October 25

8:45 a.m.  Meet in hotel lobby

9:00 a.m.  Continental Breakfast (HUB 332)

9:30 a.m.  The Neuroscience of Violence
           Jordan Grafman, Northwestern University, will discuss what we know about the neuroscience related to violent offenders and what this knowledge might contribute to legal determinations.

10:45 a.m.  Break

11:00 a.m.  Coma and the Vegetative and Minimally Conscious States
            Michael Williams, University of Washington, will describe the physiology of impaired states of consciousness and discuss the ethical and legal issues regarding life sustaining interventions.

12:15 p.m.  Lunch (HUB 334)

1:15 p.m.  The Neuroscience of Substance Dependence
           Colleen Hanlon, Medical University of South Carolina, will discuss what effects substance dependence has on the brain and how dependence can be treated.

2:30 p.m.  The Adolescent Brain
           Carolyn McCarty, University of Washington, will explain what changes are happening in adolescents' brains and the implications for behavior.

3:45 p.m.  Closing Remarks

4:00 p.m.  Adjourn