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Le J.D.

Le **Juris Doctor** (J.D.) est le diplôme qui permet d'accéder aux professions juridiques et de passer le barreau dans l'un des 50 états américains. Il se prépare en 3 ans après avoir préalablement complété un programme préprofessionnel souvent appelé « pre-law ».

En effet, avant d'être éligible pour postuler en école de droit, les candidats en J.D. doivent d'abord valider un **Bachelor's degree** (4 ans d'études supérieures). Ce *Bachelor's degree* peut être obtenu dans n'importe quel domaine ... sauf le droit, car aucun diplôme de droit n'est proposé pendant ce cycle *undergraduate*. La plupart des candidats dans les écoles de droit américaines sont diplômés en science politique, histoire, littérature, psychologie ou justice pénale. En effet, les écoles de droit sont à la recherche de candidats qui ont eu d'excellents résultats pendant leurs études antérieures et qui peuvent faire preuve d'une aptitude à analyser et à rédiger, plutôt que de beaucoup de connaissances précises du droit.

Une fois le cycle *undergraduate* achevé, le candidat qui souhaite poursuivre en J.D. présente un dossier de candidature à chaque école de droit qui l'intéresse. Ce dossier comporte ses relevés de notes de Bachelor's, des lettres de recommandation, une lettre de motivation, et ses résultats au test d'admission **LSAT** (*Law School Admission Test*). Aujourd'hui, quelques écoles de droit acceptent aussi le **GRE** (*Graduate Record Examination*) pour entrer en J.D. Pour valider le diplôme de *Juris Doctor*, il faut avoir complété au moins 84 *semester hours*, ce qui correspond en général à trois années académiques. Ces trois années d'études fournissent aux étudiants une éducation plutôt généraliste, destinée à enseigner la « pensée légale » plutôt que des détails de chaque loi.

Le J.D. permet de passer le **Bar Exam** (équivalent du Barreau) de l'état où l'on souhaite exercer, mais doit provenir d'une école accréditée par l'[American Bar Association](#).

Le LL.M.

Le LL.M. – c'est-à-dire *Legum Magister* ou *Master of Laws* – est un diplôme de spécialisation en droit. Il se complète généralement après le J.D. Il peut concerner des domaines tels que : droit comparé, droit de l'environnement, droit fiscal, droit maritime, propriété intellectuelle, etc.

Certains programmes sont réservés aux candidats diplômés d'un J.D. américain, mais la grande majorité accepte des étudiants qui ont obtenu leur diplôme de droit à l'étranger (pour un Français il s'agit au minimum d'un **Master 1** de droit).

Un LL.M. s'obtient en général au bout d'une année académique et nécessite l'obtention d'environ 24 *credits*.

Quels sont les différents types de programmes LL.M. proposés par les écoles de droit américaines ?

- LL.M. général avec la possibilité de prendre des cours à la carte dans le programme de J.D. ;
- LL.M. spécialisés : Business law, Environmental Law, Intellectual property, International Law, Taxation, , etc.
- LL.M. programs for Foreign Lawyers and Law Graduates

LL.M. ou J.D. ?

Les étudiants français en Master de droit hésitent quelquefois entre postuler en LL.M. ou en J.D. Il y a un certain nombre de facteurs à prendre en compte :

- La validation d'un J.D. permet de passer quasiment tous les barreaux américains (en sachant que certains barreaux exigent la nationalité américaine).
- L'obtention d'un LL.M. permet de passer le barreau de New York et de Californie.
- L'obtention d'un J.D. et du barreau d'un état ne garantit pas l'acquisition d'un visa de travail

américain.

- La plupart des cabinets d'avocat américains préfèrent recruter des candidats détenteurs d'un J.D. et estiment qu'un LL.M. n'est pas suffisant (même après obtention du barreau).
- Le LL.M. est en revanche très bien reconnu par la plupart des cabinets d'avocat anglo-saxons basés en dehors des Etats-Unis.
- Un J.D. dure 3 fois plus longtemps qu'un LL.M. et donc coûte 3 fois plus cher.
- Il est très difficile d'obtenir une aide financière pour les 3 ans de J.D. alors que les bourses pour un LL.M. sont beaucoup plus fréquentes.

Pourquoi choisir de faire un LL.M. aux Etats-Unis ?

- Vaste choix de programmes : près de 200 écoles de droit accréditées par l'American Bar Association proposent chacune un ou plusieurs programmes de LL.M.
- Devenir expert en common law et acquérir le vocabulaire juridique anglo-américain ;
- Se familiariser avec un enseignement socratique très rigoureux ;
- Bénéficier du prestige du système d'enseignement supérieur américain ;
- Développer son réseau professionnel international grâce aux alumni.

Comment choisir un programme de LL.M. ?

- Les critères suivants sont à prendre en compte :
- Spécialités proposés et options,
- Accueil/intégration des candidats internationaux,
- Aide pour la recherche de stages,
- Taille/environnement/équipement de l'école de droit,
- Coût du programme/bourses proposées.

Ressources en ligne :

LSAC : www.lsac.org/llm

American Bar Association : www.americanbar.org/groups/legal_education/ (rubrique Law School Accreditation/ ABA approved Law Schools)

Autres programmes en droit

M.C.L. : Master of Comparative Law, programme qui, comme son nom l'indique, se concentre particulièrement sur le droit comparé. Les conditions d'admission sont à peu près les mêmes que pour un LL.M.

Le **Doctor of Juridical Science (D.J.S.)** ou **Doctor of the Science of Law (J.S.D.)**, s'obtient en général au bout d'un an, après avoir au préalable, compléter un LL.M. Comme tout doctorat, il est plutôt destiné aux personnes qui souhaitent se spécialiser dans la recherche ou dans l'enseignement à l'université.

Un certain nombre d'écoles de droit propose également des **sessions d'été** destinées plus particulièrement aux étudiants internationaux qui souhaitent avoir une initiation au droit américain ou des cours d'anglais spécialisés en droit américain. Des séminaires sont également proposés aux personnes qui ont déjà une certaine expérience professionnelle. Le Centre EducationUSA de la Commission franco-américaine édite une liste de sessions d'été proposées par des écoles de droit américaines (voir rubrique « Documentation » sur www.fulbright-france.org).

Aides financières

Les écoles de droit ont des frais de scolarité parmi les plus onéreux. Comptez entre \$25,000 et presque \$70,000 dollars de frais de scolarité annuels qu'il faut multiplier par trois pour un J.D. A cela, s'ajoute les dépenses courantes (logement, pension alimentaire et autres dépenses personnelles) qui dépendent de la région où se trouve l'université (entre \$700 et \$2500 par mois).

La plupart des étudiants américains obtiennent des prêts qu'ils remboursent avec leur premier salaire qui est généralement largement suffisant. Les programmes de JD offrent également des bourses de mérite basées sur les scores au LSAT et les relevés de notes du *Bachelor's degree*.

En revanche, ces prêts et bourses de mérite sont rarement accordés aux étudiants étrangers pour la préparation du JD. Ces derniers sont plus susceptibles de recevoir une bourse de leur université d'accueil s'ils complètent un *Master of Laws (LL.M.)* dont les frais de scolarité sont similaires au JD mais seulement pour une année. Renseignez-vous directement auprès de chaque bureau d'admission (voir page 7 pour des offres de bourses pour des programmes LL.M.).

Les citoyens français qui postulent pour un *Master of Laws*, peuvent se porter candidat au programme **Fulbright** géré par la Commission franco-américaine. Des informations détaillées se trouvent sur notre site Internet : www.fulbright-france.org, rubrique « Bourses Fulbright et Partenaires ».

Attention : les dossiers de candidature pour les bourses gérées par la Commission franco-américaine doivent être validés avant le 1^{er} décembre pour débiter un programme à la rentrée d'automne qui suit.

LL.M. et passage du barreau

Les Etats-Unis étant un pays fédéral, il existe un barreau par état. Les juristes étrangers ne peuvent pas toujours passer l'un des examens du barreau des Etats-Unis. Renseignez-vous auprès de l'école de droit où vous souhaitez étudier et auprès de chaque *state board of law examiners*. Beaucoup d'états exigent l'obtention du JD dans une école accréditée aux Etats-Unis avant d'être éligible pour passer leur barreau. Les conditions requises pour passer le barreau de chaque état pour un candidat ayant eu un diplôme de droit en dehors des Etats-Unis sont expliquées dans cette publication du National Conference of Bar Examiners : [Comprehensive Guide to Bar Admissions \(chart 4 : Foreign Legal Education\)](#)

Les deux barreaux américains les plus ouverts aux juristes étrangers sont ceux de l'état de [New York](#) et de la [Californie](#).

Pour ces deux états il est possible de passer le barreau après avoir effectué sa formation initiale en dehors des Etats-Unis et ensuite avoir complété un LL.M. dans une école accréditée aux Etats-Unis.

De plus, les juristes français qui ont obtenu le barreau de New York ou de Californie peuvent être exemptés du passage par un CRFPA et de l'obtention du CAPA. En effet, les dispositions de l'article 100 du décret du 27 novembre 1991 permettent à un avocat membre d'un barreau dans un État n'appartenant pas à l'Union européenne et non titulaire du CAPA de s'inscrire à un barreau français sous réserve de réussir un examen de contrôle des connaissances en droit français (voir le site du conseil national des barreaux : <https://www.cnb.avocat.fr/fr/admission-dun-avocat-dun-etat-non-membre-de-lunion-europeenne>).

Double cursus droit français et anglo-américain

Il est parfois possible de faire un double cursus droit français et anglo-américain dans une université française avec quelquefois la possibilité de passer une partie de son cursus dans une université partenaire aux Etats-Unis. Les cours de droit anglo-américain seront dispensés en anglais. Même si l'université française n'a pas de partenariat spécifique avec des universités américaines, ces double-cursus vous permettent d'avoir un bon niveau d'anglais et une première initiation au droit anglo-américain. C'est un plus pour l'entrée en LL.M. aux Etats-Unis.

Voici quelques exemples :

- [Licence Droit français – Common Law – Paris Nanterre](#)
- [Licence 1 Droit, parcours Droit anglo-américain – CY Cergy Paris Université](#)

- [Licence Droit parcours bilingue anglo-américaine – Université du Havre](#)
- [Double diplomation de Licence mentions Droit et LLCER \(Anglais\) – Université de Versailles St Quentin en Yvelines \(les étudiants sont encouragés à partir en échange à l'étranger dès la 3^{ème} année\)](#)
- [Le programme franco-américain Université de Columbia & Sorbonne / Université de Cornell & Sorbonne \(niveau Master\)](#)
- [Master Droit français – Common Law – Paris Nanterre](#)
- [La Grande Ecole du Droit au sein de l'université Paris-Sud – faculté Jean Monnet : possibilité de partir en 4^{ème} année aux Etats-Unis \(partenariats avec Georgetown, George Washington, Berkeley, Duke\)](#)
- [MAUPA - MASTER INTÉGRÉ DE DROIT PUBLIC COMPARÉ "MAURER-PARIS" - Doubles diplômes / Cursus intégrés ; partenariat entre Université Paris II Panthéon-Assas et Maurer School of Law, Indiana University](#)
- [Double diplôme Sciences Po Paris et Georgetown Law School](#)
- [Double diplôme Sciences Po Paris et University of Pennsylvania Law School](#)
- [DU LLM in anglo-american business law – Université de Paris](#)
- [DU de Droit américain – Université de Clermont Auvergne](#)

Admission dans un programme LL.M.

En général, un candidat doit présenter un dossier auprès de **chaque** école de droit dans laquelle il souhaite postuler.

La plupart des programmes admettent les étudiants pour la *fall admission* (fin août-début septembre), quelques-unes vont également accepter les étudiants pour la *spring admission* (vers le mois de janvier). Les dates limites de candidature se situent souvent entre janvier et avril pour la rentrée de septembre. Il est important de commencer les démarches au moins un an avant le début des cours.

Que contient un dossier de candidature en LL.M. ?

- Le formulaire (application) propre à chaque université qui doit généralement être rempli en ligne ;
- Un test d'anglais (TOEFL ou IELTS) ;
- Vos relevés de notes depuis la 1^{ère} année d'études supérieures traduits en anglais
- Deux/trois lettres de recommandation de professeurs/d'employeurs;
- Une ou plusieurs lettres de motivation (essay/personal statement) ;
- Votre CV
- Des frais de dossier variant de 50\$ à plus de 100\$
- Le LSAT n'est quasiment jamais requis pour entrer en LL.M. (demandé uniquement au candidat en J.D.)

Law School Admission Council (LSAC):

De plus en plus d'écoles de droit exigent des candidats qu'ils s'inscrivent au *LLM Credential Assembly Service* du *Law School Admission Council* (LSAC)- une plate-forme en ligne qui gère les inscriptions

dans les écoles de droit. Ce service permet de rassembler vos documents (relevés de notes, lettres de recommandation et scores au test d'anglais) en une seule fois et se charge de les dispatcher aux universités de votre choix.

Vous trouverez ci-dessous les étapes à effectuer.

A noter : vous devriez vous inscrire et régler les frais du service au moins 6 semaines avant la première date limite des écoles de droit auxquelles vous postulez.

1. Créez un compte d'utilisateur sur le site <https://www.lsac.org/llm>
2. Sélectionnez les écoles de droit auxquelles vous postulez à partir de la rubrique « School Search ».
3. Envoyez au LSAC par le biais du « Transcript Request Form » : des copies certifiées de vos relevés de notes et diplômes des études post-bac, ainsi qu'une traduction mot pour mot en anglais.

NB : Une traduction assermentée n'est pas obligatoire. Elle peut être faite par vous-même ou un professeur d'anglais, par exemple. Traduisez le texte et les noms des matières, mais laissez les notes sur une échelle de 20.

Les documents en français doivent être certifiés conformes par l'université, c'est-à-dire, comporter un tampon pour attester de leur authenticité. L'université doit mettre les documents dans une enveloppe scellée, avec le cachet de l'établissement apposé sur la fermeture de l'enveloppe.

Il n'est pas nécessaire de mettre les traductions des diplômes et relevés de notes dans une enveloppe scellée par votre université, donc vous pouvez les envoyer vous-même directement au LSAC.

4. Enregistrez les noms et coordonnées de vos référents pour qu'ils remplissent leur lettre en ligne sur le site du LSAC. Faites traduire les lettres qui ne sont pas rédigées en anglais.
5. Passez un test d'anglais (TOEFL ou IELTS) et faites en sorte que les scores arrivent directement aux services du LSAC.
6. Remplissez le dossier des écoles de droit que vous avez sélectionnées.
7. Payez les services du LSAC (85\$ + 30\$ par université)
8. Payez également les frais de dossier de chaque école (entre 50\$ et 150\$ par université)

Universités présentes au salon virtuel LL.M. (novembre 2020)



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At American University Washington College of Law, students receive a legal education that prepares them to tackle a breadth of challenges in Washington, D.C., throughout the country, and around the world. Our LL.M. programs feature flexible curricula that incorporate a rich array of specialized law courses and seminars and experiential learning opportunities. As a student, you will be supported by a law school community that is uniquely collaborative, including faculty who are passionate about education and a global network of LL.M. alumni. We invite you to discover what an LL.M. degree from Washington College of Law can do for you. The Doctor of Juridical Science (S.J.D.) is the most advanced law degree at American University Washington College of Law. The program is designed for highly qualified lawyers seeking to pursue scholarly research and writing. The program selects candidates who are prepared to write a doctoral dissertation, who will make original contributions to the legal literature, and who have a strong intellectual commitment to advanced legal study.

Degrees Offered:

- LL.M.
- Other Master's in Law
- JD open to international students
- Joint degrees
- SJD or other Doctoral program
- Summer or short-term law programs for international students/attorneys

Specializations and Popular Programs:

- International Law
- Human Rights
- Trial Advocacy
- Law and Government
- Legislation
- Intellectual Property

Funding assistance / scholarships / partial fee waivers available for international students:

- Merit scholarships/assistantships available for international law students
- Need-based financial aid available for international law students
- Able to offer teaching/research/admissions assistantships to international law students
- More information here:

<https://www.wcl.american.edu/academics/degrees/llm/how-to-apply/scholarships/>

Application Deadlines:

Fall: May 1; Spring: October 1



Brooklyn Law School
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Your LL.M. in Brooklyn - The Epicenter of Innovation and Culture. Live and learn in Brooklyn, the ever-evolving international hub of culture and innovation. Brooklyn Law School is located just minutes from Wall Street, the epicenter of international finance and Silicon Alley, the hub for tech start-ups. Immerse yourself in a real-world learning environment where LL.M. students grow both professionally and personally.

Degrees Offered:

- LL.M.
- JD open to international students
- Joint degrees
- Summer or short-term law programs for international students/attorneys

Specializations and Popular Programs:

- LL.M. in Business Law
- LL.M. in Intellectual Property
- LL.M. in Immigration and Refugee Law

Funding assistance / scholarships / partial fee waivers available for international students:
Merit Scholarship, June 1 2020

Application Deadlines:

June 1, 2020



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Yeshiva University
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A Cardozo education is transformative in so many ways. Our prime NYC location and excellent reputation in the legal community enable Cardozo School of Law to offer vast and innovative practical and experiential learning opportunities to all of our students.

Cardozo's faculty are known as top scholars and practitioners in their fields. They are open and extremely accessible to our students, fostering a rich, caring and vibrant intellectual life for the community. This is a school where LL.M. and J.D. students take most of the classes together, jointly participating in many stimulating projects, which is beneficial to the integration and learning experience of all students, domestic or international.

Degrees Offered:

- LLM
- JD open to international students
- Joint degrees
- SJD or other Doctoral program

Specializations and Popular Programs: Online LLM in Intellectual Property

Funding assistance / scholarships / partial fee waivers available for international students:

- Merit scholarships/assistantships available for international law students
- Application Fee Waivers and Dean's Merit Scholarship

Application Deadlines:

December 1: Priority Deadline for Spring Admissions

June 15: Priority Deadline for Fall Admission

May 03: Deadline for Summer Admissions (for the Online LL.M. in IP program only)



Columbia Law School

Columbia Law School

New York, NY

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Challenge yourself. Broaden your perspective and your network. Rediscover the law and your future in the legal profession. Each year, Columbia Law enrolls a diverse class of graduate students whose experience spans all areas of the legal profession—including private practice, academia, the judiciary, public service, human rights advocacy, and NGOs. As an LL.M. student, you will form study groups with these accomplished scholars who are as intellectually curious as you are; participate in clinics, moot courts, journals, and pro bono work alongside driven peers; and build lifelong friendships and connections through student organizations at the Law School and across the greater Columbia University campus.

Degrees Offered:

- LL.M.
- JD open to international students
- Joint degrees
- SJD or other Doctoral program

Funding assistance / scholarships / partial fee waivers available for international students:

- Merit
- Need-based financial aid available for international law students
- Able to offer teaching/research/admissions assistantships to international law students
- Deadline: November 1 and December 18, 2019

Application Deadlines:

December 18, 2020 (LLM); February 1, 2021 (JSD)



Cornell Law School

Cornell Law School

Ithaca, NY

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The Master of Laws (LL.M.) degree at Cornell Law School is a one-year program designed for practicing attorneys and recent law school graduates who have earned a first degree in law outside the United States. Through the General LL.M. program, students increase their understanding of American legal principles and can further develop a legal specialization. Our General LL.M. allows students to tailor their own course of study based on individual academic and career objectives. Cornell General LL.M. students are fully integrated into the academic and student life of the law school.

Degrees Offered:

- LL.M.
- Other Master's in Law
- JD open to international students
- Joint degrees
- SJD or other Doctoral program

Funding assistance / scholarships / partial fee waivers available for international students:

- Merit scholarships/assistantships available for international law students
- Scholarships available - see application

Application Deadlines:

December 15, 2020



Loyola Law School
Loyola Marymount University
Los Angeles

Loyola Law School, Los Angeles

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Loyola Law School, with a campus designed by world-renowned architect Frank Gehry, is ideally positioned in Los Angeles—a legal, tech, media, fashion, and financial capital. We are the closest ABA-accredited law school to LA's primary courthouse and law firm scene, yet only 30 minutes away from the beautiful beaches of Santa Monica and Malibu.

Our strong 18,000+ alumni network reaches across the United States and into 35 different countries, and includes current and former ambassadors, governors, high-level government officials, movie studio executives, and business leaders. With more than 800 partners at major law firms, Loyola alumni can be found at every level of private practice, the judiciary, in-house corporations, government, and public interest organizations.

Home to prominent faculty, dedicated students, and cutting-edge programs with a strong sense of social justice, the school takes advantage of its prime location with a record number of networking events. Our LLM students come to Loyola to master the American and international legal system and gain fruitful practice experience during and after their stay on campus.

"We think of Loyola's campus as our home and we want to make our students feel the same. We strive to give our students a personal approach, where faculty and staff members are committed to your success. We want to know you, we want to guide you, we want to help you achieve your goals!"—Professor Aaron Ghirardelli, LLM Director

Degrees Offered:

- LLM.
- Other Master's in Law
- JD open to international students
- Joint degrees
- SJD or other Doctoral program

Specializations and Popular Programs:

- American Law LLM
- Bar Track LLM (for students interested in taking the bar exam in California and/or NY)
- Civil Litigation & Advocacy LLM Specialization
- Criminal Justice LLM Specialization
- Cybersecurity & Data Privacy LLM Specialization
- Entertainment & New Media LLM Specialization
- Intellectual Property LLM Specialization
- International Business Law LLM Specialization

Funding assistance / scholarships / partial fee waivers available for international students:

- Able to offer teaching/research/admissions assistantships to international law students
- Scholarship up to \$30,000 available to the best applicants. Each applicant is carefully considered for scholarship.
- Loyola Law School offers research assistantship positions to selected international law students.

Application Deadlines:

Priority Deadline: March 1, 2021



SCHOOL of LAW

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Loyola Chicago's LLM Program for International Lawyers, launched in 2012, has enrolled students from over 50 countries worldwide who have formed a strong global network. Many of our accomplished young lawyers begin their post-graduate careers in Chicago and stay involved with Loyola's community. We admit only a fairly small group of students both in January and in August, which allows us to provide individualized academic and career counseling throughout the course of your study and beyond. Loyola's faculty are noted researchers, inspiring teachers, and engaged advisors who deeply care about their students' progress.

Loyola's LLM Program for International Lawyers features two tracks: Immersion in U.S. Law for Foreign Lawyers (Track I), and International Law with Focus Option (Track II). This structure allows our students great flexibility to design their curriculum and meet their own academic and professional interests. Many choose a certificate focus in a field of law offered by Loyola's centers and institutes: arbitration, mediation, and negotiation; business; child and family; competition; environmental; health; human rights; immigration; intellectual property; tax; or trade law. Others develop their own focus under the guidance of Loyola's faculty. The innovative curriculum of over 200 courses per year includes core subjects, challenging upper-level courses, and classes that teach professional skills necessary for effective participation in the legal profession. The international students join the JD students in the class rooms to promote integration and cross-cultural learning.

Degrees Offered:

- LL.M.
- SJD or other Doctoral program

Specializations:

Loyola Chicago offers one LLM Program in U.S. Law with focus certificate, and one in International Law with focus certificate.

Funding assistance / scholarships / partial fee waivers available for international students:

- Merit scholarships/assistantships available for international law students
- Loyola Chicago Law School offers a general merit-based scholarship program for its LLM Program for International Lawyers. The program offers a generous tuition-reduction scholarship program for exceptionally qualified students. The scholarship will cover a percentage of the tuition, but not living or other expenses. If you are interested in applying for a scholarship, please indicate so in your personal statement once you submit your application form

Application Deadlines: The fall deadline is July 1, and the spring deadline is December 1



New York University School of Law

New York, NY

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At NYU, you will find powerhouse graduate programs in business and finance, international law, and taxation. You will learn from more than 100 influential academics in areas as diverse as constitutional law, criminal law, economic analysis of law, environmental law, legal philosophy, intellectual property, and competition policy. You will train for the profession through practice-based options, such as transactional classes, simulation courses, and clinical opportunities, and explore new perspectives on legal questions by attending classes at other divisions of the university. You will join classmates from around the world who will bring their insights and experience to the classroom while becoming your friends and personal global network.

All this happens at NYU Law's campus in Greenwich Village in downtown Manhattan. It is a charming and vibrant place with a neighborhood feel and energetic culture. You will engage with New York's leading practitioners and policymakers both in and out of the classroom. Visits from prominent government officials; members of the judiciary; and leaders of the UN, international organizations, and NGOs will further enrich your experience.

NYU Law's Graduate Division, one of the largest and most diverse in the nation, offers an array of degrees and programs, including nine different LLM degrees and a JSD. You will enjoy the flexibility to design your curriculum, whether as a student in the Master of Laws program or one of our eight LLM specializations. Members of our faculty direct each of our programs, serving as mentors to the students.

Degrees Offered:

- LLM.
- Other Master's in Law (i.e. MCL, Master's for non-lawyers, etc.; please specify below),
- JD open to international students
- SJD or other Doctoral program

Specializations and Popular Programs:

- Master of Laws
- LLM in Competition
- Innovation and Information Law
- LLM in Corporation Law
- LLM in Environmental and Energy Law
- LLM in International Business Regulation • Litigation and Arbitration
- LLM in International Legal Studies
- LLM in International Taxation
- LLM in Legal Theory
- LLM in Taxation

Funding assistance / scholarships / partial fee waivers available for international students:

- Merit scholarships/assistantships available for international law students
- NYU Law offers a number of highly competitive scholarships in various amounts to full-time LLM students. Hauser and Vanderbilt Scholarships, and Dean's Graduate Awards There is no separate scholarship deadline.

Application Deadlines: Fall 2021 Entry: December 21, 2020

Northwestern

PRITZKER SCHOOL OF LAW

Northwestern Pritzker School of Law

Chicago, IL

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The nine-month general LLM program offers outstanding graduates of foreign law schools an opportunity to expand their knowledge of American law and legal processes, continue their studies in international law, and engage in comparative legal research. Graduates of the program represent more than 50 countries and hold prominent positions in many areas of practice. They include attorneys, professors, judges, corporate counsel, consultants, human rights workers, bankers, and civil servants. Our lakefront location in the heart of downtown Chicago provides a spectacular setting in which to live and study. A major world financial center, Chicago is the third largest city in the United States and one of its largest legal markets. Northwestern Law's proximity to courts, commerce, and public interest activities enables students to experience the practice of law, as well as its theory, in one of the most vibrant legal and business communities in the world. The Northwestern Law community is distinguished for its hospitality, friendliness, and sincerity. To many international students, it is highly favorable to study and to live in such a supportive environment.

Degrees Offered:

- LLM.
- Other Master's in Law
- JD open to international students
- Joint degrees
- SJD or other Doctoral program

Specializations and Popular Programs:

LLM in International Human Rights, LLM in Taxation

Funding assistance / scholarships / partial fee waivers available for international students:

- Merit scholarships/assistantships available for international law students
- Need-based financial aid available for international law students
- Able to offer teaching/research/admissions assistantships to international law students
- Grants and Scholarships based on a combination of merit and/or need.

Application Deadlines:

January 15: LLM



Suffolk University Law School

Boston, Massachusetts

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Suffolk University Law School's LLM program is for any legal graduate who wants to build upon their education—whether you're new, experienced, or wanting to make a career change. We offer a variety of LLM options, from General to Global Law & Technology to an accelerated JD/Taxation dual degree, and a new MS in Law: Life Sciences for lawyers and non-lawyers. Suffolk Law offers unique and practical LLM programs in the heart of thriving Boston, allowing students to specialize in up-and-coming fields, such as intellectual property law and international business, or to study core U.S. bar-tested subjects to gain eligibility to sit for a bar exam in the U.S.

Degrees Offered:

- LLM.
- Joint degrees
- Other Master's in Law
- JD open to international students
- SJD or other Doctoral program
- Summer or short-term law programs for international students/attorneys

Specializations and Popular Programs:

- LLM (general)
- LLM in Global Law and Technology (specializations in IP/IT and International Law and Business are popular)
- the MS in Law: Life Sciences

Funding assistance / scholarships / partial fee waivers available for international students: All applications are automatically reviewed for merit-based scholarship potential. There is no separate application process. Application fee waivers are available upon request.

Application Deadlines:

Priority Deadlines: Fall/August - May 15; Spring/Jan. - Oct. 1



Beasley School of Law

Temple University School of Law

Philadelphia, PA

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Strong rankings. Personal Attention. Top Value.

5 Reasons to earn an LLM Degree from Temple:

1. Strong and Flexible Curriculum: Tailor your courses to meet your needs, including those necessary to prepare for a bar exam. Take classes with American J.D. and other international students to build a global network.
2. Location: Philadelphia may become your new favorite American city. The cost of living is lower than most East Coast cities and it is strategically located between New York and Washington, D.C.
3. Dedicated Support: Our team offers career guidance and academic support to help you achieve your goals, and our American J.D. students provide mentoring and friendship through study partnerships.
4. Distinguish Yourself: Expand your career possibilities by earning an American law degree. Refine your ability to analyze, write, and present American legal concepts in English.
5. Value: Temple is a top-ranked law school, with particular strength in International Law, Legal Research and Writing, and Trial Advocacy. Our tuition is reasonable and less than many comparable LL.M. programs. We also consider all applicants for merit or need-based partial tuition scholarships.

"Studying at Temple University provided an invaluable opportunity to hone my legal research, writing, and advocacy skills. A personal highlight was writing a research paper on the role of legal mechanisms in reducing the impact of damaging political disinformation online. Another, was bringing a moot court case to the United States Court of Appeals, Philadelphia." - Thomas O'Keefe, 2020 LL.M. alumnus

Degrees Offered:

- LLM
- Other Master's in Law,
- JD open to international students
- Joint degrees • SJD or other Doctoral program
- Summer or short-term law programs for international students/attorneys

Specializations and Popular Programs:

Summer Study Abroad in Rome; LLM for Foreign-Trained Lawyers (6 study tracks: Business & Commercial Law, Compliance Law, International Law, New York Bar, Tax Track)

Funding assistance / scholarships / partial fee waivers available for international students:

- Merit scholarships/assistantships available for international law students
- Need-based financial aid available for international law students
- Many full-time students are eligible to receive partial tuition scholarships. In addition to funding from Temple, many students apply for outside or third party funding. A list of such options can be provided upon request

Application Deadline: March 15 for fall admission and October 15 for spring semester admission (extensions for each semester available upon request)



The George Washington School of Law

Washington, DC

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Website:

www.law.gwu.edu

GW Law students are taught by world-class scholars and seasoned practitioners. With more than 275 elective courses, our students can undertake a broad but in-depth of exploration of the law. We invest in each student's success through strong academic and personal support, which includes mentorship, networking, and one-on-one career counseling that emphasizes helping students find the area of the law best suited to their interests.

Degrees Offered:

- LL.M.
- Other Master's in Law
- JD open to international students
- Joint degrees
- SJD or other Doctoral program
- Summer or short-term law programs for international students/attorneys

Specializations and Popular Programs:

- General LL.M.
- Business and Finance Law
- International and Comparative Law
- Business & Finance Law
- Intellectual Property Law
- Environmental Law • Energy & Environmental Law
- Government Procurement Law
- Litigation & Dispute Resolution
- National Security & U.S. Foreign Relations Law
- National Security & Cybersecurity Law

Funding assistance / scholarships / partial fee waivers available for international students:

- Merit scholarships/assistantships available for international law students
- Need-based financial aid available for international law students
- March 15 for Fall intake, November 1 for Spring

Application Deadlines:

March 15 for Fall, November 1 for Spring

The Ohio State University

Moritz College of Law

Columbus, OH

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The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law LLM program is designed for qualified lawyers from all over the globe interested in learning about the American legal system. Moritz is a small, tight-knit community: the LLM program is intentionally limited to 35–40 students. As a student at Ohio State, you'll get the best of both worlds: close interaction with classmates and faculty, individualized academic and professional development advising, and experiential learning opportunities at one of the nation's preeminent public law schools within of one of the country's most comprehensive and largest research universities with a wealth of resources to offer students.

Our comprehensive LLM program is fully integrated with American students and offers concentrations in key legal areas, including corporate law, intellectual property, international law, dispute resolution. Students have the opportunity to learn both in and outside of the classroom through Public Externships, D.C. Externships, moot court and a variety of clinics. In addition, you have the option to apply to transfer from the LLM to the JD program. Ohio State is located in the thriving city of Columbus, the capital of Ohio and 14th largest city in the United States. Students love Columbus because it too offers the best of both worlds: Fortune 500 companies, national hockey and soccer leagues, research institutes, and a thriving arts and culinary scene mean that Columbus offers all the advantages of a large metropolitan area, but it still maintains the friendliness, charm, and affordability for which the Midwest is known.

Degrees Offered:

- LLM.
- Other Master's in Law
- JD open to international students
- Joint degrees
- Summer or short-term law programs for international students/attorneys

Specializations and Popular Programs:

- Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Concentrations in Corporate Law
- Criminal Law • Employment and Labor Law
- Intellectual Property and Technology Law
- International and Comparative Law

Funding assistance / scholarships / partial fee waivers available for international students:

- Merit scholarships/assistantships available for international law students
- We offer LSAC fee waivers and have a program application with a built-in fee waiver. We offer scholarships including the Moritz LLM Scholarship and the Scholarship for Europe. Average scholarship award is between \$20,000-25,000.

Student Population:

- Total: 68262 □ International students: 6571
- Total Law School: 550 □ International students: 30-40
- Total Enrolled in LLM. Programs: 30-35 □ International students: 30-35

Application Deadlines: Fall application deadline: April 15; Spring application deadline: October 15



The University of Texas School of Law

Austin, TX

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Lawyers from all over the world come to The University of Texas at Austin to expand the breadth and depth of their legal knowledge and invest in an internationally recognized Master of Laws. The LL.M. Program is diverse, selective, and small with a maximum of 50 spots for each incoming class. LL.M. students from foreign countries and the U.S. are fully integrated into the academic life of the Law School, learning side by side with J.D. students. The LL.M. class is global in reach, with 35 students from 25 different countries in the Class of 2020, including 6 Fulbright students. In fact, The University of Texas at Austin is home to over 5,000 international students, and the rich diversity on our campus is essential to our success as a global learning community. In addition to being ranked among the top 16 national law schools and among the top 5 public law schools in the nation, Texas Law also has the most affordable tuition among the top 20 law schools in the nation. The University of Texas School of Law offers a single LL.M. degree with six different concentrations. Our LL.M. concentrations are: Business Law, Cybersecurity Law (ranked by LLM Guide among the top 10 LL.M. Programs for Cybersecurity Law), Global Energy, International Arbitration & Environmental Law (ranked by LLM Guide among the top 10 LL.M. Programs for Energy Law), Human Rights & Comparative Constitutional Law, Latin American & International Law, and U.S. Law for Foreign Lawyers.

Degrees Offered:

- LL.M.
- JD open to international students
- Joint degrees

Specialization:

- Business Law
- Cybersecurity Law
- Global Energy
- International Arbitration & Environmental Law
- Human Rights & Comparative Constitutional Law
- Latin American & International Law
- U.S. Law for Foreign Lawyers.

Funding assistance / scholarships / partial fee waivers available for international students:

- Merit
- Need-based financial aid available for international law students
- Deadline: November 1 and December 18, 2019

Application Deadlines: LL.M. applications must be submitted through the Law School Admission Council (LSAC). The application opens on September 1 and is due by March 1 for priority consideration.



Tufts University - The Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy

Medford, MA

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For more than 85 years, The Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy has worked to educate and prepare individuals for positions of national and international leadership and influence. Through a deep and multifaceted understanding of the world's most pressing challenges, and with the guiding principles of mutual benefit, security, and justice, our community endeavors to maintain the stability and prosperity of the complex and increasingly global society of the 21st century. The International Law LL.M. program at the Fletcher School for Law and Diplomacy at Tufts University is uniquely situated to prepare attorneys for work in the evolving field of international law. Our integrative approach to legal education includes a core of international law courses, which are complemented by courses in diplomacy, political science, economics, and international business, depending on each student's interests. Our small individualized program means that students have the support and flexibility to tailor a program that matches their academic interests and career goals. Every student has a faculty mentor, who is available for guidance on career paths and selecting classes, and often serves as a thesis advisor. Our students find that attending a school focused on the intersection of law and diplomacy lends a unique perspective to their training in international law. At Fletcher, you'll find a vibrant academic environment both inside and outside of the classroom. Our study body hails from around the globe, and we are proud of our strong sense of community. Study here and you'll find friends from around the world.

Degrees Offered:

- LL.M. (not ABA accredited)
- Joint degrees
- SJD or other Doctoral program
- Joint degrees

Specializations and Popular Programs:

Trade, international organizations, human rights, humanitarian law, international criminal law, international environmental law, and general public international law.

Funding assistance / scholarships / partial fee waivers available for international students:

- Merit scholarships/assistantships available for international law students
- Need-based financial aid available for international law students
- Able to offer teaching/research/admissions assistantships to international law students
- Scholarship and financial aid priority deadline is January 10th. Later applicants are still eligible for scholarships and financial aid but there may be less funding available.
- Email fletcheradmissions@tufts.edu

Application Deadlines:

Early Notification Round: November 10 Scholarship Priority: January 10 Round 3: February 20
Round 4: April 1



Tulane Law School

New Orleans, LA

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Tulane Law School is the nation's 12th oldest law school, and yet is anything but stodgy. From its founding in 1847, Tulane has always prided itself as a place of intense creativity and innovation in the study of law. Its location in Louisiana, the country's sole civil-law jurisdiction, gives Tulane a distinctive understanding of the interaction of different legal systems and is the foundation for Tulane's world-renowned strength in international and comparative law. The unique exposure our students gain to both the common law of the Anglo-American tradition and the civil-law systems that dominate the rest of the globe is an increasingly powerful advantage in a world in which business, governance, and law practice are increasingly transnational. The distinctively global perspective of Tulane Law is enlivened by a student body drawn from approximately 35 countries, by Tulane-led academic programs in a half-dozen countries abroad, and by an international faculty whose scholarly distinction ranges from advising on constitutional design in Iraq, Egypt, and Tunisia, and legal barriers to Russian gas pipelines to Europe, to intercultural negotiation of legal and political conflicts.

Degrees Offered:

- LLM.
- JD open to international students
- Joint degrees
- SJD or other Doctoral program
- Summer or short-term law programs for international students/attorneys

Specializations and Popular Programs:

- Admiralty and Maritime LLM
- Energy & Environmental LLM
- International and Comparative LLM • American LLM
- General LLM

Funding assistance / scholarships / partial fee waivers available for international students:

- Merit scholarships/assistantships available for LLM candidates. No separate application is required.

Application Deadlines:

May 15 - LLM; April 1 - SJD

University of California, Berkeley

Pinole, CA

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Berkeley Law is one of the premier law schools in the United States. A Berkeley Law degree means studying law at one of the top law schools in the United States, a public institution committed to academic excellence, social engagement, and intellectual and cultural diversity. It means coming to a place where we've been teaching LL.M. students for over 60 years; J.D. students, more than 100. It means learning from and engaging with internationally renowned faculty and distinguished scholars. It means creating long-lasting relationships with legal professionals from around the globe. And it means living in the San Francisco Bay Area, one of the world's most culturally and intellectually stimulating regions in California.

Berkeley Law has a diverse and constantly evolving curriculum, including our top-ranked Intellectual Property, International Law, Social Justice, and Environmental Law programs. Faculty members—some of the best legal minds in the business—embody the school's commitment to academic vigor, multidisciplinary research, and intellectual diversity. One of the hallmarks of the J.D and LL.M. programs is the diversity of its student body, faculty, and curriculum. Such diversity is critical in a law school, which must train its graduates to analyze and interpret the law, reflect on competing viewpoints, present persuasive arguments in a variety of forums, and develop insightful and effective policies affecting broad swaths of society.

But what sets Berkeley Law apart is its real-world focus. Experiential learning opportunities, like pro bono work, clinics, journals, and practica, give students the chance to gain hands-on legal and public policy experience. Our major think tanks—home to some of our most forward-looking research and outreach—serve as laboratories where law students can collaborate with some of the most innovative thinkers in the legal profession.

Degrees Offered:

- LL.M.
- SJD or other Doctoral program
- Summer or short-term law programs for international students/attorneys

Specializations and Popular Programs:

Berkeley Law's LL.M. is a general degree program that allows for customization based on individual interests and goals. Our LL.M. curriculum, taught by Berkeley Law's world-class faculty, is designed to provide a strong basis in the fundamentals of U.S. law while allowing for specialization. Students have the option to focus their studies and earn certificates of specialization, pursue eligibility to register for a U.S. Bar Exam, or complete a thesis. Berkeley Law provides three paths to the LL.M. degree: the traditional track, the thesis track, and the executive track. Students can choose the path that best fits their schedule. Berkeley Law LL.M. students can specialize in the following areas: Business Law, Law & Technology, Public Law & Regulation, Environmental Law, Energy and Environmental Law, Energy & Clean Technology Law, International Law. Berkeley Law also offers a program for professional development, the Professional Legal Education program, which gives eligible registrants the chance to take courses or pursue certificates at Berkeley Law on a non-degree basis.

Funding assistance / scholarships / partial fee waivers available for international students:

- Merit scholarships/assistantships available for international law students
- All scholarships are offered AFTER admission.
- For Traditional Track Only:

ADP Scholarship: Berkeley Law offers a competitive scholarship program offering full tuition paid for admitted LL.M. traditional track students with superior academic credentials, for whom Berkeley Law is their first choice. Because funds are extremely limited, the ADP Scholarship can only be provided to two outstanding applicants each year.

Social Justice Scholarship: The Social Justice Scholarship was developed to increase diversity of practice in Berkeley Law's LL.M. program by encouraging enrollment of students with demonstrated interest in Social Justice and Public Policy. Because funds are extremely limited, the Social Justice Scholarship can only be provided to one outstanding applicant each year. \$40,000 credit toward tuition (\$20,000 per semester).

Fulbright Supplement: The Fulbright Scholarship is intended to attract students who have received a Fulbright Scholarship nomination. Because funds are extremely limited, the Fulbright Scholarship can only be provided to a few outstanding applicants each year, ranging from \$20,000 to \$40,000.

- For Executive Track Only:

LDC Scholarship: The LDC Scholarship was developed to encourage enrollment of students from Least Developed Countries. As defined by the United Nations, these are the poorest and most vulnerable countries in our international community. 48 countries are currently categorized as LDCs. Half-tuition award for students from UN-designated LDC countries.

Asia Pacific Scholarship: The Asia Pacific Scholarship was developed to encourage enrollment of students from the following countries in the Asia/Pacific region:

India, Indonesia, Malaysia, The Maldives, The Philippines, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Vietnam. \$10,000 credit toward tuition.

Latin America Scholarship: The Latin America Scholarship was developed to encourage enrollment of students from Latin American countries that are underrepresented in the program. \$10,000 credit toward tuition.

Global Reach Scholarship: The Global Reach Scholarship was developed to encourage enrollment of students from countries that have not ever been, or have rarely been, represented in the program. \$15,000.

African Legal Impact Scholarship: The African Legal Impact Scholarship was developed to encourage enrollment of students from Africa seeking advanced legal education. Two awards are available for academically qualified students. This is a full-tuition waiver offered to two students each summer. Recipients will be responsible for paying only the \$1,000 seat deposit each summer, plus living expenses.

- For All Tracks:

Matching Consideration Scholarship Program: Berkeley Law will consider matching awards for applicants who have received a scholarship or financial aid offer from another LL.M. program and are interested in receiving a scholarship offer for our LL.M. program. Awards submitted for matching consideration can be from any school and any type of LL.M. program.

Application Deadlines:

November 15, 2020 LL.M. executive track, January 18, 2020 LL.M. traditional track



UC Hastings Law SAN FRANCISCO

University of California - Hastings Law

San Francisco, CA

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The University of California Hastings Law, located in the heart of San Francisco, California, was established in 1878 as the first law department of the University of California system. For more than 125 years, UC Hastings has educated prominent leaders in the judiciary and the bar, in government and business, and in education. UC Hastings prides itself on its academic curriculum, and our innovative, hands-on clinical legal education offerings. UC Hastings is home to several nationally acclaimed legal centers and is known for our cutting-edge programs that allow students to take advantage of our key location in the center of the technology corridor of San Francisco and Silicon Valley.

LLM students at UC Hastings come from over 60 countries, and have a wide variety of experience both abroad and in the United States. Our LLM class is a close-knit group who find social and academic support within their cohort, while creating lasting friendships with their Juris Doctor (JD) peers. Our LLM students are fully integrated with all of our law students on campus, and take all but two classes together with our JD students. With over 175 courses offered each year, few other US law schools offer as wide a selection of courses open to LLM and JD students alike, including our hands-on experiential courses and clinics. Our LLM students receive one-on-one academic and career counseling and choose courses based on their personal and professional interests.

Degrees Offered:

- LL.M.
- Joint degrees
- Other Master's in Law
- JD open to international students

Specializations and Popular Programs:

- Dispute Resolution, Environmental Law
- Health Law & Policy
- International Business & Trade
- LLM in U.S. Legal Studies with ability to obtain

Certificate of Specialization in Criminal Law

- International Law & Human Rights, Science
- Technology & IP Law, or Taxation

Funding assistance / scholarships / partial fee waivers available for international students:

- UC Hastings offers partial scholarships in the form of tuition waivers for exceptional LL.M. applicants. The Virginia Leary Merit Scholarship is a merit-based partial-tuition scholarship. A limited number of need-based partial tuition scholarships are available in the form of tuition waivers. All applicants who apply by the priority deadline of March 1 will receive full consideration. No separate application is required for scholarships.

Application Deadlines: June 1

University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) School of Law

Los Angeles, CA

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UCLA School of Law has a reputation for excellence throughout the world. The law school takes an interdisciplinary approach to legal studies and boasts a dynamic, flexible curriculum that appeals to a broad range of interests. LL.M. students may pursue specialized studies in a variety of fields or create an individualized specialization in an area of their choosing. UCLA Law's faculty has a world-class reputation for scholarship. These scholars make UCLA unique by balancing careers as leading experts in their respective fields while simultaneously fostering an encouraging, supportive learning environment. Our law students are among the best and brightest in the world and compose a robust, diverse, close-knit community. They represent numerous nationalities and backgrounds, offering fresh perspectives both inside and outside of the classroom. Our LL.M. students hail from cultures near and far, representing over 30 different countries each year, and together comprise a vast wealth of expertise and professional experience across a wide variety of disciplines.

Los Angeles is a location like no other. Our lush, sprawling campus is ideally located in one of the most desirable neighborhoods in the city, just 15 minutes from the beach and at the heart of the thriving metropolis. Los Angeles is a dynamic, cosmopolitan cultural center boasting arts and entertainment offerings that rival any in the world. As a UCLA LL.M. student, you are in for one of the most intellectually stimulating, memorable, and exciting years of your life, and we look forward to welcoming you to the Bruin family.

Degrees Offered:

- LL.M.
- Other Master's in Law
- JD open to international students
- Joint degrees
- SJD or other Doctoral program
- Summer or short-term law programs for international students/attorneys

Special Programs:

- Business Law;
- Business Law (Bankruptcy Track);
- Business Law (Securities Regulation Track);
- Business Law (Tax Track);
- Critical Race Studies;
- Environmental Law;
- Human Rights;
- International and Comparative Law;
- Law and Philosophy;
- Law and Sexuality;
- Media, Entertainment, and Technology Law and Policy;
- Public Interest Law and Policy;
- Self-Designed/Individualized Specialization (create your own). Examples of previous self-designed specializations include: Constitutional Law; Criminal Law; Litigation; and more.

Funding assistance / scholarships / partial fee waivers available for international students:

- Merit scholarships/assistantships available for international law students
- Need-based financial aid available for international law students
- Dean's Tuition Fellowship:

<https://law.ucla.edu/admissions/llm-admissions/scholarships-financial-aid>

The program can offer LL.M. students one form of institutional financial assistance, which are the Dean's Tuition Fellowships. These limited, competitive fellowships are awarded based on merit and financial circumstances, and will be assessed towards tuition fees – they cannot be applied towards living expenses. Award amounts typically fall between 20% and 30% of the cost of tuition; the fellowship cannot cover the full cost of tuition, and in the majority of cases, recipients will receive between 10% and 40% of tuition fees. Consideration for the award is based on factors relating to both merit – academic and professional achievement – and financial circumstances or need. All LL.M. applicants (both American and foreign-educated law graduates) are eligible for consideration. Due to the competitive nature of these fellowships, we cannot guarantee that all applicants will receive the Dean's Tuition Fellowship if granted admission. Strong academic performance/background, English skills, and other standout abilities in the remaining components of the application may provide for a competitive advantage and could certainly grant candidates favorable consideration by the Graduate Studies Committee. There is no separate/formal application for these fellowships. When applying, applicants should indicate whether they would like to be considered for the fellowship by simply noting this the online application in the "Finances" section.

Application Deadlines:

February 1, 2020 (for August 2020 start)



University of Chicago Law School

Chicago, IL

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The University of Chicago offers the combination of a small LL.M. program with a real sense of community, a challenging academic experience, and an exciting urban location in one of the great cities of the world. Our LL.M. graduates say that their year at the Law School had a great impact on both their subsequent personal and professional lives. They also look back fondly at the friendships that developed and the experiences they shared with classmates and others in the University community. Critical reasoning is a crucial part of the University of Chicago Law School experience - perhaps our defining characteristic. Our faculty and students are deeply involved in the "life of the mind," as we call it, and delight in spending their days challenging each other to dig ever deeper into the law as an intellectual discipline. The Law School has assembled a faculty that is distinguished for its scholarship and its teaching ability. Many LL.M. students are surprised to discover how accessible and available the faculty are. The custom is for faculty to work in their offices with their doors open. Students do not need to make appointments to meet with them. A significant portion of the faculty represents academic fields other than law, including economics, history, philosophy, and political science. The strong orientation of the faculty toward research provides students with unusually good opportunities and LL.M. students often do independent research projects with members of the faculty.

Degrees Offered:

- LL.M.
- Other Master's in Law
- JD open to international students
- Joint degrees
- SJD or other Doctoral program

Specializations and Popular Programs:

UChicago Law offers an MSL for non-lawyers as well as a JD/MBA with Booth

Funding assistance / scholarships / partial fee waivers available for international students:

- Offer up to 50% tuition waivers based upon merit. All admitted candidates are automatically reviewed for scholarships. As such there are no additional materials that must be submitted.
- Merit scholarships/assistantships available for international law students

Application Deadlines:

December 15 - Priority Application Submission Deadline, February 1 - Priority Application Completion Deadline



University of Colorado Law School

Boulder, CO

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The University of Colorado Law School is a vibrant and diverse community of students and scholars dedicated to the vigorous pursuit of ideas, critical analysis, and civic engagement. Located in Boulder, Colorado, the law school is home to 550 law students from around the world. Consistently ranked among the leading public US law schools, the University of Colorado Law School is part of a tier 1 research university that engages students and faculty in a comprehensive range of academic disciplines. Colorado Law LLM students enjoy an unparalleled quality of life in our Boulder-Denver location, an intentionally small LLM class to allow for meaningful relationships with our renowned faculty, and full immersion programming to facilitate learning opportunities between our JD and LLM students. With six LLM programs, including our highly ranked Natural Resources, Energy, and Environmental Law program, our innovative Entrepreneurship and Business Law program, and a leading Intellectual Property, Technology, and Telecommunications Law program, LLM students can design a program of study suited to their academic and professional interests. Colorado Law students are also a part of the broader University of Colorado Boulder campus, the flagship university of the State of Colorado. CU Boulder offers the comprehensive US university experience, including a modern recreation center, a student health center, physical and mental wellness counseling, intramural sports leagues, NCAA athletics, a student ski bus, concert halls, theater, and more. With more than 3,000 international students from 100 countries, we welcome students from around the world and celebrate our global diversity.

Degrees Offered:

- LL.M.
- Other Master's in Law
- JD open to international students
- Summer or short-term law programs for international students/attorneys

Specializations and Popular Programs:

- Entrepreneurship and Business Law LL.M.
- Intellectual Property, Technology, and Telecommunications Law LL.M.
- Natural Resources, Energy, and Environmental Law LL.M.
- International Law and Human Rights LL.M.
- Indigenous Peoples Law LL.M.
- US Law for Foreign Lawyers (General) LL.M.

Funding assistance / scholarships / partial fee waivers available for international students:

- Merit scholarships/assistantships available for international law students
- Application Fee Waivers; LLM Scholarship Program, Priority Deadline: March 15th, Hard

Deadline, July 15th

Application Deadlines: Priority Deadline: March 15th; Final Deadline: July 15th



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Penn Carey Law's LLM program is a one-year, full-time course of study in advanced legal topics designed primarily for lawyers trained outside the United States. Penn Law grants a generalized LLM that allows each student to design his or her own curriculum. After completing the five-week, five credit pre-term program, students select courses from an extensive curriculum of specialized courses, clinics and seminars, taking courses alongside our JD students.

Our LLM students are also eligible to enroll in the Wharton Business and Law Certificate, a custom designed program for Penn Law LLM students taught by Wharton faculty and industry experts selected for their teaching skills, subject expertise and ability to offer applied concepts and examples to participants. All LLM students may participate in this program which runs concurrently with the LLM program.

As an integral part of the program, the LLM Public Service Program provides students with important opportunities to develop their professional skills while learning more about the communities that exist beyond the walls of Penn Law as well as supporting students seeking to satisfy the New York Bar pro bono requirement. LLMs also work closely with JDs in student groups ranging from Journal of International Law to Penn Soccer Club.

Penn Carey Law has staff dedicated to supporting LLMs, including a Career Counselor who provides LLM specific programming and materials as well as ample availability to meet individually with LLM students.

Degrees Offered:

- LL.M.
- Other Master's in Law (i.e. MCL, Master's for non-lawyers, etc.; please specify below)
- JD open to international students
- Joint degrees
- SJD or other Doctoral program
- Summer or short-term law programs for international students/attorneys

Specializations and Popular Programs:

We offer a General LLM with a flexible curriculum where students may specialize if they wish

Funding assistance / scholarships / partial fee waivers available for international students:

- Merit scholarships/assistantships available for international law students
- All students are eligible for merit scholarships and can indicate their interest directly in the application. There is no separate application. However, students interested in the Human Rights Scholarship must complete a supplemental essay.

Application Deadlines: LLM Early Notification is November 15, Regular Notification is December 15



UNIVERSITY OF
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School of Law

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Located in the heart of San Francisco, USF provides students with an intimate learning experience with all the benefits of a big city. Students can either Comparative Law of Intellectual Property in our 1-year residential program. Students can prepare for the CA or NY Bar Exams, gain practical skills through our CPT options, and network with legal practitioners all over the bay area. Housing available for LLMs. Up to 50% merit scholarships available.

Degrees Offered:

- LL.M.
- JD open to international students

Specializations and Popular Programs:

General Comparative LLM, Intellectual Property & Technology Law, Human Rights

Funding assistance / scholarships / partial fee waivers available for international students:

- Merit scholarships/assistantships available for international law students. 50% Merit Scholarships

Application Deadlines:

Feb 15, 2021, April 15, 2021



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McGeorge School of Law has grown into an internationally recognized leader in the field of legal education since its establishment in 1924. Its location in Sacramento, the capital of California, has shaped its focus on public law, international law, and advocacy. With its close proximity to the State Capitol, San Francisco, Napa Valley and Lake Tahoe, McGeorge's Sacramento campus is a prime location for living and learning. McGeorge is dedicated to special programming and personalized support to international students.

McGeorge's distinguished faculty and adjuncts offer our students a wide range of expertise. Faculty members range from co-authors of widely respected law books to the 2017 Stockholm Water Prize Laureate.

LLM and JSD students at McGeorge build networks with students from all over the world. LLM and JSD students take classes alongside JD students. These interactions enhance the overall learning experience and provide practical, real-world knowledge, and create lasting bonds.

An LLM degree from McGeorge prepares you for the future. Whether you are working towards bar exam eligibility, finding the perfect job or pursuing further legal studies, McGeorge helps you achieve your goals. McGeorge offers advanced graduate law programs focusing on Transnational Business Practice, Water & Environmental Law, and U.S. Law & Policy to both U.S. and foreign-trained attorneys. Our Career Development Office offers dedicated services to International Students including resume review, mock interviews and the opportunity to participate in international job fairs.

Degrees Offered:

- LLM.
- Other Master's in Law
- JD open to international students ● SJD or other Doctoral program
- Summer or short-term law programs for international students/attorneys

Specialization:

- LLM in Transnational Business Practice, LLM in US Law, and Summer International Legal Studies in Salzburg, Austria

Funding assistance / scholarships / partial fee waivers available for international students:

- Merit scholarships/assistantships available for international law students
- Need-based financial aid available for international law students
- <https://www.rmmlf.org/professors-and-students/scholarships> for information on how to apply.

Application Deadlines: November 1 for Spring start and June 1 for Fall start.



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Vanderbilt University Law School

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Vanderbilt Law School is a top ranked law school located on the beautiful Vanderbilt University campus set in the urban heart of Nashville, Tennessee. The law school combines the advantages of a stimulating university community, a top-tier faculty, a small, carefully selected student body, and a sophisticated, vibrant city. Vanderbilt Law School attracts law students seeking a first-rate academic institution that also affords an excellent quality of life.

Vanderbilt offers three LL.M. program options: a general LL.M. degree, a specialized LL.M. in Law and Business, and a Thesis Track option. All program options offer the courses required to qualify for the New York bar exam.

Vanderbilt LL.M. students choose their courses from the law school's extensive curriculum to concentrate in areas including Law & Business; Law & Innovation, Litigation & Dispute Resolution; Intellectual Property; International Legal Studies; Energy, Environment and Land Use; and Criminal Justice. Students interested in focusing on Corporate Law have the opportunity to earn the LL.M. degree with a certificate of specialization in Law & Business.

LL.M. students are fully integrated into the Vanderbilt community, studying alongside American and other international students in the J.D. program. Vanderbilt's small LL.M. program size makes it possible for students to enjoy greater access to faculty and promotes a sense of community that is one of Vanderbilt's most distinguishing attributes. An extensive network of more than 8,500 alumni in 49 states, DC, three US territories, and 32 foreign nations reflects the school's national and international reach.

Degrees Offered:

- LL.M.
- JD open to international students
- Joint degrees (JD/LLM, JD/MBA, etc.; please specify below)

Specializations and Popular Programs:

LL.M. with Certificate in Law & Business, LL.M with focus on environmental law, international law, intellectual property

Funding assistance / scholarships / partial fee waivers available for international students:

- Merit-based scholarships and University partnership scholarships are available. All admitted candidates are automatically considered for scholarships. No separate scholarship application is required. The funding assistance deadline is April 30, 2021. Additional details are located on the website: <https://law.vanderbilt.edu/prospective-students/llm-program-/financial-aid.php>

Application Deadlines: April 30, 2021

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