Global Health Law & International Institutions LL.M.

Frequently Asked Questions

When should I arrive in Geneva?
If not completing the internship between the Fall and Spring semesters, it is recommended that students arrive in Geneva by the start of February.

When should I process my visa and who should I contact?
For Swiss visa questions, students may email llm@graduateinstitute.ch. To begin the process of applying for a Swiss visa, students should contact their local Swiss embassy. Swiss visas should be applied for three months before the planned arrival date in Switzerland.

For any general visa processing questions, students may write to visa@law.georgetown.edu.

When does the Graduate Institute course schedule become available?
The course schedule becomes available around mid-July and can be accessed at: http://graduateinstitute.ch/home/study/courses/courses-2015-2016.html.

What courses are open to me at the Graduate Institute?
A tailored course catalogue for Joint LL.M. students will be sent to them directly in the September prior to their arrival in Geneva. Courses should be selected during the first two weeks of the Spring semester at the Graduate Institute.

How do I register for Graduate Institute courses?
Students should inform the LL.M. Programme Manager in Geneva.

Am I limited to completing the internship or do I have other options?
Students can opt to undertake a dissertation instead of the required internship with the prior approval of both the Director of the Joint LL.M. at the Graduate Institute and the Director of the Global Health Law LL.M. Program at Georgetown Law. A dissertation must be no more than 15,000 words and entitles the student to 15 credits.

When do I complete the required internship?
Either during the 6-week period between the end of the Fall semester at Georgetown Law and the beginning of the Spring semester at the Graduate
Institute, or during the summer upon completing the Spring semester at the Graduate Institute.

**How long should the internship be?**

The internship must be **at least 4 weeks** long.

**Do I need previous approval to conduct the internship?**

Yes. The proposed internship must be authorized in advance by the Joint LL.M. Committee. Please send your proposal to the Global Health Law Program Director at Georgetown Law and LL.M. Programme Manager at the Graduate Institute.

**What type of internship should it be?**

The internship must address the dimension linked to global health legal and/or policy questions.

**What are the requirements for the internship report?**

Students must submit a written report to the Global Health Law Program Director at Georgetown Law and Director of the Joint LL.M. at the Graduate Institute of **no more than 5,000 words** developing some of the themes and questions addressed during the internship, which must have addressed the dimension linked to global health legal and/or policy questions and be a factual account of the student’s experience.

**Is the final internship report graded?**

Yes, the report is graded and, in conjunction with completion of the internship, counts for 15 credits.

**To whom do I submit my final internship report?**

Please submit your final internship report to your academic advisor at Georgetown University Law Center and the LL.M. Programme Manager of the Joint LL.M. at the Graduate Institute. At the completion of the internship, students must submit a written report to the Global Health Law Program Director at Georgetown Law of no more than 5,000 words developing some of the themes and questions addressed during the internship. The report is graded and, in conjunction with completion of the internship, counts for 15 credits.

**What sources are available for housing in Geneva?**

This following link provides a good guide for housing in Geneva: [www.mygisa.ch](http://www.mygisa.ch). In the first instance, you should apply to the Graduate Institute’s student residence through the LL.M. Programme Manager at the Graduate Institute.