GRADUATE LEGAL STUDIES

GEORGETOWN LAW
THE ACADEMIC PROGRAM

Georgetown University Law Center offers an unparalleled opportunity for lawyers to broaden and deepen their understanding of law. Our extraordinary faculty combines leading scholars with top-tier lawyers, judges and government officials. The depth of our faculty allows us to offer more than 400 courses and seminars covering everything from foundational questions of law to cutting-edge issues of the most sophisticated legal practice. Our talented graduate students bring exemplary academic credentials and real-world experience from throughout the United States and around the world.
Foreign-Educated Attorneys

In today’s global environment, lawyers throughout the world find it increasingly necessary to be familiar with multiple legal systems. Georgetown has one of the best established LL.M. programs, each year attracting attorneys from more than 60 nations. The breadth and depth of our curriculum offers students maximum flexibility in course selection. Students may elect to pursue a general LL.M. or select one of our specialized degrees. In addition, students may earn a Certificate with their LL.M. degree.

Within the requirements of their particular degree specialty, students select their classes from over 400 offerings, with access to both LL.M. courses and most upper-class J.D. courses (except for clinics and some J.D. classes with limited enrollment). Most international students enroll on a full-time basis due to the requirements of the student visa regulations, but holders of other types of visas may be able to enroll on a part-time basis and complete the degree in 18 months to three years.

U.S.-Educated Attorneys

The Georgetown LL.M. program offers U.S.-educated attorneys the opportunity to deepen their knowledge and understanding of a particular area of law. Students may enroll in one of our specialized LL.M. programs, or pursue an individualized LL.M. degree by designing a program of study tailored to their particular interests. In addition, students may supplement the degree with one of our Certificate programs. In most cases, students seeking to pursue a Certificate must be enrolled in an LL.M. degree program. The only exceptions are the Certificates offered in connection with the Tax program — Employee Benefits, Estate Planning, State and Local Taxation, and International Taxation — and our new certificates in Food and Drug Law and U.S. Health Law, which are also offered on a stand-alone, non-degree basis.

Although the curriculum offers many opportunities for scholarly and other writing, a thesis is not required for a degree. Students may attend on a full-time basis and complete the LL.M. degree in one academic year, or on a part-time basis and complete the degree in 18 months to three years.
On Georgetown Law

“Georgetown has made a deep commitment to the quality of its LL.M. program. We have exceptional resources solely for LL.M. students, including a separate career and professional development staff for LL.M. students; an LL.M. externship program; and a staff of full-time professors of legal English for international LL.M. students. We are part of the Georgetown tradition of academic excellence and curricular innovation.”

NAN D. HUNTER PROFESSOR OF LAW AND ASSOCIATE DEAN FOR GRADUATE PROGRAMS

Academic Careers

While the majority of our students are pursuing the LL.M. degree as a step toward more sophisticated practice in the private and public sectors, some students each year hope to become law professors. For U.S.-educated lawyers, the LL.M. is generally not helpful on the teaching market for American law schools (where publications, J.D. grades, clerkships, and the like are the focus of academic hiring decisions).

Foreign-educated lawyers who wish to teach law in their home countries, however, should consider the LL.M. as the first step toward obtaining an S.J.D. (Doctor of Juridical Science). The S.J.D. is geared toward preparing highly qualified students for teaching and enhancing the qualifications of those who already have law faculty jobs outside the U.S. It is an intensive program that requires a minimum of two years in residence at the Law Center, during which each student researches, writes, and defends a dissertation. The Georgetown S.J.D. program is highly competitive, admitting only a few students each year. It accepts persons who have earned an LL.M degree from a U.S. law school who have excellent academic records and extremely strong English language skills. Admission is contingent on the willingness of a Georgetown Law faculty member to supervise the student’s project.

Each fall the S.J.D. Program Director convenes an information session for interested students. Students should consult the S.J.D. section of the Graduate Programs web page and their academic advisors for further details about the S.J.D. program and admissions requirements. www.law.georgetown.edu/academics/academic-programs/graduate-programs/sjd/index.cfm
On Diversity of Viewpoints

“Being able to study with such a great diversity of lawyers with different backgrounds opens your mind and helps you analyze the law from different perspectives. Additionally I got to meet amazing people from all over the world whom I now call family. Coming to Georgetown was definitely a life changing experience.”

JORGE SERRATE STELZER, LL.M. 2014, MEXICO
DEGREES

Georgetown Law offers LL.M. students a variety of degree options, most of which are available to both U.S.-educated and foreign-educated lawyers. These degree options are described on the following pages:

- General/Individualized
- International Legal Studies
- International Business and Economic Law
- Dual Master of International Affairs and Law
- Environmental Law
- Global Health Law
- Global Health Law and International Institutions
- National Security Law
- Securities and Financial Regulation
- Taxation
- Executive LL.M. in Taxation

General/Individualized

This is the most flexible of the LL.M. programs. Drawing on Georgetown’s comprehensive curriculum — the largest in the nation — students can design a program tailored to their individual needs and interests.

For foreign-educated attorneys, the general degree is open both to students who have a particular area of concentration and to those who want to pursue a more general curriculum. For U.S.-educated attorneys, the individualized degree is intended for those who have a clearly developed plan of study in a specific field of law; some relevant work experience is recommended for U.S. applicants.

Students pursuing the General or Individualized LL.M. are free to create their program of study from courses listed under any of the other degree specialties, as well as from numerous additional courses available in various subject areas, such as (but not limited to) intellectual property, environmental law, or labor and employment.

For program courses and requirements see:
www.law.georgetown.edu/academics/academic-programs/graduate-programs/degree-programs/index.cfm
International Legal Studies

The International Legal Studies LL.M. is open only to foreign-educated students. Georgetown offers more courses in international and comparative law than any other school.

Our full-time faculty includes some of the nation’s leading experts in trade law, comparative constitutional law, international criminal law, international conflict resolution and national security issues. Our adjunct faculty includes prominent officials from international organizations, the U.S. government and leading law firms.

Students pursuing a degree in International Legal Studies take 12 of their credits in international or comparative law. Within this broad category of courses, they have the flexibility to focus on particular aspects of international law if they so choose. While the full list of international law courses is too long to include here, many of the courses of interest can be found in the International Business and Economic Law, National Security, or International Human Rights sections of this brochure; the full curriculum is available online.

For program courses and requirements see: www.law.georgetown.edu/academics/academic-programs/graduate-programs/degree-programs/index.cfm

On International Studies

“International students at Georgetown find unparalleled resources for legal studies, with one of the world’s best libraries for international legal subjects, a large international law faculty, and access to the Washington, D.C., government and educational institutions. Georgetown’s American students derive enormous benefit from interaction and exchange of a global diversity of views and experiences.”

JOHN H. JACKSON PROFESSOR OF LAW
On Community

“Georgetown Law is the most welcoming school I have ever attended. At the beginning, I thought it was [like] a giant law firm with impressive brains. I quickly understood that in reality, it is a big family where everyone makes you feel at home.”

CHARLOTTE GUNKA, LL.M. 2012 FRANCE
International Business and Economic Law

The LL.M. degree in International Business and Economic Law (IBEL) is a flexible degree program designed for students interested in cross-border business activities and the regulatory regimes, national and international, that apply to them.

Students pursuing this degree are free to design their own program of study by selecting from more than 100 courses, with few course requirements. Students desiring a comprehensive overview may select courses from various disciplines, such as corporate law, securities law, trade law, commercial law, and dispute resolution.

Students desiring a more focused approach are free to concentrate their courses in one or more specialty areas and may also participate in one of the certificate programs, such as the Certificates in WTO Law or in International Arbitration and Dispute Resolution.

For program courses and requirements see: www.law.georgetown.edu/academics/academic-programs/graduate-programs/degree-programs/index.cfm
## International Business and Economic Law Curriculum

- Advanced Antitrust Economics and Law Seminar
- Advanced International Commercial Arbitration
- Advanced International Commercial Arbitration: Practice Seminar
- Advanced Topics in International Arbitration
- Antitrust Economics and Law
- Antitrust Law
- Aviation Law
- Bankruptcy and Creditors’ Rights
- Commercial Law: Sales Transactions
- Comparative Property Law: Focus on the US and Europe
- Comparative Tax Law
- Conflict Management Systems Design Seminar
- Cross-Border Commercial Regulation: Aviation and Maritime Law
- Cross-Border Transactions in Latin America
- Current Issues in Transnational (Private International) Law Seminar
- Developing & Financing Infrastructure Projects
- Employment Discrimination
- Employment Law
- Finance of Real & Personal Property
- Global Commerce and Litigation
- Global Competition Law and Policy
- Global Securities Offerings
- Globalization and Systemic Risk Seminar
- Intellectual Property in World Trade
- International Banking in the United States
- International Business Transactions
- International Civil Litigation and Federal Practice
- International Commercial Arbitration
- International Commercial Arbitration and the Courts
- International Commercial Arbitration in Cross-Cultural Context
- International Courts and Tribunals: An Introduction
- International Debt Workouts
- International Environmental Law
- International Finance and Regulation
- International Information and Communications Technology Policy & Regulation
- International Investment Law
- International Law II: International Trade and Business Law
- International Litigation and International Arbitration: A Practitioner’s Approach
- International Negotiations Seminar
- International Oil and Gas Seminar
- International Project Finance
- International Project Finance and Investment
- International Protection of Intellectual Property through the WTO
- International Trade and Investment Litigation and Strategy
- International Trade and the WTO
- International Trade Law & Regulation
- International Trade Law & Regulation (WTO)
- International Trade Remedies and the WTO
- International Trade, Development & the Common Good
- International Trade, Intellectual Property Rights, & Public Health
- Introduction to Contracts
- Introduction to International Commercial Arbitration
- Investment Treaty Arbitration, Public International Law, and Landmark Judgments of the ICJ
- Investor-State Dispute Settlement
- Islamic Finance Law
- Labor Arbitration Seminar
- Law and Foreign Investment in China
- Law and Policy of International Economic Relations Seminar
- Law and Policy of International Trade Seminar
- Law, Politics, and Policy in WTO & US Trade Law
- Litigation Practice in International Arbitration
- Mediation Seminar
- National Security & the Law of the Sea Negotiations Seminar
- Pre-Negotiation Strategies for Cross-Border Transactions
- Project Development and Finance
- Public Health and International Investment Law
- The Internet and International Trade Law
- Trade and Integration in the Americas
- U.S. and International Customs Law
- U.S. Taxation of International Transactions
- World Trade Organization: Agreements, Negotiations & Disputes
- WTO & Public International Law
Dual Master of International Affairs and Law

Georgetown Law and Sciences Po in Paris offer a Dual Master of International Affairs and Law (M.I.A./LL.M.). The program is open to both foreign-educated and U.S.-educated attorneys, and is ideal for individuals who wish to combine their law studies with careers in international affairs. Students begin the two-year degree program at the Paris School of International Affairs of Sciences Po, where they will complete two semesters of coursework in international affairs. Students have the option to apply to the following Masters degrees at PSIA: Environmental Policy; International Development; Human Rights and Humanitarian Action; International Public Management; International Economic Policy; International Security; and International Energy. In addition to the core curriculum of their master program, students can choose a concentration specialization among the 23 offered at PSIA. During the second year, students complete the Master of Laws (LL.M.) curriculum at Georgetown. At the completion of the two-year program, students will earn both an LL.M. degree from Georgetown, and one of the Master degrees of Sciences Po, offered at PSIA. For additional details about the program, please visit www.sciencespo.fr/psia/content/dual-degree-georgetown-law-school

Applicants to the dual degree apply through the Sciences Po online international admissions process. The online application is found at: www.sciencespo.fr/admissions/en/dual-degrees-international-eligibility

On Scholarship

“Few other schools allow students and professors to test the boundaries of legal theory with the practicalities of both legislative and administrative rule making. Scholarship at Georgetown is thus not only first rate, and central to the school’s mission, but also has a local and global impact.”

CHRIS BRUMMER PROFESSOR OF LAW
On Faculty

“Georgetown professors and instructors are able to provide a perfect blend of academic and professional experience in the subjects they teach. These methods expose students to the latest theories and real-world practices. In addition, professors use the students’ diverse educational and professional backgrounds to set an effective learning atmosphere.”

AZIZ ABDUKARIMOV, LL.M. 2011 KAZAKHSTAN
Environmental Law

The Environmental Law LL.M. degree gives students opportunities to further strengthen their understanding of this vibrant field through engagement with our broad curriculum, close interaction with faculty, and remarkable access to policymakers as they work to address some of the most vexing issues of our time.

Georgetown Law has long been one of the leading schools in the United States and internationally for environmental law. The expertise of our distinguished faculty and their relationships with leading government officials and stakeholders, the range of available courses and experiential opportunities, and the visibility and vitality of the Georgetown Climate Center offer an unparalleled educational experience. Georgetown Law has the leading international environmental law journal, the Georgetown International Environmental Law Review, which publishes four issues a year and holds biennial symposia. The law school’s expertise is bolstered by its position in Washington, D.C., in close proximity to institutions actively engaged in environmental law and policymaking – Congress, the White House and federal agencies such as the Environmental Protection Agency, Department of Energy, and Department of Interior, the D.C. Circuit and Supreme Court, and many environmental advocacy groups and law firms.

Environmental Law Curriculum

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On Environmental Law

“Georgetown Law provides a wealth of opportunities for our students to study and engage in the vibrant fields of environmental, energy, land use, natural resources, and food law. The depth and breadth of our distinguished faculty, the range of available courses and experiential opportunities – including working with the Georgetown Climate Center – and our location on Capitol Hill provide an unparalleled educational experience.”

VICKI ARROYO PROFESSOR FROM PRACTICE
Global Health Law

Medical care, public health, and bioethics have vital national and transnational effects. Trade, commerce, travel, ecological degradation, the impact of war, and, most recently, concerns about terrorism all transcend national boundaries and all have potentially profound impacts on human and animal health.

Georgetown, designated by the World Health Organization (WHO) and Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) as a “WHO/PAHO Collaborating Center on Public Health and Human Rights,” has a world-class faculty on the legal study of global health law, policy and ethics—ranging from WTO law and intellectual property to health and human rights. The degree in Global Health Law allows students to focus on the full range of national and international legal issues concerning health care and financing, the regulation of vaccines, pharmaceuticals and medical devices, and population health including infectious and chronic diseases. For program courses and requirements see: www.law.georgetown.edu/academics/academic-programs/graduate-programs/degree-programs/index.cfm

Global Health Law Curriculum

Access to Health Care and Coverage: Law and Policy
Advocating with and on Behalf of People with Developmental Disabilities
Aging and the Law Seminar
Alternative, Complementary, and Integrative Medicine, The Legal Issues
Assisted Reproductive Technologies and the Law
Bioethics and the Law Seminar
Comparative Reproductive Technologies and “Reproductive Tourism”
Epidemiology for Lawyers
Food Law
Gender, Sexual and Reproductive Health and International Human Rights Law
Global Health Law
Global Health Law: An Intensive, Problem-Based Exploration
Global Revolutions, Social Change, and NGOs
Graduate Independent Research
Health & Welfare Benefit Plans: Tax & ERISA Aspects
Health Care Fraud and Abuse Seminar
Health Information Technology and the Law
Health Law and Policy
Health Law and Regulation
Health Law Policy & Practice
Human Rights and the Inter-American System
Human Rights at the Intersection of Trade & Corporate Responsibility
International Assistance for Global Health
International Trade and Health
International Trade, Development and the Common Good
International Trade, Intellectual Property Rights, and Public Health
Law and Healthy Lifestyles and Business Regulation
Law and Regulation of Drugs, Biologics and Devices
Law and Regulation of Global Health Technologies
O’Neill Institute Colloquium
O’Neill Institute Practicum: Health and Human Rights
Politics of Litigation and Litigation of Politics: The ACA and Other Political Cases
Public Health and International Investment Law
Public Health Law and Ethics
Public Interest Advocacy: Government Regulation of Tobacco and Personal-Care Products
Public Interest Lawyering: Access to Health Care
The Affordable Care Act: Law and Policy Governing Private Health Insurance
The Mind and the Law
Global Health Law and International Institutions

Georgetown University Law Center and the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies (http://graduateinstitute.ch/) in Geneva, Switzerland have collaborated to offer a unique Master of Laws (LL.M.) in Global Health Law and International Institutions. This joint degree program is open to highly qualified candidates with a strong interest or background in global health law and policy.

Students begin their coursework with a semester at Georgetown and complete the program with a semester at the Graduate Institute. The combined resources of Georgetown (including the Linda and Timothy O’Neill Institute for National and Global Health Law) and the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies (http://graduateinstitute.ch/) (IHEID) (widely regarded as one of the best international law and relations institutes in Europe, in a city considered the capital of global health governance) provide an excellent environment for students interested in examining large-scale issues of global health and policy.

For program courses and requirements see: www.law.georgetown.edu/academics/academic-programs/graduate-programs/degree-programs/index.cfm

On Global Health

“Our Global Health Law LL.M. programs present students with the unique opportunity to work with Georgetown’s preeminent faculty on some of the most pressing problems in global health – problems with economic, political, and security ramifications for the world’s population.”

LAWRENCE O. GOSTIN PROFESSOR OF LAW
National Security Law

Drawing on Georgetown Law’s unparalleled expertise in the study of national security law, the LL.M. in National Security Law enables students to attain an in-depth knowledge of this expanding field, including courses with both national and international dimensions. Members of the full-time faculty with expertise in national security law and related areas (such as terrorism and human rights) teach many courses in this program and provide advice on the development of the curriculum. Adjunct faculty with experience in U.S. government agencies such as the Department of Homeland Security, the Department of State, the Department of Defense, the Central Intelligence Agency and the Department of Justice, as well as the Judge Advocates General Corps, bring extensive experience in the field to their teaching.

Students choose from a broad range of national security law courses covering topics such as bioterrorism and public health, cyber security law, the law of armed conflict, human rights, civil rights and civil liberties, intelligence law, maritime law, national security investigations, nonproliferation, procurement, and foreign relations. Many courses include an experiential learning component, allowing students to engage in substantial pieces of writing, sophisticated simulations, judicial proceedings, treaty construction, and legislative drafting. The required Proseminar in National Security Law, taught by a full time faculty member in the fall semester, allows students to engage with emerging critical issues in national security law, to think more broadly about the field, and to learn from their colleagues in the program.

The LL.M. also benefits from the presence at Georgetown of the Center on National Security and the Law, which combines innovative scholarly theory with practical research, teaching and training, policy analysis and development, outreach and engagement, impact litigation, and discussion and debate.

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On National Security Law

“The study of national security law is vitally important right now. We offer our graduate students a highly rigorous program that will deepen their understanding of this critical area, and will help provide them with the foundation for future careers in the field.”

DAVID LUBAN PROFESSOR OF LAW

National Security Law Curriculum

Constitutional Aspects of Foreign Affairs Seminar
Contemporary Peacekeeping: Legality, Legitimacy & Accountability
Current Issues in National Security and Civil Liberties Seminar
Cyber and National Security: Current Issues Seminar
Cybersecurity Law
Foreign Relations Law
Gender and U.S. Foreign Policy
Global Cybercrime Law
Global Revolutions, Social Change, and NGOs
Graduate Independent Research
Immigration Law and Policy
Immunity Under International Law
Information Privacy Law
Intelligence Reform and the Modern Intelligence Community
International Courts and Tribunals: An Introduction
International Criminal Law
International Efforts to Combat Corruption Seminar
International Human Rights Law
International Law and Covert Operations
International Law I: Introduction to International Law
International Law II: Trade and Business
International Law, Human Rights & Fighting Impunity: Fighting War Crimes and Economic Crimes
Law and Measures Against International Terrorism
Law of Military Technologies
Law of War Seminar
Managing National Security
Maritime Law
National Security and the Law of the Sea
National Security Business Law
National Security Crisis Law
National Security Investigations and Litigation
National Security Law
National Security Law and the Private Sector
National Security Lawyering
National Security Surveillance
Nuclear Non-Proliferation Law: Preventing Nuclear Terrorism
Pro-Seminar in National Security Law
Refugee Law and Policy
Rule of Law and the Administration of Justice
Strategic Intelligence and Public Policy Seminar
U.S. and International Customs Law
UN Security Council in the Age of Human Rights
War Crimes Prosecutions
War Crimes, Terrorism, and International Criminal Procedure
Securities and Financial Regulation

Located within blocks of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), the Law Center is one of the few universities in the country to offer an advanced degree in Securities and Financial Regulation.

The curriculum covers a complete range of courses dealing with financial regulation, financial transactions, and business litigation. It includes public offerings and financial reporting; the regulation of broker-dealers, commodities brokers, banks and investment companies; corporate finance, mergers and acquisitions, venture capital investments and other business transactions; SEC enforcement and securities litigation. Adjunct professors from the Securities Exchange Commission, the Commodities Futures Trading Commission, and other regulatory agencies, as well as from leading Washington law firms, teach most of the graduate-level courses. Full-time faculty oversee the curriculum and teach basic courses in corporations, securities law, and banking. Students in the Securities and Financial Regulation program come from the United States and many foreign countries. The mixture of U.S. and international students encourages stimulating discussion of securities issues from both a domestic and a global perspective.

US.-educated applicants to the LL.M. in Securities and Financial Regulation are expected to have taken a basic course in Securities Regulation during their J.D. Program. Foreign-educated students, as well as U.S.-educated students lacking this background, must take Securities Regulation during their first semester of graduate study. For both groups of applicants, prior work experience in financial services or in securities or commodities markets is valuable. For program courses and requirements see: www.law.georgetown.edu/academics/academic-programs/graduate-programs/degree-programs/securities-financial-regulation/curriculum.cfm.

On Teaching

“With my own background in private practice, I enjoy working with LL.M. students to prepare them for the day-to-day realities of the practice of law.”

STAFFORD SMILEY PROFESSOR OF LAW
"When thinking about where to study securities law at the graduate level, I found that a little cognitive intervention goes a long way. Ask yourself: do I want to study at a world-class institution just steps from the Securities and Exchange Commission and the halls of Congress? Do I want to attend a law school that regularly offers more securities-related courses than any other school in the nation? Do I want to use my time in school to not only study under the best and brightest professors (many of whom are also practicing attorneys) but also develop relationships with these future colleagues? If you answer “yes,” to these questions, then there's but one law school that will do: Georgetown Law.”

MARK D. HIGGINS, LL.M. 2008 ADJUNCT PROFESSOR

Securities and Financial Regulation Curriculum

Basic Accounting for Lawyers
Business Planning Seminar
Comparative Corporate Governance
Complex Derivative Transactions: Structure and Usage
Complex Securities Investigations
Corporate Controls, Compliance, and Governance
Corporate Finance
Corporations
Deals: The Economics of Structuring Transactions
Derivatives Market Regulation Under Dodd-Frank
(Employee Benefits and Executive Pay - Securities, Tax, and Corporate Governance
Employee Benefits in Corporate Transactions (Lecture)
Employee Benefits in Corporate Transactions (Negotiations)
Energy Trading and Market Regulation
ERISA: The Fiduciary Provisions
Federal Regulation of Financial Institutions
Federal White Collar Crime
Financial Products in a New Regulatory Environment
Financial Reporting and Accounting
Fraud and Fiduciary Duties Under the Federal Securities Laws
Global Securities Offerings
Globalization and Systemic Risk Seminar
Hedge Funds, Private Equity Funds and Other Similar Investment Vehicles
Implementation of Financial Market Reform Legislation
Initial Public Offerings
International Banking in the United States
International Bankruptcy
International Debt Workouts
International Finance and Regulation
International Oil and Gas Seminar
International Project Finance
International Project Finance and Investment
International White Collar Crime
Introduction to Employee Benefits Law
Introduction to the Capital Markets and Financing of Income-Producing Property
Islamic Finance Law
Law and Foreign Investment in China
Mergers and Acquisitions
Public Finance: Tax and Securities Aspects
Regulated Money Management: Mutual Funds and Investment Advisers
Regulation of Derivatives
Rethinking Securities Regulations and the Role of the SEC
SEC Enforcement Process
SEC Regulation of Financial Institutions and the Securities Markets
Securities Arbitration and Mediation
Securities Regulation
Sovereign Debt and Financial Stability Seminar
Takeovers, Mergers, and Acquisitions
The Financial Crisis: Law, Policy and Inequality
Venture Capital, Private Equity, and Entrepreneurial Transactions
White Collar Crime and Securities Fraud
Taxation

Annually ranked among the preeminent programs of its kind, Georgetown’s Tax LL.M. program offers a unique combination of full-time and adjunct faculty, the most extensive tax curriculum in the country, and the opportunity to study tax in Washington, D.C., where the nation’s tax laws are made, interpreted and enforced.

The Law Center is located near Capitol Hill and the U.S. Tax Court, a short walk from Congress and the Supreme Court, and a dozen blocks from the Internal Revenue Service, the Treasury Department and the Department of Justice. Georgetown’s Graduate Tax Program draws upon these unique resources to enrich our students’ educational experience.

The Tax LL.M. Program provides students with a solid foundation in technical tax law and helps them gain a sophisticated understanding of the economic, political, and social implications of domestic and international tax policies.

In addition to its renowned full-time faculty, the Law Center has more than 100 adjunct tax professors, all leading practitioners in their fields. Most work at major law and accounting firms, but many work in the government, including the Tax Court, the Treasury Department, the Internal Revenue Service, the Department of Justice, and the tax-writing Committees of Congress. At Georgetown, students have the opportunity to be taught by people who are making U.S. tax policy and enforcing and interpreting U.S. tax laws.

The breadth of Georgetown’s full-time and adjunct faculty enables the Law Center to offer more than 80 distinct courses in a diverse array of tax fields. These include corporate and partnership taxation, international tax, state and local tax, tax accounting, tax controversies, taxation of real estate transactions, taxation of financial products, employee benefits, estate planning, tax-exempt organizations, and tax policy. In conjunction with the Tax LL.M. degree or separately, students may elect to complete one of four Certificates offered in specialized fields: Employee Benefits, Estate Planning, State and Local Taxation, or International Taxation. For program courses and requirements see: www.law.georgetown.edu/academics/academic-programs/graduate-programs/degree-programs/index.cfm
## Taxation Curriculum

Advanced Individual Income Tax and Personal Financial Planning
Advanced International Taxation
Advanced Partnership Taxation
Advanced Private Wealth Planning Seminar
Business Planning Seminar
Comparative Tax Law
Consolidated Returns: Principles and Planning
Corporate Income Tax Law I
Corporate Income Tax Law II
Current Issues in Tax Policy
Drafting Partnerships and LLC Agreements
Employee Benefits and Executive Pay - Securities, Tax, and Corporate Governance
Employee Benefits in Corporate Transactions (Lecture)
Employee Benefits in Corporate Transactions (Negotiations)
ERISA: Avoiding and Managing Employee Benefits Litigation
ERISA: Plan Termination and Withdrawal Liability
ERISA: The Fiduciary Provisions
Estate and Gift Tax
EU Tax Law
Executive Compensation: Equity and Cash-Based Incentives
Federal Limitations on State and Local Taxation
Federal Taxation of Bankruptcy and Workouts
Financial Accounting, Corporate Governance, and Securities Law Issues for Corporate Tax Advisors
Global Indirect Tax: The VAT
Health and Welfare Benefit Plans: Tax and ERISA Aspects
Income Tax Accounting
Income Taxation of Trusts, Estates and Beneficiaries
International Business Planning Workshop
International Tax Law and Policy
Introduction to Employee Benefits Law
Introduction to Transfer Pricing
Joint Ventures Involving Non-Profits and For-Profits
Litigation of Individual Income Tax Issues Workshop
Political and Lobbying Activities of Tax-Exempt Organizations
Private Equity and Hedge Funds: Taxation and Transactions
Public Finance: Tax and Securities Aspects
Retirement Plan Qualification Requirements
Retirement Plans - Design and Taxation
S Corporations and Limited Liability Companies: Tax and Business Issues
Special Topics in State and Local Taxation
Special Topics in Transfer Tax

State and Local Taxation: Income & Franchise Taxes
State and Local Taxation: Other Business Taxes
State and Local Taxation: Sales and Use Taxes
Tax Fraud and Tax Crimes
Tax Law and Public Finance Workshop
Tax Planning for Corporate Acquisitions Seminar
Tax Planning for Real Estate Transactions Seminar
Tax Policy Overview
Tax Practice & Procedure (Administrative Practice)
Tax Practice and Procedure (Litigation)
Tax Practice Workshop
Tax Research and Writing
Tax Treaties
Tax Treaties: A Practical Approach to Interpretation and Application
Tax Treatment of Charities and Other Nonprofit Organizations
Taxation II
Taxation of Debt Instruments & Securitization Transactions I
Taxation of Energy Markets
Taxation of Fringe Benefits
Taxation of Nonqualified Deferred Compensation
Taxation of Partnerships
Taxation of Property Transactions
The Foreign Tax Credit
Transfer Pricing: Selected Topics
U.S. Subnational Taxation of Multi-Jurisdictional Entities
U.S. Taxation of Domestic Persons With Activities Outside of the U.S.
U.S. Taxation of Foreign Persons in the United States
U.S. Taxation of International Transactions
Venture Capital, Private Equity, and Entrepreneurial Transactions
Executive LL.M. in Taxation

The Executive LL.M. in Taxation provides students who are not present in the Washington, D.C. area with the opportunity to participate in Georgetown Law’s top-ranked Taxation LL.M. program. The Executive LL.M. in Taxation, which can be completed entirely by distance learning, offers students the same high-quality instruction and learning experience as the resident LL.M. in Taxation, but allows students the flexibility to attend class and complete assignments at times that are convenient to the student. Students will be “attending” the same classes as our resident Taxation LL.M. students and will therefore be taught by the same renowned faculty, made up of full-time professors as well as adjunct professors who are leading practitioners in their fields, as students who are physically present on campus.

Each online class is captured in a high-quality format for Executive LL.M. students to access through a video account. Classes are typically available to view online approximately 24 hours after they are captured. Students interact with their professors and classmates through various media, primarily by email, but also by phone, Skype, and through a secure discussion board where classmates may chat with one another and where professors provide answers to substantive questions.

Approximately 20 graduate tax courses are made available each year for distance learning. The curriculum covers core subjects like corporate taxation, partnership taxation, income tax accounting, and taxation of property transactions, as well as specialized courses offered as part of our certificate programs in International Taxation and State and Local Tax. In addition, Georgetown’s program is unique in that it allows students the opportunity either to take a broad curriculum of core courses, or to specialize by earning a Certificate in International Taxation or State and Local Taxation. Both certificate programs may be completed either in conjunction with the Tax LL.M. degree or on a stand-alone basis.
Executive LL.M. in Taxation Curriculum

- Advanced Individual Income Tax and Personal Financial Planning
- Advanced International Taxation
- Corporate Income Tax Law I
- Corporate Income Tax Law II
- Federal Limitations on State and Local Taxation
- Income Tax Accounting
- Introduction to State and Local Tax
- Introduction to Transfer Pricing
- S Corporations and Limited Liability Companies: Tax and Business Issues
- Special Topics in State and Local Taxation
- State and Local Taxation: Income and Franchise Taxes
- State and Local Taxation: Other Business Taxes
- State and Local Taxation: Sales and Use Taxes
- Taxation of Partnerships
- Taxation of Property Transactions
- Tax Practice & Procedure (Administrative Practice)
- Tax Treaties: Advanced Concepts and Strategic Planning
- Tax Treatment of Charities and Other Non-Profit Entities
- U.S. Taxation of Domestic Persons with Activities Outside of the U.S.
- U.S. Taxation of Foreign Persons in the United States

For more information about program courses and requirements see: http://www.law.georgetown.edu/academics/academic-programs/graduate-programs/online-programs/executive-llm-taxation.cfm
Our Certificate programs offer students an opportunity to concentrate within a specific field of study. Certificates are usually completed in conjunction with an LL.M. degree; those offered in connection with the Tax program can also be pursued on a stand-alone basis. For program requirements and course lists, see also: www.law.georgetown.edu/academics/academic-programs/graduate-programs/certificateprograms/index.cfm

**Employee Benefits Law**

Georgetown’s Certificate in the increasingly important field of Employee Benefits Law equips students to understand the complex issues at the intersection of tax law, employment law, and the law concerning pension and health benefits.

Adjunct faculty from government agencies, such as the Internal Revenue Service, the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation and the U.S. Department of Labor, as well as from private practice, bring to their teaching extensive experience in these fields.

This Certificate may be completed as a stand-alone program (in one semester on a full-time basis or over two semesters part-time) or in conjunction with the LL.M. in Taxation. To be admitted for the Certificate, students must have taken a basic course in federal income taxation.

Employee Benefits courses are included in the Taxation curriculum on pp. 20-21.

**Estate Planning**

Georgetown’s Certificate in Estate Planning provides students with both the technical expertise (for example, in tax law, charitable giving, insurance, financial products and employee benefits) and the client-relations skills that are essential to this area of practice. Adjunct faculty, all leading experts in this field, draw on their wealth of practical experience to equip our students with these skills.

This Certificate may be completed as a stand-alone program on a part-time basis, or in conjunction with the LL.M. in Taxation. To be admitted for the Certificate, students must have taken a basic course in federal income taxation as well as a course dealing with decedents’ estates, trusts and estates, or similar topics.

Estate Planning courses are included in the Taxation curriculum on pp. 20-21.

**International Taxation**

International Taxation is usually the most important practice area for U.S. multinational corporations and their professional tax advisors. The Certificate in International Taxation is open to both U.S.- and foreign-trained tax students.
On Opportunity

“The opportunities offered by living in D.C. are amazing. And the fact that I have had amazing professors who are also practitioners makes this experience not only a learning experience but also a real life experience.”

SAID ERTEKIN, LL.M. 2013 TURKEY

Among the ten specialization credits required for this Certificate, students must successfully complete 10 credits in international taxation, including the following two courses during the Fall semester: U.S. Taxation of Domestic Persons with Activities Outside the United States; and U.S. Taxation of Foreign Persons in the United States. Students must also complete a course dealing with tax treaties and a course on transfer pricing. The courses are taught by a distinguished faculty comprised of full-time professors, leading practitioners from law firms, accounting firms and industry, as well as senior officials from the U.S. Department of Treasury and the Internal Revenue Service. To be admitted for this Certificate, U.S.-trained students must have taken a basic course in federal income taxation; foreign-trained students meet this requirement by enrolling in US Income Tax: Policies and Practices during their first semester of study.

This Certificate may be completed as a stand-alone program on a part-time basis, or in conjunction with the LL.M. in Taxation. Students may choose to complete the stand-alone SALT Certificate entirely by distance learning.

To be admitted for the Certificate, students must have taken a basic course in federal income taxation. Because the SALT courses presuppose a basic understanding of US constitutional law, the SALT Certificate is generally open only to students who received their JD degree in the United States. However, foreign-trained lawyers may apply for this Certificate if they have acquired the requisite background knowledge through educational or work experience.

State and Local Taxation

State and Local Taxation (SALT) is an extremely important practice area to multi-state corporate taxpayers, from Fortune 500 companies to regional businesses. The SALT field offers promising career opportunities in major accounting firms, state and local revenue departments, and law firms. Georgetown’s SALT curriculum covers the principal sources of state revenue — income/franchise taxes, sales/use taxes, property taxes, and the incentive programs connected with them — as well as federal limitations on state taxing power and the procedures used to resolve SALT disputes. Students can supplement these core courses with electives addressing such topics as value-added taxation and public finance. Faculty are drawn from major law and accounting firms, the Multistate Tax Commission, the Council on State Taxation, and NGOs devoted to this field.

This Certificate may be completed as a stand-alone program on a part-time basis, or in conjunction with the LL.M. in Taxation. Students may choose to complete the stand-alone SALT Certificate entirely by distance learning.
International Arbitration and Dispute Resolution

Georgetown’s certificate program in International Arbitration and Dispute Resolution reflects the growing importance of arbitration and dispute resolution internationally and addresses the desire of students to signal their interest and expertise in this field to employers by achieving a certificate. This certificate is offered only to students enrolled in a full LL.M. degree program. Candidates for this certificate must have taken a course in Public International Law during their prior legal education, or else enroll in International Law I during the fall semester at Georgetown (as an elective, which will not count toward the specialized credits for this Certificate).

Both U.S. and foreign-educated LL.M. students may pursue this certificate in conjunction with their LL.M. To earn the certificate, candidates must complete a minimum of 10 credits from a list of courses designated under the International Arbitration and Dispute Resolution Certificate curriculum. Among these 10 specialization credits, students must complete a course in international arbitration; a course in dispute resolution; and an additional course from a list covering topics related to arbitration and dispute resolution.

World Trade Organization Law

The World Trade Organization (WTO) is instrumental in facilitating international trade and global commerce, and WTO law intersects with a broad range of issues including economic development, intellectual property, environmental law, labor and health. The Law Center’s Institute of International Economic Law (IIEL) offers the opportunity for LL.M. students to obtain a certificate evidencing special competence in WTO law and policy. Interested students enroll in this certificate after arriving at Georgetown.

Food and Drug Law

The Certificate in Food and Drug Law is designed to encourage LL.M. students to attain extensive knowledge in the regulation of products subject to the jurisdiction of the Food and Drug Administration, including food and dietary supplements, drugs, biologics, medical devices, cosmetics and tobacco. Our renowned full-time faculty teach a variety of courses in the food and drug law area and provide advice on the development of the curriculum. Our adjunct faculty, with years of practical and teaching experience, come to the Law Center from a variety of organizations, including the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, the National Institutes of Health, non-governmental organizations and private practice. The Certificate in Food and Drug Law may be completed as a stand-alone program or in conjunction with an LL.M. in Global Health Law, LL.M. in Environmental Law, or the General/Individualized LL.M. program.

U.S. Health Law

The Certificate in U.S. Health Law is designed to provide students with a comprehensive knowledge of health care law and regulation in the U.S., including U.S. public health programs and regulations, health care access and financing, and the myriad changes to the private insurance market and Medicaid that are being made through the Affordable Care Act. Our renowned full-time faculty members teach a variety of courses in U.S. health law and provide advice on the development of the curriculum. Adjunct faculty, all leading experts in domestic health law and policy, draw on their wealth of practical experience to equip our students with the skills to practice in this growing field. The Certificate in U.S. Health Law may be completed as a stand-alone program or in conjunction with an LL.M. in Global Health Law or the General/Individualized LL.M. degree program.
International Human Rights Law

Georgetown offers a rich variety of human rights courses and programs from which students may choose when enrolling in the International Human Rights Law Certificate in conjunction with their LL.M. degree.

This program allows students to approach the field of human rights law from both a national and an international perspective. Our renowned full-time faculty teach a variety of courses in this area and provide advice on the development of the curriculum.

Our adjunct faculty, with years of practical and teaching experience, come to the Law Center from a variety of organizations, including the U.S. Department of State, the U.S. Department of Justice, the Organization of American States and numerous non-governmental organizations. For program requirements and courses see: www.law.georgetown.edu/academics/academic-programs/graduate-programs/certificate-programs/index.cfm

Certificates

International Human Rights Curriculum

Advanced Issues in International Human Rights Seminar
Comparative Jurisprudence
Contemporary Peacekeeping: Legality, Legitimacy and Accountability
Current Issues in National Security and Civil Liberties Seminar
 Drafting a Migrants’ Bill of Rights
Foreign Relations Law
Foreign Relations Law Colloquium
Global Revolutions, Social Change, and NGOs
Graduate Independent Research
Habeas Corpus and Guantanamo Seminar
Health and Human Rights
Human Rights and the Inter-American System
Human Rights at the Intersection of Trade and Corporate Responsibility
Immigration Law and Policy
Immunity Under International Law
International and Comparative Law on Women’s Human Rights
International Courts and Tribunals: An Introduction
International Criminal Law
International Human Rights Law
International Law at the Beginning of the 21st Century
International Law, Human Rights & Fighting Impunity: Fighting War Crimes & Economic Crimes
International Migration and Development
International Trafficking in Persons
International Transitional Justice
International Women’s Human Rights Seminar
Intersection of National Security and Race in a Post-9/11 America
Law of War Seminar
Law, Conscience, and Nonviolence Seminar
National Security and the Law of the Sea
National Security Investigations and Litigation
National Security Law
National Security Law and the Private Sector
Nuclear Non-proliferation Law and Policy: Preventing Nuclear Terrorism
Property Law and Government Economic Policy: American Indians, the Balkans and the Americas
Proseminar in National Security Law
Refugee Law and Policy
Refugees and Humanitarian Emergencies: Advanced Research Seminar
Research with Human Subjects: Law, Policy and Ethics
Restorative Justice in International Human Rights: A New Paradigm
Rule of Law and the Administration of Justice
The UN Human Rights System Seminar
U.S. and International Customs Law
War and Peace Seminar: New Thinking about the Causes of War and War Avoidance
War Crimes and Prosecutions
War Crimes Terrorism and International Criminal Procedure
SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Both U.S. and international students are eligible to participate in our externship program. In addition, Georgetown offers some special programs directed at the unique needs of international students.

Georgetown’s Externships

Because of Georgetown’s location in the nation’s capital, near major national and international organizations and government agencies, there are numerous externship placement opportunities for LL.M. students.

Georgetown’s externship program allows students to earn two academic credits for their work at a government agency, NGO, nonprofit organization, or for-profit enterprise such as a law firm, accounting firm or business. Recent externship placements have included: Federal Trade Commission, the Food and Drug Administration, Inter-American Development Bank, Internal Revenue Service, U.S. Tax Court, Organization of American States, Overseas Private Investment Corporation, Securities and Exchange Commission, the Congressional Joint Committee on Taxation, and the World Bank. For more information, visit: www.law.georgetown.edu/academics/academic-programs/graduate-programs/externships/index.cfm

Language Center

The Language Center at Georgetown Law offers LL.M. students opportunities to enhance their English speaking and writing skills through non-credit, short-term, limited enrollment conversation and writing groups.

The conversation groups help students increase their English fluency while discussing current topics and receiving individualized feedback on their speaking skills.

A Ph.D. linguist and a lawyer conduct the writing workshops and guide students in the scholarly paper and legal memorandum writing process. Students develop their chosen writing topics and become eligible for individual feedback on their writing projects by participating in the series of writing workshop sessions.

The Language Center also organizes visits to cultural landmarks, which have included attending live oral arguments at the Supreme Court of the United States and meeting researchers at the Law Library of Congress.

For more information about the Language Center, contact the Director, Professor Michelle M. Ueland, at languagecenter@law.georgetown.edu

LL.M. Summer Experience

Georgetown University Law Center offers its incoming one-year LL.M. students the option of taking courses in the summer before the LL.M. commences. The cornerstone of the Summer Experience has long been our Foundations of American Law and
Legal Education program, which introduces international LL.M. students to the basics of American law and the special dynamics of the U.S. law school classroom before they begin their regular for-credit classes in the fall. More recently, the Summer Experience has grown to include opportunities for students to focus on their legal English skills and to satisfy some of the requirements for New York Bar exam eligibility. Recent summers have included, for example, courses in Professional Responsibility Law, Legal English, and U.S. Legal Research, Analysis and Writing. The Summer Experience courses, while optional, are highly recommended. Students find them to be an excellent introduction not only to the subjects taught, but also to life as a law student in Washington, D.C.

The Two-Year LL.M. with Certificate in Legal English

For students who would like an intensive introduction to the U.S. legal system and more individualized instruction in using English in a legal context, Georgetown has created the Two-Year LL.M. with a Certificate in Legal English. Students who choose this unique program will spend the first academic year taking a series of law classes that we have specifically designed to enable students to maximize their LL.M. experience, through a curriculum that provides a rich and varied survey of U.S. law subjects along with small-group and individual Legal English instruction. All classes are taught by full-time Georgetown Law faculty, all of whom have a Ph.D., a J.D., or both.

Building on the skills acquired during the first year of the program, students then complete the requirements for their LL.M. degree during the second academic year.

Admission to this program is based on the same criteria that we use to admit applicants to the regular LL.M. program. However, because intensive Legal English is a major feature of this program, applicants need not have attained the minimum TOEFL score of 100 in order to apply to this program. The unique curriculum that we have designed for the Two-Year LL.M. program prepares students to get the most out of their classes in the LL.M. program.

For more information, please visit: www.law.georgetown.edu/academics/academic-programs/graduate-programs/degree-programs/index.cfm

On Externships

“My externship with the World Bank Group enabled me to apply theoretical knowledge beyond the classroom and develop substantive know-how of international law in a fast-paced multicultural setting. The experience was also unparalleled in that it allowed me to significantly expand my professional network, thus delivering tangible results in shaping my professional profile and broadening my horizons with new and exciting career prospects. I highly recommend pursuing an externship while enrolled in the LL.M. program.”

MIGUEL SANTANA, LL.M. 2013, PORTUGAL
Institute of International Economic Law (IIEL) Fellowship

The IIEL Fellows Program brings together members of the Georgetown Law community interested in international economic law. It provides a forum for students and visiting researchers enrolled in a Georgetown Law program to discuss their research and other international economic law issues with one another and with faculty members associated with the Institute. It also provides a unique opportunity to share information on related current events occurring in Washington, D.C.

Fellows participate in a weekly IIEL Luncheon Speaker Seminar, featuring presentations by insiders and guests who live and work in Washington, D.C., and in a weekly IIEL Research Workshop, during which they discuss their own research projects. To encourage research in the field of international economic law and to create a forum for the discussion of these issues, IIEL yearly appoints a number of outstanding students and distinguished visiting researchers as IIEL Fellows. Most IIEL Fellows are LL.M. or S.J.D. students, but highly qualified J.D. students also are eligible for appointment as IIEL Fellows. The Fellowships are honorary and the Fellows receive no funding from IIEL.

Global Health Law Scholarships

The Global Health Law Program offers a limited number of prestigious Global Health Law Scholarships per academic year for students participating in either the Global Health Law LL.M. or the Global Health Law and International Institutions LL.M. (jointly offered with the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies in Geneva, Switzerland).

Global Health Law Scholars, in addition to the title, will receive partial or full tuition awards.

Taxation Fellowships

The Graduate Tax Scholars program provides substantial tuition awards to up to ten LL.M. students per year. Both U.S. and foreign-educated attorneys are invited to apply. Scholars are selected based on a demonstrated interest in tax policy and a potential to excel in tax scholarship. All Scholars participate in an enrichment program with leading tax practitioners and government officials.
“I have been overwhelmed by the fact that I am meeting the best of the best in all the fields of law I consider important.”

DEBBY SY, LL.M. 2011 PHILIPPINES

In conjunction with the Council on State Taxation (COST), the Law Center invites applications for two Fellowships in State and Local Taxation, one of the fastest-growing tax disciplines. Fellows receive a stipend (approximately $7,500) and a two-semester internship at COST.

The KPMG Tax Scholarship, awarded annually in the amount of $7,500, is made possible by the generosity of the tax professionals at KPMG and by matching grants from the KPMG Foundation. It is awarded on the basis of financial need and academic proficiency in the field of taxation, and is open both to U.S.-educated and foreign-educated attorneys.

Scholarships for International Students

The Law Center awards a small number of partial scholarships to foreign-educated lawyers in the LL.M. program. To be eligible for consideration for a scholarship, applicants must submit a completed LL.M. application no later than the February 10, 2015, regular application deadline (although awards may be made on a rolling basis). On the basis of students’ LL.M. applications, the Law Center will select a group of applicants and invite them to apply for the scholarships.

Leadership and Advocacy for Women in Africa Fellowship Program (LAWA)

The Leadership and Advocacy for Women in Africa Program (LAWA) was founded in 1993 in order to provide advanced training to lawyers from Africa committed to advancing the cause of women’s rights upon return to their countries. Students receive a full tuition scholarship.

Participants in the LAWA program study for and receive a Master of Laws degree at Georgetown with an emphasis on human rights. Fellows complete a major graduate thesis proposing practical, culturally-relevant and innovative legal and policy strategies to address the most intractable problems affecting Africa’s women. Fellows hone their newfound skills in challenging summer internships at public interest organizations such as the Women’s Rights Division of Human Rights Watch, compatible with their interests and long-term plans.

The Graduate Admissions Office does not handle applications for the LAWA program.

For more information or for an application, please visit the website: www.law.georgetown.edu/academics/centers-institutes/wlppfp/index.cfm
THE CAMPUS AND STUDENT SERVICES

Georgetown’s campus is located in the heart of Washington, D.C., within walking distance of the U.S. Capitol, the Supreme Court, the U.S. Tax Court, and other government agencies and courts. Washington is a beautiful, international city that is the seat of the U.S. government and is also home to major international organizations such as the World Bank, the International Monetary Fund and the Organization of American States. The many governmental, international and nonprofit organizations located in the city provide Georgetown graduate students with varied opportunities for externships and professional contacts.

Washington, D.C.

Washington offers world-class museums and cultural events, a vibrant night life and extensive recreational opportunities. The city is easy to navigate with its public transportation system and a network of bike trails and footpaths.

The Campus

The Law Center campus is located near Capitol Hill and includes two libraries, state-of-the-art classrooms, dining facilities, a student dormitory, a childcare center, and a fitness center with lap pool, basketball court and work-out facilities.

There is wireless internet access throughout the campus. The E.B. Williams library is one of the largest law libraries in the country, and the John Wolff Library of International and Comparative Law houses a renowned collection of international materials.

Office of Graduate Programs

The Office of Graduate Programs works on an individual basis with students to help them achieve their academic, professional and extra-curricular goals. LL.M. students are encouraged to join student organizations, to participate in conferences and panel discussions hosted at Georgetown Law, and to participate in the rich social life the school has to offer.

The extensive Graduate Programs staff provides academic advice and career assistance through individual counseling sessions, mock interviews, panel discussions and workshops. The office also provides visa assistance to our international students. These services and activities offer graduate students the opportunity to network with faculty, alumni, J.D. students and leading members of the Washington legal community.

Career Counseling

The members of Graduate Career and Professional Development, housed within the Office of Graduate Programs, serve the unique career and professional development
On Career and Professional Development

“The Graduate Career and Professional Development staff does an excellent job with guiding students through recruitment. For me, their training programs were indispensable in preparing me for my interviews. Further, their innovative recruitment strategies were instrumental in finding me my desired position post-graduation. Finally, they provided support to me on the fly after my interviews to help me with my follow up thank you emails and closing on the offer for my new position. In a word, the support and programs of graduate professional development are outstanding.”

MICHAEL DANA, LL.M. 2011 UNITED STATES

needs of graduate students – LL.M. and S.J.D. candidates – at Georgetown Law.

In addition to individual and drop-in advising sessions, the members of Graduate Career and Professional Development offer a wide variety of services for students, including:

- Resume and cover letter review;
- Career and professional development workshops and programming tailored to the graduate job-seeker;
- Networking opportunities;
- On-campus interviews;
- Resume collections from graduates and employers in the United States and in many other countries;
- A weekly online publication (Graduate Connections) that provides information regarding employment and networking opportunities, as well as job search tips;
- A comprehensive Graduate Career and Professional Development Web site (www.law.georgetown.edu/graduate/professionaldevelopment.htm) that provides valuable information about all aspects of the job search process.

The Law Center’s location in Washington, D.C. facilitates the recruitment of our graduate students throughout the United States and abroad. Our students have successfully obtained positions in private law practice and with accounting firms, international organizations and major corporations. In addition, many of our students choose to work for government agencies, and not-for-profit organizations. The members of Graduate Career and Professional Development routinely conduct marketing and outreach initiatives to identify opportunities for our graduate population.

Housing

For information on on- and off-campus housing, visit the Residential Life website at: www.law.georgetown.edu/campus-life/housing-residence-life/index.cfm
FULL-TIME FACULTY

Representing an extraordinary range of professional and scholarly accomplishments, members of the Law Center faculty have achieved national and international prominence. Georgetown professors share a commitment to vibrant teaching methods, often bringing issues to the classroom from their own active involvement in their specialized fields. At Georgetown Law, students learn to analyze each legal issue from the broadest intellectual and social perspectives.

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### Application Process

To apply to the Law Center, candidates must complete the application form and submit all other required supplemental materials by the published deadlines. Applications to the LL.M. programs are reviewed on a rolling basis, meaning that files completed earlier are reviewed first. In view of the large number of applicants, and our rolling admissions process, candidates are urged to complete their files as early as possible within the admissions cycle.

*Late applications may be submitted after the Regular Action deadline dates, but will be considered on a space-available basis only. Also, for applications submitted after the Regular Action deadlines, the application fee will be increased to $100.
Eligibility

Lawyers Educated Outside the U.S.:
Applicants who studied law outside the United States must have completed legal study at a level equivalent to the American J.D., i.e., have received a degree in law sufficient to allow one to sit for a bar examination and/or practice as a lawyer in the country of study. For example, candidates who studied in France will have completed the Maitrise or Master 1; candidates who studied in Germany must have obtained the results of the First State Examination; Chinese applicants will hold the LL.B. degree; Mexican candidates will hold the Licenciado en Derecho.

Students may apply for the LL.M. while in their final year of law study (either the J.D. for U.S. students or the first degree in law for those educated outside the U.S.); however, the degree must be conferred prior to matriculation (and for German applicants, we must receive the results from the university and state parts of the First State Exam prior to making a final admissions decision). Although not a requirement for admission, full time legal work experience after the completion of the first degree in law is viewed as a positive factor in the admissions process.

In addition, applicants who are not native speakers of English must have excellent English language skills, demonstrated by a score exceeding 100 on the internet-based TOEFL exam with minimum scores of 25 in each of the four sections. The test scores must be from a test taken within two years of the date of application; older test scores or Institutional TOEFL scores will not be considered.

You can find more information about TOEFL, as well as the TOEFL Bulletin of Information and registration form, online at www.toefl.org.

The TOEFL is strongly preferred as the test of English proficiency. If an applicant is unable to take the TOEFL test, the results of an IELTS test (academic module) taken within two years of the date of application may be submitted in place of TOEFL. Applicants should have received an overall average score of 7.5 or higher, with a minimum of 7.0 in each section. More information on the IELTS exam is available at www.ielts.org. The IELTS will not be accepted for applications to the Two-Year LL.M.; the TOEFL is required.

U.S.-Educated Lawyers:
U.S.-educated candidates for the LL.M. and/or Certificate programs must have received a JD degree from a law school approved by the American Bar Association. Applicants educated at law schools in Puerto Rico should apply as U.S.-educated candidates.

Applying Early Action

The Graduate Admissions Committee has an Early Action admission option for both foreign- and U.S.-educated LL.M. applicants. Early Action applications are the first reviewed in our rolling process and receive early notification of their admissions decision. To apply Early Action, foreign-educated attorneys must complete their LL.M. applications with all required documentation by November 14, 2014. Decisions for this group will be mailed on December 15, 2014. U.S.-trained students must complete their documentation by January 5, 2015, to qualify for the Early Action process. Decisions for this group will be mailed on February 2, 2015.

Once the Early Action program has ended, the Graduate Admissions Committee continues reviewing application files on a rolling basis.
Applying Regular Action

Foreign-educated attorneys must submit their LL.M. applications and all required documentation by February 10, 2015. All U.S.-educated applicants must submit their LL.M. applications and all required documentation by February 27, 2015. Late applications may be submitted after deadline dates, but will be considered on a space-available basis only, and an additional fee will apply. For Regular Action applicants, the Graduate Admissions Committee endeavors to issue decisions within 6-10 weeks of the date the application file is completed. Please note that the Committee cannot begin reviewing an application until all required supporting materials have been received. For Executive Tax applicants who wish to begin the program in the Spring 2015 semester, applications are due by October 15, 2014.

Methods of Application

1) Strongly Preferred Approach: Applying Online

The Law Center strongly encourages applicants to apply online. The online application is available on our website at: www.law.georgetown.edu/admissions-financial-aid/, along with detailed application instructions. Applications submitted online are likely to be completed, and therefore reviewed, more quickly than those sent by mail.

2) Paper Application

In the event that an applicant is unable to apply online due to extenuating circumstances, the applicant may submit a paper application, by downloading and printing out the application and supplementary forms from the Law Center website: www.law.georgetown.edu/admissions-financial-aid/.

Required Application Materials

Please visit our website, www.law.georgetown.edu/admissions-financial-aid/, for detailed instructions and information about the application materials required for the various graduate degree programs.

Full and Part Time Study

Georgetown offers both full and part time programs of study for LL.M. students. All international students on student entry visas should plan to complete their LL.M. degrees as full time students in one academic year, beginning in the fall semester and graduating at the end of the spring semester. On rare occasions, international students may enroll on a part time basis if their visa status (certain types of non-student visas) permits such study.

Application Evaluation Process

The Graduate Admissions Committee evaluates candidates on both academic and personal criteria. Academic information includes law school and undergraduate records and, in certain instances, graduate records. Personal factors include work experience; extracurricular activities; recommendations by law school faculty or employers; and biographical data. The Committee also considers other information that indicates a candidate’s potential for successful performance in graduate legal studies.

Although Georgetown does not use numerical cut-offs, only candidates with strong academic and personal credentials are encouraged to apply. Non-quantifiable information is weighed to distinguish between applicants with similarly strong academic credentials, although personal information alone is seldom sufficient as a substitute for a strong academic record.
The Law Center actively recruits students from diverse ethnic, economic, and educational backgrounds. Therefore, the Graduate Admissions Committee may accord considerable weight to such factors as extracurricular activities, work experience, unique circumstances, ethnic or minority status, and geographic location. Applications from persons with disabilities are invited.

Visits

Those who wish to visit the Law Center and obtain additional information should request an appointment at least two weeks in advance of their intended visit. Please note that such informational appointments are not interviews and are not weighed by the Committee in making a decision.

Contact Information

All correspondence, including inquiries and application materials, should be addressed to:
Graduate Admissions, Room 589
Georgetown University Law Center
600 New Jersey Avenue, NW
Washington, D.C. 20001–2075
phone: (202) 662–9020
fax: (202) 662–9439
e-mail: llmadmis@law.georgetown.edu

Financial Assistance

LL.M. students must plan their finances carefully to meet expenses for the length of their academic programs. Graduate students must be U.S. citizens or legal permanent residents enrolled on at least a half-time basis (four credits for Fall or Spring; two credits for Summer) to be eligible to apply for federal student loans and/or Federal Work-Study. The Law Center offers a very limited number of grants to graduate students through established programs.

On Learning

“I went to Georgetown Law to deepen my knowledge in international trade law, in particular, in the law of the WTO. I got a chance to be taught by international lawyers who have been working with WTO issues since it was founded. Moreover, the practical approach used by professors at Georgetown helps students to be very well-prepared for their future careers.”

ELVIRA DUBOVSKAYA, LL.M. 2014 RUSSIA
NOTE: International students must have sufficient personal or home governmental resources to finance their entire course of study. The Office of Financial Aid has created a publication on potential resource alternatives for non-U.S. citizens, who are ineligible to receive Federal Financial Aid. You can find this publication online at: www.law.georgetown.edu/admissions-financial-aid/office-of-financial-aid/resources/Index.cfm

Graduate students attending the Law Center who are otherwise eligible may apply for the following forms of financial assistance: Unsubsidized Federal Stafford Loans; Federal Graduate PLUS Loans; Federal Work-Study; commercial student loans (e.g., Discover Law Loans or Sallie Mae Smart Option Student Loans); Georgetown University’s Tuition Payment Plan; and non-Georgetown scholarships.

For more information and instructions on applying for financial aid, and to learn about other outside sources for loans and scholarships, please visit the website of the Office of Financial Aid at: www.law.georgetown.edu/admissions-financial-aid/office-of-financial-aid/

Additional Information for Applicants

Bar Examinations

Many of our LL.M. students who earn their first degree in law in a foreign country choose to take a U.S. bar exam, usually the New York bar exam, upon completion of their LL.M. at Georgetown. Your academic advisor will work with you to help you select courses needed to qualify for the bar exam, as part of designing your overall course of study. Georgetown encourages LL.M. students to view their LL.M. year not merely as preparation for the bar exam, but as an opportunity to choose from an array of courses which will contribute to the student’s long-term professional growth. Georgetown offers international students interested in sitting for the New York Bar the courses they need to meet the new requirements. Students considering taking the New York bar exam are also encouraged to submit their on-line Request for Evaluation of Foreign Academic Credentials (https://www.nybarapply.org/feval/) to the New York Board of Law Examiners even before beginning the LL.M. as the evaluation is a lengthy process and a requirement for registering for the exam. For foreign-educated attorneys whose primary goal is to practice law in the U.S., Georgetown advises them to consider earning a U.S. J.D. degree, as that is the basic credential most sought after by law firms and other legal employers in the U.S. Georgetown LL.M. students can apply to the J.D. program at Georgetown, and, if admitted, may be able to transfer certain credits from their LL.M. year.

Visa Information

The process of obtaining the proper documents for a student visa begins after acceptance to Georgetown. The Office of Admissions sends instructions to admitted students on how to request the I-20 or DS-2019 form necessary to obtain your visa. Georgetown will send you this “Certificate of Eligibility” after you have confirmed your intention to enroll in the LL.M. program and have paid your tuition deposit.
On Washington

“Washington is a great place for business-oriented lawyers to study law, including issues concerning corporate governance and the interaction between private markets and government regulation.”

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The Law Center welcomes inquiries and visits from interested prospective students. Most Law Center offices are open from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. If you are interested in meeting with a particular administrator, please call for an appointment. For your convenience, areas of frequent inquiry are listed below.

Prospective applicants should generally consider Admissions as the first point of contact.

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Washington, DC  20001-2022
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TDD: (202) 662-9013
www.law.georgetown.edu

Graduate Admissions
www.law.georgetown.edu/admissions-financial-aid/
llmadmis@law.georgetown.edu
T (202) 662-9020
F (202) 662-9439

Graduate Programs
www.law.georgetown.edu/academics/
academic-programs/graduate-programs/index.cfm
gradprog@law.georgetown.edu
T (202) 662-9036
F (202) 662-9487

Financial Aid
www.law.georgetown.edu/admissions-financial-aid/
office-of-financial-aid/
finaid@law.georgetown.edu
T (202) 662-9210
F (202) 662-9367

Registrar
www.law.georgetown.edu/campus-services/registrar/
lawreg@law.georgetown.edu
T (202) 662-9220
F (202) 662-9235

Residence Life
http://www.law.georgetown.edu/campus-life/housing-residence-life/index.cfm
reslife@law.georgetown.edu
T (202) 662-9290
F (202) 662-9248

Students with Special Needs
law.georgetown.edu/campus-life/disability-services/index.cfm
T (202) 662-4042
F (202) 662-9489

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The policy of Georgetown University Law Center is to provide equal opportunity in its programs, activities and employment practices; to prohibit discrimination in education and employment because of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, handicap or disability, or sexual orientation, and to prohibit harassment. Inquiries regarding the University’s Affirmative Action Plan may be directed to the Special Assistant to the President for Affirmative Action, Georgetown University,