

The Georgetown Law Alumni LL.M. Scholarship Program

A difficult employment market can be an appropriate time to get further training and education. As a result, many graduating law students and some lawyers without jobs have concluded that this would be a good year to pursue an LL.M. degree. Indeed, the applications to our LL.M. program are up substantially this year.

Some Georgetown J.D.s who had not previously considered pursuing an LL.M. have begun inquiring about the possibilities. In order to assist this group we are taking two steps. First, we are extending the application deadline until June 1, 2009, and simplifying the application process. Second, we have created a scholarship program for Georgetown J.D. graduates who would like to pursue an LL.M. degree at Georgetown Law.

Scholarship Program. The scholarship program is open to Georgetown J.D.s, including those graduating in May 2009, who will be full-time students in a Georgetown LL.M. program beginning in the fall semester 2009 and who will be pursuing a two semester course of study. The size of the scholarship awards may vary, but we expect some awards to cover at least one half of the tuition cost. In a few some cases, awards may be higher and could equal three quarters or even full tuition. In selecting scholarship recipients, we will consider financial need and the applicant's reasons for pursuing an LL.M. degree, as well as the capacity of the LL.M. program.

Application Process. We have simplified the application process both for applying to the LL.M. and for applying to the scholarship. Applicants must submit:

- LL.M. application, available to download and print at:
<http://www.law.georgetown.edu/admissions/documents/GraduateApplicationFall2009.pdf>
- resume
- copy of your law school transcript (you can print it from Student Access+)
- personal statement explaining your plan of study and how it fits in with your longer term plans
- scholarship application and financial disclosure form (see below)

Students who are graduating this year need not submit any letters of reference; alumni who graduated before 2009 must submit one reference letter, but it can come from either a professor or a work colleague. There is no application fee. The application deadline for applications under this program has been extended to June 1, 2009. All the materials should be submitted together in hard copy to the Office of Admissions, Georgetown University Law Center, 600 New Jersey Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20001. Questions concerning the application process should be directed to Caryn Voland, cmv26@law.georgetown.edu.

FAQs

What LL.M. programs does Georgetown offer and how long is the program?

Georgetown offers degrees in Taxation, Securities and Financial Regulation, International Business and Economic Law, and Global Health Law, as well as certificates in National Security, WTO Law, Human Rights, Employee Benefits, and Estate Planning. In

addition to these specialized programs, we also offer an individualized LL.M. degree for which students tailor a program of study to fit their particular interests. All of the LL.M. degrees can be completed in two semesters of full-time study. For more information about Georgetown's LL.M. programs go to: <http://www.law.georgetown.edu/graduate/>

Can I work while I am in the LL.M. program?

Students may pursue an LL.M. degree on a full-time or part-time basis. However, the Georgetown Alumni LL.M. Scholarship program is open only to students who will be full-time students in the LL.M. program. As in the J.D. program, full-time LL.M. students are not permitted to work full-time. They may, however, work part-time either on-campus as research assistants or off-campus in another capacity. In addition, the LL.M. program has a two-credit externship program in the spring semester that permits students to work for credit (but not pay) with government or non-profit employers.

Are students who are in the JD/LLM in Taxation eligible for the scholarship?

This LL.M. alumni scholarship program is open only to full-time students who will be studying for two full semesters following completion of their J.D. degree. Students who were accepted into the joint program but who are interested in switching to a two semester program of study may apply for the scholarship.

**Application for Georgetown Law Alumni LL.M. Scholarship
And Financial Disclosure Form**

Name: _____

Current student loan debt: _____

Other significant debt or financial liabilities (e.g., mortgage, child support):

Number of dependents? _____

Projected total income from all sources for period June 2009-June 2010. Please include any stipends or other payments (including bar fees) from an employer in connection with a deferred start date or leave of absence: _____

Do you have a job that is scheduled to start sometime in the future? _____

If so, with whom? _____

What is your expected start date? _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____