



**SECOND ANNUAL ACADEMY OF WTO LAW AND POLICY  
GEORGETOWN LAW  
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The Institute of International Economic Law (IIEL) at Georgetown Law offers a Certificate in WTO Studies to students enrolled in degree programs at the Law Center who complete special requirements for course work in WTO law subjects. The Certificate program has generated interest in the United States and abroad, not only from students but also from professionals who wish to learn about WTO law but are unable to undertake a degree program. To respond to this interest, in 2006, the IIEL launched a new, non-degree course on WTO law and policy, offered as a week-long "Academy" at Georgetown Law. The inaugural Academy brought to the Georgetown Law campus nearly 60 participants from eleven countries. The IIEL looks forward to a Second Academy of WTO Law & Policy in Fall 2007.

**Georgetown Law Campus**

### **Purpose**

The purpose of the Academy is to provide an intensive course in the legal obligations and policy underpinnings of the WTO and its agreements, in the context of how the WTO operates and how it relates to national governments. The program is designed to help governments, educational institutions, and others to build the capacity to take advantage of the multilateral trading system, by training legal professionals, government officials, academics, and others -- including those from developing countries and transition economies.

The program is aimed at professionals with a basic background in WTO and GATT matters. However, those who are new to the subject also are welcome, and introductory readings will be recommended for them before entering the intensive week of instruction.

### **Curriculum and Faculty**

The Academy offers an intensive, five-day course, with the last session of each day consisting of a panel discussion with experienced WTO practitioners and well-recognized academics. Faculty members include prominent WTO Law experts, including former negotiators of WTO agreements.

Topics include: a policy overview; WTO institutional issues and dispute settlement; basic market access principles and exceptions; agriculture; import restrictions, trade remedy rules; subsidies; services; intellectual property protection; regional trade agreements; accession of new members; and other current and future challenges facing the world trading system. There also will be optional workshops on Researching International Trade Law and WTO Litigation Practice, as well as an Opening Reception and luncheon discussions on topical issues such as the Impact of China's WTO Accession.