

# LLM PROGRAM FOR INTERNATIONAL LAWYERS (LLM)

In today's legal world, lawyers are increasingly engaged in international and cross-border practice. We admit only a select small group of students and focus on providing you with the tools to succeed in the US and global legal arena. Loyola's faculty are noted researchers, inspiring teachers, and engaged advisors who deeply care about their students' progress.

Outstanding lawyers from over 55 countries have chosen Loyola to boost their career with a master's degree. Individualized academic and career counseling, supportive faculty, and access to Loyola's worldwide legal networks are just a few benefits of our LLM Program for International Lawyers. Your educational experience and intercultural skills will be further enhanced through full immersion in our welcoming and diverse community.

As a Loyola student, you will study with leading researchers and practitioners in the same doctrinal, upper-level, and skills classes as your U.S. peers. You may choose to complete one of two tracks: Immersion in U.S. Law OR International Law with a Certificate Focus.

## Related Programs

### Doctoral

- International and Comparative Law (SJD) (<https://catalog.luc.edu/graduate-professional/law/international-comparative-law-sjd/>)
- Law (JD Full time) (<https://catalog.luc.edu/graduate-professional/law/full-time-jd/>)

### Certificate

- International Law and Practice Certificate (<https://catalog.luc.edu/graduate-professional/law/international-law-practice-certificate/>)

## Curriculum

You can choose to start the program in the fall semester (mid-August) or spring semester (mid-January). The program is designed to be completed within one year, but you may complete the program part-time over up to two years. Flexible curriculum options include our weekend-program and evening classes that allow students to continue their employment while completing the LLM degree.

You will enroll in two mandatory classes that are designed exclusively for all international LLM students to introduce core concepts of the U.S. legal system and legal research and writing methods. We work with you to select the courses that suit your academic interests and professional goals best.

### Track 1: Immersion in U.S. Law

Designed for foreign lawyers who seek to develop an expertise in American law, the rigorous curriculum immerses you in the foundations of U.S. law and legal thought and provides a thorough training in legal skills critical to advising clients in the U.S. or globally. The students in this track plan to sit for a bar exam and/or pursue a legal career in the US.

### Track 1: Immersion in U.S. Law Courses

The curriculum for Track I is designed to include the core courses currently required by the New York State Board of Law Examiners for

foreign lawyers obtaining an LLM degree. While we provide you with the required courses to satisfy the eligibility and admissions requirements to sit for New York's and select other bar exams, we make no representation or guarantee that any student or graduate of our LLM Program for International Lawyers will be qualified or eligible to sit for the New York or any other state bar examination.

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Required Courses</b>		
LAW 880	Introduction to U.S. Law and the Legal System	1
LAW 881	Legal Research and Writing for Foreign Lawyers I	2
LAW 882	Legal Research and Writing for Foreign Lawyers II	2
LAW 883	Introduction to the Law of the United States II	1
LAW 414	Professional Responsibility	3
<b>Select six credits of subjects tested on the New York bar examinations:</b>		<b>6</b>
LAW 221	Administrative Law	
LAW 185	Business and the Law	
LAW 270	Business Organizations	
LAW 601	Child, Family, and the State	
LAW 113	Civil Procedure	
LAW 325	Conflict of Laws	
LAW 122	Constitutional Law	
LAW 132	Contracts	
LAW 140	Criminal Law	
LAW 240	Criminal Procedure: Investigation	
LAW 241	Criminal Procedure: Adjudication	
LAW 250	Estates	
LAW 210	Evidence	
LAW 245	Family Law	
LAW 509	Federal Courts	
LAW 152	Property	
LAW 478	Real Estate Transactions	
LAW 330	Remedies	
LAW 524	Sales	
LAW 231	Secured Transactions	
LAW 162	Torts	
<b>Elective Coursework</b>		<b>9</b>
Round off your education by selecting nine credit hours from the over 200 courses and seminars we offer each year. Additionally, we offer non-credit workshops to introduce you to bar exam and professional skills.		
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>24</b>

### Track 2: International Law with a Certificate Focus

Designed for students interested in private and public international law, you may earn a focus certificate in any of Loyola's specialty areas, all of which include strong international and comparative components: arbitration, mediation, negotiation; business and corporate; child and family; competition; environmental; health; human rights; immigration; intellectual property; tax; or trade law. Under the guidance of our engaged international faculty, you also may develop your own focus to match your academic interests and professional goals.



## Track 2: International Law with a Certificate Focus

### Option Courses

In Track 2, you will enjoy flexibility in designing your own curriculum to match your academic interests and professional goals. You must complete the required courses and at least 7 credits in international law and 7 credits in any specialty area.

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LAW 882	Legal Research and Writing for Foreign Lawyers II	2
LAW 883	Introduction to the Law of the United States II	1
<b>Elective Coursework</b>		
Complete 18 credits of elective coursework, tailored to match your interests and career goals:		18
International Law (7 credits) <sup>1</sup>		
Area of Focus Courses (7 credits)		
Additional Courses (4 credits)		
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>24</b>

<sup>1</sup> LAW 371 International Business Trans (or other international law course with approval)  
LAW 372 International Law and Practice (or other international law course with approval)

## Degree Requirements

To earn your degree, you must complete at least 24 credit hours of coursework, while maintaining the GPA requirement. Visit our Registrar (<https://www.luc.edu/law/currentstudents/registrar/>) for a complete list of degree requirements, academic calendars, and registration process. You may access full course descriptions here (<https://catalog.luc.edu/graduate-professional/law/#coursestext>).

## Graduate & Professional Standards and Regulations

Students in graduate and professional programs can find their Academic Policies in Graduate and Professional Academic Standards and Regulations (<https://catalog.luc.edu/academic-standards-regulations/graduate-professional/>) under their school. Any additional University Policies supersede school policies.

## Learning Outcomes

You will be able to:

- Analyze and apply U.S. legal authority and perform legal analysis and problem-solving methods employed by U.S. lawyers
- Develop proficiency in Legal English, in both written and oral communications
- Illustrate professionalism standards consistent with the U.S. legal profession's values and standards