LAW: CORPORATE LAW, COMMERCIAL LAW, & TRADE, LLM

for the Master of Laws, Corporate Law, Commercial Law, & Trade Concentration

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The L.L.M. and J.S.D. programs of graduate study in law are designed for foreign law graduates who wish to pursue advanced study and conduct independent research under the direction of the College of Law faculty. Two advanced degrees are conferred by the College of Law: the Master of Laws (L.L.M.) degree and the Doctor of Science of Law (J.S.D.). Overall coordination of the graduate program is the responsibility of the Office of Graduate and International Programs, and individual inquiries should be addressed to this office. The Master of Studies in Law (M.S.L.) is a one-year, nonprofessional, terminal degree program designed for those who have had no legal training and who do not desire a professional law degree.

Graduate Degree Programs in the College of Law

Master of Laws, LLM (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/law/master-laws-llm/)

concentrations:

Master of Studies in Law (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/law/master-studies-msl/)
Doctor of the Science of Law (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/law/science-law-jsd/)
Law, JD (http://catalog.illinois.edu/professional-programs/jd_law/)

Joint Degrees with the Law, JD:
Business Administration, MBA (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/bus/joint-degree/business-administration-joint-mba/)|Chemistry, MS (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/las_law/joint-degree/chemistry-ms-law-jd/)|Computer Science, MCS (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/engineering_law/joint-degree/computer-science-mcs-law-jd/)|Human Resources and Industrial Relations, MHRIR (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/law_ler/joint-degree/human-resources-industrial-relations-mhrir-law-jd/)|Journalism, MS (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/law_media/journalism-ms-law-juris-doctor/)|Natural Resources & Environmental Sciences, MS (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/aces_law/joint-degree/natural-resources-environmental-sciences-ms-law-jd/)|Political Science: Civic Leadership, MA (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/las_law/joint-degree/political-science-ma-civic-leadership-law-jd/)|Political Science, PhD (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/las_law/joint-degree/political-science-phd-law-jd/)|Urban Planning, MUP (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/faa_law/joint-degree/urban-planning-mup-law-jd/)

Admission
The Graduate College admission requirements (http://www.grad.illinois.edu/admissions/apply/) and English language proficiency requirements (http://www.grad.illinois.edu/admissions/instructions/04c/) apply. In addition for the L.L.M. program, the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) requirement is 80 internet-based. Students are not required to take the general Graduate Record Examination (GRE). Students are admitted on an individual basis according to a review of their prior accomplishments with an emphasis on academic achievement. Admission is generally made for the fall semester only.

Financial Aid
Applicants to the College of Law graduate programs are welcome to apply for scholarship assistance. Scholarships typically are awarded to applicants with a combination of excellent academic and professional credentials and proven financial need. Awards usually provide part of tuition and do not cover living expenses. There are always more qualified
applicants than there are funds available. Therefore, applicants are
strongly encouraged to explore alternative sources of funding.

**for the Master of Laws, Corporate Law, Commercial Law, & Trade
Concentration**

Each Concentration offers a directed, optional program of study for LL.M.
students in an increasingly important field of global legal practice. Each
Concentration provides (1) specialized training in the Concentration field
of law, (2) guidance to students in developing a program of study with
the courses deemed most useful and relevant to the Concentration, and
(3) a Concentration designation on their transcripts that will better allow
them to market their expertise, thus gaining a competitive advantage in
the legal employment market. In some instances, a Dual Concentration
(i.e., in Intellectual Property and Justice, Democracy and Legal Rights)
is available to eligible students. Eligible students must apply to pursue
the Dual Concentration and may stay in residence an additional semester
so that the 14-credit requirements of the second Concentration can be
independently met. In the case of the Dual Concentration, credits used to
satisfy one Concentration cannot be used to satisfy the requirements for
a second Concentration. Students interested in remaining in residence
for a third semester to complete their program of study must apply by the
listed deadline at the start of the second semester of the LL.M. degree.
The Concentrations require students to complete a minimum of fourteen
credit hours in topics integral to each Concentration. Courses taken
toward a Concentration will count toward the student's LL.M. degree, and
must be selected with the program advisor.

**Master of Laws Requirements**

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**Other Requirements**

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<td>Minimum 500-level (or higher) Hours</td>
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<td>Minimum GPA:</td>
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1 For additional details and requirements refer to the College of Law’s
graduate degree requirements (http://www.law.illinois.edu/
admissions/llm-program-overview/) and the Graduate College
Handbook (http://www.grad.illinois.edu/gradhandbook/).

**Concentration Requirements**

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